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W. E. HANNAFORD, EDITOR.

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THE ENTERPRISE--

Appreciated by Our Brethren
of the Press. . . .

From The Mesaba Ore.

The Virginia Enterprise, William E. Hannaford's particularly bright endeavor, has celebrated its thirteenth birthday, and there is nothing unlucky about it. The Enterprise is the oldest newspaper on the Mesaba range and, with one single exception, the best. The office was totally destroyed by fire once, and has been up against other distressing and discouraging circumstances, but Editor Hannaford stuck to the town all through its good and bad times, and it is most gratifying to his friends to know that he is fixed for the proverbial rainy day. The Enterprise has made a place for itself and cannot be dislodged. Here's hoping for continued prosperity.

From The Bessemer Free Press:

The Virginia Enterprise, published at Virginia, Minn., by W. E. Hannaford, has entered upon its thirteenth year of existence. The Enterprise is one of the best and newest exchanges that comes to this office, and we wish the editor continued success.

From The Duluth Evening Herald.

With its last issue the Virginia Enterprise, the oldest newspaper on the Mesaba range, commenced its thirteenth year. This is not one of the instances where the first shall be last, for the Enterprise stands well at the head of the procession.

From The Eveleth Mining News.

The Virginia Enterprise is starting out on its thirteenth year, but Editor Hannaford presages no hard luck on that account. A paper that has run twelve years in these parts ought to be able to get through another.

UNLESS the hens quit sulking the Easter egg will be but a memory of past seasons to the poor.

VIRGINIA still has need of a Business Men's Association—one which will stick together for aught for the good and further advancement of the city. There is work for such.

"PEOPLE who write offensive communications should have sufficient courage to affix their signature," says the Virginian. An echo of an editorial in the columns of the Enterprise several weeks ago, but a proper one, nevertheless.

A GERMAN court has held that poker playing is not gambling. We have observed, in our day, many people playing the game who could never be accused of gambling. They were simply donating their money to the "kitty."

OLD MAN ATKINSON, of the Mesaba Ore, has discovered that another week has gone by and that the state legislature has done nothing. And if he will continue to note, he will in all likelihood find many weeks where the accomplishments have been of equal interest to the people of the state.

THE Hon. P. Ellerd says the examination of public accounts will be no whitewash. If P. E. was of the same political faith he was before his "flop" there would be little question of the sincerity of his intentions. And the tax-payers and citizens of the state will not question his political belief if he will do as he says and dig up the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth.

The bill for the homesteading of state lands, introduced by Representative Miller of Duluth, has seemingly struck a popular chord. The passage of the bill will have the effect of rapidly settling a large area of state lands which in their present condition contribute naught to the support of the state, county or school funds, but which in private hands will become of assessable value.

WITNESSES in the Powers-McCutcheon case, now on in federal court, may find something of interest in the editorial in the last issue of the Mesaba Ore, in which Editor Atkinson outlines his view of things and things under the heading "Reached Limit of Moral Degradity." The method of Bro. Atkinson's "touch" may hit some of the moral lepers where they live, but we'll gamble that Atkinson's views will strike a popular chord.

J. ADAM BEDE bids fair to be noted for at least more than one thing—the wearing of birch-bark pantaloons—and that is the remembrance

of his friends when it comes to appointments under his control. In the pursuance of this laudable idea it is given out that Guy A. Eaton, who acted as J. Adam's campaign manager, is slated for the postmastership of the Duluth office, to succeed E. L. Fisher, present incumbent.

ALONZO J. WHITEMAN, the man who has done so much toward making Duluth famous, has written a letter from the Erie county jail at Buffalo, N. Y., in which he stoutly disclaims his guilt of the latest of the many crimes for which he has been arrested. Whiteman appears in the role of a martyr instead of one of the cleverest of forgers, and disclaims any other intent in this life aside from the advertising of the city at the head of the lakes.

At the meeting of the state editorial association in St. Paul a week since the boys gave evidence of having read and understood the proposed libel law according to the new code, and passed upon a revised bill touching upon libel to be presented to the state legislators for action. The revised bill to be submitted provides that "all newspapers published and printed in this state and all persons publishing and printing the same are hereby prohibited from publishing and printing newspapers in this state. That any person, firm, company or corporation so printing and publishing a newspaper in this state, who shall be guilty of criminal libel in so printing and publishing said newspaper, shall be subject to the penalty herein-after prescribed.

For the purposes of this act, criminal libel shall be defined as follows: Criminal libel shall consist in telling the truth with respect to any politician, statesman, officeholder, employee of the legislature, or grafter, if said truth so told through the columns of said newspaper shall be unpleasant, shall wound the sensibilities of said person, or any or either of them, or the sensibilities of members of their families, their acquaintances, or any person with whom there is a likelihood of acquaintance at any time in the future, or any persons or corporation with whom there is any opportunity whatever to "do business;" that for the purpose of this act every corporation shall be held to be endowed with feelings which shall be susceptible of injury on such occasion. Criminal libel shall also include the printing or reproduction of any cartoon of any kind whatever, unless the same shall first have been approved or stamped "O. K." by secretary of the state art society. That under no circumstances shall it be criminal libel to call a fellow newspaper man a "low-browed horse thief," a "cold-blooded assassin of character," a "wart on the face of nature," or any similar term of endearment; that any editor who fails to get into a circulation fight with his next door neighbor at the first opportunity shall be found guilty of incompetency, both mental and mechanical, and shall thereupon be compelled to swallow the circulation statements of all metropolitan dailies."

THINKS NEW RANGE RICH IN ORE.

Comment on Atkin, Crow Wing and Carlton County Ore Formation.

"I believe when facts are fully known that Crow Wing, Atkin and Carlton counties will be found to possess a goodly portion of the iron ore of this state," said Emmitt McKee, a traveling salesman of St. Paul, today. Mr. McKee was in West Duluth this morning.

"It is not unreasonable that every county in the state should contain paying ore. The counties named have not been prospected until within the past few weeks. Several good finds are reported in the vicinity of Deerwood. South of there about five miles another find was reported and yesterday I was told that ore had been found inside the city limits. The excitement is intense and nearly everyone is carrying a dip needle. Old farm lands that have been on the market in Atkin county for years at \$2, \$3 and \$4 per acre are now in the stress of iron ore excitement held at \$30 an acre. Several large companies have been formed, machinery has been ordered and everything points to the opening of a new iron range in this state. Several clever manipulators are concealing the real worth of the soil but as I say when facts are fully known the mining world will be surprised."—Herald.

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Leave Kansas City 10:40 a. m. Arrive Los Angeles 2:45 p. m. the third day.

Cafe and Parlor Car on day train, Twin Cities to Omaha. Buffet Sleeping Car on night train to Kansas City and dining car on both trains from there to Los Angeles.

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Merchants Excursion Rates—D. M. & N.

For spring buying excursions to Duluth during January and February, 1905, the D. M. & N. Railway will sell to merchants round trip tickets at fare and one-third, on the certificate plan. Going dates, first excursion January 22 to 29. Return limit January 24 to February 7. Second excursion, February 12 to 19. Return limit February 14 to 28. Call on agent D. M. & N. for particulars. J. B. HANSON, G. P. A.

Notice for Bids.

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Notice of Cancellation of Contract for Deed.

To Randall McBain, and to George Clark:

Take Notice, That you are in default, under and according to the terms, conditions and provisions of that certain contract, dated July 30, 1900, whereby John Chesser, of Virginia, county of St. Louis, and state of Minnesota, agreed to convey unto you, upon full and timely performance by you of the terms, conditions and provisions thereof, reference to which contract for more particularity is hereby made, of the following described real estate, situate in St. Louis county, state of Minnesota, to-wit:

Lots eighteen (18) and nineteen (19), block thirty-one (31), Virginia, according to the recorded plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the register of deeds in and for said county of St. Louis; and that according to the terms, conditions and provisions of said contract, there became due and payable from you to said John Chesser, on the 1st day of September, 1900, the sum of Forty Dollars, with interest thereon at 7 per cent. per annum from the 30th day of July, 1900; and further default has occurred in the non-payment of principal, taxes and interest, and at the date of this notice, the sum of One Thousand seven hundred sixty-five and 75/100 (\$1765.75) Dollars still remains overdue and unpaid, and such default as above specified still exists.

Now, therefore, you are hereby notified, that unless on or before thirty days after the service of this notice upon you, you pay to the undersigned attorney at his office in the First National Bank Building, Virginia, Minnesota, the amount of money above stated, with interest to the date of payment, and perform the terms and conditions, and comply with the provisions of said contract on your part to be performed, said contract will be cancelled and terminated, and all your right, title and interest thereunder, and in and to the land and property covered thereby, forfeited and annulled. Said cancellation and termination of said contract to take effect April 15th, 1905.

Dated Virginia, Minn., February 10th, 1905.
JOHN CHESSEY.
By Otto A. Poirier, His Attorney,
Feb 17 Mch 3 Virginia, Minn.