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Devils Lake Fire.
Telegraphic advices from Devils Lake state that a fire broke out in Graham's jewelry store on Fourth street in that city early on Monday morning, and spread rapidly each way, burning one and one-half blocks of the business portion of the town. The loss is at least \$100,000, on which there is \$60,000 dollars insurance. The principal loss is the Lake View hotel, which cost nearly \$16,000, on which there is only \$6,000. The proprietors say they will rebuild with brick. The next largest loss is the Inter-Ocean office and postoffice, which will reach \$7,000, with an insurance of \$3,100. A brick building will be put up at once in place of the one destroyed. The Inter-Ocean will appear as usual on Saturday. Mr. Manvel telegraphed the Manitoba road to freight brick from Grand Forks for 5 cents a hundred. Most of the losses by fire will be rebuilt by brick. There is a mystery about the origin of the fire, and it is hinted that it was the work of an incendiary for the purpose of pillage.

Current Gossip.
Fargo has organized a Blaine and Logan club.
Gen. Gordon's reported death is again contradicted.
The Texas cattle fever is reported in the stockyards at Chicago.
The cholera scourge is spreading among the French peasantry.
The republicans and greenbackers of West Virginia have fused on a State ticket.
Governor Cleveland was formally notified of his nomination as the democratic candidate for president on Tuesday.
Jno. C. Harrison, the Indianapolis banker who made an assignment last week, was yesterday arrested on a charge of embezzling \$95,000.
West Virginia has had a terrible row in its democratic caucus. If we remember rightly there is a Barnes county politician in the state, which may account for it.
Lulu Hurst has challenged John L. Sullivan to demonstrate whether she is a fraud or not. The Globe theater in Boston has been selected as the place of meeting. Lulu is probably short on bangs on the head.

The Northwest: The first settlers who go on government land, do not form a permanent population. They are men with little means to make improvements, who take up the land in just as much a spirit of speculation as does the purchaser from the railroad company. You can tell at once the claim of a genuine settler, who has come to stay, from that of the pre-emptor who has come to sell out, by the nature of his improvements. After the first wave of immigration has subsided there comes in the staying class.

By the steamer City of Tokio there arrived at San Francisco from China fourteen coops of fancy chickens for the Zoological Gardens at London. These fowls come of strains of great antiquity, some of them, it is claimed, having been in the family of a mandarin in Central China for over 300 years, and none of them have ever before been sold to any one. They cost \$75 apiece. The birds vary greatly in size and color, but the most striking feature is the length of the tail feathers of the cocks, some of them being eight feet long. These feathers are folded in a roll and wrapped with ribbon to prevent injury while en route.

Pittsburgh and the adjacent Pennsylvania towns are boring for gas, to be used for fuel and light. Natural gas is already in use in Pittsburgh. One well has flowed for twenty-four years, and is still as good as new. The most generally accepted theory as to the origin of the gas is that the water from the earth's surface, penetrating to the inner fires, is decomposed into hydrogen, and this gathering into large bodies, is freed by the drill, and rushes to the surface. According to this theory the supply can never be exhausted so long as the processes of nature continue as at present.

The Devils Lake Inter-Ocean disagrees with George Walsh on the Raymond question, and says: "The whole scheme revolves itself into this: The unpardonable conduct of the last legislature in devoting the time of the whole session to laying the wires for a mammoth real estate deal, in the profits of which the legislature and its creatures, the capital commissioners, should share; the partial success of the job; the prospect that the people of the Territory will, at this fall's election, choose men who are likely to undo the work of the preceding legislature, and the desire on the part of the ringsters to continue their disgraceful course, prompts them to oppose every man whom they could not whip into line in the past and whom the fates tell them they cannot control in the future. Walsh wants a man in congress who will turn Anderson and McDonald out of office and put in the pliant tools of his choice."

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