

SOUTHERN MINNESOTA.

Gleanings of News and Items of Material Interest.

A Daily Globe Department at Mankato Devoted to Developing and Advancing the Southern Portion of the State.

The Mankato office of the southern Minnesota department of the GLOBE will be, until further notice is given, at the drug store of John A. Sanborn.

Persons desiring of transacting business with this department, or who have news to communicate, are respectfully invited to call.

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Special Reports from the Globe Mankato office March 31.

WISCONSIN. Mingo Ledge. 31.—The large mass of logs which passed here on Sunday came out of Chippewa river on Saturday afternoon.

They were the logs scattered along the stream. An immense jam is formed near Roundhill. The ice and logs are massed together so badly it is impossible to run them into Beef slough by a sheer boom.

They are estimated from three to five million feet.

Our New Wholesale Grocery. Messrs. A. P. Halfhill and P. Zimmerman of the firm of Halfhill, Zimmerman & Co., arrived in this city Saturday, and Mr. Patterson, the other member of the firm, is expected in a few days.

These gentlemen have had experience in this line and from the excellent location they have they cannot but be successful in this enterprise.

They will at present occupy the building lately vacated by Wm. Hobbs, next to J. F. Meagher's brick block, but it is thought they will move to more capacious quarters as soon as possible.

Fire Alarm Boxes. At a meeting of the council Saturday evening the alarm boxes were finally fixed as follows:

- No. 1, corner Front and Elm streets. No. 2, corner Front and Mulberry. No. 3, corner Fifth and Jackson. No. 4, corner Front and Liberty. No. 5, corner State and Marshall. No. 6, Hubbes avenue, West Mankato. No. 7, corner Byron and Pleasant. No. 8, corner Broad and Warren. No. 9, corner Fifth and Jackson. No. 10, corner Broad and Vine.

Mankato Dots. The river is receding. Election and All Fools' day.

The work of stringing the wires for the District telegraph is progressing.

Quite a number appeared before the registering officers in order to vote to-day.

Work is proceeding with great rapidity on the Meagher block adjoining the city hall.

The fair is still closed. There does not seem to be much probability of a settlement yet.

Mr. E. M. Pope has moved his office to the building lately purchased by him and used by J. H. Long & Co.

W. B. Walker has begun excavating for his new brick building on south Front street, next to his harness shop.

"Are we to be crushed out of the St. Cloud, Mankato & Austin railroad," is one of the questions we are often asked.

The wife of Mr. Theodore Sherk, salesman in Camary's lower market desk yesterday afternoon after a short illness.

Geo. E. Brett, Esq., proprietor of the Empire store, left yesterday morning for Chicago to select new goods. Mrs. Brett accompanied him.

W. C. Waite, business manager of Waitt's Union Square Comedy company is in the city making arrangements for an entertainment by that company here.

The case of the State vs. Jordan charged with assault and battery on John Wicks and on the calendar for 9 a. m. yesterday was postponed until Wednesday morning at the same hour. A recant witness is cause of the delay.

Never before since the founding of Mankato was there as much building activity as at the present hour. Business blocks, residences, and tenement houses were never so badly needed as now and the probability is the large amount to be built this summer will not supply the want.

RED WING. The enrollment of the public schools for the past winter term was forty-nine more than last year.

Mr. Fred Danir, who went some three weeks ago with his family to Bismarck to settle, has returned.

There are thirteen business houses now in course of construction in our solid little city by the side of the father of waters.

The board of directors of the Reeling Industrial association have commenced arranging another industrial exhibition the coming fall.

The ice from St. Anthony falls ran Saturday like white caps in the river but the flow has ceased and the river is once more clear.

The Westminster Literary society connected with the Presbyterian church in this city is a most thriving and honored institution. The meetings are very largely attended, and the exercises very creditable and interesting.

A blast was met Saturday in excavating for J. Freidrich's building on Col. P. Donan street, and one piece of rock passed through the window of a building occupied by the chief engineer of the department as a bakery, Mr. John Kahr, and landed at his feet. A team of horses was stampeded by the same blast.

STILLWATER. Gov. Hubbard was in the city yesterday afternoon.

For selling liquor on Sunday a Main street saloonist was fined \$10 and costs, in the police court yesterday morning.

Wm. F. Drechsler, head salesman in Mellen's grocery store for the past two years, withdraws from the position to-day.

The most of the families who were assisted by the relief committees during the past winter are now taking care of themselves.

It is understood that the building on North Main street recently occupied by Dr. Herick has been leased by L. Foster, dealer in agricultural implements.

On Saturday a couple of Norwegians, residents of Minneapolis, came over to Stillwater on a sort of a visit. The parties were around together during the day. At night they occupied the first room and the same bed. But here their friendship seems to have ended; while one of the partners was quietly sleeping the other arose and went through the pockets of his slumbering friend taking every nickel, but kindly leaving the empty wallet. The dishonest partner is now in Minneapolis but Chief Shorter expects to see the gentleman in a day or two.

The regular meeting of the board of prison inspectors was held yesterday afternoon—Messrs. Duttes, Norrish and Gov. Hubbard were in attendance. The business of the session was confined to auditing the monthly bills and accounts. At the meeting of the building committee, the different bids for putting iron bars in the prison buildings were opened. Below will be found the proposal of the Herzog manufacturing company, of Minneapolis:

Cell room roof, 36 cents per foot; cell room ceiling including concrete on top 31 cents per foot; chapel roof 22 1/2 cents per foot.

The second proposal was from the Union Foundry and Pulman Car-wheel Works. On cell room, 43.07 per square foot; cell room, corridor, 39.93, chapel roof 68.73, chapel ceiling 26.85, main building 66.81. The contract for roofing the prison buildings was awarded to the Herzog Manufacturing company. The chapel and the prison proper were not included in the award made yesterday and the contract will not be let until after the next meeting of the committee.

Wyoming Territory has but eight organized counties.

DAKOTA & MONTANA.

Collected and Forwarded by Telegraph to the Daily Globe.

[ Fargo Special Telegrams. March 31, to the St. Paul Globe.

Dakota and Montana Notes. Hyde county claims to have but one doctor, and he don't care to practice.

Hope, on the Steele branch of the Manitoba line expects, a daily train after the 1st. It had a tri-weekly.

There is a general demand by the Dakota papers that no federal officeholders shall go to the Chicago convention.

There are only 72 convicts in the penitentiary at Sioux Falls, but a large invoice is soon expected from the Black Hills.

The Rent-Santley played two nights in Fargo the past week and drew a good house the first night and a small one the next. That is their usual experience.

It is hardly credited that the articles sent east absurdly misrepresenting Dakota are sent by boomers simply to get a chance to reply to them and display their zeal.

The young ladies in Stark county have organized a club called the Daughters of the Prairie. The object is to look after the sons, with a view to leap year privileges and divide up the game.

A Dakota paper says that the knowledge that the Iowa farmer must get his seed corn from the next legislator, if they act wisely, is a very disagreeable idea.

An excursion of over 100 persons from Illinois, is reported to visit Carrington about the first of June, with a view to investments. A smaller company is expected in April. That section will improve and settle up rapidly this season.

Farmers' alliances are being formed in a great number of the counties of Dakota with the intention of controlling the election of members of the next legislature. If they act judiciously they can secure whatever legislation they desire.

The tree-planting fever is becoming quite general in south Dakota, and ought to be in the north. The people seem too busy getting in wheat in the spring to give proper attention to this important feature in the improvement of the country.

The Deadwood Times says there is more snow on the divide than there ever before known. It is so deep that it is almost impossible to get through it with empty wagons, and more coming. But late rains are carrying it off rapidly.

The Grand Forks Plaindealer says that most farmers of the northwest are of the opinion that clover cannot be raised successfully in this country. The idea is an erroneous one. Clover can be raised with good results. We do not wish to see the year 1884 go by without having the fact established.

The Hope Pioneer says in reference to the proposition to call north Dakota, Lincoln: We all reverence the name of Lincoln, the martyred president, but the people of this territory want no change of name for Dakota—unless to prefix north. The people of the northern part of Dakota should be content to have the name of the great president should be manifested on the part of the goggle-eyed solons who are sent there to make laws, not assess—of themselves.

Rev. C. F. Hopkins, the talented and popular gentleman who has filled the Baptist pulpit the past year or two, preached his valedictory last Sunday morning. He was at one time a news-gatherer for the Globe, and a general, broad-hearted young man. He will soon leave for the Pacific coast, or perhaps the Cour d'Alene mines, and will be heard from in the future. The society was very anxious to retain him, with the exception of one or two who are, it is said, of an old-fashioned view in the pulpit, free from modern innovations.

Col. McClure, of the Jamestown Alert, spent several days in Fargo the past week trying to arrange the machinery so that he can go to the Chicago convention as a Logan delegate. Col. Plummer, who has secured the promise of a copy of Blaine's book in exchange for the Globe, and who was dragging the reluctant and retiring author and statesman from his cherished seclusions. There are so many temptations, however, in the wicked city by the lake that the friends of Col. P. do not think it prudent to send him.

Samuel Feeters, of Tower City, recommends this way of getting rid of the gophers which are such an annoyance to farmers: "You can get rid of the gopher by having last worked, the earth being fresh, and that is the place to set your trap. Dig a hole a foot square, two or three inches below the hole they have made. Then lay a piece of board over the top, covering it over, except a small hole to let in the light. They are like all evil doers, and hate the light, and will not shut this window. Very seldom will you fail catching them at this place."

It is claimed that only a Dakota lady would have the nerve to perform a feat like this narrated by the Garry Inter State: "A lady by the name of Converse chilled her 'big toe' during the winter and it has been troubling her since. One day last week, becoming weary of the pain, she picked up an old razor and placed it upon the line of demarcation (which was about half way from the end) and pushed it down through, cutting the toe entirely off. It is reported that said toe is now rapidly healing and the woman is happy."

All of Col. Donan's friends will be gratified to concur with the Jamestown Alert in this: "It is currently reported in this city from an apparently reliable source that Col. P. Donan of Fargo has quite a strong backing by members of congress in the south and east for the appointment as governor of this territory."

While the effort for Col. Longberry first and above all others for that position are pleased to learn of any honor proposed for Col. Donan, and as we have intimated before in these columns, would be glad to see him one of our representatives in the United States senate, which will not be many more years."

The call for a Republican convention to send delegates to Chicago gives the committee in south Dakota 141 delegates to eighty-nine in the north, and the papers in the south insist that its control should not be left as usually in conventions heretofore, to the rustlers of the north. The Mitchell Republican says: "We cannot ignore the fact that the politicians of north Dakota have been accustomed to manipulate the affairs of the territory in their own interests. This convention, like all other public gatherings, can be made to serve their ends if south Dakota's delegation is cut in twain by disunion of the delegates from the south. It is to look to her own interest. With two-thirds of the strength there is no reason why the south half should not control the convention. All factional differences should be thrown aside, and with a delegation from every county solid for south Dakota all schemes would be frustrated, and south Dakota would for once do herself credit."

The Jamestown Alert enumerates the following, in addition to the \$40,000 hotel, as among the improvements to be made in that pretty young metropolis the coming season: "The building of the insane asylum will be commenced early in the month of May which will employ a large force of men and disburse in our midst the sum of \$50,000. During the spring and summer a wing of the Presbyterian college will be built at a cost of \$25,000 or \$30,000, and the new north side school house at a cost of \$14,000. The burnt district will be rebuilt with a row of substantial brick structures, the aggregate cost of which will be at least \$100,000. The water works, costing \$40,000, will be constructed, for which the engineer is now taking elevations and making diagrams. In the burnt district a row of men and women's apartments at a low estimate of \$270,000 already fully decided upon. Besides these are the James River Valley railroad shops and other private and individual building projects that will swell the sum for public and private improvements to an aggregate of over half a million."

The Grand Forks Herald believes that there have been valuable gold finds in the Turtle mountains and that the Ohio syndicate of which M. Ohmer is the head, is endeavoring to secure the best tracts before the facts are well-known. It has been known for some time that there are indications of valuable mineral deposits in the mountains. The Herald says: "The Devil's Lake report sent some little anxious to contradict the report sent some days ago that gold had been discovered in paying quantities. As they were the first to intimate strong facts in regard to the sort of machinery to be used by M. Ohmer & Co., it is fair to presume the land has not yet been secured where the precious metals abound. But certain it is, M. Ohmer has taken a quartz crusher out to Turtle mountains and he is certainly not fool enough to suppose that it is necessary to mine platinum and gold. The question then arises, supposing the Devil's Lake theory of hidden gold-veins to be correct, what does M. Ohmer want with that quartz crusher? Again, if there is no gold in Turtle mountains, what purpose would a quartz crusher serve? It is a waste of money. These are some nuts for the non-austrians to crack."

THE RAILROADS.

Changes in Time. The Sioux City train on the Royal Route which formerly left St. Paul at 7:55 a. m., will hereafter leave at 7:50 a. m., and the one arriving from Sioux City will arrive at 12:10 p. m., instead of 11:30 p. m., as heretofore. The Omaha train which formerly arrived at 11:05 a. m., will hereafter arrive at 7:30 p. m.

On the Hastings & Dakota division of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul road, the train that was heretofore left at 4:45 a. m., and run only to Hillbank will now leave at the same time but will run through to Aberdeen. A train leaving at 4:35 p. m., with sleepers will also run through to Aberdeen.

The Toledo, Cincinnati & St. Louis. On motion R. L. Gorman was unanimously elected Clerk of the Board for the ensuing year.

A communication was received from Ed. Lott, claiming that the improvements on lot 10, block 3, Peterson's addition, had been completed for \$50,000 dollars by the construction of the sewer on De Bow street. Referred to the Engineer and City Attorney.

A communication was received from Peter Berkey, claiming that his property will be damaged by the grading of Exchange street. Referred to the Engineer and City Attorney.

Ed. Langevin notified the Board that he had abandoned the improvements on lot 5, block 3, and on lot 3, block 3, Bazille and Robert's addition to West St. Paul, condemned for levee purposes, and that he elects to accept the improvements offered him for said improvements. Placed on file and the Clerk was directed to advertise said improvements for sale.

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- John C. McCarthy.....\$4,083 00
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- John Bolthier..... 4,345 00
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Being the lowest reliable and responsible bidder, the contract was awarded to them and ordered sent to the Council for approval. Yeas 6.

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- John C. McCarthy.....\$2,026 00
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- Henry J. Doherty..... 1,965 00
- James McDonald..... 2,850 00
- James McDonald being the lowest reliable and responsible bidder the contract was awarded to him and ordered sent to the Council for approval. Yeas 6.

Bids were opened and read for grading Walnut street, from Seventh (7th) street to the street on the west side of Irvine park, as follows, to-wit:

- John C. McCarthy.....\$2,600 00
- Bartholomew Hayes and Gas Moline..... 2,500 00
- James McDonald being the lowest reliable and responsible bidder, the contract was awarded to him and ordered sent to the Council for approval. Yeas 6.

Bids were opened and read for grading Carl Barr being the lowest, reliable and responsible bidder the contract was awarded to him and ordered sent to the Council for approval. Yeas 6.

In the matter of the protest of W. H. Mead, Esq., attorney for Adam Worley, against the proposed grading of Iglehart street from Mackubin street to Dale street, the same was laid over to the 24th inst.

In the matter of the petition of Anna Cunningham for a correction of the assessment against lot 1, block 1, Winslow's addition, for sidewalk on west Seventh street, the Engineer reported that the amount assessed for said walk is correct. Placed on file and the request of the petitioner not granted.

In the matter of the petition of T. McGovern for a correction of the assessment against lot 14, block 7, Leech's addition, for sidewalk on Leech street, the Engineer reported that the amount assessed against said property for said walk is correct. Placed on file and the request of the petitioner not granted.

In the matter of the petition of P. H. Smith, to have the catch basin under construction in front of lot 9, block 3, Leech's addition, removed, the Engineer reported that said catch basin would in no way be objectionable, and that the same was the request of the petitioner not granted.

At this stage of the proceedings Mr. Koch was excused from further attendance at this meeting.

The following resolutions were adopted, to-wit:

Resolved, That the Board of Public Works respectfully recommend to the Common Council of the City of St. Paul the necessity of annulling the contract awarded to James Waters, for constructing a sewer on Sixth street, between Broadway and Robert street, occasioned by a change in the sewerage system to accommodate the new hotel, on the corner of Sixth and Robert streets.

Resolved, That the Common Council be asked to return to this Board the petition of Sophia Webster, in the matter of alleged damage to a chain of the sewerage system, block 17, Ashton & Sherburne's addition, by the grading of Mount Airy street.

The Engineer having submitted plan of land to be taken, the Board ordered the following report sent to the Council, to-wit: To the Common Council of the City of St. Paul:

The Board of Public Works have had under consideration the resolution or order of the Common Council approved March 23, 1883, relative to the widening, opening and extension of a sidewalk street, from Grand avenue to intersect Pleasant avenue, by easy grade, and having investigated the proposed improvement, respectfully report that said improvement is necessary and proper, \$40,000 wide; that the estimated expense thereof is \$18,000, and that said improvement is not asked for by a petition of a majority of the owners thereof, that said improvement is not asked for by a petition of a majority of the owners thereof, but we herewith send a plan or profile of said improvement, and an order for your adoption, if you desire us to make the improvement. Yeas 5; nays 0.

The Engineer having submitted plans and specifications for paving Third street from Sibbey street to Seventh avenue, with Cedar blocks and granite curbs, and the construction of the necessary retainment walls on a line ten feet in the street between St. Peter street and Market street, the same were examined and approved, and the Clerk was directed to advertise for bids.

The Engineer submitted plan and estimates of cost in the matter of the proposed grading of alley in block 39, Kittson's addition, when it was ordered that the same be referred to Alderman Van Slyke with the information that releases for damages will have to be obtained from the owners of the property on the line of said improvement, before the Board can proceed in said matter.

An official notice was received from the Council informing the Board of the election of W. A. Somers as civil engineer to the Board of Public Works, to place the line of the Order of Council to Board for formal report on opening an alley in block 9, St. Paul proper, was ordered to be returned to the Council with adverse report, the same to be returned to the Council, or until petitioned for by a majority of the owners of property, to be assessed therefor.

Order of Council to Board for formal report on construction of a sewer on Wacouta street, was referred to the Engineer for plan and estimate, and having investigated the same, the following report was ordered sent to the Council, to-wit: To the Common Council of the City of St. Paul:

The Board of Public Works have had under consideration the resolution or order of the Common Council approved March 14, 1884, relative to the construction of a sewer on Wacouta street, from Fourth (4th) street to Sixth (6th) street, thence on Sixth (6th) street to Robert street, thence on Robert street to Seventh (7th) street, and having investigated the proposed improvement, respectfully report that said improvement is necessary and proper, that the estimated expense thereof is \$18,000, one-half of which need not be paid into the City Treasury before the contract is let; that real estate to be assessed therefor can be found benefited to the extent of the costs and expenses necessary to be incurred thereby; that said improvement is not asked for by a petition of a majority of the owners of property to be assessed therefor, but we herewith send a plan or profile of said improvement, and an order for your adoption, if you desire us to make the improvement. Yeas 4; nays 0.

A protest against the proposed change of grade on Acker street signed by numerous property owners was referred by the Council to the Board. Placed on file.

In the matter of the petition of Paul Langford for a correction of the assessment on N 1/2 of east 100 feet of lot 1 in block 6, of Rice's second addition, by the grading of Mississippi street, Granite and Genesee streets, referred by the Council to Board for report, the same was referred to the City Attorney and Engineer for report of facts in the case.

In the matter of the order of Council referring special report on the proposed grading of Whittall street, from Westminster street to Payne avenue, it was ordered that the same be returned to the Council for a new report for said improvement, and that said order be accompanied by releases from owners of property damaged by cuts or fills on the line of said improvement.

In the matter of the order of Council to Board for formal report on the proposed change of grade on Bluff street, from Williams street to Minnehaha street, from De Bow street to Columbus street. Referred to Engineer for plan and estimate of cost.

Order of Council to Board to let by contract the grading of Inglehart street, from Mackubin street to Dale street, which was laid over to this day, was taken up and referred to the Engineer for plans and specifications.

The Engineer reported that he had appointed H. H. Fuller and A. R. Starke as his Assistant Engineers, and Wm. Haskell as Chief Clerk, and asked that said appointments be approved, and that the salaries be fixed as follows, to-wit:

- H. H. Fuller, First Assistant Engineer, (fixed by law).....\$2,000 per annum
- A. R. Starke, Second Assistant Engineer..... 1,500 per annum
- Wm. Haskell, Chief Clerk..... 1,500 per annum

and it was further ordered that the Common Council be asked to confirm said salaries.

The Clerk was authorized to employ assistants at the following compensation, to-wit:

- A. W. Mortensen.....\$75 per month
- W. L. Chapin..... 85 per month
- W. F. Erwin..... 75 per month

Pursuant to due notice and the adjournments thereunder the matter of making and completing the assessment for the change of grade of Faugler street, from Seventh street to East Street, to Columbus street, was adjourned until the 31st inst., at 2 p. m.

The following Estimates and Bill were examined and allowed to-wit: Estimate No. 2, Douglas street sewer, J. D. Moran, contractor, amount due, \$1,105.

Estimate No. 10, Western avenue sewer system, Doherty & Doherty, contractors, amount due, \$723.90.

Estimate No. 5, St. Clair street sewer, J. C. McCarthy, contractor, amount due, \$1,241.

Estimate No. 4, Rice street grading, Morton & Terry, contractors, amount due, \$8,250.

Estimate No. 6, Seventh street sewer, Warner & Stockton, contractors, amount due, \$2,975.

Estimate No. 1, Exchange street grading, Thornton & Moran, contractors, amount due, \$255.

Estimate No. 2, Cedar street grading, Farrell & McCarthy, contractors, amount due, \$425.

Bill of St. Paul Book and Stationery Co., of \$2.99, Record book for office of Board of Public Works, March 1, 1884.

Adjourned until 7:30 p. m. this day. JOHN FARRINGTON, President. R. L. GORMAN, Clerk Board of Public Works.

(OFFICIAL.)

Proceedings of the Board of Public Works.

Adjourned Meeting. ST. PAUL, March 17th, 1884.

Board met at 2 p. m. pursuant to adjournment of the 10th inst.

Present: Messrs. Barrett, Koch, Peters, Terry and Mr. President.

Absent: Mr. Hoyt. (On leave.) At 2:15 p. m., a committee from the Council, consisting of Messrs. Dowlan, Johnson and Starkey, waited upon the Board, and notified said Board that the Common Council session, and awaited the action of said Board, when on motion the Board proceeded in a body to the chamber of the Common Council for the purpose of meeting said body in joint convention, to elect an Engineer to the Board of Public Works, and also to perform said duty.

Resulted in the election of W. A. Somers, the Board returned at 2:45 p. m., and adjourned.

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REGULAR MEETING.

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Minutes of the 10th instant read and approved.

Communication was received from the Council informing the Board of the confirmation of the appointment of Mr. John F. Hoyt as member of the Board of Public Works from the Second Ward for the term of three years. Placed on file.

On motion the Board adjourned without date and immediately proceeded to reorganize by calling Mr. Koch to the chair. All members present and Mr. Hoyt having taken the oath of office.

On motion Colonel John Farrington was elected President of the Board for the ensuing year.

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