

McLAUGHLIN MERCANTILE COMPANY,

WILLMAR, MINN.

The great closing out sale of the McLaughlin Mercantile Co.'s Fine Dry Goods, Clothing and Shoe Stock has been something wonderful. Thousands of people, even from far off responded and got the benefit of this tremendous sale, but the stock was too large to close out in one month and now the knife will be put into it still deeper. This next month it must all be closed out. Thousands of dollars worth of goods yet on hand, but they are going fast. Don't delay buying until they are all gone, as there may not be a chance to get goods as cheap again for the next ten years. This FINISHING SALE COMMENCED SATURDAY, FEB. 2, and will be pushed to the finish. Don't miss it.

Cloak Department.

Large stock of Cloaks yet to close out, but our prices will sell them. They must go. Ladies' Jackets and Capes, Children's Jackets, Ladies' and Children's Collarettes and Furs, all will be sold regardless of cost to close them out.

Ladies' \$5.00 Jackets in Beaver, latest style, row \$2.50 each.

Children's very fine Jackets sold at \$1.00, \$2.00 and \$3.00.

Ladies' Electric Seal Muffs sold at \$2.00, \$3.00 and \$3.50, all go at \$1.00 and \$1.50 each.

14 inch deep Collarettes in electric seal, good strong lining, got to go at 95c each.

Children's White Muff and Collar to be sold at 50c each.

Ladies' \$6.00 and \$7.00 Jackets in black, blue, tan, etc., to be sold at \$4.00.

All our fine Jackets in tan, blue, brown, black, etc., sold at \$10, \$12 and \$15, all go at \$7.50 each.

Ladies' Caps, trimmed with fur and beads, sold at \$8 and \$10, now all

go at \$4 each.

Ladies' Seal Plush Capes trimmed with fur, now to close out at \$1.69 each.

Shoe Department.

We have a very large stock of Shoes on hand yet, and they all have to be sold the same as everything else, in as short a time as possible.

Men's Calf Shoes, lace or congress, worth \$1.50, to close out at \$1.00.

Boys' Calf Shoes, worth \$1.25 to \$1.35, all go at 83c a pair.

Children's \$1.25 Shoes, sizes from 8 to 2, to close out at 83c a pair.

Ladies' Oxford Shoes in kid, mostly small sizes, all go at 59c a pair.

Good Baby Shoes, sizes 2-5, in black and colored, on sale at 15 to 20c a pair.

Ladies' Silk Satin Slippers, black, red, pink and blue, worth \$2.25, to close out at \$1.10 a pair.

Dress Goods Dept.

All our Dress Goods and Silks to be closed out at prices that will sell them fast.

50c Silks now go at.....35c.
60c Silks now go at.....40c.
75c Silks now go at.....50c.
\$1.00 Silks now go at.....55c.
\$1.25 Silks now go at.....70c.
\$1.50 Silks now go at.....80c.
\$2.00 Silks now go at.....\$1.10.
\$2.50 Silks now go at.....\$1.50.

Dress Goods and Velvets to be sold in the same way until they are all closed out.

Linen Department.

Turkey Red Table Linen, full width, fast color, 15c a yard.

All-Linen Cream Color Table Linen, to close out at 25c a yard.

White Toweling, 15 in. wide, to go at 3c a yard.

18 in. Heavy Toweling, cream color, worth 8c, to close out at 5c a yard.

Men's, Boys' and Children's Clothing

Has gone fast, but still lots to close out.

Children's Suits as low as 60c.

Men's Good Wool Suits, \$3.50, etc.

Men's \$5.00 Suits.....\$3.50.

Men's 7.50 Suits.....4.00

Men's 10.00 Suits.....6.00.
Men's 12.00 Suits.....8.00.
Men's 15.00 Suits.....9.95.
Boys' Overcoats, worth \$2, \$3 and \$4, now go at \$1.39 each.

Boys' \$1.50 Overcoats to close out at 98c each.

Mackintoshes

We have on hand a full line of Ladies', Men's and Boys' Mackintoshes all sizes, which we will close out at less than half price. Get them now and save money.

Ladies' dark blue latest style Mackintoshes, Serge with plaid lining and velvet collar, with cape, worth \$5.00, now to close at \$2.25 each.

Ladies' Steel Gray, invisible check and plaid lining, worth \$4.50, now on sale for \$1.90 each.

Ladies' small mixed check Mackintoshes with cape, velvet collar and plaid lining, worth \$3.50, now on sale for \$1.69 each.

Ladies' mixed tan color Mackintoshes, plaid lining, velvet collar with cape, worth \$10, now on sale for \$4 each.

Men's fine black Mackintoshes, velvet collar, worth \$4.50, on sale to close out for \$2.25 each.

Men's black Raincoats with cape, plaid lining, worth \$2.50, on sale at \$1.10 each.

Our Corset Line

Is yet complete in American and French shapes, and we sell them at prices that will dispose of them. They must go as well as everything else.

Fancy and plain colors in a good strong Corset, worth 38c, to close out at 19c a pair.

French shape Corset, blue and black, pink and blue, etc., worth 75c, now to close out at 38c a pair.

Jackson's \$1.00 Corset Waists in black and drab, to close out at 60c each.

Silk Satin \$2.50 Corsets in cardinal trimmed with black lace, to close out at \$1.00 a pair.

Miscellaneous.

Hats, Caps, Shirts, Gloves, Underwear, Hosiery, Calicoes, Gingham, Men's Neckties, Jewelry and Fancy

Goods, all have to go at prices never offered before in Willmar.

Ladies' fine Trimmed Hats as low as 50c.

Lancaster best Gingham, 5c a yard.

Men's very strong and good Winter Caps, 20c each.

Men's Silk Four-in-hand Neckties, 2 for 25c.

Men's Bow Ties, 2 for 5c, etc., etc.

Towels, small size, in white, to close out at 4c or 6 for 20c.

Table Oil Cloths, the best quality, worth 25c, to close out at 2 yards for 25c.

Lace Curtains, corded edge, strong quality, 10c a yard.

Good strong Bed Ticking, blue stripe, 5c a yard.

Calico Quilts, full size, heavy, to close out at 48c each.

Fine Satin covered Quilts, worth \$2.50, on sale at \$1.69 each.

Boys' Suits, small sizes, worth \$1.00, \$1.25 to \$1.50, to be closed out at 60c each.

All our best German Yarn, 4 skeins to the pound, worth this year 35c, to close out at 23c a skein.

Willmar Markets.

(The Tribune solicits reports of actual business transactions and will be glad to furnish blank forms to all business men and call regularly for reports from all who wish to give the market the benefit of the publication thereof. We make a ready assurance of enough reports to make this department very interesting.—Ed.)

WHEAT.

Wednesday, Jan. 30, 66c.
Thursday, Jan. 31, 66c.
Friday, Feb. 1, 66c.
Saturday, Feb. 2, 66c.
Monday, Feb. 4, 66c.
Tuesday, Feb. 5, 65c.
Today, opening, 65c.

The past week has seen comparatively brisk days in the local wheat market. A keen competition in grades and dockage has resulted in Willmar securing more wheat at this season of the year than has been received during the same period of past years. And that in spite of the practical failure of crop in large areas tributary to Willmar on the north. The receipts during the week will foot up to fully 5,000 bushels. Although the crop has been a hard one to handle on account of being damaged in places, most of the wheat received here grades No. 1 Northern. One elevator reports that three-fourths of the wheat received this season has graded No. 1. Loads of wheat have come in from distant points tributary to other markets, which shows that the Willmar market is in the front. Olivia has been bidding for good wheat to mix with the large amount of poor stuff which was grown south of the Milwaukee track by claiming to pay two cents over list price, but owing to the close margin and downward trend of the market, the buyers have tried to make up the loss in other ways and the farmer with grain of the ordinary quality have suffered. Farmers who have tried the Olivia market find that they get decidedly the worst of it in grades and dockage, particularly if their grain is not of the very best and perfectly clean. Growers of the very best milling wheat in Holland and other southern townships have found it to their advantage to bring their grain to Willmar, passing up nearby markets. A number of loads have also come in from west of Raymond and Penock and north of Spicer. One of those farmers stated that he made two dollars on his load by coming to Willmar.

FLAX.

In spite of the high price, \$1.46, only an occasional load of flax is being marketed, and that is generally of an inferior quality. The tendency of owners of good flax is to hold it for sale as seed. Local grain men expect that seed flax will be worth two dollars a bushel this spring.

LIVE STOCK.

Some sales of the week. City—1 bull, \$25.00—Dove; 1 steer, \$15—L. Andrew; 3 beef calves, \$15.00—Dove; a bunch of 2 stock steers, 2 canners, 6 hogs and 2 sheep, \$150—L. Andrew; 5 steers and 1 canner, \$155—Whitefield; 1 canner, \$15—Dove; 1 bull, \$23—Mamre; 11 stockers, \$145—Willmar; 1 canner, \$18—City; 1 canner, \$18.50.

GENERAL QUOTATIONS.

(Corrected every Tuesday afternoon by ANTON SUNDBERG, dealer in Flour, Feed, Fruit and Vegetables.)

Wheat No. 1.....	80.05	Hay.....	\$5.00
Wheat No. 2.....	78.00	Chickens.....	\$2.00
Wheat No. 3.....	76.00	Hogs.....	\$15.00
Wheat No. 4.....	74.00	Sheep.....	\$10.00
Oats.....	27.00	Ducks.....	\$1.00
Rye.....	44.00	Geese.....	\$2.00
Barley.....	20.00	Goats.....	\$1.00
Flax.....	1.46	Wool.....	\$1.00
Potatoes.....	1.00	Butter.....	\$1.00
Eggs.....	1.00	Beans.....	\$1.00
Butter.....	1.00	Onions.....	\$1.00
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LATEST MARKET REPORT.

Duluth Grain. DULUTH, Feb. 5.
WHEAT—Cash No. 1 hard 75½c. No. 2 Northern 73½c. To Arrive—No. 1 hard 75½c. No. 1 Northern 73½c. May No. 1 Northern 75½c. July 77½c.
FLAX—To arrive \$1.66, cash \$1.66, May \$1.71, September \$1.16.

Minneapolis Wheat.

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 5.
WHEAT—Cash 74½c. May 74½c. July 75½c. On Track—No. 1 hard 75½c. No. 1 Northern 73½c. No. 2 Northern 71½c.

Sioux City Live Stock.

SIoux CITY, Ia., Feb. 5.
CATTLE—Market steady and active. Sales ranged at \$4.00 to \$5.00 for beefs, \$2.00 to \$3.75 for cows, bulls and mixed, \$3.00 to \$4.35 for stockers and feeders, \$3.45 to \$4.10 for calves and yearlings.
HOGS—Market 7½ to 10c lower. Range of prices \$5.10 to \$5.20.

St. Paul Union Stock Yards.

SOUTH ST. PAUL, Feb. 5.
HOGS—Market opened 10c lower and closed firm at the decline. Range of prices \$4.35 to \$5.37½.
CATTLE—Market steady.
Sales ranged at \$1.00 to \$5.00 for good to choice butcher steers, \$3.40 to \$3.90 for good to choice butcher cows and heifers, \$4.00 to \$5.75 for choice veals, \$3.20 to \$3.90 for choice feeders.

Chicago Union Stock Yards.

CHICAGO, Feb. 5.
CATTLE—Market steady.
Sales ranged at \$5.10 to \$5.00 for good to prime steers, \$3.50 to \$5.00 for poor to medium, \$2.90 to \$4.00 for stockers and feeders, \$2.50 to \$4.50 for cows and heifers, \$3.00 to \$3.90 for Texas steers.

Chicago Grain and Provisions.

CHICAGO, Feb. 5.
WHEAT—February 72½c, March 73½c, May 74½c.
CORN—February 37½c, March 38c, May 39½c.
OATS—February 24½c, May 25½c.
POULTRY—February \$18.75, May \$18.97½.
FLAX—Cash No. 1 \$1.69, May \$1.69.
POULTRY—Dressed turkeys 80c, chickens 80½c.
BUTTER—Creameries 14 to 21c, dairies 11½ to 18c.
EGGS—Fresh 15c.

Abandon Husband and Stage.

Willmar, Minn., Feb. 4.—Dave Pickett, the well-known pioneer of the colored vaudeville stage, was the star performer in a decided sensation which came to light in this city yesterday. At Litchfield Mrs. Pickett, who is a white woman, left the company and came to this city, hiring out as a domestic in the family of J. B. Learn under another name. Meanwhile Mr. Pickett came to Willmar and instituted a search for his spouse and finally located her at the Learn residence. The eloquence of the redoubtable Dave availed him nothing, and Mrs. Pickett still continues in the service of the Learn and is pronounced a model servant. She is the daughter of well-to-do parents in Toronto, Ont., and will return to her old home in a short time. Mr. Pickett was very much attached to the woman and is quite badly broken up by her late unkind tactics.

There will be a meeting of the W. C. T. U. at the home of Mrs. A. F. Hanscom on Thursday, Feb. 7, at 3 o'clock. All ladies are cordially invited to attend.

One carload of feed and oats received at Sundberg's. Also good flour. 37½

Twentieth Anniversary Observance.

The twentieth anniversary of the founding of the World's Christian Endeavor society was observed last Sunday evening at the Presbyterian church by a well-prepared program given under the auspices of the local society. It took the place of the regular service, and consisted of recitations, singing, and the reading of papers, with a brief address by the pastor. Papers were read by Misses Gerda Wennerlund and Zilpha Williams, the former giving a brief history of the World's Christian Endeavor and Miss Williams telling of the gain that has come to the world through the Endeavor pledge. Miss Grace Andrus, the president of the society, read a paper on "The Work of the Committees and Outlook for the Christian Endeavor." Miss Bauer rendered a recitation entitled "The Drowning Singer," some parts of which were made particularly touching by being sung by a quartette. There was singing by the Junior Endeavorers, with Dr. F. E. Twitcomb as accompanist, and also selections by a mixed choir. The program closed with appropriate remarks by Rev. C. H. Johnson.

Might Have Been Fatal.

Will Huffman, switchman in the Great Northern yard here, is nursing a badly injured hand as the result of an accident with which he met last Wednesday morning. He was at work coupling cars, and was preparing to make a coupling when he slipped, but still retained his hold with the right hand to avoid falling. The engineer backed up with the remaining cars before Mr. Huffman was able to remove his hand, and the result was that that member was badly pinched. Will was obliged to give his own signal to "go ahead" to the engineer in order to release his hand, as he was then without the aid of his fingers. His injuries were attended to, and it was found necessary to amputate part of the right fore finger. It was a narrow escape, and he is to be congratulated that under the circumstances it did not prove more serious.

Silver Medal Contest.

On Friday evening of this week there will be a Silver Medal Contest at the Presbyterian church. Everybody interested in temperance work, come. The following program will be rendered:

PROGRAM.
Song by Quartette. "White Ribbon Vibrations." Mrs. Cairns, Miss Nielson, Mr. Clayton, Mr. Cairns.
Recitation. "Miss Kathryn Bauer Quartette." "Come Where the Lilies Bloom." Recitation. "Miss Florence E. Porter Solo." "Miss Nielson Quartette." "Phantom Footsteps" Recitation. "Miss Agnes Hart Duet." "Miss Nielson and Cairns Cornet Solo." "Mr. J. T. Otos (Accompaniment by Mrs. F. G. Handy) Miss Mary Abbott. Accompanist. Everybody come. Admission ten cents.

Benson.

Mrs. Nels Peterson, whose health has been delicate for quite a while, went down to Willmar Wednesday, where she will take a course of treatment in the Frost hospital, hoping for improvement and recovery. Emil Swenson did not go farther than Willmar in search of a business location, but has accepted an offer from his uncle and is again the junior partner in the firm of Jorgenson & Swenson, the difference being that he is in another town and in with an uncle instead of a cousin. We wish Emil success in his present location and if first class work will bring it will be his. —Benson Times.

Big Deals in Real Estate.

Messrs. A. C. Crawford and J. E. Leslie, of the town of St. Johns, have done their share in disposing of real estate in this county. They inform us that they have been instrumental in making the sale of a large amount of land in their vicinity to parties from southern Minnesota. 1500 acres have been sold this year, one party securing property to the amount of \$15,000. It is apparent that there is to be an influx of settlers to Kandiyohi county soon, the great majority coming from Iowa and Southern Minnesota points. While a number of farmers are disposing of their farm property and seeking new locations further west, others from a distance are realizing the value of Kandiyohi county land and making extensive purchases.

Threatens to Sue the Village.

The village council will soon begin an action against the village of Willmar to recover the sum of \$255.00, which amount was expended in caring for Chris Rechtertig, a smallpox patient who resides in Willmar, but whose parents live in Clara City. The council at Willmar claims that Mr. Rechtertig is a resident of Clara City, but as he was counted in with the Willmar population by the census enumerator and also voted there at the last election, we fail to see where their claim holds good. Attorney Olander went to Willmar yesterday to settle with the council at that place, and if no satisfactory settlement is made an action will be commenced at once.—Clara City Herald.

Card of Thanks.

To all who kindly extended their help and sympathy during our recent bereavement we wish to express our sincere thanks.

Mrs. AND MRS. T. O. HONG AND FAMILY.

The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian church of Willmar will hold a union meeting at the Parsonage on Wednesday, Feb. 13, at half past three o'clock. All interested in the cause of missions are most cordially invited to be present.

Genuine Rocky Mountain Tea is never sold in bulk by peddlers or less than 35c. Don't be fooled, get the tea made famous by the Madison Medicine Co. A. E. Mosberg.

22 Quarts of Milk for \$1.00. We solicit your valued patronage. 47½c. FERRING & CO., Dairymen.

WANTED—A good girl for general house work. Good wages. Inquire of Mrs. W. J. Pinney. 49½c.

50 cords of split building rock in exchange for lumber, flour and feed. NEW LONDON MILLING CO.

Dr. C. E. Gerretson, dentist. Office in Mikkelsen block, Willmar. 22½c.

AFGHAN UPRISING.

Sensational Accounts of Impending Trouble on Frontiers of India. Moscow, Feb. 6.—Sensational accounts from Bombay say that the Afghan tribes on the border are in a state of unrest. It is feared that they may attack the British frontier guards. The situation is said to be dangerous. A new famine seems unavoidable and the prospect has added to the chance of an outbreak. The British troops are said to be insufficient to cope with the prospective trouble.

Only Four Jurors Secured.

Minneapolis, Feb. 6.—Up to noon but four jurors had been secured in the trial of Frank H. Hamilton for the murder of Leonard Day, the two added during the morning being Levi P. Lincoln, a dry goods clerk, and Harry V. Wetherby, a bank clerk. A majority of the score or more of talesmen examined were rejected because of their antipathy to capital punishment.

Telegraph Lines Down.

London, Feb. 6.—A storm in the west of England has seriously interfered with the telegraphic communication to the United States. From five to nine land lines are down and the railways are working with the utmost difficulty.

AT WORK EARLY

MRS. NATION BEGINS SMASHING TOPEKA "JOINTS" AT FIVE IN THE MORNING.

MEETS SOME RESISTANCE

In a Scuffle With an Employee of One of the Places Visited She is Struck on the Head With a Hatchet and Slightly Hurt—About \$1,500 Worth of Property Destroyed During the Visit to This Particular Resort.

Topeka, Kan., Feb. 6.—Mrs. Carrie Nation launched her crusade against the "joints" of this city early in the day and at the second place visited was injured slightly by a hatchet-cut on the temple. Mrs. Nation arose at 4:30 and soon afterward started out on a tour of the "joints." Accompanied by Mrs. J. P. White and Miss Madeline Southard she attempted to enter a place at 830 Kansas avenue. The man on duty was taken unawares, but managed to disarm Mrs. Nation and bolt the door before any of the party could enter. Mrs. Nation afterward said her friends held her and prevented her going in through the window. The next place visited was 406 Kansas avenue. The women entered without meeting resistance, but a colored man quickly seized Mrs. Nation and took her hatchet. In the scuffle Mrs. Nation was struck on the right temple by the hatchet, but the blow did not disable her and she at once seized the hatchet and carried it to Mrs. White. She turned over two large slot machines and smashed the glass in front of each. A large refrigerator and the bar fixtures were quickly demolished. All the liquors behind the bar were spilled on the floor. With a hatchet Mrs. Nation knocked in the head of a barrel of beer. The beverage spouted out and completely drenched her.

At this juncture the colored porter discharged his revolver into the ceiling to frighten the crusaders and to attract attention from the outside.

Policeman Graham was attracted by the shot and escorted Mrs. Nation to the police station. Here she and her little band of followers held a short praise service and lectured those in charge of the station.

Mrs. Nation was arraigned in police court at 9 a. m. on the charge of disorderly conduct for the wrecking of a saloon the previous evening.

After a brief hearing she was dismissed and immediately began another round of the "speakeasies."

The saloon at 406 Kansas avenue, wrecked during the morning, was one of the finest and most complete in its equipments of any in the city. It was fitted up with a handsome cherry bar, a mirror at the end of the room was valued at \$500. Probably \$1,500 worth of property was destroyed in this place alone.

Grateful for the Senate's Tribute to the Dead Queen.

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IMPORTANT AMENDMENTS.

Some Changes Proposed in the War Revenue Bill. Washington, Feb. 6.—Senator Platt of Connecticut has reported from the committee on finance two important amendments to the war revenue reduction bill. One of them relates to the tax on cigarettes and is reported as a new section. It reads:

"That on and after July 1, 1901, the tax on cigars weighing not more than 3 pounds per 1,000 shall be 18 cents per pound and on cigarettes not more than 3 pounds per 1,000 and of a wholesale value or price of not more than \$2 per 1,000, shall be 18 cents per pound; and the tax on cigarettes weighing not more than 3 pounds per 1,000 and of a wholesale value or price of more than \$2 per 1,000 shall be 36 cents per pound and all such cigars and cigarettes weighing not more than 3 pounds per 1,000 shall for purposes of taxation be sold and considered as weighing 3 pounds."

The other amendment reported relates to the sale of products at exchanges and is to be inserted as a provision at the end of the second paragraph of schedule A of the law.

TO OPPOSE TAMMANY.

Combination of All Political Organizations Proposed. New York, Feb. 6.—Invitations have been issued to leaders of all political organizations desiring to take part in the anti-Tammany campaign for the mayoralty this fall to meet on Friday evening. The call for the meeting is signed by many of the followers of the late Henry George, but the plan is to have there members of all organizations wishing to defeat the Tammany candidate for mayor. The invitation sent out contains the following relative to the reformation of the city:

"No mere temporary change, with a later relapse into existing conditions, will do. Permanency of the change and betterment sought can only be secured by such alterations in our election laws as will simplify independent voting and place the selection and nomination of candidates for elective office directly in the hands of the people themselves, free from machine or boss interference or dictation."

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