

Preferred the Hogs.
They tell a good one on a prominent real estate man of Waukegan. Some time ago he carried a prospector over on Beaver Creek to show him a certain claim. He told the man that it was an exceptionally fine claim; that the land did not overflow, and that he would sell it to him for \$4,000. The man looked around and discovered some red mud way up in a tree and asked the real estate man what caused that mud in the tree tops if the land did not overflow. The agent promptly replied that there was a kind of hog raised over in the Chickasaw country which used to range on the creek and that they rubbed the mud on the trees. The prospector took a look over the land, glanced up in the tree again, and told the Waukegan man that he wouldn't take the claim, but that he would give him \$4,000 for a couple of those hogs.—Kansas City Journal.

After Four Months in Bed.
Powersville, Ky., April 27th.—Mrs. J. J. Monson, who has been ill for over eight years, says:
"Yes, it is truly wonderful. I am 36 years of age and for the last eight years I have suffered with acute kidney trouble."
"I tried all the doctors within reach and many other medicines, but got no relief till I used that new remedy, Dodd's Kidney Pills."
"I was confined to my bed for four months this winter and had such a pain in my side I couldn't get a good breath. I had smothering spells, was light-headed and had given up all hope, for I didn't think I could live long."
"After I had taken a few of Dodd's Kidney Pills I began to improve and I kept on till now, as you can see, I am well."
"I have been up and down doing my own work for some time now and haven't felt pain or weakness since."
"I praise the Lord for my wonderful restoration to health and will always recommend Dodd's Kidney Pills."

Metaphysics in Scotch.
A Scotchman thus defines metaphysics: "When a man who knows nothing about any subject, takes a subject that no man knows anything about and explains it to another man still more ignorant than himself—that is metaphysics."—Lyre.

An Unreliable Rumor.
The rumor from Washington that the "Four-Track News" has been sold to Frank Munsey for four million dollars is denied by George H. Daniels, the publisher, who says that the "Four-Track News" will continue to be published at the old stand.—From the Albany Journal.

His Condition.—"But he's a professional humorist." "Well?" "But you just referred to him as a 'unconscious humorist.'" "So he was on the occasion I have in mind. He had tried to be funny with a tough get from the Fourth ward."—Philadelphia Press.

Many School Children Are Sickly.
Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children, used by Mother Gray, a nurse in Children's Home, New York, break up Colds, cure Feverishness, Constipation and destroy Worms. All Druggists. 25c. Sample FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, New York.

It may be that might makes right in this wicked world, but sometimes it comes pretty near bungling the job.—Puck.

To Cure a Cold in One Day
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c

The individual who obtains celebrity in a single night is likely to lose it in a day.—Chicago Journal.

I am sure Piso's Cure for Consumption saved my life three years ago.—Mrs. Thos. Robbins, Norwich, N. Y., Feb. 17, 1900.

Somehow the game that is not worth the candle never lacks for either players or candles.—Puck.

A luxury becomes a necessity just as soon as we can afford to have it.—Puck.

"The Klean, Kool Kitchen Kind" is the trade mark on stoves which enable you to cook in comfort in a cool kitchen.

Few faults are lost, yet many are found.—Chicago Daily News.

Money refunded for each package of Putnam Fadeless Dyes if unsatisfactory.

The cheerful live longest in years, and afterward in our regards.—Bovee.

HARD TO BEAR.



When the back aches and pains so badly, can't work—can't rest—can't sleep—can't eat—it's hard to bear. Thousands of aching backs have been relieved and cured. People are learning that backache pains come from disordered kidneys, that Doan's Kidney Pills cure every kidney illness—Bladder troubles, urinary derangements, Dropsy, Diabetes, Bright's disease.

Read this testimony to the merit of the greatest of kidney specifics: J. W. Walls, Superintendent of Streets of Lebanon, Kentucky, living on East Main Street in that city, says:

"With my nightly rest broken, owing to irregularities of the kidneys, suffering intensely from severe pains in the small of my back and through the kidneys, and annoyed by painful passages of abnormal secretions, life was anything but pleasant for me. No amount of doctoring relieved this condition, and for the reason that nothing seemed to give me even temporary relief, I became about discouraged. One day I noticed in the newspapers the case of a man who was afflicted as I was and was cured by the use of Doan's Kidney Pills. His words of praise for this remedy were so sincere that on the strength of his statement I went to the Hugh Murrey Drug Co.'s store and got a box. I found that the medicine was exactly as powerful a kidney remedy as represented. I experienced quick and lasting relief. Doan's Kidney Pills will prove a blessing to all sufferers from kidney disorders who will give them a fair trial."

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MINNESOTA NEWS.

Grasshoppers.
State Entomologist F. L. Washburn has issued a brief abstract of the new law passed by the legislature for the destruction of grasshoppers. The law provides that the board of county commissioners may hear complaints against fields said to be infested with grasshoppers' eggs. Unless the complaint is accompanied by a certificate of the state entomologist, the commissioners shall refer the matter to that official before taking any definite action. The person making the complaint is also directed to serve notice upon the owner or lessee of the land, ten days prior to the meeting of the commissioners, telling that he is going to make the complaint.

If convinced after hearing the complaint that the land is infested the commissioners may declare it a public nuisance and order the field plowed. If the owner or lessee of the land refuses to plow it, he may be prosecuted for maintaining a public nuisance, and the field shall be plowed at the expense of the county. If the plowing of the field should be of value to the owner, coming just before the season for planting crops the county has the right to collect from his the cost of the plowing.

Climate and Crop Bulletin.

In the extreme southeastern counties of the state the rains of the previous week continued till the 14th; elsewhere there was dry weather till the 18th, when light rains began in the southwestern part of the state becoming general during the day, except in the Red River Valley. The mornings were cool till the 17th, with freezing temperatures; after that date the temperatures were moderate. Except in the southeast, where the early part of the week was wet, the weather has been very favorable for all farm work, and the seeding of wheat was general till the 18th, though work was hindered somewhat in the early mornings by frozen surface soil; considerable oats and barley have also been seeded. Most of the seeding has been done on the high and light lands, as the heavy soils and flat lands are still wet. In a few places in the southwest, the early sown wheat, oats and barley are beginning to come up. Clover, winter rye and wheat, and small fruits seem to have passed through the winter well. The pastures are becoming green, but the amount of nourishment afforded by them is still small.

Important Discovery.
An experiment that may revolutionize the iron and steel industry of the country was successful at the plant of the Valley Iron company in St. Paul, Titanic iron ore, of which there are billions of tons in Northern Minnesota, was smelted in an ordinary cupola and turned out pig iron, which polished up like steel and which, according to those interested in the experiment, is better than the finest Bessemer steel.

While the hard and soft ore mines of St. Louis county have been turning out millions of tons annually for years, farther north there are gigantic beds of iron, which, because of the presence of titanium, making it refractory, have received but little attention, though their existence is generally known. It has been commonly believed that sooner or later it would be necessary to use this ore, because of the rapid dwindling of the supply of the hard ore, which is necessary to bring the soft ore up to Bessemer grade, and that before that time somebody would discover a process by which this apparently valueless ore could be used.

Our Cheese is Good.
According to tests made recently by Professor Harry Snyder, chemist at the state experiment station, Minnesota cheese is superior to Wisconsin and New York cheese. Samples representing the best product of each state showed that the Minnesota cheese contains the least moisture and the most fat.

Commenting upon the tests W. P. Connell, state dairy and food commissioner, said that the climate, pasture and general advantages that have already made Minnesota famous for its butter, would undoubtedly give the north star state an equal reputation for its cheese.

In the northern counties, added Mr. Connell, farmers are establishing additional cheese factories with marked success. Two factories are building, also, in Dodge county, and one in Anoka county.

News Notes.
Montrose will have a new state bank May 4. Permission to open a bank under the name of the State Bank of Montrose was granted.

State institutions have \$621,950 to spend on buildings, repairs and betterments during the year. Some of this is from old appropriations unexpended, some is made available at once and the larger part is to be used during the fiscal year beginning August 1. Plans for this work will be made at once and it will be carried through this summer.

The 7-year-old son of Fred Wruck, a farmer living in Burns, was killed by a runaway team. He was driving a seeder and was struck on the head by a wheel.

Mary Grundman, a pupil in the eighth grade at Faribault, was awarded a handsome silk flag for writing the best essay on a hero of the Revolution.

Mrs. Christine Peterson, a widow living on a farm near Milaca, was instantly killed. Dynamite, which she was warming under a stove, exploded. The house was demolished and her remains mangled.

ROUND ABOUT THE STATE.

William Weinand was struck by a Stillwell car and received injuries from which he died twenty-five minutes later.

Henry B. Farwell who had been a prominent attorney in St. Paul for more than twenty years, died at the family residence.

Edward Maybury of St. Cloud filed a petition in bankruptcy, placing his assets at \$10, all exempt, and his liabilities at \$3,142.62.

The explosion of a new process gasoline stove resulted in the burning of three persons at the home of C. F. Adams in Minneapolis.

H. Johnson, a prominent citizen of Posston, was found dead in a grove near that point with a bullet hole in his temple. It is thought to be a suicide.

J. T. Eiwel has just sold fifteen head of cattle from his Lakeview farm (Eden rairie) to F. H. Jurgens for his foundation herd at Lac qui Parle.

Teddy Donovan, Preston's reform mayor, was re-elected by a practically unanimous vote. License carried by the largest majority in the history of the village.

The resignation of A. G. Barnard of Cass Lake, Minn., as clerk to Ed Warren, chief of the crew of examiners, has been received by Land Commissioner Richards.

The postoffice at Kenyon was robbed about 3 o'clock in the morning of \$200 in money and \$250 in postage stamps. The safe was blown to pieces by dynamite.

A well-dressed man, without hat, created a sensation by entering the Holy Rosary church, Minneapolis, and attempting to destroy the altar and fixtures with an ax.

Cleveland is just organizing a Business Men's League, or Commercial club, with H. H. Flower as its leader. The town is also making arrangements to incorporate soon.

Mrs. Rose Poissart, a widow who had resided in this county about twenty-five years, was burned to death at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ludger Plant, near Little Falls.

The buttermakers of southern Minnesota are making great preparations for the annual picnic of the State Buttermakers' Association, which has been set for June 4 at Lake Crystal.

Henry Nun, a patient at the St. Peter hospital, committed suicide by throwing himself in front of a moving engine. He was out on the grounds with others, when he broke away.

The St. Paul board of education has appointed a committee to arrange for an exhibit of the schools of that city at the St. Louis exposition, a fund having been appropriated for the work.

The lakes are finally open, after a week's delay from strikes and the accumulation of ships at either end has been broken. Ore is pouring out of docks and the congestion that was feared has ceased.

Weyerhaeuser interests are going to extend to the Duluth & Northeastern road from Island Lake on the Cloquet river to the village of Cloquet on the St. Louis river. The distance is twenty-five miles.

Fire was discovered in the machine shop of the Chandler Iron company, at Ely, and the roof of the building was damaged. The cause of the fire is unknown. The loss is about \$300, fully insured.

The first townsite on the new extension of the Great Northern into Roseau county will be in the southwest quarter of section 28 in the town of Holt, twelve miles north of Thief River Falls.

Public Examiner Johnson has reported to the state treasurer \$3,166.95 in gross earnings of the St. Peter Telephone company, which were omitted from the return of 1900. The 3 per cent tax amounts to \$95.01.

The state Sunday school convention closed at Mankato. The total number of delegates enrolled was 330, representing fifteen denominations and twenty-nine counties. Duluth was selected as the next place of meeting.

In the township of Leaf Valley in Douglas county there lives an eccentric old man named Adam Schley, who claims to be, and without doubt is, an uncle of the famous admiral who was lately the honored guest of Minneapolis.

An important decision was filed at the Duluth land office by Secretary Hitchcock of the interior department. It provides that all contests over state swamp lands shall hereafter be decided by the field notes of the government surveyor.

Authorization has been granted for the organization of the First National Bank of Hector, Minn., with capital of \$25,000. G. K. Gilbert, John Hokanson, G. S. Eichmiller, A. B. Anderson and H. S. Deming are named as incorporators.

The contention of the anti-vaccinationists that smallpox is not contagious has suffered a serious setback during the past week. Charles Stevens, secretary of the Minneapolis society, died from smallpox and yesterday one of the children was stricken with the disease.

Congressman McCleary has recommended the appointment of Frank H. Burlew as postmaster at Sleepy Eye, to succeed himself; of Edward F. Clower as postmaster at Bigelow, Nobles county; and of A. B. Congdon as postmaster at Monterey, Martin county, to succeed E. Howard Fitz, resigned.

The council of R. A. DeMars of Hallock, Minn., to put in a telephone system to be in operation by July.

Russell & Sons' general store and the First National bank building at Elyota burned. Loss on stock and buildings is \$10,000, fully insured.

The Minnesota state board of medical examiners issued licenses to twenty candidates, who are now at liberty to practice medicine. Twenty-three persons had applied for certificates and only three of these failed to qualify. At the last examination there were nineteen candidates and only ten of these passed.

Why He Called Her Peggy.
"I thought your wife's name was Elizabeth?"
"So it is."
"Then why do you call her Peggy?"
"Short for Pegasia."
"What has that to do with it?"
"Why, Pegasia is feminine for Pegasus."
"Well, Pegasus is an immortal steed."
"What of that?"
"She's not so loud. She's in the next room. You see, an immortal steed is an everlasting nag, and there you are."—Indianapolis Journal.

Fortune seldom knocks at the door of the knocker.—Chicago Daily News.
A wise man makes many friends and few confidants.—Chicago Daily News.

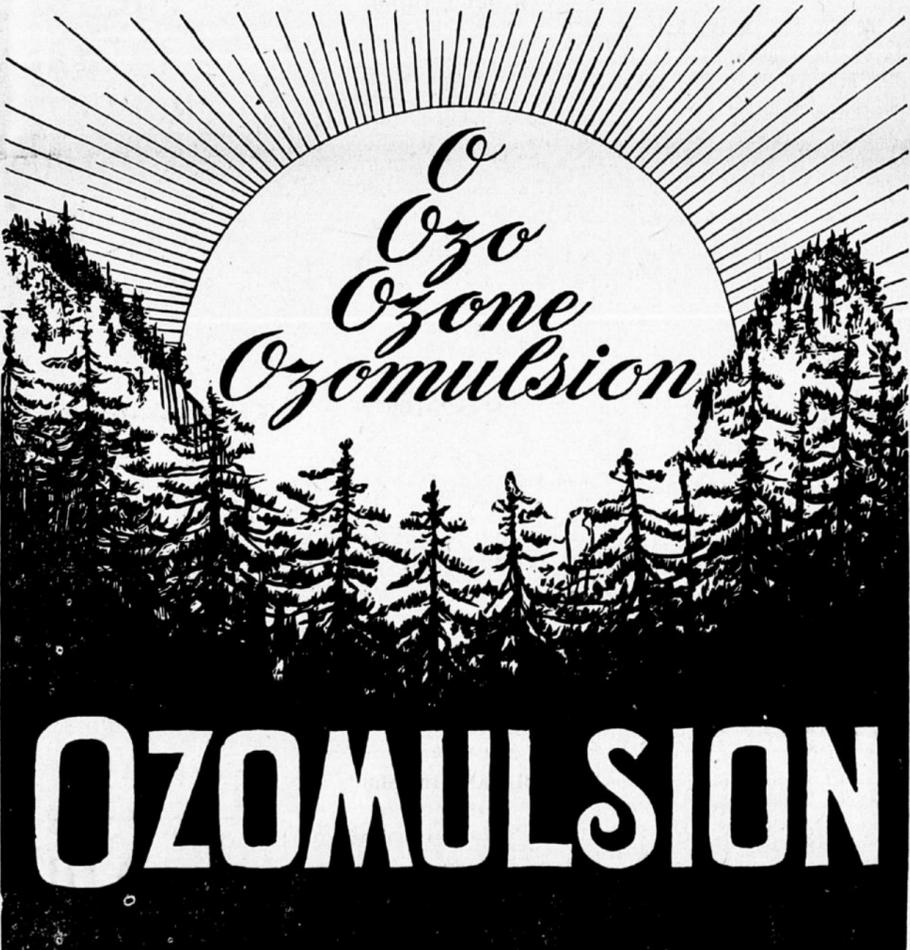
Giving Them Fair Warning.
"And now that you have finished college, what are you going to do?" asked a friend of the youthful candidate.
"I shall study medicine," was the grave reply of the young man.
"But isn't that profession already overcrowded?" asked the friend.
"Possibly it is," said the knowing youth, "but I propose to study medicine just the same, and those who are already in the profession will have to take their chances."—Stray Stories.

The Wrong Counter.
Mrs. Bargain Hunter—I want to get "The Man with the Hoe."
Clerk (at hosiery counter)—You'll find him in the agricultural department. I'm the man with the hoe.—N. Y. Times.

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