

PRINSBURG.

April 28.

Miss Katie Huisinga has returned from Raymond.

Mr. Den Naadle has returned from his trip to Iowa.

The spring weather is dealing some pretty stiff jerks to the whiskers of our seniors.

Mrs. Noteboom has been visiting friends in Iowa.

A birthday party was the occasion of a social gathering at Mr. Bosch's on Tuesday evening last week. As it was Mr. Bosch's birthday he was presented with a handsome easy-chair, Supper, social chat, music, and congratulatory speeches made the time fly fast, and it was quite late when the guests betook themselves to the vale-dictory part of the program.

Mr. Elema from Chicago has been working a revival here. He also visited Renville and ended up with Raymond, from whence he has set sail for Chicago.

Mrs. Ledeboer was buried last Monday. A large number of friends attended the funeral. Services were held in the Prinsburg C. R. church. Mrs. Ledeboer had been sick with consumption for over a year, and had been on the verge of death for several weeks.

Primary election was well attended. Political questions were discussed and it was found that many important questions will demand attention during the next campaign.

Quite a number of young people gathered and surprised our teacher, Mr. George H. Young, on his birthday last Monday evening. Comus and Cupid were given the reins and a very good time was had until old Father Time called a halt to the merriment.

MAMRE.

April 30.

Two weeks ago we reported that John Johnson of Minneapolis had died. We have since learned that we were misinformed. Mr. Johnson was in a Minneapolis hospital, very seriously ill, but is now on the road to recovery. The item about the funeral was misplaced; it was intended for the funeral of the child, Emma Johnson.

Mrs. Oscar Holmgren of Minneapolis attended the funeral of her sister.

Misses Lydia and Anna Erlanson returned home from Duluth on the 21st inst. A little over a year ago they went to Fargo, N. D., and stayed there until the 4th of July, when they went to Duluth. Welcome back, ladies.

William Lundin came home from Chicago Saturday, April 21. He went to Chicago last December and has been working for the McCormick Harvesting Machine Co., but on account of failing health he had to quit work and go home.

People's party caucus was held at the north schoolhouse in Dist. 15, and Messrs. Otto Tengvall, Otto Holmgren, P. M. Johnson, and John and Emil E. Ostlund were elected delegates to the county convention.

Last Friday was payday at our creamery. Jonas Johnson received the largest check, \$72. This was two dollars ahead of C. G. Carlberg, the highest at the Pennock creamery.

Another of our prominent young men has forever said farewell to the blissful solitude of bachelorhood and taken unto himself a helpmeet, who in return has promised to staunchly stand by him whether in happiness or sorrow. The contracting parties were Mr. Frank O. Carlson and Miss Anna Akerson, both of this place. The ceremony took place last Saturday, at the home of the bride's, Mr. and Mrs. John Akerson. Rev. Frykman tied the nuptial knot. The bride was attended by Misses Mary Akerson and Alvina Lundin; the groomsmen were Messrs. John Akerson and Emil Lofven. About a hundred invited guests witnessed the ceremony and partook of the wedding feast. Mr. and Mrs. Carlson were the recipients of a large number of beautiful and costly presents and \$25 in cash. We join their many friends in wishing them a happy and prosperous voyage across life's sea.

Mr. and Mrs. Eric Valin of Willmar attended the Carlson-Akerson wedding.

LAKE LILLIAN.

April 27.

Mr. Alfred Johnson left for Dakota with a carload of property last Saturday.

Theodore Linn returned last Saturday from a week's visit in Willmar.

Miss Ellen Lundberg, our former teacher, commenced two and a half months' term of parochial school last Monday.

Messrs. Soren Johnson and Olof Olson have sold their farms for \$25 per acre.

Messrs. Frank Lindblad and John Olson left last Tuesday for Bowbells, N. D., where they will make their future homes.

Mr. Aron Erickson had the misfortune of burning his supply of hay a while ago. Be cautious about the fire, Aron.

A certain young gentleman who is no longer with us was the victim of a sad accident at his present location recently. While attending a party he requested the privilege of seeing a young lady home. She graciously consented, and he became so overpowered with delight that he did not notice where he stepped. The result was that he plunged through an open cellar door headlong into a vat of

cream. There he stayed until the crowd appeared on the scene, when he emerged, presenting a rather comical spectacle.

The Willmar corps of the Salvation Army will conduct services in the Fahlun Baptist church (Linman's) next Sunday.

Mrs. Gustave Johnson died last Thursday. She was buried in the Christine cemetery last Sunday.

Pal's arguments have come at last, a they are great ones. He says the republicans have done more for the country than the democrats have, but he forgets to prove it. We admit that they did noble work in Lincoln's time. But we have to look at parties as we find them today. Lincoln sacrificed millions of dollars and thousands of lives to liberate the slaves. Mac has made polygamy and slavery legal in the U. S. territory and fixed the market price of a slave's freedom at \$20. Pal, set your mental faculties (if you have any) at work and figure out how long it will take a slave, working for nothing, to earn twenty dollars, the McKinley valuation of liberty. Lincoln stood for the people; Mac, for the corporations. You say Cleveland's free trade was harmful. Do the Democrats favor free trade? Did we have free trade under Cleveland's administration? Oh, Pal! soak your so-called head in water till it will take an impression, and then study some political history, and you will know better next time. "There were many other bad things going on at that time. Yes, and the republicans and gold democrats helped pass the 'bad things' in spite of the opposition of the majority of the democrats. But have we no 'bad things' going on now? This bloody war of conquest, this total disregard of human rights to 'life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness,' this truckling to British influences, this enormous growth of trusts, this throwing men out of employment because the trusts have forced up prices and lessened consumption, war taxes in times of peace—do you call these good things? The tariff you admire so much is a good thing—for the trusts. You ought to read some other paper besides the Gazette; the TRIBUNE, for instance. But your next 'argument' is a corker: 'Wouldn't it be real fun to be a farmer then when they went to town with a load of wheat and got sixteen sacks of silver for one of gold.' Pal, for your own sake, don't make people believe you represent an insane asylum. You accuse the Demopops of this state of causing the low price of wheat. Very well; the lowest price of wheat under Lind's administration has been 53 cents; the lowest under the Clough regime was 43 cents. Thus according to your own 'argument' the Lind administration has added 10 cents a bushel to the value of wheat. Now I have some questions to ask. What was the Wilson Bill? What great things did the Clough regime do for our farmers? Prove that the republican party has done more good than the democratic party has done. What great things has the McKinley administration done for our people?"

XINGTIPPA.

WHITEFIELD.

May 1.

Mr. and Mrs. P. O. Nelson entertained some of their relatives Sunday. Misses Ruth and Emma Anderson made a pleasant call on Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Johnson Sunday.

Mrs. M. Swenson of Willmar was a visitor at A. O. Nelson's Saturday. Say, boys, wouldn't it be nice to go to Fahlun and see some of those dainty little Fahlunites?

Miss Hilma Englund is in Willmar taking music lessons.

O. H. Peterson had the misfortune of breaking his buggy last week.

Mr. Edwin Erickson returned home Sunday. Welcome back, Ed. We are all glad to see you look so healthy again.

"This is too much, John, I won't stand it any longer. To-morrow leave for my mother's, unless you get me more Rocky Mountain Tea." Sensible woman. 35c. A. E. Mossberg.

PRIAM.

May 1.

The N. L. M. Co. received four carloads of lumber last week.

John Isaacson from Kandyohi planted several hundred trees on his farm last week.

S. M. Dahl of Harrison stepped off here last Thursday while enroute for Clara City.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Larson visited in Willmar Tuesday.

C. G. Johnson Sundayed with Kandyohi friends.

W. J. Pinney from Willmar was in town Sunday.

Ch. Rotzian had the misfortune of losing six head of cattle during the rainstorm last Thursday. They were in a straw shed which blew down and crushed them.

TIN PAN KETTLES.

Real Estate, Loans and Insurance

I will loan money at low rate of interest and on favorable terms. Will buy and sell real estate. Insurance written in reliable insurance companies.

SOLOMON PORTER, 52st Willmar, Minn.

McLAUGHLIN MERCANTILE COMPANY

IN THE I. O. O. F. BLOCK, WILLMAR, MINN.

OUR OPENING WAS A GRAND SUCCESS, but a great many people state it will not last long; that nobody can sell goods at such low figures and continue doing business. But don't fear, we will give the public goods at lower prices right here in Willmar than they can buy them for in the Twin Cities. Our expenses are lower here than there and goods don't cost us a cent more than they do there. We have one of the shrewdest buyers in Chicago that ever bought goods for any firm; that watches the market and does nothing but pick up snaps for us the year around, and consequently we can sell a great deal of goods less than they cost many merchants to buy. So don't think for a moment that you will not get as great bargains from us in the future as you have been getting from us in the last two weeks. Just glance at our prices in the papers week after week and it will astonish you how much money you can save in purchasing first-class merchandise at those prices. Our stock is now more complete than it was possible to get it in the short time we had to get ready for the Opening

NEW AND STYLISH GOODS ARE ARRIVING AT ALL TIMES.

Dress Goods Department.

In this Department for the next week or two we will show some excellent bargains in Stylish, Up-to-Date Goods. Silk Velvet in assorted colors, \$1.00 quality, positively worth \$1.00 per yard, on sale at the ridiculously low price of 25c a yard. Black Crepon, latest style, worth in any store \$1.00, on sale at 69c a yd. Our buyer in Chicago got another lot of the \$1.00 Silk Velvet in small check, brown, purple, light green, wine color, etc., this lot to be sold cheaper than at the opening sale, 25c a yard. New Stylish Shirt Waist Silks at 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50 a yard—great values. 40-inch large Plaid Dress Goods, worth 17 cents, on sale at 12c a yd. 36-inch Fleece lined Dress Goods, best 10c quality, on sale at 5c a yard. \$1.50 Black, Stylish Crepon, 40 inch, on sale at 98c a yard. 44-in. spring styles Fancy Dress Goods sold at 75c, now on sale at 53c a yard. Good and durable Wool Flannel Plaid Dress Goods, worth 29c a yard, on sale at only 15c a yard. Scotch Plaid Dress Goods 3c a yd.

Wash Goods Department.

We will show from now on a splendid line of the latest and most stylish fabrics in the market. Latest styles in light and dark Dress Calicoes, worth 6c a yard, on sale at 3c a yard. Very stylish Percales, fast color, double fold, in all the leading shades, worth 10c, now on sale at 7c a yard. Delta Batiste raised figured Imported Mull, worth 25c, on sale at 15c a yard. Jacquard Swiss, latest style, assorted colors, raised designs, worth 25c, on sale at 15c a yard.

Hosiery Department.

We are showing a complete line of Ladies' and Children's Hosiery at prices long to be remembered. Ladies' fast color black seamless hose worth 10c a pair, 5c or 3 pair for 10c. Ladies' silk finish black hose, regularly made, worth 25c, 15c or 2 for 25c. Men's Silk Hosiery, three thread heel and toe, fast black, worth 50c a pair, on sale at 19c a pair. Children's Silk Hose on sale at 19c a pair. Men's heavy brown and blue mixed hose, seamless, on sale at 5c a pair or 3 pair for 10c. Ladies' Lisle Silk Hose, spliced heel, double toe, and worth 38c, on sale at 29c a pair or 2 for 50c. Ladies' Lace Ribbed Lisle Hose, warranted fast color and stainless, worth 50c a pair, on sale at 29c a pair. Children's ribbed fast black Hose, worth 15c, on sale at 10c or 3 pair for 25c. Children's Wool Hose 10c or 3 pair for 25c. Men's Lambs Wool light gray summer Hose, very fine, worth 50c, on sale at 25c a pair.

...Clothing Department...

Rare Bargains in Our Clothing Department. Boys' Knee Pants, worth 25c to 35c, on sale at 15c a pair. Children's Suits in wool 69c. Children's good suits at 98c, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2 and up. Boys' Wash Suits 50c, 75c and \$1.00. Men's Wool Summer Suits worth \$7.50, on sale at \$4.50. Men's good summer pants worth \$1.00, on sale at 69c a pair. Men's Wool summer pants worth \$2.00, on sale at \$1.29 a pair.

SHOE DEPARTMENT.

Our sales on shoes since we opened have been something wonderful, so we will continue the same prices on the same shoes as quoted below in opening sale list. In this Department we never had any opposition as can be proved from the few prices we quote below. Baby Shoes in Brown, Red, Tan, Black, etc., soft and easy for a little baby's feet, ONLY 15c A PAIR. Children's Vici Kid Shoes, sizes from 3 to 5, Opening Sale price 39c A PAIR. Boys' Strong Shoes, 8 to 13 and 13 to 5 1/2, worth \$1.35, for 98c. Children's Ox-blood high-grade Shoes in sizes from 8 to 13 and 13 to 2, and cheap at \$1.65; Opening Sale price 98c a pair. Ladies' Oxford Shoes in Tan, latest style, and sold in every store for \$1.25; Opening Sale price 69 cents.

Ladies' Black Oxford Shoes, soft and flexible, cheap at \$1.50; Opening Sale price 98 cents a pair. Ladies' Fine Vesting Top Shoes, solid sole and counters, worth \$1.50; Opening Sale at 98 cents a pair. Ladies' \$2 Vesting Top Shoes, fine quality, for \$1.29 a pair. Men's Calf Shoes, lace or congress, wide or coin toe, worth up to \$2, on sale at 1,25 a pair. Ladies' high grade Shoes in Tan and Black, Opening Price: \$2.25 Shoes for \$1.69. \$3.00 Shoes for \$2.25. \$4.00 Shoes for \$2.75. \$2.50 Shoes for \$1.98. \$3.50 Shoes for \$2.50. \$5.00 Shoes for \$3.00. Men's Fine Shoes during Opening Sale to be sold at less than manufacturers' prices. Come and see. Men's best Oil-grain Shoes worth \$1.50 at \$1.25. Men's Bicycle Shoes sold at \$1.50 to \$1.75, on sale at \$1.19 a pair.

HAT DEPARTMENT.

Boys Fine Felt Hats, nicely trimmed, in blue and black, worth 35c, on sale at 19c each. Children's Tam O'Shanter Hats, never sold for less than 25c, on sale at 10c each. Men's and Boys' Straw Hats at 5c, 10c, 15c, 25c, 50c and up. Men's Black, Brown and Tan Hats in good felt, silk band, and good value at \$1.00, for 69c each. Fine line of Men's Felt Hats in soft and stiff, latest styles and shades, at \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50 and up at reduced prices during this sale. Ladies' Straw Hats of all descriptions, trimmed and untrimmed, from 15c upwards. Ladies' Sailor Hats, trimmed with ribbon, ready to use, 25c.

We buy eggs at highest market prices. McLAUGHLIN MERCANTILE COMPANY

Linen Department.

Twill Toweling, 5c quality, 3c a yard. Linen Toweling, 18 in. black pattern, worth 10c, for 5c a yard. All Linen Towels, 18x36, good 20c towel, 10c each. Large Bath Towels worth 20c, on sale at 2 for 25c.

Underwear Dep't.

Ladies' Sleeveless Waists at 5c, 10c, 15c, 25c and up. Ladies' fine gauze lisle Silk Vests, trimmed with silk braid and silk lace, worth 45c, on sale at 19c each.

Corsets.

Ladies' Summer Corsets with strong netting, double steels, tape and lace-bound and strong ribs, a splendid 38c corset, on sale at 19c each. We carry a fine line of Ladies' Corsets and Corset Waists.

Men's Shirts.

Men's Flannel and Negligee Shirts at 50c, 75c, \$1.00 and up. Men's White Dress Shirts worth 75c, on sale at 39c each. Men's heavy Working Shirts worth 65c, on sale at 45c each.

Ladies' Spring Capes.

Spring Capes, silk and trimmed with silk lace and silk ribbons, worth \$2.25, on sale at \$1.48.

Umbrellas.

Fine line of Men's and Ladies' Umbrellas at 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50 and up.

Miscellaneous.

Ladies' Shirt Waist Ties, special, 5c. Ladies' Silver Buckle Leather Belts, 5c. Fancy Hair Ribbons 2c a yard. Writing Ink, 2 bottles for 5c. Ladies' Gold Shirt Waist Pins, 1c each. Ladies' Silver Thimbles, 1c each. All Silk Ribbons, Nos. 9, 12 and 16, 5c a yard. Ladies' Pulley Belts at 25c, 50c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$2.00. Boys' Knee Pants, 15c. Boys' Waists, 15c. Wash Soap, 1c a bar. Men's Ties in silk and cotton, 5c each. Ladies' String Ties, all silk, 5c each. Writing Tablets, very large, 8c each. Dressed Bisk Dolls, 19c each. Pins worth 3c, 1c a paper.

SOAP! SOAP!

10 bars.... 10c. This is a good Laundry Soap and always sells at 10 bars for 25c. LIMIT 10 BARS.