

The Thirteen Towns.

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Complete returns from every county in the state give Van Sant 2,380 popularity.

The Black Duck Times is a welcome exchange. Though diminutive in size it is newsworthy and crisp, containing much of interest in its abbreviated columns.

The county officers have all moved into their rooms in the handsome new court house at Crookston. The general verdict is that Polk county has one of the finest buildings of the kind in the state.

In a masterly eulogy of the departed state senator, Cushman K. Davis, whose death is mourned, not only by the whole state of Minnesota but by the entire nation, the Pioneer Press says:

The men are few no matter how distinguished a part they have played in public life or in the world's affairs, who are so important in the movement of the great machinery of its activities that they are much missed when they pass away. Other men take their places, and the busy, careless world goes on with its affairs and frivolities as before. But this is an event which breaks the continuity of the ordinary laws of inheritance and succession. There is no herald to cry "The king is dead—long live the king" for the dynasties of intellect. Cushman K. Davis leaves no heirs to his opulence of mind. He will be much missed. His death is not merely a public loss. It is a natural bereavement. It makes a void in the public life of the nation which cannot easily or soon be filled. It leaves the path of ambition open to his vacant seat in the senate, but no matter how able or worthy the man who may be chosen, he cannot fill the place of Cushman K. Davis. He was so closely identified with the highest functions of the government, especially in his capacity as chairman of the senate committee of foreign relations, and his guiding counsels in matters affecting our foreign policy have proved so helpful to the senate, to congress and to the administration, that his death assumes the proportions of a national calamity. And it will be deeply felt by the people of Minnesota, who loved and honored and admired him, as a calamity to the state which is well nigh irremediable. Time will assuage the pang, if it shall not wholly heal the wounds, of private grief; but the loss to the state of a great personality can never be fully repaired. Able and eminent men may take his seat in the national councils but none can restore the unique and splendid intellectual gifts and attainments of which his death has robbed the public service.

And then reference is made to his greatness as a lawyer and his wonderful knowledge of the innumerable intricacies of international law. How he has had so much to do with guiding the policy of the present administration, and how wise his advice has been.

Senator Davis' place as chairman of the senate committee on foreign relations will be difficult to fill. With his death an immense fund of knowledge upon our international complications of the present time dies with him.

Division is again the paramount issue and we trust that Fosston's latest scheme is an honest effort in that direction. If so we can work harmoniously together. The Times is as ever in favor of division on the best lines obtainable, and as Fosston has now recognized our lines we see no reason why there should be any further conflict over the division question. We would however advise all friends of division to make sure that Fosston is not again playing a part as Crookston's tool before resting their case in his hands.

The voters can rest assured that Fosston has stated into a legitimate fight for the new county, to be known as Nelson county. The insinuation that this place is working with any other town or city to defeat division of any kind is false and unfounded and is only made with the idea of injuring the present bright prospects for the county of Nelson being set off from Polk. Fosston is for Nelson county and always was.

From 324 illustrations in 1894 to over 1600 in 1900 are the figures which denote the numerical growth and development of the pictorial features in the Ladies' Home Journal in six years. This 400 per cent increase in numbers is rather dwarfed by the fact that nearly 1000 per cent more space is now given to pictures than six years ago, and that the quality, or artistic value of the illustrations has improved beyond computation. A few years ago magazine making was thought by some to have attained a degree of perfection that precluded further advancement, but it seems to have been in its infancy. The reading public now insists upon illustrations, and in meeting that demand it is safe to say that the pictures printed in the Ladies' Home Journal in 1900 exceed in number, size, quality and cost those published in all the leading magazines ten years ago.

The Prohibition Vote in Minnesota.

The state prohibition committee sends out to the press the following article for publication:

"On December 14th, the prohibitionists of the state will indulge in a New England dinner, at which they will elicitate themselves on the increase in their vote and open the campaign fund for the campaign of 1901 and 1902. In 1896, the prohibition vote for president in this state was 4,348, while in 1900 the vote for Wooley will exceed 9,000, which is more than double the vote of four years ago. The party leaders claim that this increase is especially gratifying when it is taken into consideration that the total vote of the state this year, for all parties, was considerably less than of four years ago. The vote for B. B. Hagen, the prohibition nominee for governor, will be about 5,650, the light vote being caused by the spirited contest between the old parties for this office. Until this election the prohibitionists have never been able to boast of carrying a single precinct for president. Halstad in Norman County, gave Wooley electors thirty-nine, the Bryan electors thirty-six and the McKinley electors thirty-one votes.

"The officers of the state committee have already outlined more or less complete plans for the campaign of 1902, which was begun before the 1900 ballots were counted, and have several speakers and musical organizations touring the state at the present time. They insist that the morale of the party was never so firm or aggressive as at the present and that they will follow up spiritedly the gains made in the last election."

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Another Word to the Ladies.

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Notice.

The public is hereby notified that my son, Erick Aspelund, left his home about June 25th, 1900, and that I shall not hold myself responsible for debts of any kind contracted by him after this date.

JOHN O. ASPELUND
Fosston, Minn.

Dated Nov. 2nd, 1900.

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One two-year-old bull, roan grey in color. Came to my premises about Nov. 22d, 1900. Owner will please come and prove property and pay expenses. J. GIARD, 8 miles south of Fosston on White Earth Reservation.

Taken Up.

One bull, about one year old, red, with white spots. Owner can recover from the undersigned by proving property and paying expenses.

AUG. EDSTEN,
Sec. 35, town of King.

Bagley Independent: It will be remembered by a number of our town people that a photographer who claimed to be from St. Cloud was in town about three weeks ago and succeeded in doing an excellent business and collecting for his photos in advance, with the understanding that they would be sent to them by mail in about ten days. It has now been about three weeks and nothing has been seen of the pictures since and those who patronized him are beginning to think they have been "done" proper. He went from here to Fosston and it is said he done a thriving business there. The matter will be investigated at once and if he is doing this kind of business he will no doubt be trapped and put where such men belong and not be allowed to run at large and swindle honest people out of their hard earned cash.

Both makers and circulators of counterfeits commit fraud. Honest men will not deceive you into buying worthless counterfeits of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. The original is infallible for curing piles, injuries, eczema and skin diseases.—Ed. Ruud.

The Irl R. Hicks 1901 Almanac.

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