CITY NEWS

WEATHER NOW AND THEN

Maximum Temperature To-day 83 Degrees; a Year Ago 80 Degrees.

Wanted a Reward—Sheriff Dreger to-day received a telegram from the sheriff at St. Charles, Mo., asking what reward was offered for the arrest of Chief Ames and if he was wanted.

New Republican Barkises—James A. Kellogg has filed an affidavit to the effect that he is a candidate for the republican nomination for the office of county attorney. John A. Nordin announced his candidacy for representative from the forty-second district as a republican.

Gone With the Money—The Northwestern Hide and Fur company is looking for John E. Clark, formerly in the company's employ as a boss of a quarry crew. He was permitted to scale some old lumber and is accused of selling it for $52 and disappearing.

West Is Arrested—George West was arrested by Detectives Hicks and Smith this afternoon in his room at the Star Hotel. West is the man who rented a room at 325 Eighth street S yesterday, and in the absence of the family took clothing of considerable value and disappeared. All the property was recovered at pawn shops and on West's person.

Fenwick Goes to Ohio—A. R. Fenwick, city editor of the Times for the past year, has resigned his position to accept a place as managing editor of the Ohio State Journal of Columbus, Ohio. He turned the desk over to his successor, Paul Gyllstrom, last night and the members of the staff took the occasion to testify to their appreciation of him by presenting him a handsome gold watch.

Death Comes Suddenly—Mrs. A. A. Buckingham of Wahpeton, N. D., died suddenly yesterday at the residence of Mrs. Hatch, Ninth street and Western avenue. Mrs. Buckingham came to the city Sunday to visit Mrs. Hatch and was taken suddenly ill yesterday afternoon. A physician was summoned but before he could arrive the woman was dead. Mr. Buckingham arrived in the city this morning and the remains will be taken to Crookston for burial. Mrs. Buckingham's relatives reside at Crookston and she resided there until about three weeks ago.

Tactics of a Napoleon—"The Princess" for August, published by Giselle D'Unger in Chicago, contains a tribute to Minneapolis for the way it handled the N. E. A. convention, to the exhibits of the N. E. A. convention, to Wallace G. Nye of the Commercial Club, to the West Hotel and to the Soo road's display. Of Mr. Nye the editor says: "Wallace G. Nye of the Commercial Club, representative, chairman and executive secretary of the general committee, demonstrated the tactics of a Napoleon in handling the mass of humanity that thronged to lovely Minneapolis."

Wesley Reopening Delayed—Wesley church, which is undergoing thorough repairs and renovation, was to have been reopened next Sunday, with special services, conducted by Bishop Joyce. Owing to delays in the work the reopening will be deferred until Aug. 10. Dr. Montgomery especially regrets the delay owing to the fact that Bishop Joyce has been with him in every step Wesley church has made under his pastorate, but Aug. 10 the bishop will be in Atlanta, Ga. Aug. 10, however, Wesley will be reopened under the direction of the pastor. Miss Osborn has been engaged to sing two solos. Dr. Montgomery will preach at Simpson M. E. church Sunday morning.

PROSPER L. KNAPPEN

Former Resident of Minneapolis Dies in Beltrami County.

Prosper L. Knappen, who was well known in both the American and the Canadian northwest, died Saturday, July 19, at his home in Beltrami county, near Ten Strike. Death was due to a complication of diseases, which a powerful constitution had withstood for ten years. The funeral was held the following Monday at the residence, and the interment, by the deceased's request, was on his farm. Rev. Mr. Jacks of Ten Strike officiated.

Mr. Knappen is survived by a widow, Matilda MacFarlane, three brothers, one sister and a number of other close relatives.

Mr. Knappen was born March 21, 1843, at Plattsburg, N. Y. At an early age he removed, with his parents, to Arlington, Columbia county, Wis. At the outbreak of the civil war he enlisted in the Fifteenth Wisconsin cavalry, and served four years with a most enviable record, being made lieutenant for bravery in action. Following the war he engaged in various occupations in various parts of the west as well as in the east. He owned hotels at one time or another in Fort William, Ont.; Winnipeg, Man.; Moorhead, Minn., and Mandan, N. D., and was for some years a resident of Minneapolis. He made some good strokes in mining and timber ventures, and made a successful trip to Europe in the interests of one of them. Later he entered the life insurance business, and had made a great success of it at Omaha, Council Bluffs and elsewhere, when disease put an end to his active career. For the last two years he has lived in the health-giving woods of northern Minnesota, cheerfully accepting his enforced inactivity and struggling manfully against disease. He was a member of the G. A. R. and the Loyal Legion.

ANDREW MAHONEY died last evening at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. John Hanley, 2436 Thirteenth avenue S. Mr. Mahoney had lived long in the city, having come here thirty years ago. He left two daughters and a son, Mrs. John Hanley, Mrs. Charles Hanchette and Patrick Maloney. Funeral will take place from Holy Rosary church at 9 a. m., Friday.

CONRAD HAUSER—Funeral of Conrad Hauser, who died at Watertown, Minn., will take place from Germania hall, Main street NE, to-morrow at 3 p. m. Interment at Lakewood. Remains will lie in state at Germania hall preceding the funeral. Mr. Hauser was a member of the A. O. U. W. and of the Woodmen.

KENNETH GRANDIN, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Grandin, 2408 First avenue S, died yesterday.

PROSTRATED BY HEAT

Humidity Is More to Blame Than the Heat.

Sunstroke is a rare occurrence in Minneapolis. Already this year, however, with a minimum temperature, two reported heat prostrations have resulted. The humidity of the atmosphere is doing the work.

This morning a man had a sunstroke, but a much harder one from the sidewalk, and fell to the pavement on First avenue S. The sun wasn't shining, but that made no difference.

Yesterday, which was the hottest in the year, and only 88½ degrees warm at that, a man was temporarilly overcome in the federal building. He recovered after a brief rest on the steps.

Last year at this time the temperature ran above the hundred mark, but, owing to imagination or excessive dampness of the air, the populace appears to feel the present heat more.

ADMITS HE STOLE

Myers Confesses to Larceny and Escapes Burglary Trial.

Albert Myers, who has been in trouble before, was arraigned before Judge Simpson this morning on the charge of grand larceny. He pleaded guilty, and in doing so prompted the authorities to hold back the charge of burglary involved in the same deed. Myers broke into the Christopher & Johnson's place at 217 Washington avenue N, and stole 300 cigars and a botlte of brandy.

John McAndrews was arrested for criminal relations with a little girl 11 years old, and was also arraigned this morning. His attorney did not appear and thec ase was postponed until Monday next.

CHURCH STEEPLE STRUCK.

Special to The Journal.

Sleepy Eye, Minn., July 30.—Lightning struck the steeple of the Evangelical church this morning, doing probably $500 damage. The residences of H. H. Meyer and Mrs. L. P. Jensen were also struck during the storm, but little damage resulted.

SHORTS MAY APPEAL

For Settlement Price in Local July Wheat Corner.

CHICAGO CASE NOT A PARALLEL

July Wheat Was Bought Up for Milling Purposes, Not to Create Corner.

Gossip at the chamber of commerce today says the few remaining shorts in July wheat will get together and petition the directors to fix a price for settlement on the ground that the "anti-corner" rule of the chamber covers the case. As to-morrow will be the last day for these shorts to deliver, they will have to turn in and buy No. 1 northern for delivery on their sales at from 6 to 10 cents above the prices at which they sold. There is not a very heavy short line out, however, and as there is no disposition to "squeeze" any one, nothing sensational is expected.

It is not thought the directors would act favorably upon such a petition unless they are disposed to place the strictest possible construction upon the rule in question. From the fact that the shorts in Chicago July oats in which there was a corner, have successfully petitioned the Chicago board of trade to fix a price for settlement, the Minneapolis shorts in July wheat have felt that they might get consideration if they made a similar plea here. But conditions are hardly the same. Everybody knew that 72 cents for Chicago oats was a preposterous price, and in no sense a legitimate figure. Hence there was a basis for objecting to settlement on what was clearly a deliberately planned squeeze. In the case of Minneapolis July wheat, however, the price advanced because one man stepped in and bought practically all the No. 1 northern wheat there was in sight for legitimate use as milling wheat. If anyone sold him wheat which he did not have and which he cannot now buy except at advanced prices, it is difficult to see how the buyer is to blame or how the chamber could permit these shorts to back out of their contracts without reflecting upon the commercial integrity of the body. And with millers on the floor paying 6 to 7½ cents over the September option for No. 2 northern and complaining that they cannot get enough from the receipts for their daily milling requirements, there is not much question about the legitimacy of prices. If millers are willing to pay from 74½ to 76½ cents for No. 2 northern wheat, then from 79½ to 80 cents is close to a legitimate price for No. 1 northern, on July wheat. This is the argument of the holders of the long July wheat. But the shorts are hardly in the mood for close analysis as to the justice of the ruling prices; and are in the frame of mind to be expected in a man who sells something at one price and then has to buy it back at a considerably higher price.

NETHAWAY'S QUEER PICKLE

He Can't Vote for Himself at the Primaries.

Judge J. C. Nethaway of Stillwater to-day learned that a recently reformed democrat who desires to run for office on some ticket other than the democratic is in a peculiar position with regard to the primaries. He can run for office, but he cannot vote for himself or other republicans at the primary election. Judge Nethaway was for years one of the leading democrats of the state. He has been the candidate of his party for office many times. Since the last election he has become converted to republicanism, and is now a candidate for nomination as county attorney at the hands of that party. There is nothing in the law to prevent a man who suported one party at the last election from being a candidate for nomination at the hands of an opposing party this year, but just like ordinary mortals he is prohibited from assisting in the selection of candidates for any other party than the one he supported at the last election.

The ruling will also apply to C. A. Fosness, formerly a populist, but now a candidate for the republican nomination as senator from Chippewa and Lac qui Parle counties.

ACCEPT COMPANY'S TERMS

Boilermakers of the Diamond Iron Works Return to Work.

Boilermakers, formerly employed by the Diamond Iron Works, who have been on strike, returned to work this morning, accepting the terms offered by the company. This places them upon the same basis as the workmen of the Gillmore-Rollins company, whose employes were working under the schedule now adopted by the Diamond people at the time the strike began. The Gillmore men are still out, however, as are the boilermakers formerly in the employ of the Bros Manufacturing company. The foreman of the Gillmore shops goes to the Diamond works, the Gillmore people asserting that the Diamond works, in hiring him, has violated an agreement made at the beginning of the strike, which provided that no firm affected by the strike should hire an employe from another firm.

MONEY TO BE REFUNDED

Minneapolis Teachers' Retirement Fund to Be Redistributed.

About $12,000 belonging to the public school teachers of Minneapolis on account of the retirement fund association scheme, recently declared unconstitutional by the supreme court, is in th hands of John A. Schlener, and the members of the board apprehend trouble in getting it all back to those to whom it belongs. The school board *yesterday formally struck out of* the school regulations all rules relating to the retirement fund and it is expected that the officers of the association will meet in a few days to make arrangements for the return of the money.

The fund was started about two years ago. Many teachers have left the schools since. Some have married, others have moved away. In many cases their present whereabouts are unknown, and it is expected *that it will be no small job to* find all. The amount due in each case varies from $12 to $20, according to the salary received.

JEANNETTE CONRAD'S CASE

Said to Have Kidnapped Her Daughter in California.

Mrs. Jeanette M. Conrad of this city is reported by wire from San Rafael, Cal., to be an object of search by the police of that city. She is charged with kidnapping her daughter, Lillian, from the girl's father, Professor Louis D. Ventura, Mrs. Conrad's divorced husband.

The supposition is that the mother was drawn to the city with a desire to see her daughter, a beautiful child, and overcame by a strong maternal instinct, took her away, although it is understood that the husband has been given legal possession.

Belief is expressed here that investigation will show no serious features in the case.

WILL RUN MANY CARS

Plan of Street Railway Company for Handling State Fair Crowds.

The street railway company plans to handle the crowds both ways from the state fair this fall with "neatness and dispatch." Many additional cars will be put on the Como-Harriet line and every effort will be made to take care of the crowds by running cars at such brief intervals that there can be no complaint. The management of the company believes that no overdraft will be made on its resources this year.

No move will be made to carry passengers across to the old interurban line by way of Hamline.

CROOKS ALSO BACK

Col. Ames' Return Accompanied by Activity Among Thieves.

"CON" MAN WORKS OLD GAME

Burglars Enter Liquor Establishments Getting Away With $115.25.

The return of Colonel Fred W. Ames and a resumption of his duties as superintendent of police has been accompanied by renewed activity on the part of confidence men, sneak thieves and burglars, and the tab at headquarters which was nearly free from "kicks" in the reign of the re-organization, was to-day well filled with reports of violations of the law. Almost as much property has been stolen in the city since the return of Colonel Ames on Monday as was taken during the twelve days while Captain Hill was in power.

Fred Kersten, a farm hand from McGregor, Iowa, was the first man to suffer from the schemes of a confidence man after the return of the superintendent. He arrived at the union station yesterday on route to Bottineau county, N. D., where he was going to work in the harvest fields. At the station he met a stranger and the two engaged in conversation. When Kersten told his new-found friend where he was going he was surprised to find that the stranger was heading for the same place and that he was in charge of two carloads of horses. He was looking for a man who would be willing to help care for the horses in exchange for transportation, and offered the place to Kersten. The latter gladly accepted an opportunity and agreed to accompany the horses to their destination. The two started uptown, the stranger saying that he wanted to get a check cashed at a bank. When they arrived at the bank they found the doors closed. The stranger said he needed $20 to settle freight bills and Kersten readily loaned him the money. They separated, agreeing to meet at the station later. Kersten went to the station and after waiting several hours concluded that he had been swindled and reported the matter at headquarters.

Burglars in a Saloon.

Early yesterday morning, burglars secured an entrance to the Log Cabin saloon, First avenue S, between Washington avenue and Third street, and forced open the safe. They secured $115.25 in cash and a gold watch valued at $60. The watch was the property of a man from Duluth who had deposited it as security for a loan. There is no trace of the guilty persons.

But for the interference of a private citizen another burglary would have been added. A man heard two burglars break a window in the rear of the liquor store of Jonas Brown, on Lower Nicollet avenue early this morning and at once notified Lieutenant Farnham at headquarters. He called Officer Hillier and Detective Wirtensohn and the three went to the place. While Farnham stood guard at the front door the other officers made a detour and captured one of the men who was watching outside. The door to the store was then forced open and the other man was found crouching beneath the counter. They were sent to the central station where they gave the names of James Davidson and Harry Hanson.

A Residence Entered.

The residence of C. T. Jaffray, 1620 Mount Curve avenue, was broken into last night and a quantity of silverware taken. There is no trace of the thieves, but the police say that the work was that of boys.

A man reported to Officer Wheeler last night that he had been robbed of a silver watch and a purse containing a small amount of money. He did not give his name nor would he give the details of the robbery.

KRUMWEIDE'S OLIVE BRANCH

The Captain Would Resume Friendly Relations With Fitchette.

If Captain "Coffee John" Fitchette will but bend a trifle there is a chance for a settlement of the difference between him and Police Captain Krumweide. The latter is said now to be in a less cocky frame of mind than on the day he returned from his interview with the mayor at West Baden, and to be anxious to make terms with the restaurant man. In fact, he has already gone to the extent of inviting a conference looking to a peace agreement.

Captain Fitchette is disposed just now to keep in the middle of the road. He considers himself to be pretty firmly seated in the saddle, and argues that it is not meet for him to show any anxiety for peace at this time. He feels more confident than ever of the security of his position since Chief Ames went the rounds of the winerooms and found *there conditions calling for official action.* He cited the chief's action to-day as an indorsement of his own raid on the night he locked horns with Captain Krumweide, and believes that he and Chief Ames, having found this common ground of official activity, can work together very nicely, and that he can expect *to continue to stand very close to* the throne and dictate terms to his enemies in the department.

A FULL ATTENDANCE

Efforts to Secure It for Next Council Meeting.

Every possible effort will be made to assure the presence of all the twenty-six members of the city council at the next meeting, Aug. 8. *The aldermen now fully* appreciate the seriousness of the situation as regards the proposition to issue bonds for the development of the city's water system. Unless the bond issue is authorized and action is taken at this meeting, the bond proposition will have to be abandoned and the projected improvements to the water system put over for a year. The aldermen most interested are engaged in canvassing the situation *to learn if all the members of the councull* with the exception of President Jones can be on hand at this meeting. If they say they will be there, President Jones will be made acquainted with the situation by wire *not later than Monday of* next week and urged to drop everything and come back to Minneapolis.

NEW BARLEY GRADES

Minneapolis Dealers Talk of Meeting to Discuss Plan.

The coarse-grain men of the Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce are talking of holding a meeting to discuss the matter of new grades in barley. In Milwaukee there is a proposition to establish a new grade to be known as "standard" barley. This is a natural move in Milwaukee, which leads as a barley market. But Minneapolis has grown in importance as a barley market, and with the building of the big new malthouses here and the new elevators for handling barley, it is expected that barley receipts here next season will beat all records.

Hence it is thought desirable to have every grade that any other market affords in order that shippers may find it equally to their advantage to send barley here.

A SURPRISE STORE CHANGE

H. Weil Has Sold to H. Eilerman & Sons.

H. Eilerman & Sons, a firm which has clothing houses in Newport and Covington, Ky., has purchased H. Weil's Surprise store, 318 Nicollet avenue. The store will be remodeled and restocked with goods.

ALD. RAND HAS A FIGHT ON

JOHN DAHL AFTER HIS PLACE

Sixth Ward Republicans Assured of a Place in the Legislature.

It will be Lars M. Rand or John F. Dahl in the sixth ward this fall. The prospect of running up against Dahl is not at all pleasing to the veteran, who is betraying his anxiety. There is a candidate out against Dahl for the republican nomination in Henry T. Kersten, but Dahl is looked on as a sure winner at the primaries. Rand also has opposition within his party. Peter Gunderson, a popular old resident of the ward, is out for the nomination, but Rand seems to have a tight grip on the party machinery and is counted a sure winner.

After the primaries it will be different. There are many democrats in the ward who are anxious to throw off Rand's domination, and, while they are on the surface supporting him, they will in the secrecy of the election booth give his name the go-by and vote for Dahl. The popular young court reporter has lived in the ward about all his life, and knows nearly every resident. He has a following among the young men of both parties that will work for him till the polls close, and the republicans of the ward think the prospects for success are much better than two years ago, when Nelson won out so handily.

A SIXTH WARD SOLON

Fifth Warders Will Divide the Legislative Honors.

There is a movement in the forty-first legislative district to insure representation for the sixth ward in the next legislature. Owing to the small republican vote in the sixth, the primary law operated two years ago to shut out sixth ward candidates entirely, while the fifth had the senator and four representatives.

The sixth is split up, as before. A. E. L. Johnson, C. S. Dokken and J. W. Stokes have already come out for nomination, and a fourth candidate is coming. This means that four fifth warders will again get the house nominations, unless a concession is made by the republicans of the fifth.

Before the primaries, if plans now being formed go through, the republicans of the fifth will get together on one and perhaps two of the sixth ward candidates and vote for them solidly. This will insure representation for the smaller ward, and the fifth ward candidates will fight it out for the remaining places.

TAWNEY IN TOWN

He Comes to Attend a Conference of Millers.

Congressman James A. Tawney of Winona was in St. Paul this morning, and later in the day came over to Minneapolis. He will be the guest of the Northwestern Millers' club at the Minneapolis club this evening.

Mr. Tawney declined to discuss the Knatvold insurrection in his district, but did not appear trrified. He called on the secretary of state and got a blank for filing under the primary law, with price list, and promised to call again.

Senator Nelson was expected to be in Minneapolis to-day, in order to accept the invitation of the millers' club to attend their monthly dinner this evening. Word was rceived from him this morning that he would be unable to attend.

LIND SEEKS SECLUSION

Supposed to Be Preparing an Address of Acceptance.

John Lind fled the town last evening, and will spend to-day and to-morrow at Winthrop, the old family home. This will give him a welcome rest from the importunities of local democrats, and a good chance to prepare a formal announcement of his candidacy. This is expected shortly after his return.

The delay is disappointing to leading democrats, who were counting on a decision to-day or to-morrow.

A 63d District Candidate.

Hans O. Hanson of Stephen, Marshall county, filed his affidavit with the secretary of state to-day as a republican candidate for the house in the sixty-third district.

HIS INJURIES FATAL.

H. J. King, a traveling salesman for Farwell, Ozmun, Kirk & Co., died at his home, 684½ Selby avenue, St. Paul, at 4 o'clock this morning. On Monday morning Mr. King was hurt in a runaway and received injuries which proved fatal.

TAWNEY THE GUEST

At Banquet of Minneapolis Millers' Club This Evening.

Members of the Minneapolis Millers' club will banquet at the Minneapolis club to-night with Congressman Tawney as the guest of honor. The dinner will be largely a social affair, although it is likely that the London dock bill will be discussed and plans considered for its passage in the house at the next session. Senator Nelson, who fathered the bill in the senate, was invited to attend, but will be unable to do so.

W. C. Edgar, editor of the Northwestern Miller, said this morning that there was no truth in the report that the millers had combined to defeat Speaker Henderson for re-election. It had been said that Henderson was responsible for the failure of the bill to pass the house, but he had gone on record as favoring the measure and the millers would not fight him. Mr. Edgar also said that there was only a handful of millers in Henderson's district, not one of whom was an exporter.

An effort will be made at the banquet to-night *to interest more local millers in the* National Federation, which is desirous of increasing its membership here.

DRIVE IS POSTPONED

Real Estate Men Will Take Weekly Trip Friday.

The occasional drive of the members of *the real estate board set for to-day,* was postponed to Friday. At 11:30 the tally-hos will leave the West hotel for St. Anthony and Prospect Parks, where several real state members are making special *efforts to exploit holdings.*

Edmund G. Walton, chairman of the Kansas City entertainment committee, will be host at a luncheon for the committee members at the Minneapolis club, *where plans for making the visit instructive* and entertaining will be discussed.

LORA'S COOK DROWNED

Helen Tenges Falls From Steamer and Loses Her Life.

Helen Tenges, cook on the steamer Lora, fell from the boat at the foot of Broadway, St. Paul, to-day and was drowned.

ST. LOUIS & S. F.

Said to Have Secured the Chicago & Eastern Illinois.

New York, July 30.—Reports from San Francisco received here this afternoon stated that the St. Louis & San Francisco had acquired control of the Chicago & Eastern Illinois. Two directors of the 'Frisco road who were seen refused to confirm or deny the report. H. H. Porter, who represents the controlling interest in Chicago & Eastern Illinois, declined to discuss the matter at all. The San Francisco dispatches stated also that control of the St. Louis & San Francisco road now rested with the Southern railway. A representative of J. P. Morgan & Co. denied this last report.

BIG CUT IS LIKELY

In the Personal Property Assessment of the Peavey Estate.

ASSESSOR PUT IT AT $3,000,000

Attorneys for the Estate Say It Should Be Less Than $250,000.

There will probably be a wide disparity between the personal property assessment against the F. H. Peavey estate as made by the city assessor and the total as finally adjusted by the city board of equalization. Taking his cue from the inventory filed in the probate court and the terms of the will, City Assessor Fort proceeded to assess everything in sight. He had no difficulty in locating more than $3,000,000. Every one of the beneficiaries of the will was assessed for the full amount of his or her bequest and every cent of the insurance was listed for assessment.

City Assessor Fort was not entirely sure that he was legally right in doing this. His act involved some points that he had not before met in his assessment work. But he resolved to include everything and put upon the representatives of the estate the burden of proving that he had gone too far.

To-day the attorneys of the estate appeared before the board of equalization and made representations that will undoubtedly result in lowering the total personal assessment on the estate proper to less than a quarter of a million. Only a small part of the insurance money had been paid as yet, it was stated, and none of the bequests. And when the insurance money was paid it would go mostly into the business and be assessed in other ways. And finally the legacies would under the terms of the will be put in the hands of trustees in another state for investment and could not, therefore, rightly be taxed in Minnesota.

Mrs. Peavey stood ready, it was stated, to consent to an assessment of $29,600, and the Peavey estate would stand for $206,000. Any assessment above these figures would do a great injustice, it was declared. The board took the matter under advisement.

General Electric Protests.

The Minneapolis General Electric company, through its general manager, A. M. Robertson, put in a protest against the advance in the personal assessment made against that company. City Assessor Fort increased the assessment $215,000 over the figures of last year. Mr. Robertson said his company would agree to a raise of $100,000, but not any more.

REFORMS IN RUSSIA

THE CONDITIONS OF PEASANTRY

Troubles of Commercial Ownership—An Agricultural Commission at Work.

(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)

St. Petersburg, July 16.—The condition of agriculture and the peasantry is attracting more and more attention. Many opinions as to the cause of the existing agricultural depression and many schemes for its improvement have been published. Irrigation, cloud cannonading, reforesting, and increase of cattle for manuring, abolition of communal ownership, more railroads, development of rural industries, agronomic education, bimetallism, etc., etc., have all been warmly advocated, but it remains to be seen whether any practical results will be attained.

On being interviewed regarding abolition of communal ownership, Mr. Witte expressed himself as follows:

"I believe that for the present the statesmen of Russia are not likely to suppress the village commune. It seems to me that without immediately raising this question the government will strive merely to remove the more undesirable features of communal ownership. For example we have already been endeavoring to check further sub-division and repartment of the fields and have considered abolishing mutual liability for taxes."

One expert has proposed to take from the peasants the right to hold members of the communes fixed to the soil or to require them to return from the factories periodically to renew their passports, which is the source of endless abuses. He would also allow every peasant to renounce his share on the communal land with or without compensation as circumstances, especially the value or worthlessness of the lands in each case, might dictate.

Mr. Witte also said that the czar was deeply interested in the work of the agricultural commission and wants the fullest freedom of expression given to everybody concerned. In addition to the questions on the program of the provincial committees, the latter will be allowed to discuss such others as may occur to them. It is possible that this may raise a number of political questions which have hitherto been tabooed even when raised in the provincial self-government assemblies.

One of the crying evils at present is the practice of usury upon the peasantry, advances on crops being often made at from 20 to 60 per cent per annum.

ROSPIGLIOSI'S MARRIAGE

It May Yet Be Recognized by the Church.

Rome, July 30.—The appointment of Cardinal Vincent Vannutelli to be prefect of the propaganda of the sacred congregation of bishops and regulars and of regular discipline, it is thought here, will afford Prince Joseph Rospigliosi an opportunity to obtain a church annulment of the former marriage of his wife to Frederic H. Parkhurst of Bangor, Maine. In case of such anulment the prince would be able to have a Roman Catholic church solemnization of his marriage, which until now has been impossible because of the non-recognition of Mrs. Parkhurst's divorce by the church. *Cardinal Vannutelli always has been favorable* to Prince Rospigliosi, and all questions concerning marriage are decided by Cardinal Vannutelli's new office.

Mrs. Marie Jennings Reid Parkhurst of Washington, the divorced wife of Colonel Frederic H. Parkhurst of Bangor, Me., was married at Rome on Aug. 26, 1901, to Prince Joseph Rospigliosi, head of an ancient family of clerical nobility and whose brother *is commandant of the papal noble guard.* The ceremony was civil and was not followed by a church ceremony, owing to the fact that Mrs. Parkhurst was a divorced woman. During the early part of the present month Princess Rospigliosi, who was on the point of confinement, engaged an English Blue sister as a nurse and the latter took up her duties; but Cardinal Macchi, *secretary of apostolic briefs, forbade the sister* to fulfil her duties on the ground that the princess' marriage was nonexistent.

DENVER TO THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST.

Denver, Col., July 30.—The Mercantile Trust company of New York will hold the mortgage of the Moffat road, the Denver, Northwestern & Pacific Railway company. As soon as the mortgage, which is now being prepared, is approved and signed by Mr. Moffat and his associates in Denver, it will be sent to New York for approval by the trust company. The bonds will be issued and offered to the public. This will be within the next four weeks. By Sept. 1, as has been announced, the Denver, Northwestern & Pacific company will begin building the main line.

THEY ARE THRIFTY

Christian Brethren Now Own Nearly Sixty Minneapolis Dwellings.

MAINTAINED FOR THE INCOME

The Brethren Themselves Have a Floating Community on the Megiddo.

Records of real estate transfers show that although the gospel craft Megiddo is moored at the St. Paul end of the high bridge opposite Dr. Ohage's swimming baths, Minneapolis is in reality the headquarters of the Christian Brethren. Were it not for the incomplete condition of the federal locks and dams near Meeker island, the Megiddo would be shored in Minneapolis.

Members of the church have shown their faith in Minneapolis and belief that real estate is a proper investment by buying houses and lots to provide an income. The Christian Brethren, through Frank L. Palmer, P. C. Deming and O. J. Smith, have bought at least twenty-five houses and lots, some in South Minneapolis, some north, but most of them around New Boston in the northeastern part of the city. Last year members of the same body bought about thirty houses.

They buy cheap, make repairs themselves and rent the remodeled houses at a fair interest on the investment. As for the brethren, they live on the Megiddo.

A Peculiar Sect.

The Christian Brothers came here last year. At first they had a church building at 112 Second street SE. Later the gospel steamer was built down the river and a winter cruise taken in southern waters. The sect was recruited from Iowa farmers who sold their possessions and embraced the faith headed by Rev. L. T. Nichols and Adam Simpson. The money was reinvested in severality. The Minneapolis property is held individually by Mr. Nichols in trust.

Visitors are shown over the Megiddo after opportunity is given to contribute to the church. It is a fine craft, about 200 feet long; is divided into an assembly-room and thirty or more compartments. In the kitchen are several ranges. The families on board live independently, internecine strife is unknown.

Each household has two cupboards for dishes and provisions. In the dining-room they eat on separate tables.

Before frost comes an evangelistic trip will be again begun down the Mississippi. During the long winter the members of the sect will be absent. In the spring they return, with some additions and some desertions to report, to the city where lie their earthly possessions.

EDUCATED BY FORCE

Dr. Flynn Gets an Indian to Experiment on Mentally.

New York Sun Special Service

Cambridge, Mass., July 30.—Abraham Flynn, LL. D., of Oakland, Pa., who is connected with Harvard college and is a deep student of psychology, has returned from Niagara Falls, where he secured an Indian boy for the purpose of making mental experiments. Professor Flynn says that by a series of mental impressions the most indolent, uneducated person may be transformed into an intelligent, cultivated citizen. He intends to give the boy a special course of suggestive treatment. It will be a new departure in educational lines, simpler than the present methods.

SCIENTIFIC WORK

Three Tramps Who Know How to Work Their Passage.

Ogden, Utah, July 30.—Three tramps held up and robbed a passenger from the Rio Grande Western train who had stepped out on the platform of the Union station here last night. A detective who went in pursuit of the robbers was in turn held up and relieved of his revolver, handcuffs and other fixings. A posse headed by several policemen took up the pursuit of the robbers. They came up with them, and in the exchange of shots that followed Policeman Farr was severely wounded. The robbers then fled toward the hills north of the city. Bloodhounds from the state penitentiary were put on the trail this morning.

THE DOCTOR WANTS MORE.

Pittsburg, Pa., July 30.—Counsel for Dr. W. C. Browing, of Philadelphia, filed exceptions to-day to the opinion of Judge Over, of the Orphan's court, awarding $29,000 on his claim of $340,000 against the state of State Senator Chris L. Magee for professional services. The exceptions aver that the award is inadequate and was against the weight of the evidence. More than a score of points are enumerated in which it is alleged that the court erred in its holdings as to testimony offered.

DECORATED BY WILLIAM

RED EAGLES; CROWN ORDERS

Many Americans Receive Presents as Memorials of Prince Henry.

Berlin, July 30.—The German emperor has conferred a number of decorations on Americans incidental to the visit to the United States of Prince Henry, of Prussia. The Red Eagle of the third class is bestowed on Samuel H. Ashbridge, mayor of Philadelphia; J. Fleischmann, mayor of Cincinnati; Rolla Wells, mayor of St. Louis; David R. Francis, former governor of Missouri; Arthur Eddy, of Chicago; and Gustav H. Schwab, of New York. The Red Eagle of the fourth class is given to W. S. McChesney, general manager of the St. Louis terminal; Gustav Fischer, president of the German Maennerchor, of Chicago; Chief of Police Kiely, of St. Louis; Professo Camillo von Kleuze, of Chicago, and the Rev. Dr. Gustav Zimmerman, of Chicago.

Those who received the Crown Oder of the third class are John N. Partridge, police commissioner of New York; Detective Captain Titus, of New York; Henry Rubens, of Chicago, and William Vocke, of Chicago. The Crown Order of the fourth class is conferred on Consular Agent Bambach, of Milwaukee; George C. Boldt, manager of the Waldorf-Astoria hotel, New York; J. J. Coakley, station master at St. Louis, and Wilhelm Schmidt, of Chicago.

The emperor presents autograph photographs of himself to the designers of the yacht Meteor III., C. C. Cary Smith and Henry Barbey.

The foreign office announces a list of presents made by Prince Henry. Some of them were conferred by the prince while he was in the United States, but most of them were sent recently. David J. Hill, assistant secretary of state, received a gold snuff box bearing the letter "H" and a crown of diamonds. Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans was given an enamel portrait of the prince surrounded by diamonds. Major General H. C. Corbin's present was a gold cigarette case, on which was the prince's portrait in diamonds. Colonel Theodore A. Bingham and Commander W. S. Cowles of the navy each received a gold cigarette case on which were a crown in diamonds and the letter "H." A bracelet bearing the prince's portrait in rubies and diamonds was presented to Mrs. H. H. D. Pierce, wife of the third assistant secretary of state, and to Mr. Pierce was given a framed portrait of the prince.

Other presents were given as follows:

Major Richard Sylvester, superintendent of the Washington, D. C., police department; John Wilkie, chief of the United States secret service; John C. Stubbs, railway official; Cornelius Van Cott, postmaster at New York, and J. B. Reynolds, secretary to the mayor of New York, diamond scarf pins; McDougall Hawkes, dock commissioner, New York, a gold scarf pin; Thomas Sturgis, fire commissioner, New York, and Detective Thurston, New York, gold cuff buttons; Police Inspectors Cortright, Brooks, Harley, Thompson, Kane and Cross, Police Captains Schmittberger and Wendell and Captain Smith of the harbor police, all of New York; Assistant Superintendent Hunsdorffer of the Pinkerton bureau, Mr. Deutsch, who was telegraph agent at the Thirty-fourth street pier, New York, where the Hohenzollern lay, and Louis Murphy of the United States secret service, all receive scarf pins.

Postmaster Frederick E. Coyne, of Chicago, is given a gold cigarette case, Chief of Police Frank O'Neill, of Chicago, a gold scarf pin, and the manager of Willards hotel, Washington, a gold cigarette case.

Framed portraits of the prince are sent to Seth Low, mayor of New York; Patrick A. Collins, mayor of Boston; Carter H. Harrison, mayor of Chicago; to the navy department at Washington; to the naval and military academies, the New York Yacht club, the University club of New York, to the armory of squadron "A," New York and to the Milwaukee museum.

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Twenty premiums.....$6,420.00
Less dividends..... 1,676.28

Net cost to 1891.....$4,743.72

The policy was then paid up and was to continue bearing dividends till death. Six dividends were paid on the paid-up policy before death, amounting to $482.38, so that the final net cost of the policy was $4,743.72 less $482.38 or $4,261.34.

This is a splendid record; about 33⅓ per cent of the premiums were returned in dividends, leaving the policy full paid.

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