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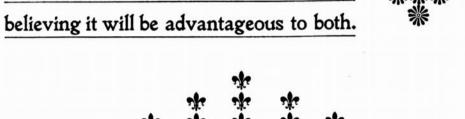
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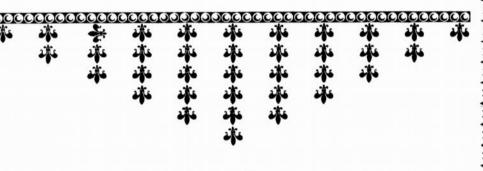
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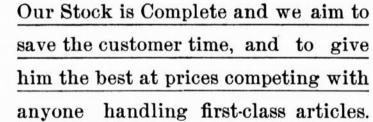
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#### On Cuesday Next

Will be created the new County of Iron.

VOTE AND VOTE RIGHT.

people of the iron ranges will be house," capable of seating 700 pergiven an opportunity of voting sons, has been completed; a club upon county division, and that the for the social wants of mining engiproposition will carry is now practically admitted by all-even by its tors has been organized and a neat most bitter opponents.

base our claims upon undisputthe division committee.

set forth that St. Louis county is the tle." largest county in the United States and that two populous centers of the county are divided by a stretch of 75 miles of unsettled territory.

It is also contended that no county in the union can show such abnormal conditions as to dimensions population and wealth, and in case of division our taxes would be materially reduced, as would also the personal expenses of those having business at the county seat; that division will bring better social conditions and make of the ranges a more substantial structure, tending to bring to us the families of many more of our voters.

Aside from the natural advantages of home government and the tendencies thereof to develop local conditions, it is also set forth that of the vast amount of taxes paid by which are produced, but a small infinitesmal percentage returns to the ranges for permanent improvements. At the same time, figures prove the statement that the pro rata valuations of Duluth and the ranges annually approach each roll of the county was \$1,339,107 of 1899 the tax roll of St. Louis county was \$923,783 of which the ranges paid \$271,823, and the pro rata range tax for 1900 will be much larger.

The opponents of division hold up the expense of creating and running a new county, and the circular deals with this matter by proving that many counties in the state of Minnesota are run at a lesser expense than is reached by the annual tax levy of the ranges, showing that a reduction in taxation would also be one of the bene fits accruing to every tax-payer in the new county of Iron.

In a careful research of the matter we fail to find any valid reason why a range resident should vote against the proposition, and we believe but few will do so. And in the creation of the new county, Duluth will lose haught. It will remain, as ever, the business center of the ranges and the increased development and population of this section will assuredly add to rather than detract from her commercial importance and industrial prosperity of the thinking people of the and effect of this statement and vote accordingly.

The creating of Iron county is practically assured, and no fight made by its opponents at this late hour can affect the vote on Tuesday next. The people have decided and the people will win.

AN EXAMPLE OF WESTERN HUSTLE.

date contains the following, which up Democracy and its canditates getic citizens:

Minn., was destroyed by fire June 7, substantiate the ground. He is a this year. All the business portion good speaker, however, and as the was swept away, and 300 buildings standard bearer of the Sixth Disid brick extending for half a mile mode of campaigning materially along the main street. Immediate- differing from that of the polished ly after the fire upon every lot that politician, a fact which infuses an had contained a building there unknown quantity in the battle. sprang up a mushroom growth of He was followed by John J. C. temporary wooden structures. Fam- Davis, Democratic nominee for ilies lived in box cars along the rail-sheriff, who addressed the audience road track, single cars accommo- in a few well chosen remarks. dating an entire family with all its | From here Mr. Truelsen went to furniture, from a sewing machine Hibbing and will spend the balto a piano. The depot was in a box ance of the week in St. Louis and car, and dry goods boxes and cloth Lake counties, holding Sunday enclosures served as both dwellings afternoon services at Tower.

and places of business.

"As soon as men and material could be secured the wooden huts were torn down and permanent brick buildings began to take their place. Now, four months after the fire, there are over 3000 feet of solid brick buildings of two and three stories either completed or nearly so. There is not a wooden building on the main street. A handsome But four days more and the theatre, called, of course, "opera neers, business mer, and their visibuilding erected for it. The best We of the ranges believe we are hotel north of Duluth is under way entitled to self-government, and and the village is putting in all the newest conveniences of civilization. able facts, many of which are set A new iron mine has been discovforth in a pamphlet compiled, pub- ered under a portion of the townlished and distributed under the site and is being opened. The Virauspices of the advisory board of ginia of today is very different from that of four months ago. It is an In this circular it is truthfully excellent example of Western hus-

#### WILLIAM C. SARGENT.

of the republican party for sheriff, is also the present sheriff of the

Mr. Sargent came to Duluth when a young boy, in 1869, and ever since leaving school in 1877 has been actively engaged in upbuilding the commercial importance of St. Louis

For years he was heavily interest ed in lumber and real estate, having been manager of the Lakeside Land company for eight years, and four hundred beautiful homes in the suburbs of London and Lester Park, acres of splendid parks attest his ability while he held that position.

Having lost all that he had gotten together in previous years during the ranges, correct figures for the penic of '93 and the years that followed, in 1896 Mr. Sargent turned to politics. He has twice been nominated and twice elected to the important position of Sheriff, and now aspires to a third term. He is distinctive man of the people. Everybody knows him as "Billy Sargent," other and that while in 1895 the tax and the record of his official life for the past four years entitles him to which the ranges paid \$187,715, in the confidence of the people to a marked degree, and this, without a doubt, he possesses.

> When you go to the polls on November 6th, cast your ballot for

WILLIAM C. SARGENT,

For Sheriff. OUR UNCLE HENRY.

Tuesday evening was the scene of the first Democratic rally of the campaign in Virginia, the occasion being graced by the presence of Hon. Henry Truelsen, nominee for congress, as speaker of the evening and the party managers did themselves proud in the ovation tender-

Mr. Truelsen came here from Eveleth, where he had spoken earlier in the evening, being preceded by the Eveleth Star Band, which aggregation treated our citizens to some good old democratic tunes and brought forth a large attendance of interested listners.

Mr. M. L. Fay introduced the speaker in a short address, in which he also took occasion to question some of the statements made by Col. Evans at the Republican rally inent mention of county division.

Virginians, and as he appeared upon the rostrum he was greeted by rounds of applause, and as he made some particular hit in his discourse the spirit of Democracy would break forth in a manner jus tified in scaring the apathy out of the Republican portion of the house. He posed as a common The Boston Transcript of recent man, a man of the people and held gives deserved credit to our ener- as the party and the defenders of the laboring class, but in his hour's "The city of Virginia, near Duluth, talk brough; forth no arguments to

were burned. Since that time the trict Democracy is doing a great advertising Tom Dinham Cigars village has been twice rebuilt, and and telling stroke of hustling It contained papers of value only to it has now a business section of sol- among the voters of the district, his me and bore my name and address.

#### Mining Minutes.

Review of Mining Operations and Developments of Lake Superior District.

AUBURN WILL OPEN NEW LEVEL.

The Auburn mine will be one of the most active of range properties during the coming winter. Since the cleaning up of the stockpile grounds two weeks since a slight reduction has been made in the working force, but the new work mapped out for the winter months ensures a force equal to that employed throughout the summer, it being the intention to open a new level, lower the shovel in the open pit and prepare for a busy season

HE DENIES IT.

A dispatch to the Herald Thurs-William C. Sargent, the nominee day evening stated that the Duluth, Missabe & Northern railroad was surveying a line that was to run from Biwabik to Mesaba, striking the Stevens mine, and then on to Ely. W. J. Olcott, vice-president of the Missabe road, said this morning that this statement is overwrought, and that it deals with matters no contemplated by the road.

"Having a surveying party not occupied for some time, we had them put at the work of surveying a branch to the Stevens mine, with the expectation that one day the road should reach that property miles of magnificent roadways and and get its ore. This is in the future, however, and the remainder o the line spun by The Herlad's in formant is wholly unwarranted."-Evening Herald.

TAPPED THE TILL.

The saloon of Gowan & Dugal, at | Chestnut Street, Mountain Iron, was entered by safe Next to Vir. Hdw. Co. MINN. blowers Tuesday night, who successfully blew the strong box and made a good haul, getting a bunch of cash and valuable papers. The work bore resemblance to that attempted at the Virginia Cash Grocery in this city some weeks ago. A hole was drilled in the top of the safe and the door blown off with nitro-glycerine. No clue to the perpetrators is known.

TO-NIGHT.

L. C. Harris, of the firm of Towne & Harris, Duluth, one of the brilliant orators of the state, is to address an audience at the Fay Opera House this evening on the issues of the campaign, from a Democratic standpoint.

A COMING EVENT.

Claude MacKenzie was in Chicago over Sunday arranging the preliminaries of an approaching nuptial event in which he is personally concerned.-Negaunee Iron Herald.

Mrs. J. H. Drohan is reovering from a seige of typhoid tever very

A. Tyndall Park, Republican nominee for county superintendent of schools, spends the week on the range driving a few spikes in his political fences. Mr. Park is a brother of Supt. Park, of School on the 20th, and also to make prom- District No. 22, and has visited Virginia several times since the opening of the campaign. Mr. Truelsen is no stranger to

Gen. C. C. Andrews, state fire war den, and Capt. J. N. Cross, president of the State Forestry Board, were in the city today, going to Tower on the afternoon train. This is Gen. Cross' first visit to the iron ranges, and the gentlemen both expressed their surprise at the rapidity with which Virginia had rebuilt and at the substantial manner in which our people had expressed their faith in the city's future.

LOST.

Somewhere between the Mesaba depot and our photographic tent; a small memorandum or bill book Finder will please leave at this office or return to

E. R. Blanchard, Box 365.

NOTICE.

Any information leading to the address and whereabouts of of J. Peters, who left this city in July last, will be cheerfully received by Mrs. S. Peters. Address,

J. W. WALKER, Norrie, Wis.

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