

NEW ULM REVIEW.

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The silver bill has passed. Now pass the silver.

The situation in the East remains unchanged.

The Page impeachment investigation, and the Merrill text-book bill still hang fire in the House of Representatives.

No action has been taken yet by the House on the resolution providing for an investigation of the charges preferred against E. St. Julien Cox.

The executive committee of the State Fair association held a meeting in St. Paul last Thursday evening, at which it was decided to hold the fair in St. Paul, on the first week in September, commencing on Monday, the 2d.

Another bomb-shell was thrown into the Legislature last Wednesday morning, in the shape of letters, which were presented to the Senate by Senator Rice, making most serious charges against the management of the insane asylum at St. Peter. If true, they show a terrible condition of affairs, as it is alleged that unwholesome food is given to the unfortunate inmates, and that they are cruelly treated. The Senate promptly appointed a committee to investigate the charges.

The St. Paul Dispatch of last Monday says: "The New Ulm Herald says that Judge Cox continued his Fairmont-St. Paul spree while holding a term of court in that town last week." The Herald says nothing of the kind. Cox may have taken a little too much while here, but the Dispatch statement that it was while holding a term of court, is the first intimation our people had that a term of court was held here by any one last week. Give the devil his dues Mr. Dispatch.

We have received a printed copy of the tree claim bill, introduced into Congress on February 11, by Maj. Strait, which was read twice and referred to the committee on public lands. The bill is amendatory of "An act to encourage the growth of timber on the western prairies," and its principal provisions are as follows:

Any person who shall plant, protect and keep in a healthy, growing condition for eight years twenty acres of timber, the trees thereon not being more than six feet apart one way, by four feet the other way, on any quarter section of any of the public lands of the United States, or ten acres on any subdivision of eighty acres, or five acres on any legal subdivision of forty acres, or one-eight part of any fractional subdivision of land less than forty acres, to receive a patent for the whole of said quarter section, or of such legal subdivision of eighty or 40 acres, or fractional subdivisions of less than forty acres, as the case may be, at the expiration of said eight years, on making proof of such fact by not less than two credible witnesses.

In commenting on the bill the Marshall Messenger says: "We think this the only bill introduced that covers the real defects of the present tree law, and provides a practical method of growing trees on our dry prairies. The giving of another year before the first planting is made is absolutely necessary in our country, and the provision of six feet between rows of trees enables a man to drive between with a wagon if mauling is to be done. If Mr. Strait's bill becomes a law we can raise good timber everywhere on the western prairies. With the present law there will scarcely be a thirty grove or tree claim in ten years. Our tree claims under the present inoperative act are fast being abandoned and turned into other claims. We hope to see the frontier counties petition for this bill."

Minnesota Legislature.

THAT BRIBERY.

Liberty Hall, of Glencoe, the Guilty Party.

The committee appointed to investigate the charges of bribery preferred by our member, Hon. C. C. Brandt, held several meetings and examined a number of witnesses; and on last Thursday morning they reported the testimony to the House. From the testimony it appears that Liberty Hall of Glencoe paid Brandt the money. For the want of space we can only give Brandt's testimony of his conversation with Hall, and Hall's statement of the circumstances.

BRANDT'S TESTIMONY.

*** Hall asked what I thought of the text-book bill. I said I thought it was a good bill and would vote for it. He said he thought not. We had some more general conversation, and he asked me what I thought of the amendments. I said the friends of the measure were not in favor of amendments. He thought it ought to be amended. He asked what I thought of an amendment to make it optional with the districts whether they took the books or not. I said I could vote for it conscientiously, as it would not affect my district. Then he asked if he could give me \$50 if I would vote for the amendment.

He then took from his pocket a bill. It was \$50. I put it in my pocket. Then he says, "will you vote for that amendment?" I answered, "as I said before, I can conscientiously." I then rose to leave the room, having all that I was after—the evidence that money was being used, and was now prepared to lay the money before the house. Hall asked me if I would vote for other amendments that might come up. I said no reply. I left the room and found Gelb in the general office waiting for me, and we left for the capitol. After we left the hotel I showed the bill to Gelb, and told him to take particular notice of its number. I told

my story to Col. Plender, and showed him the bill. I then went to the house, and the committee knows what I did then. I sent the same bill to the clerk's desk. I asked Gelb, on my way to the capitol, why he left the room, and he said Hall told him to do so.

HALL'S TESTIMONY.

*** Saturday morning Brandt came to room 21, in the Merchants Hotel, and Mr. Gelb introduced him to me when Brandt stepped into the room. The first I recollect that was said was by Brandt, that he called to talk about the text-book bill; that he should support the amendment to the text-book bill making it optional with the districts to take the books or not, and he said he intended to do so. We talked several minutes. I gave him my reasons for opposing the bill. Asked me what I thought of the amendment including cities. I replied that I did not consider it essential, and did not think it right that cities or towns should be compelled to use the books. That it seemed to me the best way to get along was to leave it optional with the districts. Brandt thought so too, and intended to vote for the amendment making it optional. That was all that was said about the text-book bill. Then talked about other subjects, about the grasshopper troubles; said his county had suffered severely, and he had suffered and was hard up. Nothing more had been said as to how he intended to vote on the text-book bill. Mr. Brandt is in my congressional district. I never met him before this time. I did not procure the appointment for him to come to my room, and did not know he was coming. I took him to be an influential man in his community. When Brandt got up to leave the room I gave him \$50. It was my own money, and not given with any idea of procuring his vote on that amendment, as he had already stated unqualifiedly that he was a friend of the amendment. The point I had in my mind was to secure him as a friend in case I needed his assistance in political matters in the future.

From the above it will be seen that Hall does not deny paying Brandt the \$50, but claims that it was for an entirely different purpose. But as it is known that he has been a zealous worker against the Merrill bill, his explanation is regarded as rather "thin." A resolution was introduced to punish Mr. Hall, but under notice of debate the resolution went over. Mr. Brandt, no doubt will be fully exonerated from any intimation of doing wrong.

THE NEW POPE, LEO XIII.

Cardinal Pecci chosen on the Third Ballot.

The conclave of Cardinals, which assembled in Rome on the 17th inst. to choose a successor to the late Pope Pius the IX, elected Cardinal Giochino Pecci on the third ballot. He is an Italian, and assumes the title of "LEO XIII."

The new Pontiff is tall, with a fine head high forehead narrowing at the temples, a long face and straight features. He has a large mouth, a prominent chin, a cheerful open countenance and large well shaped ears. His face reminds one of Consulvi the renowned Minister of Pius VII. He has a fine, sonorous voice, great dignity, even austerity of manners in public life, but in private is affectionate, unassuming, sociable and witty. As Camerlengo he has been the head of that party which without formally renouncing the right of the Holy See, acknowledges the wisdom of submitting to the decrees of Providence and accepting what seem to be irrevocably accomplished facts. The general opinion is that for learning, tact, energy, dignity, amiability, real moral worth and sincere piety, the Sacred College could not find a more deserving Pope than Cardinal Pecci. At Perugia he followed the same policy recommended by the late Cardinal Riario Sforza. At Naples he advised good Catholics to fulfil their duties as citizens at the municipal and provincial elections. Even when the clerical press, professing to interpret the wish of the Vatican, enjoined the policy of abstinence.

SEEDS FOR FARMERS.

Correspondence Between Hon. H. B. Strait and the Commissioner of Agriculture.

To the Editor of the Pioneer Press. Will you please insert in your paper the enclosed letter from the commissioner of agriculture. I am in daily receipt of communications from persons residing in the grasshopper region of our State, asking for a supply of seeds. The commissioner of agriculture in reply to my letter, asking that the wants of these people be granted, has forwarded me the following letter which will fully explain itself.

Very respectfully,
H. B. STRAIT.
WASHINGTON, Feb. 16th, 1878.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 13, 1878. Hon. H. B. Strait, House of Representatives: DEAR SIR: In reply to your esteemed favor of the 31st ult. in which you ask to be informed "what assistance, if any, your department can give to those citizens of Minnesota whose crops were destroyed by grasshoppers last year?" I have the honor to say with regret that the special appropriation under which seeds were distributed last year to these unfortunate people having been exhausted on that object, nothing seems to remain now but they should come under the general distribution provided by law for all sections of the Union. Should it be the pleasure of congress to make further appropriation to meet the wants of your people growing out of last year's visitation, I shall take pleasure in carrying out promptly the duties which such an act would probably devolve on this department. Without such special appropriation for that purpose, it will be impossible for this department to furnish seeds in any quantity to the grasshopper sufferers of your State. Respectfully, your obedient servant,
Wm. G. LE DUC,
Commissioner of Agriculture.

Lone Tree Lake Correspondence.

LONE TREE LAKE, FEBRUARY 24, 1878. Editor Review:—I see, in a communication, in the Herald, from Lone Tree Lake, over the signature of "Jake," that the counsel in the late trial had better try the remedial virtues of J. J. Reilly's Relief to counteract the bad effects of the reaction produced by the sudden collapse of said trial.

"Jake" should have included I. J. among the counsel employed to whom he recommends this Relief instead of leaving him out in the cold. His Relief will undoubtedly relieve the counsel of all uneasy feelings so that they can draw a long breath.

It will also prove the sure thing or that condition of the system which obliges one to expectorate so copiously in church. I refer to that class who are in the habit of ejecting a stream of tobacco juice upon the church carpet, stove and floor. We hope that for decency sake, and for regard to the place, the practice will be discontinued. It is exceedingly annoying and anything but soothing to one's nerves to sit down in a pew transformed into a miniature pond of spittle, or come in contact with a stove exhaling the stench of juice ejected promiscuously upon it. Jake, a dose of the "Relief" 30 minutes before service, and it will aid you wonderfully in keeping your pew clean, and save the stove from a baptism by no means wholesome to the olfactory. A word to the wise is sufficient. Cleanliness is a part of religion.

Not many weeks ago a young man, elastic, spruce, inquisitive, was on the road to N. U. As he went whistling along, he overtook one of Eve's daughters and cordially invited her to a seat on his wagon. She cheerfully accepted of the invitation. The parties, after breaking through their reserve, began to chat and talk as lively and unceremoniously as though they had seen each other before. Next day our inquisitive friend fell in with his acquaintance of the day before, and she asks him to carry her to Sleepy Eye. Hesitating, she very lovingly says, "Why, my dear, we had such a nice time yesterday, our hearts beating in unison, and you acknowledging me a very agreeable acquaintance,—you ought for these reasons alone to convey me to my destination. Please relent so far as to set me on that depot platform, and my loving heart will call down benedictions on your precious soul." What would our young friend's wife say if she should hear of this? Say nothing about it, and he will be more shy next time.

Jerome Hewitt has taken to himself a wife. We have been suspecting Jerome for some time, and now our suspicions are confirmed. The auspicious event is to be commemorated this evening by a shake of the "light fantastic toe." Lone Tree has a few more cases that need watching, about whom suspicions thickly gather on your precious soul. Look out for the lightning rod man. He will soon be on the wing. He has a spice of determination about him. You may be sure his rods are No. 1, and need not entertain the slightest doubt but that they will conduct sparks most anywhere. By all means, get your buildings insured. We have a friend who is so shy of his rivals that he stands in fear lest some one should ask him to ride. A pair of laughing brown eyes are bent upon him, and he guards them tenderly. He is a happy child and has a good many poetic thoughts—brudal intentions. OBSERVER.

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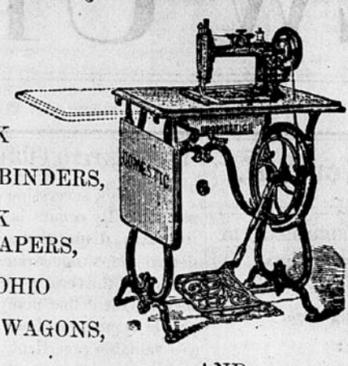
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