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BEMIDJI, BELTRAMI CO., MINN., THURSDAY, JUNE 6, 1901.

\$1.25 PER YEAR.

## County Bonds Sell

Stoddard, Nye & Co. and the First National Bank Pay a Premium of \$1,000 for \$36,000 5 Per Cent County Bonds.

The county board met on Monday and took up the question of bond sales. The bonds had been offered at 4 per cent, \$16,000 in 10 years, and \$20,000 in 15 years. Two bids were received, one from S. A. Kean of Chicago at par, and one from L. A. Coffin of Chicago at par less a commission of 4 per cent. Neither bid was accompanied by the necessary check of \$1,800 as evidence of good faith, and the board laid the matter over until Tuesday afternoon to give Kean time to send his good faith deposit if he desired to do so. At 3 o'clock on Tuesday no such deposit having been received, although Kean was wired

on Monday, the matter was again taken up. Mr. Nye of Stoddard, Nye & Co. of Minneapolis; C. W. Baumbach of the Lumbermen's bank of Bemidji, and A. P. White of the First National bank of Bemidji, were present and offered to bid on a 5 per cent bond. They were requested to make bids, and did so, the First National offering a \$500 premium; Stoddard, Nye & Co. \$625, and the Lumbermen's bank \$645. Neither bid was satisfactory to the board, and all were turned down. All three bidders, however, stuck to the board, which threatened to readvertise. Finally at 6 o'clock Mr. Nye offered to take the bonds at a premium of \$1,000, and his offer was practically agreed on though not formally accepted. At the adjourned meeting in the evening Stoddard, Nye & Co. and the First National joined in a bid of \$1,000 and accrued interest, they to provide blanks for bonds, and the offer was accepted. The board will meet on the 17th for the purpose of executing the bonds and receiving the proceeds.

## Memorial Services

Conducted on a Scale Never Before Equalled in Bemidji. Two Speeches Worth Preserving.

Never before was Memorial day so generally observed or so handsomely honored in Bemidji as last Thursday. In the afternoon all business places were closed, and both the forenoon and afternoon exercises were very largely attended. "Peace has its victory as well as war," and the members of the G. A. R. should be proud of the interest they have aroused in honor of that day, and our people should be grateful to the people who planned and carried out the fitting exercises.



At 10 o'clock a. m. the local G. A. R., ladies of the G. A. R. and their friends visited the cemetery where impressive ceremonies were held according to the practice of the post. Here Commander of the R. H. Carr Post No. 174, H. W. Bailey, delivered the following beautiful address:

BEMIDJI, Minn., May 30, 1901. Comrades and Friends: We are standing upon sacred ground. Before us lie all that is mortal of two members of the Grand Army of the Republic—Abel Rogers and Charles J. Hixon. But a few days ago they were here with us. Their battles of life are over. They, like millions before them, have crossed the silent river, and may we hope and believe that they are now in the presence of that Great Commander above and camped with comrades gone before. Their earthly call to arms is a sealed record of the past. The bugle note of victory and the wild cry of "onward" in the mighty conflict of war is hushed in death, and silence to them is everlasting and eternal. Their last roll call has been answered and the sublime victory of death is their portion now. Life, like the mighty wane of the sea, has ebbed and flowed for them as it does for us all. The silence of the tomb, the boom of mother earth, has stilled the wild beatings of the human heart. Whatever secrets were held or treasured by them are secrets still; they are in safe keeping now. Wild and weird as seems the voyage of life, yet it is often full of noble purposes and grand achievements. Passionless and powerless to further save their country's cause, they have laid down the burden so long carried and surrendered all that is earthly. Oh! what a lesson is death; so far and yet so near; so slow and yet so swift; so painful and yet so sweet. Measured by human understanding and human reason, a monster; but hope points to better things, and lone twines her arms around mortality and whispers all is well. This is the end of the journey. Here we rest forever. Whatever good we may have done will live after us. The breaking of eternal day: the first beholding of the promised land commences at the grave. The book of life opening with baby-

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Ladies' \$4.50 Trimmed Hats for....	\$3.00	Ladies' \$2.00 Shirt Waist Hats.....	1.39
Ladies' \$4.00 Trimmed Hats for....	\$2.75	Ladies' sailor hats, Knox shape, worth \$1.75, now	1.25
Ladies' \$3.50 Trimmed Hats for....	\$2.50	All \$1.00 hats.....	79c
Ladies' \$3.00 Trimmed Hats for....	\$2.25	All 75c hats.....	59c
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Ladies' \$2.00 Trimmed Hats for....	\$1.50		

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20 prs men's kangaroo calf crusher shoes, nearly all sizes, in perfect condition, our regular price \$3, sale price..... 2.25  
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hood and ending with old age closes here a sealed record forever. In our declining years as comrades, as citizens of this great republic, may we so conduct ourselves that honor and a good name may follow us to this, our last resting place:  
Angels guard with tender care Comrades who are sleeping here.  
At the exercises in the afternoon the opera house was crowded with people, and the following program was given:

**MEMORIAL DAY PROGRAM.**  
Call to order at 2 p. m.  
Music by the band.  
Prayer by Rev. Higgins.  
Reading governor's proclamation by P. Fessenden, adjutant of post.  
Introductory remarks by H. W. Bailey, post commander.  
Music—"Soldier's Farewell," quartet.  
"You put no flowers on my grave," Marguerite Walsh.  
Music—"Tenting Upon the Old

Camp Ground," scholars of high school.  
"Decoration Day," Lucie Lafonticte. Reading Lincoln's Gettysburg address, Mrs. Thompson.  
Music—"Brave Battling Boys," quartet.  
Exercises by school children (45).  
Music by band.  
Select reading by Mrs. H. W. Bailey, president of circle.  
Address by L. H. Bailey.  
Music—"The Vacant Chair," quartet.  
Address by Charles W. Scrutchin.  
Address by W. F. Street.  
Music—"Rest, Comrades, Rest," quartet.  
Music by band.  
Benediction at 4 p. m.  
The whole program was the proudest testimonial to Bemidji talent, and each number was warmly applauded. In memorial services there is nothing so appropriate as an address by one

of that race which was the casus belli of the day we observe. As Charles Scrutchin is of that race, the son of an ex-slave in fact, and as his powers of oratory would be a credit to any race, we take pleasure in being able to publish his speech in full.  
Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen, Members of the Grand Army Post: I would betray to you my feelings did I not at once say that I am more than pleased at the honor of being called upon as one of your speakers on this occasion. That it is meet that we should set apart one day of the year for the purpose of doing homage to those noble men who went upon the fields of battle and gave up their life's blood for the maintenance and perpetuation of the union; that it is meet that you old soldiers should select as one of your speakers on this occasion a member from that despised race

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