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PETER A. ODELL.

Last Wednesday word was received from the Hospital at Fergus Falls that Ex-Sheriff Peter A. Odell had ended his earthly career. The remains were brought here Thursday and were interred at the Fairview cemetery on Friday under the auspices of the Masonic fraternity.

Mr. Odell was born in Olems Socken, Kalmar Lan, Sweden, in 1838. At 18 years of age he left home and went to sea. This avocation he followed for a number of years, in the meantime graduating from the Malmo Navigation School, and became at last captain of his own vessel. In 1864 he emigrated to this country, going at first to La Porte, Indiana, and two years later to St. Cloud, Minn., where for some time he had charge of a ferry boat over the Mississippi river. In 1868 he moved to this county, settling on a farm in the Town of Lake Andrew. In the seventies he served as county commissioner for several years. In 1878, he was elected sheriff, and held that office for twelve consecutive years, earning the well-merited title of "Old Sheriff." In 1870 he was married to Miss Carrie Reese. Mrs. Odell and nine children, six girls and three boys, all survive and mourn the loss of a husband and father.

Mr. Odell had enjoyed good health until three or four years ago when the grippe was prevalent. He had a severe attack of that malady, from which he seems never to have fully recovered. He was better and worse off and on, yet well enough to give some attention to his business. Early in the summer while working with his team on the streets one very warm day, he was overcome by the heat and seriously prostrated. In a short time he was well enough to be around, but he seemed to be lost to himself and at times would wander aimlessly around. It was thought best to send him to the Hospital for proper treatment and care. We learn now that he has been gradually growing worse until he passed away as stated above.

Mr. Odell was popular and well liked as a public officer. He undoubtedly had his faults in common with humanity, but his generous and good qualities largely outweighed them. Many a man in Kandiyohi county owes his home to-day to the large-hearted generosity of Peter A. Odell. His sympathy was always with the struggling pioneer in trouble.

With the Old Sheriff passed away another of the old pioneers of Kandiyohi county, and the public at large extends its heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family.

Mass Meeting.

A mass meeting of the farmers will be held at the Court House at Willmar on Saturday, Jan. 11, at one o'clock, for the purpose of taking final action on this creamery question in Willmar.

Svea News.

Cold weather seems to have set in for good now.

The Y. P. S. holds its regular meeting to-night, Jan. 3rd, 1896.

Mr. Martin Peterson from Hallock, Minn., is visiting among old friends in Svea.

Mr. Freeberg is to officiate as organist until Mr. Sam Nelson will be able to take charge.

Dr. Frost was called out here to attend Mr. Erick Hegstrom, Jr., who was very sick. The Dr. said there was no danger.

Misses Hulda and Ellen Lundberg are guests at Rev. E. Norsen's at Crow River, the event being Miss Norsen's wedding.

Mr. Louis Hed, our enterprising Svea merchant is still nursing his broken leg. It seems to take a long time for him to get well. He is very lively, considering his circumstances.

It is rumored that the Svea Luth. Church is to have a new organ in their sanctuary in the near future. The organ is to be put in on trial only. The congregation needs a new organ badly.

Another year is behind us with its trials, joys, sorrows, and good and bad experiences. What the new year 1896, toward which we have turned, will bring is hard to tell. May we only be faithful in our different occupations and undertakings and we shall have our reward.

Mr. Simons, with Cornish, Curtis and Green, of St. Paul, is here in Svea and has been for some time canvassing among the farmers, preparatory to putting up a creamery. He has had quite a good success. A creamery is what the farmers want out here.

The Svea Luth. Congregation held its annual meeting Jan. 2nd, 1896. Nearly all the old officers were elected again. Mr. Sam Nelson was elected organist, Sunday school superintendent and teacher of the Swedish school, the term being two months, to commence the 1st Monday in May. Mr. Erick Hegstrom was elected church sexton, Mr. Otto Lindquist treasurer, Mr. P. N. Olson, treasurer for the building fund. Rev. O. Lundberg is still pastor. He is beloved and esteemed by all.

Seminary Boarding club started out with over 80 members.

WANTED—A girl for general housework. A. H. SPERRY.

Miss Flora Mantor left for the cities to-day to resume her studies at the University.

Two girls wanted for general housework. Good pay to right parties. Inquire at this office.

H. T. Thompson, operator in the Western Union office here, went to the cities Monday on business.

The county commissioners met for their regular January session this afternoon at one o'clock.

G. Gilbertson, who has spent some time visiting north of here, returned to his home in Nebraska to-day.

Mr. Erick J. Hallquist of Mamre and Miss Martha Johnson of New London were married by Justice Ramsett at the court-house to-day.

Kandiyohi County is rapidly becoming a dairying county. No less than 3 new creamery enterprises are mentioned in this issue of the TRIBUNE.

Wm. McLaughlin, Harold Frost, Lawrence Booth and Elias Wennerlund left for Minneapolis Monday to take up their studies at the University.

A. F. Nordin went down to Tokato last Saturday to install the officers of the Woodman Camp at that place and incidentally to deliver a lecture on woodcraft. Mr. Nordin reports a very interesting time.

Nels Malling has purchased the Home Meat Market, formerly owned by E. W. Rose, and has opened up for business there to-day. Mr. Malling is an old railroad man and invites the boys to pay him a visit at his place of business.

The farmers in eastern part of town of Dove and western part in town of Green Lake are contemplating the building of a creamery; their 4th meeting will be held at the school house, near Mr. Mat. Cody's on Monday, Jan 13th, 1896, at 1 o'clock p. m.

Mrs. Blanche Hand attended the State Educational Association meeting as a delegate from Kandiyohi county, and took a particularly active part in the music section. While our county was not largely represented in numbers, it was well represented nevertheless.

Johnson & Pinney, the enterprising millers of New London, have our thanks for a handsome calendar of the current year. They have distributed a thousand of them among the farmers of the county, and they will no doubt reap a bountiful harvest from the seeds of printer's ink so scattered.

The Cantata, "Santa Claus' Arrival," given by the young people of the Presbyterian church last Friday evening was a splendid success. The quaint little brownies, fairies, exquisites and newsboys performed their parts in a manner that reflects credit on their trainers. Owing to the unfavorable weather Friday evening the performance was repeated the following evening.

The chances for a successful winter term at the Seminary are very flattering, we understand. Students are pouring in at a rate that is simply wonderful, coming from parts afar and near. The Seminary boarding club is also an assured success, students taking advantage of the opportunity of getting board at cost. We were told to-day by the president of the club that the applications received numbered already three times as many as had been expected.

I hereby wish to express my most sincere and heartfelt thanks to the Masonic Lodge for aiding in the burial of my husband and also for the kind aid they have bestowed upon me and family. The neighbors who assisted have my sincere gratitude.

Mrs. P. A. Odell.

Willmar Markets.

Wheat—45 cents.
Oats—12 cents.
Corn—20 cents.
Barley—16 cents.
Flax—75 cents.
Potatoes—about 15 cents.
Eggs—18 cents.
Butter—10 to 15 cents.

Advertised Letters

WILLMAR MINN. JAN. 6, 1896.
Cassidy, N. E.
Cuniff, Mrs. J. E.
Day, P. J.
Gishanon, B. J.
Habrason, Mrs.
Hanson, Mrs. J.
Hanson, P. O.
Honehins, Miss Emma.
Hong, Carl K.
Hult, Mr. N.
Moberg, A. L.
Nilson, Andru.
Nilson, Miss Jennie.
Ryan, Mr. J.
Staan, Lars.
Swenson, Albert.
Thorseth, Miss Berthe. (2)
Trydell, Dan. Care. Perry & Presslys Dramatic Co.
White, G. W.
S. E. STANBERY P. M.

DEGREE OF HONOR.

Installation of Officers of Willmar Lodge No. 29, Degree of Honor.

Last Thursday evening a very enjoyable and delightful time was had at the installation of the officers for the coming year of the Willmar Lodge of Degree of Honor. The officers installed were as follows:

Miss Mamie O'Brien P. C. of H.
Mrs. Ella H. Mantor, C. H.
Mrs. Sue B. Oram, L. H.
Mrs. J. G. Kulzer, C. C.
Miss Gertrude Gould, Rec.
Mrs. Ella Ismond, Financier
Mrs. Mathilda Wold, Receiver
Miss Mary Osundson L. U.
Mrs. Nellie Noren, I. W.
Mr. Samuel Porter O. W.
Maid of Honor:
Mrs. M. Germain and Miss Lydia Hardy.

As the C. of H. was just about closing the Lodge, Bro. Hardy stepped forward and on behalf of the Lodge presented her with a beautiful solid gold P. C. of H. Badge. The chief was considerably surprised for the moment, and very touchingly affected by this beautiful token of the appreciation of the Lodge for her labor in its behalf. No decoration, we believe, was ever more worthily bestowed, as Mrs. Mantor is an ideal presiding officer, and in no small degree contributes to make Willmar Degree of Honor Lodge the eminent success it is.

After the installation ceremonies were over, everybody, about 100, sat down and enjoyed oysters, coffee, cakes, and other D. of H. delicacies, too numerous to mention.

Arctander Items.

A happy New Year.
School have commenced again in Dist. No. 69, after the holiday vacation.

Mrs. L. C. Johnson and children, spent Christmas with her parents at Atwater.

Mrs. Otto Hedin had the pleasure of enjoying a Christmas visit of two of her brothers from Stearns Co.

Christ Olson and Erick Hove, of Souix Falls, visited relatives and friends in this town during Xmas.

Prof. N. J. Hong, of Willmar, held a temperance lecture at the school house in Dist. No. 54 on the eve of the 27th, to a large audience.

In the afternoon on Sunday, the 29th, Christmas tree festival was held at the east Norway Lake Synod church. A splendid time is reported.

The wedding bells have again been heard, and one of our young ladies have again been taken away, or lost as it was remarked.

Tilda Christianson finished her duties in the store of D. R. & Q. at Willmar. We understand she intends to attend the Seminary during the winter.

A Christmas tree festival was held at the school house in Dist. No. 54 on the eve of the 26th. Mr. S. Hattestad, of Lake Andrew, was the principal speaker, and a good time was held.

On Saturday the 28th, Miss Martha Lund, an esteemed young lady, was united in marriage to Anton Larson, the respected shoemaker, of Kerkhoven, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Lund. Rev. R. K. Fjelstad performed the ceremony. A large number of relatives and friends were invited and a very good time was held, and a goodly number of valuable presents were presented to the bridal couple. They have already moved to Kerkhoven and will make that place their home.

There has been some talk of erecting a creamery near Norway Lake Post office, but no action has been taken so far, as it seems no one will take upon himself the responsibility of commencing. This is no doubt as good a place as can be found in this vicinity, for if once started here and was properly managed, most of the farmers in this town and Lake Andrew would patronize it; and no doubt some farmers of Norway Lake would also bring their milk to it. Why not go ahead as one is very much needed here.

GIRL WANTED.

A good girl for general housework wanted at once by Mrs. W. A. Sperry of this city.

Found!

A ladies fur mit. Owner can have same by calling at this office and paying charges.

Largest and best stock of cranberries in the city at Rodlund Bros.

Notice.

A little black dog with white feet followed me home from the village on Tuesday, Dec. 24, and persists in staying with us. Its owner will please take it away.

A Bargain!

A new Duplex Wind mill, 10 feet sectional, will be sold dirt cheap if taken at once.

W. A. SPERRY.

See Olson & Otos if you desire a loan on farm property.

Weather Report.

The following is a report of the condition of the weather during the month of December, 1895:

Monthly mean temperature—17 deg.
Mean maximum—36 degrees.
Mean minimum—8 ..
Highest temperature—38 degrees, date 27th.

Lowest temperature—15 degrees below, date 2nd.
Monthly mean range—18 degrees.
Greatest daily range—34 deg., date 27th.

Least daily range—7 deg., date 22.
Total precipitation—None, only a trace.

Prevailing direction of wind—N.W.
Number of clear days—14.
Number of fair days—10.
Number of cloudy days—7.
Number of days having 0.01 of an inch or more of precipitation—none.

Depth of snow the 15—T. ..
.. .. 11—T. ..

AXEL F. ELFSTROM,
Vol. Observer.

YEARLY WEATHER REPORT OF 1895.

Mean temperature through the year—39 degrees.
Mean maximum—52.1 degrees.
Mean minimum—28.7 degrees.
Month with highest mean temperature, July—68 degrees.
Month with lowest mean temperature, July—0.4 degrees.

Yearly mean range—23.3 degrees.
Greatest monthly range, Oct.—27.1 degrees.

Least monthly range, Dec.—18 deg.
Precipitation, Jan. .65 inches.
.. Feb. .52 ..
.. Mar. .40 ..
.. Apr. 1.92 ..
.. May 4.58 ..
.. June 9.43 ..
.. July 4.74 ..
.. Aug. 3.04 ..
.. Sept. 2.92 ..
.. Oct. T ..
.. Nov. 1.34 ..
.. Dec. T ..

Total.....29.54 ..
Aug. 13, warmest day—95 degrees.
Feb. 1, coldest day—33 degrees below zero.

AXEL F. ELFSTROM,
Vol. Observer.

Death of John Rodlund.

One of Willmar's promising young business men lies cold in death. Typhoid fever and its dreadful combinations did its terrible work in a short time. John Rodlund took to his bed on Christmas Eve, and at 3:20 o'clock a. m. last Monday his spirit passed from its earthly body.

The deceased was born in Sweden, Nov. 27, 1865. His parents emigrated to this country three years later, and settled on a farm in Lake Andrew Town, of this county, near Lake Florida. About eight years ago John entered the employ of Rodlund & Johnson, of this city, whom he served faithfully about six years. In June, 1894, he associated himself with his brother Nels under the firm name of Rodlund Bros., they have engaged in a thriving feed store business in this city. His parents Mr. and Mrs. Nels L. Rodlund, now live near Portland, Oregon. Three brothers survive him, Nels Rodlund of this city, and Louis and Olof, who live with their parents. Louis Rodlund of this city is an uncle of the deceased.

The funeral will occur next Sunday from the mission church, the services to begin at two o'clock p. m. The remains will be interred at the Fairview cemetery.

'Tis sad to see a young man thus in the flower of his manhood stricken by the Grim Reaper. The ways of the Almighty are indeed inscrutable. The sorrowing relatives have the sincere sympathy of all in their dire affliction.

Real Estate Transfers.

Genesee—Jan. 2.—Andrew Anderson to Andrew Lind, part of lot 1, Sec. 35. \$125.

Irving—Dec. 31.—Geo. Williamson to Johan Olson 80 acres in Sec. 9 \$1100.

Hoseville—Jan. 2.—Nehemiah Van Vorst to Homer Town 80 acres in Sec. 5. \$900.

Village of New London—Jan. 2.—Marcus Johnson to Mary M. Pinney, Und. § S. 16 1/2 ft. of lot 8, all of lots 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 & 14, Blk. 8.

In the case of Holgerson against Anderson of Irving [incorrectly reported in the TRIBUNE of Dec. 24, as Anderson against Holgerson] tried in this city Jan. 2nd, Mr. Holgerson came out the victorious party, obtaining a judgment for costs.

Amanda Swenson, daughter of Mrs. Swenson, of this place, and Mr. Martin Peterson, of Herman, Minn., will be married at the bride's home next Friday evening.

Court convenes to-morrow to finish the business left over from the fall term. The case of State vs. Emmerston and Quam is first in order.

A Bargain!
A new Duplex Wind mill, 10 feet sectional, will be sold dirt cheap if taken at once.

W. A. SPERRY.

Old papers for sale at this office.

PEOPLES PARTY LEAGUE OF WILLMAR.

Is the Name of a New Peoples Party League, which was Organized last Saturday Night.

A good number of representative men of Peoples Party instinct met at the Willmar TRIBUNE office Saturday night, and formed a Peoples Party League. The officers chosen were:

Mr. C. Tollefson, President.
A. H. Sperry, Vice President.
V. E. Lawson, Secretary.
J. G. Monson, Treasurer.

A. H. Sperry was elected delegate and J. G. Monson alternate to the State League meeting at Minneapolis Jan. 15, next.

About twenty five of the leading Peoples Party men were present and entered their names on the rolls.

The delegates elected to the State League called for views as to the future plans and politics of the Peoples Party. Swan Nelson, Dr. Johnson, M. C. Tollefson, A. H. Sperry, O. Lundberg and others gave their views briefly. The unanimous sentiment was, the coming Peoples Party platform should confine itself chiefly to the money question.

"Free coinage of gold and silver and government paper money," was agreed to constitute the issue of the day.

The delegates will go to the State League meeting and endeavor to have that convention enunciate specifically in regard to the coming platform.

We shall refrain to say more until after the Minneapolis meeting. We will know then what course to pursue. However, we are pretty sure in any event that our principles will be so broad that all old party silverites will want to join in with us.

DR. NIVEN,

The Painless Dentist, will be in New London, Jan. 8; at Paynesville, Jan. 9 and 10; and at Belgrade, Jan. 11 and 12. Painless extracting by Dr. Niven's method, the only one worth anything. All branches of dentistry at lowest prices. All work warranted.

From New London Times.

Mrs. J. P. Bredberg, of Willmar, made a visit at New London Wednesday and Thursday.

Mr. Quam, of Moorhead, Minn., has been on a visit with his brother Hon. Nils Quam.

Our town supervisors and surveyor Fink spent Monday laying out the new road to Green Lake. This road is to follow the railroad track to the Walberg crossing.

Mr. and Mrs. Emnet Hoyez of Twin Lakes celebrated their silver wedding Tuesday at their home. Messrs. W. J. Pinney, J. G. Peterson and C. E. Monson from this place were in attendance and reported a splendid time.

H. N. Hagen, of Ringville, has returned from Hills, Rock Co., where he has been teaching Nov. Parochial school for three months past. He has now been engaged to teach another term at Norway Lake.

A run-a-way occurred in town yesterday morning. Mr. A. P. Alquist's team became frightened by the sound of the steam whistle, broke loose and ran away, breaking parts of the buggy considerably before they stopped.

An entertainment will be given by the Young Peoples Society of the Swed. Luth. church next Wednesday, consisting of song, recitation and speaking. The Scandia Sextette, of Willmar, and Mrs. Rev. Lindholm, of Kandiyohi have kindly promised to help with vocal music. These two attractions will no doubt alone guarantee a good program. A small admission price of 10 cents will be charged, proceeds to go to the society's library fund.

Freeberg Seeks Revenge.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 2.—J. G. Freeberg, formerly of Kandiyohi county and now of Minneapolis, wants Postmaster E. Hegstrom, of Svea, removed. He has sent to the department two letters addressed to him at Svea from the Kandiyohi County Bank, July 26, 1895. Freeberg did not get the letters until Sept. 12. He was not in Svea at the time the letters were sent, but there was a return notice plainly printed on the corner. Mr. Freeberg was treasurer of his school district and claims that he came near being compelled to sustain quite a financial loss by reason of this long delay. The matter will be investigated.—Minneapolis Tribune.

For Sale or Trade.

The residence property corner 2nd street and Litchfield Ave. J. T. Oros.

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