

PEMBINA, NORTH DAKOTA

If Spain is wise she will withdraw from Cuba before the insurgents make it her Abyssinia.

The selection of five scientific men to outline a forestry policy for this country is not an exciting event, but there may be billions in it for the Americans of the future.

The latest comet, which is now retreating, never got nearer the earth than 34,000,000 miles. Comets are interesting objects, but the chances of collision with one does not warrant much excitement.

The Italian army in Abyssinia made a forced march and attacked when it should have retreated. This is a warning to Gen. Weyler, but there has been no indication that he stands in need of it.

Mexico grows, in proportion, more rapidly than Canada, the increase in our Southern neighbor in four years having been 900,000, or about 8 per cent. A republican form of government is the first element of American prosperity.

Professional hunters who hunt and trap among the mountains along the Snake and Grand Ronde rivers in Washington say that the weather has been so mild in that region all winter that the bears never once went into winter quarters.

By the end of the present year England will have under construction or nearly completed thirteen battle ships, thirty-six cruisers and sixty-eight torpedo boat destroyers. This appears to be the real British opinion of arbitration.

A French scientist says he has discovered a method of applying the X-rays to bombs so as to disclose their contents. It would be more to the purpose to go ahead with brain radiography and keep under inspection the man who is thinking bombs.

Gen. Weyler's latest proclamation demands the surrender of the teachers of divinity who are giving aid and comfort to the revolution. His busy and ferocious pen will probably next be directed against the insurgent chambermaids.

All Turkey rings with acclaim because the sultan has kissed the mantle of the prophet. This means that the murder of heretics has the national approval and that there will be no change in the ancient attitude of the Turk toward Christian subjects.

Tramps applying hereafter for relief in Manchester, Eng., will be required to perform one day's full work before continuing on their journey. On the second application, four days' work will be exacted. Tramps are likely to become scarce in that corner of England.

Large schools of fur seals have appeared on the coast near Santa Cruz, Cal., this month, and unprecedented catches have been made. The total catch since the seals appeared is said to be about 500, and the seals are much larger than those caught in previous years. A number of whales have also been seen off the coast lately.

Tennessee will take another year to prepare for its centennial international exposition, which will open at Nashville from May 1, 1897, to Nov. 1. Among the seven large buildings, one will be a reproduction of the Parthenon at Athens. The immense native resources of Tennessee will be better understood after the gates of this big show are opened.

A commuter at New York has sued a railway company for \$30,000 damages for rejection from a train because he was overburdened with packages. Perhaps he was trying to remove his household effects, for a commuter or suburbanite is accustomed to travel with six or eight packages, and looks bewildered when he finds himself with none.

It is promised that the Grant monument, at Riverside Park, New York, will be completed on the anniversary of the general's birth, April 27, of next year. The fund amounts to \$529,381.91, of which three-fifths has been expended. New York has been slow in this undertaking, but it is hoped that the date now fixed will not be subject to further change.

There is apparently a keen rivalry between New York and Chicago as to which can establish the worst police record. In the former city the crooks are in almost complete command of the situation, while in Chicago there are not only holdups and burglaries of daily occurrence, but train robbers make their plans to operate in the very heart of the city. Too much energy is wasted on petty offenders and politics has entirely too much to do with the running of the departments.

THE NEWS RESUME

DIGEST OF THE NEWS FROM ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD.

A Comprehensive Review of the Important Happenings of the Past Week Called From the Telegraph Reports—The Notable Events at Home and Abroad That Have Attracted Attention.

The Nation's Capital.

The president has approved the bill granting the right of way to the Columbia and Red Mountain through the Colville reservation, Washington.

Gen. W. H. Penrose, commander at Fort Douglas, Utah, has been retired, after thirty-five years' service in the military department of the government.

The house committee of elections (No. 2) has decided to report that the last congressional election held in the Fifth Louisiana district was null and void on account of fraud and intimidation. The sitting member for that district is Charles J. Boatner, a Democrat.

People Talked About.

Archbishop Kenrick was buried with imposing ceremonies at St. Louis.

Martin Van Brochlin, a well known engineer, once Capt. Eads' right-hand man, died in North Platte, Neb.

Mrs. C. C. Baker, wife of George C. Baker, and director in the Tuesday Musical club, died at Denver from the rupture of a blood vessel in her brain.

Amos Beane, who had ten children, twenty-five grandchildren and thirty-nine great-grandchildren, all of whom are living except two, died at Akron, Ohio, aged ninety-nine years.

Chief Justice Charles Doe, of the supreme court of New Hampshire, was stricken with paralysis in the depot at Rollinsford, N. H., and died almost instantly.

Nathan Tanpkins, aged ninety years, died at Galesburg, Mich., on a farm he purchased from the government in 1839. Andrew Jackson signed the deed.

Mrs. Chauncey Ives Filley, wife of the prominent Republican leader, died in St. Louis, after an illness of one week, of pneumonia. She was sixty-five years of age, the couple having celebrated their forty-first wedding anniversary.

Edgar Wilson Nye's will has been admitted to probate. It is very short, being written on two sheets of note paper in his own handwriting, signed, sealed and properly witnessed. He leaves all his property to his wife, in fee simple, and she is made executrix of the will. The value of the estate is not estimated.

Accidental Happenings.

Electric cars in St. Louis collided with fatal consequences.

Fire started in the Cooper-Hagues Furniture company's store in Denver last evening, causing damage to stock and building estimated at \$45,000.

Five workmen employed by the Standard Oil company at Bayonne, N. J., were severely burned by the overflow of boiling tar from a tank.

The residence of ex-Congressman D. C. Giddings at Braham, Tex., burned. Col. Giddings was badly scorched about the head and face. The building was valued at \$50,000, partly insured.

The crews of incoming vessels at Baltimore report great hardships at sea during the past month and several serious accidents as a result of heavy weather.

The three children of James Beausoliel were left locked in the house near Penetanguishene, Ont., while the parents went to a neighbor. The house took fire and before assistance could be given the children were burned to death.

A daughter of John Hahn, a prosperous farmer of the Choctaw-Hatchee valley, Geneva county, Ala., was burned to death while burning brush. Her brother and sister attempted to save her, but their clothing became ignited and both were fatally burned.

Crimes and Criminals.

Mrs. John Keifer, an insane woman of Decatur, Mich., slashed her husband's throat. He will die.

Henry Irvin, collector at Presque Isle, Me., is reported missing, and his accounts are said to be short several thousand dollars.

Edward Davico, an inventor, who conducted his business under the title of the Eureka Fuel Economy company, committed suicide at New York.

George Boetz, aged 10, shot and killed himself in Floral Park, Union Hill, N. J., because he had been accused by his stepfather of stealing two rings and selling them.

Stephen Powell, a merchant of Hempstead, L. I., was murdered within a few feet of his own door. It is thought robbery was the object of the murder.

Fidel Trichter, aged 34 years, a prominent baker and a member of select council of Allentown, Pa., murdered his wife and then fired two bullets into his own brain. He cannot recover.

Warren Burns, an Ottumwa, Iowa, druggist took an opiate for his nerves. It produced delirium and he attempted suicide by cutting the arteries in his arm and neck. Physicians were summoned in time to save his life.

Charles Montgomery, said to be the leader of a gang which robbed the Santa Fe passenger train near Hutchinson, Kan., a year ago, has been arrested and placed in jail at Perry, O. T.

A school house twelve miles from Oklahoma City, in which several scores of colored people were holding a concert, has been blown up with dynamite and several of the occupants slightly hurt.

The San Francisco authorities are awaiting instructions from Washington for entering proceedings against Mayor Sutro for sending defamatory matter relating to Collis P. Huntington through the mails.

Carl Feigelbaum was sentenced in New York by Justice Smythe to be electrocuted during the week of April 27. He was convicted of the murder

of Mrs. Hoffman Aug. 31, 1884, a case court of appeals denied him a new trial.

The body of William Ellingboe Center county desperado, who ordered Constable John Barnes not to submit to arrest, and then was his brains out, was stolen from a grave at Bellfonte, Pa. It is supposed it was removed by students.

William G. Watson, superintendent of the Hudson River division of the West Shore road, died at New York. Death was the result of a pistol wound inflicted by ex-Detective Edward Clifford at Weehawken, N. J. Clifford pleads to temporary insanity.

Gavan Moore and William J. students at the agricultural college of Evergreen, Ala., disputed over some significant matter and Moore shot and killed Boyd with a knife. Boyd picked up a scuffling and crushed Moore's skull, producing instant death. Boyd is fatally cut.

An unknown man snatched a top jewelry in which were forty diamonds valued at \$5,000, from a show window in Gottselb's jewelry store at New York. He was fired upon by clerk several bystanders. The thief retired the fire, slightly wounding George, seen. He escaped.

Margaret Henry was sent to county jail for three months at New York, N. Y., having been convicted of the charge of being a common prostitute. The court decided to give her sentence a severe one. This conviction was found under the provisions of an old law.

Foreign Gossip.

Italy has a new cabinet, with its head at the head.

A state of siege has been declared in Valencia, Spain, to put an end to anti-American demonstrations.

The French Radicals and Socialists are angry that the cross of the Legion of Honor should have been bestowed upon Prince Henry of Orleans, a matter which will be debated in the chamber of deputies at the earliest opportunity.

Leading bankers, manufacturers and merchants of the foreign colony in Mexico will give a complimentary dinner to President Diaz and present with a massive gold plate, with a commemorative inscription, worth \$80. The testimonial is an exhibit of gratitude for the protection his administration has given to all foreign interests.

Gen. Booth, of the Salvation Army, arrived in London unexpectedly, came overland from Brindisi, his spouse to urgent appeals from headquarters regarding the American situation. The general did not go to quarters, but was closeted with H. W. Booth.

The espionage trial at Le Havre which has attracted much attention, was ended with the sentence of Schuyler, a Luxemburger, and the defendant, to seven years' imprisonment. Poirier was sentenced to years, and Ringhauser to one year's imprisonment.

Otherwise.

An enthusiastic state lunger convention was held at Helena, Mont., Revivals at Anderson, Ind., made some of the converts insane.

Perrine's comet goes out of never to return.

Ground has been broken for Methodist university at Wabash, Ind.

Debs' case was nolleed in the U. S. court in Chicago.

The National Reform party was organized at Pittsburgh.

The age of consent bill, fixing age at 15 years, has passed the legislature.

President Van Horn, of the Canal Pacific, denies that his road is seeking an independent entrance to New York.

The common council of New York has granted a franchise to the D. Telephone company, the object is to secure cheaper rates.

The Rev. Dr. Brown was unable to attend the trial before the Constitutional court of San Francisco, an attorney announced that he was seriously ill, and it is feared his life is affected.

It is proposed in Nebraska to have the Democratic voters settle their question at a primary election, have the delegates to the national convention instructed according to result.

The official crop bulletin for Michigan says that Michigan wheat is in first class condition, having "wintered exceptionally well. Considering their crop of last season, live stock is also wintering remarkably well."

The Pacific Mail Steamship company has announced a rate of \$6 per ton for the shipment of certain classes of grain and fruit from San Francisco New York via Panama. The rate of live stock has also been reduced.

An organization known as the National Association of Embalmers has had its birth at Pittsburgh. One of the principal objects is to force undertakers to raise prices for embalming and to keep their prices uniform all over the country.

David K. Watson was nominated by the Republicans for congress the Twelfth Ohio district which is usually Democratic. Mr. Watson breaks the record by defeating Mr. Odwalt during the political landslide of years ago.

Ballington Booth and his wife have begun active work in their religious movement formally launched at the big meeting at Cooper union. Their headquarters were opened in the B. B. house. Mr. Booth is planning a tour of the leading cities of the country.

The general fund of Yale diversity will be increased by \$200,000 a sum that was set aside in the will of the late Thomas B. Sloane of New York. Mr. Sloane left his Battery property to his wife on condition that she should marry again the property would revert to Yale. The announcement of her engagement to Mr. Barclay, at that the wedding will take place soon, will deprive her of the use of the property.

An old tax case, involving the ownership of Maguire's opera house at Butte, Mont., valued at \$7,000, was decided by Judge McElroy in favor of Manager John Maguire on the ground that the taxes of 1893, the year for which the property was sold, had been illegally levied. The decision affects other property valued at many hundred thousand dollars.

ROBBERY SPOILED

CALIFORNIA BANDIT BETRAYS HIS PALS.

He Gives Others a Tip, and as a Result There is a Fight, in Which a Train Robber Is Killed and Two Others Are Wounded, One of Them Probably Fatally—Several Arrests Are Made.

Tulare, Cal., March 21.—Two officers were shot and a train robber named Daniel McCole was killed in an attempt to hold up the south-bound New Orleans express near here at 3 o'clock this morning. The attempted robbery was one of the most daring that has taken place in California, and probably would have succeeded if it had not been for the peridy of one of the robbers. Last night the officers in this city were informed that an attempt would be made early this morning to hold up the Sunset limited. The man who gave the information gave the details of the plot, and said that at first he intended to take part in it. Under Sheriff Earl Daggett and Constable Reed, armed with shotguns, went to the place at which the robbery was to take place and awaited the approach of the robbers. The robbers decided to hold up the New Orleans express. Three bandits boarded the train at Selma, two climbing on the rear of the baggage car and the other one on the tender. As the train pulled out of Goshen the robber who had betrayed his companions left the train without their knowing it, rushed into the telegraph office and told the operator to tell the sheriff and his party that the robbers had changed their plans. The sheriff hastened back to meet the train and boarded it at Tagus. The robbers did not intend to make their presence known until the train had pulled out from the station, but the officers saw the men and opened fire. The bandits returned the volley and Sheriff Daggett was shot through the lungs, sustaining a wound that will probably prove fatal. Constable Reed was shot in the shoulder. McCole, who is believed to have been one of the Dalton gang, was killed. The other robber escaped.

Officers arrested Louren, keeper of a notorious deadfall, and also Charles Ardell, a barkeeper. John Haynes, a member of the Salvation Army, supposed to be a member of the gang, was also arrested. Other members of the gang are still at large.

MARKET REPORTS.

Latest Quotations From Grain and Live Stock Centers.

Chicago, March 21.—Wheat—March, 60 7-8c; May, 62 3-8c; June, 62 3-4c; July, 62 7-8c. Corn—March, 28 3-8c; May, 29 3-4c; July, 30 5-8c; September, 31 3-4c. Oats—March, 19c; May, 20 1-4c; July, 20 1-2c; September, 20 3-4c. Pork—March, \$9; May, \$9.15; July, \$9.35. Lard—March, \$5.15; May, \$5.30; July, \$5.45. Hubs—March, \$4.80; May, \$4.95; July, \$5.05.

Chicago, March 21.—Hogs—Market averaging 54.00c lower; light, \$3.80c; 4.05; mixed, \$3.80c; heavy, \$3.70c; 3.95; rough, \$3.70c. Cattle—Market steady; beefs, \$3.40c; 4.50c; cows and heifers, \$2.30c; 3.80c; \$3.4c; stockers and feeders, \$2.70c; 3.80c.

Minneapolis, March 21.—Wheat—March closed at 58c; May opened at 58 1-2c and closed at 58c; July opened at 59 3-4c and closed at 59 3-8c. On track—No. 1 hard, 58c; No. 1 Northern, 58c; No. 2 Northern, 57 1-2c.

Milwaukee, March 21.—Flour quiet. Wheat lower and weak; No. 2 spring, 61 1-4c; No. 1 Northern, 63 1-2c; No. 2 1-4c. Corn quiet and steady; No. 3, 27 1-2c. Oats quiet and steady; No. 2 white, 20 3-8c; No. 3 white, 20c. Barley nominal; No. 2, 32c; sample, 26 1-2c. Rye steady; No. 1, 33c. Provisions lower; pork, \$9.20; lard \$5.15.

St. Paul, March 21.—Hogs slow and 5c lower; quality good to loads run heavy. Cattle slow; fair demand for good butcher cattle and good stockers; undesirable cattle dragged.

SCARED THE SPARD.

Fairy Tale Told by the Captain of an Oyster Schooner.

Wilmington, Del., March 21.—Capt. Stutch, of an oyster schooner, moving at Atlantic City, told a story of a one-sided encounter off the coast yesterday between a Spanish boat and the American battleship Massachusetts. The captain said that while in Atlantic City, he heard that Spanish gunboat was lying off the coast in wait for the Bermuda, which is thought to have started from the Point with a Cuban expedition. He resolved to see the meeting by occurred. The captain said he went out in his boat for about twenty miles, where he saw the Spanish ship with flags flying. Shortly after the Massachusetts, which had been waiting near the shore, came within sight. According to the captain the officers of the Spanish boat must have thought war was declared, for immediately upon sighting the Massachusetts she pulled up her flag and ran away. Meantime the Massachusetts continued the coast at a clipping gait. The amusing part of the story is that Massachusetts has nothing in shape of armament yet on board.

Suspected of Wire-Tapping. Chicago, March 21.—William H. Nutt was arrested to-day on suspicion of being implicated in the wire-tapping scheme last week whereby the rooms in the city were defrauded of \$20,000 on a false dispatch from New Orleans race track that Roy Nettie had won the last race of the day.

Assigned. Chatfield, Minn., March 21.—Silas Thurbur & Atchison, general merchandise, have assigned to C. W. Doud for the benefit of creditors. Liabilities, \$10,000 to \$15,000.

Fire at Barnesville. Barnesville, Minn., March 21.—The Great Northern freight depot was burned this morning. Loss, \$1,600.

Naval Estimates Passed. Berlin, March 21.—The reichstag today passed the naval estimates.

GREAT FOR ITALY.

The Nile Expedition Strengthens the Throne.

Rome, March 21.—The Italian to-day, commenting upon the British-Egyptian advance up the Nile, says: "The Egyptian advance on Dongola is a great advantage to Italy. Italy, however, has been of great service to Great Britain in affording her a pretext for showing Europe that the time has not yet arrived."

The statement of the Italian seems to contain the political situation in a nutshell. The British advance has also solidified the dread, even if it has not cemented a quadruple alliance (which is most seriously discussed here). It has strengthened the badly impaired credit of Italy, and has enabled her to assume her place among the powers at a time when her enemies were predicting that the dread would be dissolved and that Italy would be deserted. It is an open secret that the recent rioting constituted a series of clear demonstrations against King Humbert, if not against the monarchy itself. The king had contemplated abdicating in favor of the crown prince, Victor Emmanuel. In fact, it is believed that the cabinets of Berlin, Vienna and London were sounded on this subject.

Curzon Spoke Too Freely.

London, March 20.—There are indications to-day that the government is not prepared to accept to the full, at least, one phrase contained in the statement made in the house of commons by Mr. Curzon, the under secretary for foreign affairs, to which especial significance has been attached. In speaking of the Anglo-Egyptian advance in the upper Nile region, Mr. Curzon alluded to the Italians as "our staunch allies." The words quoted do not appear in the "Times" parliamentary report to-day, having, it is alleged, been omitted by request of the government, which, seemingly, is not prepared to accept the sentiment they express at its face value.

The first lord of the treasury, Mr. Balfour, announced in the house of commons to-day that cable replies had been received from Austria, Italy and Germany in regard to the proposed British-Egyptian expedition up the Nile, and agreeing to the withdrawal of £500,000 from the Egyptian surplus in order to defray the expenses of the expedition. Mr. Balfour added that France and Russia had not replied to Great Britain's representations on this subject.

SILVER AND TARIFF.

Are Declared to be an Indivisible Issue.

Washington, March 21.—A conference was held here to-day between the Republican silver senators who voted against the consideration of the house tariff bill in the senate and a number of manufacturers, principally of Pennsylvania, for the purpose of, if possible, arriving at an understanding on which the silver advocates and the protectionists can unite. The conference was preliminary to others which will probably be held, and while it resulted in no joint declaration, those present expressed themselves as satisfied that the result would be to promote both interests and that an important step had been taken in bringing them nearer together.

The meeting resulted from a correspondence between Mr. Wilhelm and Senators Teller of Colorado, Dubois of Idaho, Carter and Mantle of Montana, Cannon of Utah and Jones of Nevada. These senators were all present at today's meeting, as was also Representative Hartman of Montana, Allen of Utah and Wilson of Idaho, and a number of representatives of manufacturing interests.

Brief speeches were made by all the senators present. They defined their position in such a manner as to make it plain to the manufacturers that there could be no protective tariff legislation either at this session of congress or the next without the rehabilitation of silver, and that bimetalism and protection as regarded from their standpoint, constituted an indivisible issue before the country.

Some of the manufacturers themselves endorsed this position as being the logic of the country's necessities and political conditions. Others declared themselves in favor of the restoration of silver, but thought that the cause of bimetalism was not advanced by the defeat of the revenue measure.

Senators expressed the opinion that this was the first note of warning against the adoption of a single gold standard plank in the St. Louis platform or the nomination of a gold standard man on a straddle plank. Many letters in harmony with the purposes of the meeting were received from manufacturers throughout the country.

Senator Cameron's name was mentioned incidentally in connection with the presidency during the meeting and met with evident approval by many present.

SEEDS WANTED.

Secretary Morton Is Asking for Ten Million Packets.

Washington, March 21.—The secretary of agriculture, in accordance with the mandate of congress, has prepared a circular letter, to be sent immediately to all reputable grovers of United States, asking them to furnish at reasonable prices to the department 10,000,000 packets of garden field and flower seeds, beginning with asparagus and ending with wheat. This number of packets will give each member and delegate in the house of representatives and to each United States senator 15,000 packets for distribution among his constituents, after deducting one-third of the whole amount, in accordance with the law, for distribution by the secretary of agriculture.

France Protests.

Paris, March 21.—In the chamber of deputies to-day the minister of foreign affairs stated that he had asked for explanations of England regarding the expedition, as that campaign might mean the indefinite occupation of Egypt by England.

Amnesty for Insurgents. Constantinople, March 21.—General amnesty for the insurgents on the island of Crete, including common law, has been proclaimed by the sultan.

IN NORTH DAKOTA.

Interesting News Items From all Parts of the State.

Mirnewaukan may get a big two-story hall this summer.

The house and contents of William Stroebel of Essenden were burned. Grafton reports more snow than for thirty years.

Billings county still pays \$3 for wolf scalps.

Herbert Benjamin of Adrian gets an increase of pension.

With its good fire department Larimore wants insurance reduced.

More anti-blind pig papers were served at Grafton.

Mayville has licensed its saloons—\$200 per year.

The postoffice at Osago, in Nelson county, has been discontinued.

Nine of a Fargo herd of cows were killed. Tuberculosis.

The state medical association will meet at Wahpeton March 22.

Carl Muller slipped on a Grand Forks sidewalk and broke a leg.

Towner county has an increase of seventy-seven school houses in '95.

A New Rockford man wants \$5,000 damages from the Northern Pacific for being struck by a snow plow.

Congress fixes the salary of the United States district attorney in North Dakota at \$3,500.

North Dakota has lots of wealth producing power in its sixteen creameries and twenty-six cheese factories.

William E. Doyle of Drayton was sentenced to fourteen months in the pen for seduction.

North Dakota will have twelve delegates in the national Populist convention.

The farm house of T. A. Fitzgerald, in Richland county, was burned. Loss, \$1,800; incendiarism is suspected.

Nicholas Marxsen of Hurricane Lake is missing and anxious relatives fear foul play.

A playful pup got away with \$75 worth of blooded fowls for a Dickey county man.

All the steel work on the new Great Northern bridge at Fargo will be completed this week.

Richland county organized for immigration with Richland county enthusiasm.

Banker E. P. Wells and wife of Jamestown celebrated their silver wedding.

The residence of Thomas Lewis, the May term of court at Fargo; their guilt is doubtful.

One Zwang, a North Dakota traveler for the Standard Oil company, has fallen heir to \$75,000 and gone East to let it take possession of him.

Pembina has organized a business men's union and is after a free ferry or pontoon bridge between that city and St. Vincent.

Many dwellings and other buildings will go up at Devils Lake this year and prospects are generally bright there.

North Dakota, though still young, employs 1,847 hands in her factories, and sends out every year \$5,028,107 worth of product.

A Dickey county man fired at a jack rabbit from his carriage and succeeded in hitting one of the horns. He was driving, tearing a piece from his flank.

The engagement of Supt. Moore, of the Jamestown asylum, and Miss Mabel Archibald, daughter of the state superintendent, has been announced.

The Jamestown city election on the proposition to incorporate under the general laws of the state carried by 8 votes.

Col. Tuller, of the N. D. N. G., says that arrangements have been made for the encampment of the state militia to be held at Devils Lake in July.

An Emmons county hog went seventy-four days without food or water and was alive when discovered, buried in a straw stack.

The state enforcement league meets at Grand Forks March 24 and 25. The league is strong and working hard. Very few blind pigs are running openly in the state.

A divorce was granted by Judge Templeton to Dewell Odell of Grand Forks from his wife Marie L. B. Odell, on grounds of cruelty and inhuman treatment. The parties were prominent residents of Quebec.

Architect Hancock closed a contract for a three-story and basement brick block at Fargo, to be built by Chicago capitalist for occupancy by Hunter, Reinecke & Quirk, wholesale grocers.

The Grand Forks Bicycle club organized independent of the L. A. W. with thirty members. The sentiment is in favor of holding a tournament next summer. F. B. Peetham is president and J. A. Canniff secretary.

At a special meeting of the Grand Forks Business Men's union the Northern Pacific was petitioned to reduce rates to those granted by the Great Northern last week. The business men's unions of towns throughout the state are doing good work.

A man who gave his name as John Peterson was arrested at Fargo on a charge of robbing the postoffice at Saunders Station, on the Milwaukee road, and robbing the home of J. S. Reitan, near Fargo, of a purse of money and a number of valuable articles. He was bound over to the district court.

Favorable improvements for 1896 have been inaugurated by the Fargo city council, which has ordered the paving of Broadway from Fourth avenue north to Twelfth avenue north. The pavement is to be of cedar blocks, thirty-six feet wide, and work will be commenced as soon as spring opens.

Maj. E. G. Baldwin of Oakes is making a series of experiments with potatoes as fuel, and thus far is highly pleased with results. Used as fuel they leave little ashes, but they do blacken the fireplace badly. It takes only two and one-half scuttles of potatoes to equal one scuttle of coal.

The North Dakota board of agriculture met at Grand Forks and elected J. J. Dow president; C. A. Sanford, vice president; A. J. Cole, treasurer; J. G. Hamilton, secretary. Owing to no appropriation the fair this year will be abandoned. The board will commence work at once to arrange for one next year of huge proportions.</