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1-lb pa. Seeded, choice 10c
1-lb extra fancy 15c
New Muscatel, pound 7c
London Layer, 3 and 4 Crown, by the pound or box; Dihesa, 1 layer in box, Fancy Cluster.
New Dates, Persian, pound 5c

Figs.

California, bag, pound 7c
California, 1-lb package 9c
Smyrna Figs, new, pound 15c
Fancy, large, pound 20c

Currants.

1-lb pa., cleaned, choice 10c
1-lb pa., cleaned, Batavia 15c

Nut Meats.

Spanish Peanuts, per lb 10c
Pecans, per lb 50c
Walnuts, per lb 28c
Filberts, per lb 28c
Pignolia, per lb .....
Sicily Almonds, per lb 35c
Jordan Almonds, per lb 45c

Oranges, Lemons

Florida Oranges—Doz., 20c, 25c, 30c, 35c 40c. Box, $3.50.
Mexican Oranges—Dozen, 20c. Box, $2.50.
California Navels—Doz., 15c, 20c, 25c, 30c, Box, $3.50.
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Lemons—Dozen, 10c and 15c.
Florida Grape Fruit, large, each, 12½c.
Tangarines—Doz. 20c.
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Mince Meat.

Condensed Mince Meat, good, per pkg 8c
Condensed Mince Meat, fancy, per pkg 10c
Mince Meat in bulk, lb 10c
Batavia Mince Meat, in glass jars.
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Old Virginia Preserves and Jams, all kinds.
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Christmas Fruit Cake, 25c lb.

Angel cakes, German pound cake, sunshine cakes, layer cakes, nut cakes, or any kind that is desired. Chocolate eclair, lady fingers, kisses, macaroons, cream puffs, doughnuts, cookies, pies, all kinds.

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Good, sweet Creamery Butter 25c

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Oysters, Standard, qt 30c
Shell Oysters, fresh, for 100 ..... $1.00
Per dozen 15c
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Halibut Steak, lb 14c
Trout, lb 10c
White Fish, lb 10c
Crappies, lb 9c
Pike, lb 10c
Pickerel, lb 7c
Boiled Lobster, lb 20c
Fresh Herring, lb 4c

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THE CITY

TOWN TALK

Go to The Plymouth Clothing House for useful holiday gifts for all.

A picture artistically framed. The Beard Art Co., 624 Nicollet avenue.

A box of writing paper, useful, beautiful. The Beard Art Co., 624 Nicollet avenue.

Choice farm loans for sale, with titles guaranteed. Title Insurance and Trust Co.

Christmas gifts, diamonds, watches, jewelry. J. S. Allen, 110 Guar. Loan. Open even's.

For wrist chatelaine, Boston and fitted bags, Barnum the Trunk Man has the very best.

Call and se Nagel's palms and fern dishes before buying for Christmas. 818 Nicollet av.

Holiday goods in our holiday bazaar (upstairs) at 20 per cent discount. The Beard Art Co., 624 Nicollet.

Have you see the travelers' medicine cases? Barnum has every kind, and stickpin and jewel cases without end, at 404 Nicollet.

Auction to-morrow, at 2 p. m. The fine pieces of mahogany furniture, Oriental rugs, pottery, metal goods, etc. Bown's 44 Seventh street S.

Minneapolis Lodge, No. 1, Knights of Pythias, will confer the first and second ranks to-morrow evening in the lodge hall, Masonic Temple.

The Misfit Clothing Parlors, 241 Nicollet avenue, are selling overcoats, suits and trousers at very low prices until Christmas. Latest, best and the most comfortable styles.

Joseph Clark, driver on free rural delivery route No. 1, has broken his collar bone through an accident to the horse's harness. Two weeks ago he broke a rib from a similar accident.

The best holiday gift is some correct item of dress from the reliable Plymouth Clothing House. All ages and occupations are provided for. Thousands of useful holiday gifts suitable for a Minnesota winter, from a 10 cent cap to a thousand dollar fur wrap.

The chances of recovery of David Hough, who was burned by a benzine explosion a week ago, are very slight. Until Monday he seemed to be gaining strength but there was a rather sudden change for the worse, and he has been failing steadily since then.

A burglar entered the residence of M. B. Austin, 270 Emerson avenue N, Monday forenoon while Mrs. Austin was in the basement, and stole $15 from a pocketbook. Mrs. Austin heard footsteps and hurried back upstairs, but the thief had gone, and the empty pocketbook lay in the middle of the floor.

During their visit to the central police station yesterday afternoon the grand jury criticized the lack of ventilation in the "tramp room," and the condition of the barn which, according to their views, was too cold and damp for the horses. These points will probably be incorporated in the report of the grand jury.

Electric lighting and power plant for sale. Description—Two American Ball engines, 14x12 each, 100-horse power, direct belted to four-pole 50-kilowatt 110-volt lighting generators. Possession given Jan. 15 and Feb. 15, 1902. These equipments are in full operation and may be inspected at The Minneapolis Journal plant.

Frank Waltenberg, western agent of a coffee firm, who left the home of a relative at 1417 Fifteenth avenue S on Nov. 1, saying he intended to go into the woods, has not been seen since that date. Several letters and telegrams have been received asking as to his whereabouts, and lumber companies will endeavor to locate him through men in their camps.

The usual winter shut-down is already in effect at four of the Consolidated mills, and some of the others may follow suit soon. The bulk of the big orders is already delivered or ground, and new business is light, as is customary at this season. The car shortage has made it somewhat difficult to secure wheat, so the shut-down is timely. The Washburn-Crosby company has not arranged to close any of its mills yet.

It was announced at the meeting of the construction committee of the board of courthouse and city hall commissioners yesterday that the new city hall would not be ready for occupancy before June 1. There have been various unexpected delays, and now finally the cold weather has stopped plastering operations. Several bids for an electric lighting power plant were received, but no definite action taken.

Charles Blegen, who was picked up at Oak Grove and Seventeenth streets, drunk and almost frozen to death, was taken to the police station last night. Blegen is a driver for the Minnesota Sugar company and had driven his team against a telegraph pole. Being unable to extricate his horses from between his wagon and the pole, he lay down on the walk. He pleaded guilty in the municipal court this morning, when charged with being drunk, and was fined $10.

THE ICE HARVEST

Ice Companies Will Begin to Gather It Soon.

The ice companies of the city will commence their harvest in less than a week if the present cold weather continues. At present there is more than six inches on the lakes and it will take only a short time for the needed increase in thickness. Sixteen inches is the desired thickness and the companies do not like to start cutting with less than fifteen inches. The expense of cutting 16-inch ice is the same as that of 6-inch ice and ice dealers say the large chunks not only pay better but are more easily handled, amount considered.

The recent stories about the oil poured on Lake Calhoun are false, thinks D. M. Chute of the Cedar Lake Ice company. Mr. Chute says his firm gets much of its ice from that lake and investigations so far have failed to disclose any oil-covered ice.

THE GOVERNOR'S MOTTO

Adopted by an Adams School Government League Chapter.

At the last meeting of the chapter of the Good Government League, belonging to Room 1, Adams school, the youthful citizens named their organization the Van Sant chapter. They notified Governor Van Sant of their action, and he responded in a letter thanking them for the honor and wishing them great success. He suggested that the chapter adopt a motto with which he began his own life—"Labor omnia vincit." "That labor conquers all things there can be no doubt," he wrote, "and if the boy, then the man, works earnestly and exercises push, pluck and perseverance, he will conquer in the great battle of life."

LO USES THE 'PHONE

Wah-a-ma-gelac Has His First Experience With Far Talkers.

HE PEERS INTO THE RECEIVER

Couldn't Seem to Understand Where Sup't McDonald's Voice Was Coming From.

Wah-a-ma-gelac, son of a real Sioux Indian chief, received his first message over a telephone in Minneapolis this afternoon. The red man has a wonderfully large frame and weighs 169 pounds, but is almost too corpulent to be a typical figure of his race. He walked into police headquarters about 2 o'clock with a tribesman named Dakota, who is not so tall as the chieftain, but is gaunt and straight as an arrow, and more of a J. Fenimore Cooper aborigine. Wah-a-ma-gelac, who is known as Renville, wanted instructions as to how he could reach a person whose name and address he had on a piece of paper that was crumpled, worn and dirty with much handling, so that the inscription was scarcely legible. Desk Officer Schutta telephoned to the man's office and learned that he was out of the city, and would not return until Saturday or Sunday.

"We wait," said the Indian, with as little concern as though the delay were for but a few minutes.

Renville and Dakota watched Schutta intently as he talked into the peculiar instrument on the desk, and then, turning to Captain Hill, Dakota asked with a broad smile which disclosed two rows of great, tobacco-stained teeth:

"Talk our language in that thing?"

"Certainly," said Captain Hill. "Any language will do."

"Him try," suggested the slim red man, pointing to the rightful tribal chief, who, by the way, is now a plain, steady working farmer near Elk River.

"All right," said Captain Hill. "Sergeant, call up Captain Hein and tell him that a real American citizen wants to talk with him. Ever use a telephone before?" he asked of Renville.

"No," answered the Indian simply. Then he asked, hurriedly: "You know McDonald at workhouse?"

"Yes," said the officers.

"I want to see him," said the red.

"Know him?" asked Captain Hill.

"Yes," was the reply. "Me and friend here," pointing to Dakota, whose face again expanded in a broad smile as he saw they were talking about him, "was at workhouse. Drank too much fire water."

Then the officers recalled the arrest of the Indians. It was about a month ago. They were found drunk in a saloon, and were sent to the "works" for ten days. During their stay there, Renville sent home for money, and $10 was sent to the superintendent of the institution. The red man did not remember having received the money and wanted to see Superintendent McDonald and learn about it.

"Talk to him over the 'phone," said Schutta. "Wait a minute and I'll get him for you." He called up the works and got the superintendent on the line. "Here he is," said Schutta. "Sit here and talk to him."

The big aborigine looked incredulous, but, following instructions, placed the receiver to his ear and his lips near the transmitter. He waited patiently for further orders, and Schutta said, "Say hello."

"H'lo," shouted the red man. McDonald's is a deep, husky voice, and it makes the receiver quiver and the ear drums tingle. The answering "hello" surprised the Indian. He jerked the receiver from his ear and, holding it in front of him, viewed it skeptically. He was assured that it was all right and he called again, and then placed the receiver to his ear and waited for the reply.

"You McDonald?" he asked. "You got my money, what do with it?—Me Renville—Renville, Indian. Work at workhouse ten days, me and Dakota—you get ten dollar, my friend Summit send it to you—it is my money—what you do with it?—you do what?—well, I going to see you about my money—you no talk well—bye."

He set the receiver down and got up from the chair. "Me going to workhouse to see McDonald," he said, as though dissatisfied with his talk over the wire.

"What do you think of it, the telephone?" asked one of the officers who, with others, had been watching the Indian and laughing at the really funny scene.

"Ugh!" said Wah-a-ma-gelac, with a shrug of his broad shoulders. "Me talk to McDonald." All the time Dakota had stood by his friend, his sharp-featured face wearing a broad, silly smile the while. Renville walked out of the office, and Dakota fell in behind him, and in Indian file they walked noiselessly out of the building.

Wah-a-ma-gelac and Dakota are the first Indians who ever served time in the Minneapolis workhouse. They were docile prisoners, not over-willing to work, but uncomplaining. The money sent to Superintendent McDonald by Renville's friends, was used for the Indians. Tickets were bought for them to their home and with the balance of the money, were left with the agent at the station. A detective walked about town with the reds for an hour to keep them from using too much firewater, and finally placed them aboard a train for Elk River.

A SALOON MAN'S SUICIDE.

Drink and worry over domestic affairs led Chris Christenson, a saloonkeeper, 336 Minnesota street, St. Paul, to end his life yesterday morning. He stood before a mirror, placed a revolver in his mouth and pulled the trigger. The bullet plowed through his head and killed him instantly.

Piano Sale!

We are taking orders for the delivery of pianos for Christmas presents. People are realizing that our December piano sale is an opportunity not to be overlooked. At the beginning of December we had over

300 Pianos

in stock. This, is, by far, too heavy a stock to carry, so we decided to dispose of the greater part of it during December, to make room for pianos coming the first of the year. Only one way to do this—by making heavy discounts. This is why we are giving

33⅓% DISCOUNT

on each and every piano in stock.

$450 Pianos for $300
$300 Pianos for $200
$250 Pianos for $166
$150 Pianos for $100

Terms Cash, or $5 to $10 Per Month.

McPhail, "Crown," Sterling, Poole, Haines Bros., Jewett, Huntington Pianos. Store Open Evenings.

Foster & Waldo, 40 Fifth St. S., Cor. Nicollet.

LAST OF THE TRAGEDIANS

Sir Henry Irving Appears to Be the Last of a Race of Giants.

The visit of Sir Henry Irving and Miss Ellen Terry naturally awakens thought about the decline of tragedy and the poetic drama as popular forms of theatrical amusement. That such a decline is due almost wholly to the lack of worthy interpreters of Shakspere is the general opinion of those who make a close study of the stage and its patrons. Henry Irving seems to be the last of a great line that has extended with almost unbroken continuinty from the time of Shakspere. Preceding Irving in England, as some old play-goers can recall, were Charles Kean, Macready, Phelps, Dillon, Walter Montgomery, and perhaps a few venerables can go back in memory to Edmund Kean. In America there are some who can recall Junius Brutus Booth and his three sons, Junius Brutus, John Wilkes and Edwin; Lawrence Barrett, E. L. Davenport and Edwin Forrest are likewise honored in loving remembrance. Still farther back loom the names of the elder Wallack, Scott, Cooper, Cooke and others. If we survey of the present English field, we find only the name of Forbes Robertson strongly identified with tragedy, and that mainly by his performance of "Hamlet."

Beerbohm Tree produced "Herod," by Stephen Phillips, with success, but that did not make him a tragedian any more than his performance of "Falstaff" made him a Shaksperean comedian. E. S. Willard played "Hamlet" in America; but he never tried that particular flight in England. Both Robertson and Willard have passed the age at which any great expectations might reasonably be entertained of noteworthy success in Shaksperean drama. In this country Louis James and Creston Clarke and a few others of lesser note, maintain some of the traditions. Mansfield has given us "Richard III." and "Shylock"; E. H. Sothern's "Hamlet" commanded respectful consideration; Robert Mantell occasionally plays "Othello," and "Hamlet," and there are others of minor note. The list is not a very encouraging one.

The great Shaksperean actors of the past won their triumphs early in life. Real greatness of histrionic genius in the line of tragedy manifests itself in the latter twenties or early thirties. Experience has shown that no remarkable future awaits the actor who takes up Shakspere when he is past 40. Even Mr. Sothern, whom we are accustomed to reckon a young man, passed that mile stone two or three years ago.

MINNEAPOLIS FACTS

Being Disseminated in Connection With the N. E. A. Meet.

The active work of advertising Minneapolis in connection with the National Educational convention to be held here July 7-11, 1902, has already commenced. Every letter which leaves the office of Dr. C. M. Jordan, superintendent of schools, whether it relates to the convention or not, contains a small card on one side of which is printed:

"The forty-first annual convention of the National Educational association will be held in Minneapolis July 7 to 11, inclusive, 1902."

On the other side of the card are eleven short lines, each of which speaks volumes for the metropolis of the northwest and its manifold interests, educational and otherwise. The information is summed up thus:

Minneapolis has a population of 210,000.

Its taxable property is assessed for $103,000,000.

No city excells it in flour manufacturing. Annual cut, 559,914,055 feet.

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Electric street railway mileage, 120.

An enrollment of more than 38,000 pupils in the public schools.

Public school buildings, sixty, including four high schools.

Of churches the city has 210, with a membership of 70,000.

Lakes within and near the city form charming resorts.

In park area the city has 1,553 acres and twenty-four miles of park drives.

State university, located in the city, has 3,550 students.

MAJ. HOYT BURNED

Fire Occurs at His Quarters in the Philippines.

Major H. F. Hoyt and family, formerly of St. Paul, narrowly escaped death from fire in the Philippines Nov. 1. Major Hoyt, now chief surgeon with General Grant's division in the Philippines, was severely burned, his 12-year-old son, Terrell, was nearly burned to death, and Mrs. Hoyt was injured.

The boy accidentally upset a lamp in such a way that it exploded beneath Mrs. Hoyt's bed. Mr. Hoyt threw the boy into the middle of the room and turned to help his wife when he discovered that his son, who had fainted, was all ablaze. With his bare hands Major Hoyt succeeded in extinguishing the flames which circled Terrell, but not before the boy was badly burned. Mrs. Hoyt had succeeded in getting out of bed when she fainted, falling just outside the line of fire. General Grant and his aide-de-camp, Lieutenant Miller, rushed in from an adjoining room and carried out Mrs. Hoyt and the boy. Mrs. Hoyt is suffering from a wrenched back, Terrell is badly burned below the waist and the major's hands were severely injured.

THE WEATHER

The Predictions.

Minnesota—Fair and severe cold to-night and Friday; northwest winds. Wisconsin—Fair and severe cold to-night and Friday; colder in east to-night; brisk northwest winds. Iowa—Fair with severe cold to-night and Friday; colder in northeast to-night; fresh northwest winds. North and South Dakota—Generally fair and continued cold to-night and Friday; colder in extreme west to-night; northerly winds. Montana—Generally fair to-night and Friday; colder in east and south to-night; northerly winds.

For Minneapolis and vicinity—Fair and continued cold to-night and Friday.

Weather Conditions.

The decided warm wave in the Rocky mountain region yesterday has disappeared, and in all that region there has been a fall of from 20 degrees to 38 degrees in the past twenty-four hours. This morning's temperatures were below 20 degrees in northern and western Minnesota and the eastern parts of the Dakotas, and zero temperatures extend south of St. Louis and Kansas City. It is considerably warmer along the gulf coast. A high pressure area extends over the whole northwest, and the indications point to continued severe cold in this region.

—T. S. Outram, Section Director.

Minimum Temperatures.

Minimum temperature for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 a. m. to-day:

Upper Mississippi Valley—			
Minneapolis	—18	La Crosse	—14
Davenport	— 8	St. Louis	— 2
Lake Region—			
Port Arthur	—22	Buffalo	14
Detroit	0	Sault Ste. Marie	0
Marquette	10	Escanaba	4
Green Bay	2	Milwaukee	— 4
Chicago	— 6	Duluth	—16
Houghton	4		
Northwest Territory—			
Battleford	— 8	Calgary	10
Medicine Hat	2	Minnedosa	—24
Qu'Appelle	—18	Swift Current	— 8
Winnipeg	—24		
Missouri Valley—			
Kansas City	— 6	Omaha	— 8
Huron	—20	Moorhead	—24
Bismarck	—22	Williston	—16
Ohio Valley and Tennessee—			
Memphis	16	Knoxville	10
Pittsburg	8	Cincinnati	4
Atlantic Coast—			
Boston	12	New York	16
Washington	16	Charleston	24
Jacksonville	26		
Gulf States—			
Montgomery	16	New Orleans	28
Shreveport	18	Galveston	38
Rocky Mountain Slope—			
Havre	14	Helena	22
Miles City	4	Rapid City	— 2
Modena	12	North Platte	2
Denver	26	Dodge City	8
Oklahoma	12	Abilene	20
El Paso	36	Santa Fe	32
Pacific Coast—			
Spokane	24	Portland	22
Winnemucca	14	San Francisco	46
Los Angeles	40		

A NEW EXPLANATION

Paper Recently Read on Garfield-Conkling Controversy.

REASON OFR GARFIELD'S ACTION

Statement of One of Conkling's Supporters in N. Y. Senate Published for First Time.

A new contribution has been made to the history of the Garfield-Conkling controversy. C. W. Van Tuyl, of this city, in a paper read at a recent meeting of the Westminster club, takes to task the accepted historians of the event for being unhistorical and gives what he believes to be the real explanation of Mr. Garfield's action in appointing Mr. Robertson colector of the port of New York in the face of Mr. Conkling's strong opposition. This explanation is based upon a statement made by a former New York state senator who was in the fight in the New York senate when Mr. Conkling stood for return to the United States senate after his resignation. Previous explanations, says Mr. Van Tuyl, have not explained.

This is here published for the first time as an example of unhistorical history. Mr. Van Tuyl cites that E. B. Andrews, now president of Nebraska university, tells of the controversy in substance as follows:

Mr. Conkling and his friends claimed that their services in the campaign in which Garfield was elected entitled them to the control of the patronage of New York state. Mr. Garfield practically agreed to appoint a New Yorker acceptable to Mr. Conkling as secretary of the treasury, and then offended Mr. Conkling by appointing Charles J. Folger, who, however, did not accept the portfolio. Following up this Mr. Garfield again affronted Conkling by nominating Mr. Robertson, Mr. Conkling's "dearest foe," for collector of the port of New York. This opened a chasm in the ranks of the party, at which republicans stood aghast. Mr. Conkling was in a frenzy and threatened the utter humiliation of the president by the publication of an autograph letter of the president's. The letter was published subsequently but failed to accomplish the "humiliation" intended. Mr. Conkling proposed to rule or ruin.

Doesn't Explain.

The only explanation of Garfield's action contained in this statement is inferential and to the effect that Mr. Garfield was unwilling to yield to Mr. Conkling's "high-handed" demands for control of things in New York. That, says Mr. Van Tuyl, does not explain. Mr. Van Tuyl then puts the case in substance as follows:

The New York delegation to the Chicago convention that nominated Mr. Garfield had been instructed to vote for General Grant for a third term. Mr. Robertson as a member of the delegation disregarded instructions and voted for Mr. Garfield, thereby making Mr. Garfield's nomination possible. This placed Mr. Garfield under obligations to Mr. Robertson, who was a friend of Mr. Blaine's and an enemy of Mr. Conkling's. Mr. Conkling, also a delegate to the convention, accepted the defeat of Grant and upon the earnest solicitation of Mr. Garfield's friends took hold and through his efforts really elected Mr. Garfield, thereby placing Mr. Garfield under obligations to him. Mr. Garfield, therefore, was in a dilemma when it came to distributing the patronage of New York. But Mr. Conkling was the acknowledged leader and his men were already filling the offices at the disposal of the government in New York state, and he and his friends asserted their right to continue in control.

Mr. Garfield, recognizing Mr. Conkling's claims, "promised that his wishes should be respected regarding New York appointments," but then nominated Mr. Robertson for the custom-house position, striking a blow at Mr. Conkling's power at the head of New York republicanism.

Now the question arises what could have led Mr. Garfield to injure his party, to risk a split of most serious proportions and to violate a promise to Mr. Conkling by appointing Mr. Robertson? Mr. Blaine's influence was an insufficient excuse.

Mr. Halbert's Explanation.

Mr. Van Tuyl finds the explanation in a statement made to himself by Edwin G. Halbert, state senator of New York from Binghamton and a warm supporter of Conkling's in the famous fight by Conkling for re-election. This in substance runs as follows:

In September, 1880, Maine went democratic. This frightened the republicans as to the possible outcome of the presidential election soon to follow, and a meeting was called in New York, which Mr. Garfield attended. Mr. Garfield, fearful of the outcome of the election, there made an agreement, in order to secure much needed campaign funds, to appoint Mr. Robertson collector of customs at New York city. The other parties to the agreement sought the agreement in order to overthrow Conkling. These were Whitlaw Reid and Jay Gould. Their influence forced Mr. Garfield to pursue the course he did.

It is a part of the story that Mr. Conkling knew the facts and would have given them to the public but for the assassination of Mr. Garfield. That sealed his lips, say the friends of Mr. Conkling. It is asserted that Mr. Conkling's knowledge of the above agreement was what led him to quarrel openly with Jay Gould on the streets of New York and that only some such agreement is sufficient to account for Garfield's action.

A BIG HALL NEEDED

That Secured, Swedish Singers May Meet in Minneapolis.

An effort will be made to secure the 1903 gathering of the American Union of Swedish singers for Minneapolis. The only obstacle is securing an auditorium large enough to accommodate the delegates and many thousands of visitors. At the last meeting of the union, held in Jamestown, N. Y., the next place of meeting was left to the decision of the executive committee, composed of Axel Anderson, president of the union; Dr. Victor Nelson, secretary; A. T. Sundberg, treasurer. The two former gentlemen are residents of Minneapolis and the last named of St. Paul.

The sub-committee appointed to assist the officers in arrangements for the convention is John Lind, C. A. Smith, C. C. Bennett and Swan J. Turnblad. The Commercial club will be asked to assist in securing an auditorium.

CAUGHT IN THE FOG

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Olson Saw London at Its Worst.

General S. E. Olson has written a Minneapolis friend an interesting letter from Munich. Since the date of his last letter, an extract from which was published in The Journal, Mr. and Mrs. Olson spent two weeks in Holland and as long in Denmark. He finds Holland a "quaint old country, full of interest and opportunities for enjoyment, the people pleasand and hospitable." General Olson writes further:

They are all intensely interested in the Boer war and bent on Boer success. The government, as Minister Stanford Newell told me has its hands full all the time in restraining and suppressing popular feeling in order to avoid open rupture with England. They are so anxious to know how the people in America feel. They look to the United States intuitively for some kind of relief and are impatient that nothing is being done. They were hoping for great things from President Roosevelt, who they claim is of their blood.

We were in London just thirty days, but were unfortunate in timing our arrival with the terrible fog and smoke which penetrated and enveped the city completely for at least two weeks, and therefore could not see it at its best. We were also deprived of the pleasure of making excursions into the interior, but enjoyed our visits to the famous museums, galleries, palaces, churches, theaters, and as many interesting historical places as time would permit.

New novelties in Christmas Cakes. Ye Olde Tyme Bakerie, 722 Nicollet avenue. Woman's Baking company, 1200 Third avenue S.

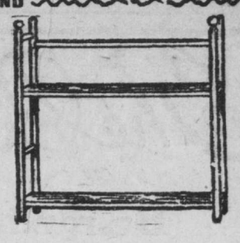
NEW ENGLAND

This Evening's and Friday's Special Seasonable Moderate Priced Furniture Bargains.

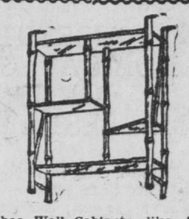
110 strong, handsome, comfortable Upholstered Spring Seat Rockers, like picture; regularly $4, Friday **$2.95**

200 Child's Rockers, like picture; regularly 40c. Friday **19c**

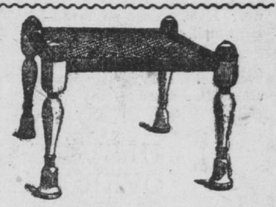
100 Standard High Chairs, like picture, regularly 60c. Friday **35c**



100 Hanging Book Shelves, like picture, enameled in pink and green, regularly 60c, Friday **35c**



100 Bamboo Wall Cabinets, like picture; regularly 90c. Friday **55c**



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INDEPENDENTS TO MEET

Representatives of N. W. 'Phone Co.'s to Gather in Milwaukee.

Owners of independent telephone companies in the northwest will meet in Milwaukee in February. It is reported that a plan will be considered by which a toll service will be established between the independent companies, which will rival that of the Erie company. President Eder Moulton of the Twin City Telephone company, the Rapid Service Telegraph and Telephone company and the Consolidated Telegraph and Telephone company is not able to say positively that such a plan will be considered. He adds that an agreement between independent companies as to service would be sufficient without forming a merged company.

Wisconsin has a network of independent lines and at present a company called the Milwaukee Telephone and Telegraph company is seeking a franchise in Milwaukee. The men interested in the company have declared that it will be only a short time before every independent line in the state will be under one control. It is understood that the plans contemplate making Minneapolis the northern terminus at the present time, but later the entire state of Minnesota will be included.

SEWAGE IN STREAMS

State Health Authorities Desire to Stop the Pollution.

Dr. H. M. Bracken, secretary of the state board of health, is strongly opposed to the use of streams for the disposal of sewage from the smaller cities. The subject will be taken up at the sanitary conference in St. Paul, Jan. 14.

Small streams are sources of water supply, and there is a state law forbidding the defiling of all sources of water supply. Ice is cut from these streams for use by the towns, even when they do not use the water in summer, and they are a serious menace to health. Filter plants are the necessary resort in such cases, in Dr. Bracken's opinion. One is now in successful operation at the Rochester hospital for the insane, and another is to be established at the Anoka asylum.

WILL HUNT WOLVES

Local Sportsmen After Gray Prowlers of North Woods.

The open season for big game of the deer family having closed, hunters are now going after the beasts of prey which are beyond the pale of law. Notwithstanding Hokemeier's annual wolf hunt fiasco in the wilds of Anoka county, the ambition of local sportsmen to bag a wolf grows apace. Several parties have already been organized to invade the north woods in search of wolves. In a majority of cases, the men who are planning these trips are holding down claims in the timber and intend to combine business with the pleasure of the chase. One of the parties which will leave this week, consists of "Curley" Hartwig, Frank Dubay, A. K. Skaro and John Langely.

It needs no Ernest Seton-Thompson to tell the average wolf hunter that his prospective prey is a crafty creature, exceptionally elusive and shy of a man with a gun. Favorite haunts of wolves are around the lakes and open places, where they lie in wait for the shy creatures of the woods.

The hunters who leave Saturday night will go direct to the Big Fork river, north of Lake Winnebigashish.

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