

The Thirteen Towns.

By A. W. FOSS.

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Our Next Governor.



CAPTAIN S. R. VAN SANT.

The small fruit crop will indeed be small this year in the Northwest, owing to the past dry weather.

Four townships in the Turtle Mountain region were opened to settlers last Tuesday. They contain much timber and some good agricultural land.

The Duluth Evening Herald issued a remarkably fine "20th century edition" last week, devoted to the business and industrial interests of the flourishing Zenith City.

An old landmark at Fisher, the Russell Hotel, has been torn down. It was built 27 years ago and was well patronized in the early booming days of "Fisher's Landing."

In the United Kingdom, the average amount of money to the credit of each depositor in the savings banks is \$103. In the United States it is \$370, over 250 per cent more than in the British country.

D. H. Fisk, formerly of Fosston but now located at Bemidji, has been mentioned as a candidate for county attorney this year. Fosston can turn out official attorneys for other counties, but when it comes home to Polk county we fail to tally.

Hugh Thompson's multitude of friends in the seventh district will regret his defeat at the republican convention held at St. Paul last week for nomination for the office of railroad and warehouse commissioner. But after naming the other two, the majority of the convention found out that they wanted a lawyer on the board and so placed ex-commissioner Ira B. Mills on the ticket. Ira B. is an able man.

Democrats used to say that Europe would not buy American goods if we barred out European goods by a protective tariff. In the 1895 fiscal year, under the Wilson bill, Europe bought from us to the extent of \$634,000,000. Last year, under the Dingley protective tariff, Europe's purchases amounted to \$959,000,000. The balance to the credit of the protective tariff was \$320,000,000 last year in our trade with Europe alone.

It would be a strange thing indeed if a convention of any political party would name a county ticket without at least one or two able, strong candidates for election next November, but the populist ticket engineered through at Crookston last Thursday is, taken as a whole, a weak one. The east end of the county, from which the party must look for strong assistance—now that Red Lake county has been set off—in order to carry the elections, has practically been ignored in the proceeding. The machine turned down good men from the Thirteen Towns, men who would have greatly strengthened their ticket, for others who would benefit no ticket materially. These facts greatly brighten republican prospects in this county this year. If their convention uses due care in selecting their ticket, it will be a winner.

The republican state ticket is a strong one and the platform is no less strong. It places the party squarely upon record on every vital issue, points to the long and proud record of successful administration before the ragweed of populism had taken root in the

state, pledges the party and candidates to the faithful discharge of public duty and the practice of the most rigid economy consistent with a proper administration of the affairs of the state. It recognizes the rights of labor and capital alike, and places the democratic party on the defensive in regard to its attitude as to trusts. It indorses Senator Nelson for reelection, unreservedly affirms the national platform and in passing arraigns the state administration for its failure to accomplish any reform or improvement in the administration of public affairs.

Twain Valley gets along with water hauled from the river in barrels, but still it wants the county seat of Norman county.

Welcome rains followed upon the close of the tournament, bringing with them hope for a fair harvest in this locality this fall.

Andrew Hanson, who needs no introduction to Fosston people or residents of this locality, will be a candidate for the republican nomination for county auditor at the coming convention. During his many years of residence in these parts Mr. Hanson has made many friends and few enemies and will undoubtedly receive a strong support in the convention.

Although but a few days have gone by since the rains commenced, already reports are coming in of promising big wheat yields from certain farms at harvest time. In truth, a few farmers will suffer little from the past drouth, but the majority will harvest only a small portion of their usual amount of grain. However, from all reports, the Thirteen Towns will fare better than the bulk of the farming country in the Northwest. On an average, a medium crop of grain, hay and garden products will be obtained.

Wool comes in very plentifully this season to the Fosston Woolen Mill, more being in store than can be handled by the institution for months to come. Last year it was difficult to secure enough to keep the mill running, even by paying cash for the most of it. This year the bulk of the raw material is obtained in trade for the manufactured article in the form of flannels, shawls, woolen skirts, cloth for gents' clothing and ladies' dresses, mackinaws, shirts, etc. The comparatively small amount of goods sent out from the Fosston Woolen Mill last year and scattered over the country was a grand advertisement for the business. It was found to be of a superior quality in every line and this year its agents have it much easier to secure more and larger orders in the territory covered a year ago.

IS IT RIGHT For an Editor to Recommend Patent Medicines?

From Sylvan Valley News, Brevard, N. C.

It may be a question whether the editor of a newspaper has the right to publicly recommend any of the various proprietary medicines which flood the market, yet as a preventive of suffering we feel it a duty to say a good word for Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. We have known and used this medicine in our family for twenty years and have always found it reliable. In many cases a dose of this remedy would save hours of suffering while a physician is awaited. We do not believe in depending implicitly on any medicine for a cure, but we do believe that if a bottle of Chamberlain's Diarrhoea Remedy were kept on hand and administered at the inception of an attack much suffering might be avoided and in very many cases the presence of physician would not be required. At least this has been our experience during the past twenty years. For sale by P. M. Mark.

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Land Office at Crookston, Minn., July 24, 1900.
Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver of the U. S. Land Office at Crookston, Minn., on September 24, 1900, viz:
Tullak O. Assmer, one of the heirs of Ole Olson Osmark, deceased.
H. E. 15248, for the 6 1/2 sec. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
Edward Anderson, Ole O. Ranisat, Martin G. Gudmundson and Even O. Eoberg, all of Willberg, Minn.
(J6-20) SYLVESTER PETERSON, Register.

POPULISTS AND PASSES

Ole Olson and his Law Concerning the Railroads.

Ole Olson contributes the following proposed law to a South Dakota paper, the Olympian, which he will introduce to the legislature of that state:

Section 1. Dnr Can hereby created a bord Kalled a bord of reirod passes.
Section 2. De bord skal Konsist of five members, on hea skal hold heas offices yust so long es hea Kan do de bisnis, if hea don't di.
Section 3. Etry member skal ha tusen dollar Salry efry yar, vich skal be paid by reirod Kompony en Kash, gude panger efry week.

Section 4. Etry Poplest fellar ha rof offices in state of South Dakota skal ha reirod pass, en efry Poplest member on legislator skal ha two pass.

Section 5. Ven fuller loos pass, hae skal rade just de sam, provided hae Kan prov hae ban gude Poplest, en Provided fuder, of hae got Two years viskers et skal be primy fashy exclusiv evidens det hae ban Poplest en gude Stand oop.

Section 6. Ef reirod refoag to let faller rade on pass or viskers hae skal go en yale ba Sioux Falls et hard labor for Toe yar, en de reirod skal be konfiscate.

Section 7. De bord skal isoo pass right away en de virst job of de State Prenter skal be to prent de pass. Provide det de State Prenter may hire all de help hae vants so hae kan do de bisnis quick.

Section 8. Des ack skal tack effect just so soon es et pass one house en skal not be subject to veto bay de govner.

Section 10. Des law skal be en af feck just so long es de Poplist got majority een legislator. Eny tayme ven Repubeklan get majority de law ban repeal right away.

Vereas en afful submergencies exist vareby planty Poplest faller have to puttet oop gude panger to kom bay kapp on reirod; now, darefore, des ack skal tack effect from and sense de last elekhun en November, en efry faller's money skal bay paid back right away quick on demand by de reirod kompany or go to yall.
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Notary Public Justice of the Peace
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State of Minnesota, ss. County of Polk, In Probate Court, Special term July 24, 1900. In the matter of the estate of Halvor E. Rue, deceased:

Whereas an instrument in writing, purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of Halvor E. Rue, deceased, late of said County, has been delivered to this court. And whereas, John Stephenson has filed therewith his petition, representing, among other things, that said Halvor E. Rue died in said county, on the 9th day of May, 1900, testate, and that said petitioner is the Executor named in said Last Will and Testament, and praying that the said instrument may be admitted to probate, and that Letters Testamentary be issued thereon to said John Stephenson. It is ordered, that the proof of said instrument, and the said petition, be heard before this Court, at the Probate Office in Crookston, in said County, on Monday the 24th day of July, A. D. 1900, at ten o'clock in the forenoon; when all persons interested may appear for or contest the probate of said instrument. And it is further ordered that notice of the time and place of said hearing be given to all persons interested, by publishing the order once in each week for three successive weeks prior to said day of hearing, in THE THIRTEEN TOWNS a weekly newspaper, printed and published at Fosston in said county.

Dated at Crookston the 24th day of July, A. D. 1900.
By the Court, OLE E. HAGEN, Judge of Probate.

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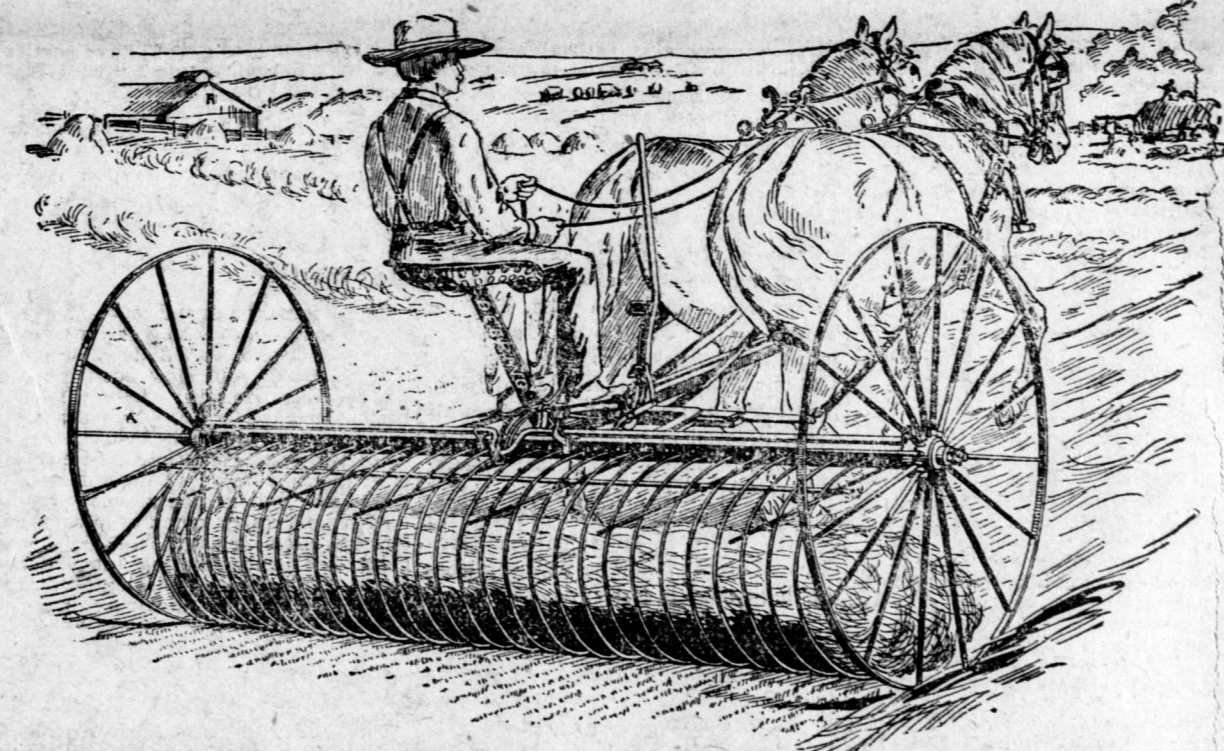
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