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JAMESTOWN

CITY AND VICINITY.

From Monday's Daily.

Capt. S. K. McGinnis left last evening for a short business trip to Superior.

Harry Flint left last evening for Winnipeg, where he will spend a few days.

Traveling Auditor D. Galvin left last evening for Brandon on company business.

Rev. Helen G. Putnam of Fargo, is in city today looking up ecclesiastical matters with which her church is especially interested.

County Judge Baldwin today issued a marriage license to Even Thorntson and Hilda Haaland, both of Fessenden, Wells county.

The trial in justice court of the Northern Pacific burglary case continued in full force today with the examination of more witnesses and the arguing of motions pro and con. Frank Wisniewski waived examination.

Veterinarian Moore returned from Sanborn Saturday evening, having been sent to look after the stock of County Commissioner Green of Barnes county, into which glanders has crept. It was found necessary to destroy a horse, making five animals lost because of this disease.

Druggist W. S. Parker of Lisbon, spent yesterday in the city, the guest of H. E. White. Mr. Parker is the secretary of the examining board of pharmacy of the state and had been making a tour of the western and northern part of the state in the interests of the board.

The very brilliant red, white and pale-green display of northern lights seen here last week was witnessed as far south as Kansas City. It attracted general attention and one incident connected with it was the turning out of a fire department at a Kansas town, a run for half a mile to put out what was supposed to be a fire.

Parties from Leal, a small station on the Soo in the northwestern part of Barnes county, report that a farmer at that place poisoned himself with strychnine early Saturday morning. After taking a dose of the poison he repented of his act and notified his wife of his rash deed, but assistance was of no avail and he was dead in a few minutes later. What his name was or what was the cause for the deed is not known.

A lady living in the northern part of the state has a great deal to learn about housekeeping in North Dakota. A Dunseith paper says a man near that place recently shot his first jack rabbit. He gave it to his wife and said that he would invite a friend or two to dinner. They accepted and at dinner hour the wife called the husband to help her say:



Mrs. Arville Powell

"My wife suffered with inflammation and soreness of the bowels, which a physician said was caused by a tumor. She had an attack of the grip and in two weeks was reduced to a mere skeleton. The family physician did all he could and pronounced her incurable. She decided to try Hood's Sarsaparilla. Its good effect was quickly noticeable. All traces of the tumor have disappeared, she is free from pain and there is no soreness or swelling. She has not been in so good health for years." TIMOTHY POWELL, Burke, N. Y.

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of Wimbledon, and E. Cooper, secretary and treasurer of the Leeds Importing company of Adrian, Minn., of whom the stallion was purchased. The note was afterwards assigned and transferred to the bank. The animal, which is a fine looking creature, was bought in the fall of 1891, but has proved to be practically worthless. The original price of the animal was \$1,550. Attorneys Baldwin and Barrett appear for the defendants.

From Tuesday's Daily

Gov. Shortridge has returned to the capital from his Washington trip.

Ex-Senator Casey returned home today after a few weeks visit in Chicago.

Fred Topf of St. Paul, formerly of this city, is in Jamestown today on business.

Mrs. H. C. Blenkner, and little son, of Oakes, are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Spurling.

The German agricultural society held a meeting yesterday and transacted routine business.

A. J. Voight, Northern Pacific agent at Oberon spent Sunday in the city, renewing old friendships.

John Niemeier is shaking hands again with old friends on his first trip to this city since September last.

John Yule was the name of the Barnes county farmer who poisoned himself Sunday, from dependency.

Rev. G. H. Furman left today for Fargo, having severed his connection with the Baptist church of this city.

H. Ebert, an employe of the asylum, left this afternoon for Fargo on business, expecting to be absent a day or so.

Capt. I. C. Wade recently delivered his address on the "Dairy Cow" before a farmers' convention in Virginia. The remarks are published in the Broadway Enterprise.

Thos. H. Robinson, a switchman, lost an arm at Fargo Sunday night. He had no rubbers on and in jumping on a coach step slipped and fell under the cars. Amputation was necessary.

Last evening at the Methodist parsonage occurred the marriage of Harry Clothier of Windsor and Miss Rae Arneson of this city. The couple will go to housekeeping at Windsor at once. They were the recipients of numerous valuable presents.

Among the products that are shipped into the state and sold, by grocery men, is the item of beans. One Red river valley wholesale grocery firm offers to contract for 1,000 bushels of beans in one deal, but has to go outside of the state for them. Farmers can raise beans very easily here and generally get from \$1.50 to \$2.00 a bushel.

The North Side social circle had a very pleasant meeting last night at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. S. K. McGinnis. It being the eve of Longfellow's birthday, his life and works were the theme. A very pleasing feature of the evening was a recitation of Hiawatha, by Edith Tremaine and Gordon Russell, illustrated by drawings.

Capt. Ingraham intends occupying the entire Grand Central block, and also secure the upper rooms of the Driscoll building for hotel purposes if possible. The dining room will be on the first floor, the office in the corner on Fifth avenue and there will be a barber shop in connection. A good deal of money will be spent in the work of remodeling the building, for which a lease of five years has been secured.

M. J. Barrett, for whom a petition had been circulated for police magistrate, at the coming city election, has declined to be a candidate, and Geo. C. Eager has been substituted instead. Mr. Barrett has associated himself with Mr. J. C. Marcy, recently from Missouri, for a general law practice in all the courts. Mr. Marcy is a man of large experience in the practice of law, having practiced in all the different courts, for many years. The firm solicits the business of the public.

L. T. Hamilton has been showing his friends a picture of himself and "brother" which has excited considerable comment. The two personages are shown seated at a table and from their similarity lead many to infer that they are one and the same person, which they are. Photographer Judd, by a dexterous manipulation of a camera, has represented the "Judge" playing a game of solitaire with himself. Mr. Hamilton was seated at a table and his picture taken, but only one-half of the negative exposed. The sitter then passed around to the other side of the table, the other half of the plate exposed, and the result is that the "Judge" is shown playing a game of cards with himself. The photo excites considerable mirth as the "brother" is shown to his friends. The picture is well taken and except for a dark line through the center would keep one guessing for some time as to the real character of the photograph.

The residents of the Third ward have quite unanimously signed a petition for W. F. Hodge to become a candidate for Alderman in that ward. Petitions are also being circulated in the First ward for Frank Clemens, and in the Second ward for G. A. Lieber for the same object. There is a general sentiment that Mr. H. B. Allen, the present city treasurer, should be re-elected if he desires to serve. His stewardship of the city funds has been anything but profitable the past year, owing to the failure of the

Lloyds with over \$2,000 of the city funds on hand. Mr. Allen made a prompt settlement for this deficiency. There is no opposition to him for the office. The petitions for aldermen referred to, indicate that there is a strong feeling in favor of securing Alfred Steel as a candidate for mayor. It is known that Mr. Steel is not desirous of the office, in fact, if he becomes a candidate, it will be at something of a personal sacrifice. Mr. Steel's administration has met such such strong approval that the sentiment in favor of his again filling the duties of the mayor cannot be disguised. It is a case of the office seeking the man, and not the man the office. Citizens and taxpayers seem to be satisfied that if Mayor Steel is re-elected he will make the same excellent official the coming term as in the past, and that feeling is the sum and substance of the desire to have him serve another term.

From Wednesday's Daily.

The boys are beginning to play marbles on the dry spots.

H. B. Chess of Fessenden, was a Bismarck passenger yesterday.

John Mahoney returned yesterday from an extended trip in the east, in Wisconsin.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Taylor and daughter returned this morning from a short visit east.

There will be a social gathering of the Y. P. S. C. E. at the Presbyterian church Friday evening.

The farmers around Minot bring in lignite coal and sell it by the wagon load the same as hay.

The property recovered at the house of Wisniewski was today turned over to the railroad company.

The daughter of Mrs. N. C. Shaver gave a candy pull yesterday to a large number of friends, it being her twelfth birthday.

A petition was circulated today and received a large number of signatures requesting B. F. Bigelow for police magistrate.

F. C. Davies, New Rockford; H. B. Chess, Sykeston, and G. E. Lyman, Pingree, spent last night in the city, returning this morning.

Joe Danner has rented the building formerly occupied by Annie Washburn, and like his predecessor will open up a restaurant. He moved in today.

Mrs. Judge Bartholomew was an east bound passenger last night. She is organizing humane societies in the Red river valley, and obtained over 100 members for the society at Valley City.

August Lefler, a German-Russian, living near the river was today adjudged insane and sent to the hospital. He is 39 years of age and several times has threatened to take his life. He was ugly to his wife and children.

E. L. Smith, a chairman of the Free Methodist denomination, with headquarters at Alexandria, Minnesota, will hold services in the old court house at 8 p. m. Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings. The title of chairman in this denomination corresponds to that of presiding elder in the Methodist Episcopal church.

The reasons for the taking off of trains Nos. 7 and 8 were that they were not patronized sufficiently west of Casellton to warrant their continuance. The train from the north arrives at 3:30 p. m., giving travelers an opportunity to do trading in the city and return next morning. This time schedule will probably be in force for the next twelve months. Trains Nos. one and two will do all the passenger work, stopping at nearly all stations.

The taking off of the mail train west of Fargo will greatly inconvenience business in getting mail from the Twin cities. Mail from banks and most business houses is not sent to the postoffice until six o'clock, too late for No. 1, which leaves St. Paul at 4:15. It will require a day longer to get replies to letters from the Twin cities than heretofore. No mail pouch service on freight trains can answer as well as the other arrangement.

The Alert is always glad to receive communications from people outside of the city, but in every case the name of the writer must be attached in order to know who the parties are. The name need not be given in the published letter, if so desired, but to establish the identity of the writer the name must be given in some place in the communication. If this is not done letters of much value, which The Alert would like to print, will have to be withheld.

Mrs. Emily W. Smith of Fargo, state president of the Daughters of Rebekah, I. O. O. F., is making the annual inspection of North Dakota lodges, and will arrive in Jamestown tomorrow for an official visit to the lodge in this city. A special meeting will be held for the purpose, Thursday evening, at 8:30, in the Odd Fellows' hall, and all members of the Rebekah degree are invited to be present. A pleasant and instructive session is expected, after which light refreshments will be dispensed.

The statement seems to have gained ground among many papers in the state that at the coming spring election four commissioners of conciliation will be chosen for each town, village and city. This is an error. Section one of the act providing for the establishment of courts of conciliation states that "there shall be elected at the same time and in the same

manner as the justices of the peace *** four commissioners of conciliation." Justices of the peace are elected at the general elections held in November each year. No commissioners will be elected until the coming fall.

During the last two months the county commissioners have allowed bills, arising from the present term of court, amounting in the aggregate to nearly \$3,000. Of this large amount, \$1,896.00 were for witness' fees, jurors and bailiff's fees, and the remainder scattered among various items as follows: For defending indigent prisoners the county had to pay \$40.00; for the salary of the court stenographer and for court transcripts, \$265.92; for the fees of the clerk of court, \$36.20, and to the sheriff, fees in the amount of \$399.95. The jailor's salary for two months and for boarding prisoners amounted to \$135.48, making the total expense over \$2,900.

The Cando Tribune tells how a young lady of that town learned to skate. Oh, yes, she could skate. Of course she could. Anybody could if they only thought so. She struck boldly out for the north pole, as it were, but suddenly changed her mind and sat down to buckle her skate strap, and everybody else in reach of her sat down at the same time. On rising to resume her sport she spied a pin on the ice in front of her, and she reached forward at full length to pick it up. Then she tried to warm her ear, which caused an eclipse over the entire rink.

Frank Jandell: Jamestown is a livelier city and does more business, comparatively, than places of several times its size in the east. About the biggest crowds I saw while east was in the morning when the people went down to the "soup" for breakfast. Made a fair thing out of my sheep. Found that screenings, which make excellent fattening feed for sheep, cost me somewhat more than I expected; had to pay from \$7 to \$10 per ton for them. Had a contract at \$6 per ton, but party went back on it. Sheep shrink considerable in weight in shipping. In the trip from Superior to Chicago, by slow freight, think sheep shrank at least 20 pounds.

If the Capital could have its own way the town would be embroiled in a partisan fight for the next month, all on account of three or four little offices which scarcely pay the time of good men to attend to them. No one cares what the politics of the city council is, or whether the policeman is a democrat, or the water commissioner an independent or the city lawyer a republican. The chief object of the taxpayers is to get men in the council not too conservative nor too extravagant, men who will run the necessary business of the town in the same way any good business man conducts his own. It is doubtful if anyone has ever cared enough to inquire the politics of the present city council. The people do not want or need party politics thrust into city affairs.

Railroad Rumbings.

From Wednesday's Daily.

Master Mechanic Phelan will treat the subject—"Some aspects of science in railroading," at the meeting of the Fargo Scientific society, Saturday evening.

Captain Wheeler of the Northwestern line, denies that he ever gave any Montana newspaper the interview in which North Dakota was roasted to a brown turn. The remarks were doubtless inspired by some rival passenger agent, or representative of another line. The Northwestern line runs into the state and is interested in its welfare and good name.

The general passenger agents of the western railroads have recommended that 1,000 mile tickets be sold at the rate of 2 1/2 cents per mile, to be good for bearer, and can be used by one or more persons, by local as well as through passengers. This would remove the discrimination against farmers, merchants and others who do not travel as often as drummers, and puts them on the same basis as manufacturers who buy large amounts of these books. It is a good plan.

A singular accident occurred this week on the Soo road near Minot, a woman whose name could not be learned was walking on the track and by some means was run over, either intending to commit suicide or accidentally. The cow-catcher, engine, and entire passenger train passed over the prostrate woman, and the curious part of it is that she was only slightly bruised on the head and was found unconscious but in no wise seriously injured. It was a very remarkable accident.

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It is understood that there are some ten blind pigs in Devils Lake doing business through the front door.

A FOREST MYSTERY.

Part of a Squirrel Protruding from a Tree and Frozen Stiff.

Scientists and hunters in the vicinity of Galesburg, Ill., have been more or less puzzled over a queer find made by a woodchopper in the timber north of town. After cutting down a tree the laborer was surprised to find the head of a large gray squirrel protruding from a hole. The animal had been dead for some time, as the body was frozen stiff. The woodchopper cut the tree into such lengths that the squirrel was left in a piece about eighteen inches long and then by careful splitting he retained the squirrel as indicated in the engraving.

The scientists have been busy trying to unravel the mystery of the case. One who professes to be cognizant of the squirrel habits says that the rodent entered the hollow tree by means of



POSITION OF THE SQUIRREL.

the hole at its base. This hole afterward became filled with snow and ice, and there being no other hole the squirrel was a prisoner. Then the animal set about cutting its way out, and succeeded in making a hole large enough to admit the passage through of the head and front feet, but not large enough to allow the hind parts to go through. The squirrel was eager to escape, plunged through the hole, and was caught fast in it. The claw marks on the bark and inside show a desperate struggle. But the hole was so small that the animal could neither move forward nor backward, and so just hung there until death came to its release.

Old hunters say it is the first case of the kind that has come to their knowledge. There were no marks on the squirrel to indicate a violent death.

UNTIMELY CANDOR.

Disadvantage of Putting Finger Bowls to Extraordinary Use.

A bleak, cold sensation recently crept between a charming hostess of Indianapolis and her favorite cook. The latter, a thorough Celt, it is said, brought the trouble on herself by indulgence in one of her characteristic candid and honest speeches, which for a long time have inspired feelings of terror in the family of her employer. The inmates of the household felt that it was only a question of time when Biddy would plunge them all into an avalanche of disgrace, and last week the anticipated moment arrived.

Mrs. B. gave a swell dinner to some of her friends. The service was perfect. The hostess had ordered the cuisine prepared especially for the



"O'VE NOT HAD TOIME TO WASH THEM."

palates of doctors, lawyers and some literary persons, who were her guests. The dinner moved along very well up to the point where the finger bowls should have been brought in. Here an embarrassing silence ensued. Mrs. B., alarmed over the derelict conduct of Biddy in neglecting this important detail, touched the bell that brought the cook from the kitchen.

"Biddy," interrogated the hostess, "you have neglected the finger bowls; bring them at once." The broad face of the domestic lapsed into a picture of blank despair, as she whispered in a voice distressingly audible: "Shure, mom, an O've not had toime to wash them after moldin' the jelly in them."

The amusement of the guests was as acute as the horror of Mrs. B. Notice has been given to the candid Biddy.

Dramatic Suicide of a Dancer.

Miss Michailova, a favorite danseuse of the Imperial theater at St. Petersburg, invited a party of friends to supper the other Sunday evening. While they were all seated at the table the hostess arose hurriedly, and in a few brief, sharp words bade farewell to her guests, and before anybody could prevent her she swallowed a dose of poison which she had poured unobserved into a wineglass, and fell dead before her horrified friends.

CHICAGO is the Prairie City, from the flatness of the land surrounding it.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., is the Aqueduct City, from its bountiful water supply.

BROOKLYN is called the City of Churches. There are over three hundred.

HUNTINGTON, Ia., is called the Orchard City, from the abundance of fruit trees.