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**Currier's Column.**  
**ABOUT BEING A MAYOR.**  
 Along with many others of our good citizens, we have been "urged" to become a candidate for the office of Mayor for the ensuing year—as successor to our good friend and very worthy official, Hon. Lyman P. White, the present Mayor of Brainerd, who does not desire the office for another term. At first we decided the idea; then, after several friends had urged us more or less, we became a little mellow on the proposition—because we are only human, you know, and the request to run, coming from such respectable sources, we felt a little flattered, and finally came nearly consenting to go for it, and almost committed myself. We have been at home for a day or two, though, and have had time, within the shady retreat of our jack pine sanctum, to consider the matter very calmly, and have determined thusly:  
 First—We are not ambitious to wear political horns.  
 Second—There are dozens of men in town better qualified and better circumstanced to accept that or any other office, than myself.  
 Third—This being the case, we feel that in declining to become a candidate, we are not derelict in our duty, as a citizen, in forwarding the best interests of the community in any way within our power where any necessity exists.  
 Fourth—The coming season there will be so many hundreds of distinguished individuals and delegations passing through and visiting Brainerd, via the great northern route from Lake to Ocean, and the Mayor will be expected to do so many honors in behalf of the city in the reception of strangers, speeches of welcome, etc., that in order to do the right thing, and keep up Brainerd's reputation for hospitality and dignity, it would require a great outlay of time, and more good clothes than are at our disposal this year.  
 Fifth—We might—if Mayor—take it upon myself to issue so many proclamations, and recommend the Council to pass so many ordinances (all of which we should, of course, publish in the TRIBUNE at usual rates per line) that the citizens would feel sure they were living under martial law, and finally realize that an editor made an all-fired expensive Mayor—because there is no telling what he might do, you see. And then, just think of the veto messages we should doubtless send in to the Council; and none of them would be less than three columns in length, and as a matter of course they, too, should be published, so that our good people might know just how the cat was jumping—because we are a great believer in the potency of printers' ink, and believe public transactions should be "kept before the people," at any expense of said ink.  
 Sixth—We couldn't make a speech of welcome, nor get off a respectable farewell address, to save our life.  
 Seventh—We could never get used to a plug hat and double-breasted vest, and a Mayor should always wear a plug hat and double-breasted vest, of course.  
 Eighth—The "great family journal" of this hemisphere requires our undivided attention, and must have it, or "bust."  
 Ninth—We thank our friends all the same for the honor they seek to confer, and shall remember them.  
 Tenth—We want to be a printer—this and nothing more.  
 Eleventh—We don't want to be a Mayor.  
 Twelfth—We shall be a printer—and nothing more.  
 Thirteenth—We won't be a Mayor.  
 Fourteenth—So, there! that ends it.

**COUNTY AFFAIRS.**  
**Ma. Enros.**—Allow me a little space in the columns of your valuable paper in regard to a matter that will probably be of some interest to many of your readers.  
 With due deference to all parties concerned, I wish to give a few items of explanation in regard to the financial statement of Crow Wing County.  
 First, I would state that at the time of the last financial statement (Mar. 1, 1874) there were registered claims and arrearages due, to the amount of \$2,041.50, which has been paid during the past year, and is embodied in the total amount of expenses.  
 Second, the amount of registered claims and bills due by the county is \$1,175.50. So that our actual expenses for the fiscal year have been but \$6,409.48, instead of \$7,914.03, as shown in financial statement.  
 Now, let us take hold of this matter in earnest, and see what can be done towards the curtailing of expenses in the future.  
 In looking over the financial statement we find charged to the account of roads and bridges the sum of \$633.62, which amount can be saved next year; for I do not think that the county need spend any more money on roads and bridges for a year or two, at least.  
 Next, our court expenses have been \$1,200.47 last year, but we have had two terms of the District Court, and I am informed that the legislature has passed an act abating one term of the court in our county, and having only one term of the District Court, \$800 ought certainly to cover the expenses of that department for the ensuing year.  
 Then, paupers' expenses, as shown by statement, foot up to the amount of \$1,409.80 for last year, but they cannot possibly reach near those figures next year; for, as will be seen, we had to support a paralyzed pauper (St. Beaudet), a long while, and finally had to send him to his friends in Canada, at a very great expense; (he being helpless, we had to send a man to take care of him) and unless they ship all the paupers of the county to this place, \$800 will be sufficient to cover the expenses of that department.  
 Last, but not least, we have last year issued two dollars for every dollar's worth of service rendered the county, for everything we have done, (excepting the salaries of officers, and other compensations fixed by law) on account of the depreciation of orders. Is there no practical way by which this particular point could be improved, and have the orders at or near par? for in my opinion, there is where the shoe pinches the worst at present. There is but one way, and that is by the issuance of bonds to liquidate the floating indebtedness of the county, pay the interest annually on said bonds, and the principal say in fifteen years. But this, I am aware, does not meet with the approval of a number of tax payers, for reasons that might possibly prove to be best in the end; but it seems to me that it would be considerably easier to pay that debt in from ten to fifteen years, than it will to pay it in the next two years, which latter will undoubtedly be the case if the debt is not funded, and as long as we issue two dollars for one dollar's worth of services rendered the county, we cannot reasonably expect to reduce the expenses to a very great extent.  
 Now, Mr. Editor, I would like to make a few more remarks concerning this subject, but I shall abstain from doing so, for fear that I might encroach upon your patience and columns of your paper.  
 I have treated the subject, and given my opinion in a fair and (I believe) manly way, with no intention of criticizing anybody's private opinion, or wounding their feelings, and I sincerely hope that it will be so interpreted. But should anybody doubt of the correctness of the above given statements, I will be pleased to show them all the records and vouchers in my office, and substantiate what I have advanced. Respectfully yours,  
 F. X. GOULET,  
 Auditor of Crow Wing County.

**EDITORIAL PEBBLES.**  
**THE SENATE** has adjourned.  
**JOHN MITCHELL**, the Irish adventurer, is dead.  
**DISASTROUS** floods south and east continue.  
**COL. KING** isn't "at home" yet, but "is expected."  
**GENERAL BRANERD** don't make much of a Senator, no how.  
**ANDY** made a speech—banged the Constitution, ripped the flag, and tore his shirt.  
**REV. E. R. LARSON**, Presiding Elder, will preach at the Methodist Church tomorrow, morning and evening.  
**OUR** Wadena letter was clean behind time, and will have to go over till next week.  
**BEZEMIS** is expected to occupy the white stand for two weeks, and he don't know much about it, either.  
**BESSIE TRAVAS** has finally finished her evidence in the Brooklyn trial. She said she thought they'd turn 'er head with their everlasting questions.  
**AN** American has been murdered in Japan; the United States might get another \$2,500, only for the fact that he was not murdered by a Japanese, but by his own companions.  
**SPREADING** our city offices, we understand our friend, Thomas P. Cantwell, the present incumbent, is a candidate for re-election to the office of City Treasurer. Of course he will be complimented with a second term, because "Tom" is a "rattling boy" and efficient officer.  
 This is the right name of the young King of Spain, as he signs it to the documents of State, or when he sends out for a pint of "Robinson County." "Alfonso de Bourbon Y. Bourbon." If that name wouldn't fetch Kentucky corn-juice as per order, it would be because the fellow wouldn't trust him, that's all.  
 If the "conglomeration of the centrifugal hyperbolic" which perambulates the atmospheric consciousness of the hypochondriacal parrot" doesn't account for our unusually cold winter, then the St. Paul Press doesn't know anything about it—that's all. We suspected that this must have been the cause of it, as early as January last.  
**THE** Land Department of the St. Paul & Sioux City Railroad has commenced the publication of a beautiful little monthly paper called the "Minnesota Homestead," full of useful information to all the thousands in the east who are looking for homesteads in the west. This is a splendid idea, and will pay them a big centum over cost.  
**THE** Poultry Show in St. Paul has raised the mischief all over, on the subject of hens and things. Even the humble cot where we stay of nights has not escaped the rage, and our folks inform us now that the luxury of salt in our mush must be cut off, until four dollars can thereby be saved with which to buy six blooded eggs.  
**SPRING** is here! glorious spring! The snow slithers the warm sun shines; the little brooks babble; the crows caw; the birds sing; the kine low; the pigs grunt; the dogs are too happy to bark; the chickens cackle; the eggs rolleth; and humanity praiseth; and, in short, things generally are very satisfactory over the face of the earth.  
**IMPROVEMENTS** seem to be the order of the day now: getting ready for spring openings, etc. J. L. Starcher, Esq., is cutting and slashing about his premises, to make room for his increasing trade. He has doubled the length of his store-room, likewise his shelving, and is fixing up in grand style. The whole establishment will be filled with a new stock of fresh and seasonable goods, in a few days, when he will be ready to serve his customers with all things needful, of the very best.  
**GRAND "OPENING."**  
**THOS. P. CANTWELL**, Esq., one of the jolliest of our dealers, yesterday interviewed old Boreas as he was passing east, and friend Tom, being a very frank individual, plainly informed the old cuss that the way he had been whooping it up to this winter wasn't satisfactory, not by a—sight; whereupon Boreas got his ice hooks hold of the front of his store, and tore it off stick and clean, and laid it sprawling in the street, minus windows, doors, anything—in fact, it went rattling-tebang, leaving a hole the whole size of his immense establishment, sticking right out into the street.  
**MR. CANTWELL** is happy to inform his many friends and customers, however, that the price of soap and saleratus remains unchanged, and that the immense spring opening introduced by the gentle zephyrs which prevailed yesterday, is all right and tight; but his spring opening of choice goods will continue until the mop-cloth of summer wipes up the last dew-drop of spring time. Best goods, and lowest prices, is still in vogue at Cantwell's.

**THAT VETO.**  
 Not long since, we had an editorial, three lines and a half in length, congratulating the Governor upon his veto of the bill passed at the recent session to supply all Justices with Bissell's Statutes of the State. Since then we have seen considerable discussion in the papers concerning the matter, including a letter from Senator J. L. Macdonald, of Shakopee, in the St. Paul Press, explaining the merits and justness of the bill, and slightly criticizing the Governor for vetoing it. After reading carefully the whys and wherefores, as presented by Mr. Macdonald, we admit the justness, and even the necessity, of the measure, under proper precautions on the part of the State as to their correctness, cost, etc., and unless "frontier and bridge relief" absorb too much of the contents of the State Treasury, at the next session of the Legislature we should favor the passage of the measure, guarded as above intimated.  
 Our candidate for the next President—Gen. J. H. Hawley—receives the following endorsement from an extreme Democratic journal, the Little Rock (Ark.) Gazette, which is a piece of testimony to the political worth of Gen. Hawley as magnanimous as it is unexpected:  
 "We must confess that we would have no tears to shed over General Hawley's return to Congress; indeed, we would rather be pleased at it. Republican though he is, the country has nothing to fear from such as he. Indeed, it would be better if we had a few more such men in public position."  
 The Brainerd, Minnesota, Tribune announces that McMillan, the new Republican Senator from that State, is a "Christian gentleman." Of course we are pleased with the idea of having Christians and gentlemen in office, but we shudder at the thought that maybe the new Senator belongs to the Colfax and Harlan, and Pomerooy and Howard class of "Christian statesmen," who have, as far as their conduct could, brought the very name into disrepute. Will the Tribune relieve our anxiety?—[Greenville (Ala.) Advocate.  
 Well, yes; we can assure our Alabama friend that McMillan is all straight. The other prominent "Christian statesmen" referred to are not from Minnesota, hence we cannot be called to account for their eccentricities. But we can assure the Advocate man that when Minnesota sends out a man labeled "Christian Statesman," he can go his last "chip" on him—his'll wash.  
 By the last issue of the Brainerd Tribune, we should judge the editor to be under the influence of something worse than the Plantation Bitters we advertised—[Little Falls Courier.  
 The lady editor of the Courier don't know us, very evidently. Last week's TRIBUNE is the kind of paper we always get out when we are sober—which is pronounced the poorest issue for the past six months by many of our readers. So far from being under the influence of "something worse than Plantation Bitters," we lived all the week on buttermilk, and thought seriously of organizing a crusade against the saloons. But we have altered our mind now, and propose to go back to first principles, and get out a good paper hereafter. We hope the Courier will accept the apology.  
 Four large ice houses have been filled "chuck full" in Perham during the last ten days. Why shouldn't this be a good place for the Northern Pacific editors to meet?—[Perham News.  
 We don't believe the Northern Pacific editors ever take any ice in their.

**CITY CONVENTION.**  
 A Republican City Convention will be held at Bly's Hall on Friday, April 2, 1875, at 3 o'clock p. m., to place in nomination the following city officers, to be voted for on Tuesday, April 6, 1875:  
 One Mayor,  
 One City Treasurer,  
 One City Recorder,  
 One Assessor.  
 Each ward will be allowed one delegate for every twenty-five votes cast at last annual election, and one delegate for each major fraction, as follows:  
 First Ward, 6 delegates.  
 Second Ward, 5 delegates.  
 Third Ward, 3 delegates.  
 It is hereby recommended that the several ward caucuses be held on Thursday evening, April 1, at 8 o'clock, at the following places:  
 First Ward—Office of D. O. Preston.  
 Second Ward—Bly's Hall.  
 Third Ward—Office of Register of Deeds.  
 D. McNANNY, Chairman,  
 Ed. R. FRENCH,  
 Republican City Committee.

**THE NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILROAD.**  
 The recent meeting of the bondholders of the Northern Pacific Railroad in New York was a large one, several millions of dollars being represented from all parts of the United States, and we are told by the New York Tribune, that the meeting was remarkably harmonious, a general feeling of confidence being manifested in the merits of the enterprise, and in the value of the property; and an equally strong feeling of confidence was expressed by those present in the integrity and ability of the management, and there was a strong desire shown throughout the session to put the road through at the earliest possible opportunity.  
 Hon. L. D. M. Sweet, of Maine, presided, on the motion of Mr. George W. Cass, the President. Mr. Cass' address to the bondholders was the most important feature of the meeting. He set forth the advantages of the route and the value of the property in a way that would seem to have inspired a sanguine confidence in the success of the enterprise. He cited the Union Pacific Railroad as a measure of comparison; and stated that the Northern Pacific road would be better than the Union Pacific road, on account of having lower grades, straighter line, better lands, more and richer minerals, more and better coal, vastly more timber, better climate, less snow, better agricultural and pastoral soil, more water, and a greater supply of stone for building.  
**THOSE SPELLING SCHOOLS.**  
 The great spelling-school excitement which is now sweeping over the country, originated in Brainerd. Early in the winter we had an old-fashioned spelling-school at Social Hall, in which most of our prominent citizens participated, and the last word pronounced, upon which the last speller stepped down and out, was "sour crot." Such a jolly time was enjoyed, and the thing was so novel, that one of the participants, who came from Marietta, Ohio—Mrs. Edgerton, we believe—in writing to a lady friend in Marietta, mentioned the affair to her—who was the wife of a College Professor in Marietta—and thereupon they went to work and organized a citizens' spelling-school in Marietta; and gave their first in the City Hall, for the benefit of the poor, and the thing was a towering success. From that, the spelling-school fever has spread all over the eastern country, until now they are having spelling-matches by telegraph. They are universally given for the benefit of the poor, and the noble pastime has, at the instance of our humble little "City of the Pines," filled thousands of hungry mouths everywhere. Therefore, Brainerd can claim all the honor of originating the noble work, and the editor of this paper claims the honor of pronouncing to the spellers the first lesson; all of which is "good for our side!"

**I. O. O. F.**  
**WILDEY LODGE, No. 21.**  
 Meets every Wednesday evening at 7:30 P. M. at Masonic Hall, over Bly's Store.  
 Brothers in good standing are cordially invited.  
 J. E. CONDON, Sec'y. T. M. TRUDELL, N. G.

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 Meets every Friday evening at 7:30 P. M. at Masonic Hall, over Bly's Store.  
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 By order of the W. M. F. H. HARVEY, Sec'y.

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 THIS FINE HOTEL HAS BEEN THOROUGHLY overhauled and newly furnished for the year 1875, and is now first-class in all its appointments.  
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 Splendid location for Hunting and Fishing. Trains—\$1.00 a day. Liberal reduction for Board by the week.  
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 First Class Accommodations in the Restaurant Line.  
 TABLES furnished with all the Good Things included in the season, and courteous attention paid to guests. Meals at all hours, and regular Board and Lodging furnished when desired, at Reasonable Rates.

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 SIXTH STREET,  
 Between Front and Laurel—East side.  
 WE have just completed arrangements whereby we can furnish the citizens of Brainerd with all kinds of best Meats, Game, Poultry, Butter, Eggs, Lard, etc., at prices that defy competition. We solicit a share of patronage, and warrant satisfaction.  
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**LAPOND & GOULET.**

**BRAINERD Meat Market,**  
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 THE undersigned having bought out this popular Market, desire to announce that they will continue the business in all its branches, and solicit the continuance of public patronage.  
**Meat, Game, Fish, Butter, Etc.,**  
 Always on hand. "Cash and Low Prices" the motto.  
**PAINE & MABBY, Prop'r.**

**J. L. STARCHER,**  
 DEALER IN  
**GROCERIES, WINES, Liquors & Cigars**  
 LAUREL STREET,  
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Choose lot of Groceries just received, which a

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 Can buy at the lowest price for cash. Also, Wines, Liquors and Cigars; and you will be

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 With wonder at their party and fine flavor, where a man can get

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 drink or smoke at a reasonable price. You might also bring your

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 and Children along, and look at the largest stock of Confectionery and fruits, nuts, etc., ever brought to Brainerd.

**E. C. CURRIER,**  
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**Reduced prices at CURRIER'S.**  
 2 lbs. Good Tea for 50c.  
 4 lbs. Green Tea for \$1.00.  
 New Process, 6 lbs. for \$1.00.  
 Fresh Graham Flour, \$2.25 for 100 lbs.  
 Fresh Buckwheat Flour.

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