FVFNTS OF A WEEK AROUND VIRGINIA

Interesting Notes of the Going and Coming of Range People.

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VIRGINIA, DEC. 17 .--John Chesser, for several years past known as one of the most successful cruisers of the Mesaba, will arrange his business matters so as to leave the coming month for the west, his objective point being Coos Bay. Wash., at which place a great amount of government harbor work is now being prosecuted and which is the natural outlet for a large area of timber lands.

Dr. and Mrs. John II. Crowe are Twin City visitors this week.

Mark Eddy left the first of the week for the Twin Cities and for Georgetown. Col., where he goes to inspect the workings of the Anglo-Saxon mining property, in which company many Virginlans own stock.

The handsome new rectory erected by Contractor Grande for Our Lady of Lourdes society is complete and the Rev. Father Hogan occupied it this week. The handsomest parsonage on the ranges, complete in every detail

and modern convenience. J. H. Fleming was over from Biwabik this week, on business, Mr. Fleming says that Blwabik is one of the busy trade centers of the range this season, a great amount of mining and lumbering being carried on in the vi-

cinity. Cards received by Virginia friends during the week announce the engagement of Benjamin M. Lippman, of Mt. Iron, to Miss Anne I. Margulis, of Minneapolis. The prospective groom is a well-known young business man of the Kinley, Buhl and Mountain Iron, Rev. E. M. Cathcart, of the M. E. church on Saturday performed the ceremony uniting in marirage Albert Holt and Mrs. Marie Blomberg, Both of the young people are well known in the city.

Herman Jaedecke, of Ishpeming, Mich., called on Virginia friends and regular practice games are being held patrons during the week, Mr. Jaedecke every evening reports a good business throughout the

iron district.

W. T. Biss left on Monday for Rice Lake. Wis., where he will meet A. F. Holdridge, of Eveleth, with whom he will make a tour of the Pacific slope during the winter months. They will study decorative art during their absence.

Miss Marie Morrell who for three years has been assistant postmaster at Two Harbors, is spending the holidays at home. She will leave shortly after the first of the year for California, where she will visit with relatives. O. D. Kinney was up from Duluth this week, looking after local interests prior to his departure for Porto Rico. D. B. McDonald is spending a brief Christmas vacation at his former home

at Kincardine, Canada. He will return the coming week. Julus Shanedling attiended to bustness matters at Dulnth on Friday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. G. Hamland. of Pine street, a daughter, Mrs. D. E. Shea returned Thursday evening from a month's visit with rel-

atives and friends at Hancock, Mich. Achie McDougall, superintendent of the new Syracuse property, was in the city on Wednesday.

Prof. A. W. Rankin, state inspector of high schools, was in the city during the week, making Virginia his headquarters while making a tour of the range schools.

Mrs. A. Trotter is the guest of Duluth friends this week. Mrs. W. B. Shaver and daughter

Fern, were Duluth visitors vesterday. Miss Marion O. West, a teacher in the Roosevelt building, was called to her home at Galesburg, Ill., on Tuesday by a telegram announcing the

death of her father. W. P. Ching, of the Elba mine at range, having conducted stores at Mc- McKinley, was in the city on Wednes-

day

The new skating rink erected by the Virginia Curling club will be formally opened this evening, the Virginia City band having been engaged for the occasion. The new rink is 36-148 feet, and the ice for the opening is in fine shape, The curling rink ice is also good, and

Conductor Smith, of the D. & I. R. short run, who has been laid up for the past ten days with a sprained ankle. is again able to take his regular run. J. P. Smith, of Duluth, a deputy of the United Order of Foresters, is in the city working up a new class for the local court.

Frank McDuffee, for the past year in charge of the grocery department at the Virginia store of Henry Hughes & Co., has resigned his position and left yesterday for Duluth, where he has accepted a similar position with a retail firm at the head of the lakes. The public schools of the district will

close on Thursday next for a short holiday vacation, reopening on Tuesday, Jan. 2