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In Duluth Tuesday old wheat sold for \$1.00 1/2 and new at 98 cents.

The Steinway Piano company has sold its business to an English syndicate for \$6,000,000.

Fargo is to have a new \$35,000 Northern Pacific depot. Good for Fargo, she needs it.

The Tomlinson liquor case has cost Steele county to date, \$523.30; and other bills to come in—and the end is afar off.

There has been so much said of late about prosperity; that we will just say look at the wheat fields and the market reports; compare them with a year ago, and say nothing.

All right, Neighbor Fladeland, we acknowledge the corn. Twenty-five birds goes, "only twenty-five." Up to date The Pioneer hasn't seen the feathers of any—send us over three or four.

The Fessenden News is asking for "vegetables, butter and eggs, or produce of any kind," to apply on subscription. Neighbor Stickley is publishing a good paper and he ought to receive his cash.

This is fine harvest weather and the farmers are rushing things along. Several machines will commence threshing this week, and will be general next. Considerable of the grain is late, owing to the cool nights.

Mayor Lewis, of Moorhead, was arrested last week for hunting chickens before the law expired, but his trotting horses were too fast for the game warden, so the judge dismissed the case; although he should have been fined twice.

Senator Darbie, of Bathgate, says that the Great Northern is running a survey through Cavalier county connecting with the Aneta branch, and that it undoubtedly means an extension of this line next summer. The senator is in a position to know, as he owns large tracts of land up there—same as Col. Thayer, at Aneta.

The old soldiers at Buffalo, are endeavoring to have the government raise the old ironclad Monitor that licked the rebel ram Merrimac during the war. She was sunk off Cape Hatteras, Dec. 31, 1862. If McKinley wants to keep solid with the G. A. R. boys he'll urge the matter. It wont cost much, and they can spend less foolishly elsewhere.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS.

Official Proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners of Steele County.

Sherbrooke, N. D., Aug. 16, 1897.

Board of county commissioners convened at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment. Present R. B. Cochrane chairman, and Commissioners King, Brown, Rindy and Williams.

The minutes of the board of equalization for July 10, and meeting of the board of county commissioners for July 10, 1897, were read and approved.

On motion the following bills were allowed and ordered paid from the county general fund, viz:

Trail county, costs of court in Tomlinson cases	\$362 60
Steele County Tribune, publishing notices and commissioner's proceedings	25 15
Hope Pioneer, publishing notices and commissioner's proceedings	27 25
Walker Bros., blanks, school orders and desk supplies, for county offices	41 35
Walker Bros., warrants and tax statements	24 50
H C Bergun, building house for Mrs. Struxness, pauper	7 50
P D Cole, building house for Mrs. Struxness, pauper	7 50
Hillsboro Hospital, care of M. Banke, pauper	50 00
C R Jackson, wood furnished Mrs. Cyris, pauper	2 90
P P Rice, flour furnished Mrs. Cyris \$2.45; Taylor \$2.70; total	6 15
H A Long, hauling lumber for Mrs. Struxness' house	6 00
Welo & Teil, clothing and flour furnished Ole Kittleson, pauper	4 70
R I Simonson, hardware for Mrs Struxness' house	4 85
Beidler & Robinson Lumber Co. lumber for Mrs. Struxness' house	78 97
Rodenberg, Beckerjeck & Co., groceries furnished Mrs. Cyris pauper	5 11
W W Hazlett, meat furnished Mrs. Cyrus, pauper	7 16

On motion the time for opening bids for county coal and delivering the same was continued to 1 o'clock p. m.

On motion the board adjourned to 1 o'clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Board reconvened at 1 o'clock p. m., pursuant to adjournment. All members present.

The board proceeded to open bids for furnishing 25 tons of hard stove coal and for delivering the same.

On motion the bid of Leonard Verwest to furnish 25 tons of hard stove coal and deliver the same in the basement of the court house for \$9.70 per ton, was ac-

cepted; the same being the lowest bid therefor.

The following bill was ordered paid from the general fund:

Rodenberg, Beckerjeck & Co., groceries for Mrs. Cyris, pauper	3 00
On motion the following bills were allowed paid out of the road and bridge fund:	
L N Bugbee, hauling lumber for Primrose bridge, as per contract, and hardware for same	40 90
John Duacan, hauling lumber for Easton and Golden Lake bridges, as per contract	23 48
Beidler & Robinson Lumber Co. lumber for covering Primrose bridge and Nash bridge, on order of commissioners	155 22
Beidler & Robinson Lumber Co. lumber furnished Easton township on order of commissioners, \$72.16, allowed at	68 52

The following bill was ordered paid from the penalty and interest fund:

Theodore Curry, thirty-six days' work in auditor's office	63 00
On motion the following bills were allowed and ordered paid from the general fund, viz:	
Steele County Mercantile Co., sundry supplies for county building	6 60
L C Goplerud, making delinquent tax list in treasurer's office	18 00
Christ Christensen, putting screens and screen doors on court house	1 00
Charles G. Boise auditor, cash advanced for postage, cartage express and telephone	8 55

George Murray, expenses Tomlinson cases at Hillsboro and Fargo and cash paid for livery hire \$37.07, Warrey assault and battery case, Williams case, type writer work in county cases and telephone charges, \$0.50, total two-bills
 46 57 |

L N Bugbee, drawing lumber for court house, sidewalk, and vault shelves
 9 25 |

On motion the varified statement of expenses of state witnesses in the Tomlinson gambling case at Hillsboro, by George Murry, was approved, and witness' expenses ordered paid by warrants as follows:

Samuel L Linn, state witness	4 80
W E Taplin do	9 00
John W Anderson do	4 80
Robt A. McLean do	4 00

On motion the varified statement of expenses of state witnesses in the Tomlinson whiskey case at Hillsboro by Geo Murray, was approved, and expenses ordered paid by warrants as follows:

Mary McLaughlin state witness	14 70
Elizabeth Chapman do	14 40
C S Shippy do	14 40
Carl Gustafson do	14 40
Hans Bostad do	14 40
John W Anderson do	14 40
S L Linn do	14 40
Nels Olson do	3 00
C K Jordet do	3 00
B E Brady do	25 90
Carl Johnson do	5 00

On motion the report of the board of insanity in the case of Lena Gilbertson insane, was approved, and fees ordered paid by warrants, as follows:

W I Warry, per diem, member board and fees	4 25
Samuel L Linn, sheriff's fees	7 80
Geo Murray, per diem and member of board	2 00

On motion the following bills were ordered paid by warrants:

Martin Tredt, building out-house, walk and putting shelves in county vaults, \$45.00, allowed at	40 00
Laor King, cash advanced for splitting wood, and screenings for Mrs. Cyris, pauper	1 00
Laor King, commissioner's per diem and milage	4 00
J G Brown, commissioner's per diem and milage	4 20
H J Rindy, commissioner's per diem and milage	3 80
O W Williams, commissioner's per diem and milage	3 80
R B Cochrane, commissioner's per diem, milage and day poor board	6 80

The bill of Wellington VanDusen for building four county bridges at contract price of \$200.00, was ordered paid from the road and bridge fund in two warrants as follows:

One warrant delivered this date for	150 00
One warrant delivered on inspection of bridges for	50 00

The state treasurer having remitted the county treasurer the sum \$1,878 10, being for the refundment of the Russian thistle and French weed collections, less \$175.65, the pro rata share of the expense, in accordance with the statute in such case made and provided. On motion the county treasurer was instructed to place \$1,000.00 of said sum to the credit of the sinking fund, and the balance \$878.10, to the credit of the general fund of the county.

On motion the board adjourned sine die.

Attest: CHARLES G. BOISE,
County Auditor.

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