

that so hard a storm for a short one has not been seen for many years. As C. E. Schon was driving up to a stack of wheat to get out of the rain the whole stack was taken away bodily. While he was holding his horse part of his buggy was carried a mile off.

At St. Paul, the stockholders of the Minnesota & Northwestern held their annual meeting and elected A. B. Stickney, Sam C. Stickney and Maurice Auerbach directors for a term of four years. Subsequently the directors elected the following officers:

President—A. B. Stickney.
First Vice President—O. W. Benson.
Second Vice President and Transfer Agent—William Lewis Boyle.
Treasurer—W. B. Bond.
Secretary—John I. Thompson.

Mintaki, the juvenile Montana desperado in jail in Brainerd for beating a 10-year-old lad into a jelly months ago, escaped on a recent night and liberated the rest of the jail's occupants. First the bars of an upper window were forced wide enough to squeeze him through, and the prisoners lowered him with a clothes line. The boy then quickly secured tools for the rest, and stood guard while in the darkness of a foggy night a wall was tunneled through. There is now word of the whereabouts of all of the prisoners. The boy is also wanted at Glendive, Mont. for murder.

Fifteen years ago a chain of five sawmills was erected on Nicollet Island, Minneapolis, with a cutting capacity of 910,000 feet each ten hours, the mills costing \$50,000 each, and being owned and operated by McMullen & Co., Eastman & Bowry, C. A. Smith & Co., Cole & Weeks, L. J. Merriman & Barrows. About 9 o'clock Saturday evening fire from unknown cause, broke out in McMullen mill and in a few hours the whole series of mills were reduced to ashes. The total loss on mills, cut lumber and logs is placed at \$300,000 and the insurance a trifle more than \$125,000.

The Beyerstadt grocery at Winona, was visited by burglars the safe door blown off with powder and \$100 in cash obtained. A Winona dispatch says: Charles Staples, son of Isaac Staples, of Stillwater, and a chum of his from Stillwater, who had recently broken away from the insane asylum at Rochester, where they were confined for confirmed drunkenness, are under arrest. They were seen at the Winona mills this morning going around. They also were seen at the stone trimmers' yard yesterday. A stone hammer was found on the safe belonging to the same party. It is generally supposed they did the work.

A special from Marquette, Mich., says: Word has been received of the foundering of the schooner Niagara, northeast of White Fish Point, Lake Superior, in Thursday's gale. She was commanded by Capt. Clements and was on laden from Ashland to Ashtabula. Her crew of ten men was lost, and the captain's family is also reported to have been aboard, making a total of 15 lost. The Niagara belonged to the same low as the schooner Luorne, which was lost last November off Ashland with eleven lives. She was owned by Mr. Corrigan of Cleveland. She lies in nine fathoms of water ten miles from White Fish Point and five miles from shore.

It is reported that Mr. A. B. Stickney, President of the Minnesota & Northwestern railway has decided to donate the Metropolitan hotel building—which, it is said, has been bought for him—the city of St. Paul, to be used for a public library and art institute. It is intended that on the first floor shall be a public library, reading rooms, lecture rooms, etc., on another floor an art gallery, and on other floors a conservatory of music and an art school. About \$65,000 has been invested by Mr. Stickney in the property. It is understood that an architect has already examined the interior and reported as to the feasibility of converting it into the purposes mentioned.

St. Cloud Special: On Saturday evening the community at Albany, Stearns county, was startled to learn that Mrs. Caroline Seal had committed suicide by hanging. The family had removed to their present location from Wisconsin about a year ago. Of late the woman occasionally complained of being homesick and wanting to return. Friday afternoon she left the house ostensibly to do some outside work but did not return in due time. Saturday morning they found her hanging to a tree near the house, evidently dead for 24 hours. On Thursday her daughter heard her call for help from a deep well and she said she had fallen into it in trying to get water but it is now believed that she attempted suicide by drowning first, but her courage gave out and she concluded to die by hanging. She was 50 years old.

WISCONSIN.

At Chippewa Falls the house of Hans Anderson was struck by lightning and burned. Loss \$1,300; insurance \$600.

A special from Stoughton, Wis., says: Severson & Bronson's planing and feed mill at that place was totally destroyed by fire. Loss, \$10,000; insurance, \$5,000.

At Eau Claire, a ten-year-old son of A. C. Peck, a well known conductor on the Omaha, was drowned in the log reservoir while playing on the logs with other boys.

While driving an omnibus from an early train in Green Bay, Louis Anderson was instantly killed by his head and shoulders being crushed by an elevated tramway extending across a street. He was 37 years old and unmarried.

A. M. Shadegg, alias A. M. Silsby, who robbed Father Weisbaug of Burlington, his benefactor, Aug. 21, pleaded guilty in Racine and was sentenced to two years in the State prison. He had served five years in the Missouri penitentiary.

At River Falls, the Central House was burned by an incendiary fire. Loss, \$5,000; insurance, \$2,800. Frank Rossell was the owner. William Wells, the occupant, loses \$300 on furniture; no insurance. Miss Aggie Wells lost clothing and \$90 in cash.

During a thunder-storm the barn of Mr. Stauls in Wilson Township, near Sheboygan, was struck by lightning and set on fire. While crossing a field to assist in extinguishing the flames Louis Streit, a neighbor of Stauls, was also struck by lightning and instantly killed.

At Milwaukee, with the \$10,000 bequeathed by Alex Mitchell, which was paid in full last week, the debts of the Y. M. C. A. have been liquidated, and the association finds itself possessed of one of the finest buildings owned by any similar organization in the Northwest.

George Gordon, for many years a resident of Milwaukee, but recently deceased, after providing handsomely for his widow, daughter, and grandchild, stipulates in his will that the remainder of his estate, over \$100,000, shall be divided equally between the Old Ladies' Home and the Protestant Orphan Asylum.

Judge Carpenter, of the probate court of

Dane county, has filed a decision in the famous Washburn will case. The judgment gives to Mrs. Fannie Payton and children \$340,000; to Mrs. Jeannette Kelsey and children \$90,000; and certain mill powers at Minneapolis. Each will have an income of \$7,000 per annum, the money being invested at 3 per cent.

Mrs. Alexander Mitchell' friends say that the report that her son, John L. Mitchell, paid her \$900,000 for her life interest in the Mitchell mansion in Grand avenue is erroneous. Mrs. Mitchell, they say, waived her right in the property and assumed certain liabilities, and in consideration thereof is to receive as full compensation the sum of \$90,000 per annum.

At the Rock County fair at Janesville two public marriages transpired that were quite a feature. The contracting parties were Mr. Crossman, of Afton and Miss Ferris, of Evansville, Henry B. Blanchard of Beloit and Nellie J. Blachman of Baraboo. The marriage ceremony was in each case performed by a prominent clergyman. Immense numbers were present, and the wedding march was played by the city brass band.

Mrs. J. S. Neumer, wife of a Milwaukee Township farmer, entered the house of a neighbor and she claims as a joke, hid the family's clothing under a board. A \$50 cash was missing, however, the neighbor considered the matter in other than the light of a joke, caused Mrs. Neumer's arrest and she is held in bond of \$300 to answer to the charge of burglary.

The following telegram has been received from Washington by the land office in Eau Claire: "As the right of the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha to indemnity lands will soon be adjusted, by direction of the Acting Secretary of the Interior you will suspend the restoration of said lands till further orders. This will apply both the main line and the Bayfield branch."

The Commission composed of Gov. Rusk and Attorney-General Eschbrock, authorized by the last legislature to make awards to the heirs of those killed and to those injured by the fall of the wing of the Capitol in November, 1883, has agreed on the claims made for those killed. The law authorized no award over \$2,000, less the expenses paid by the State for the care and burial of the dead. The awards are: Heirs of W. G. Jones of Milwaukee, \$1,853; of Michael Zwanck of Madison, \$1,923; of James Kelly of Madison, \$1,909; of William Edgar, \$883; of Bernard Higgins of Madison, \$1,985. No allowance was made in the case of James Dorwell, as the state incurred an expense of \$2,000 for his care before his death. He left neither wife nor children. A commission of three physicians was appointed to examine all injured and report on their condition, after which the award will be made.

Madison Special: President Cleveland and wife will arrive in Madison on the afternoon of Oct. 7 and depart for St. Paul the afternoon of Oct. 10. They will be guests of Postmaster General Vilas while here. Acting under instructions of the common council, the mayor has appointed a committee of 100 of Madison's most distinguished citizens, independent of politics, to constitute a reception committee. This committee, with a band, the governor's guard, local societies and the fire department will meet the presidential party at the train and act as the escort to the capitol, where addresses of welcome to the state will be made by Gov. Rusk and to the city by the Mayor. A representative public reception will immediately follow on the rotunda of the capitol. Some evening a second reception will be given at the Postmaster General's residence. The party will spend the remaining time quietly resting.

DAKOTA.

At Grand Forks, while a street faker was advertising his wares, and had a large crowd collected around, some unknown villain hurled a couple of bricks in their midst. The second one struck a gentleman on the temple and made a deep gash. Patrick Powers a local pugilist was promptly arrested on suspicion and locked up.

At Yankton, Friday night, the shops storehouse and machinery of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul R. R., were burned. Two locomotives were badly injured. The storehouse was all that was saved. The loss is about \$90,000, as estimated by the master mechanic. The fire occurred at about 11 o'clock at night and is supposed to have caught from sparks from an engine being cleaned. The shops were beyond the water limits, and, though promptly on hand, the firemen could do but little, the buildings being of wood.

THE MARKETS.

St. Paul Sept. 10.	
GRAIN—	
Wheat, No. 1 Hard.....	72 @ 72
Wheat, No. 1 Northern.....	70 @ 71
Wheat, No. 2 Northern.....	68 @ 69
Corn, No. 2.....	88 @ 89
Oats, No. 2 Mixed new.....	25 @ 26
Oats, No. 2 White old.....	27 @ 27
Barley, No. 2.....	57 @ 58
Rye, No. 2.....	42 @ 43
Flax Seed.....	90 @ 95
Baled Hay, upper.....	5 30 @ 9 00
Baled Hay, timothy.....	12 00 @ 12 50
PROVISIONS—	
Flour, patent.....	4 25 @ 4 40
Flour, straights.....	4 15 @ 4 30
Flour, bakers.....	3 40 @ 3 60
Butter, creamery.....	22 @ 24
Butter, dairy.....	18 @ 20
Cheese.....	11 @ 12
Eggs, fresh.....	15 @ 16
Potatoes new.....	55 @ 60
Dressed Beef, steers.....	3 1/2 @ 5
Hams.....	9 @ 11
Veal.....	5 @ 6
LIVE STOCK—	
Steers.....	42 00 @ 2 77
Hogs.....	4 50 @ 4 75
Sheep.....	2 55 @ 3 55
Minneapolis Sept. 10.	
WHEAT—	
No. 1 Hard.....	74 @ 74 1/2
No. 1 Northern.....	73 @ 73 1/2
No. 2 Northern.....	69 @ 70 1/2
FLOUR—	
Patent in sacks.....	4 20 @ 4 40
Patent in barrels.....	4 45 @ 4 40
Patent at New England points.....	4 95 @ 5 10
Patent at N. Y. and Penn. points.....	4 90 @ 5 10
Bakers.....	3 40 @ 3 50
Chicago, Sept. 10.	
GRAIN—	
Wheat, cash.....	69 @ 69 1/2
Corn cash.....	41 @ 43 1/2
Oats, cash.....	24 @ 25
Flax Seed, cash.....	1 04 @ 1 06
MESS PORK.....	15 25 @ 15 50
LIVE STOCK—	
Cattle.....	4 00 @ 4 60
Hogs.....	5 25 @ 5 40
Sheep.....	3 00 @ 3 25
Milwaukee, Sept. 10.	
WHEAT—	
No. 1, Hard, Cash.....	69 @ 69 1/2
Duluth, Sept. 10.	
WHEAT—	
1 Hard, Cash.....	71 @ 72

DAKOTA DOINGS.

News Gathered From The Most Reliable Sources.

AT WOONSOCKET

The soldiers reunion at Woonsocket was greatly interfered with by the rain which fell every day. At a camp fire in the big tent, when 500 people were present the tent blew down but luckily no one was injured. The intended sports had to be abandoned to a large extent, but notwithstanding the drawbacks, it was a good time. The following officers were chosen. President D. T. Kanouse, of Woonsocket; vice president, C. E. Smith, of Miller; Henry Ahren of Mitchell, secretary; Maj. Edwards, of Fargo, treasurer.

IMPROVEMENTS.

An eastern capitalist offers to build a \$40,000 building in Sioux Falls if the board of trade will secure a rental of it for ten years at ten per cent of the cost.

The improvements of the Foster house, Redfield's finest hotel, are nearly finished and a grand ball and banquet are expected to be given in honor of reopening.

Work on the new dormitory for the Grand Forks university has begun, and the repairs on the storm wrecked part of the main building are about completed. The next year promises to be a very prosperous one for the university.

BUSINESS ITEMS.

Hard coal sells for \$9.90 at Highmore. In Blunt coal is one dollar per ton cheaper than last fall.

The Bismarck flouring mill has a contract to supply the army posts with 800,000 pounds of flour.

J. M. Talcott has purchased Dr. Stough's interest in the lumber business at Elk Point. Ten years ago Mr. Talcott entered the employ of Mr. Stough as manager.

COURTS.

The grand jury recently in session at Deadwood censured the commissioners of Lawrence county for granting liquor licence to disreputable characters in Sturgis.

The next term of district court for Hyde county will be held at Highmore in September, beginning Tuesday, the 20th, and may continue for one week. This is just one month earlier than last year, and the same time it was held in 1885.

CRIMES.

Freight car thieves have been at work on the line between Chadron and Rapid City.

The young man arrested for stealing a watch at Brookings, was sentenced to imprisonment in the county jail for fourteen days and to pay a fine of \$25, in default of which he was given an additional twelve days.

SUICIDE.

Mathias Kary, aged about 60 years, a farmer living six miles east of De Smet went to Preston, bought a revolver, went into the country and shot himself dead. No cause is known for the act.

POST OFFICES.

Ransom is a new Sargent county post-office.

M. R. Chaney has been made postmaster of Argusville. The following Dakota postmasters have been appointed: Edward D. Kennedy, Edgerton, Lamoure county, vice Jno. B. Nosler removed; R. T. Hill, Twin Brooks, Grant county, vice A. A. Storer removed.

ACCIDENTS.

W. H. Beadle, of Custer county, was thrown from his horse last week and killed.

John Horring, a Fargo butcher, was probably fatally gored by a vicious cow.

On Saturday about noon the house of M. H. Deihl living in Hopper township, Aurora county, was struck by lightning and Mr. Deihl instantly killed. Mr. Deihl was a much respected pioneer.

While John Sibley and his 12-year-old son were stretching wire for a fence about twelve miles from Rapid City the wagon was overturned and the boy was crushed beneath it.

John Benny, a youngster of Lead City was struck by a ball two weeks ago Sunday, from the effects of which he died.

RAILROADS.

The Manitoba railroad proposes locating a station at a point three miles north of Cavour.

It is expected that the Duluth, Watertown and Pacific surveyors will arrive at Waterbury, Jerauld county, within a few days. It is said they are now near Wolsey.

The building of the Northern Pacific spur from Grand Forks to Pembina is progressing rapidly. Grading is almost completed and track laying is being pushed forward at the rate of 2 1/2 miles per day. The road will be in running order by Oct. 15th.

P. Hallenback, assistant general superintendent of the Minnesota and Dakota divisions, A. C. Wicker, traffic manager, M. B. McCollough, general freight agent and other officials of the Chicago

& Northwestern railway visited Oakes last week.

A large force of workmen are engaged in putting in the bridge for the Minneapolis and Pacific railway across the James river at Oakes. The piles and heavy timbers have been hauled overland from the end of the track.

A corps of railroad surveyors have reached Mayville from the east. The new line is supposed to be a branch of the Northern Pacific crossing the Red river at Caledonia, thence due west to Mayville, Sherbrook and Cooperstown, thus tapping the richest country in Dakota and giving the Goose river valley a direct outlet to Duluth.

It is rumored that the Iroquois people are greatly stirred up because of the report that the Northwestern will build a line on the survey made some time ago northwest of Iroquois from a point made where the Duluth, Watertown & Pacific proposes to locate a station. This will be in a well settled county and will greatly interfere with Iroquois' trade from that locality. It is said to be the scheme of the Northwestern to checkmate the Duluth, Watertown & Pacific.

LAND CASES.

Secretary Muldrow has decided the following land cases, on appeal from the commissioner of the general land office: J. F. Calvert vs. A. E. Emery, involving the land in section 3, township 108, range 68, Mitchell district. Calvert withdraws his contest and Emery is given thirty days to file affidavit. John Runze vs. W. C. Stewart, cancellation of the latter's entry of the northwest quarter section 21, township 119, range 64, Huron district. Susan Wilson is allowed further time to make proof on her entry of the northwest quarter section 29, township 119, range 66, Huron district. Sparks' decision held the entry for cancellation except E. A. Young commissioners' decision reversed and patent order to issue at once on claimant's entry of the southwest quarter section 10, township 112, range 69, Huron district. This entry was held for cancellation on the ground of bad faith. H. Mikleson vs. Glander Samson, involving the latter's entry of southeast quarter, section 8, township 115 range 41, Redwood Falls district. Contestant's appeal dismissed and land given to the claimant.

In the case of Samuel C. Poole, who appealed from Sparks' decision on Sept. 30, holding for cancellation his entry of a section at Yankton, Dak., Assistant Secretary Muldrow reverses that decision and returns the case for the purpose of a hearing before the local office.

In the case of Seneca A. Coffin vs. Frank E. Durkee, on appeal by Durkee from Sparks' decision of September, 1886, holding for cancellation Durkee's homestead entry at Mitchell, Dak., Mr. Muldrow affirms said decision.

In the application of Albert L. Lent for review and reversal of departmental decision of March 17, in the matter of his cash entry for a section at Grand Forks, Dak., suspending the said entry on Jan. 4, 1884, and advising Lent that unless he could show the proof was taken at the time and place advertised, the same would be rejected for irregularity, the application for review is rejected.

In the appeal of Charles Asken from Commissioner Sparks' decision of Dec. 11, 1885, holding for cancellation his homestead entry of a section at Mitchell, Dak., Mr. Muldrow affirms said decision.

AMONG THE FARMERS.

The wheat crop at Madison threshes out better than the estimate.

The Turner county fair will take place on the grounds in Parker on the 14th, 15th and 16th of September.

Some carloads of cattle are on their way to Hyde county's luscious grasses, and cattle are being brought in from the east, west and north.

George R. Freeman, of Elk Point, sent some splendid samples of grasses to the exposition at Minneapolis and also to the Kansas City exposition.

Ten years residence in the territory entitles one to the title of old settler, and is recognized as long enough to admit a person to old settlers' organizations.

One of Moody county's farmers has just completed his harvest with eighty-five large stacks of grain as the result of his labor this season.

It is estimated that in 1888 Jerauld county will turn off a ton of pork for every 100 pounds of corn in 1887. The abundant crop of corn this year demonstrates the fact that Jerauld can raise hog feed.

SUED.

Ex-Indian Agent Wm. A. Swan, at the Cheyenne agency, (Fort Bennett) and his bondsmen were last week sued in the United States court at Pittsburgh Pa., to recover \$6,000 alleged deficiencies in his returns to the general government in 1883-4.

ANOTHER FAIR.

At a recent meeting of the Ree Valley and Hand County Agricultural Society a suitable tract of forty acres adjoining the town of Miller was purchased, and buildings will be erected there. A pipe leading from the artesian well will be laid to the grounds. Hand county enjoys the largest crops of all kinds this year. At the first annual fair, to be held Oct. 4, 5 and 6, there will be an excellent display of agricul-

tural products. The following are the officers of the society: G. W. Livingston, president; D. W. Coward, vice president; John Duthill, T. E. Griffin, I. P. Wyland, J. O. Dean; and F. M. Anderson. Maj. B. R. Howell, treasurer and Alex. J. Kuester, secretary.

MUST DIG.

Yankton Press: Artesian well borers at Huron have encountered a coal deposit two feet thick. Coal exists in pockets all over Dakota and there are many unsubstantiated indications of extensive deposits. Huron is as likely to have plenty of coal as any other south Dakota town. Yankton furnishes all the symptoms of an abundance of coal, but the indications have never been followed up. The town which uncovers coal in commercial quantities must dig for it. There is nothing satisfactory in boring tests.

GIANT POWDER.

The last shipment of giant powder for the season is made from Fort Pierre. This closed up the 40,000 pounds contracted of W. G. Nixon. The numerous fatalities by lightning made the hauling of such powder very dangerous, and it is reported that the teamsters remained a safe distance from their wagons during all thunderstorms.

W. C. T. U.

The following officers of the Sioux Falls W. C. T. U. have been elected for the ensuing year: Mrs. S. E. Young, president; Miss Carrie Parker, recording and corresponding secretary; Mrs. R. F. Pettigrew, treasurer. The vice presidents are as follows: Mrs. Julia Brown, Mrs. Anna Goddard, Mrs. Barnard, Mrs. Leveritt and Mrs. Skillman.

NEW BANK.

The farmers and Merchants bank has begun business in Miller. The directors are C. H. Morrill, F. P. Morrill, C. A. Morrill, ex-Gov. Albinus Nance, and F. W. Hunter, all Nebraska men. The officers are C. H. Morrill of Strausburg, president; F. W. Hunter of Miller, vice president; F. P. Morrill, cashier.

MILNOR NORMAL.

A large number of citizens of Milnor have guaranteed to make up any deficiency in the financial affairs of the normal school for the fall and winter term, individual liability being limited to \$20. The first term has proved satisfactory in every way. There is no territorial normal school in North Dakota, and friends of the movement will make an effort to secure territorial appropriation at the next session of the legislature, and have the school started by private enterprise made a territorial school.

PUSHING ALONG.

The Aberdeen, Bismarck & Northwestern road is now almost graded into Bismarck, and arrangements are being made to iron the track for thirty or thirty-five miles north in time to haul this season's grain. There is no information as yet what road is to control this track, but as the company (composed of Lowry, E. P. Wells and other capitalists of Minneapolis and eastern men) is locating a survey now to Watertown or some point southeast, it looks as if they will join the Rock Island or St. Louis & Minneapolis lines.

KEEPING SCHOOL.

A number of Dakota counties have lady Superintendents of Schools. While one of them was recently making the rounds of the schools in accordance with the law she drove up to one little schoolhouse on the prairie about 11 o'clock in the forenoon and found the scholars all out playing about the yard. Two of the boys were indulging in a fight, another pair were learning to chew tobacco, while the others were playing marbles for keeps and adjusting an old but large and corpulent teakettle to a dog's tail. The Superintendent learned that there had been no school so far that day and when she went into the schoolhouse she said to the young lady teacher somewhat severely:

"Is this the kind of a school you are teaching? I fear I shall be obliged to cancel your certificate and have you removed from the school."

"Why—why—I—I didn't know you were coming!"

"Ah, that's just it, I know you didn't—but I did come, and I caught you. I shall be obliged to ask you to hand in your resignation immediately."

"But—but, Miss Rhetoric, let me explain. I—"

"I don't think you can make any satisfactory explanation, as I noticed you were sitting here reading when I came in."

"But that's just it—I was reading the New York Style and Fashion, and—"

"The Style and Fashion? What the September number?"

"Yes."

"My goodness, I didn't know it had come yet—let me see it please—I'm just dying to see how to make my new polonaise! Say, you ought to see that lovely piece of summer goods that I got at Noprofit & Slaughter's—it's just too sweet for anything. Isn't that a love of a wrapper—I'm going to have one like it—or no, I believe I like this best. I don't know, either, they're both perfectly lovely!" Etc. etc., and so forth.—Dakota Ball.