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Lake Superior Iron Ore Production.

We present below a statement of shipments of iron ore by mines, from the Lake Superior region for 1894. It shows that, with the all-rail shipments taken into account, the total for 1894 is 7,755,494 gross tons, or somewhat less than the estimate made in December, based upon the returns from upper lake shipping ports. The shipments in the year by the all-rail routes to furnaces in the lake region were 133,874 gross tons, as compared with 178,037 last year when this total was the lowest in many years. The showing for 1894 is as follows:

Table with columns for Range (Marquette, Mesabie, Gogebic, Mesaba, Vermilion), Mine Name, and Tons. Total for 1894 is 7,755,494 tons.

with a diamond drill. The work is being done by Cole & McDonald.

The Consolidated, which owns the four middle forties of 34-59-17, is testpitting same. The explorations are being conducted under charge of Capt. J. G. Cohee.

The obtaining of the contract for 4,500,000 tons of armor plate for the Russian government by the Bethlehem Furnace, of Bethlehem, Pa., is the first step in a prospective new market for American iron. It was but a very few years back that all armor plate used by the United States was necessarily manufactured abroad, and the fact that the manufacturers of this country are so soon enabled to successfully compete with their business adversaries of England and Germany bespeaks much for the rapid strides made in this country of late.

In the case of the Ainslie Land and Mining company vs. Fred Barrett, the Ohio Mining company, et al., Judge Nelson has ordered that the complainant shall have until March 2, 1895, within which to take its evidence in chief. The defendants who have answered to the complaint shall have until April 17, 1895, within which to take their evidence and the complainant then shall have until May 1, 1895, in which to take evidence in rebuttal. It is also ordered that H. H. Horn, of St. Paul, be appointed special examiner to take the evidence of the respective parties within or without the district, and either party may take evidence before any master of chancery in the district.

The Metropolitan group of mines, at Ironwood, now furnish employment to about 1000 men.

A mortgage for \$350,000 executed by the Florence Iron River company, of New York, upon all of the mining company's mine property here and real estate in Florence and adjoining counties, was recorded in the register of deeds office, in this city, this week. It was a very voluminous document. A chattel mortgage for \$100,000, given by the Florence Iron River company to the Security and Trust company, was also filed at Town Clerk Peterson's office a day or two ago. The latter mortgage covers the company's big 200,000 ton stockpile at the mine.—Florence News.

At the Winthrop mine, on the Marquette range, they are stripping a considerable area to secure the high silicon ore, the only grade at present obtainable, the ore of higher metallic content having been mined out. Considerable of this low grade ore was mined and marketed the past season. It contains about 42 per cent iron, and is used as a mixture in ores lacking silica. The price is low but the ore is cheaply produced, so that a very small margin of profit is secured. The steam shovel used in stripping will be laid up for the balance of the winter. There is a large amount of this grade of ore, enough to last for several years at the present rate of extraction. With ore at its present low price there is little encouragement to do dead work, and few concerns are engaged in it.

Capt. Mallman is in charge of an exploration crew for the Consolidated about five miles north-west of Mountain Iron.

On the Hibbing & Trimble property in 57-22, five test pits are now down in ore.

A considerable amount of water is encountered in the Sellers shaft, which is now down about 125 feet.

In response to the affidavit of John D. Rockefeller to vacate an attachment in the case of Alfred Merritt vs. John D. Rockefeller and John T. Gates, Judge Nelson has approved Rockefeller's bond and ordered that the attachment and levy made under it be discharged and vacated. Merritt, attached 7,001 shares of the capital stock of the Minnsa Iron company belonging to the defendant. The bond filed by Rockefeller is for \$500,000 and for surety has, in addition to Rockefeller, the American Surety company, of New York.

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A VERY PLEASANT PARTY

Tendered by the Citizens of Virginia to Mr. D. H. Moon and Daughter, Miss Rachel.

"The event of the season," it has been termed by those who in the pleasant parlors of the Hotel Virginia Wednesday eve., paid their respects to our estimable friend, Mr. D. H. Moon, and his accomplished daughter, Miss Rachel. It was one of those impromptu receptions, for which Virginians are celebrated, and drew together the culture and fashion of the city, and flooded the corridors of the hostelry with whisperings of admiration and fellowship and good cheer for it is known that Mr. Moon, although a resident of St. Paul, is entitled by reason of his property interests and personal popularity and enterprise, to honorary membership among the citizens of Virginia.

After the reception in which the friends of Mr. Moon were presented to his daughter, the party adjourned to the spacious dining hall where to the delightful music of Labrosse's String Orchestra the hours passed all too quickly, luncheon being served at midnight and at two the participants, after presenting their compliments to Mr. and Miss Moon, journeyed to their respective homes with the pleasantest of recollections.

Virginia to Incorporate.

At the meeting of citizens at Crockett's Opera House on Friday evening last, over which President Bates presided and J. C. Jackson acted as secretary, it was the unanimous voice of the large and representative assemblage that Virginia should take a step forward in its form of municipal government and incorporate as the first city of the Mesaba—to which position and distinction she is justly entitled by reason of the enterprising class of citizens, public improvements and general progressiveness.

Acting in accordance with a motion duly carried, a committee of five, composed of Messrs. E. McGruer, Fred Rossom, M. H. Martin, J. D. Taylor and E. S. Smith were appointed to meet with the council in joint session Saturday afternoon, at which time many things pertaining to the proposed organization were discussed, and the metes and bounds of new additions outlined.

Acting in accordance with the subject in view the council, at a subsequent meeting, appointed a committee of twofold each ward to obtain the signature of voters as required by law and the matter will shortly be in the hands of the Judge of Probate for consideration and final adjudication.

The metes and bounds of the new corporation as proposed embraces the present townsite and nine additional forties, two to the north, two to the east, two to the east, three to the south and the sawmill forty, together with the one adjoining same on the south.

Matters pertaining to special legislation desired is being looked after by Village Attorney Palmer.

Cemetery Clearing Contract Let.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Virginia Cemetery Association on Friday last, the contract for clearing the land for the new cemetery was awarded to Severin Staff, his bid reading \$19.75 per acre. There were one or two lower bids entered, but were not accompanied by the requisite bond to insure the proper performance of the contract.

Wore Only A Butcher Knife.

E. E. Tullberg, of Tower, who was brought down in a fit of insanity some weeks ago and returned with a supposed cure, was again committed to the county jail Saturday. He became violently again last week and after attempting to kill his wife and children ran amuck through the streets.—Duluth Herald.

LOCAL NEWS AND NOTES.

Gordon Blackburn, who has been employed on the Hibbing News for some time past, jumped his job on Saturday and spent the rest of the week with Virginia friends. He left Tuesday for his home at Hurley, Wis.

Ole Halverson visited Duluth friends during the week.

M. R. Metcalf, D. D. S., of the firm of Metcalf & Day, Duluth, was at the Hotel Virginia the first of the week.

Dr. R. L. Brown has accepted the position of mine doctor at the Mountain Iron and Rathbon mines, in place of Dr. Gilbert, who has resigned and will locate elsewhere.

Spring election draws on apace and the prospective mayoralty and aldermanic bee begineth to buzz. The present citizens of Virginia are all old residents and the coming choice of our people will be founded on actual knowledge of men and principles.

People who fish for compliments do not need long lines. They will get the best bites in shallow water.

Geo. L. Stroup attended to business matters in Duluth on Tuesday.

The largest stock of groceries and crockery on the range at the Virginia cash Grocery co. store, New goods at bottom prices.

Peter Schleppey attended to business matters in Duluth on Wednesday.

Fancy dairy butter and strictly fresh eggs always on hand at the Virginia cash Grocery co.

George Lerch returned on Monday from a trip to his home in the East. During his absence he visited a number of the steel plants of Pennsylvania.

Fancy white clover honey at the Virginia Cash Grocery Co.

Capt. A. J. Carlin, of the Oliver, visited Duluth the first of the week.

Wallace, the Tailor, can give you good value for your money both in style and material. Give him a call.

Benny Levin has, as noted in a dissolution notice elsewhere in these columns, purchased the interest of his partners in the Model Clothing Store and will henceforth "go it alone," paying all debts and receiving all dues of the former firm. Benny has worked up an excellent business in this city and if a good stock, courteous treatment and square dealing count for aught he will continue to hold and better same.

Building paper and hardware, a complete supply, at Prescott & Mars Co.

By an Ironwood exchange we note the death of Eugene Swartout, formerly employed as bookkeeper at the Oliver mine.

We have the exclusive sale of Chase & Sanborn's famous teas and coffees. Try them and you will use no others.

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A new city hall would not be the most foolish expenditure that could be indulged in; Virginia should at least be entitled to a place considered fit for meetings of the common council, in winter as well as summer.

Heating and cook stoves at Prescott & Mars Co.

Paul Kelly, of Escanaba, Mich., was in the city on Tuesday, looking after realty interests here. Mr. Kelly is a large owner in the Sheridan mine, on the Menominee range, the output of which property was cut from 45,745 in 1893 to 2,234 tons in 1894.

Leave your money in the town by placing your order with Wallace the Tailor.

The firm of Field & Co. has been succeeded by Axel Carlson, the business being continued with Geo. L. Stroup as general manager, acting under power of attorney, as elsewhere noted in this issue.

Bananas, apples, oranges, lemons and cranberries at the Virginia cash Grocery co.

The California Wine House carries the largest stock of liquors, imported and domestic wines, cigars, etc., in the city. Also makes a specialty of jug and bottle trade for family use. Jugs delivered to any part of the city free of charge. S. SAX Prop.

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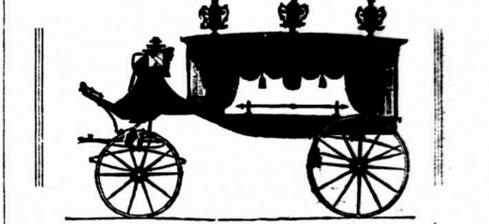
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