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BRainerd AS A MANUFACTURING PLACE.
 We have, ever since we cast our lot in the City of the Pines, been convinced that Brainerd was, sooner or later, to become a great manufacturing place for lumber, with seventy-five per cent. of the pine timber yet remaining in Minnesota being located upon the Mississippi River and its branches north of this place—all of which, to reach a market, must pass under the railroad bridge at this place, whether worked up here, or at St. Cloud or Minneapolis. It must be evident to every one of ordinary business capacity, that all which may be wanted for the use of the future population of the Empire between this and the Rocky Mountains would not be floated down the river to Minneapolis to be manufactured and then hauled back, making an increase of expense over what it would be to do the same at Brainerd, of some two or three dollars per thousand. The market of Southern Minnesota will probably continue to be supplied from there to supply the boundless prairies north of the 46th degree of latitude. It was not to be expected that this business would be developed here until the railroad was open to the Missouri River and the country should be accessible to settlers. But with the small emigration already centered, the demand begins to assume a practical form sufficient to warrant the commencement of permanent investment of capital in manufacturing lumber. Our citizens will be glad to learn, as we said last week, that our worthy, far seeing and public spirited Mayor is making preparations for the demand of the ensuing season, and is about to lay the foundation of a business which will, in the end, equal any of the establishments at Minneapolis. It is now definitely settled that he has purchased of the Lake Superior & Puget Sound Company a large tract of land on the river, adjoining the branch track of the railroad, and embracing the booming facilities of Boom Lake, and will at once commence to erect saw mills, planing mills, etc., upon an extensive scale, and be prepared for the manufacture of lumber in all forms, as soon as logs can be driven down the river. This will give a new impetus to the business of Brainerd, add to its population, and, we are sure, will be but the beginning of more extended operations as fast as the demand will justify. This movement on the part of our enterprising Mayor will be hailed by all our citizens with satisfaction, and we trust will prove a successful one to him. Who will be the next man that will start a factory for manufacturing wooden-ware and household furniture. There is no better place than Brainerd for such an establishment.

THE LEGISLATURE.
 The Mother Grannies of the Senate are still flooding that chamber with an eternal flow of wind and slosh to the exclusion of anything like business. Outside of Wilkinson, Donnelly, Beman, and three or four other gas tubs in that body, the members generally seem inclined to do business, and have much business to do, if they could only get a chance to do it; but as it is, very little has yet been done worthy of mention, and the session is half through. This meeting of the Legislature must certainly be known in history as the "windy session." A bill to divide our Seventh Judicial District has been introduced by Mr. Mason, of Otter Tail, which favors a north and south division, leaving Crow Wing in the old District. In the House Mr. Lafond has given notice of a bill, or memorial, to have the Fort Ripley Reservation vacated and opened to settlement.

We understand that several citizens of Brainerd have employed and sent a lobbyist, of influence, down to get some measure or measures jerked through the law mill, but so many reports are out as to what is "going to be did," that we dare not even guess, in print, as to the nature of the doings. It may be an act of secession passed, whereby Crow Wing may secede from all other counties except Cass county.

To THE EDITOR OF THE TRIBUNE:
 Sir—It may be interesting to your readers to know that Borellis comet is now passing the Meridian at the Lower Combination, less six degrees, at five minutes past ten in the evening, and can be seen by the naked eye, looking at Ferguson Nebulae—two points eastward, making 8 h. 46 m. right ascension; declination, 32 m. 8 deg. and 9 min. north. The comet presents a very beautiful and brilliant figure of bright and golden flashes, and is visible through the entire western and northwestern States. C. P. T.

It must be the dark of the moon, or something. Everybody seems out of humor. Shooting injuns, stabbing white folks, and pummeling one another generally. Come, boys, cheer up; and quit your cussedness.

WILL OUR
 Members of Congress strive to have the law repealed which now imposes a tax (by postage) on the exchange of newspapers, between publishers, and requires postage to be paid on newspapers circulated in the county where published? Were it right and proper that this postage should be imposed, all interested would acquiesce. But it is nothing more nor less than an imposition, made a law by narrow-minded and spiteful Congressmen, who got a grudge against the press of the country for daring to advocate the curtailment of the printing privilege—and they boastfully acknowledged that it was on that account that they passed such a law. The newspapers of the country, regardless of party, will see whether they will "take back" this flag of meanness, during the present session; and if they don't, the influence of said newspapers will not be given to "take them back" to Congress again. It is the littleness of the thing that the publishers look at most, and if Congressmen undertake to "get away" with the press on any childish dodges, they must expect that the press will give them a first-class "impression" before they get through with them.

SPORTSMEN'S CLUB.
 A number of sportsmen of this city met last Wednesday evening, at the Congregational Reading Room, and organized a club, to be called the "Forest and Stream Sportsmen's Club," officered as follows: Col. R. M. Newport, President, Rev. E. S. Williams, Vice President, Thos. P. Cantwell, Secretary and Treasurer. At this, the first meeting, about thirty members were enrolled, and M. C. Russell, of Brainerd, Chas. Hallock, of New York, and Rev. James Beecher, of Foughkeepsie, were elected honorary members. The object of this Club is to bring our sportsmen together to enjoy in company the "legitimate sports of land and water," to encourage and cultivate a taste for the game and fishery laws of this State are enforced and lived up to, and to have all the out-door exercise and amusement they can at a nominal cost. Parties wishing to join the Club are requested to make application as early as possible to any member. A Club meeting will be held at the Congregational Reading Room, on next Wednesday evening, Feb. 4th, at 7:30.

INDIANS.
 The report that was flying around town, last Wednesday, like a half sled on a drunk, to the effect that "Bismarck had been took" by the Sioux, and half the people sent to Kingdom come, at the muzzle of the tomahawk, was very soon found to be a most outrageous case of rumor. Nothing of the kind occurred, and is not likely to occur, right under the noses of enough soldiers to manage all the Indians in that section. The completion of the Northern Pacific Railroad, however, will be the cheapest and most effectual way those red devils of the plains can be finally subdued. If the Government will only promptly and liberally encourage the completion of this great thoroughfare—yes, even were it to build the road—millions of money would be saved to the public treasury in the end, and we would have a grand continental railroad in the bargain. We hope Congress may be far-seeing and liberal enough in its views to know the great result that must immediately be gained in solving this "Indian mystery" by completing the Northern Pacific, and have stamina enough to act in accordance with their honest belief.

BRainerd, January 16th, 1874.
 The Annual Meeting of the Crow Wing County Agricultural Society held in the City of Brainerd, this date.
 L. P. White in the chair.
 On motion, Lyman P. White was elected President of the Society for the ensuing year.
 On motion, David McArthur was elected Vice President.
 On motion, E. H. Davis was elected Treasurer.
 On motion L. B. Perry was elected Secretary. Moved and seconded, That the following named persons be elected the Executive Committee: Lyman P. White, E. H. Davis, L. B. Perry, David McArthur and Wallace Bean. Carried.
 Moved and seconded, That this meeting adjourn. Carried.
 L. B. PERRY, L. P. WHITE, Secretary, President.

A GOOD THING.—Messrs. Sherwood & Smith, at their news stand, have added to their attractions by putting in a public library of valuable and standard books, which they will furnish our citizens at a small rent. This will prove a most valuable thing here in this new country where private libraries are scarce.

THE MINSTRELS NEXT THURSDAY NIGHT.—Ben Hazen's Minstrel Troupe has returned from their tour out to Fargo and Moorhead, where they had a splendid time. They met with a rousing reception by the good people of those places, and their performances gave unbounded satisfaction, as we knew they would. The minstrels will give one of their best performances at Bly's Hall, on next Thursday evening, with a new and very attractive programme, and we bespeak for them a crowded house, as they will deserve it. They have added to their company another first-class performer—Mr. Sweeney, of St. Paul, who alone can grind out enough fun to satisfy all who attend, and the boys are all A. 1. now, as they have been in regular rehearsal. Doors open at 7 o'clock. Performance commences promptly at eight.

"INDIAN SHOT."
 That is about as much as we can find out about it. A few days ago, two Indians, or two civilized Indians, dressed like "any other white men," or two half-breeds, or perhaps two dark-colored common men, met in town. An "old grudge" existed; one wanted to insert a streak of daylight somewhere through the person of the other, but dare not do it in the streets. So he got him across the river somehow (our best efforts as a reporter fail to get the particulars as to how, where, or by what means the tragedy was conducted, or, rather, we get so many kinds of particulars that we don't know which set, if any, is the right set,) and then he inserted a bullet from a revolver into the person of the other man. (We can't find out, though, which of the two was the other one) and the man, half-breed or Indian that got shot, came back to town, and the police, or Sheriff, or both, went after the one that did not get shot, caught him twenty-five miles away, and brought him back to jail, and we heard somebody say he was to have had a hearing yesterday, and that the shooter would be able to appear against the shooter. The result of the hearing is not known. Whether the one that got shot "was an annuity Indian, dressed in white man's clothes, and around trying to buy whisky of saloon keepers, so as to have them arrested for selling whisky to Indians," we can't say. In short, we don't know much about it, and what little we do know is so badly mixed that we cannot make even a respectable fairy tale out of it. There is trouble somewhere, though, we verily believe; and that somebody shot somebody, and that they were either Indians, half-breeds, white men, or all three, we have but little room to doubt.

The body of Sylvester Phillips, a Minneapolis lumberman who was frozen to death some two weeks ago while hunting near Hinckley, was found half a mile from the railroad track on Wednesday. He was a single man, and in the employ of a lumbering company thereaway.

LITERARY SOCIETY.
 I would respectfully state to the members of the Society, that I have been unable to furnish a satisfactory programme for the coming week, but hope to do so by the next. All who wish to appear on said programme will please direct their applications to me by next Thursday evening.
 J. C. ROSSER,
 Com. on Programme.

[Communicated.]
HOW IT IS DONE IN AIKEN.
 Two worthies, whom we will call Y. and J., at the house of the former, where they were "making a night of it," took from his mother's trunk some fifty dollars, and gambled and caroused until it was all in the clothes of J. At about two or three o'clock in the morning, after they had compelled the old lady to get up and feast them on a few delicacies that she had, they parted. The next morning Y. complained to his friends in the saloon that he had been drugged and robbed; so they, headed by a big augur handle, induced J. to let them "go through" him, when they found and took possession of the money. Y.'s guardian slapped him severely for getting drunk when he gambled.

A now; a regular "ripper," occurred on Thursday evening, between some parties in town; it was a "domestic" machine, we believe, hence we give no names nor no particulars, as it is none of our business—further than to say that several awnings were erected on the countenances of the interested parties, some of which resembled moss agates. This has been one of the worst weeks in Brainerd that we have seen for a long time; we hope the storm of passion may soon pass off, and that we shall enjoy some fair weather.

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CHURCH DIRECTORY.
 Episcopal Church.—Rev. FRANK E. MILLER, Rector. Services every Sunday at 11:00 A. M. and 7:1-2 o'clock P. M. Sunday School at 10 o'clock A. M.
 Baptist Chapel.—Services every Sunday at 11 A. M., and 7:1-2 P. M. Sabbath School at 12 M.
 Methodist Church.—Rev. B. J. CASER, Pastor.—Services every Sabbath at 11 o'clock A. M., and 7:1-2 P. M. Sabbath School at 3 P. M. Prayer Meeting on every Thursday evening, at 7:1-2 o'clock.
 Congregational Church, Rev. E. S. WILLIAMS, Pastor. Services every Sabbath at 11 o'clock A. M., and 7:1-2 P. M. Sabbath School at 2:1-2 P. M.

COMPANY "E," M. N. G., of this city, have returned their arms to St. Paul, on order of the Governor, though the company has received no notice to disband. Company A, the St. Paul company, has disbanded, and turned their arms over to the State. There is little hope in trying to keep up a citizen soldiery, under a State law made of dshwater to govern and provide for them.

The Pine City News says that their town has now reached nearly a thousand population, and it wants that it should have some corporate organization. Make a city of it, by all means, Mr. News; don't put up with any one-horse organization—have a red hot city government or nothing. We have one of them, and we just know it is a big thing—the tax collector has told us so.

A cutting scrape took place, we learn, on Wednesday night last, at a down town dance. One man was severely cut in several places, though his wounds are not serious.

Things are very quiet in this town just now. A man dropped a pin on the sidewalk the other day, and the people thought it was an earthquake—you see, things are so quiet like.

Read Smith & Sherwood's new advertisement, headed "Public Library." Now's the time to get your pictures framed, little or big.

The recently published account of a lady turning almost instantaneously into solid stone, from drinking a deposit of water which was found in the center of a geological specimen, at Marksville, La., turns out to be a fact, if we can believe what must be taken as the best authority. Lot's wife turned into salt, thereby becoming still a useful article in the household, which is about all the advantage we can notice her having over this modern conversion in Louisiana. Will wonders never give us a rest!

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BRAINERD LITERARY SOCIETY.
 At a business meeting of the Society held on Tuesday evening last, at Bly's Hall, the following named persons were elected officers for the ensuing quarter: J. W. Steel, President, Geo. W. Holland and M. C. Russell, Vice Presidents, J. S. Campbell, Treasurer, W. W. Hartley, Secretary, Dr. J. C. Rosser, Committee on Programme. A committee of five was appointed to keep order during the meetings hereafter, whose duty it will be to station themselves at different points in the room and enforce, by expulsion, if deemed necessary, the rules of the Society, which we regret have heretofore been grossly violated, and it is believed that by this means order and decorum will be vouchsafed. Admission of persons not members of the Society will hereafter be 25 cts. Membership passes as before, 50 cts. Respectfully,
 W. W. HARTLEY, Sec.

A LIBRARY IN ONE VOLUME.—Among the mountains of Virginia, some time since, the writer of this, met a man on horseback, behind him and attached to his saddle, was a large package, which he seemed to guard with peculiar care. "You appear to have a great treasure attached to your saddle," we remarked. "Yes sir," was the response—"Yes, sir, I have been over to Richmond and bought myself a library." "An entire library on horseback?" "Yes, sir, I have Webster's Unabridged Dictionary in this package, and it is a whole library in itself. I always get the best!"
DAIRY butter 25c. per pound at CANTWELL'S.

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THE NEWS.

The Chief Justice.

On January 13th a caucus of Republican Senators was held at Washington, at which the nomination of Caleb Cushing for Chief Justice was discussed, and after a short debate a vote was taken to test the sense of the caucus, and only eleven votes were cast for Cushing.

The Labor Trouble.

A LARGE NUMBER of unemployed workmen of New York had a demonstration in Tompkins Square, on Tuesday, January 13th. The Commissioners of the Park had given their permission for holding the meeting, but subsequently withdrew it, and requested the police to prevent the meeting from being held.

The Small Game of "Draw."

Waterson, of the Courier-Journal, Louisville, has the reputation of being the sharpest chap in all the West, in small game of "D. P." His description of a little game in which he held a hand will be read with interest by all readers familiar with this exciting pastime.

The West.

A STAGE-COACH with fourteen passengers was attacked by five highwaymen, forty miles south of Little Rock, on Friday, and robbed of \$2,000 in money and valuables.

Young Fish-Hawks.

The young fish-hawks are the funniest thing you ever saw, awkward and misshapen, and with a wide, dignified expression. I watched them several hours a couple learning to fly.

At Large.

The bill to revive the franking privilege provides that everything franked by Congressmen shall also receive a special stamp in the Post-office.

Washington, Jan. 14.

The case has recalled the letter of Jesse D. Bright to Davis, for which he was expelled from the Senate. This letter, dated three weeks before Cushing's, was as follows:

Washington, March 1, 1861.

My dear Sir: Allow me to introduce to your acquaintance Mr. Thomas E. Lincoln, of Texas. He visits your city in order to dispose of what he regards as a great improvement in firearms, and I recommend him to your favorable consideration.

General Items.

GERMANY requires about 5,000,000 more rifles to place its army on a peace footing. Large quantities of Australian pearls have appeared for sale in the English market.

General Items.

W. W. STORY, the poet and sculptor, is of the opinion that the Elgin Marbles, hitherto attributed to Phidias, were not sculptured by him. A RICH old fellow in Georgia purchased two camels in a circus, and is teaching his children to ride them.

General Items.

ANTHONY THOMPSON is going to serve up to the English public, "The Way We Live Now," in twenty monthly parts. The latest edition down South—Atterbury to pass Confederate money as ferry toll.

General Items.

OTISER SMILES, petriphred bird's eggs, and small quantities of guano, have been found on Mare Island, Cal., 20 feet below the surface. How to become practically acquainted with the "Rule of Three"—Live with your wife, mother, and mother-in-law.

General Items.

A CULTURIST in a Chicago police court began his address to the Justice with "Now, jest look'ee here, old Blinky," and got ten days for contempt. NEW ZEALAND has invited Joseph Arch to visit that country, with the view of inspecting its advantages for agricultural emigrants from England.

General Items.

THE Russian ukase, respecting the recruiting for the army during 1874, enacts that six men shall be drafted into the service from every 1,000 inhabitants in all Russia and Poland. A TRUST company has been established in London, with a capital of 1,000,000 pounds sterling, for the purpose of dealing with American municipal bonds.

General Items.

IT is pronounced an enormous sign when a man, who has been married scarcely twelve months, begins to betray an abnormal interest in the causes of lockjaw. A WELL-DRESSED man, apparently a musician, recently created a sensation in Boston by walking about with a placard on his hat, on which was inscribed "I want work."

General Items.

LAY figures of papier mache are now manufactured for artists' use; they are more flexible than wood, and a "young girl" costs about thirty-seven dollars in London. A COUPLE in Colebrook, Mass., tied their sick child to the bed and went to church. They were gone four hours, and when they returned the neighbors, attracted by the prisoner's cries, had broken in the door. The parents were arrested.

General Items.

A LITTLE Washington newboy anticipated Christmas by presenting his mother with a \$75 sewing-machine, after paying her \$3 per week board, all from his earnings since March last, from his attendance school regularly every day, or night. BOYS are slowly recovering from the ill effects of the cholera epidemic, and the season may be said to have commenced. Visitors are flowing in in large numbers. The weather is capricious—now a heavenly day, the next blustering and rainy.

General Items.

THE Rev. Seth A. Clark, a missionary in the western part of Kansas, has a portable church-ten capable of seating seven hundred persons. He has a good mule and a wagon on springs, furnished expressly for the transportation of the church from place to place. IN Castro Valley, Alameda county, Cal., there is a forest of Australian gum trees covering over one hundred acres. The trees were planted only three and a half years ago, and some have attained a height of fifty feet and a diameter of twelve inches.

General Items.

BENJ. F. EVANS, of Charleston, S. C., who had charge of printing the Confederate money during the war, has just died. His life, while at work for the rebels, was full of adventures. He was obliged to import his machinery and skilled labor from England, via Mexico and the West. HARVARD was not, after all, the first American College which disgraced itself by rejecting a woman as a student; for in 1733 Miss Lucretia Foote, of Cheshire, Conn., was declared by President Stiles, of Yale College, and qualified in every way, to receive a pupil in the freshman class of that University.

General Items.

A CURIOUS mode of fish-batching is said to be followed in China. Having collected the necessary spawn from the water's edge, the fishermen place a certain quantity in an empty hen's egg, which is sealed up with wax and put under a setting hen. After some days, they break the egg and empty the fry into water well warmed by the sun, and there nurse them until they are sufficiently strong to be turned into a lake or river. A DUTCH merchant named Johnson was very hard on his clerks, and a purchaser left his store without a purchase being made. Johnson was greatly astonished, and, walking back to the clerk, asked: "Do you know that lady?" "No, sir," replied the clerk, "but I think she must be crazy." "You are right," returned the old man, "she must be crazy."

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