

THE MINNESOTA VOLUNTEER.

Monument Erected in St. Paul to Memory of Minnesota Volunteer.

At the dedication of the soldiers' and sailors' monument at St. Paul last week Henry A. Castle, who delivered the address paid the following tribute to the loyalty and heroic deeds of the Minnesota volunteer:

"This monument is a tribute to the loyalty, the devotion, the valor and the immeasurable sacrifice of those who died, and of those who with cogent singleness and sacredness of consecration testified their willingness to die that the nation might live, that the flag might be exalted, that all men within the nation's expanding boundaries, beneath the flag's far-fluttering ribbons of lily and rose, might be forever free. It is the tribute of surviving contemporaries, anticipating the assured verdict of a grateful posterity—lifting into the air and sunshine of the better, grander days to come, an apotheosis of sublime ideals.

"St. Paul here plants on solid foundations and rears in enduring material her testimonial to the bravery and patriotism of the men who fought in the war for the suppression of the great rebellion—those who died for the land of their love and those, surviving, who have so lived that it might be a land better worth living in and dying for, through the dimless ages. All share in this commemoration—soldiers who were enrolled in the State's illustrious organizations and soldiers from sister states of the loyal North, or loyal soldiers from the border, who have since found here congenial happy homes. All have joined in building for Minnesota the stable fabric of a christian civilization; all have united in establishing the standards of an enlightened citizenship.

"As in war, they fought not for Minnesota or Illinois or Kentucky, but for the Union of all in one, so in the days of prosperous peace, they have merged their pride of locality in the nation's glory and in the augmenting prestige of their adopted state. They are Americans all, and all are loyal, proud, enthusiastic Minnesotans.

"Hence, to the soldiers and sailors of the Union; the native and the naturalized; the original and the affiliated; the officers and the enlisted men; the humble and the exalted; the present and the absent; the known and the unknown; the living and the dead, we dedicate this monument.

"All are alike nameless on this shaft but none are forgotten or ignored. Sleeping in unmarked graves far away, living obscure in distant regions or on foreign shores, all have their part and lot in this observance. All are remembered, all are honored here. And we leave this shining monolith as an inadequate but unequivocal memento to their unswerving faithfulness and of our unswerving faith in the holy cause for which they fought.

"The tender for the call for troops was accepted by Minnesota April 15, 1861, and enlistments began in St. Paul. At the head of the enlistment paper was signed the name of Josias R. King, who thus became the first Union soldier of the civil war. He rose by well-earned promotions to the rank of captain in the First Minnesota Infantry; he made a distinguished record as a soldier; he survives; he is present to-day, and his life-like effigy in bronze appropriately crowns this monument.

"In the aggregate this State furnished 25,052 Union soldiers during the war. This was 72 per cent of her presidential vote in 1860 and 14 per cent of her entire population in that year. It is an honorable, perhaps on unequalled record. Of that enrollment 2,500, or 10 per cent were killed or died in the service, and, probably, as many more died after their discharge as the direct result of wounds received or disease contracted therein.

"Minnesota not only tendered the first volunteers to suppress the Rebellion, but she furnished the first 'three-year' regiment that reached the seat of war, and a regiment which sustained the greatest proportionate loss in the greatest of that conflict or in any battle of any war in modern times.

"The people of the North and the South have become compact and homogeneous Americans. They have outlived and passed beyond the old distracting issues; the ferment of a passionate but enlightened patriotism lives in every pulsation of their blood. The frightful scars of war are hidden beneath the smiling harvests and the imposing works of peace. The population has increased from 32,000,000 to 80,000,000. The national wealth has expanded from fifteen billions of dollars to ninety billions. Our boundaries have been extended to distant possessions where bewildered and, as yet, ungrateful alien races receive the benefactions of freedom and the impetus of progression."

Winter Hay Making.

The present stiff cold snap with no accompaniment of snow has frozen up the shores of Cross Lake and left quite a hay meadow above the ice. Hay at the present time is quite a staple article commanding high prices. The good old summer time saw many acres of hay lands ready to be mowed,

but rains and high water prevented the farmers from working.

As necessity is the mother-in-law of invention and causes a man to do stunts he never imagined he could do, the Cross Lake farmers have run out their mowing machines, hitched up their teams, and with a thankful "better late than never" feeling, have commenced haying on Cross Lake's broad bosom of ice.

The hay will be cut whether the sun shines or not. Up to date not a single hired man has complained of the heat. The only thing that will stop the newly inaugurated haying season this time is a Dakota blizzard or ten feet of snow.—Brainerd Dispatch.

ENGLAND'S POTATO CROP.

Worst Harvest for Twenty-five Years—Conditions Same as in Minnesota.

A Leeds, England, dispatch quotes the Yorkshire Post as follows: To find a parallel for the serious outbreak of disease among the potato crop we must go back to the black years 1877-79, or even to the years of 1872-73, when the Regent potato, from which many growers had made their fortunes, utterly failed. Never during the last twenty-five years has disease been so general among all classes of the crops nor so universal in its geographical distribution, and many farmers in Southeast Yorkshire and Lincolnshire are threatened with financial losses only equalled in the years referred to. Some idea of the ravages of the disease may be gathered from the fact that a moderate calculation, based on a careful investigation of the two great potato districts of Yorkshire and Lincolnshire, is that at least a third of the total crop is irretrievably ruined. Many merchants put their estimates at one-half hopelessly bad and fully a third of the remainder affected.

The disease appeared in the first instance early in August, and is described by many growers as affecting the potato haulm as if it were struck by a blight. The tiny white specks which first appeared spoke ominously for the future of the crop, but no one at that time anticipated so serious or widespread a result. The continuous rains, however, have helped the disease to spread from the tops to the eyes of the tubers, where it quickly develops. The longer the potatoes remained in the ground the more the disease extended. Some hope was cherished at first that the disease might be found to be only partial, but as soon as "lifting" operations were commenced it was found to be universal. Crops planted on high sand lands have fared best; the plight of the farmers on the low-lying, strong warp lands is pitiable indeed. The better the quality the more susceptible to disease would appear to be the lesson of the epidemic. The coarser kidney potatoes have made a much better fight, and those farmers who have sown the secondary sorts—the long and oval potatoes generally utilized for "chippers"—will have good cause to be thankful; they will undoubtedly reap a golden harvest.

CUBAN RECIPROCITY A GO.

House Passes Bill and Senate Will Make Haste With It.

The house last Thursday by a rising vote of 335 to 21 passed the bill to make effective Cuban reciprocity. Dissenting votes were about equally divided between Republicans and Democrats, but there was no record vote, the minority having too few votes to order the yeas and nays.

Mr. Cannon received the applause of the Democratic side when he entertained the appeal from his ruling made by Mr. Williams, the speaker saying he preferred to err, if he erred at all, in giving the house the right to express its will. The appeal as tabled by a strict party vote.

The desire of the Republican managers in the senate is to get the bill before that body as soon as possible and let the opposition debate commence. The Republicans will make no speeches of length, and will confine their remarks to brief explanation of the bill.

Democratic senators, at a caucus decided to consider the Cuban bill on its merits and confine the discussion to the bill itself without bringing in collateral questions. This means that no tariff amendments will be offered and that the tariff question will not be discussed.

The attitude of the Democrats means early action on the Cuban bill and the prospects are for the final adjournment of the extra session this week, with an agreement to vote after a week of debate in the regular session if the Republicans make the minority such a proposition.

The Individual Drinking Cup

Is now-adays looked upon by most people as a necessity, and it has become quite the correct thing among men, women and children, alike, to be equipped with one of these sanitary articles. The collapsible ones in neat leather cases are the most convenient ones to carry in the purse or pocket, but drinking from thin glass affairs is by far the more satisfactory if filled with golden grain belt beer, the purest, most nourishing and most refreshing beverage. Get a case for the folks at home. Order of your nearest dealer or be supplied by Henry Veidt, Princeton.

Church Topics

+++ Sunday and Weekday Announcements +++

METHODIST.

Next Sunday Rev. Gratz will speak in the morning on "The Church at Thyatira;" evening, "The Power of Sin." There will be special music by the orchestra and choir. Prof. Selleck will sing "The Bird With a Broken Wing."

CONGREGATIONAL.

Topics for next Sunday: Morning, "The Origin of Sin;" evening, "A Personal Devil."

GERMAN METHODIST.

Rev. C. L. Lehnert of Minneapolis, will preach Sunday morning at 10 o'clock at the church in Germany; at 3 o'clock p. m. in the old M. E. church in Princeton, and at half-past 7 in the evening in the English church at Estes Brook. A cordial invitation to all.

EPISCOPAL.

Rev. F. A. Shore will hold services next Sunday at G. A. R. hall morning and evening.

The District Judgeship.

The attempt of some St. Cloud attorneys to forestall the action of the voters in regard to the district judgeship appears likely to result in nothing more than some warm endorsements of Judge Baxter. The St. Cloud men, chiefly Democratic attorneys, circulated a petition to request Judge Baxter not to run again. It is evident that if a Republican from this end of the district were chosen in place of Judge Baxter this time there would be a splendid opening for some St. Cloud Democratic attorney next time. But the bait has not been seized so eagerly as had been expected. One result of the enterprise not calculated on by its promoters has been to stir up much newspaper comment of a nature highly complimentary to Judge Baxter. Nearly every newspaper in the district that has thus far referred to the matter declares that politics and the judiciary should be kept as far apart as possible, and that Judge Baxter is making a highly satisfactory and impartial judge. The newspapers of both parties are evidently sincere in trying to retain a good man on the bench, and to prevent an objectionable political scramble. If Judge Baxter can be induced to enter the field he will find warm newspaper advocacy, and many votes from men of all parties.—Wheelock's Weekly.

Killed Three Moose.

M. Loso of St. Joseph, came in this afternoon from the Black Duck country and brought home with him a bull moose weighing over 1,250 pounds. The animal is a giant bull moose, is the finest specimen ever seen by the oldest residents hereabouts. A handsome pair of antlers adorn the head and the limbs are shapely and indicate great strength. Mr. Loso has been camping with a party of friends about six miles northeast of Black Duck and last Saturday killed the big fellow less than a quarter of a mile from camp. He ran only a few yards after being bored by the fatal bullet.

In the party were Mich. Loso, Peter Weber, Martin Schroeder and Jos. Schwegel of St. Joseph; and Peter Loso and John Pesche of Black Duck. They got two more moose, though not as large as Mr. Loso's trophy, and one was sent to-day to Wabasha. Mr. Loso will have his trophy mounted and preserved. Ald. Andrew Hennemann will do the work. The animal weighed close to 1,700 pounds when first slaughtered.—St. Cloud Journal-Press.

Pneumonia.

There is a more dangerous visitation, in the winter months at least, than "the great white plague." Pneumonia is its name and it kills twice as many persons as consumption during the months of its greatest prevalence. Without any abatement of its fight against tuberculosis the medical profession should make an equally vigorous fight against pneumonia. Conditions that make the system susceptible to the disease should be pointed out and preventive measures suggested. There is a lesson in one of the well known facts relative to pneumonia and that is that out of 100 alcoholics so attacked by the disease seventy will die, while of 100 non-alcoholics so attacked only twenty-three will die. Every little while science gives the world some new reason for letting the flowing bowl alone.—Minneapolis Times.

Bede Introduces Bills.

Congressman Bede has introduced a bill to regulate the profit on articles of necessity manufactured by persons having a monopoly of the same, the regulation to be made by the interstate commerce commission.

Mr. Bede has also introduced a bill making it the duty of the attorney general to bring proceedings to dissolve monopolies charging exorbitant prices for articles of necessity, and a bill making cigarettes imported into any state subject to the laws of that state.

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