

NEWS OF MINNESOTA.

Is Constitutional.

St. Paul.—The inheritance tax law, as passed by the last legislature, is held to be unconstitutional in a decision handed down by the supreme court. The opinion means to the state about \$60,000,000 in back taxes.

The opinion resulted from the re-treatment of Probate Judge Basilia to an appraiser to ascertain the value of legacies and devises made by Paul D. Ferguson. Judge Basilia refused to comply with the request and the case was carried into the Ramsey county court. There was an application for a writ of mandamus that was denied on the grounds that the law was unconstitutional.

The tax is 1 1/4 per cent on legacies of more than \$10,000 or under \$100,000, and 5 per cent on legacies of more than \$100,000. There are seventeen large estates that are liable and the taxes according to the state will be about \$600,000.

Did Not Know Santa.

Minneapolis.—A tall warrior who did not like the looks of Santa Claus came near spoiling a Christmas celebration at the home of E. R. Campbell. As it was he chased the jolly saint out of doors, seized him by the seat of the trousers and would have forced him to let go when the old fellow thought off his false whiskers and called the dog by name.

There is a little Miss at the Campbell residence and it is there that he gave a celebration for her very New Year's eve. The arrival of the big brother-in-law conspired to act the part of Santa and dress up in the most approved fashion with whiskers, gorged cloths, fur, bells and a big sack of toys.

But Mr. Bell Terrior had never heard of Santa Claus. To him the weird stranger looked more like a burglar than anything else and with a bound and a growl he rushed at the supposed intruder. Santa turned and fled, but not before the dog had fastened his teeth in the padded trousers.

Silver For the Governor.

St. Paul.—Governor Mrs. John A. Johnson enjoyed a silver service at the government's expense in the capital, which included a full dinner set, larger appropriations for the regular services in order to enable America to maintain its prestige in other lands.

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Notes.

Duluth.—Nine draft horses, said to have belonged to E. E. Townsend, a transfer man of Minneapolis, were shot on account of a gelding.

St. Paul.—The Commercial club began the new year with a family dinner and social gathering at the club. About 400 guests were present, including men, women and children.

Pine Island—W. H. Nelson, one of the old timers of the village, drank a large quantity of acetone, containing 10 per cent whisky, from the effects of which he died in about two hours.

Hed-Wing.—A council of the United Commercial Travellers with a membership made up of this and surrounding towns, has been instituted in the city by Grand Master F. J. Anderson.

Paul.—The Paul Catholic Orphan Asylum announced that it had received from James J. Hill, president of the Great Northern Railway company, \$100 as his annual contribution to the institution.

St. Paul.—The Minnesota National Guard convention begins its twenty-third annual convention at the sensory.

Minneapolis.—This city will be the convention city of the northwest if not of the entire United States this year. Many of the largest conventions and meetings will be held throughout this year. The A. E. Chapman in August promises to be the greatest gathering in the history of the Grand Army.

St. Paul.—First, starting in the laundry day, all of the employees and the inmates of the hospitals runched frantically about the halls and sick persons sprang from beds of pain in a vain effort to ascertain the seriousness of the fits.

THE NEWS IN BRIEF.

For the Week Ending Jan. 9.

Prof. Charles Jasper Joy, royal astronomer of Ireland, is dead. He was born in 1844.

The foreign office at Berlin says Germany is not sending any warships to Mediterranean waters.

Mrs. Verken was assured that the house she occupied in her husband's will shall be built at once.

Iowa people, fearing the possible effect of the biennial election law, will seek a revision from the legislature.

The Hotel Andwar and the block in which it was located was destroyed by fire at Elvira, O. The loss is estimated at \$100,000.

Miss Grossman, a New York excursion manager for \$10,000 damages for barring her from a European trip because of her color.

The Catholie population of the United States is given as 12,051,944, an increase for the year of 189,151. Chicago alone has 2,000,000.

Miss McGinnis, a nurse, who claimed to be 185 years of age, died at the home for aged and infirm colored persons in Philadelphia.

Jacob C. Rustman, president of the Jefferson Ice company, of Chicago, killed himself while insane, dredging competition of the time.

The punishment of Ethelred for the general election is the most severe of any in the last 20 years, contests being made in almost every district.

Ethelred has dissolved parliament, and has ordered an election of members of the new parliament, which his law will assemble within 10 days.

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In Prison.

Stillwater—Mrs. Stella Brennan of Minneapolis, who was sent to the state prison in this city for life for the murder of her husband, was paroled yesterday.

She was given charge of a full officer set of silver in the Paul Revere pattern, enclosed in a rosewood box with a silver plate, carrying the inscription "Presented to Governor and Mrs. John A. Johnson, Christmas, 1912." The Officer set.

The governor's staff waited on him New Year's Day with a present of a silver tea service, matching the dinner set. The presentation was made by the chaplain, Father James Lawler of this city, and the governor responded in a short speech of thanks.

Attributed to the Governor.

At the end of the year, the remunerative orders were attributed to the conduct of the man on the Philadelphia & Erie railroad at Horn's Sliding, Pa., when three men were killed and 20 persons were injured.

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In the Markets.

New York, Jan. 9.

LIVE STOCK—Steers—\$1.40 to \$2.50
Hogs—\$1.40 to \$2.50
Sheep—\$1.40 to \$2.50
July—\$1.40 to \$2.50
Cattle—\$1.40 to \$2.50
Pork—\$1.40 to \$2.50
BUTTER—\$1.40 to \$2.50
EGGS—\$1.40 to \$2.50

CHICAGO—

CATTLE—Cattle to Good Steers—\$1.40 to \$2.50
Lambs—\$1.40 to \$2.50
Sheep—\$1.40 to \$2.50
July—\$1.40 to \$2.50
Cattle—\$1.40 to \$2.50
Pork—\$1.40 to \$2.50
Heavy Packing—\$1.40 to \$2.50
Dairy—\$1.40 to \$2.50
Bacon—\$1.40 to \$2.50
LIVE POULTRY—
Pork—\$1.40 to \$2.50
July—\$1.40 to \$2.50
Cattle—\$1.40 to \$2.50
Oats—\$1.40 to \$2.50
Milk—\$1.40 to \$2.50
Oats—\$1.40 to \$2.50

MILWAUKEE—

GRAIN—Wheat, December—\$1.40 to \$2.50
May—\$1.40 to \$2.50
Oats—\$1.40 to \$2.50
Rye, No. 1—\$1.40 to \$2.50
July—\$1.40 to \$2.50
Oats, May—\$1.40 to \$2.50

KANSAS CITY—

GRAIN—Wheat, May—\$1.40 to \$2.50
July—\$1.40 to \$2.50
Oats, May—\$1.40 to \$2.50

ST. LOUIS—

CATTLE—Live Steers—\$1.40 to \$2.50
Hogs—\$1.40 to \$2.50
Sheep—\$1.40 to \$2.50
July—\$1.40 to \$2.50
Cattle—\$1.40 to \$2.50
Pork—\$1.40 to \$2.50
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MINNEAPOLIS—

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May—\$1.40 to \$2.50
Oats—\$1.40 to \$2.50
Rye, No. 1—\$1.40 to \$2.50
July—\$1.40 to \$2.50
Oats, May—\$1.40 to \$2.50

OMAHA—

CATTLE—Native Steers—\$1.40 to \$2.50
Hogs—\$1.40 to \$2.50
Sheep—\$1.40 to \$2.50

BUTTER—Heavy—\$1.40 to \$2.50
Light—\$1.40 to \$2.50

EGGS—\$1.40 to \$2.50

CHICAGO—

FRESH MEATS—

MEAT—\$1.40 to \$2.50

DAIRY—\$1.40 to \$2.50

EGGS—\$1.40 to \$2.50

BAKED GOODS—

CAKES—\$1.40 to \$2.50

PIES—\$1.40 to \$2.50

COOKIES—\$1.40 to \$2.50

CAKES—\$1.40 to \$2.50

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PINE COUNTY PIONEER.

ED. C. GOTTRY, Editor and Prop.

Entered in the Post Office at Pine City as
Second Class Matter.

PINE CITY, MINN., Jan. 12, 1900

Special Meeting of Council,

The common council met at the recorder's office on Monday, Jan. 8, at 8 o'clock p. m. in a special session. The meeting was called to order by the president. Members present, F. E. Smith, president; Math Prochaska, John Atkinson, Aug. Larson, Aug. Carlson and J. J. Madden, councilmen, and F. Poerl, recorder.

The meeting was called subject to adjournment, to take up the question of installing a waterworks system in this village.

On motion of Councilman J. J. Madden a special election was called for January 24th, 1900.

Councilman Madden presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the village of Pine City erect and establish a system of water works for public and private use, and that the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) be raised for the purpose of erecting and establishing said system of water works for the supply of water for public and private use, and that for the purpose of raising said sum of money the negotiable bonds of the village in the sum of \$15,000, with interest thereon to exceed the rate of 5 per cent per annum, payable annually, maturing not later than 20 years after date thereof.

Resolved, further, That a special village election be held and hereby called to be held in said village on the 24th day of January, 1900, for the purpose of voting upon the proposition of erecting and establishing a system of water works in said village for the supply of water for public and private use, and of issuing the negotiable bonds of said village in the sum of \$15,000, to raise the sum necessary to pay for said water works, and that the recorder give due notice of the holding of said election specifying therein the proposition to be voted on, as set forth in this resolution.

On call of roll, Councilman J. J. Madden, John Atkinson, Aug. Larson, Aug. Carlson and Recorder Poerl voting aye, said resolution passed.

The president appointed Aug. Carlson and John Atkinson as judges of said special election.

There being no further business, council adjourned. F. POERL, Recorder.

Rock Creek News.

Mrs. J. S. Stevens was a visitor in Pine City Monday.

John Matson and wife were county seat visitors Monday.

Mrs. Wm. Anderson returned on last Thursday from her Duluth visit.

The Misses Berglin and Erickson returned to their high school duties Monday.

John Matson and Mr. Sunbeam left on Tuesday's early morning train for Oregon.

There will be a social and musical program in the M. E. church this (Friday) evening.

Mrs. Thos. Gill visited with Mrs.

Clark, north of Pine City, from Friday until Sunday.

J. P. Holmberg came up from North Branch Monday, to attend the annual creamery meeting.

Miss Flora Myers left on Wednesday's early morning train for Kaukauna, Wis., to be absent about two months.

Mrs. Thos. Gill and daughter left on Thursday noon train for Minneapolis to visit with relatives and friends.

At the annual meeting of the Rock Creek Co-operative Creamery company held Monday, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Magr. Mr. Jensen; Pres., J. N. Peterson; Treas., A. Borg; Secy., W. E. Anderson.

Resolution.

**CASTLE HALL, PORTBRAE LODGE,
KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS, JANUARY
5TH, 1900.**

Whereas, In the judgment of Divine Providence our worthy Brother and Knight, R. J. Hawley, has been deeply grieved by the death of his beloved father.

Therefore, be it Resolved, That as a particular mark of respect to the memory of the departed, and to express our sense of sympathy and grief at our Brother's irreparable loss of a faithful, devoted and loving father, We hereby extend our condolence to our afflicted Brother.

It is Further Resolved, That in token of our sorrow these Resolutions be spread upon our records, and that the Keeper of Records and Seal be instructed to furnish a copy to our Brother as a testimonial of our sympathy and grief.

D. GREELEY,
F. E. SMITH,
W. P. GOTTRY,
Committee on Resolutions.

List of Letters

Remaining uncalled for in P. O. Pine City, Minn., for week ending Jan. 8, 1900.

Mr. Ed. Bearat.

Persons claiming above will please say "advertisers" and give date of this list. L. E. BRECKENRIDGE P. M.

Contracted Chronic Diarrhoea While in the Philippines.

"While in the U. S. Army in the Philippines, I contracted chronic diarrhoea. I suffered severely from this terrible disease for three years and tried the prescriptions of numerous physicians, but found nothing that did me any good until I tried Chamberlain's colic, cholera and diarrhoea remedy, two small bottles of which cured me and I have since had no return of the disease." —Herman Stein, 212 N. Union Ave., Pueblo, Colorado. For sale by L. E. Breckenridge's Pharmacy.

In Bed Four Weeks with LaGripppe.

We have received the following letter from Mr. Roy Kemp, of Angola, Ind.: "I was in bed four weeks with a gripe and I tried many remedies and spent considerable for treatment with physicians, but recovered no relief until I tried Foley's Honey and Tar. Two small bottles of this medicine cured me, and now I use it exclusively in my family." Take no substitute. For sale by Breckenridge's Pharmacy.

Mrs. Thos. Gill visited with Mrs.

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E. BARNUM.

Physician and Surgeon.
Graduate of University of Michigan—1878.
Office at Residence South of Court House.
Night calls promptly responded to.

Pine City.

R. L. WISEMAN.

Physician and Surgeon.
Office at one door south of
Salvadore's meat market.

Pine City.

A. LYONS.

Physician and Surgeon.
Office in the Murley Block.

Pine City.

B. L. STEPHAN.

Physician and Surgeon.
Offices at Drug Store.

Hinsley.

S. G. ROBERTS.

Attorney at Law.

Pine City.

R. O. C. SAUNDERS.

Attorney and Counselor at Law.

Office—Hyak Block.

Pine City.

M. H. BRUBERY.

Attorney at Law.

County Attorney of Pine County.

Office in the Court House.

Pine City.

D. H. D. GOTTMILL.

Veterinary.

All work done in a satisfactory manner.

For particulars or ready response call, or write Fred Norstrom at Polkaga Lake.



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your trade in

DRESS GOODS, BLANKETS,
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Bring in your Butter and Eggs.

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PINE CITY

LIVERY STABLE

W. P. GOTTRY,

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First-Class Livery Rigs Fur-
nished at any hour.

Have you tried H. W. Barker's Cough Catarrh Consumption Remedy?

It's the most wonderful medicine known to medical science. It will knock that awful cough, sore throat, and la grippe. Nothing like it. At Breckenridge's drug store. Manufactured at Sparta, Wis.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy the Best Made.

"In my opinion Chamberlain's cough remedy is the best made for colds," says Mrs. Cora Waller of Parerville, Calif. "There is no doubt about it being the best. No other will cure a cold so quickly. No other is so sure a preventative of pneumonia. No other is so safe and pleasant to take. These are good reasons why it should be preferred to any other. The fact is that few people are satisfied with any other after having once used this remedy. For sale by L. E. Breckenridge.

Three little babies were nestled in bed. "I'll name William, Willie and Bill," mother said.

Wide was her smile, for triplets they be.

She lays her good luck to Rocky Mountain Tea. (Great baby med-icines.) L. E. Breckenridge.

The many friends of G. H. Hansen, Engineer, El. & W. H. N., at present living in Lima, Ohio, will be pleased to know of his recovery from throat and kidney disease. He writes: "I was cured by taking Foley's Kidney Cure, which I recommend to all especially those who are usually similarly affected. Sold by Breckenridge's Pharmacy.

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JOS VOLNEC.

**FRESH, SALT and SMOKED
MEAT.**

Fish, Game and

Poultry,

In Season.

Telephone Number 44.

PINE CITY, MINN.

COAL!

Believing that our city should have a retail coal yard, I have put in coal sheds, and I will carry a full stock of the different kinds of coal. Users of coal will be able to get just what they want from me. All orders, large or small, will be given our best attention and your patronage will be appreciated.

Respectfully,

J. J. MADDEN.

**A BARBER
SHOP**

worth your while & patronage

Bath Room — Quick Shaves

First-class Service

STEVE BORDEAUX

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**Hard
&
Soft Coal**

RETAIL DEPARTMENT,

PINE CITY MILL & ELECTRIC CO.

A kidney or bladder trouble can always be cured by using Foley's Kidney Cure in time. Sold by Breckenridge's Pharmacy.

How's This?

We offer one hundred dollars reward for any case of catarrh that cannot be cured by Kall's Catarrh Cure.

E. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O.

We offer a reward of \$100 for any case of catarrh that cannot be cured by Kall's Catarrh Cure. E. J. Cheney has for 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by his firm.

Walding, Kinman & Marvin,
Wholesale Druggist, Toledo, O.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75 cents per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

Tell Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Read PIONEER ads. They will save you money.

Oven 18 inches wide, 21 inches deep and 13 inches high, 6 covers, full nickel trimmed. Large Granite Iron Reservoir. Sears, Roebuck Co., Montgomery Ward; Kalamazoo Stove Co. and others advertise this Range from \$25.13 to \$26.56, and you pay freight from the factory which will cost you from \$2.00 to \$4.00. The above Range without Reservoir \$21.13

Jewel Steel Ranges from \$28.00 to \$45.00

Heating Stoves --- JEWEL Hard Coal Base Burners \$3.00 to \$50.00. Heating Stoves—all kinds, sizes and styles from \$1.75 to \$25.00.

Diamond Washer

The Diamond Spiral Washer is ball bearing



Smith, the Hardware Man.....

Reward.

\$25.00 reward for evidence leading to the arrest and conviction of parties taking packages, robes, blankets, etc., out of sleighs or wagons while in our yards or sheds.

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Stop It.

A neglected cough or cold may lead to serious bronchial or lung troubles. Don't take chances when Foley's Honey and Tar affords perfect security from serious effects of a cold. Sold by Breckenridge's Pharmacy.

Pneumonia and LaGripppe. Coughs cured quickly by Foley's Honey and Tar. Refuse substitutes. For sale by L. E. Breckenridge.

D. GREELEY

HARDWARE

PINE CITY, MINN.

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Dyspepsia
Cure

Gives rest to the stomach. Cures indigestion, dyspepsia, sour stomach, tired stomach, weak stomach, windy stomach, puffed stomach, nervous stomach and catarrh of the stomach. A guaranteed cure.

Received at the Local Drug Stores, 25¢ a bottle. Dose, one fluid drachm.

Sold by L. E. Breckenridge.



\$24.48

buys this High Closet and Reservoir

MARS

STEEL RANGE

News of the Week.

Chips Picked up Around Town and Vicinity.

George Hunt was here from North Branch Tuesday.

P. Keenect, of St. Paul, was in our burg yesterday.

Frank Reine returned home from his Omaha visit this week.

Wm. Huile and C. Westland were here from Hinckley yesterday.

Bert Greenleaf went to Hinckley yesterday on telephone business.

Thus Carter, of Ellison, transacted business in this place Monday.

Mrs. Monk is quite sick at the home of her daughter, Mrs. R. C. Saunders.

M. B. Hurley bid himself to St. Paul Sunday afternoon. He returned home Monday.

J. S. Johnson, of West Rock, was in town Sunday last. He went to Rush City Monday.

Editor Huber, of the Pioneer, made a business trip to North Branch Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Margaret Henderson went toraham Monday to visit with friends for a couple of weeks.

Roy Wiseman, who is in charge of the Pokegama Sanatorium this winter, was in town Sunday.

Miss Nellie Madden expects to go to Duluth next week to visit with relatives for an indefinite time.

Mr. and Mrs. John Trencia left yesterday morning for a visit with relatives in Hopkins and Montevideo.

Mrs. F. F. Murray returned to her home in North Branch Sunday after a few days visit with the Huber family.

Mrs. Ed. Madden went up to Beroun Monday to visit her neice, Miss Flora Kerr, who teaches at that place.

Mrs. John Hady and two sons departed Tuesday for River Falls, Wis., to attend the funeral of Mrs. Hady's father.

The A. O. U. W. and Degree of Honor lodges will hold a joint installation of officers at Rath's hall Thursday evening, Jan. 18th.

Miss Gladys Webb completed a two weeks visit with her sister, Mrs. I. H. Claggett, Monday, and returned to her home in Montevideo.

Misses Elma and Emma Buhrig returned to their school duties at Willow River Sunday after spending their holidays with relatives in this place.

Miss Emma Slough and May Rodeck arrived here from Arlington Wednesday to attend the funeral of Irene Rodeck which occurred Wednesday afternoon.

At a regular meeting of the K. of P. Lodge Wednesday evening, R. J. Hawley was elected a delegate to the Grand Lodge and D. Greeley was elected alternate.

Court of H. J. Rath, is as happy as a ten-year old kid sliding down hill. Wednesday he became the papa of a 14-pound boy baby, and all is well in the Rath home.

The ladies sewing society of St. Mary's Catholic church met with Mrs. Arnold Cranton Tuesday afternoon. The society will meet with the special session of court which convened Tuesday.

Quarterly conference will be held in the M. E. church Saturday, Jan. 13th at eight o'clock p.m. All members of the board are urged to be present. Dr. E. C. Clemons will be present.

Dry Barnum and Lyons were in Rath City Tuesday, attending a meeting of the Chisago and Pine Co. Medical Society. The next regular meeting of the society will be held at the office of Dr. Zeien, in North Branch, on Tuesday, April 9.

R. C. Saunders departed for St. Louis, Mo., Wednesday, to consult a specialist in regard to his ankle which has bothered him ever since it was sprained some two years ago. It is to be hoped that he receives the relief which he seeks.

Judge Crosby held a special term of the district court Tuesday. A few court cases of little importance were brought before His Honor and several demurrers were entered. Quite a few people were in town on account of the session.

Matt Hurley returned to the state "U" Monday.

John Stanfield spent Sunday with his family at Hinckley.

Mrs. J. H. Huber went to North Branch Wednesday afternoon.

Ole Thompson, of Willow River, spent the Sabbath in Pine City.

Wm. Ehart returned home from a few days visit in Minneapolis, Sunday.

Miss Georgia Sherrill departed for St. Paul Wednesday to remain indefinitely.

A 10-pound girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Lindberg at Rock Creek Wednesday.

We are pleased to report that Otto Kowalek, who was quite ill, is now convalescent.

Miss Arthur Eddy, of Duluth, is visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Harde.

Sheriff Hawley and Atty. Hurley were in Willow River Monday and Tuesday on business.

Ed. Madden went to Gordon, Wis., Wednesday, to equip some logging cars with stakes.

Patrick Murphy and J. H. Alexander, of Bruno, transacted business at the court house Tuesday.

Attorney J. D. Markham, of Rush City, argued a case before Judge Crosby at the court house Tuesday. Wolf bounties were paid this week as follows: Martin Olson, Finlayson, 1 peat; F. Stumpf, Hinckley, 3 peats.

Attorney P. H. Stolberg, the staid and convincing warrior from Harris had a case at the county capitol Tuesday.

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Miss Lizzie Pangar returned to Metropolitan Business College at Minneapolis Sunday afternoon after two weeks visit with her mother in this place.

The ladies of the M. E. church will serve 25¢ dinner at the G. A. R. hall next Wednesday, commencing at 12 M. You are cordially invited to attend.

Mrs. A. J. Houle and little niece arrived here Sunday from Minneapolis where they had been visiting. They returned to their home in Ashland yesterday.

Dr. E. C. Clemons, presiding elder, will deliver the sermon and administer the sacrament of the Lord's Supper at the Methodist church, next Sunday morning. The services will begin at 10:45 as usual. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

The three year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Lindberg, died at the home of her parents, north east of Rock Creek, Sunday, Jan. 7th, 1906. The cause of her death was typhoid fever. The funeral services were conducted Wednesday afternoon.

Attorney S. C. Scott, of Sandstone, was attending to legal business at the court house Tuesday. Had it not been for his fleetness of foot, after a desperate chase from the court house to the train, thereby enabling him to board the "limited," he would have been a Pine Cityite over night.

The dance given by the firemen New Year's night was a success and an enjoyable affair. The boys netted about \$19. A large number were present from Sandstone and Pine City to hear the music and dance with Hinckley's pretty girls.—Hinckley Enterprise. We were wondering what the attraction was.

Do not forget the Canadian Jubilee Singers' entertainment which will be given in Rath's hall, Tuesday evening, Jan. 23d. The company comes highly recommended and will appear under the auspices of Pokegama Lodge No. 77, K. of P. Reserved seats will be placed on sale at Breckenridge's Pharmacy next Monday, and the prices have been fixed as follows: Reserved seats,

50¢ adults, 35¢ children under 12 years of age, 25¢. Remember the time and place, and arrange your appointments so that you can be present.

The Rathbone Sisters gave a delightful card party in their lodgings Tuesday evening. Progressiveness was the order of the evening and great interest was manifested in the games. Head prizes were won by Mrs. J. H. Claggett and D. Greeley. Second prizes were given to Mrs. M. L. O'Brien and Will J. Gottry. Refreshments were served after which all went home thoroughly satisfied with the evening's entertainment.

After having been in course of construction for about two weeks, the sewer between the Hotel Agnes and the river is completed. It works very satisfactorily, and it is hoped that no trouble will be experienced as was the case when the cess pool was in use. The sewer is 540 feet long from the hotel to the water's edge, and extends 30 feet into the river. The sewer has a good gasket from start to finish.—"Dynamite" Pete Holm had charge of its construction, and it will undoubtedly prove successful.

Wedding Bells.

Wednesday, January 17th, 1906, will occur the marriage of Miss Alma M. Wickstrom to Henry Burge.

The wedding will take place at the residence of Hugo Wickstrom, brother of the bride-to-be, and Rev. J. J. Parish will perform the services that make them man and wife.

Miss Marie Asplund, of Lake City, will be bridesmaid and Louis Burge will be groomsmen.

Only relatives and a few intimate friends of the contracting parties will witness the happy event.

Both of the principals are prominent in social circles and their many friends will join the Pioneers in advancing congratulations.

Cord Wood Thieves.

It seems that cord wood thieves have been plying their "graft" at Pokegama Lake this winter. Mr. Walters came up from St. Paul Saturday last to investigate the report that wood had been stolen from his land on the east bank of the lake, south of Senator Clapp's property.

He discovered that ten cords of oak wood had been carried away, also alleges that he knows who the thieves are, and will institute legal proceedings against them. Iver Stumm and George Schwartz, two of Pokegama's progressive farmers, accompanied Mr. Walters to Pine City Sunday, and he returned to his home at St. Paul on the afternoon train.

Little Girl Dies.

Irene Anne Rodeck died at the hands of her parents in this place Tuesday morning, Jan. 9th. The cause of her death was primary laryngeal diphtheria, from which she suffered only about twelve hours.

The child had been playing out of doors the day before her death, and was apparently in good health, having a slight fever, until about nine o'clock in the evening, when she became seriously ill.

Irene was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Rodeck. She was born in Pine City on the 20th day of July, 1902, and was four years, five months, one week and four days old at the time of her death.

The funeral services were held from the family residence Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock, Rev. J. J. Parish officiating, and interment occurred in Birchwood Cemetery. The parents have the sympathy of the entire community in their great loss.

Membership Increased.

Last Saturday evening eighteen new members joined hands and hearts with the Degree of Honor Lodge of this place. The ceremonies were impressive, and no doubt all of the new members will be good growers.

After the conclusion of the regular lodge session tables were placed about the room and progressive games were in order. Those who did not play cards sat about the room conversing, while others looked after luncheon in the ante-room of the lodge hall.

Miss Kate Bruckett and Carl Busemeyer excelled in the card games and received the head prizes. Miss Bruckett received a beautiful plaque and Mr. Busemeyer a gold watch case. Mrs. Margaret Payne-O'Brien and J. J. Folsom received a doll and rattle, respectively, as their share

Popular Specials.

The celebrated W. L. Douglas \$1.00 and \$5.00 show at the Big Store.

Have P. J. Hallin, Eyesight Specialist, fit your eyes with glasses. At Hotel Agnes, Saturday January 20th until 4 p.m.

Loss. A valuable gold watch was lost between A. Pennington's residence and Dr. Wiseman's office, Wednesday afternoon. It is a lady's gold watch, with a raised panay design on the back and a diamond in the center. Attached to it was a gent's small vest chain with a locket set with five rubies. Finder will confer a great favor by returning to this office and receiving reward.

Great bargains in 5 and 10 cent goods at the big store.

Dr. Boej Swartout, the dentist, will arrive here Saturday, the 20th inst., for his usual stay of 15 days. His office is in the Rybak block.

Fourth.—Last Friday, a bundle containing some socks, a suit of underwear, some mittens, etc. Aug. 24th found the bundle one mile east of Pine City. Owner can have same by calling at this office and paying for this notice.

80 acres of good farmland 2 miles south of Pine City; 40 acres improved, with a house, barn and well, for sale by Frank Iuman, at Pine City.

For Sale.—A set of Encyclopaedia Britannica, at 25 per cent discount from cost price, 15 volumes new, enquire at this office.

Are you getting old? Better come in and have a dozen of our best photos taken for your children and friends. A few years from now they may be measured as something sacred.

A. D. SERLEY,
Photographer,
Pine City.

of the spoils—the foot prizes. Supper was served near the midnight hour and consisted of deliciously prepared salads, beans, pickles, sandwiches, cakes and coffee.

The Degree of Honor Lodge is one of the strongest in Pine City, and is steadily gaining in membership. Mrs. J. D. Vaughan has been Chief of Honor during the past year, and her efforts have, in no little way, been responsible for the great interest taken in the work of the order during the year.

Urard His Mother of Rheumatism.

"My mother has been a sufferer for many years from rheumatism," says W. H. Urard, of Husband, Pennsylvania. "At times she was unable to move at all, while at all times walking was painful. I presented her with a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm and after a few applications she declared it was the most wonderful pain reliever she had ever tried, in fact, she arrived without it now and is at all times able to walk. An occasional application of Pain Balm keeps away the pain that she was formerly troubled with." For sale by L. E. Breckridge.

You may be the gainer by reading "The Popular Specials."

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STORIES OF THE FAKIRS

By J. P. JOHNSTON

Author of "Twenty Years of Husing," "What Happened to Johnston," Etc.

THREE GRAFTERS

"SOAP" THEIR DUPES.

Shaving Soap Man Victimizes Laundry Merchants — \$100 Paid for "Fake" — A Philanthropist "Gives Away" Soap Wrapped in Twenty-Dollar Bills — A Wonderful Demonstration with Laundry Soap—Grafter Swindles a Circus Crowd.

(Copyright, 1885, by Joseph H. Bowes.) When I was selling Yankee notions at auction in Michigan I encountered a grafter whose special victims were the laundry merchants of small towns. His was a shaving soap game. However, that game was of small consideration. It was his skill in palming and manipulating dollar bills that brought him success.

He carried a single valise and a small tin box, the latter filled with very expensive and choice bars of ordinary washing soap. Each case was wrapped in a piece of paper.

Upon reaching a town he called upon the most prominent merchant and requested the loan of a barrel. He would not do this in front of the merchant's store, and turning it bottom side up in the street, he placed his tin box upon it. His plan was to begin operations about two o'clock in the afternoon, when the merchant was least likely to be home.

As soon as an audience of two or more persons was secured, he would expatiate upon the wonderful merits of his soap. After removing the wrapping from a cake of soap, he took a large coin from his pocket.

Then, folding a \$10 bill lengthwise and wrapping it around the piece of soap in plain view of his audience, he folded up the \$10 bill in the original wrapping, and then the piece of soap, and rewrapping the latter in a manner which the grafter has selected as his victim was an interested spectator. The grafter took the piece of soap in his left hand and held his pocketknife in his right, so that he could easily clip off one end of the piece.

"Who will give me ten dollars for this piece of soap?" he cried. "Is

"I beg your pardon, but you didn't speak quickly enough. Or if that's the offer, the grafter would say, "I am afraid, sir, you have another, or one other," pointing to still another. "Remember, gentlemen, you can't impose upon me; I am watching you. Don't try to buy me out, this cake must be a fair distribution." Who will have the next cake?"

"I beg your pardon, sir; but you were too slow. Well, now, we will see what we have here." Whichever one he picked would of course be found because it had actually been placed there.

After criticizing his audience and joking them a few moments:

"Well, I am going to say this more, sir, he would say. "Let's see if there is any speculation in the crowd."

Again he folded the \$100 bill lengthwise, and apparently wrapping it around the cake of soap, he again folded it in its original wrapping.

"Now, who will give me \$15 in a speculator in this crowd with \$75 in his pocket, who will give that amount for this cake of soap before I cut the end off? Bear in mind, I am offering the soap, and the soap costs \$75. Say, gentlemen, who will give me \$15?"

The merchant, eager to make \$25, would almost invariably reach for the cake, and produce forthwith the \$75.

This smooth grafter told the audience that for these months before starting out he practiced the art

of palming the \$100 and substituting a one-dollar bill.

He said that at first he had a great deal of trouble, but that he soon learned to work everybody and anybody. However, he soon discovered that when he landed the "leading merchant" of a town, his victim invariably went to his private office to unwrap the soap, and on discovering the deception, his pride would deter him from making an exposure.

Another soap grafter whom I knew was doing a thriving business following a cheap circus through the northwest.

He carried with him an old-fashioned suit case or hand trunk. Purchasing several large cakes of washing soap, he would slice them up into small cakes, and wrap each one with paper, and then place them in his hand trunk with these, he would drive out in a horse and buggy and by various methods attract a large crowd.

He would place a soap box upon the buggy seat, and on top of this his hand trunk, the object being to bring the latter up high enough, so that no one standing on the ground could see into it.

Taking from his pocket a roll of bills of large denomination, he would carefully lay them upon the soap cases, and rewrapping the latter in a manner which the grafter would place them in the trunk.

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further than a dozen bars of ordinary soap."

When he had finished, every man was soaped, and the grafter was loaded to the hilt with half-dollars.

Like all other "grafters" one night was as long as he could remain in a town.

A few days after he had gone there was a man from whom he had hired his buggy and his team, and he would be entitled to a little red-painted buggy needs oiling. It came in speaking and groaning a few minutes ago."

"Oh, yes," said Jack. "You know that soap man who was here the other night? Well, he took off one of the hind wheels, wiped off all the grease and oil, and put on a lot of tar soap in its place."

Still another soap grafter, at Marquette, used a unique method of deceiving his audiences.

He was selling what he called "the most powerful cleansing soap on earth." It was "his father's invention," and a piece the size of a pea would make a man wash and actually clean himself. After a few baths, he said, he would be done with a whole bar of ordinary soap in much less time.

As I passed by his room on the morning of his arrival, I noticed about two dozen bars of washing soap piled on the table. He was busy cutting up a lot of tin foil to wrap around the pieces.

That evening he drove out upon the streets and after singing a few songs and playing several popular airs on the guitar, he began his lecture on the manufacture of soap.

At last he gave a small boy a quarter to bring him a basin of water from the town pump.

Meanwhile he broke off a small piece from one of these tiny cakes of soap, and after washing them completely he said, "See, he said."

"Now, gentlemen, I am going to give you the most wonderful demonstration of what can be accomplished with a piece of soap, the size of a pea, that has never been shown upon the face of the earth."

Then he produced a clean white handkerchief, and, picking up a wrench, said:

"My friends, you all know that there is nothing harder than soap from warm climates, and axle grease. Now, this boy belongs to your liverpool."

"I am now going to remove one of the wheels from this buggy, and after thoroughly washing it with this piece of white handkerchief, I shall wash the soap with this piece, the size of a pea, process to wash the handkerchief in this basin of cold, hard water, and make a soap just like the size of one minute by the watch."

Replacing the wheel, he clamped back the handkerchief and opening up the handkerchief said:

"Gentlemen, do you believe that there is a housewife in this city who could wash this handkerchief clean in

less than ten minutes, even if she

RELATED TO ROYALTY.

The Duke of Abruzzi is reported to be organizing an expedition to explore things considered as revolution in all countries.

The kaiser already has six auto's, and now has ordered seven more in one lot. Meanwhile his horses are eating their heads off in the stable.

Lord Elgin claims to be the descendant of the ancient line of King Alfred the Great, whose sword and helmet are kept at Greenwich. He is a godson of Queen Victoria.

Baron Pronay, a millionaire member of the Hungarian upper house, has promised to give away about \$100,000,000, except about \$75,000 a year each to his wife, his daughter, to reward officials who are dismissed for refusing to pay the taxes collected into the government treasury.

The earl of Lytton will try the experiment of giving the tenants an opportunity to buy their own freehold land and with that object he has sold at auction 107 plots on his Knole worth estate on easy terms. Knoleworth has been the home of Lytton since the time of Henry VII.

Baron Rothschild gave £100,000 to 119 men and women who have done things to benefit the world in one way or another. These people have now got together at Paris and published a book of eulogies on the dead banker, the son of one of his countrymen. The arts they also wish to put up a monument to him in the French capital.

The duchess of Sutherland, who has recently had a play made for her, has written one or two novels and some short stories, and has contributed various articles to the discussion of some subjects, in which she is much interested.

Grand Duchess Marie of Russia is the only daughter of Grand Duke Paul, brother of the late Grand Duke Sergius. The former was banished from Russia after his second marriage, which was dissolved in a marriage of convenience, and his little daughter became the ward of Grand Duke Sergius, who, it will be remembered, was assassinated some months ago. The youthful grand duchess is only 15, very pretty and sweet looking, and she is generally designated the Cinderella of Russian princesses.

SOME STAMP NOTES.

At a recent London auction sale a 12 pence, 1851 London, imperforate on laid paper, realized \$200.

Of the three provisional stamps recently issued by the Danish West Indies, the 10 cent, 15 cent, four, and eight cent values ("BIT," 1860), none are now obtainable.

A book will soon be issued by the Junior Philatelic society of London, "The Stamps of the United States," treating in a popular style our regular postage issues.

Chock is a French possession on the Red sea, and it is reported that its capital city is a village of huts. It is nevertheless civilized enough to have postage stamps as witness 22 different varieties during the years 1850-1860.

A very efficient committee has been given charge of arrangements for the annual convention of the American Philatelic association to be held in Boston next August. As the leading stamp society in the country, every stamp collector will be pleased.

The post office in Chock is adding to its laurels by calling at the islands of Tristan da Cunha in the capacity of mail carrier. One thousand miles west of Cape of Good Hope, isolated as they are, the hundred inhabitants of this group of islands will appreciate the favor done them.

It looks as if John P. Green, United States postage stamp agent, will be a man of one of these days, the recent reorganization of the post office department leaving the post office with a new and next appropriation is made there is no salary in it for a stamp agent. That work in future will be under the stamp division.

The public is warned against writing anything except the address on the face of the stamp, and not on the envelope, as is done in the Netherlands. The Dutch postal law provides that in case there is writing on the face of the card, the recipient is fined in the sum or cents, or cents.

The card with writing on the face is regarded as airmail, and the rate of postage is double that of postage. The same rule also applies if the words "Post Card" are not printed on the face.

TARTARIC TRUTHS.

The rest cure becomes a habit with some people.

Even in blue blood you will often find a streak of yellow.

It is perfectly safe to make to a cool of himself if it will please some woman.

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Learn how the other fellows do things first, and then find a newer and better way to accomplish the results.

It's not the man who simply does things, but the man who does things better—for whom the world is seeking.

A broad opportunity. Habit kills idea-producing power and exhausts the mentality. The force of custom often paralyzes progress.

Quick work is not always good work. The same man may not always be the same worker. Good work done quickly and easily is what is wanted.

A good salesman, backed by another good salesman, who knows how to put his persuasiveness on paper, holds a winning hand in the game of business getting.

Do your work once, and when done let it be finished—don't leave it in a condition to be done all over again. Employers don't advance employees who half do things.

If you advertise simply because you love to do it, you will be unable to card most any agreeable fellow will do to help—but if you play to win, you should choose a good partner.

People won't come to you to buy high quality goods—if you don't tell them you've got them to sell. You can't afford to believe that there is a demand for goods until you try to arouse it. Can you?

NATURALISTIC NOTATIONS.

The Mexican lap-dog is the smallest member of the dog family.

Before rain even the most talkative parrot becomes silent and disagreeable.

The house sparrow is not part of the bone of the bird, but merely grows on the skin.

The condor keeps its young in the nest longer than any other bird. Fully 12 months elapse before the young condors can fly.

A homing pigeon in calm weather can attain a speed of 1,210 yards a minute. Traveling with a strong wind, some pigeons have made 1,380 yards a minute.

Patagonian llamas live for years without water, and are particularly fond of cows bred near Losen in France, and noted for the richness of their milk, take it very rarely.

Fishes have been discovered at Guatamala with two pairs of eyes. One pair is located on the right, the other below, the fish thus being able to see in two elements at once.

The elephant requires less sleep than any other animal. In spite of their capacity for work, these giants seldom if ever, sleep more than four, or occasionally five, hours.

RUSSIAN RIDDLES.

What walks upside down over me? There are four brothers under one Int. Legs of table.

I have four legs and feathers, but am neither beast nor bird. Feather bed.

Four brothers run side by side, but never catch up with one another. Cart wheels.

A pack of wolves ran by; one was shot, how many remained? The dead ones.

I am blind, but show others the way, deaf and dumb, but know how to count. Millions.

People pray for me and long for my company; but directly I appear they hide themselves. Rain.

AN ACTOR'S ADVICE.

Be nice to your dresser. Some day you may be playing in his support.

The chorus girl of whom we hear so much as a chorus girl doesn't become a star.

Every actor who makes a hit is a first actor. Every actor who fails has had a part.

There is any amount of art about Ibsen's plays—but they don't pay actors' board fees.

The most pleasant thing about getting to the spot light is edging the other fellow out.

The theatrical manager usually is looked upon as a brute. The fact remains that he is the fellow who pays the salaries.

INCIPIENT CONSUMPTION.

How Food Headed Off the Insidious Disease.

The happy wife of a good old-fashioned Mich. farmer says:

"In the spring when I was taken sick, after a general breaking down, as it were, I was excessively nervous, could not sleep well at night, my food seemed to do me no good, and I was so weak I could scarcely walk across the room."

"The doctor said my condition was due to over-work and close confinement and that his very much feared that consumption would set in. For several months I took one kind of medicine after another, but with good effect—in fact, I seemed to grow worse."

"Then I decided to give up all medications, give up coffee and tea, and eat what Grape-Nuts food would do for me. I began to eat Grape-Nuts with sugar and cream and bread and butter three times a day."

"The effect was surprising! I began to gain flesh and strength forthwith, my nerves quieted down and grew normally steady and sound, sweet sleep came back to me. In six weeks time I discharged the hired girl and commenced to do my own housework for a family of six. This was two years ago, and I am still in full vigor today." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

There's a reason. Read the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in plug

HORTICULTURE**BLIGHT CANKERS.**

Disease and Treatment of Apple Trees Explained by Prof. H. H. Whistell, Cornell University.

The attention of the orchardist is usually first directed to the blight disease of the apple tree when the affected tree is moribund or quite dead. Badly diseased trees either fall to leaf out at all in the spring or as is more usually the case send out a sparse growth of small, yellowish, rich red, bitter tasting leaves with margins paler or recurved. They do not have the dense, dark green foliage of healthy trees. At first this condition is not sufficiently contrasted with the true tree to attract notice, just as the slender, pale, healthy trees stand out in size and the affected trees thus appear to suddenly cease growing. Frequently the



TREE BADLY AFFECTED WITH BLIGHT CANKERS.

leaves turn brown and dry up on the twigs. Sometimes affected trees will pull through until fall but they fail to leaf out the following spring. On the fagus, which may be grown in the ordinary living room, frequent spraying being beneficial. Though of slow growth, its bright, glossy leaves will repel the trouble. It combines so nicely, too, with flowers for an occasional change, and especially in securing it. All in all, there are few rooms in which some kind of plants cannot be successfully grown.

In the orchard is almost certain to disclose similar cankers in otherwise apparently healthy trees.

The child doctor characterizes this disease as the presence of these cankers. Along with this goes several other phenomena the relation of which to the disease has as yet not been entirely worked out. Among these secondary features, perhaps the most constant is the loss of production of fruit from the heart wood where it is exposed by pruning or canker wounds. Often trees in affected orchards which show no trace of recent cankers will exhibit this profitless and injurious tendency.

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Now it is the time to plan for fruit and vegetable gardens during the coming summer.

The nearby suburban lot back yard is suitable for garden purposes if from 20 to 50 feet square. This space may be made to produce an abundant supply of the succulent vegetables during the summer season. Only such plants as grow quickly and furnish a constant supply should be selected. A rotation of crops practiced where

THE SUNLESS WINDOW.

Plants Which Will Grow Best There, and How to Take Care of Them.

We often hear it remarked that some cannot keep plants because the windows are shaded or on the north side of the house. While even the geranium and coleus can be coaxed into a profusion of growth and bloom in the north window, there are other rich and better plants open with sunshine. Yet there are plants which like the shade and it always pays to choose those especially adapted to one's own conditions, say the Epitomist. Fuchsias are always hardy and almost any of them can be grown in the sun or shade. The rose bush, however, needs the sun to bear water upon the leaves, and care should be taken, as dust gathers and requires spraying off, so that no sunburn falls upon the wet leaves. The rubber tree is an excellent one for this place, its leaves are large and the plant can be kept clean. This plant requires an abundance of moisture. Spangling the leaves once a week is beneficial. The size is its chief insect enemy. The rubber tree is quite difficult to start, the florist cutting a branch with a sharp knife and letting it dry for a week, waiting for it to root in the moist before severing completely from the parent stem. The fugitive is decidedly averse to the hot sun. Its dark green leaves thickly set with spots of crimson, are a good color.

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