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THE MERGER DECISION.

A complete fiasco, so far as practical results go. Mr. Hill six months ago asked the pertinent question if it was expected by decree of court to take his property and that of his friends away from them? If not, what good purpose could the litigation serve? For it is Mr. Hill and his friends who make up the main body of stockholders in the Northern Securities company, in the Northern Pacific company, and in the Great Northern company.

The decree of the court of appeals makes no attempt to deprive Hill of his stock. Indeed, it directs that the stock in the two latter companies be returned to him and his associates by the Northern Securities. So that they will own and control the two railroads, and be just as capable of restraining trade and monopolizing commerce, as if the decree had never been rendered.

The Minneapolis Journal and St. Paul Dispatch (two former republican newspapers gone mad over tariff revision and anti-trust politics), will find precious little in the decree to console them. Along with the governor of the State of Minnesota they may become suddenly aware that tariff revision is not so popular as they thought, and that political humbuggery is mighty poor stuff for a prosperity party to make leading issues.

President Roosevelt in his Minneapolis speech forever shut off the "Iowa idea" in connection with Republican policy, and this decree of the court of appeals—which accomplishes nothing except to drive Mr. Hill and his friends to some other form of deposit of stocks—ought to satisfy them that they have made folly their god, and commercial wisdom their court jester.

THE PIONEER has been almost solitary and alone in its derision of the Northern Securities litigation, amongst the newspapers of Minnesota. It wishes now to renew its derision, and to add to it the sarcasm of a million "I-told-you-so" gestures.

They and their idea have kept Mr. Hill's securities beggars on the exchanges of the east, the while railroad construction work in Northern Minnesota came to a standstill merely to satisfy their greed and folly. Their pet railroad—the Soo—is owned bodily by a foreign corporation—the Canadian Pacific, and all their patriotic utterances about that system are the sheerest flapping, meant to influence up or down in the market a small block of minority stock which Thomas Lowry and W. D. Washburn are supposed to own and are anxious to unload on a confiding public. The true interests of the northern part of the state, or of the state, as a whole, are of no moment to either of the papers named.

The flagship of the Spanish admiral, Montojo, which was sunk by Dewey at Manila bay, was floated and beached last Saturday. Eighty skeletons were found in the hull. Upon examination, several holes were found in the boat's hull, one made by an 8-inch shell and the others smaller. A wrecking company is endeavoring to raise all the sunken Spanish warships.

Hoke Smith made the remark recently that what the wing of the democratic party to which he belonged needed a "democrat of the McKinley type." It will be a hard matter to find such a man in the democratic party.

Commencing with this issue THE PIONEER will be all home print and we intend to add new features to the paper very shortly. It is our intention to keep up-to-date and increase the paper with the growth of the town. As in the past, THE PIONEER will endeavor to work for the interests of Bemidji and Beltrami county.

A Sad Case.

Milo Edward, the 2-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Cline, died of measles, after an illness of ten weeks, last Saturday. The funeral occurred last Sunday, Rev. Murphy officiating. Undertaker Naylor conducted the funeral. The case is particularly sad, as Mr. and Mrs. Cline recently lost their little girl of the same disease. The bereaved parents have the sympathy of the entire community.

Non Union Union.

Steps were taken in Indianapolis, Ind., last Tuesday for the organization of a national union of employers of non-union men and articles of association were filed incorporating the American Association of Independent Mechanics. The purpose of the organization is to protect non-union men who do not care to affiliate with unions.

Mill Park Addition.

The Townsite Company is now selling lots in its first addition adjoining the new mill, at price ranging from \$25 to \$200. Its \$200 lots are 40x150 feet in dimensions. Easy terms.

Street & Gibbons, Agents.

A Stroke of Business.

Manager A. T. Wheelock has, after two months of work, succeeded in landing "The Telephone Girl." This is a first-class, strictly up-to-date New York play. It is the biggest thing of the season and the theatre-going part of our population should make it a point to attend. What this town needs is a better class of shows and if this one is well received more dates can be secured for other good companies this season. This company was secured on account of their having an off date and if the town does as well by them as it has done by some of the smaller traveling concerns other large attractions can be easily secured.

Shamrock Sold.

A. E. Guvreau of Crookston purchased the Shamrock hotel last Thursday, taking charge on Saturday. The building is being refitted and refurnished and will make a neat, cozy place when the improvements are completed. Mr. Guvreau and family are from Crookston, where he was formerly engaged in the hotel business.

Call For Orders.

Office of Village Treasurer. Bemidji, Minn., April 15, 1903. Notice is hereby given, that there are funds on hand sufficient to pay all village orders registered on or before Feb. 2nd, 1901. If same are not presented for payment within thirty days from date hereof, the next series of regularly registered orders will, if presented for payment, have preference.

W. L. BROOKS, Village Treasurer.

Notice to Public.

Notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to this company that J. C. Moore is no longer connected with the company in any capacity, and is not authorized to receive money belonging to the company or to transact any business whatever in its behalf.

April 6th, 1903. THE BEMIDJI TOWNSITE & IMPROVEMENT COMPANY.

For Sale.

Four lots at corner of 10th and Bemidji.

Four lots on lake shore near 10th St.

Two 40-foot lake shore lots in one of the best locations in town.

Six 50-foot lots corner of 8th and Irving.

Eight room house in Bailey's addition.

Five room cottage (new) on Minnesota avenue near 10th street.

J. C. MOORE, Markham Hotel Block.

Money for Town Orders.

Notice is given that there is money in the treasury of Bemidji township to pay the following orders:

No. 138, \$18.65; No. 152, 5; No. 153, \$4.50; No. 154, \$9.85; No. 155, \$2.25; No. 156, \$2.25.

EVEN MOE, Town Treasurer.

SHOWED TRUE SCOTCH THRIFT.

Wise Man Would Have Monument Serve Two Purposes.

Among Andrew Carnegie's collection of anecdotes illustrative of Scotch character one of the oddest follows: Sir John Cave was in Glasgow in 1807, at a time when the populace had it in mind to honor Nelson with a monument. Sir John attended a public dinner one evening when the monument came in for a good deal of discussion. Finally the visitor was asked for his views as to the inscription.

"I think," said Sir John, "that the style of the inscription should be eminently simple and plain. What I should put on the monument would be just the words, 'Glasgow to Nelson.'"

"I agree with the gentleman," said an aged Scot, arising. "But I would make an addition. We all know that from the town of Glasgow to that of Nelson is six miles, and therefore I would affix to the monument, after the words, 'Glasgow to Nelson,' the addendum, 'six miles,' and then our monument would serve two purposes."

NAPOLEON AT THE HEAD.

Conceded to Have Been the Most Famous Man That Ever Lived.

Napoleon is the most famous man who has ever lived, says Prof. J. McKeen Cattell of Columbia university, in the Popular Science Monthly.

Prof. Cattell has taken the six principal encyclopedias in the world—American, English, French and German, and made out a list of the 1,000 famous men and women who are given the most space.

As a result of his long labors, he has found that Napoleon heads the list, Shakespeare comes second, Mahomet third and Voltaire fourth.

George Washington, the first American in the list, is number nineteen. The other Americans on the roll of fame are mentioned in the following order:

Penn, Lincoln, Franklin, Jefferson, Grant, Longfellow, Prescott, Channing, Sherman, Emerson, Madison, J. Q. Adams, Cooper, Thomas Paine, Patrick Henry, Fulton, Sumner and Monroe.

Too Patriotic.

Patrick had worked hard all his days, but his sons had spent his money for him, and when he was too old for active work he was offered the position of crossing-tender at a small railway station. He looked dubious as the duties of the office were explained to him, and the meaning of the various flags was clearly stated. "In case of danger, with a train coming, of course you wave the red flag," said his friend, proceeding with his explanation. A hard old hand grasped his arm: "Man, dear, it'll never do," said Patrick, shaking his head solemnly. "I could never trust meself to remember to wave a red flag when there was a green wan handy."

Leeds to Have Racing Stable.

William B. Leeds, president of the Rock Island railroad and formerly known as the "tin-plate king," has purchased a half interest in the racing stable of Andrew Miller, a member of the New York Jockey club. During the running season Mr. Leeds will race in his own name and colors. To comply with the rules of the club, which prohibit two members of a firm from racing horses from the same stable, each member of the new firm will preserve his individuality and race different strings. Mr. Leeds made a big fortune in tin and steel. When a multimillionaire he drifted into the railroad business and soon became head of the Rock Island system.

The Girly chorus in the perpetual musical success "The Telephone Girl" is a salient feature in the organization and constitutes one of the chief charms of the cost production.

A baked goods sale every Saturday. Proceeds to be turned into Presbyterian church organ fund.

Kodol Dyspepsia Cure Digests what you eat.

PAINTING.

Decorating

Floor Finishing.

Granite Floor Finish

WALL PAPER and PAINTS

W. C. JONES

TELEPHONE 170

Office Opp. City Boat House.

Sealed Bids Wanted.

Town Board of Town of Lammers will receive sealed bids until the first day of May on bonds of the Township of Lammers issued as follows:

\$300.00 drawing 5 per cent due April 6th, 1905.

\$300.00 drawing 5 per cent due April 6th, 1907.

\$300.00 drawing 5 per cent due April 6th, 1909.

\$300.00 drawing 5 per cent due April 6th, 1911.

\$300.00 drawing 5 per cent due April 6th, 1913.

Bids to be sent to the town clerk of said town of Lammers, Beltrami county, Minn.

Don't fail to hear J. Frank Fouche, the celebrated impersonator, at the Presbyterian church on Saturday evening, April 18. Benefit of the organ fund. Admission, 50 cents.

Auction Sale.

On April 20, 1903, I will auction my farm machinery, cattle, team, household goods, etc., at public auction on my farm two miles east of Bemidji. The entire list, including all the farm machinery, cattle, horses and household goods will be sold to the highest bidder for cash. Free lunch will be served at noon. Come early, as the auction will commence at 10 a. m. Remember the date, April 20, 1903.

JOHN FINSETH, Owner. ANTON ERICKSON, Auctioneer.

To Justices of the Peace.

Notice is hereby given to all justices of the peace of Beltrami county, that hereafter no bills will be allowed for justice fees will be considered or allowed by the county board unless the report provided for in section 806, statutes 1896, shall have been filed with the county attorney at least six days before the meeting of the board at which such bills are presented.

This is by order of county attorney. D. L. SYLVESTER, Co. Auditor.

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Notice.

Notice is hereby given that S. Carson withdraws from the Bemidji Mercantile company, by mutual consent of all parties. The business of the Bemidji Mercantile company will be continued by T. J. Miller and D. C. Smyth, who will collect all outstanding accounts and pay all outstanding bills.

S. CARSON, T. J. MILLER, D. C. SMYTH.

R-I-P-A-N-S Tabules

Doctors find

A good prescription For mankind.

The 5-cent packet is enough for usual occasions. The family bottle (60 cents) contains as supply for a year. All druggists sell them.

Every student of the high school and upper grades should be present at the Presbyterian church on Saturday evening, April 18, and hear Mr. J. Frank Fouche in his superb interpretations of Shakespearean characters. They will derive a lesson in elocution and oratory which will be of lifelong value.

YOUR CREDIT IS GOOD.

We Want You to DISTINCTLY UNDERSTAND

That we do not expect your patronage when our price is not as low as you can buy elsewhere. We therefore kindly ask you to come to our store, examine the goods, get our prices and compare them with the same grade goods. We know we can sell you any article in our line as cheap as any catalogue house on earth. Why not? For the reason that we buy from the manufacturers and ship direct. What more can they do? The prices we ask will at once convince the most skeptical beyond question.

We know that low prices will get business. We have made prices that will certainly get yours, if you will give us an opportunity to show you—but we cannot if you continue to believe the alluring and deceptive statements made by catalogue houses and nervy, unreliable traveling peddlers and traveling machine agents.

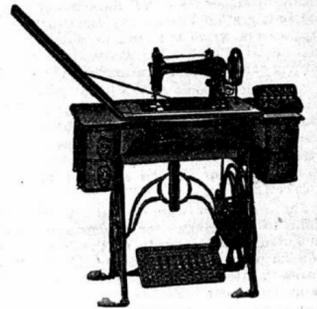
HERE IS AN INSTANCE:

Who ever sold a sewing machine that will compare with the one illustrated here. Examine it. An elegant five-drawer, drop-head, solid oak cabinet, with a complete set of attachments and as up-to-date in every respect as the highest priced machine on the market for

ONLY \$16.50.

Warranted

For Ten Years by the Manufacturer, Who has a Representative on the Ground to Whom You can go for Redress.



Which is preferable? A guarantee given by a catalogue house in a distant state that was only intended for advertising bait and is not worth the paper it is written on, or a guarantee as above. Nearly all cheap sewing machines sold by catalogue houses are made by Mushroom Companies—here today and gone tomorrow—when you want repairs you cannot get them.

A GOOD MACHINE AT A LOW PRICE IS THE CHEAPEST AND MOST SATISFACTORY IN THE END.

We have a great variety of the most popular machines to select from and can give you the machine you want at a right price. You can certainly save money by buying your machine here. GIVE US A TRIAL.

PIANOS, ORGANS and all kinds of Small MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS at very low prices on small monthly payments.

WRITE FOR CATALOGUE.

M. G. SLOCUM.

INSTALLMENT MUSIC STORE.

BEMIDJI, MINN.

YOUR CREDIT IS GOOD.

STRICTLY ONE PRICE TO ALL I. MEYER & CO. IS A STRONG ARGUMENT IN OUR FAVOR. High Art and One Price Clothiers.

Good Clothes for Young Men and Little Fellows

You are invited to call and see for yourself the complete and stylish showing of good clothes we have brought here for this season. It will be no trouble whatever for you to find just what you want and get it for the right price.

We Show You a Few of Our Specials:



Boys' two-piece suits—stylish, perfect fitting—\$5.00 down to \$1.25

Little fellows' clothes, smart, stylish and durable; new fabrics, \$6.00 down to \$1.75

Boys' three-piece suits—splendid and stylish, made in a mannish way—\$7.50 to \$3.75

Young men's suits—high grade and stylish; splendidly made—\$13.50 down to \$5.00

FREE

A Nickel Case Watch will be given away free with every purchase of ten dollars or over

