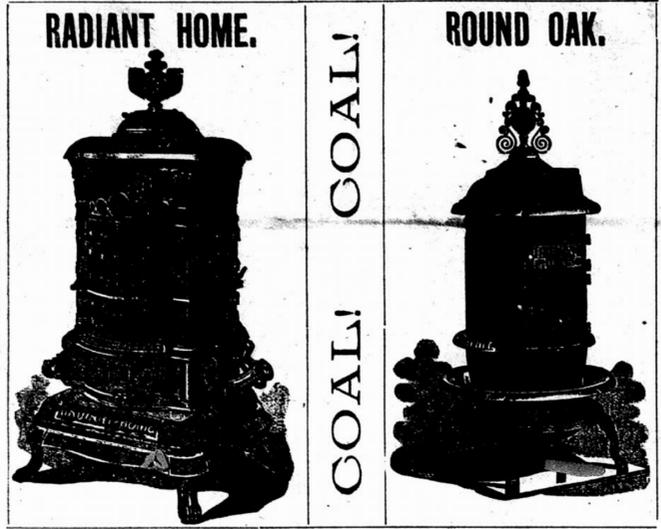


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NEWS FROM THE IRON MINES. INTERESTING NOTES RELATIVE TO OUR PRINCIPAL INDUSTRY. Mesaba and Other Iron Ranges. Dispatches published on Sunday state that John D. Rockefeller has purchased in South Chicago, along the shores of Lake Michigan and at the mouth of the Calumet river, a plat of ground several acres in extent and with a water frontage of 3,200 feet...

While there is no increase in working forces at the mines of this range, the underground forces have not been decreased and it is not at all probable that they will be. Added to this is preparations for resumption of work at several properties where everything has been quiet for months. There are, so far as we can learn, but few idle men on the range, and there is a growing demand for men for work in the woods.

usual, with prospects of immediate pronounced activity much brighter, a force of about one hundred men having been put on at the Bessemer yesterday morning. Stockpile grounds at new No. 2 shaft Franklin are being prepared and trestles raised. The surface improvements mentioned in our report from this property in our last issue are progressing nicely.

The docks at Lake Erie ports are said to contain more unsold ore this fall than ever before in their history at the close of navigation, but notwithstanding this fact more work is looking to a big season is being done on the various ranges than has been known at this season for years.

James Dacy, of the Virginia Boiler Works, put in new machinery at the Victoria, so it is reported. The Victoria is a member of the Franklin group, developed by Capt. C. H. Whitford, and is a property of known merit, although but a few thousand tons of ore have ever been shipped from the mine.

Crews were put to work yesterday afternoon on the Sauntery property, north of the city, and several new test pits will be sunk this winter. It is understood to be the present intention of the owner of this vast property to open and develop same the coming season.

There are now on Lake Superior and Lake Michigan, twenty-three ore-shipping docks having a total of 4624 pockets, with an aggregate capacity of 633,804 gross tons, which have cost \$6,849,529. These docks are located as follows: Two Harbors, five docks, 729 pockets, of 109,150 gross tons capacity, cost of construction, 1,650,000; Duluth, two docks, 576 pockets, of 92,160 tons capacity, \$860,021; Superior, one dock, 250 pockets of 27,500 ton capacity, \$418,619; Ashland, three docks, 782 pockets, 101,776 tons capacity, \$942,576; Marquette, including St. Ignace and L'Anse, six docks, 1083 pockets, of 125,000 tons capacity, \$1,732,304; Escanaba, five docks, 1084 pockets, of 151,218 tons capacity, \$1,122,000; Gladstone, one dock, 120 pockets, 17,000 tons capacity, \$128,000.

At the Commodore no special news is available, the management continuing the work of development with a small crew. The work of erecting trestles above the stockpile grounds for the new shaft was commenced today. Winston Bros. & Dear have taken the contract for the cutting of the pine on the Mahoning property. The stumpage is estimated at about 3,000,000 feet.

THE CITY'S GENERAL NEWS

PICKED UP AND CONDENSED BY THE ENTERPRISE REPORTER.

Sec. Heard and Believed. The district court has issued an order that until the beginning of the January general term on the first Wednesday of next month, no more second citizenship papers will be issued except on Saturdays at special term, at 9:30 or 2 o'clock. Prospective applicants should remember this.

J. M. Markham, of Aitkin, is in the city today, looking up a prospective location for a first-class hotel. Such an institution has ever been a sadly lacking feature in Virginia, and we trust the gentleman may see the advantages offered and establish a hostelry second to none north of Duluth.

Reiner Hook, president of the Duluth Brewing & Malting Company was in the city on Saturday. This firm have put in a large plant in Duluth at a cost of over \$100,000 and are turning out a product equal to the best. A branch agency in this city, under the supervision of C. Melby, has been established.

Art Silks at Mrs. M. Delfeld's.

J. H. Smith, the tonsorial artist, has removed his shop two doors east, where he now occupies a neat and tasty room in a building owned by Gen. Scott. Mr. Smith has been receiving a good patronage since opening in this city and will have a neat shop when complete.

Hon. Neil McInnis was in the city for a few hours on Saturday last. With no intended reflection upon the members elect of the next legislature, there still lingers in the minds of many a firm conviction that Neil should not have been turned down and that, by reason of acquaintanceships and associations formed during the last session, he could do much more for this section of the country than most any other man from the district.

Miss Fannie Marvin, who has held the position of principal in the Virginia public schools, has resigned her position, taking effect on Friday last, and on Saturday went to Duluth. Miss Jessie G. Scott will fill the vacancy occasioned by Miss Marvin's resignation, during the balance of the present term.

A meeting of those desirous of obtaining full citizenship papers will be held this evening, to decide upon a date on which to go to Duluth, it being the expectation that reduced rates will be secured. Second papers will doubtless be issued to a full hundred of our people before the close of the present month.

The M. E. Sunday School elected officers for the ensuing year on Sunday last, as follows: B. N. Wheeler, superintendent; Mrs. M. E. Fanning, assistant superintendent; Miss Daisy Wilmot, secretary and treasurer; Mrs. J. R. James, organist; Claud Durkee, librarian; Miss Nella Griggs, assistant librarian.

Dressed Dolls at Mrs. M. Delfeld's.

The Whist club met on Friday evening last at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Miller, Franklin location, the prize winners being Mrs. M. E. Fanning and F. P. Hopkins.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Manheim, of the People's Store, rejoice over the advent of a bright girl baby at their home on Monday morning.

A man was hurt at McDonald's camp on Saturday, having an arm broken by a falling tree. The injured man was taken to the Virginia Hospital and on Monday was removed to Duluth.

The Enterprise still awaits replies from a great number of subscription accounts mailed in November.

PRESBYTERIAN BAZAAR

The Bazaar to be given by the Ladies' Benevolent Society of the Presbyterian church in the Sutherland building, opposite the Public Library, on Monday and Tuesday, December 14 and 15 from 2 to 10 o'clock p. m., promises to be a brilliant affair. The ladies have been untiring in their efforts and will display a large assortment of fancy and other articles both useful and ornamental. There will also be on sale home-made pies, cakes, doughnuts and candy. As this is the first attempt of this kind these ladies have made since their organization three years ago, they are deserving of the liberal patronage of our townspeople.

A HEAVY FINE

In the neighborhood of Virginia and doubtless at every point on the range, many "jags" of wood are being cut by trespassers on the lands of non-resident corporations. So far as the value of the stumpage is concerned, it is altogether unlikely that any protest would ever be entered by any of these owners but the great danger to the timber left standing by reason of the brush piles left, is attracting the attention of resident agents, and it is not unlikely that some of those who are implicated in a general disregard of lines and surveys may be given a dose of law if the work continues. The law provides for an offense of this kind a fine of \$250 or six months in the county jail.

ROAD CONTRACTS LET

At the meeting of the county board held Saturday afternoon, the following contracts for sections of the Miller trunk road were formally closed: The 25 miles from the Tower & Itasca crossing to the head of Vermilion lake went to J. J. C. Davis for \$22,711.82. The 20 miles between mileposts thirty and fifty to Frank J. McDonnell for \$23,484, and M. W. McDonald was awarded the mile and a half to connect the Swan Lake road with section 4 of the trunk road for \$1411. The first two contracts were awarded to the lowest regular bidders, although lower bids were presented, being voided by technical irregularities.

GREAT MOTT

This expression will no longer be a slang phrase in St. Louis "or now it is the name of an organized town up on the range, says the News-Tribune. Some time ago the county commissioners named the town Scott, but a communication was received from the state auditor to the effect that a town in Stearns county had the exclusive right, title and interest in the name and that the St. Louis Scott would have to be changed to something else. When the subject came up for consideration on Saturday, Commissioner Miller moved that the name be changed to Great Scott. The only commissioner to oppose the motion was Albert Swenson, who voted in the negative.

SPECIAL MEETING

A special meeting of the Virginia Business Men's Association has been called to meet in conjunction with a special meeting of the common council at the council chambers this evening, for the purpose of considering the injustice threatened to this city by the proposed route north from here of the Miller trunk road, connecting with the Crane lake and Itasca road but four miles from Tower, and to devise ways and means to secure to Virginia her rights as expressed by the people at the time of voting bonds for said road.

WENT UNDERGROUND

On Saturday last a party consisting of Mrs. Chas. Trezona, Misses Van Aucken, Ober, Newcombe and Stevens made an underground visit at the Franklin and Bessemer properties, Capt. Chas. Trezona and Emerson McNeil acting as chaperons. The experience was a new and novel one to the ladies, who greatly enjoyed the trip.

WERE BANQUETED

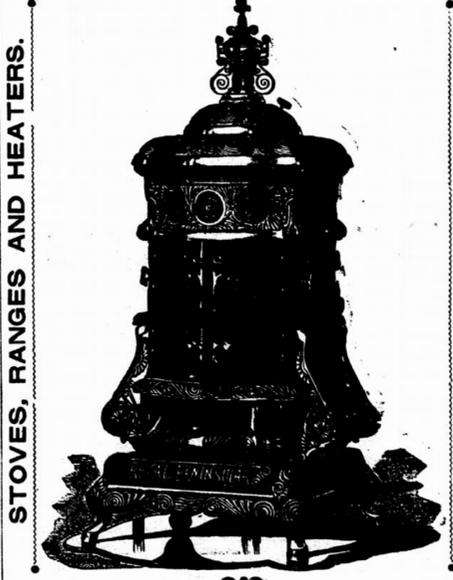
The members of Mesaba Lodge No. 222, I. O. O. F., were tendered an elegant banquet by the new officers-elect at Potvin Bros., at the close of lodge last evening, all enjoying an ample repast and a pleasant hour socially.

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