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## AN AGED WOMAN IS HACKED TO DEATH IN HER OWN HOME

**Pedestrians find Bleeding Body of Mrs. George Cochran of Grand Rapids, in Her Front Yard.—Cause for the Crime Is Unknown.**

Grand Rapids, Minn., August 16.—Mrs. George Cochran, 71 years of age, was found in a pool of her own blood at 1 o'clock this (Sunday) morning in the front yard of her residence by Ben and Mike Lieberman.

The two men were walking home and heard faint cries. They ran to the spot and found the aged woman fearfully cut and slashed about the head, neck and body. She was feebly struggling to arise, every movement causing the blood to spurt in jets from her many wounds.

The men picked her up and before they could put a question to her she died in their arms.

They immediately investigated the house and premises and found evidences of a bitter struggle for life. The furniture was disarranged, the stove torn down, the chairs broken, the curtains pulled from their fastenings, and many loose articles on the floor.

So desperate was the fight for life that some of the woman's clothes were torn from her body and there

were wisps of hair floating in her blood.

The crime was the most atrocious in the history of Itasca county. Weak, because of her age, the woman was overpowered, beaten down and viciously cut and slashed with a sharp instrument, probably a razor.

Sheriff Hoolihan was immediately notified and he went at once to the scene. He was unable to obtain any clue that might lead to the identification of the murderer or murderers. He will procure bloodhounds today and they will be given the scent.

Mrs. Cochran lived alone. She had no money in any great amount in her house, and the officers do not believe robbery incited the deed.

She was not surprised by the person or persons who killed her for she put up a struggle that seems supernatural when her weakened condition is considered.

Mrs. Cochran's husband is a cook and lives in Hibbing. She has a daughter, Mrs. Lee Cates, wife of a local ice dealer.

### Walter Markham, Land Man.

Walter Markham has decided to engage in the real estate, insurance and loan business and will, on Tuesday, open probably what will be the finest office in the City of Bemidji.

Mr. Markham will have headquarters in the Markham hotel block, in the room formerly occupied by the Bemidji Lumber company, where he will install a swell set of mahogany furniture, including desks, chairs, etc., that will be exceedingly inviting to the land-hungry who come to Bemidji seeking investments in Beltrami county's fertile acres.

Mr. Markham is one of Bemidji's most popular young business men and his entry into the local field will be welcomed among his associates. Being progressive, intensely loyal dispositioned, he can be relied upon to do his share of "boosting" for Bemidji and Beltrami county.

### Great Race for State Fair.

Devotees of the "sport of kings" will have an additional incentive to

watch at the races at the Minnesota State Fair, Aug. 31 Sept. 5 through the performance of Highball. In the second heat of the free-for-all trot on the Peoria track last Friday, when this remarkable horse went the fastest mile ever trotted by a gelding in 2:03 3-4. This equals the Sweet Marie record, second heat made in 1907, and sets a new world's record in the time made by a gelding on a race track during a race.

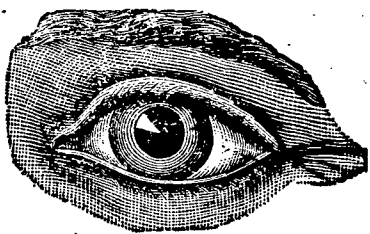
Highball did the quarter in 29:3-4, the half in one minute flat, and the three-quarter in 1:30 3-4. He won the race in straight heats.

Highball, as most horse fanciers know, is one of the entries in the \$6000 free-for-all trot announced for the first day of the Minnesota State Fair, and he will be in one of the fastest fields ever assembled on any track in the country.

### At the Tent.

The secretary of the Religious Liberty Bureau of Minnesota will speak. Every liberty-loving citizen ought to hear this lecture. Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock.

Looking around us we see many persons in middle life, struggling along with poor vision, who might be enjoying normal sight today if they had consulted competent specialist and worn glasses when there was yet time to preserve the sight. Be on the safe side, if you suspect that your eyes are failing let us advise what is best for the eyes.



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## Additional Short Locals.

For good board and room. Inquire 1121 Bemidji.

W. M. Shannon of this city went Feeley this noon where he will fish for a few days.

Fred C. Smith returned to the city Saturday morning after a brief business visit at Redby.

A. B. Carr, who owns the shooting-gallery in this city, went to Cass Lake this noon on business.

C. W. Scrutichins of this city went to Cass Lake this noon on business, returning to the city on the afternoon train.

A. P. Chandler of Fargo, N. D., arrived in the city this noon and went over to his summer home at Lavinia.

Thomas Bailey, Jr., came in this morning from his claim near the Big Fork and is visiting relatives in this city.

F. H. Stansell went to Grand Rapids this noon in the interest of the Lincoln-Jefferson University of Hammond, Ind.

Misses Winkle and Stohl came in this noon from Solway for a short visit in the city as the guests of Miss Ella Parker.

R. J. Poupore came in this morning from Skooks Spur and left on the noon train for a short business visit in Deer River.

George H. Wilder of Grand Forks who owns a summer cottage at the "Bay," returned this noon from a short business trip to the "Forx."

Mrs. Lawrence Martin of Everts, Wash., arrived in the city Saturday evening and is visiting at the home of her brother, John Gibbons of this city.

George H. French, treasurer of Beltrami county, returned this morning from Turtle River where he has been campaigning for the past few days.

W. A. Currie of this city returned this noon from a short business trip to Bagley in the interest of the Gowan-Payton-Twoy company of Duluth.

Sidney Perkins returned to the

city this morning from a week's visit with his brother-in-law, Charles Gustafson, editor of the Tenstrike Tribune.

Miss Alra Fisk returned to the city this morning after enjoying a week's visit with friends at Big Falls as the guest of Miss Ida Brown, formerly of this city.

William Jackson, of White Bear Lake went to Grand Rapids this noon to visit with relatives after spending Sunday with his brother, E. Jackson of this city.

Mr. McDonald seems determined to make good his promise to give the people the best values not only in price, but quality as the line of bakery goods he is displaying is seldom equaled in any city of this size.

The Missionary society of the Baptist church meets at Mrs. Tabor's 1116 Bemidji Ave., at 3 o'clock, Wednesday afternoon August 19th. A short program will be rendered and a silver offering taken. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

## ARNE SOLBERG HAS HAD EXPERIENCE AS DEPUTY

**In His Candidacy for the Shrievelly Nomination, Mr. Solberg Receives Much Encouragement.**

In a recent issue of the Spooner Northern News, Editor Husse, of that journal, relieves himself of the following screed under the caption, "One on the Pioneer? Or One on Mr. Solberg?"

"In a recent issue of the Pioneer we note an item proclaiming the candidacy of Ernest Solberg for the office of sheriff of Beltrami county for the coming election. In the article Mr. Solberg is credited with very efficient 'incumbrancy' of office as deputy to Sheriff Bailey. Now, that is just what has ailed Beltrami county in the past. There seems to have been too much 'efficient incumbrancy' of office, although, as a rule such is kept dark when it comes to election time. What the people want and need is more efficient discharge of official duties and some of the incumberancers are liable to learn such fact about election time."

Whatever may be said of Mr. Solberg's "incumbrancy," nothing can be said of his ability as an officer.

The writer has been on several arduous trips with Arne Solberg while the latter was working as deputy sheriff, and we know whereof we speak, when we say that he has made a good officer. He has traveled in all kinds of weather, both team and afoot, in serving papers and chasing criminals. Being a man who is absolutely fearless, Mr. Solberg makes an excellent officer.

Mr. Solberg has filed for the republican nomination for sheriff, and it is to his advantage that he has served as deputy sheriff for the past two years and has become thoroughly familiar with the workings of the sheriff's office.

Mr. Solberg is making a clean campaign, and any attempt of Husse or his News to throw any slurs in Mr. Solberg's direction will but strengthen the latter with voters of Beltrami county.

### Ira Lappen Laid to Rest.

The funeral of Ira James Lappen, who died Thursday morning from a rupture of the appendix, was held at the Catholic Church Saturday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, Father O'Dwyer of this city conducting the services.

Little Ira was twelve years, nine months and twelve days old at the time of his death. He left many friends who are sorry of his departure.

Six former playmates of the little boy acted as pall-bearers and the body was laid to rest in the family lot at Greenwood Cemetery. The pall-bearers were: Danna Gould, Kenneth Ludington, Alfred Neuman, Frank Thome, and Alex. and Eddie Ripple.

## Doctors Declare Dust Disseminates Disease.



Dust on store shelves and stock indicates disease.

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The parents have the sympathy of many friends in their sudden bereavement.

### Fine Tent Performance.

The engagement of a week of the Miss Courtney Morgan company, under canvass, ended last night and we must say that they gave a number of the best and most clean performances of the season. Miss Courtney Morgan is certainly a star and has undisputed right to high praise.

In their closing bill last night, "A Woman of Mystery," the entire company showed themselves all able and proficient actors. We can truthfully say that they are one of the very best companies making this city, having been here once before and they promise us another visit.

### More Candidates Filed.

Charles Durand of the Town of Durand filed as a candidate for the republican nomination for county commissioner from the Fourth commissioner district.

I. B. Olson, who has forgotten the will of the people, expressed at the ballot box in 1902, today filed as a candidate for register of deeds of Beltrami county.

### Little Child Breaks Her Arm.

Saturday afternoon while little Ardythe, the 7-year-old daughter of Charles Schroeder, who was playing around her home, in some way she tripped and fell, breaking her arm.

Dr. Blakeslee was called and the limb set, and the little girl is reported to be getting along nicely.

## ONLY CHILD IS BURIED IN GREENWOOD CEMETERY

**Helen Esther Reynolds, Infant Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Reynolds, Is Laid to Rest.**

All that was mortal of Helen Esther, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Reynolds, was laid to rest, Saturday afternoon, in Greenwood cemetery, Bemidji's "City of the Dead."

The funeral services were conducted at the Reynolds home, Rev. S. E. P. White officiating. Rev. White spoke briefly on the words of the Savior, "Suffer Little Children to Come Unto Me, and Forbid Them Not, for of Such Is the Kingdom of Heaven," and commended the bereaved parents to an appeal to God for comfort in their great loss—the death of their only child.

The floral offerings were both numerous and beautiful, the little casket being almost buried in the wreaths.

A quartette rendered some selections, and the pallbearers consisted of four little girls who had known Baby Reynolds in her lifetime.

Thus over a happy home the shadow of a little grave has fallen; and, as another has said, it is wonderful how long a shadow a little grave can throw.

This beautiful baby's life was so precious, so fraught with blessing to her parents that she seemed a flower of paradise permitted to bloom for a brief season by their side, then recalled to its native skies, leaving the earth road for them dark and lonely indeed.

### Bereman Hotel Burned.

Houpt, Aug. 17.—(Special to Pioneer.)—The Bereman hotel in this village was burned to the ground Saturday night at 11:30. The origin of the fire was unknown, and everything was lost to Edward Bereman, the proprietor, with the exception of the contents of a fire-proof safe.

No one was injured and the guests escaped, but were unable to save any of their property.

The hotel was valued at \$5,000 and was covered by \$2,500 insurance.

### Adjourned Session Tomorrow.

An adjourned session of the board of equalization will be held in the court house tomorrow. At that time the board expects to complete the assessment charges for this year, having adjourned to this time to await the special assessments to be made by Nels Otterstad on certain tracts of land in the Township of Turtle Lake.

Return to "Forks" to Attend Funeral.

Thomas Nesbit of Grand Forks, who has been spending the summer at Grand Forks Bay, left this after-

## SOLWAY VILLAGE TODAY SCENE OF ANOTHER FIRE

**Livery Barn of A. B. Palmer a Total Loss in Less Than an Hour.—Cause of Fire Unknown.—Partially Covered by Insurance.**

Solway, Minn., Aug 17.—(Special to Pioneer.)—At 11:30 this morning Solway was visited by another fire, which completely destroyed the livery barn and contents belonging to A. B. Palmer.

It is not known just how the fire started but it is presumed that it had its start from matches in the hands of small boys, who were found near the barn at the time the fire alarm was turned in.

Everything was done that was

possible to be done to save the building, but in less than an hour it was a total loss, the firemen having hard work to save the adjoining buildings.

At one time it was thought that the saloon building and ice house of Mike Wold could not be saved, but by hard work the firemen succeeded in controlling the flames.

Mr. Palmer's loss is estimated at \$1,000, which is partially covered by insurance.

noon for his home, to attend the funeral of Alex Mather, who died in that city last night of asthma. Mr. Mather is well known in this city, having spent the past summer here for the benefit of his health, and has a host of friends who will be sorry to learn of his death.

### Thanks for the Chickens.

A Lemloh and wife, who are farming near Puposky, drove to the city yesterday and spent the day and night with Bemidji friends. They presented the editor of this great family necessity with a pair of chickens, and we are seriously considering the proposition of purchasing our next door neighbor's frame barn and starting a hennery. The "chicks" are fine ones, and Mr. and Mrs. Lemloh have our sincere thanks for the same.

### His Skull Fractured.

Alfred Sylvestre, who was working on a loading-hoist near Cass Lake had his skull fractured Saturday afternoon by being struck with a loading hook.

Sylvestre was brought to this city and taken to St. Anthony hospital. The doctors report that he will recover.

### Price of Bread Drops.

In spite of the continued high prices on flour and other raw material, both the Model and the Lakeside bakeries announce today that they have declined the price of bread to 5c a loaf.

### Help Wanted.

We can give steady work to a lady compositor. One who understands typesetting or who has worked at the trade some, preferred. Chance for advancement. Inquire at Pioneer office.

### Subscribe for The Pioneer.

### Wessel's Appointment Meets Approval.

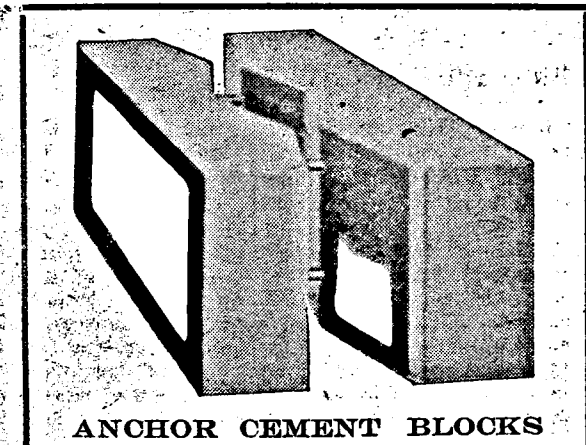
J. A. Wessel of Crookston, who is a member of the firm of Wessel Bros. of St. Paul, spent Sunday in Bemidji. Mr. Wessel is making a splendid record as a member of the State Game and Fish Commission, to which position he was recently appointed by Governor Johnson. Mr. Wessel states that he, together with the other members of the Game Fish Commission, has been appointed a delegate from Minnesota to the International Fishery Congress to be held at Washington, D. C., September 22nd to 26th.

The naming of Mr. Wessel as a member of the commission was one of the most popular appointments made by Governor Johnson. "Joe" Wessel has traveled over this northern country for several years, and he has made a host of friends as a square-dealing commercial traveler and a good fellow.

Mr. Wessel states that the new fish car which is the property of the state will be brought from St. Paul to Deerwood, near Brainerd, Wednesday night, and the car will be in Bemidji, enroute to International Falls Thursday evening. All who can should visit the car.

### Brinkman Family Theatre.

Booth and Gordon, comic Sensational Cyclists, will appear tonight for the first time at the Brinkman. They come here well recommended and we are sure that they will please the patrons of Mr. Brinkman's playhouse. New motion pictures will be thrown on the screen. They are as follows: "Poor Pussy," "A Double Suicide," "Fishing Industries of Astrakhan," "Justice of the Red Skin." The illustrated song will be "You've Always Been the Same Old Pal." Mr. Bertram sings this song with great success and you will be pleased, as he always pleases.



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