

# THE THIRTEEN TOWNS.

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## ARRANGEMENTS IN PROGRESS for the FIREMEN'S TOURNAMENT.

At the special meeting of the local fire department held last Monday evening, at which there was a large attendance, much enthusiasm was shown over the coming meeting at this place of the Northern Minnesota Firemen's Tournament Association, and it was unanimously agreed upon between the members to go ahead with the necessary preliminary arrangements and push the tournament along with a zest. Notices have been sent by Secretary Black, of the association, to the departments of all the towns in this section of the country to send delegates to the annual meeting to be held at Crookston on Wednesday evening, April 4th, at 8 o'clock P. M. Each department is entitled to one delegate.

This meeting is called by the president of the Association, Geo. D. Dunlevy, for the purpose of drafting by-laws or adopting resolutions presented by the different delegates and for the exchanging of ideas as to the method of conducting the tournament to be held here this summer, and he urges each town to send a delegate and as many members as possible to this meeting as there is always something for firemen to learn at these gatherings.

The citizens of Fosston desire to see the tournament a success this year (the first time it has been held here) and will use every effort to entertain visiting firemen and their friends. Many new companies are expected to participate and this thriving town, well used to crowds, will undoubtedly see one of the largest that have ever gathered here at one time at this gathering.

Dates for the holding of the tournament will be set at the above mentioned meeting of officers and delegates.

## BELETED ELECTION RETURNS.

**Stietten.**  
Supervisors—O. Sonstolte, chairman, Knut Rystad, Ole Landsverk, Clerk—Nels Lothaus.  
Treasurer—Knut Horvik.  
Assessor—Arne Grundyssen.  
Justice—Barney Severson.  
Constable—H. Torgerson.

**Pine Lake.**  
Supervisors—S. A. Tennyson, chairman, J. R. Holte, Erik Gunelius, Clerk—P. A. Monsrud.  
Treasurer—Ole Malmo.  
Assessor—John E. Pearson.  
Justices—Frank Norquest and Olaus Ride.  
Constable—Ole Erickson.

**The Poor Man's Friend.**  
Physicians do much to prolong life and relieve those who suffer from pain and disease. But the poor in many cases cannot afford to employ a doctor and the farmer in many instances are so far away that it is nearly impossible for them at all times to reach a doctor. Therefore the common ailments such as coughs, colds, sore throat and grippe, H. W. Barker's Iron Compound takes the place of a doctor, and something that the rich and poor alike may always have at hand. Recommended and for sale at P. M. Mark's Drug Store.

**To Build Their Homes.**  
Detroit Record: Geo. Uran informs us that it is expected that work will begin on the sawing contract awarded to P. L. Perrault in a few days. The mill will be located a short distance east of White Earth lake, in one of the finest pine tracts on the reservation. The contract calls for 2,000,000 feet of lumber and 2,000,000 shingles, all of which is intended for issue to the Indians to enable them to build homes.

**For Sale.**  
One White Plymouth Rock Rooster.  
One Light Brahma Rooster.  
One Black Wyandotte Rooster.  
Also one Buff Leghorn Rooster, with one, two or three hens, as the purchaser wishes.  
Will also sell eggs at prices reasonable. Duck, Goose, Turkey and Peacock eggs, as well as four different breeds of Chickens.  
Order early, as there is going to be a large demand.  
P. M. MARK,  
Fosston, Minn.

**His Life Was Saved.**  
Mr. J. E. Lilly, a prominent citizen of Hannibal, Mo., lately had a wonderful deliverance from a frightful death. In telling of it he says: "I was taken with Typhoid Fever, that ran into Pneumonia. My lungs became hardened. I was so weak I couldn't even sit up in bed. Nothing helped me. I expected to soon die of Consumption, when I heard of Dr. King's New Discovery. One bottle gave great relief. I continued to use it, and now am well and strong. I can't say too much for its praise." This marvelous medicine is the surest and quickest cure in the world for all Throat and Lung Trouble. Regular sizes 50 cents and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at P. M. Mark's Drug Store.

Why suffer with that awful disease. Hermetical Wonder will cure you in 3 to 5 days. \$1 at P. M. Mark's, or send direct to the H. W. Barker Medical Co., Elbow Lake, Minn.

**Educate Your Kidneys**  
With Bright's Kidney Pills, the only medicine that positively cure all diseases arising from disordered kidneys, such as weak back, backache, rheumatism, congestion of the kidneys and all urinary troubles. Try Bright's Kidney pills today. Regular size 25c per box.—Ed. Ruud.

## A January Letter from Klondike.

A letter containing much that is interesting was received by E. H. Bridger of this place from his brother, Bert, who has spent several years in Alaska seeking gold.

The writer first mentions the receiving of two letters from Minnesota while busy carving caribou meat and getting his dinner and the pleasure of hearing from home had given him. He has had excellent health since he has been in Klondike, although experiencing several narrow escapes from accidents, among them being a rap from a bucket dropped upon his head while working in a 24-foot "prospect hole," but a heavy fur cap that he was wearing saved his life, although the bump laid him up for a few days. He continues: "But all is well that ends well, they say, and here I am, still digging up gold."

"This is not a very healthy country to live in, in one way, and that is because we do not get the right kind of food to eat. We get nothing fresh. Everything we eat is canned or evaporated stuff and a person living on these things so long will get run down. However, I am looking well and feeling the same, but expect and hope this is my last winter here, for a while at least."

"Myself and three others have leased a piece of ground 80 feet across the creek, to work out this winter, and so far have done very well, having very good pay dirt. But gold is very fickle and will run out very unexpectedly."

"Three days ago I had some very good pay dirt, in fact it was rich, being yellow with gold, but the next day it ran out and I could scarcely find the color of gold. Now the last thing tonight I struck it again and can see the gold all through the dirt, and I found a nice little nugget this afternoon. The largest nugget I found this winter is worth \$7.80. But, of course, in the spring when we sluice our dirt, is the time when we get the nuggets. Then is when you should be here."

"Where I am working, it is 23 feet below the level where we get the gold. It is in the solid frozen ground, which we thaw with fires set in the evening, they burn all night, then in the morning we hoist the thawed ground to the level, where it lays until spring when we sluice it. As we take out the dirt we test it so as to know what we are doing. This we do by panning. A pan holds about a shovelful and a half, and whatever we have in the pan we call 'so much to the pan.' The best pans I have taken out this winter run from \$5 to \$25 to the pan. The \$23 pan held a large nugget and several small ones, but most of our pans go from 25 cents to \$1 which is considered very good dirt."

"But expenses are so high in here that one must find lots of gold in order to make anything."

Mr. Bridger then goes on to explain that until this winter he had not been very lucky, but in the spring would "clean up" a neat little profit for his winter's work.

"When I first came to this country it was very rough and wild, but now it is quite civilized. There are many ladies here now, families of miners who have sent for them. The creek I am on is 50 miles from Dawson and there are some ten or twelve ladies here."

"We had a dance at the next claim to ours on Christmas night. Everyone had a good time, but the ladies were too scarce and the men had to dance among themselves half of the time. Prizes were given and my partner won a \$5 nugget for being the best jig dancer. A splendid supper was served by the ladies."

"It would be a great sight for you to see us dance in this country in winter time. Everyone wears moccasins, ladies and all. Cannot wear shoes because it is too cold, but we dance just the same, with our heavy fur and woolen clothes."

"We have had a very fine winter so far, although it has been as cold as 68 below zero for a few days, but now it is quite warm. When it is 30 and 40 below zero here we think it is fine. I have not seen the sun for a long time now, but we can see it shine on the top of the mountains a little more each day and in a month we will have the sunshine in the valley. In the summer it is daylight all the time and that seems funny until you get used to it. This is indeed a strange country."

The writer had more to say regarding his experiences as a "cheechucker," as a new comer is called there, and as a "sour dough," as those who have lived through a year in Alaska are called, but want of space prevents the publication of more of this interesting letter from the "land of the midnight sun."

**To Rent.**  
The rooms on the east side of "The Palace" building on First street, lately occupied by the Palace restaurant. Liberal terms to the right parties. The best location for a restaurant in Fosston. Apply to  
A. NORBUS,  
Proprietor.

**A Powder Mill Explosion**  
Removes everything in sight; so do drastic mineral pills, but both are mighty dangerous. Don't dynamite the delicate machinery of your body with calomel, croton oil or aloes pills, when Dr. King's New Life Pills, which are gentle as a summer breeze, do the work perfectly. Cures Constipation. Only 25c at P. M. Mark's Drug store.

**A Misunderstanding.**  
Misunderstood symptoms of disease lead doctors to treat something else when the kidneys are out of order. Foley's Kidney Cure will bring you health when other medicines have failed.—Ed. Ruud.

**To Rent.**  
Two living rooms in the Blomquist dwelling, Fosston, for \$3 or \$3.50 per month, to right parties. Apply at THE THIRTEEN TOWNS office at once.

## FOSSTON PUBLIC SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

**OUR MOTTO**  
"Possumus Quia Posse Videmur"

Editor for this week  
**MARTIN RUUD.**

A week from today we'll surprise you with our program. If there are any spiritulists, will you please send Mr. Field in person to listen. He'll be delighted.

Spring opens for us April 2d. Hasten the day!

Lizzie Nesdahl is ye editor next week. Somebody has yet to play the "Richard Croker" part in our school politics. Nevertheless, slates were fixed up with machine regularity in the ninth grade elections last Friday. Returns were posted from it fifteen minutes before the other grades. The council met for the first time Monday after school.

The zoology class are studying insects this week.

The Latin class are having review.

The new arithmetics are arranged upon the spiral plan. There is nothing inspiring about them.

Girls, boys, and everybody! Take care and remember these few don'ts: Don't soil your text or library books! Don't disregard the rules of your representatives! Don't be backward if on a jury to vote for the conviction of one guilty! Don't plague your neighbors with nonsense by word or note in school!

Officer Tyndall is provided with the full equipment of a peace guardian: jail key, handcuffs, etc., but is on the lookout for a star. Address: E. South 9th street.

Say, Mr. Yarrow, you ought to have that crayon program board finished before spring. We'll sing your praises when you are finished—not until then.

Prof. Yeager has been ill the last few days and Mr. Yarrow acted as principal.

**To be Married Tonight.**  
Mrs. F. M. Hartley took this morning's train for Bemidji in order to be in attendance at the wedding of her son, Verner, to Miss Artie Noel, which will occur at Bemidji this (Friday) evening. The news came as a surprise to relatives and friends of these young people here, both of whom are well known in Fosston. They will have the best wishes of a large circle of friends in this community.

**Death Roll.**  
Two deaths are reported this week by undertakers Barnes & Pederson. Foss. A Nyström, an old and respected resident of Hill River, died yesterday morning from the effects of rheumatism, coupled with age, deceased being 79 years old. The funeral will be held on Sunday.

Last Tuesday, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Hegland were called upon to part with their young son, aged five years, bronchitis being the cause of his death. The funeral will take place from his home next Monday, interment in the Synod cemetery.

**The License Question.**  
EDITOR THE THIRTEEN TOWNS:  
At the last village election, 103 of Fosston's voters were in favor of license. I am inclined to think that they are all moderate drinkers and therefore calculate that they spend 25 cents daily in this way.

103	cents
25	cents
515	
206	
\$25.75	—daily
365	—days in the year
12875	
15450	
7725	
\$9,398.75	—for the year 1900
License	\$4,800.00
Leaving	\$4,598.75 —the village loses

Then what help is license? It ruins the village and others with it.  
HALVOR OFF.

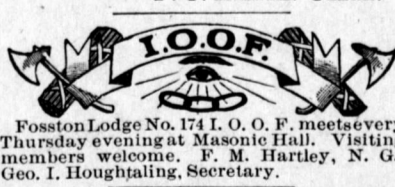
Loans negotiated promptly. No waiting for money.  
W. E. BLACK.

**Milch Cow Wanted.**  
Young, fresh milch cow wanted at once. Call on S. B. Hilborn or at this office.

**For Sale.**  
One horse, weighing about 1100 pounds.  
J. A. HENDRICKS.

**Teacher Wanted.**  
For district No. 8, 1 1/2 miles from Lengby. School commences April 9th and lasts three months. Salary \$30. Applications received until March 30th, 1900, by  
F. C. KLINKE, CLERK.

**Piles of People**  
testify to the merit of BANNER SALVE in curing piles. It is guaranteed.—Ed. Ruud.  
Money to loan on farm property.  
W. E. BLACK.



Fosston Lodge No. 174 I. O. O. F. meets every Thursday evening at Masonic Hall. Visiting members welcome. F. M. Hartley, N. G. Geo. I. Houghtaling, Secretary.

## A Pleasant Social.

The "dime" social held at the Commercial Hotel on Wednesday evening of this week is entitled to more than passing notice, owing to the efforts of those having the affair in charge and the success resulting from their work. Much credit is due to the members of the committee on arrangements, Mrs. A. Leimbachler, Mrs. A. Babcock and Mr. P. W. Yarrow, for the entertaining and amusing features of the program.

Mrs. D. H. Fisk recited two very acceptable selections that were well received by the large gathering, as were the charming solos rendered by Miss Staples and the numbers given by the members of the quartette present, Messrs. Yarrow, Bennett, and Niccum.

Following the singing and recitations, the guests were shown through the "Museum of Monstrosities, etc.," which was certainly a marvel of ingenuity and imagination, as may be seen from these few noticeable "curios." "The skull of Napoleon" (dug out from one of our medical practitioner's dens), "Pieces of Spanish shells from San Juan Hill" (a few broken sea shells), "A bunch of Oom Paul's whiskers," "Bust of O. A. Brager" (an old hat with a broken crown), "Celebrated visitors from Boston" (beans), "Bust of Al. before the wind blew" (George Washington's trousers), "Ex-Judge Black's hat," "Sample of Joe Whelan's famous St. Thomas wheat," "A celebrated hold-up along the Great Northern" (a pair of suspenders), "Col. Stadsold's gun carried during the war," "Samples of fruit grown by Farmer Kaiser on his Sletten farm," "Dolly Madison's back comb," "An interesting tale" (a cow's), "Specimen of food used by Attorney B. S. Bennett on his hen farm and the wonderful tin eggs produced," "Panther trapped in the jungles of Lengby by the noted hunters, Larson and Lohm," "Ignatius Donnelly's wedding hat," etc., etc. It was a grand exhibition, not soon to be forgotten.

Walnut ice cream, cake and coffee, afterwards served by the ladies, agreeably concluded a most enjoyable evening's social gathering.

If troubled with rheumatism, give Chamberlain's Pain-Balm a trial. It will not cost you a cent if it does no good. One application will relieve the pain. It always cures sprains and bruises in one-third the time required by any other treatment. Cuts, burns, frostbites, quinsy, pain in the side and chest, glandular and other swellings are quickly cured by applying it. Every bottle warranted. Price, 25 and 50c. P. M. Mark. (39)

**Mortgage Sale.**  
Whereas default has been made in the conditions of a certain indenture of Mortgage dated January 13th, 1898, made and delivered by Ole Westin, an unmarried man, to Albert Kaiser, Clerk of the office of the County of Polk and State of Minnesota, in Book 81 of Mortgages on page 22, and whereas said default consists in the failure of the Mortgagor to pay the several installments of interest, which became due January 13th, 1899 and January 13th, 1900, amounting in each case to the sum of Fifteen Dollars and in all to Thirty Dollars, and whereas by the conditions of said Mortgage the power of sale becomes operative when default is made in the payment of the interest, or taxes, or any part thereof, and upon such default the Mortgagor may declare the whole sum due, and the Mortgagee does elect and declare the whole sum due, and no proceeds of sale of real estate otherwise having been instituted to recover said debt or any part thereof.

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given, that by virtue of the power of sale in said Mortgage contained, and pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided, said Mortgage will be foreclosed and the premises described therein, to-wit:

The South-West quarter of the North-East quarter of Section Twenty-three, Township number One Hundred and Forty-seven, north of Range Forty-two, west of the fifth principal meridian in Polk county, Minnesota, together with the hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging, will be sold at public vendue, to the highest bidder for cash, which sale will be made by the Sheriff of said Polk county at the front door of the Court House in the City of Crookston, in said county, on Monday, April 16th, A. D. 1900, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day to pay said debt and interest and taxes, if any, and the costs of sale, together with an attorney's fee of twenty-five dollars as provided in and by said Mortgage in case of foreclosure, and the disbursements allowed by law, subject to redemption at any time within one year from the day of sale as provided by law.

Dated March 24, 1900.  
ALBERT KAISER, Mortgagee.  
B. S. BENNETT, Attorney for Mortgagee, Fosston, Minn.

**An Amendment.**  
The following resolution was introduced by Trustee E. D. Barnes, at the regular meeting, March 5th, 1900, to amend section two (2) and four (4) of chapter fifteen (15) of the village ordinances of the Village of Fosston, County of Polk and State of Minnesota, to read as follows, to-wit:

SECTION TWO.  
Any person or persons desiring to obtain a license as provided in section one (1) of this chapter, shall pay into the village treasury the sum of fifty dollars (\$50).

SECTION FOUR.  
The rates and fees for an auctioneer, and for an auction license, in the village of Fosston, are hereby fixed for one year or part thereof at Fifty Dollars (\$50), for license to sell at auction any property at any place except in an auction store, and One Hundred Dollars (\$100) for license to sell goods at auction in any auction store; provided that any person may sell by himself or his agent his household goods, live stock, or farm machinery, any person may sell under legal process, or mortgage foreclosure, without such license having been previously obtained. M. E. Handklev moved the adoption of the resolution and it was duly seconded by W. E. Black, and a call of the roll resulted in five votes in favor of its adoption and none against, whereupon the president declared the resolution adopted. Dated at Fosston, Minn., March 5th, 1900. L. W. LARSON, Attest: W. E. BLACK, Recorder.

Nearly everybody blow their

## OWN HORN

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LATEST NOVELTIES IN THE LINE OF MILLINERY.

City Trimmers, nobby up-to-date Hats, Lowest Prices, etc.

WE HAVE UP-TO-DATE PRICES AND GOODS TO GO WITH THEM.

We want you all to give us a call look at our Hats and compare our prices with the bottom ones and judge for yourselves where you can save money.

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NO SPECIAL DATE FOR OPENING.

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Hardwood Beds, 6 ft. high \$ 3.50

Common Chairs = .50

Excelsior Mattresses = 1.98

Extension Table, 8 ft. = 4.80

Wall Paper, single rolls .05

Sewing Machines = 15.00

Caskets, Coffins and Undertaking Goods 1-3 off Regular Price

## Johnson & Rickansrud

Second door South of Fosston House. Fosston, Minn.

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## Fresh and Salt Meats of all Kinds

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## We want to sell you a Bob Sleigh or Cutter

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The Fergus Wagon Co's Bob Sleighs are made from the MOST PERFECT AND LASTING MATERIAL AND OUTLIVE ANY ORDINARY SLEIGH CUTTERS

In all Styles and prices: Piano Box, Swell Body and Portland.

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