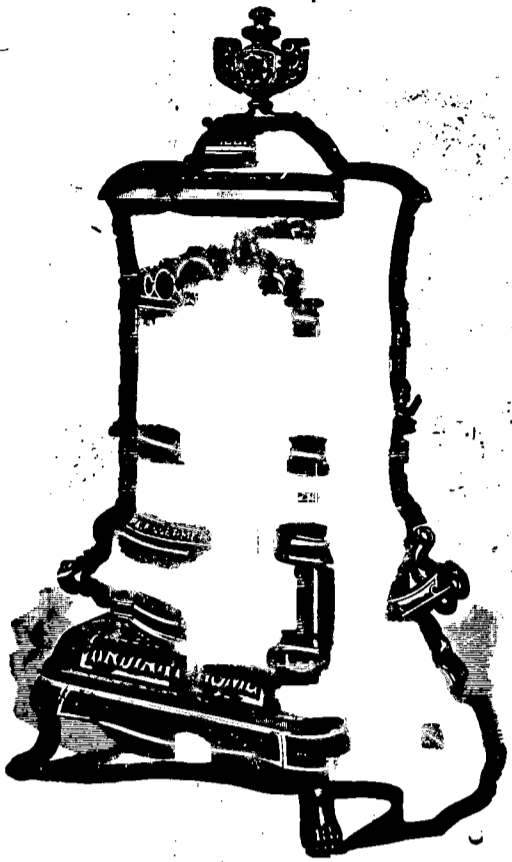


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## THE VIRGINIA ENTERPRISE.

W. E. HANNAFORD, EDITOR.

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### Special Notice.

Persons wishing a news item, change of "ad." or anything in the line of locals, inserted, will please have same in our office by Thursday noon of each week. If convenient, as it saves time and trouble for both parties. We reserve the right to positively refuse any notice of whatever nature after 2 o'clock p. m. on Thursday.

The attempt by Attorney Neff in his address to the city council Tuesday evening to enlarge upon the substantial value of the professional reputation of ex-City Engineer McGilvery was assuredly an amusing incident to any of his hearers who had heard of the Tischer Creek bridge or of the Virginia sewer system.

If you would keep posted on the political situation in Minnesota you should read the Princeton Union, which has a leaning toward Dunn, and the Hallock News, the protegee of State Librarian Nelson, who seeks to hold favor through the nomination and election of Collins. Between the two the feeling of the state press is very clearly portrayed.

The campaign managers of Hon. Robert C. Dunn have caused to be published and very generally circulated a pamphlet citing the more important acts of Mr. Dunn during his term as state auditor. The pamphlet is of more than passing interest to range people, as many of the acts which brought hundreds of thousands of dollars into the state treasury related directly to the mining interests of St. Louis county.

The good old state of Wisconsin lost its state house by fire on Friday night last, the records being saved. The capitol was not insured for a dollar, some fool legislator having introduced and secured the passage of a bill providing for the creation of an insurance fund and the carrying of all insurance on state institutions by the state. In consequence whereof Milwaukee will doubtless become an active aspirant for the capital city.

The removal of the U. S. Commissioners at range points receives rightful disapproval of the range press. The reasons why settlers should receive consideration from the department in the appointment of commissioners at convenient points were succinctly set forth in our last issue, and our views are seemingly coincided in by the brethren of the press without a dissenting voice.

BRO. ATKINSON, of the Mesaba Ore, sees a flaw in the law providing for a county division and wants an amendment introduced so that the voters of a section to be included in the confines of a new county can vote for division and settle upon a place for the county seat later. The amendment would be correct. Had such a law been in force three years ago St. Louis county would not have been so large at the present time and Virginia would have been a county seat city.

NOTICES have been posted to the effect that the St. Louis county republican convention will be held at the city hall, in Duluth, on Tuesday, March 15th at 2 p. m. for the purpose of selecting forty delegates to the Republican state convention which will be held at Minneapolis on March 17th. Forty delegates are also to be selected to attend the Republican district convention for the Eighth congressional district which is held at Duluth on March 16th. The primary election, for the purpose of naming delegates to the County convention will be held at the different precincts in the county on Monday, March 14th from 7 to 8 o'clock p. m.

### NECESSITY OF GOOD ROADS.

County Commissioner Patterson Says They Are Badly Needed.

In an article in a recent issue of the News Tribune, doubtless instigated by the action of the seven wise men of the Zenith City in tying up the county road funds, County Commissioner Patterson writes as follows: "The necessity of good roads in the vast agricultural sections of the northern portion of the county:

The need of good roads, which will be serviceable the year round, in St. Louis county, is a crying one. It is a matter which should demand the immediate attention of the county commissioners and of every citizen interested in the welfare of our great and growing county.

We have built a few roads but they have been few. Hundreds of miles more are necessary in order to meet the demands of the settlers,

who are now developing the great agricultural interests of the county.

On all sides of Duluth, in all parts of the county, homesteads are being taken up and fine farms are being developed. These people are necessarily located far away from the towns and under the present conditions it is impossible for them to reach the bases of supplies, except in winter when sleighing is good.

Such a condition is to be deplored. These people, who are doing so much to develop the agricultural interests of the county, should be given roads on which they can reach the towns the year round.

There is now a bill before congress, which provides for the appropriation of \$24,000,000 for aid in the construction of good roads in every state in the union. Minnesota's allotment will be \$450,000. If the bill passes, and of that amount, any county making a special appropriation for road building, will be given an amount equal to the appropriation. St. Louis county should strive to secure as large a portion of this money as possible. It is like finding money and it will do much toward constructing the roads, which we need so badly.

### Speaks Well of Dunn.

Speaking of Bob Dunn the other day Ex-Attorney General Childs said:

The State has never had an official with whom I have been acquainted, who more zealously guarded the interests of the State than Mr. Dunn. He has taken strong ground against various corporate interests upon the subject of taxation. He has been a stickler for the application of strict rules in favor of the State as to several railroad land grants. He has been watchful over the State's interests as to the swamp land grant. He insisted upon my appointment to the late tax commission in the face of strong corporate interests, railroad and otherwise, which opposed it. When I learned of the strength of the influences which were then opposing me, and with a view of relieving the members of the board of the embarrassment which a consideration of my candidacy might occasion, I wrote Mr. Dunn requesting him to inform the board that I withdrew my name from further consideration. I have since been assured that my letter was pigeonholed and that Mr. Dunn was insistent upon my appointment. Here was a chance for him to have yielded to the demands of corporate interests without fear of the slightest injury to himself.

"I have seen too many instances of his sterling manhood to fear the result of any test to which he might be put as between public and private interests. He is a man who will fearlessly perform his duty at all times, in all places and under all circumstances. If any man ever earned the gratitude of the people of this State, it is Mr. Dunn."

### Punishments.

One who watches the proceedings of the courts will be struck with the apparent inequality of the penalties meted out to criminals of different classes and different degrees of crime. There is a seeming reverence for criminals who have maintained a respectability and have acquired large wealth by their crimes. The cashier of the Produce Exchange Bank of Cleveland, Ohio, was given ten years for stealing \$187,000. The fellow who steals \$100 is given a year, when perhaps he is out of work and his family is destitute. The poor fellow seems to be counted of little worth and is brushed out of the way with a short sentence, which, when served, leaves him on the world as an ex-convict whom nobody will recognize, employ or trust. The \$187,000 fellow instead of getting an eighteen century sentence, serves out his ten years, and in most such cases becomes a wealthy citizen to whom very many people will look up as to a very superior being. The people of this country are so used to seeing things done on a large scale that they have come to respect excessive meanness, great thefts and dastardly crimes.

### Beavers in Itasca State Park.

Three years ago Governor Van Sant sent three beavers to the Itasca state park. Col. Bullard, the commissioner of the park, reports that since that time the beavers and their progeny have built in the park three immense dams, which put man's ingenuity to shame. The largest of the dams is 150 feet long and five feet high, with four feet of head water. Another dam is forty and another fifty feet long. In building these dams the beavers have cut down trees from 8 to 10 inches in diameter, using their teeth as implements. So deit and delicate is their work that they will sink a stick of wood to the bottom of the stream and it will stay there, while if sunk by a man it would come to the surface directly. Deer

are plentiful in the park and Mr. Bullard counted 32 in one herd recently.

### WEDDED AT EVELETH.

Samuel Dorfman and Miss Yetta Milavetz Married on Sunday Last.

The marriage of Mr. Samuel Dorfman and Miss Yetta Milavetz, of this city, at the Vail Hall, Eveleth, on Sunday evening last was witnessed by a large number of friends of the contracting parties, many Virginians being numbered among the attendants.

The ceremony was performed by Rabbi S. Marner, of Minneapolis, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Milavetz giving the bride away, Misses Celia Milavetz and Esther Karon acting as bridesmaids and Miss Sadie Feldman as flower girl. A Roman acted as best man, and Ben Cohen and Ken Karon were ushers.

Among attendants were J. Dorfman and daughter Anna, of New York, father and sister of the groom, who arrived Sunday morning to be in attendance at the wedding festivities, while many from Duluth, Superior and the range cities were present, a list of guests being as follows:

From Virginia—Messrs. and Mesdames J. Shanedling, S. Milavetz, B. Milavetz, I. Milavetz, P. Hostin, J. Roman, M. Steinberg, L. Cohen, H. J. Nathanson, Messrs. Ben Gordon, M. Sigel, Ben Solosky, Matthew West, Albert Roman and S. Rubloff.

From Eveleth—Messrs. and Mesdames D. Simon, Max Shapiro, M. P. Shapiro, M. Feldman, D. Elias, M. Greenblatt, E. Levant, A. Cohen, P. Kuehn, H. Shtein, J. Shtein, J. Gordon, M. Nathanson, G. Pearlman, G. A. Jesmore, S. Rubenstein, Mrs. A. Shanedling, Isadore Shanedling and H. Levant.

From Hibbing—Messrs. and Mesdames M. Sax, C. Holock, H. Witz, Dr. Mark, Messrs. B. Karon and H. Stohlberg.

From Buhl—Mr. and Mrs. T. Abrahamson and Ben Lippman.

From Chisholm—Mr. and Mrs. Smokler, J. B. Sax and Miss Dora Bair.

From Superior—Miss Esther Karon, Miss Sarah Mark and Ben Cohen.

From Duluth—W. Simon and daughter, Miss Sarah Simon, and L. Polinsky.

At the conclusion of the wedding ceremony a sumptuous wedding supper was served, being followed by dancing. The young people will shortly be "At Home" in this city, having leased the Grande cottage on Maple street.

### TIMBER LAND, ACT JUNE 3, 1878. NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

United States Land Office, Duluth, Minn., Dec. 31, 1903. Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892,

SYLVESTER PERRAS, of Virginia, county of St. Louis, state of Minnesota, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 879, for the purchase of Lot 1 of Section No. 29, in Township No. 60 N., Range No. 18 W., 4 P. M., and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the Register and Receiver of this office at Duluth, Minn., on Tuesday, the 22nd day of March, 1904.

He names as witnesses: Frank Patterson, of Virginia, Minn. Paul Blanchard, of " " Fred Blanchard, of " " Sam Ingram, of " "

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 22nd day of March, 1904.

W. M. E. OULKIN, Register. H. L. Shepherd, Attorney. Jan 9-mar 11

### TIMBER LAND, ACT JUNE 3, 1878. NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

United States Land Office, Duluth, Minn., Nov. 18, 1903. Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892,

ERNEST LIEBMAN, of Chicago, county of Cook, State of Illinois, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 895, for the purchase of the SW 1/4 of NE 1/4 of Sec. No. 21, in Township No. 61 N., Range No. 18 W., 4th P. M., and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the Register and Receiver of this office at Duluth, Minn., on Thursday, the 7th day of April, 1904.

He names as witnesses: Moses Damom, of " " Sam Ingram, of " " James Oakley, of " "

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 7th day of April, 1904.

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