

From Minneapolis Journal - H. H. Kryger, 608 Old Colony Bldg, returned to Minneapolis today filled with cholera. He has sent south for a blood-hound and is offering a reward of \$1000. for information leading to the arrest of those who have shot at his house and stole and burned his hay at Otter Tail Lake.

Kryger followed the Soo extension and opened up a townsite called New Otter Tail on the banks of the lake. The Soo townsite is known as Otter Tail and has a population of sixty. Though New Otter Tail, half a mile distant, has but one house, the office of Kryger, the rivalry is intense.

Kryger avers that some one of the people of Otter Tail have decided to discourage the townsite enterprise. He has built an office and owns the property on which the club house stands. Recently, the house and office have been shot into repeatedly in the night, Thursday night some one stole two loads of hay from the spot where the New Otter Tail city hall is some day to stand and burned the remainder. In all, the Minneapolis man lost twenty tons. The wagons used to cart off the hay were tracked to Otter Tail by an employe of Kryger but the trail was lost on the streets of the new town.

"I haven't done anything to injure one at Otter Tail" said Kryger today. "I suppose the Otter Tail people do not want a rival town half a mile away but I am not to be intimidated. If any of them will call in daylight on shooting, hay-burning or stealing expeditions, I will give them a welcome. I will stay there and boom my town, as long as I please, and I am going to bring these offenders to book."

"There are good people in Otter Tail, people who I know, would not approve of such business. I will get a blood hound broken to work and have offered the reward. If I catch the guilty parties, I will not stop in their prosecution as long as I have a dollar."

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New Townsites on the Soo Line. Otter Tail Twp.,

Otter Lake Townsite is going to be located about one mile due east of the lake. The soo line has purchased 80 acres from Fritz Lueders and 80 acres from John Weibe, in the town of Ottertail, and it is probable that the village to be established there will be named "True City" after Diedrich True who owns the land adjoining. The townsite is about a mile east of the old Ottertail town site which lies on the lake shore

OTTERTAIL, NOT COBURG—

Sam Burnett, the postmaster at Ottertail says the post office will be moved to the new site, which the railroad company has called Coburg. The new name is not satisfactory to the people of the vicinity and they have petitioned the railroad to change the name of the townsite from Coburg to Ottertail.

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