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A DEPUTY FURNISHED.

One of the new bills passed by the late session is one furnishing each county with a deputy superintendent of schools, fixing the salary of this official at half of what the superintendent gets. This will make a nice little place for some teacher.

LIKES WASHINGTON.

Wellington Irysh, Congressman Gronna's private secretary, writes some very interesting letters from the capitol to his paper the Wheatland Eagle. He says that he likes Washington very much. If our legislature had given us primary election for congressmen, there is no telling but what Wellington might have been able to place M. C. after his name two years hence.

MORE RAILROADS.

North Dakota will experience a big boom in railroad building this year. One of the big jobs along these lines, contract for which have already been let, is the building by the Soo line of 300 miles of new road from Thief River Falls to Kenmare, in Ward county. The contract involves \$5,000,000 and the completion of the road by October 1st. This line will open up a fine farming country and will cause a great influx of new settlers through that section. Kenmare will be a division headquarter and is in line to get right to the front.

OLD VERMONT.

The general elections held throughout the state of Vermont last week resulted in a sweeping victory for the temperance element, only about forty towns in the state voting for license and in many of those the vote of the license party was so close that it was almost a victory for the prohibitionists, the license vote being cut down greatly. At the last election the temperance element lost ground heavily and it was freely predicted that old Vermont was ready to go back to the saloon, but the result of last week's ballot clearly demonstrated that the people of that state like sobriety and decency the best.

RIGHTS GUARDED.

The state of Kansas has valuable oil fields and their value is just beginning to be appreciated when the fight with the Standard Oil trust is on. North Dakota has no oil fields, but it has in its lignite coal, vast deposits of fuel, which are bound to be of the greatest importance in the future. The state itself owns considerable coal land, and it should be the aim of the authorities to preserve the state's control over the coal deposits which it owns, so that wemay have in the future some refuge from the possible oppression of fuel barons who seek to enrich themselves at our expense. The coal lands of the state may never be sold, but they may be leased. Every lease should have a good stout string to it, and the string should be in the hands of the state.—Grand Forks Herald.

VERY GRATIFYING.

Theodore Roosevelt has been inaugurated president of the United States. He is no longer an "accident," as he tritely expressed it himself. When Mr. Roosevelt first succeeded to the

presidency we looked for a straight-forward, open-handed administration, but we were disappointed. When the election came on we judged Mr. Roosevelt upon the record he had made as we regarded it. We, naturally, did not expect that his election would result in a more aggressive administration. Events since the election, have caused many to hope for great things from the president. We trust that we shall not be disappointed.—Sentinel.

Mr. Roosevelt has never been a disappointment to a vast majority of the people since he accidentally assumed the position of president and the people have had no cause to change their opinion, and didn't, judging from the vote he got last fall. Democratic leaders, including the great and only Bryan, have been falling all over themselves endorsing Mr. Roosevelt, and this half-hearted endorsement of our democratic friend up the street must be very gratifying indeed to the president—who needs the endorsement of the great men of his country. The fact of the matter is, every democratic paper in the country made fun of Mr. Roosevelt and called him a cowboy and an accident. His statesmanship and wise handling of public affairs has compelled them all to crawl and they are falling all over themselves doing it. Roosevelt has been no disappointment but the opposite.

EXTENDING RAILWAYS

SEASON OF 1905 WILL BE UNUSUALLY BUSY.

The season of 1905 is destined to be one of the busiest ever experienced by employment agencies.

For in addition to an unusual amount of double tracking and betterment work, a goodly number of Western railway companies have already contracted for new lines. As soon as a contract is let it has become the practice, in order that the new line may participate in the heavy fall carrying trade of the first season, to rush the construction as fast as the season will permit.

In conformity to this practice the subcontractors for the recently announced Soo extension are already locating themselves between Thief River Falls and Kenmare, N. D. Enough other preliminary work is under way to warrant the shipment of 100 new men daily at the present time, and during the earlier part of the summer the employment agencies can be depended upon to care for all the bona fide railroad laborers available. Despite the rush, however, "tourists" will find the usual difficulty in obtaining free transportation.

The Great Northern has contracted for 200 miles of extension within the last two days. Among the more notable contracts is one extending the Williston spur forty miles north from that place. The Hope line will be extended north from Aneta, N. D., about forty miles to the main line, and after its completion it is planned to send through coast trains over this cutoff.

The Granville spur will be extended north from Mohall about twenty miles, and the Edmore line will gain fifteen miles, while a new branch will be built northward from York forty-five miles. The Soo road will relay 200 miles of rails from Cloquet west.

Winston Bros., have a contract for a season's work in extending the Canadian Pacific's line west from Grandon, Man. The Canadian Pacific will also build fifteen miles of irrigating ditch at Calgary.

The Omaha company will build ten miles of new line due east from Winter, Wis., and the Northwestern company will build thirty miles from Leona, Wis., to Saunders, Mich.




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