

Rockwell Iowa
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E W Dick Esq {
Brothertown. Wis. } Friend Edgar:-

As you will see, I have taken Horace Greuleys advice ^{and} "gone west." Moreover - we are on the point of organizing a band here & I want a copy of your bands "Constitution & By-laws," I have forgotten whether you or John W Dick was Secty. & apply to you - at random - Do the boys still think that "Tripoli" for clearing - to be a good thing? If so, can you give the name of any one selling it at Fond Du Lac?

We expect to order about ten horns here. I keep my B⁶ & have an E⁶ of the same style ^{and} make. I suppose I am booked for the lead here. There is no band in town but there are several who have blown Tenor, Alto, & the Bass Drum -

I have been busy here handling a little business for father but that is about done now ^{and} I am speculating a little in land on my own account. Real estate is low here now

but the indications (good prospect for crops - market
and foreign wars) make me think there will be a
change in the fall - Most all the buyers come
in the fall and I shall either "make or break"
something.

How does the band prosper? I hear from
Humphreys that you have plenty of business - etc.
Humphreys speaks of coming here.

Three ^{or} a tiger for Kanouze. Aint it?
My regards to all the boys -
Yours Hastily

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I have some regards to send to the girls
too - Do you think you can deliver them?