

# The Thirteen Towns.

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The Kansas City Journal inquires how it happens, if free trade with Porto Rico be right, that Pettigrew is in favor of the policy.

Secretary Gage has been examining into our surplus of revenue. Secretary Carlisle was always occupied in figuring up his deficiency.

Just to show that race prejudices are dying out in the south a party of Virginians turned out the other day and lynched a white man.

Mayor Elect Campbell of Crookston denies that he is a candidate for congress on the democratic ticket but suggests A. R. Holston in his stead.

S. E. Gregg, formerly editor of the Bagley independent, has brought out a neat weekly, the Graphic, at Shevlin, publishing the first number last week.

Among those who will make a grab for Frank M. Eddy's scalp at the coming congressional convention will be Deputy Revenue Collector Johnson, of Crookston. But Handsome Frank M. will dodge them all.

General Booth, at the head of the Salvation Army, was presented at London, Eng., with a purse of \$200,000 on the occasion of his birthday, April 10th, being the result of collections made during the "self-denial" week of the Army. He is 71 years old.

Any republican aspirant to a seat in congress who bases his claim to recognition upon the vote of the present representative for the Porto Rican tariff bill betrays a weakness of character that unfits him for the responsibilities of such a position.—Warroad Plaindealer.

Some of the cities that were aspirants for the democratic national convention are exhibiting their jealousy saying that Kansas City has an impure water supply. They are foolish if they expect that will keep any democrats away from the convention, says the Duluth Herald.

The state of Indiana will observe on May 7th the 100th anniversary of its organization as a territory. Its history has been an important part of the history of the nation, in politics and war. Two presidents, William Henry and Benjamin Harrison, has it furnished, and many others prominent in public life, including Oliver Morton. Down to 1860 Indiana led Illinois in population; since then it has not kept pace with the more western state, says the Duluth Herald, although steadily increasing in inhabitants and wealth.

Commenting upon a recent article in the Princeton Union regarding trusts, the Martin County Sentinel says:

"If the Union wants to kill or cripple the trusts, there is only one way it can make its influence felt, viz.: Follow the brave Bryan! Stand up for the constitution! Join the ranks of the Lincoln Republicans!"

This is a specimen of the senseless ranting that a populist editor indulges in and calls it argument. What has Bryan done or said that justifies the hope or belief that his election to the presidency would contribute anything to the confusion or defeat of the trusts. Mr. Bryan himself has been for years the agent and attorney for the greatest trust in the United States—the silver trust. His campaign of 1896 was made solely upon that issue and its object was to force a doubling of the value of silver bullion which was owned almost exclusively by a trust composed of a few members, and capitalized at a sum that would make the Standard Oil trust look very small. Mr. Bryan has not made in any of his speeches a single particle of intelligent suggestion for the regulation of the trusts or their suppression by legal means. His only argument, like that of the Sentinel, is "Vote for Bryan and leave all to him." The people have seen quite enough of Mr. Bryan and have heard quite enough of his "argument" to convince them that he is the last man in the country to whom it would

be safe to entrust such vast interests as those which are in the keeping of the hands of the president of the United States.

Another idol shattered. Admiral Dewey, the naval hero, of whose work at the famous battle at Manila the nation will always be proud; who up to within the past few days has been considered a model hero and proof against flattery and vanity, has made himself a mark for ridicule, and the country which has praised, and feted, and banqueted, and lauded the gallant admiral to the skies, as quickly and generally turn about and condemn his recent act of folly in announcing himself a candidate for president of the United States. Criticism would not have been as severe if he had given any reasonable excuse for his aspirations, but his announcement itself showed too plain that he had but a vague conception of the duties of that important office. His afterwards declaring that he was a democrat did not improve the situation, and scarcely a friendly word is offered him from either democrat or republican sources. A report has been circulated recently that the admiral would withdraw his candidacy—only to be promptly denied by himself. As a general and fighter Admiral Dewey is entitled to all possible glory, but as a presidential candidate, now that the flush of his popularity has subsided, he is an impossibility.

### Brave Men Fall.

Victims to stomach, liver and kidney troubles as well as woman, and all feel the result in loss of appetite, poisons in the blood, headache, nervousness, headache and tired, listless, run-down feeling. But there's no need to feel like that. Listen to J. W. Gardner, Idaville, Ind. He says: "Electric Bitters are just the thing for a man when he is all run-down, and don't care whether he lives or dies. It did more to give me new strength and good appetite than anything I could take. I can now eat anything and have a new lease on life." Only 50 cents, at P. M. Mark's Drug Store. Every bottle guaranteed.

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### Council Proceedings.

Regular meeting of the Village Council, Village of Fosston, Polk Co., Minn., held this 2d day of April, 1900, at 8 o'clock p. m., in the Village Hall.

All members present.  
The meeting was called to order by the president, L. W. Larson.  
The minutes of last regular and special meetings read and approved as read.  
The following bills were audited and allowed:

A O Vick, repairing, b'ks'lth supplies	\$ 7.25
Vaaler & Eklund, wood	8.65
A W Foss, printing and blanks	19.01
O C Olson, boarding prisoners	2.10
Vaaler & Granum, wood	6.80
D A Ray, wood	14.95
Fosston Mercantile Co, wood	14.15
F M Hume, wood	1.70
F G Meilad, drying	9.60
A Kaiser, premiums on hull insurance	3.50
J G Robertson, eccentric strap	12.75
Fairbanks, Morse & Co, supplies	10.20
N P Hanson, clerk of election	2.50
I O Brandt, clerk of election	2.50
B S Bennett, judge of election	2.50
Ole Pederson, judge of election	2.50
Joel Fogelberg, judge of election	2.50
Geo Dunlevy, salary	75.00
H H Halvorson, salary	40.00
Willie Casper, salary	15.00
A W Smith, salary	40.00
W E Black, salary	10.00
Northwestern Steam Boiler Works, balance (less freight) on boiler	228.93
Albert Klabo, painting inside fire hall	13.00

The following appointments were made with approval of majority of members present:  
Member of board of health for three years, I. I. Hillestad.  
For village attorney, B. S. Bennett.  
For street commissioner, D. S. Dickenson.

For village marshal, A. W. Smith.  
For fire warden, Ole Pederson.  
For pondkeeper, A. W. Smith.  
Trustees Barnes and Hillestad were appointed a special committee to look after the village interests in the water-works and electric light plant.

Motion made by John Hillestad and seconded by J. E. Campbell that W. E. Black be empowered to collect the delinquent road taxes (collected by the county since the village was incorporated) from the county of Polk. Carried.

The recorder was instructed not to issue any more pool table licenses after expiration of those in force.

The poll tax for the ensuing year was fixed at one day's labor or \$1.50 in cash. Common labor in the village was fixed at \$1.50 per day.

The following salaries were fixed:  
Village marshal, \$40 per month.  
Village attorney, \$50 per year.  
Fire warden, \$25 per year.  
Village recorder, \$10 per month.  
The street commissioner's salary was fixed at \$2 per day for services actually rendered.

The village recorder, W. E. Black was appointed to collect all bills due the village for the use of electric lights and water.

Electric light and water works report for March, W. E. Black, collector.  
Am't cash collected, \$336.43  
Am't cash to collect, 31.45

Total revenue, \$367.88  
Wood (estimated), \$175.50  
Salaries, 130.00  
Breakage, 30.05  
Sundries, tools, oil, etc., 12.05  
Carbons, 1.00  
Total, \$330.60  
Net Revenue, \$ 37.28  
On motion meeting adjourned.  
W. E. BLACK,  
Village Recorder.

### Frequent Coughing

inflames the lungs. Foley's Honey and Tar stops the coughing and heals the lungs. The ordinary cough medicines which are simply expectorants, will not do this, as they keep the lungs irritated in throwing of the phlegm.—Ed. Rund.

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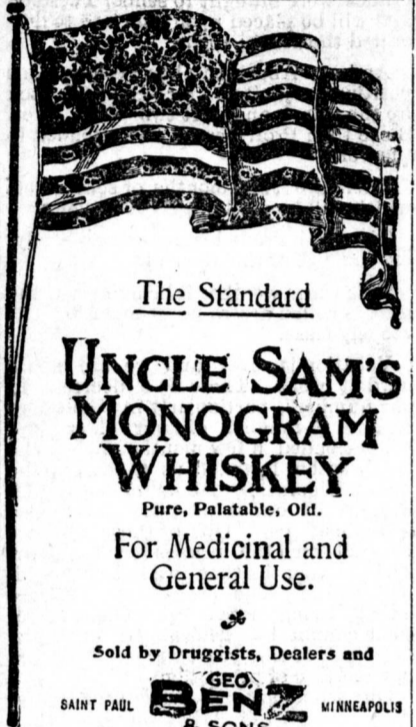
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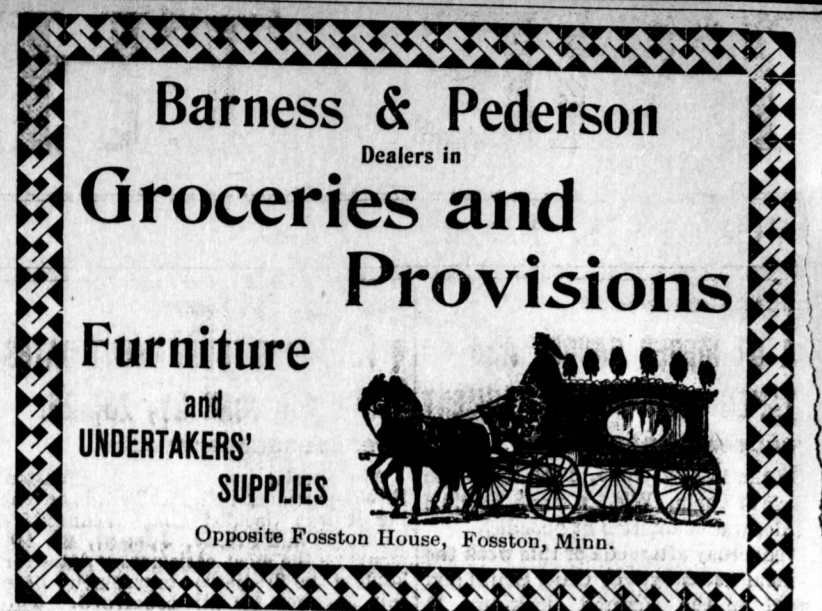
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**PUBLIC SALE—ISOLATED TRACT.**  
Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of instructions from the Commissioner of the General Land Office, under authority in him vested by section 2455 U. S. R. S., as amended by the Act of Congress approved February 28, 1895 (28 Stat., 887) we will proceed to offer at public sale, for cash at this office, on the 23rd day of April 1900, at ten o'clock a. m., the following tract of land, to-wit:  
Lot 1, Sec. 23, T. 147 N., R. 40 W.  
Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands are advised to file their claims in this office on or before the day above designated for the commencement of the sale otherwise their rights will be forfeited.  
Dated March 19, 1900.  
SYLVESTER PETERSON,  
Register.



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