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Special Notice.

Persons wishing a news item, change of "ad." or anything in the line of locals, inserted, will please have same in our office by Thursday noon of each week, if convenient, as it saves time and trouble for both parties.

We reserve the right to positively refuse any notice of whatever nature after 2 o'clock p. m. on Thursday.

AT THE PIONEER.

A large pipe runs around the building near the ceiling and passes through each locker. There are holes in the pipe, something on the principle of a sprinkler, and this pipe is connected with a pump and in case of fire the water can be turned on and every thing in the lockers will be sprinkled.

A new Cahall boiler is being put in at the Pioneer. This boiler is a stranger in these parts so far as the writer is aware. It is sort of an upright boiler and is said to be a great steam generator. It stands 28 feet 9 inches high.

There are about 375 men employed at the Pioneer mine at the present time and more are being added as fast as room can be made for them. About 1000 tons a day are being hoisted from the shaft and this amount will be increased steadily as the development work underground progresses. The old B shaft has been fixed up as a timber shaft, and this leaves the main shaft free to hoist ore. A big stockpile is already in evidence and by spring the property will be in fine shape for shipping.

A visit to the Pioneer mine on Tuesday found everything working along smoothly, but as rushing as an American firearms manufactory before the late war. The reverberation of the carpenter's hammer attracted the attention to new buildings that are going up, and also several recently finished and neatly painted buildings. The carpenters are working on the building for the machine shop which will be fitted out with the latest improved machinery—drill presses, nut and bolt threaders, lathes, etc. A new dry is almost completed, only a few more lockers remaining to be put in. The dry is large and roomy and has a very unique system of fire protection.—Ely Times.

LAKE COPPER MINES.

The Marine Review understands that full 11,000 men were working in and around the copper mines of Lake Superior when navigation closed a few weeks ago. In 1893 not more than 5,000 men were engaged, and in 1897 not more than 9,000. The boom in the copper industry, with prospecting operations going on in various new fields, says the Review, was the first cause of a scarcity of labor and advanced wages in the iron mines. Although miners in the copper region were paid higher wages than prevail in any of the other mining fields, there has been great difficulty all through the year in securing men sufficient for development work induced by activity in the copper industry. The value of lake copper product during 1898 exceeds $18,000,000, of which owing to the high price obtained for the metal, not far from $8,000,000 is profit to the mines. Copper mines of the lake country are valued at about $150,000,000, which is more than 2½ times their worth in 1893, and more than twice their value in 1895. One mine alone, the famous Calumet & Hecla, to which more than to any others the note of this region in the public eye is due, has risen in market value from $100 to about $600. Even at $600 a share this stock, whose par value is $25, is a good investment, for it is paying 200 per cent a year on its capitalization of $2,500,000. This year it has paid $4,000,000.

AN OBSERVATION SOCIAL

The Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. Church will tender a dime social at the parsonage on Friday evening, January 20th, to which a cordial invitation is extended.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The Sharkey-McCoy fight Tuesday evening resulted in the defeat of the latter in the tenth round.

Copper stocks continue to boom and some of our citizens who got in on the ground floor could already pocked a handsome profit on their investment if they so desired.

Mr. Haapakaski, editor of the Amerikan Uutiset, an influental Finnish paper published at Calumet, Mich., is in the city today, looking after business matters in the interest of his journal.

R. L. Polk & Co. are shortly to issue a directory of the ranges and range towns, including Virginia, Eveleth, Hibbing, McKinley, Sparta, Biwabik, Grand Rapids, Two Harbors, Mt. Iron, Tower and Ely.

P. G. Kraemer, of Imperial fame, looked after the needs of our merchants Tuesday.

Supt. Redfern, of the Penobscot mine, Hibbing, was a Virginia visitor Friday.

Attorney General Childs has been retained on special counsel to push the proceedings for the forfeiture of the Duluth & Iron Range land grant. The decision rests with the commision named by the last legislature, including Gov. Lind, Auditor Dunn and Attorney General Douglas at whose suggestion Mr. Childs was retained. The case is now pending before Judge Lochren in the federal court and a vast deal of evidence has been taken before a special master.

At the close of an able article upon Ely and her bright prospects for future greatness, Bro. Schaefer, of the Ely Miner, says that when the matter of dividing the county is again brought up Ely will be at the front with a bid for the county seat. That makes no odds, Bro. Schaefer, we desire county division even if an unsurveyed forty on the shore of Gabitogunaig lake be designated as the county seat. The gutteral notes of the Chippewas is far preferable to the grunts of the Duluth hogs.

Another chapter is to be added to the famous Ceder Island or Ely lake land case, the long contest between Murphy & Dorr and the U. S. Surveyor General to come before the U. S. Court at Duluth shortly for a new trial. The case involves a large tract of valuable land which was originally surveyed as a portion of Cedar Island lake, but on which stands many thousands of dollars worth of timber These lands have since been homesteaded, and the suit is to compel them to be opened for entry.

Uncle Sam continues to line up new companies of infantry at Walker, in anticipation of trouble with a score of redskins. Between the squaws of Minnesota, the belligerants of Cuba and the negroes of the Phillipines who believe that governments derive their just powers only from the consent of the governed, Uncle Sam has a bright prospect for active employment for a long time to come.

The world is made up of individuals each having peculiar views upon all subjects which engage the thought. No man may attain perfection or always be exactly right. Indeed, there is a diversity of opinions as to what is right in many things. Because of this diversity, there are many religious societies, differing in many minor points, but really not very far apart in the more important things. There are opposing political parties each having a large following of honest, conscientious men. Men with "hobbies" are most often wise in their own conceits. Men, who accord to others the right to opposing views and believe them honest in views they themselves do not endorse, are counted noblest and best. Man has sought many inventions. The progress of the age is marvelous, yet humanity is wrapped up in ignorance.

The Anoka Herald says that so long as there are Indians, pine trees and lumbermen, there will be trouble. The Ortonville Herald Star goes it one better and adds whiskey to the list. That certainly makes a hard combination to go against.

Geo. Westcott, formerly editor of the Ely Times, has been appointed U. S. Court Commissioner, and as such is entitled to take testimony in final proofs on public lands.

C. Schoenleber is among the new victims of la grippe this week.

The old sawmill at McKinley is being torn down and removed.

Capt. A. H. Stevens, who has a timber contract for the Adams mine, has his camps complete and is already delivering timber. He has about 25 men employed at present.

A. H. Cornstock, in a lengthy letter to the News Tribune, advocates a bounty on pig iron manufactured in Minnesota from Minnesota ores Mr. Cornstock's idea is all right. Bounties are proper in certain cases, but only until such time as the new industry is enabled to compete with older establishments. Bounties have worked wonders for the salt and beat sugar industries of Michigan, and the natural result of the induction of iron manufacture in our state is inevitable.

We note that Senator Hawkins has been appointed chairman of the senate committee on Mines and Mining, and is also a member of the committees on Logs and Lumber and Towns and Counties. His position on this latter committee should lend him considerable strength in any measure which might be promulgated for the establishment of a new county by a vote of the people of St. Louis county prior to the general election of 1900.

The publishers of Carlton county have patterned after their fraternal brethren of the iron ranges, and organized a Press Association, for the advancement of mutual interests. We trust, however, that there may be found among their number no Judas Iscariot, who may attempt to "do the gang" under the cloak of friendship and thus cause a disruption. Such is practically the present status of the Editorial Association of the Iron Ranges.

A western editor who doubtless has had a serious time with wind storms, drouths and delinquents, thus writes: We look into a cradle and behold a crying male babe. At the age of ten he is a noisy kid, with half the buttons off his pants and an eye for meanness; at fifteen he is a devil in a print shop; at twenty he is the publisher of a country newspaper, at the head of every enterprise calculated to improve the town or enrich the business men thereof; at 35 he's an emaciated worn out man with a bald head and holes in his pockets, and at fifty he's a corpse in a cheap coffin and his only resources left behind is two cases long primer, a Washington hand press and a subscription book with 678 delinquent subscribers, who line up and march past his office saying "He was a public spirited fellow, but he never could save anything."

The Head of the Lakes, a new business journal, has been launched at Duluth by E. L. Millar, with C. D. Skillings as editor. Vol. 1 No. 1 is a 32 page pamphlet, replete with interesting statistical news of the industries of Duluth, the Superiors and vicinity, and is deserving of the rich patronage apparently extended it.

The investigations into the management of the various departments bids fair to cost more than did the war.

The new Weyerhaeuser logging road from the Weyerhaeuser camps to Island Lake on the Cloquet river is now in full operation. The first load of logs for the mills at Cloquet, was hauled over the new line Friday of last week. This road will be an important factor in logging in the Cloquet district, as it touches some of the best pine lands in that section.

W. S. Brann, for the past five years superintendent of the Duluth, Missabe & Northern ore docks at Duluth, has resigned his position with the company to assume a more responsible position with an eastern concern. During the period of Mr. Brann's incumbency the ore trade of Duluth has progressed from its infancy to its present magnificient volume. All the ore shipped over the Missabe road has passed over the Oneota docks, which have gained an enviable reputation among vessel owners and captains second to none upon the chain of the great lakes. This has been largely due to the unremitting attention to business and the untiring energy of Mr. Brann and in losing his services the company parts with one who has been a valuable servant to them and a credit to the port of Duluth.

The Enterprise has obtained no definite information relative to the prospective sale of the Franklin group. Agents of the Pittsburg & Lake Angeline company were in the city the first of the week, looking over the bottom level which is now free from water, and it is expected the proposition will take definite form within the week. In case of a sale we anticipate the working of the property to its full capacity within thirty days.

Capt. Wade is in charge of explorations on the McEwen property, adjoining the Victoria on the east, and has four pits down, the respective depths being 9-16 29 and 50 feet. In two of the pits ore has been encountered, and it is the intention of the owners to put a diamond drill on the property about Feburary 1st, to thoroughly test the extent and quality of the ore body.

The Enterprise is weekly annoyed by complaints from local subscribers at not receiving their paper until Saturday or at any time the following week. This should not be, and is a matter in which we are in no wise to blame. In nearly six years, or since establishing The Enterprise, there has been but twice that the local list was not in the postoffice in time for distribution before the arrival of the mail Friday evenings, and our subscribers are asked to place the blame where it justly belongs. Further, we ask that when hereafter any subscriber fails to obtain his paper at the postoffice on Saturday a report be made to this office in writing, for use in bringing the matter before the postal authorities.

TO MANAGE THE SPARTA.

R. H. Channing, Jr., who arrived here from New York a few days ago, is to have charge of the Sparta mine the coming season in the interest of Pickands, Mather & Co. Mr. Channing was in charge of the Genoa mine before he left last spring to join Roosevelt's Rough Riders.

School Notes.

FRANK DONNELLY, Editor.
ALEX KING, Assistant Editor.
STAFF—RHETORIC CLASS.

"The most profitable and praiseworthy genius in the world is industry."—E. L. Magoon.

Once more the wheel of time has spun round and the New Year continues to grind out knowledge at the old stand.

On Saturday last the teachers who had been visiting out of the city returned and on Monday school re-opened.

A change has been made in the music and drawing. The girls have music one day while the boys have drawing, and vice versa.

The Christmas program passed off nicely. It was a good program, splendidly carried out even be the visitors, of whom there were twenty.

Miss Rose Ryan entered school Monday.

Mr. Kathan is taking the place of Mr. Eaton as janitor, during the illness of the latter.

Two volumes of Emerson's works are to be found on Miss Sweeney's desk.

Some new material for the kindergarten has been received.

It would be well for a certain bright girl in the English class to "practice what she preaches."

Spelling lessons are in order now.

Among the new pupils in Miss Larson's room are Ettie Tretheway, Peter Machevitz and Gertrude Clifford.

Among those on the sick list this week are Herbert Steinberg and Ross Harbaugh.

Joe Doyle and Rose Martin re-entered school Monday.

School re-opened Monday after a two week's vacation which was greatly enjoyed by both teachers and pupils.

Quite a change has taken place in the looks of the school rooms during the Xmas vacation. Electric lights have been put in, which will enable the teachers to work longer at night. In the High School room new pictures adorn the walls. New black boards have also been added which makes it very convenient to teachers and pupils. In the halls two new tanks have been placed, which keep the water more healthful than when in open pails.

The 9th grade reading class have been dropped in order to give the pupils a review of arithmetic preparatory to the state examination next month.

Hereafter the girls will do the buzzing, and the boys the singing.

We now have twenty two in attendance in the High School room.

The 9th grade Latin class is getting so bright that the teacher is thinking about putting a shade over it to protect his eyes.

Miss Rose Mahoney is teaching school at the Franklin during the illness of her sister.

The High school pupils are very proud of the record made in attendance last month and will endeavor to lead the district next month as well as the last two. Their rate of attendance was 97 per cent, with no tardiness.

For opening exercises Monday morning Miss Wooley had arithmetical conundrums, among which was the following question and answer:

Why is it that a statue's nose is never more than eleven inches long?

Because if it was more it would be a foot.

As it will not be long until spring, it would be well for the boys to agitate the question of a larger school yard, for the size of the yard at present is such that we cannot play base ball or foot ball. If the question were properly brought before the school board, they might consent to enlarge it sufficiently for base ball, at least.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

Council Proceedings.

Council chamber, November 30th. 1898.

Roll Call.

Aldermen Present—G. Johnson, Donnelly, O'Connor. Meehan, F. Johnson, Chitteden, Mr. Pres.—7.

Ald. Absent—Elnum—1.

Minutes of previous meeting accepted as read.

Report of the Finance committee:

To the President and Gentlemen of the common council of the city of Virginia.

John O'Connor } Committee.
Gust Johnson }

Gentlemen:

We, the committee on finance, having audited the following bills respectfully offer the following resolution for adoption.

Resolved that the following bills be allowed and the Recorder be and is hereby instructed to draw orders on City Treasurer for payment of same.

D. E. Cuppernull	Judge of Election	$11 30
D. W. Freeman	" " "	11 30
Chas. E. Fay	" " "	11 30
E. D. Porvin	Clerk " "	10 30
H. F Smith	" " "	10 30
C. D. Jenkins	constible	2 80
H. Gilmark	Judge " "	11 50
W. E. Hannaford	" " "	11 35
E. Lundquist	" " "	10 85
D. C. Christopher	Clerk " "	10 85
Vivian Prince	" " "	7 60
L. Halvorson	" " "	3 25
E. H. Chittenden	Judge " "	11 50
Wm. Donnelly	" " "	11 50
Henry Hanna	" " "	11 30
M. A. Hudson	clerk " "	7 45
J. S Sutherland	" " "	7 05
Victor Nelson	Judge " "	10 90
C. W. Lundstrom	" " "	10 80
Peter Byrn	" " "	10 90
A. E. Carlson	clerk " "	9 80
H Manheim	" " "	3 50
John Byrn	" " "	6 00
Jacob Johnson	constable	2 40
Chas. Gronberg	hall rent	10 50
M. C Palmer special services in matter of general Fund Bond Issue of $7,000 for the city of Virginia from April 1st to Oct. 15, 1898, also in the matter of ordinances and resolutions		100 00
Andrew Dahl	Work for st. com.	2 50
Jacob Johnson	garbage and vaults	13 50
Virginia Enterprise		4 00
D. E. Cuppernull		4 65
John Chesser	wood for city	5 25
V. L. & W. Co.	light for Oct.	160 00
L. B. Booth	supplies	14
A. Hawkinson	election supplies	5 20
M. Casperson	special police	6 00

Bill of Chas. E. Fay be continued.

Treasurer's report for quarter ending Sept. 30th, 1898 has been audited and found correct.

Above report of finance committe adopted upon the following vote:

Yeas—Ald. G. Johnson, F. Johnson, Chittenden, Meehan, O'Connor Mr Pres.—6

Nays—Ald Donnelly—1

Approved Nov. 30th., 1898.

P. W. Scott, Mayor.

Ald Gust Johnson

Resolved that the following salary be allowed and recorder instructed to draw orders on City Treasurer for payment of same:

A. Belanger chief of police	$60 00
Chas. Gronberg patrolman	50 00
P. Schipley Chief of Fire Dept.	20 00
M. C. Palmer city attorney	25 00
C. E. Fay recorder	41 66
Street com. pay roll	7 70

Upon motion of Ald Chittenden the resolutions adopted upon the following vote:

Ayes—G. Johnson, F. Johnson, Donnelly, Meehan, O'Connor, Chittenden, Mr. Pres—7

Nays—none.

Approved November 30th, 1898.

P. W. Scott, Mayor.

Following bills referred to finance committee.

James Quinn repairing on hose house	$1 25
P. A. Gannon killing I dog	1 00
John Doyle hall rent	9 00
W. E. Hannaford pub. ordinance 24	3 85
Joel Tornquist rig to Franklin	3 00
P. W. Scott hall rent to Jan. 1st '99	45 00
Duluth Herald pub notice for treas.	19 17
A. Hawkinson com. on $17640.35	352 80
M. Sheehy board of prisoners	2 20
V. L. & W. Co. light for Nov.	160 00
C. E. Fay extra services	75 00

No further business the council upon motion of Ald. O'Connor adjourned.

P. W. Scott, Mayor.

Chas. E. Fay, Recorder.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Land Office at Duluth, Minn., Dec. 27, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver at Duluth, Minn., on Febuary 23, 1899, viz:

August Sand who made Homestead Entry No. 6515 for the S. W. ¼ of Section 19 Township 59 N. R 19 W. 4th P. M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz;

Dan Ivony, of Mt Iron, Minn.
A. N. Anderson " " " "
J. H. Sullivan " " " "
John McCullough " " " "
Robert Horrie " " " "

WM. E. CULKIN, Register.

B. N. Johnson, Attorney,

Dec. 30 x5

APPLICATION FOR LICENSE

To Sell Intoxicating Liquors.

State of Minnesota, county of St. Louis, village of McKinley: ss

To the common council of the village of McKinley in the county of St. Louis and state of Minnesota:

The undersigned, Jacob Bukowits, Mat Matson hereby makes application for a license to be granted to him to sell intoxicating liquors for a period of one year from the 1st day of January 1899.

The place where the said business is to be carried on is designated as follows:

Ground floor of that certain three story frame hotel building situated on lot 9-10 block 15 of the Village of McKinley, St. Louis county, Minnesota; according to the recorded plat thereof.

Said applicant prays that such license be granted to him pursuant to the ordinance of the Village of McKinley and the statutes of said state of Minnesota, in such case made and provided.

Dated at McKinley, Minn., January 1st '99

Jacob Bukowits,
Mat Matson.

The above application will come up for hearing January 24, 1899.

S. L. JOHNSON,
Village Recorder.

Duluth & Iron Range Railway.

PASSENGER TIME TABLE.

In effect Dec 25, 1898.

Leave.	Arrive.
Duluth ..... 3 15 pm	
Two Harbors ..... 4 20 pm	
Allen Jct	6 00 pm
Allen Jct ..... 6 05 pm	
Biwabik ..... 6 40 pm	
McKinley ..... 7 00 pm	
Virginia ..... 7 25 pm	
Eveleth	8 00 pm
Allen Jct ..... 6 05 pm	
Mesaba ..... 6 15 pm	
Tower Jct ..... 6 58 pm	
Tower ..... 7 04 pm	
Ely	7 30 p

SOUTH BOUND.

Leave.	Arrive.
Ely ..... 7 35 am	
Tower Jct ..... 8 15 am	
Tower ..... 8 15 am	
Mesaba ..... 8 [illegible] am	
Allen	9 15 am
Eveleth ..... 7 45 am	
Virginia ..... 8 05 am	
McKinley ..... 8 22 am	
Biwabik ..... 8 40 am	
Allen Jct	9 10 am
Allen Jct ..... 9 15 am	
Two Harbors ..... 10 55 am	
Duluth ..... 12 00 m	

Daily, Except Sunday.

W. J. MOORE, Agent.

Duluth, Missabe & Northern Ry.

Daily Except Sunday.

7 35 am ..... Lv Duluth Ar	5 30 pm
8 30 am ..... Ar Proctor Lv	4 00 pm
10 07 am ..... Ar Iron Junction Lv	2 23 pm
10 15 am ..... Ar Wolf Lv	2 15 pm
10 30 am ..... Ar Virginia Lv	2 00 pm
10 41 am ..... Ar Eveleth Lv	1 49 pm
11 01 am ..... Ar Sparta Lv	1 09 pm
11 30 am ..... Ar Biwabik Lv	12 40 pm
10 05 am ..... Ar Mountain Iron Lv	12 10 pm
10 20 am ..... Ar Hibbing Lv	12 00 pm
9 40 am ..... Lv Virginia Ar	1 55 pm
8 25 am ..... Lv Hibbing Ar	3 00 pm

For rates and information call on

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