

CITY NEWS

PLEA FOR MORE FISH

S. H. Hall Points Out Advantages to Be Gained by More Careful Restocking.

A Modern Hatchery and a Fish Car Among the Urgent Needs of Minnesota.

Minnesota is behind the times in fish culture, and, for economical and moral reasons as well as for the purpose of furnishing sport for the citizens, the state should at once construct an up-to-date fish hatchery and procure a fish car to distribute the spawn of game and food fish in our lakes and streams.

These are the views of S. H. Hall in an interview with The Journal. Mr. Hall says: "In Waupaca and Waushara counties, in central Wisconsin, the fishing was exhausted in the late seventies, or about twenty-five years ago. At that time the state began the task of replenishing the rivers and lakes with trout, bass and all kinds of food and game fish. These two counties are among the most thickly settled parts of Wisconsin, yet, although they had been fished steadily for years, within ten years from the time the state began to restock the lakes the lakes contained more fish than ever.

"That shows what can be done in a few years by the systematic cultivation of fish, Minnesota, with its 10,000 lakes, and its thousands of beautiful streams, should be the finest fishing country in the United States. The water of our lakes and streams is clear, the banks are high, and in all respects they are adapted for fish culture. Yet up to date the state has done little in this line.

How Wisconsin Does It.

"Wisconsin has a well equipped fish hatchery, and it maintains a fish car in which the spawn are transported to all parts of the state and deposited in the various lakes and creeks. Word is sent in advance to prominent anglers and when the car reaches a station teams are on hand, furnished by these anglers, to convey the fish to the lakes. Nor are the efforts of the state confined to stocking a lake once and then letting it take care of itself. Every few years each body of water is restocked and thus the supply of fish is kept up permanently.

"Experts in fish culture estimate that three eggs out of every one hundred are hatched. The destruction of young fish is enormous, and a very small percentage of the spawn reach maturity. In a well regulated hatchery, however, about 83 per cent of the eggs can be hatched. So it is easy to see the benefits of systematic propagation of food and game fish. "The financial cost of maintaining a state fish hatchery and keeping our lakes and streams well stocked is infinitesimal. Every dollar spent in this manner would come back two-fold from non-residents who would be attracted to Minnesota by the sport of angling. Consider also the moral aspects of the problem. Minneapolis is a big city now and it is steadily growing. We should look ahead and provide for the needs of a city of half a million inhabitants. Now in Chicago every Sunday in summer you will see hundreds of men, women and children gathered about the tables in the beer gardens, in Milwaukee every Sunday afternoon and every evening in summer you will witness the same sight. Would it not be better to attract our people into the country, to spend their hours in such a clean, whole-

some amusement as angling, than to have them become habitués of beer gardens?

The Economic Side "Then there is an economic side to the question. As our country becomes more thickly settled, as the cattle disappear, and as the exportation of meats to Europe increases, the price of meat will become higher. But at an expense no slight as to be almost trivial, we can provide the poor with an excellent substitute for the heavier meats, a substitute which they can procure for themselves at a very small expense.

"Dayton creek, and the tributaries of the Waupaca and Pine rivers in central Wisconsin are among the best trout streams in the state. There are young men in Waupaca and Waushara counties who earn their living by catching fish for shipment to Chicago. Those streams are open to all, and all who are fished in this way for the market, the supply of fish has shown no sign of diminution, so well is the work of restocking carried out. Yet twenty-five years ago, the lakes and streams of these counties contained scarcely a native fish.

"I have been told that in China, where the problem of living is more serious than anywhere else in the world, and where the people have reduced to a science the question of extracting everything possible from the earth and the sea, an acre of well cultivated wheat is considered equivalent to eight acres of uncultivated land in the matter of food production. Even allowing for a large amount of exaggeration in this statement, it surely proves the importance, the necessity and the financial profit of keeping our lakes and streams well supplied with fish."

FIGHTING HOG CHOLERA

The State Board of Health Will Employ Every Precaution Against the Malady.

Drastic measures will be taken by the board of health to prevent the spread of hog cholera. The law prescribes fines for three offenses. For failing to report the presence of the disease it is \$25 to \$100; for failing to bury hogs which die of the cholera, \$10 to \$100, and for allowing infected animals to run at large, \$10 to \$100. A farmer in southern Minnesota was prosecuted the other day and fined on all three charges. The disease is continually breaking out in certain sections, and has to be rigidly guarded against.

Soo Line Christmas Offers:

- Boston, Mass., and return..... \$40.00
Buffalo, N. Y., and return..... 35.00
Montreal, Que., and return..... 35.00
Portland, Me., and return..... 40.00
Quebec, Que., and return..... 40.00
Toronto, Ont., and return..... 30.00
Albany, N. Y., and return..... 40.00
Springfield, Mass., and return..... 40.00
and other points in proportion. Tickets on sale Dec. 12 to 22. Ask for new Christmas booklets at the ticket office, 119 Third street S.

Want Ads Are Little Agents Working All the Time.

It don't pay to keep articles you don't want. Now is the time to dispose of such articles. The best and surest way is to insert a small adlet in the Classified Columns of The Journal and allow it to do the work. Others have succeeded, so can you.

Holiday rates to points on the Rock Island Ry. within a 200-mile limit, tickets on sale Dec. 24, 25, 31, and Jan. 1, at fare and one-third at the Ticket Office, 222 Nicollet avenue.

Christmas and New Year's Holiday Rates. One fare and a third for the round trip to points on the Chicago Great Western railway within a distance of 200 miles from selling station. Tickets on sale Dec. 24, 25, 31, and Jan. 1. For further information apply to L. C. Rains, general agent, corner Nicollet avenue and Fifth street, Minneapolis.

- At "Plymouth Corner."
1 Men's Clothing,
2 Boys' Clothing,
3 Hats and Caps,
4 Furnishings,
5 Shoes,
6 Trunks and Bags.

The Plymouth Clothing House

The Finest and Most Appropriate Gifts Are Found at The Plymouth.

Our unusually large stock offers the widest opportunity for the selection of CHRISTMAS GIFTS. The newest designs, exclusive character, finest quality and lowest prices make this stock conform to the tastes and means of every one, and the close proximity of Christmas Day renders immediate selection advisable.

Bear in mind that The Plymouth carries the largest, highest grade of Furnishings, Clothing, Shoes, etc., in the Northwest.

HOLIDAY NECKWEAR.



Our Neckwear Department has gone to special effort to supply the very best that the market can produce, and we are in a position to take care of the crowd with ease and safety.

50c—A beautiful assortment of Ties in the very newest designs; the exclusive kind, 50c.
The Four-in-hand, Imperial, and English Square, in beautiful silks, made up by American workmen, from English and Torgain silks, \$1.00.
\$1.50, \$2.00 and \$2.50—The very swellest and most handsome the market affords, made up in English Squares and the new French Four-fold, \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$2.50.

MUFFLERS.

The square Handkerchief Mufflers in pure silk are of the very newest and latest weaves and colorings, they are the most fashionable and up-to-date. Our line consists of the very newest importation and are very exclusive. Price \$2.50 to \$8.00.

\$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.00—In all silk Square Mufflers. They are very new and exclusive patterns, in the newest plaid, stripes and mottled effects, \$1, \$1.50 and \$2.

\$1—Silk, silk and wool, are in all the new stripe and plaid effects.
50c and 75c—Silk and wool, a very pretty and serviceable kind, very warm.

\$1.50—The new Opera shape Muffler, made of beautiful silk in the new Vienna coloring, the shape and style are the very newest.

\$1.50—The Harvard Muffler in handsome silk and satin, made up so you can wear them on either side, both sides different, warm and very serviceable.

\$1—The Harvard in all the newest patterns and colorings, in satins and silks, in gentel effect, can wear them on either side.

50c—Harvards afford the very comfortable kind for cold weather. All desirable colors in good quality silk, heavy padded, in plain and fancy silk lining.

In fall dress Mufflers we are showing a beautiful line of the Opera shape, Squares and Oblong shapes, \$1 to \$3.

HANDKERCHIEFS.

INITIAL LINEN HANDKERCHIEFS at 25c; exceptional values.
A FINE LINE OF SILKS in plain white and fancies at 50c to \$2.
A FANCY LINEN HANDKERCHIEF for 12 1/2c; regular 25c quality.
AT OUR NECKWEAR DEPT. you will also find a complete line of Toilet Sets.

BEST SCARFS, 50c.

Large English Squares, folded down to an easy-tying Four-in-Hand—though you can tie it into an Ascot or a once-over tie. They usually sell for \$1—it was quite a surprise yesterday to find them here for 50c.

MEN'S JEWELRY.

All the latest designs in Pins, from 50c up to \$2.
Link and Cuff Buttons, 25c up to \$3.
Fob Chains, useful Metal and silk mounted, in many beautiful designs.

The Plymouth Clothing House, Corner Sixth and Nicollet.

- Sixth and Nicollet.
7 Cloaks and Wraps,
8 Furs,
9 Millinery,
10 Custom Tailoring,
11 Shirt Tailoring,
12 Basement Salesroom



Boys' Clothing.

Nothing is more appropriate for a Christmas gift to your boy than a stylish and well chosen suit or overcoat. There are people who make a point of presenting this useful gift to their children. For this reason we call special attention to the excellency of our Boys' Clothing.

Quality is more of a consideration to-day than it ever was. May be that's why we are so busy.

THE BLOUSE SUITS for this season have appeared in a wide variety of styles. We can simply refer to them as Blouse Suits and ask you to see them as well the Norfolk Blouse in order to get some idea of them. (Ages 3 to 10 years) at \$3.50, \$5.00, \$6.50 and \$8.50.

BOYS' DOUBLE BREASTED SUITS—Sizes 6 to 16 years, blue serges, blue, black and fancy chevrons, at \$3, \$4, \$5, \$6, \$7.50, \$8 and \$10.

BOYS' WINTER OVERCOAT—Ages 6 to 16 years, in plain and fancy mixtures, in this season's best styles, with or without belted back, handsomely trimmed—\$5, \$6.50, \$8 and \$10.

YOUNG MEN'S SUITS—Just like the men's, ages 16 to 20 years, only in smaller sizes and at smaller prices—\$8.50 to \$20.

YOUNG MEN'S OVERCOATS—The young man who has an overcoat idea that can't be realized in this stock can't be found. Whether he is extreme or conservative in his taste—or between the two—we think we have his idea, at \$10, \$12, \$13.50, \$15, \$18, \$20, \$25.

SUIT CASES FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

SOLE LEATHER SUIT CASES—Linen lined; steel frames; edges hand stitched; a bargain at \$6. Special, while they last, \$5.00.

LADIES' TRAVELING BAG—Made of selected hand-boarded grain leather, with imported frame and fine leather lining; 17-in. sizes only at \$5.

BRIDLE LEATHER SUIT CASES—Linen lined; brass lock and heavy straps; 24-in. size, \$3.50.

GENTLEMAN'S TRAVELING BAG, in heavy cowhide grain leather, with heavy English frame sewed in by hand; best quality lining; 16-inch size, \$7.50. Others up to \$25.

MEN'S GLOVES.

HEAVY WOOLEN GOLF GLOVES, in fancy colors, all sizes, suitable for driving and out-of-door wear. Price 50c.

GOLF GLOVES—Fashionable, the very colored, and neat effects in stripes, the very first for street use, 75c, \$1, \$1.50.

ENGLISH WALKING AND STREET GLOVES—Made of the best imported Russian leather, outer saddle seam, perfect fit; special price of \$1.

MOCHA WOOL LINED GLOVES AND MITTS—This line is an exceptionally fine thing for the money, the best of mocha leather and real Australian lamb's wool lining, having full fingers and are seamless; while they last at \$1.

OUR LINE OF DRESS GLOVES contains all the celebrated makes, such as Ferrin's, Dent's, Adler's, Fournes, etc. All are guaranteed by us. Prices from \$1.50 up.

HEAVY WORKING MITTEN either with cordovan, buck or calfskin face; a regular 75c value at 50c.

Ladies' Glove and Hosiery Sale.

Nothing is more desirable for Christmas gifts than pretty Gloves and Hosiery. All ladies appreciate dainty and stylish things in this line, and in view of that we place on sale Saturday a beautiful line of both Gloves and Hosiery at less than half price.

GLOVES, 95c—All the odds and ends of \$1.50 and \$1.25 Gloves at 95c. This comprises the finest kid overseas Gloves for dress wear. All colors, black and white; all sizes; also heavy pique in street shades and white; and a few heavy Dogskin Gloves, all at 95c. A few large sizes, in Black Kid Gloves, \$1.50 quality, 50c.

HOSE, 3 FOR \$1—Our entire stock of 50c and 75c fancy Hose at 3 for \$1. This includes lace line, silk-plated fancy stripes; embroidered and plain black; also fine cashmere; all worth 75c and 50c. Saturday, 3 for \$1.00.

—On Main Floor. SATURDAY, IN OUR BASEMENT SALESROOM will be found some pretty and useful Xmas things at reduced prices. —In Basement.

LADIES' FINE HANDKERCHIEFS, hemstitched, embroidered and lace edge, 25c quality, 15c; 2 for 25c.

LADIES' FINE PLAIN HEMSTITCHED and fancy edged Handkerchiefs, 15c quality, 10c; 3 for 25c.

LADIES' FINE LAWN, fancy and plain edged Handkerchiefs, 10c quality, 5c; 6 for 25c.

LADIES' FANCY LISLE AND COTTON HOSE, pretty and stylish patterns and colors; regular 35c and 50c qualities, 19c; 3 for 50c.

OUTING GOWNS, beautifully made and trimmed with silk braid and wash ribbon, all colors and sizes; \$1.75 and \$2 gowns, 98c. —In Basement.

BEN HUR GENERAL LEW WALLACE'S REPLY TO INGERSOLL



BEN HUR AND MESSALA.



BEN HUR AND HIS MOTHER AND SISTER.

FEW people know that it was the famous agnostic, Robert G. Ingersoll, who caused the writing of the novel "Ben Hur," the stage version of which has created an absolute sensation in this country and which will be the New Year's week offering at the Lyceum theater. It came about through a chance meeting of the two famous men in a railroad journey when Christianity became the subject of their talk. General Wallace had always been a man of strong religious inclination, indeed, his splendid description of the appearance of the Star of Bethlehem to the wise men of the desert had been written before this chance acquaintance.

The arguments and claims of the great infidel were too much for the devout general. His senses were charmed with the eloquence and poetical presentation of the cause of agnosticism, but he was not meanly convinced of its truth. The discussion made him deeply reflective and led him to make a careful and exhaustive study of the life of the Nazarene. The result of this research and General Wallace's answer to Ingersoll was "Ben Hur," a work which has been more widely read than any printed volume save the sacred book of Scriptures.

General Wallace gives us a clear, sharply defined and most vivid view of Him, "who spoke as man never spoke before." He has surrounded Him with living characters and he has depicted the scenes and times of the most interesting period of the world's history in a surpassingly beautiful manner. It was inevitable that a book of such powerful dramatic and romantic interest should have attracted the attention of serious play-builders and from time to time vain efforts were made to get the general's consent to transform for the stage the outline of his thrilling story. He could not see how the scene of the Star of Bethlehem, the sinking of the Roman galley, the great chariot race or the representation of the miracle on the Mount of Olivet could be adequately presented. To him there were insurmountable mechanical difficulties in the way of the first three incidents, and as for the last he was fixed in his decision to allow no representation of the personality of the Nazarene to be seen in a dramatic spectacle made from his book.

Finally Messrs. Klaw & Erlanger hit upon a plan which would be perfectly effective and yet treat the subject with all possible respect. They conceived the idea of simply suggesting the presence of the Savior by a shaft of pure white light of consent to transform for the stage the outline of his thrilling story. This suggestion appealed to the general and led to the business arrangement which has been so substantially satisfactory to both writer and manager.

This production is the most important ever made in America, both in cost and success. This is the third year of its career and it has been played in only ten cities. The receipts have averaged over \$16,000 a week and one week has gone as high as \$27,000. Three hundred and fifty people appear in the scenes. No dramatic spectacle has ever called for so many before. In addition to this great number

there is a working staff of seventy-three carpenters, electricians and machinists. A corps of experts is now engaged in putting the Lyceum stage in readiness for the great chariot race. The machinery, treadmills and moving cyclorama of 3,600 feet of painted canvas for this thrilling episode in which eight horses run at highest speed in view of the audience, weigh over forty tons. The engagement in Minneapolis is limited to one week, beginning Monday, Dec. 29. The sale of seats will open Dec. 24 at 9 a. m. Mail orders accompanied by remittances will be filled in the order in which they are received.