

The Thirteen Towns.

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The "Indian summer" weather of the past few weeks ended Monday evening, since which night we have been having a little winter weather for a change. More snow would be welcome here but in the lumber woods the cold weather is all they need in order to rush the logs along the ice roads.

It is reported that the Northern Pacific Railway Co. has purchased the Brainerd & Northern line and will probably extend that line from Bemidji to Red Lake Falls to connect with its other line there in the near future. This would be agreeable news to north country residents up Clearwater River way if they could only be certain of this move for a fact.

A leading business man made a suggestion a few days ago that is worthy of the careful and prompt consideration of the village authorities. It was to the effect that during stormy, windy nights, a reliable man should be engaged to patrol the streets of the village from midnight until say seven o'clock in the morning for the main purpose of watching out for possible fires. The danger is much greater at such times than on quiet nights and they are just the nights when people sleep the more soundly. As it is at the present time, with no one about, unless by accident, a fire might start in the middle of town and secure a good headway towards destroying the entire business locality before many would know about it. If a patrol that could be depended upon was walking the streets, it would be likely to see a fire on the start and ten years' salary for such service would be a small matter comparatively, even if he only discovered one fire in all those years in time for it to be quenched before serious damage was done. We have been very fortunate in this town as far as fires are concerned and for that reason have become, perhaps, somewhat careless. The old saying, "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure," applies to this case. A pail of water or a nearby alarm at such a time would be of more value than a lake of water after a blaze had secured a good start. Such a patrol should also be invested with police authorities and might at times be useful for other purposes than that of fire patrol. The suggestion is timely and for the small extra expense individually entailed it seems as though it would be well to follow it out.

The consensus of opinion among the papers of the state press, regardless of party, and of the politicians who visit the capital city, is that Gov. Lind's declaration not to be a candidate for renomination does not mean that he will not be if he should be coaxed to run by a united party. His declaration is considered to be one of the shrewdest political moves Mr. Lind could possibly make. It serves the purpose of whipping into line, as far as possible, all the discordant elements in Lind's party and it gives him the option of accepting or declining the nomination gracefully when the proper time comes. If he sees that harmony has been restored among his former followers, and if he presumes that he has the slightest chance to stem the tide of the republican vote of a national election, he will simply "do his duty" regardless of "personal sacrifices" and accept the nomination. If he feels then, as he did at the time of the Jackson day banquet at Minneapolis, that he has not the majority of the people back of him he will simply point to his Minneapolis speech and say that he nobody had declined.

It has been demonstrated repeatedly in every state in the Union and in many foreign countries that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is a certain preventive and cure for croup. It has become the universal remedy for that disease. M. V. Fisher of Liberty, W. Va., only reports what has been said around the globe when he writes: "I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in my family for several years and always with perfect success. We believe that it is not only the best cough remedy, but that it is a sure cure for croup. It saved the lives of our children a number of times." This remedy is for sale by P. M. Mark.

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The city council of Red Lake Falls has arranged to pay the members of their volunteer fire department \$1 for each time they turn out and \$1 per hour of service, or fraction thereof after water is thrown. By this arrangement the firemen who turn out receive \$1 whether water is turned on or not. And if they do any work at an actual fire they receive \$1 an hour for it. It is a liberal agreement, but not unreasonably so when the duties and dangers of a fireman are considered. Laying aside all the danger from accident or sickness connected with the work, however, it must be remembered that a volunteer company must turn out on the spur of the moment, from the counter, office or other place of business, and if much work needs to be done a good suit of cloths is likely to be ruined. From experience, we have found that the \$1 a fire paid here has perhaps covered one-half of the damage done to wearing apparel. For a property owner this is a matter of small moment, but nearly one-half of the members of the Fosston fire department are young men without any destructable property who have many of them been among the most energetic members of the department. In turning out to fight fire, they have their lives, health and clothing to risk and nothing to gain, practically, and we believe that the village expects too much from them for the compensation given. It is difficult to get enough good men to fill the company under these circumstances. But if the local council would allow the members of the department who turn out \$1 each when called out by the alarm, and \$1 an hour for each hour's work thereafter, it would be an inducement for more to join who cannot feel their way clear to do so under present arrangements. The large majority of the business men and property owners of the village have all to gain and nothing to lose by the efficient working of the department in time of need. They should be willing to pay something for the protection thus afforded.

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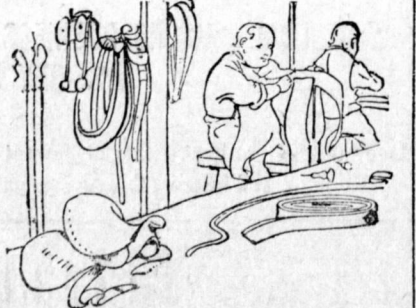
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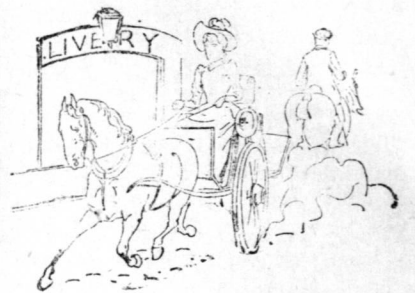
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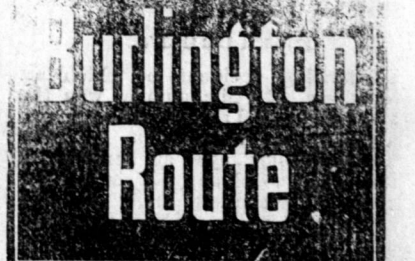
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