

THE NORTHWEST.

MRS. HOBART DEAD.

Minnesota W. C. T. U. loses an Inimitable Worker and Earnest Leader. Special to The St. Paul Globe. RED WING, Minn., Feb. 17.—Mrs. Dr. Chauncy Hobart, president of the W. C. T. U. of the state of Minnesota, died today, aged seventy-two.

DISASTER FOR SLEEPY EYE.

Half-Dozen Business Blocks and a Hotel Burned—Loss \$25,000. Special to The St. Paul Globe. SLEEPY EYE, Minn., Feb. 17.—Fire broke out about 3 o'clock this morning in Bingham's elevator and in a few hours the elevator, storage warehouse and lumber shed in the rear, the Commercial hotel and a five-story building adjoining, were burned to the ground. The hotel furniture on the first floor was saved, but all else was a total loss. The loss is about \$25,000, insurance about \$15,000.

FORGERS' VICTIMS SUE.

Notable Case of the Moorhead Wheat Swindle on Trial. Special to The St. Paul Globe. MOORHEAD, Minn., 17.—A special term of the district court is in session this week, Judge Baxter presiding. The most important case on the calendar is that of Ames & Lockman, of Duluth, vs. the Moorhead National Bank, in which it is sought to recover \$2,500 and interest since October, 1896. The suit brings up the story of the swindlers who secured from the Moorhead National Bank \$100,000 in wheat bills from the First National bank of Fargo. The scheme was to draw on the Duluth firm with a bill of lading for several carloads of wheat attached. Telegrams from the commission house to the swindler at this end of the line, who was in jail at the time, were in care of the banks, authorized him to draw and fixed the price for the wheat at \$1.00 for court expenses along this. Ames and Lockman paid them the cover \$2,500 and interest since October, 1896. The suit brings up the story of the swindlers who secured from the Moorhead National Bank \$100,000 in wheat bills from the First National bank of Fargo. The scheme was to draw on the Duluth firm with a bill of lading for several carloads of wheat attached. Telegrams from the commission house to the swindler at this end of the line, who was in jail at the time, were in care of the banks, authorized him to draw and fixed the price for the wheat at \$1.00 for court expenses along this. Ames and Lockman paid them the cover \$2,500 and interest since October, 1896.

Costly County Division.

CROOKSTON, Feb. 17.—Public attention has been again directed to the question of county division that was of such general interest to the people of Polk county the last election, by the move made to tax the court costs in the case against the promoters of the Garfield county scheme. The total cost of the contest is not less than \$1,000 for court expenses alone. This, added to attorney's fees and the other expenses, incidental and necessary, make a total that is not less than that amount. This must be borne by a few citizens of the village of Fertile, who have had to bear the burden of the fight from the beginning.

Burned in His Hovel.

CAMBRIDGE, Minn., Feb. 17.—Last evening John Threlander, a Swede, once a prominent builder of bridges in this county and vicinity, was burned to death in a hovel which some time since had been erected for him. Threlander has been insane for several years, and was in the habit of wandering about, and his friends had taken him to make him more comfortable, his friends caused a small hut, 16x7, to be erected for him, and he had been in it for several nights. The origin of the fire is unknown, but it is believed that he was lying on his back smoking a pipe, and that a spark ignited the hay. The entire body was burned, leaving his bones exposed to view.

Struck Rich Pay Diet.

DULUTH, Minn., Feb. 17.—Maj. Arthur W. B. Whiteley, who has just arrived from on mining location 500 ft. below the Standard Row Mining company, of Minneapolis, is showing up free gold bearing vein that is rich in silver. The vein is only a few inches thick, but it is believed to be about thirty inches thick. The vein is only a few inches thick, but it is believed to be about thirty inches thick. The vein is only a few inches thick, but it is believed to be about thirty inches thick.

SENATE OPPOSES SALE.

A MAJORITY FOR THE TURPIE KANSAS PACIFIC RESOLUTION. Confirmation Objected to Unless Original Claims and Interest Be Paid in Full by Bidders—Nelson and Davis in Favor of the Resolution—House Session Slow. WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—After a spirited debate occupying more than two hours, the senate today, by a vote of 34 to 29, agreed to the resolution of Mr. Turpie (Ind.) declaring the senate's opposition to the confirmation of the sale of the Kansas Pacific railroad.

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LIVELY NEW TOWNS.

Number of Villages Spring Up on the Fosston Branch. CROOKSTON, Minn., Feb. 17.—The new towns which are being established along the line of the Crookston-Duluth extension from Fosston eastward are attracting considerable attention from business men on account of the opportunities offered to start stores. The road will run through a country that is already settled, and as a consequence trade will be active from the first. There will be five stations of considerable importance: Fosston and Bemidji, at each of which stocks of goods and variety will be taken as soon as the cities are surveyed and buildings can be erected. At Lehigh, the first station from Bemidji, Messrs. Thibault and Argill, of East Grand Forks, have a building under way and it will be open for business in a few days. At Lehigh, the first station from Bemidji, Messrs. Thibault and Argill, of East Grand Forks, have a building under way and it will be open for business in a few days.

Red River Valley Threshermen.

PERCY FALLS, Minn., Feb. 17.—The threshermen of this district met here recently and formed the Northern Minnesota Threshers' union, the objects of which are the advance of the threshing work, and mutual protection. Sixty members were enrolled. The dues are \$1.00 per year, and the meeting for perfecting the association, which will be held here next week.

Crossing Accident.

ROCHESTER, Minn., Feb. 17.—While crossing the C. & N. W. railway a few miles east of Rochester yesterday, Dr. R. C. Pugh and driver, E. J. White, had a very narrow escape from death. As it was one of the horses was instantly killed. The doctor was riding in a covered wagon and was struck just as the horses stepped on the crossing. The cutter was torn to kindling wood and the occupants quite badly shaken up.

In Uncle Sam's Clutches.

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Both Legs Cut Off.

FARGO, N. D., Feb. 17.—Rueben Fowler, a brakeman on the Milwaukee road, had both legs cut off by a train in this city this evening. The first truck of the engine ran over both legs. He was taken to the hospital and the legs amputated.

Lost Team and Load.

YAKTOWN, S. D., Feb. 17.—A farmer living in Cedar county, while on his way to the Missouri river at this point with a load of wheat this afternoon, broke through the ice, losing both horses and the load, and narrowly escaping himself.

Defender Dead.

MANDAN, N. D., Feb. 17.—George Defender, one of the Indians implicated in the Spicer murder, is dead of consumption.

Killed by a Cave-In.

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C. GOTZIAN & CO., Boots and Shoes, Proprietors of Minnesota Shoe Co. 242-280 EAST FIFTH STREET.

KELLOGG, JOHNSON & CO., Boots and Shoes, Northwestern Agents 225 to 231 Boston Rubber Shoe Company. East Fourth St.

Tarbox, Schliek & Co., Boots and Shoes, Salesroom and Factory: 228-240 East Third Street.

F. M. Smith & Bro., Bicycles and Sundries, JOBBERS IN 'Gopher Special' Bicycle. 220-224 East Third Street.

H. C. Burbank & Co., GLOTHING, Factory: 20 and 22 West 15th St.

DE CAMP & BEYER, FRUITS, Wholesale Dealers in Foreign and Domestic. 92-94 E. Third St.

R. E. COBB, FRUITS AND VEGETABLES, Poultry, Game, Butter and Eggs. 31-33 EAST THIRD ST.

F. L. PARSHALL, Poultry, Game, Eggs, FRUITS AND PRODUCE. 12 East Third Street.

Wemott, Howard & Co., Agents, Crockery, Glassware, Cutlery, Lamp Goods, Etc. 385-397 Jackson St.

Ryan Drug Co., Drugs and Druggists' Sundries. 225-229 East Third Street.

NOYES BROS. & CUTLER, Importers and Wholesale Druggists. 225-229 East Third Street.

Finch, Van Slyck, Young & Co., Dry Goods, Notions and Carpets. 216-226 E. Fourth St.

ALLEN EAGER TO INQUIRE, RESOLUTION BEARING UPON THE NAVAL TRAGEDY AT HAVANA.

AN INVESTIGATION INTO THE CAUSE OF THE EXPLOSION THAT WRECKED THE MAINE, WITH A REPORT TO THE SENATE, CALLED FOR BY ITS TERMS—NO ACTION AS YET TAKEN.

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GENERAL CURRENCY MEASURE, McCleary, Chairman of the Subcommittee, to Prepare It.

PENSIONS GRANTED, WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—Northwestern pensions were granted yesterday as follows: Minnesota—Original: John S. Staples, \$12.00; Widow: Catherine C. Eldred, \$12.00.

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