

Yes, there were a few real bonified newspaper men on the editorial excursion. But there were more lawyers, doctors, merchants, harnessmakers, liverymen, farmers, politicians, bankers and such; than editors. But we'll bet if they don't go again. If we have an editorial association—let us have one—or else throw up the sponge. That Cando gang of "spongers" will be cared for at the Grand Forks meeting. The railroad officials will have something interesting to say, when transportation is asked for again. Just listen.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS.
Official Proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners of Steele County.

Sherbrooke, N. D., March 6, 1890.
 Board of county commissioners convened at 10 o'clock, a. m., pursuant to adjournment.

Present, H. J. Rindy, chairman, and Commissioners G. O. Johnson, E. G. Erickson and H. N. Horner.

Minutes of the meeting of Jan. 13, 1890, were read and approved.

The board having under consideration the provisions of house bill No. 51, passed at the sixth session of the legislative assembly of the state of North Dakota, and the same having been duly approved by the governor of said state, and it being considered advisable to increase the amount of the sinking fund of the county as rapidly as possible to meet its outstanding bonded indebtedness at the maturity thereof:

On motion of H. N. Horner, duly carried, it was ordered that the monthly collections of penalty and interest belonging to the county, shall belong to and become part of the sinking fund, and the county treasurer and county auditor shall place such penalty and interest to the credit of the sinking fund at the time of each monthly settlement.
 Eyes, G. O. Johnson, E. G. Erickson, H. N. Horner and Mr. Chairman. Naye, none.

On motion the board adjourned until 1 o'clock p. m., of the same day.
 Attest:

Charles G. Boise,
 County Auditor.

Sherbrooke, N. D., March 6, 1890.
 Board of county commissioners reconvened at 1 o'clock p. m., pursuant to adjournment. Present, H. J. Rindy, chairman, and Commissioners Johnson, Erickson and Horner.

The official bond of T. S. Hunt, county auditor, in the sum of \$5,000, was presented to the board of commissioners.

On motion said bond and sureties thereon, were approved.

On motion the following bill was allowed and ordered paid from the road and bridge fund:

W I Warrey, drawing plans and specifications for bridges..... \$ 3 00

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

A T Reitznaff, coal and wood for Andrew Johnson, pauper.....	\$ 5 25
E J Baldner, coal and wood for Mrs. Borstad, pauper.....	7 35
E J Baldner, coal and wood and 5 gallons of kerosene oil for Mrs Borstad pauper, bill \$7.29 allowed at.....	7 04
Hegge & Nelson, groceries and other provisions for Barbo Rodningen, pauper.....	11 50
Steele County Tribune, stationery for county officials.....	23 15
Steele County Tribune, publishing commissioner's proceedings and notices.....	14 75
Walker Bros., supplies for county offices.....	8 50
Geo A Lyde, repairs for gas plant and for fixing same....	10 65
C Christianson, janitor work in county building.....	1 50
W I Warrey, supplies for county building.....	3 85
Grand Forks Herald Publishing Co., two warrant books..	28 00
Hope Pioneer, publishing commissioner's proceedings and notice to bridge builders.....	30 45
Finley Golden Slope, publishing commissioner's proceedings, notice to bridge builders and teacher's examination.....	29 60
Charles G Boise, cash advanced for freight, express etc.....	10 31
Charles G Boise, expenses incurred at Cooperstown, canvassing legislative vote, sixteenth legislative district.....	4 20
Severt Johnson, board and care of Jacob Heskin, pauper, for December and January.....	40 00
O W Williams, cash advanced to Lucas Bros. for 500 carbide	25 00
Oscar Cummings, 117 pounds pork for Mrs Borstad, pauper	7 00
McCormick & Merriell, heating stove for office of register of deeds.....	22 00
O W Williams, cash advanced for Mrs Cyrus, as per order of commissioners.....	40 00
Lewis Smith, 2 days' work digging grave of Munson Burtch pauper, bill \$8.00, allowed at	5 00

On motion the following bills were tabled:

C S Shippy, bill of \$7.65, expenses in case of Henry J Bauley, et al. vs Steele county.

C R Jackson, bill of \$10.41 for coal and drayage for James Taylor and Mrs. Cyrus, paupers.

S L Linn, fees for making real estate tax sales, \$76.53.

The time for opening bids for bridge building, furnishing material etc, having arrived, the board of commissioners proceeded to open and examine same.

After consideration of all bids received, on motion said bids were rejected and the county auditor was authorized to request parties who had filed bids, to again submit proposals for consideration at the next meeting of the board.

On motion the report of M. C. Pressly, justice of the peace, for quarter ending Dec. 31, 1893, was approved and fees allowed from the county general fund, as follows:

M C Pressly, justice fees in case of state of North Dakota vs. Malcomb Pierce.....	8-1 70
Geo A Warner, deputy sheriff's fees.....	4 00
Hugh Nowall, witness fees.....	1 80

The proposal of Steele County Bank for lease for 25 years, of the west 25 feet of the east 70 1/2 feet of lots No. 1 and 2, in block 23, Town of Hope, and now occupied by said bank, offering to pay the sum of \$50.00, was on motion accepted, conditioned that said lease shall not prevent the county from selling said lots before the expiration of the same.

The application of L. P. VanNorman to purchase the interest of Steele county, in and to lots 15, 16, 17, 19, 20 and 23, block 28, original townsite of Hope, and agreeing to pay for same the sum of \$25.00, was presented to the board.

On motion said application was granted and the chairman directed to execute a quit claim deed of said premises to L. P. VanNorman.

On motion the following petition for bridge was granted:

Petition of Ole Paulson and others for bridge between sections 24 and 25, Primrose township.

Upon investigation it having been found that the bridge built in 1898, between sections 26 and 27, Enger township, was too short, it was ordered that an extension of 24 feet be added to said bridge.

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

G O Johnson, commissioner, per diem and mileage.....	\$ 4 20
H J Rindy, commissioner, per diem and mileage.....	4 20
E G Erickson, commissioner, per diem and mileage.....	4 60
H N Horner, commissioner, per diem and mileage.....	3 40

On motion the board adjourned to March 25, 1890, at 10 o'clock a. m.

T. S. Hunt,
 County Auditor.

JONATHAN BEESWAX.

A Minneapolis land company is sending circulars through the country warning people to have nothing more to do with their agent now stationed at Valley City. It seems that the agent recently reformed and became honest which so scandalized a time honored principle of the company that they repudiated him at once.

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 Mr. McCumber was so tickled over his election that he paid the running expenses of all his opponents in the senatorial race, which amounted, in the aggregate to \$10,000. It will take two years of the Senator's salary to make up for this, besides it is stated, on good authority, that it costs about \$25,000 per year to keep one's head up in the senatorial social circles of Washington. At this rate, Mr. McCumber will come out \$130,000 behind at the expiration of his term. When I look over these figures I feel in duty bound to return my heart felt thanks to our state legislature for not electing me United States senator. I have been figuring up my liabilities and assets lately and I find that a term in the senate at this rate would just about bust me.

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 An English physician of some prominence has made the startling statement that blushing is not due to sentiment, as has been heretofore supposed, but is caused by wearing woolen socks and too heavy under clothing. From time immemorial it has been thought that the blush was caused by an impression, either pleasant or otherwise, upon the moral sensibilities, arising from something either seen or heard; but this doctor knocks the idea in the head by his wonderful discovery that blushing is the result of wearing woolen clothing which causes a paralysis of the sympathetic circles of nerves surrounding the arteries, and not contracting properly, allow a freer flow of blood to the surface. What a blow this is to the most cherished instances of our fondest recollections. No more can we congratulate ourselves upon our powers of fascination when we see the blush mantle the fair