

THE GROWTH OF WADENA.

The growth of Wadena has, since the erection of the first residence, been slow, while the country around it has been rapidly developing.

Notwithstanding it has two good hotels, another one is to be built on the corner of Front and Second St., east of THE FARMER office, 34x50, which will be conducted strictly on the metropolitan order.

The Wadena Mill Company have their mammoth flouring mill nearly enclosed which, when completed, will contain six run of burrs and cost the neat little sum of \$7,000.

Mr. S. M. Canterbury has under construction a large building on Third street, which, when completed he will occupy as a first-class saddlery and harness shop.

Another wagon and general jobbing shop is soon to be established by first-class workmen, who will manufacture and repair furniture, etc., full particulars of which will be duly given.

Many dwelling houses may also be seen in course of erection and we feel safe to assert that, should the crops receive no set back, the town will be doubled in population and importance before the close of the year 1880.

BRICK MANUFACTURE.

One of the greatest needs of Wadena is the establishment of a good brick yard, to which branch of industry she holds out as promising inducements as any point in the northwest.

First and foremost of her advantages is the fact that the demand is, even now, fully equal to the capacity of a good yard, however extensive, to supply.

Another of her advantages is her almost limitless resources for the production of brick. About a mile north of town, and forming the subsoil of a great meadow, is pure blue clay in abundance, with water close at hand and wood in any quantity at \$1.50 per cord.

Can anything more be asked or desired in the way of inducements to establish a brick yard in Wadena?

There are plenty of men and capital in the east seeking investment and business chances, and our citizens have only to take the pains to present our advantages before them to get the desired improvement, if there is no one here at home to start the enterprise.

Activity in matters of this kind do much toward developing and enriching a new community; while the want of action permits our best interests to lag, and sends our trade to other markets, when it could just as well be retained at home.

OUR FARM DEPARTMENT.

The editor of this department would thank all farmer friends to send postal card communications giving crop prospects in their localities.

WHEN TO CUT WHEAT. This is a very important subject, and one upon which there has been considerable discussion pro and con.

This is a great mistake, and one of more importance than is generally known. Millions of dollars are annually lost to this county in letting grains of all kinds stand until over ripe.

From a series of very careful experiments, made in Yorkshire, Eng., it was computed that the loss in shelling, weight and quality by letting wheat stand until ripe, was equal to \$6 per acre.

Should the yield in this State be as large as it now gives promise of and late cutting will be the rule, as former years; wheat growers in Minnesota will suffer a loss on this account, of at least \$6,000,000 this year.

Perhaps some of our farmers may ask the question, "when is the proper time to commence cutting wheat?" In answer your attention is called to an immediate examination of the present condition of the berry in your wheat fields.

Now then, the rule as to the time to commence cutting: when the berry is in the milk, make daily examination of the fields, and as soon as the milk disappears and the grain is in the soft dough and is easily crushed between the thumb and finger, start the machines, without regard to how green the stock may be, as there is all the nutriment in the stalk required to perfect the grain, without receiving more from the soil.

The above is not all theory, but is the result of careful experiment and my own individual experience as practiced in former years. Last year I began cutting at the stage above indicated—a week before any of my neighbors.

Early cutting not only ensures against loss from swelling, but higher grades and better qualities of flour.

Concluding, I would ask farmers to think of the very sudden ripening and tumbling down of their wheat last year, causing a loss of untold millions in the states of Wisconsin, Iowa and Minnesota, and enquire if it would not be wise to profit by that experience, and in connection with the other considerations mentioned, to start the harvesters and threshers early this year.

The recent heavy rains in this region has flooded all the hay lands on river and creek bottoms and caused nearly a complete loss of the grass on the low land meadows. This condition of a large portion of our best natural meadow lands will cause a great scarcity of hay again next winter and spring, unless all the hay that is in any way suitable, is secured, and the sooner the haying season is begun the better.

The wet season may deceive farmers as to the proper time for cutting grain, as the straw will be comparatively green when the berry is in the dough and ready to cut. Fields should be examined carefully, that harvesting of the several crops may be commenced in time.

Prospect of a "catching" season and crops so soon as cut should be secured from damage by rain at the earliest moment possible.

Do not forget to have all harvesting machinery put in the best repair at once. Rye and barley are ready to cut this week.

SPIRIT OF THE PRESS.

Alexander's Post.—The coffined corpse of a child arrived here by express from St. Paul, addressed to August Peterson. No one called for it, and the station men buried it. Mr. Peterson the father of the child, will remove the remains to the family burial ground at Lake Christina.

Monticello Times.—Between French Lake and Kings-ton there dwell a young couple who have been married eight years and have thirteen children, all living and hearty. Six successive births each resulted in twin girls, then came a decline, and the last arrival is a poor lonesome little boy.

That man must have discovered a "Bibb Mine." Bismarck Tribune.

James Dunn, who five years ago occupied a "shock" and had charge of a section house on the N. P., has become one of the solid men of the Northern Pacific country. He saved means sufficient to purchase a few cows and supplied the Bismarck market with butter when a good article commanded from thirty to fifty cents a pound.

James McLeod, a young man employed by A. J. White in getting out ties last winter, met with a serious accident at Sauk Center a few days ago. He was getting a horse shod when the animal kicked him, fracturing the leg in two places below the knee. He is now at the Melrose House and is doing as well as can be expected.

Mrs. Davis, mother of E. H. J. A., Andrew Davis and Mrs. W. A. White, died at the residence of the latter last week. She was a very estimable lady, and one of the first settlers of this county, having come here with her husband in the year 1751, there being only one other family in the county at that time. She was 78 years old.

The St. Cloud Journal Press is devoting considerable space in forwarding the interests of Mr. D. B. Searle, a prominent Republican of St. Cloud, for the office of Lieut. Governor.

The Postmaster General has required all postmasters to make a list of the names of letters a post, cards and packages of all kind to be sent to their offices the first seven days of September, and the Superintendent of railway mail services is directed to have a similar count made upon the cars and steamboats for the same time.

The regular semi-annual meeting of the Wadena county agricultural society, will be held at the office of the secretary in Wadena Saturday next, the 11th of October p. m. sharp. All the officers and members of the society, as many as possible are earnestly requested to attend as important business is to be brought before the meeting. Let us have a full attendance. S. S. GARDNER, SECRETARY.

Tax List. WADENA COUNTY.

State of Minnesota, Counties of Crow Wing, Cass, Wadena, Itasca and Aitkin. The State of Minnesota to all persons, companies or corporations, who have or claim any estate, right, title or interest in, claim to, or lien upon any of the several pieces or parcels of land in the list hereto attached, described: The list of taxes and penalties on real estate for the county of Wadena, remaining delinquent on the first day of June, 1879, has been filed to the office of the Clerk of the District Court of the county of Crow Wing, of which that hereto attached is a copy. Therefore, you and each of you are hereby required to file in the office of said clerk, within twenty days after the last publication of this notice your answer in writing, setting forth any objection or defense you may have to the taxes and penalties, or any part thereof, upon any piece or parcel of land described in said list, in, to, or on which you have or claim any estate, right, title, interest, claim or lien.

And in default thereof judgment will be entered against such piece or parcel of land for the taxes on said list appearing against it, and for all penalties, interest and cost. Witness my hand and the seal of said Court, at Brainerd, in said county of Crow Wing, this 20th day of June, 1879. W. W. HARTLEY, Clerk of the District Court in said County of Crow Wing. EXPLANATORY.—The abbreviations used in the following list may be understood thus: "rep" represents north; "e" east; "s" south; "w" west; "1/2" block; "s" the same number, block or description; "inc" inclusive; "sec" section; "and" and; "int" interest; "1/2 one-half; "1/4 one-quarter; "no" number; "1/2 of" the undivided seven-nights interest of; in the description of lands or town lots, when the name or number of a township, range section or lot is once given, such name or number applies to all the descriptions of lands or lots following until the name or number of another section or lot is given.

Table with columns: Name of owner, Amount of Taxes, and other details. Includes entries for James McLeod, Wm. H. Hartley, and others across various townships and ranges.

Wadena Hardware Store. C. M. Maltby. MILLER & FOSS, TAYLOR BUILDING, -F WADENA, MINN. SHELF & HEAVY HARDWARE, And Agricultural Implements. STOVES AND TINWARE AT BOTTOM PRICES.

S. S. GARDNER, WADENA, MINN. Real Estate, Loan & Insurance. Represents over 100,000 acres of selected Farming Lands in Otter Tail, Becker, Wadena and Todd counties...

Wadena Drug Store, WADENA, MINN. O. B. SKINNER, PROPRIETOR. L. E. STINEHOOR, DRUGGIST. Where you can get Drugs, Medicines, Chemicals, Paints, Oils, Varnishes, Brushes, Books, Stationery, and Wall Paper.

H. W. Fuller, DEALER IN FIRST-CLASS FARM MACHINERY, Agent for the MINNESOTA CHIEF THRESHER, CHAMPION REAPER and MOWER, KEystone, TIGER and THOMAS RAKES.

H. F. BURCH & Co. New Cash Store. New Goods, Low Prices. DEALERS IN GENERAL MERCHANDISE. Goods sold at Bottom Figures for Cash or in exchange for Farm Produce.

E. M. COOPER, LIVERY STABLE. Good Higs always on hand. Enquire at the Rawson House. 21-70.

J. Katzky, THIRD ST., WADENA, Dealer in Groceries, Dry Goods, Crockeries, Yankee Notions. Also Clothing, Boots and Shoes, and full assortment in MILLINERY AND STRAW GOODS.

C. M. Maltby. Has for Sale at BLUFFTON, MINNESOTA. DRY GOODS, NOTIONS, BOOTS and SHOES, GROCERIES and PROVISIONS. Tables, Chairs and Bedsteads. HARDWARE, STOVES and TINWARE, CROCKERY and GLASSWARE. Also has just laid out a beautiful town site and will give away a desirable lot to any desirable citizen who will build on it...