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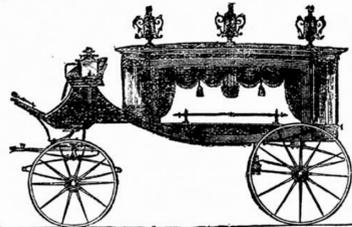
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THE PEOPLE VOTE "YES."

The Road Bond Proposition Carries by Upward of One Thousand Majority.

Work for the Laborers.

The proposition to bond the county for \$150,000 for the purpose of building a county road from Duluth north to the boundary, was carried in Tuesday's contest by a majority of upward of one thousand, notwithstanding the strenuous efforts made against it by Duluth and by certain corporations operating on the iron ranges.

The citizens of the central Mesaba showed by their votes the preponderance of sentiment favoring the proposition, Virginia casting 523 for to 8 against the proposition. The Auburn, a Minnesota Iron company precinct, was the only precinct on the Mesaba where the proposition was defeated, the vote there being 63 against and but 4 favorable to the bonds. The Auburn and Ely were the only precincts in the county outside Duluth in which the bonds were defeated, but the small vote at either place rendered their aim harmless, the ranges going to Duluth with over 1,500 majority.

There will be little trouble experienced in floating the bonds, and the early summer will see everything in readiness for active work on this greatly needed improvement, furnishing employment to hundreds of laborers, and opening to settlement a vast area of tillable land.

To County Commissioner Miller and to his indefatigable work in favor of the proposition is due much credit, and it is to be hoped that the road, when built, will be so constructed as to be a lasting credit to the entire county.

MINING MINUTES.

Over 1,000,000 more tons of iron ore will be shipped from Minnesota in 1896 than in 1895, and, the producers expect, at a far price than ruled last year. It will not be the fault of the producers at least if the prices are not more satisfactory. Last year Minnesota shipped about 4,000,000 tons of iron ore and this year there is the certainty of the shipments aggregating 5,000,000 tons. The Duluth & Iron Range road last year hauled 2,300,000 tons for shipment and this year will haul anywhere from 2,500,000 to 2,750,000 tons. The Missabe & Northern road last year hauled over 1,500,000 tons of iron ore and this year will increase the total to over 2,000,000 tons. The Duluth & Winnipeg road, which hauled 100,000 tons of ore last year, will increase its shipments this year to 400,000 tons. Railroad and iron ore managers agree that the shipments of ore from the state this year will approximate 5,000,000 tons, indicating a clean million tons increase, or better, over the shipments of the preceding year.

Hoisting has been discontinued for the present at the Burt mine of the Lake Superior group here and all work about the mine is at a standstill. No one here appears to know the reason for this action on the part of the management. At the other properties the work is being vigorously prosecuted.—Hibbing News.

The Duluth, Missabe and Northern road will build a steel bridge over the St. Louis river at the second crossing with double foundation and piers. The bridge span will be 102 feet and will cost \$16,000.

The Industrial World of yesterday says: Expect for soft steel products, the iron market generally has been quieter in all branches, crude as well as finished, and inquiry is also less active than it has been. Business in steel rods has been brisk, with sales last week of 3,000 tons at about \$27, and an aggregate of upwards of 25,000 tons for the past two weeks, with other contracts to be placed this week. Steel rails are also very active, and the demand and large sales are a surprise to the mills here. Pig iron, outside of several 1,000-ton lots, has been dull for northern as well as southern producers.

The mammoth bailers which are to be employed in the work of unwatering the Hamilton and Ludington mines are now being constructed at the Chapin machine shops, and it will not be many days now before the wheels will again be revolving at these long idle properties. The bailers are of a different shape and somewhat greater capacity than those employed in the work two years ago, and it is thought that they can be operated more expeditiously. Mechanics are also engaged in making some alterations at Hamilton No. 2 shaft. It is the present intention to hoist all the water from this shaft, but matters will be arranged so that a bailing plant may be operated in Ludington B shaft.—Range Tribune.

Judge Moer has granted the petition of certain stockholders of the Lackawanna Iron company to dissolve the corporation. The Minnesota Iron Co. at Chicago, has declared a quarterly dividend of 1 1/2 per cent payable April 15. The distribution will amount to \$247,500. This is the first return to the stockholders since April, 1893.

A PROSPECTIVE HOTEL.

Virginia May get Furnish Proper Accommodation for the Traveling Public.

While Virginia, as the metropolitan, industrial and geographical center of the Mesaba, has always held her prestige against the great odds of inadequate hotel accommodations, it has been from the reason that previous to the opening of the Hotel Hibbing, our city furnished as good accommodations as were to be found elsewhere on the range. Now, however, conditions are changed, and it has come to a question with but one alternative either the erection of a suitable hostelry or a loss of a greater portion of the immense patronage derived from the traveling public.

Recognizing this fact, the Virginia Improvement company, to whose interest such an institution would redound more than to any other business interest of the city, are again making efforts looking to the erection of a hotel, and as a portion of their donation for such purpose will give lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 in block 25, as a site, and a more central and better location could not be found in the entire city.

For some time past, Mr. J. R. James, local manager of the Improvement company, has been in communication with H. M. Gray, proprietor of the National Hotel, an elegant three story brick structure, at Marshall, Minn., and on Monday last Mr. Gray arrived in Virginia for a short tour of inspection.

Mr. Gray, who apparently is a bright, conservative young business man, was shown something of our surrounding resources, and expressed himself as greatly pleased with Virginia and its environs, and the evidences of prosperity and stability so noticeable, and while no definite decision was reached it is more than likely desired results will attend a conference with the directors of the Improvement Co., at Duluth.

Every Virginian, with the interest of the city at heart, will be pleased to see the prospective deal assume tangible form. As the city now stands, no other one thing is more needed in the active advancement being made by the city, and that a field is open for such an enterprise none can dispute.

From here Mr. Gray went to Tower on Wednesday for a short visit with his old friend, [Rev. J. A. McGonigle.

A New Dry Good's House.

H. Strehlau, who for some two years past has acted as local manager of the Virginia Cash Dry Goods Store, will shortly sever his connection with that firm and enter business for himself, having leased the Sutherland block. His elegant line of strictly fresh, latest style goods will be opened to the public the latter part of the month, and we predict for the new venture a success from the first.

To The Alaska Gold Fields.

New facts concerning this country may be obtained at the South Shore Ticket Office, 426 Spalding House Block, Duluth.

THE CITY'S GENERAL NEWS

PICKED UP AND CONDENSED BY THE ENTERPRISE REPORTER.

Sec. Heart and Edmond. "How Much Is He Worth," By Rev. Dr. Robert Forbes, At the First M. E. Church, Virginia, on Thursday Evening, March 19th. Do Not Miss it. Admission, 25 cents.

To one who enjoys a discourse, refined, pointed and teeming with sound sense, the lecture to be delivered by the Rev. Dr. Forbes at the M. E. church on Thursday evening next will be a rare treat. Admission 25 cents.

M. E. Levy, of the New Cheap Store, returned on Wednesday from his trip to Chicago and Twin City markets, where he purchased an elegant new stock, which is now arriving and being placed upon the shelves.

L. A. Gardner, of Harvard, Ill., has assumed his new position as cashier of the Miner's and Merchants Bank, of this city.

Mrs. H. Strehlau returned on Monday from her trip to the Twin Cities and Chicago. During her absence she purchased the largest and choicest line of millinery and novelties ever brought to the range, which will be opened in the new store in the Sutherland block the last of the month.

M. C. French, of Duluth, was in the city yesterday.

Sam Manning, employed at Paddy McDonald's camp, had a leg smashed by a falling log on Saturday morning last. The injured man was brought to this city, where he was attended by Dr. Alden, and at noon was taken to the hospital at Duluth. The injuries sustained were of a serious nature, and being an aged man, recovery will be slow.

The dining car serving supper out of Duluth at the 4:00 P. M. South Shore train has proven very popular with the traveling public.

J. C. Jackson, J. R. James and E. Z. Griggs went to Duluth yesterday as witnesses in the suit of Kate Kain, for damages caused by the skating rink adjacent to her garden spot, during the winters of 1894-5.

Mrs. M. Delfeld returned on Saturday last from the Detroit and St. Paul markets, where she purchased an elegant spring line of millinery and novelties, which will be open to her many patrons at an early date.

Misses Mabel Griggs and Edith McNeel tendered a joint birthday party to their many young friends at the pleasant home of E. Z. Griggs, on Monday afternoon last. The little folks were royally entertained, Miss Saxon preparing an elegant luncheon and doing aught in her power to increase the youthful merriment.

The Enterprise was favored by orders for the greater share of the township and village tickets used at the various precincts on the central Mesaba on Tuesday. Prompt and correct work wins a lasting reputation, and pays good interest on an un-taxable investment.

Chief of Police A. D. Brown went to Duluth on Wednesday having in custody the person of Dominick Reagin, who will serve a thirty day sentence for vagrancy.

John Moriarty, of Princeton, while here a week ago, closed a deal whereby he becomes an interested member of the Virginia Lumber & Supply Co., Mr. A. J. Ross retiring from the firm. Mr. Moriarty needs no introduction to the older Virginians, to whom he is known as an active, energetic, honorable business man. He is at present at Princeton, straightening up business affairs, and will return here the coming week to give his personal attention to his lately acquired interests.

H. J. Finney, who has been city agent for the D. & I. R. at this place for some months past, has accepted a position at West Superior with the Eastern Minnesota. His position here will be filled by P. J. Arland.

John Mattila, of Iron Mountain, erects a substantial frame block near the Emmet House, on Maple St., which he will occupy as a saloon when complete.

The Rev. Marsh of Richland Mich., who conducted divine services at the Presbyterian church on Sunday last, attended by good audiences, will preach at the same church on Sunday next. Morning services at 11 o'clock, evening services at 7:30. All are cordially invited.

The Eveleth Star got out an anniversary number last issue, which is a creditable production. The edition contains a concise writeup of the mines and business interests of the village, showing a great degree of enterprise upon the part of the management, and the sheet is a typographical beauty.

Fred Houck moved his stock of fruits, confections, etc., from his former location on Maple St. to the French Kitchen building, on Chestnut St. on Monday.

The Peters Installment Co., have leased the Doyle building, recently vacated by O. J. Anderson, and will shortly remove their stock thereto from the O'Donnell block. The new location will give them much more room, and better adapted for business purposes.

The Enterprise was in error last week in stating that the New England supper to be given by the ladies of the M. E. church was to be held on Thursday evening, March 13. It should have been Friday evening, March 13, which is tonight, and a good attendance is desired. At the M. E. Church parlors.

H. Nathanson was in from Eveleth yesterday.

Return Leap Year Party.

The young Scandinavian gentlemen of the city tendered a return leap year party to their fair enamoras at Crockett's Opera House last evening, the affair being a most enjoyable event, and well attended.

Music was furnished by the LaBrosse orchestra, of Biwabik, with Jno. A. Prince as prompter, and an elegant midnight repast was served in the hall.

The committees, the names of which ensured the success of the party, are as follows:

Arrangement—Ole Halvorson, Andrew Johnson, Gus. Nelson.

Invitation—Nels P. Fordham, G. K. Bjorklund, Jno. A. Prince.

Reception—John Wennberg, Henning Erickson, Andrew Johnson, Ole Socknas, Ole Halvorson, Oscar Erickson.

Floor Managers—G. K. Gjorklund, Frank Lundin, John Bloomquist, Andrew Robinson.

Republican Primary Elections.

On Thursday evening next, March 19th, there will be caucuses held, from 7:00 to 9:00 o'clock, in the various wards of the city to elect delegates to the Republican County Convention, to be held at Duluth on Friday, March 20, 1896.

The City of Virginia is entitled to delegates as follows:

- 1st ward, one delegate. 2nd ward, two delegates. 3d ward, one delegate. 4th ward, two delegates.

The places of holding said caucuses will be as follows:

- 1st ward, City Hall. 2nd ward, Hauta's building. 3d ward, Chesser Hotel. 4th ward, Granberg's building. J. C. Jackson, Chairman. W. E. Hannaford Secretary.

Eveleth Election.

At Eveleth the straight Citizen's Ticket was elected on Tuesday, some of the majorities requiring three figures to write. The people are seemingly well satisfied with the past administration of Dr. H. L. Darms, re-electing him by a majority of 102. The full ticket as elected is as follows:

- For President—H. L. Darms. For Recorder—Ed Finch. For Treasurer—James Robb. For Trustees—Henry Hookwith, August Benson, Alfred Riff.

For Justices of the Peace—N. J. Cavanaugh, Frank Dick. For Constables—John Salvo, Dan Swedman.

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