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Thursday being a public holiday THE GLEANER will not be published on that day.

MR. HALE AND HIS CONSTITUENTS.

It is not learned whether or not Mr. Hale has tendered his resignation as the member for Carleton in the dominion parliament; but this much is certain that no Liberal convention would, under any circumstances, again approve his candidature. He was accepted by the electors because of his endorsation of Liberal principles; and his betrayal of those principles is sufficient ground for demanding his resignation.

During the Dominion elections, after Mr Hale was accepted as the Liberal candidate, certain rumors were current respecting his trimming disposition, and the Liberal leaders in the county brought Mr. Hale to book, and obtained from him new pledges of fidelity to Liberal principles. Mr. Hale gave those pledges anew under a perfect understanding that if he did not give them the Liberal party would withdraw his candidature and put another man in the field. It is this well known fact that makes Mr. Hale's course in parliament one deserving of condemnation by Carleton Liberals.

Mr. Hale can no longer hoodwink the electors by false promises. He has been tried in the balance and found wanting. He can never undo the lack of confidence in his political sincerity which he has established; and he has utterly lost the confidence of the Liberal party and is heartily despised by the Tories.

His very votes show that he lacks fixity of principle. Last session, it will be remembered, he voted in favor of the dominion government's disallowance policy—a principle obnoxious to all Liberals, and which was so indefensible that the Tory government was actually compelled to abandon the policy in parliament this session. Mr. Hale could not endorse last year the liberal party's opposition to a principle, which principle this year the tory government admits to be one needed in the public interest. But this year Mr. Hale actually voted for Mr. Laurier's amendment to the guarantee, the preamble of which amendment condemns the disallowance principle for which Mr. Hale voted last year in opposition to the liberal party. What does Mr. Hale mean by these contradictory votes? Does the man understand the nature of the votes which he is giving, that he votes one way to day and another way to-morrow on the same question. It is only consideration for the tender feelings and sensitiveness of the Supreme Court judges, which prevents Mr. Hale being called a political Pooh-Bah.

The member for Carleton should be manly enough to recognize that his duty lies in tendering his resignation; and if he really believes the interests of the constituency are not associated with maintaining the cardinal principles of the Dominion liberal party, he should contest the county over as an independent or a ministerialist. He obtained his seat under representations which he does not honor in fulfillment and his sense of honor and manliness ought to prompt his resignation without any further direct hints from the liberal party. If Mr. Hale will not do this, the liberal party should in convention condemn his course and demand his resignation. The liberal party in this province has too long been cursed with trimmers; and the time has come for a stand up fight with the class. Once crush the trimmers within the liberal ranks and we can then face our political foes with confidence.

A RATHER DEAR SENTENCE.

The announcement that the Opposition intended to re-open the whole discussion of the New Brunswick Judiciary, and especially upon the habits and reputations of certain Supreme Court Judges, combined with the certainty that the debate would be protracted and acrimonious, has compelled the Dominion Government to abandon for this session the proposal to increase the salaries of the Supreme Court Judges. It is said that revenge is sweet, and if so, the imprisoned editor in Fredericton jail must feel gratified at learning, that as a probably indirect consequence of his imprisonment, the Judges who sentenced him have each lost one thousand dollars increase of salary this year, which otherwise would have been voted. If judges will get into unseemly wrangles with journalistic politicians, over criticisms pertaining to the struggles of rival political parties, they must not be surprised if those whom they treat with unfairness and severity, should use their influence with their political party to enter upon a political crusade, having reform in the personel of the Provincial Supreme Court, and the abolition of the power of trial for constructive contempt, among its objects. It is unfortunate that the names of the judges should be dragged into political controversy; but they are alone to blame, because they were warned in the press when the proceedings in the contempt case were commenced, that such would be the consequences.

The session of parliament closes this evening, and although $89,000 have been found for fourteen miles of the Tobique Valley road no subsidy has been voted for the Prince William road. There is even a doubt as to whether the subsidy will eventually be voted; there is also a doubt as to whether there is to be any dominion election in York this year. Some of those who are supposed to know say there will be no election for two years. There seems to be such a mystical connection between the granting of railway subsidies and elections that we would advise those interested to prepare their minds for delay, though we would fain hope that the road would be commenced the present summer, even if it were to be followed by the misfortune of an immediate election. Nothing much, however can be hoped for unless some chance is provided for somebody to make some money. The company are willing and anxious enough to sell their chance, but the foreigners naturally want to be sure of the subsidy for the whole road, before investing their money, and it is clearly to the interest of both buyers and sellers to have the subsidy question settled before any contract for sale is closed.

The Crown Attorney at Toronto a few days since directed Judge Macdougall's attention to the manner in which the press had taken sides and discussed our extradition case which was sub-judicie. His Honor who did not feel that the impartiality of his decisions could be governed by anybody, assured the crown-attorney with a smile "that as the case was not to go to a jury, but was to be decided on the evidence by himself there was no danger that newspaper articles or public resolutions would have any undue influence." Had the crown attorney called the attention of a New Brunswick judge to such an incident, he would immediately have ordered half a dozen newspaper editors into the county jail here.

FROM THE COUNTRY.

News from the Districts About Us

As Reported by Our Active Correspondents.

Accidents, Personal Intelligence and Things in General.

DOUGLAS.

How Arbor Day was Celebrated at Pugh's Crossing.

DOUGLAS, May 21. Arbor day was celebrated in Pugh's school house at or near Pugh's Crossing on Friday afternoon, the 18th inst, by a large number of scholars. As in remembrance to their honorable friends and scholars likewise there was a large number of trees of all descriptions set out in the school yard and named as follows:

Duke of Kent, Hattie Pugh.
Lord Stanley, Doretta Brewer.
President Cleveland, Celia Burtt.
Lord Salisbury, Woodford Merrithew.
Sir John A Macdonald, Miss C Jewett.
Geo F Gregory, Wm Green.
Wm Wilson, do
Mayor Hazen, do
J B Oakes, Lizzie Merrithew.
Professor Harrison, Georgie Merrithew.
Lord Randolph Churchill, Ella Pugh.
Prof Horatio C Wood, Fannie Colter.
Provost Peppers, Addie Shepherd.
Lord Lansdowne, Mary Shepherd.
Marquis of Lorne, Lorne Merrithew.
Prince of Wales, Beverly Shepherd.
Queen Victoria, Charles Wilcox.
Professor Hare, Samuel Colter.
Princess Louise, Lizzie Merrithew.
Mrs Langtry, Randolph Pugh.
Lady Tilley, Hattie Pugh.
D H Agnew, Jane Pugh.
Lady Churchill, Jennie Colter.
Hon A G Blair, Hiram Shepherd.
Mrs Cleveland, Roy Colter.
Professor Carnes, George Pugh.
Miss C Jewett, Blanch Pugh.
Alex Gibson, Willie Pugh.
Dr Colter, Fred Hagerman.
Professor Elliott, Bessie Shepherd.
Miss Walch, Maudie Smith.
H D Yerxa, Charlie Pugh.
Rev J E Reud, Hattie Merrithew.
Lawyer Fisher, Franklin Brewer.
Col Maunsel, Minnie Pugh.
Mrs Maunsell, Mr Beverly Shepherd.
David Pugh, Mr Charlie Pugh.
Mary Anderson, Mr Fred Hagerman.
Miss Richardson, Mr Hiram Shepherd.
Hon W P Mitchell, Mr Clarence Jones.
Professor Foster, Mr Clarence Jones.

In the evening with Dr Colter in the chair, recitations, dialogues and speeches to a goodly number were delivered to quite a large audience by the scholars and few honored friends present. A great deal of credit rests upon our teacher, Miss Carrie Jewett, for celebrating that day, and also making sport for the juveniles.

One of our enterprising young ladies of this place, Miss Ella Brewer, has pieced and finished a quilt with no less than 6,316 blocks. Girls beat that if you can.

SHEFFIELD.

The Freshet in Sunbury—Matrimonial—Purchased a Farm.

SHEFFIELD, May 19. We have had a very high freshet. It was at its highest yesterday afternoon, and has fallen about an inch during the night.

The long bridge between Sheffield and Lakeville has been badly injured. It is reported that quite a long piece of it has gone out to sea.

The bridge at Hunter's Ferry has met with a similar fate. The whole country is sorry about these bridges, as it would be a universal calamity to be left long without them. We hope the government will be able to give attention to the repairing of these at once.

We are badly wanting another boat on the river. We long to get a sight of the David Weston once more.

An interesting event came off at Clark's Corner on the evening of Wednesday last. Mr. John Murray and Miss Bessie Chase were made one. The ceremony was performed at the residence of Mr. James Chase, the father of the bride, by the Rev Wm Maggs. A large number of invited guests were present The bride, who is generally respected, was the recipient of a number of handsome and useful presents.

Mr John Murray has purchased the farm and stock, farming implements, etc, of Mr Cornelius Vandine on the Maquapit Lake.

Mr Vandine is about to move to Gibson or vicinity.

LOWER KINCARDINE.

The Celebration of Arbor Day in the Scotch Colony.

LOWER KINCARDINE, May 21. There was quite a lively interest taken in Arbor day in this district this year. By ten o'clock our teacher, Miss Jordan, and all the pupils in attendance, along with some other lady friends, who kindly volunteered to lend a hand, had assembled at the school house and set to work with a will to give the school room a thorough cleaning, and with that, as with her work as a teacher, it was done to perfection. In the afternoon two of the trustees and several others, the oldest boys attending school included, went to work leveling the ground, repairing the fence and planting trees, which it is hoped will take root and grow. They also put up a good swing which seemed to be highly valued by the pupils. Altogether a very pleasant day was spent.

By what we have heard the upper district, in charge of Miss Hartt, was in no way behind its neighbor in making general improvements.

UPPER KENT.

An Interesting Ceremony at Kilburn—Bride and Groom Leave for Colorado.

UPPER KENT, May 21st. Kilburn lost one of its most popular young ladies on Wednesday last, when Mr Samuel Brown was united in the holy bands of wedlock to Miss Mary Jackson. The ceremony was performed by the Rev W E Johnson. The bride was attended by Miss Ida Kilburn and the groom was ably supported by Mr Jack Jackson, brother of the bride Mr Brown was formerly of Upper Kent, but for several years has made his home in Leadville, Colorado, where he is engaged in mining. The bride was the recipient of very many valuable presents, testifying to the high regard in which she was held. Mr and Mrs Brown took the train this morning for their home in Colorado followed by the best wishes of all their friends. They will be accompanied by Mr Jack Jackson and Mrs David Caughey and daughter.

MILLVILLE.

The News of the Week—Arbor Day and How it was Celebrated.

MILLVILLE, May 18. Very little, just now, transpiring in our village of interest. "Spring very backward," seems to be the general salutation as neighbors meet.

Mr. Ryan's mill is now running full time and doing good work. He is shipping large quantities of lumber to different points on the N. B. railway.

All were pleased yesterday to welcome among us as a resident our genial friend. Dr. J. G. Owens, who has decided to make Millville his head quarters, as being the most central point. His office is in H. E. Estey's building.

Our two merchants, Jones and Estey, appear to be doing a thriving business.

Mr. E. Love, our jolly blacksmith, complains of being worked to death, but he looks as if he could stand it.

The big hotel, "Millville House," is all ready for a rush of summer boarders, and no doubt the proprietor, Henry Brown, would be overjoyed to welcome a big crowd

This is Arbor day, and from appearances a very slim one, much to the disappointment of both teachers and pupils, the latter of whom says, "Miss ——— could not get any men to come and plant trees." They celebrated arbor day at district No. 11, Beckwith Ridge, Miss May Hunt, teacher, in good style, planted some twenty-five trees and ended by a concert in the afternoon. Mr. H. Sprout, Jr., kindly provided music on that sweetest of all musical instruments, the violin. The programme, consisting of recitations, dialogues and singing, was well rendered, and considering the short time the teacher had at her disposal for practice great credit is due all; where so many did so well, it would scarcely be right to particularize. A duett by the teacher and Miss E. M. Sharp, as well as a reading by the same young ladies, was well received by the audience.

The national anthem closed the performance, and all separated mutually pleased and happy.

KINGSCLEAR.

The Freshet—Personal News—Death of Some Clydesdale Colts—Other News.

KINGSCLEAR, May 18. The water in the river has been falling since last Thursday morning and now several spots of ground with its coat of green grass are beginning to show up again on the islands and intervals which have been nearly all submerged. Very little damage has been done except to some fields of wheat and oats that were sown before the water began to raise.

Very little farming has been done in the upper part of the parish, owing to the wet condition of the ground since the heavy rain, and a great many of the farmers have not got a seed of any kind in the ground.

The Rev. Thomas Hicks and wife, of Nashwaak, are visiting their many friends of this place.

Notices have been put out by the secretary of school trustees of district No. 3, calling for tenders for repairing the school house.

Rev. Mr. Dobson, of Fredericton, and Rev. Mr. Taylor, of this place, exchanged pulpits last Sunday.

Several of the young Clydesdale colts sired by "Prior" have died apparently without a cause.

The new school library for district No 3 has been purchased and is at present at the residence of Mr. Albert Everett, and any person in the district can have the books by calling at Mr. Everett's.

Some of the American horse buyers have purchased several fine horses lately from this place.

CAMPBELLTON.

Killed by the Train—Milling Operations—Narrow Escape.

CAMPBELLTON, May 17. A man named Michael Archibald, belonging to Flat Lands, was killed yesterday morning while walking on the track between Metapedia and Mill Stream. It is supposed that he attempted to board the train as it was passing and fell against the cars.

A cookhouse belonging to H. O'Leary, Esq., situated near his mill at Mission Point, was burned down on Tuesday night.

Mr. O'Leary's mill commenced sawing this morning.

Mr. Richards will commence sawing to-morrow morning.

Messrs. McLellan & Duncan have had ten feet added to their steam launch which greatly improves the appearance of the boat, and no doubt she will be much faster than last summer. They expect to have her ready for launching in a few days.

One of the men working at Andrew & Boudreau's factory, had a narrow escape from being crushed to death this morning by the sides of a well which they were digging, caving in, but was extricated from his dangerous position without any injury, except a pretty bad scare.

KESWICK.

Notes of Interest from Upper Sections of Keswick.

UPPER KESWICK, May 14. Rev. Mr. Aaron Hartt, the Evangelist, has been holding meetings here in Burtt's hall for these last few evenings. He has now returned to his home in Maine, with much regret to the christian workers who need his help.

Rev. Mr. Deinstead, the Methodist minister, from Woodstock, N. B., supplied the pulpit of Rev. Mr. Pierce's circuit on the 13th instant. He was well liked wherever he left his testimony.

I noticed in the last issue a slight error about the district meeting being held here the 20th of **May.** It is to be held the 26th instant instead.

The Best Cough Medicine
we know of is Allen's Lung Balsam.

The Real Offender.

OTTAWA FREE PRESS: "If anybody should be sent to prison for bringing Judge Fraser into contempt it is the man who started the proceedings against Mr. Hawke, and thus had the judges frailties advertised all over the country."

Sir Richard's View.

Sir Richard Cartwright in parliament on Thursday said: "He would like to see the criminal libel law amendment bill go further and make it impossible for an editor to be put into jail for commenting on a concluded trial."

Why Laura Lost Her Beau.

Laura once had an affluent beau,
Who called twice a fortnight or so,
Now she sits, Sunday eve,
All lonely to grieve,
Oh, where is her recreant beau,
And why did he leave Laura so?

Why, he saw that Laura was a languishing, delicate girl, subject to sick headaches, sensitive nerves, and uncertain tempers; and knowing what a life-long trial is a fretful, sickly wife, he transferred his attentions to her cheerful, healthy cousin, Ellen. The secret is that Laura's health and strength are sapped by chronic weakness, peculiar to her sex, which Ellen averts and avoids by the use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. This is the only remedy, for woman's weaknesses and ailments, sold by druggists, under a positive guarantee from the manufacturers, that it will give satisfaction in every case or money will be refunded. See guarantee on bottle wrapper.

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DOMINION PARLIAMENT.

The Last Two Days of the Session.

OTTAWA, May 19. In the commons to-day, a farewell address to Lord Lansdowne was adopted on motion of Sir John Macdonald, seconded by Hon. Mr. Laurier, who made a new and appropriate speech.

On motion for the third reading of the bill to amend the franchise act, Hon. Mr. Laurier moved to insert an amendment providing that there should be this year a revision of the electoral lists in every constituency where there was a petition against the sitting member. The amendment was voted down by 74 to 53, four conservatives voting with the opposition. The bill was then passed and the railway subsidies resolution was then taken up.

Sir Richard Cartwright and Hon Mr Mitchell urged that the government should take care that roads subsidised were carried out and that the money was not voted to purely speculative railway companies. The resolutions were concurred in and a bill founded thereon introduced.

On motion to go into supply, Sir Richard Cartwright called attention to the importation of paupers into Canada through agencies and at the public expense. The government had been warned frequently against the risk of allowing this sort of immigration to go on, but they had apparently taken no steps to prevent it. He advised that paupers or other undesirable immigrants shipped out to Canada should be sent back to the countries from whence they came.

Hon. Mr. Carling said instructions were issued to European immigration agents to send out none but persons who would make good settlers.

Hon. Mr. Laurier said that local poor house boards in the United Kingdom were taking advantage of Canada's assisted emigration system to get rid of persons who were burdens upon them.

Mr. Landerkin brought up the question of management of conservatory on the parliamentary grounds, and said he had been informed by the chief gardener that all flowers grown therein were for cabinet members tables. (Laughter.)

Sir John said that if his colleagues had been helping themselves to the flowers, he had not got a share.

Mr. Landerkin said he had also been informed that a large number of valuable roots and plants at the central experimental farm had been destroyed through being placed in a cellar and allowed to rot for want of ventilation. When complaint had been made about this, the reply of the superintendent was: "I want you to understand, sir, that this is an experimental farm." (Laughter.)

In supply on the fisheries estimates, Hon. Mr. Foster said that an attempt to transplant lobsters from the Atlantic to the Pacific coast had been a failure, and he did not propose to do anything in the matter this year.

Hon. Mr. Jones asked what the government proposed doing in regard to the petition asking that fishing with nets in Bedford basin be prohibited for some years. He regretted to say that the hatchery established there had not increased the number of fish in waters of that locality.

Hon. Mr. Foster said that reports of fishery officers at Bedford basin did not agree with the statements contained in the petition, and alleged that some of the parties who signed the petition regretted having done so.

Hon. Mr. Jones urged that instead of paying Inspector Rogers an annual royalty on his fish ladder the government should purchase his patent.

Hon Mr. Mitchell said that if the fish hatcheries were to be continued, ponds should be provided in which young salmon could be kept until they were at least a year old and able to take care of themselves. At present young fish were placed in rivers to become food for predatory fish which preyed upon them.

Hon. Mr. Foster said this was a very difficult question. He doubted the efficacy of fish hatcheries and believed that one fish spawning naturally was worth dozens made to breed artificially, and the policy of his department would be to remove obstructions so as to enable salmon to reach their natural spawning grounds.

On the vote for fisheries protection service, Hon. Mr. Foster said the same number of vessels would be employed this year as last.

Hon. Mr. Mitchell hoped that the instructions given to commanders of vessels would be such as to avoid the irritations of which the American government complained last year.

After recess on esimates for the Intercolonial, Hon. Mr. Mitchell took occasion to make some important statements in regard to the negotiations for the sale of the Intercolonial railway. He read from the prospectus of Kamper's company in which it was set forth that the government had agreed to raise the duty on steel rails to $17 a ton for the purpose of protecting the manufacture of steel rails. He also read a letter from Kamper showing that in June, 1886, Hon. Mr. Pope had offered to sell the section of the Intercolonial from Quebec to Moncton. Hon. Mr. Mitchell said French capitalists were complaining bitterly that the government had not kept faith with them, and warned the government not to attempt to sell the Intercolonial unless they wanted to give the people of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick an excuse for cutting adrift from Canada. They must not allow Mr. Chapleau to deal with the Intercolonial as he had dealt with the railway belonging to Quebec province.

On the canal estimates, Sir Charles Tupper admitted that the Sault Ste Marie canal was likely to cost $3,000,000 or $4,000,000.

In answer to Mr. Gizault, Hon. Mr. Thompson announced that the resolution to increase the salaries of judges throughout the dominion would be dropped.

It was unanimously agreed that the house should meet at 11 o'clock Monday, prorogation to take place Tuesday evening.

OTTAWA, May 21. The house of commons met at 10 o'clock this morning to hurry business through preparatory to prorogation to-morrow.

Mr Weldon, (St. John) objected to the resolution changing the subsidy to the proposed railway from Perth to Plaster Rock and Sir Charles Tupper agreed to drop it.

At the request of Hon Mr Mitchell, the government agreed to give up their claim against the Chatham Branch railway for rails loaned.

SETTLED BY POKER.

A County-Seat War Ended by a Resort to Cards

One of the hottest county-seat wars ever known in the history of Dakota Territory was settled by a game of poker that lasted seventy three hours and caused the complete suspension of business in two busy towns, writes a Deadwood (D T) correspondent to the St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

In the spring of '61 the citizens of Minnesela, a live mining town in the Black Hills district, Lawrence County, made a bid for the county offices which were at Spearfish, a burg much larger than Minnesela, situated in the midst of a rich agricultural country. So cleverly did Minnesela work the political wires in the spring elections, that she was declared the county head of Lawrence County by a meagre majority of fifteen votes. The citizens of Spearfish did not take kindly to this turn in affairs, and when a demand was made for the transfer of the county records to Minnesela they refused to obey the official order and declared themselves ready to fight it out, not through the courts, as it would take too long to settle it, but with implements of war, man against man, and their challenge was promptly accepted. For one night one hundred and fifty armed citizens of Minnesela stood quietly into Spearfish, and, breaking into the court house, bore away the county records from under the very noses of the sleeping belligerents.

There was music in the air the next morning when the county records were found missing, and the Spearfish community set itself about planning an expedition against Minnesela to recover the lost or stolen documents.

The men of Minnesela were not somnolent. It was a mining town, and the citizens were wide-awake, thrifty dare-devils who, aside from filling their leather belts with freshly-panned gold-dust, liked nothing better than a hand-to-hand encounter with their fellow-man; and so, when one night Spearfish citizens, 250 strong, marched into Minnesela, they met with a warm reception, and a pitched battle followed in which two men were killed outright and twenty-five badly wounded. During the melee Charles Williams and Edward Fenton, two Spearfish merchants, broke into the office of the town marshal, where the county records were kept, and securing them, started for Spearfish. Their fellow-townsmen, hearing of their success, began a retreat, hotly pursued by the infuriated Minnesela men, who had discovered the success of their opponents' strategy.

The two towns were about thirty miles apart, and when half this distance had been covered the contending forces were so badly used up that their leaders concluded to negotiate a settlement of the affair, if possible, without more bloodshed, for by this time more than fifty men were suffering from serious bullet wounds or cracked skulls. The two factions camped on the banks of Minnesela creek, which ran through a rich valley and divided the auriferous hills from the undulating sweep of agricultural land to the south.

On this spot Anton Rorapaugh, marshal of Minnesela, in whose veins ran an evenly-balanced mixture of French and Indian blood, and Peter MacStay, a sturdy Scotch dealer in farming implements and the mayor of Spearfish, met in consultation, while their constituents rested on their arms and glared at each other across the muddy creek, ready to fight at a moment's notice, yet willing to abide by the decision of their leaders, whatever it might be.

A little past noon the arbitrators met, and their negotiations lasted far into the night before a satisfactory plan had been decided upon, and this was how the question of the right of possession of the county seat honors was to be determined.

Two weeks before the county seat emeute James Carney, better known as "Reddy," because of the great shocks of blazing hair that covered his head, and William Edwards, known as "Blind Billy," on account of having had one eye gouged out in a bar room fight, had been caught in the act of stealing horses, and they were lying in jail awaiting their trial, but they well knew that whatever the sentence of the court might be, they would be strung up by the vigilantes, who had a set sentence of death against every man caught in the act of horse stealing. "Reddy" was languishing behind the bars of the Minnesela jail, while "Blind Billy" was incarcerated in the Spearfish prison. These two horse-thieves were to settle the differences between the citizens of the rival town by playing a game of poker. Each man, at the opening of the game, was to be given one hundred chips, and the one who succeeded in winning all the chips was to bring the county seat honors to the town he represented. In order to insure an interest in the game by the men who played, it was agreed that the man who won should be granted liberty from the minute that he laid down the winning card. With this understanding the horse-thieves were brought to Minnesela creek.

On the morning of May 16, '61, the game began. A rough wooden table had been brought from Spearfish and set on a level spot on the south side of the creek, about fifty yards from its banks, and at this table the men were seated. Three men were selected as an arbitration committee to settle any dispute that might arise over the game, and around the players was stationed a cordon of armed citizens, for the purpose of keeping back the mob who were inclined to press around the table. It was an exciting contest. Two men fighting for lives and an exciting mob cursing when one of them held a losing hand. The crowd fought and drank and snarled like brutes around the circle of guards, and recklessly laid wagers on the result of the game. All day the battle of the cards went on and at nightfall, so well had the players watched their interests, their stack of chips were about as evenly divided as when the first card was dealt in the morning.

News of the hotly contested game had got back to both towns and the citizens flocked to the scene of the battle. Merchants closed their stores and the postmaster, for the benefit of the stage-driver when he should arrive with the mail, posted a notice on the office door to the effect that he had gone to Minnesela creek on important business and the date of his return was exceedingly doubtful. If the mail was a large and important one the driver should bring it to the creek and the postmaster would distribute it, as all the citizens were out there and liable to stay for some time, and so, on the evening of the first day of the game, the banks of Minnesela creek presented the appearance of a smart young mining camp.

Fires of dry prairie grass and buffalo chips lit up the scene with a fitful glow, while over them the women of the two towns cooked the evening meal; children romped on the fresh green earth; excited men discussed, wrangled and boasted; the guards leaned heavily on their rifles and eagerly watched the players, who eyed each other narrowly as they fought with the cool determination of tigers. Now and then one would mutter an oath as the cards turned against him, but further than this neither man spoke a word, and when the morning of the second day broke the two men were fighting as coolly and as determinedly as the night before, and neither had yet gained a material advantage over the other. Refreshments were brought them and they played on.

Three days and three nights the game continued, the players never for a moment's rest leaving their seats during that time. The fourth morning found the players almost exhausted. They leaned heavily on the table, but never for a moment lost sight of a point in the game. "Reddy" had managed to cut down his opponent's pile of chips and was in better spirits of the two.

The citizens of Minnesela were exuberant over the prospects of their man winning and poured whisky down their necks in generous quantities as they rallied their Spearfish neighbors on their inability to win a victory either at the polls or on the card table.

The game had grown very exciting, as "Reddy" had won half his opponent's and had opened a jack pot for fifty chips which would "tap" "Blind Billy" if he stayed, and stay he did. He shoved up his chips without a tremor, though he well knew if he lost them his doom was sealed. He had reason to feel confident, for he held four jacks. As soon as the situation had become known throughout the camp every man, woman and child rushed in the direction of the players, and the cordon of guards was soon broken through with the weight of the struggling mass of excited people.

"Reddy" held three kings, and his face wore a satisfied smile as he picked up the cards and asked "Billy" how many he wanted.

"None," replied Billy.

The smile left "Reddy's" face as he heard this, and his hand trembled slightly as he dropped two cards in front of him. Slowly he lifted them. The first was a tray, the second—a king. Triumphantly he laid the four kings down before "Billy," whose face grew ashen pale as his eyes fell upon them, and, with a curse, he threw his four knaves in "Reddy's" face and fell back in the chair completely exhausted.

Minnesela had won the day and "Reddy" his freedom after seventy-three hours of desperate fighting. The records were promptly delivered to the victors and Minnesela enjoyed the distinction of being the county seat of St. Lawrence county for four years, when the honors were moved to Deadwood.

One morning about a week after the game the lifeless remains of "Blind Billy" were found dangling from the limb of a cottonwood in the outskirts of Spearfish, and so ends the history of one of the most exciting poker games ever played in the territory of Dakota.

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