

CITY NEWS

WEATHER NOW AND THEN

Minimum Temperature To-day 17 Degrees; a Year Ago 20 Degrees.

Mass by the Archbishop—Archbishop Ireland will conduct mass at 330 Christmas morning in the Church of the Immaculate Conception.

Fell Thirty Feet—Axel Esterman, residing at 2322 Third street N., employed by Fike & Cook, contractors, fell thirty feet from a scaffold at Fifteenth street and Second avenue S., this morning and received several bad bruises.

Broke Their Parole—William Madden and Olaf Jensen, two boys, were arraigned in police court this morning charged with vagrancy. As both were upon parole from the state training school Judge Holt ordered them returned to the institution.

Fine Holiday Number—Clar and Tobacco Journal's holiday number is out. It wears an attractive cover and inside is much of interest both to the trade and the general reader.

SOLD IMPURE FOODS

Crusade Against Breakers of Food Laws Results in Arraignments and Fines.

A crusade against adulterated foods is being made in Minneapolis. Seven men were arraigned in municipal court this morning charged with violating the food laws.

MISSING MAN RETURNS

Robert Jungwirth, a sealer for the Milwaukee road in St. Paul, who disappeared last Friday and who was supposed to have been drowned, returned to the city yesterday.

Carey Roofing better than metal or pitch and gravel. W. S. Nott Co. Tel. 376.

QUASHED TWO MORE

Last Indictments Against "Reddy" Cohen—Only One Chance to Convict Him.

His Appearance as a Grand Jury Witness Was What Saved Him.

There remains only one chance of convicting Joseph Cohen, who some time ago pleaded guilty to the charge of having compounded a crime in the corrupt protection of violators of the law, and who withdrew his plea. This morning Judge C. B. Elliott granted a motion to quash the last two indictments against Cohen.

When Cohen pleaded guilty there were not less than a dozen indictments against him. But, having confessed his crime, he was entered in all but the one case. Then Cohen went before the grand jury as a witness. Later he withdrew his plea of guilty at the court's suggestion. To make sure of him, therefore, two more indictments were returned. A motion was made to quash these on the ground that Cohen's own evidence before the grand jury was at least the partial basis for them.

AMES NOT AT ROCKPORT, KY.

A Letter From There Asking for a Description of Fugitive Mayor. Mayor A. A. Ames is not in Rockport, Ky., less than a dozen indictments against him. But, having confessed his crime, he was entered in all but the one case.

ASYLUM COLD STORAGE

The state board of control will ask the legislature to appropriate money for cold storage plants at the Hastings and Anoka asylums.

LADIES TO PURCHASE GIFTS

Ladies who desire to purchase gifts in smokers' articles, pipes, cigar holders, etc., will receive special attention at our stores.

BRANDS IT AS FALSE

The County Attorney Is Disposed to Resent That Article in McClure's.

He Thinks the Writer Received False Information From Some Enemy.

"The McClure article is false—wholly false in so far as it concerns me, but I understand the purpose of it. I am surprised that a paper of the standing of The Journal should run such an article without inquiring or consulting anybody."

"This was the only comment County Attorney F. H. Boardman would make, this morning, when asked if he intended to take any action in regard to certain allusions to him in an article by J. L. Steffen in the January McClure's magazine. He is very indignant at the publication of the article, quotations from which were printed in this paper Saturday.

"It seems to me the public is not specially interested in who is entitled to the most credit in cleaning up corruption and general cussedness in the city and county. What the people want is good work and in time their fairness will judge us all impartially."

"In justice to myself, I will say this: The writer of the McClure article, Mr. Steffen, must have been in certain informed or he would never have written as he did. The false information came from enemies of mine; for instance, the 'city prosecutor' was a politician, etc. All this is true, absolutely so. To anyone who knows me it must seem ludicrous that Mr. Clarke should tell me that he would run my office as he wanted to, and that he wanted to 'outrage' me."

"It is plain to me, and I think also to others, who it was who inspired this unjust and untrue article. It is along the same lines of the injustice that was done me last summer by a few men whom I would suppose would be above such littleness as envy and spite. It is the self-glorification that runs all through the extract."

"Such splendid work has been done toward cleaning up county and city corruption and elevating the standards of morals. The grand jury of last summer is entitled to great credit for this, so is every other grand jury in Hennepin county during my administration."

"The courts are entitled to special credit, and as to credit due myself and staff, I am willing to leave that to a fair public who will in time see the truth in all this, slurs, defamations, self-praising publications inspired by unjust and hostile minds. There is much more work along the same line that has to be done, but on as has begun, notwithstanding abuse from sources I ought not to expect it."

TO PUSH SALE OF DRAFTS

Minnesota Bankers Favor Vigorous Steps to Meet Express Money Orders Competition.

Joseph Chapman, Jr., secretary of the Minnesota Bankers' association, says that a large number of replies have been received to the letter sent out by the executive council recommending that banks advertise their drafts for sale, just as the postoffice and express companies advertise their money orders. Nearly all of the bankers who have replied endorse the recommendations of the executive council. In an interview in the Commercial West Mr. Chapman says:

"Many banks that have replied to the letter asking their co-operation, favor making a uniform charge for cashing express money orders. And there is no good reason why banks should cash them without charge, no matter whether presented by a customer or by deposit of some one wanting the cash. By doing so it is aiding the express companies to build up their money order business at the expense of the banks' draft business."

"It will be necessary, however, for the banks to cash drafts drawn on the money centers free of charge. There is now no charge for cashing money orders, no matter where they may be presented. Drafts must be placed on the same basis. People should understand, when they buy a draft, that it will be cashed by any bank in the state from charge for cashing. An express order will be cashed at an express office, if the latter happens to have the money."

"One advantage drafts have over money orders is that in case one is lost, duplicate can be had without delay or difficulty. The bank merely stops payment on the original and issues a duplicate. But when a money order is lost, there is a long delay and an almost endless amount of annoyance before the customer can get his money or a duplicate."

NECROLOGICAL

PATRICK GRIFFIN, aged 68 years, died early this morning at his home, 317 Humboldt avenue N. He is survived by his wife, five daughters and three sons. The funeral will be held at 9 a. m. to-morrow from Immaculate Conception church.

HANS P. PETERSON, aged 66 years, died yesterday at his home, 2701 Riverdale avenue. He is survived by his wife, three sons and three daughters. The funeral will be held at 10 a. m. to-morrow from Norwegian Bethany church, 3527 Franklin avenue. Interment at Layman's cemetery.

SOPHIA NORD, aged 74 years, died yesterday. The funeral will be held at 3 p. m. to-morrow from the Norwegian M. E. church, Third street and Third street N. Interment at Buffalo, Minn.

MRS. HARRIET CORMERALS READ, who died last Friday at the home of Mrs. W. B. Bean, 922 Sixth avenue S., left many friends here. Mrs. Read has been about 45 years ago near Boston, Mass., in her childhood her family removed to Minneapolis. She was educated here at the public schools. She married Charles Read and lived afterwards in various western cities. Mr. Read died fifteen years ago. Mrs. Read's father went back to Massachusetts and died later at Amesbury. Her two sisters are still living in Boston. She leaves a daughter, Mary, aged 19. The funeral took place at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon at the home of Mrs. Bean. Rev. M. D. Shutter conducted the services. The remains were taken to the vault at Lakewood.

MRS. C. H. DUNBAR, aged 87, died Dec. 15 very suddenly in Lawton, Okla., at the home of her son Warren Dunbar formerly of Minneapolis. Her remains will be taken to Waupaca, Wis.

J. F. McCOMBER ENDS LIFE

A Former Minneapolitan Takes Morphine at Butte, Mont.

Jarvis F. McComber, a miner who formerly resided in Minneapolis, committed suicide in a hotel at Butte, Mont., Friday night, by taking morphine. His mother resides at 802 Sixth street SE in this city. Jarvis had been out of employment for some time and is said to have been depressed. He left a letter asking that his mother be told that he was killed in a mine accident and not that he committed suicide.

CLINTON AV. SAYS NO

Residents on That Thoroughfare Have a House-Moving Case of Their Own.

It Is Proposed to Move a 36-Foot House Through a 34-Foot Roadway.

Urged on by Acting Mayor D. P. Jones this forenoon, Dr. T. F. Quinby, of the board of education, George F. Ridgway, of the park board, and City Engineer George N. Sublette, called a halt on a ramshackle landmark after it had effectually blocked traffic on Clinton avenue at Nineteenth street.

The house, which stood formerly at Fifth street and Second avenue S., was to be moved out Clinton avenue to Twenty-second street. As the eaves of the house threatened great damage to the beautiful trees which line Clinton avenue, the property owners determined to force the movers to change their route. When ordinary arguments failed, Dr. Quinby who was up sometimes this morning to prevent a flank movement, called on the city officials for reinforcements.

Mayor Jones, who lives in that vicinity, arrived while the case was being argued. He agreed that the objectors had the law on their side. But the mayor had spoken his mind, the workmen drew off to consult their superior officers before resuming operations. The head mover is W. Merrill of 25th street.

As the owners of the house are determined to keep moving on Clinton avenue, more trouble is in sight. If need be, Dr. Quinby says the property owners will secure an injunction and fight the matter out in court.

The owners explain that they have already secured a permit for the removal of the house, from both the building inspector and the superintendent of the park board, and that Clinton avenue was included in the route.

Secretary Ridgway and the city engineer insist that they must first be consulted. Both declare they will refuse to issue permits until the house owners can demonstrate their ability to move the house without damage to the trees.

The building inspector says the city council alone has power to act, because of an amendment to the house moving ordinance, adopted two weeks ago, giving that body supreme authority in such cases. According to City Engineer Healy, the ordinance, as amended, does not apply in the present instance because it is not retroactive. It was made effective on and after the date of its passage. It rests solely with the park board to grant or refuse a permit for house moving along Clinton avenue, if the trees are endangered, the board has the right to insist on a change of route.

"As the house measures thirty-six feet from curb to curb," Dr. Quinby, "and the roadway is but thirty-four feet wide from curb to curb, it is plainly apparent that great damage to the trees must necessarily follow the passage of the house up Clinton avenue. We will not resort to any shotgun tactics, but if there is no other way of settling this difficulty, we will ask the courts to interfere. The house could have been moved out Second avenue, which is much broader. It is not Second avenue, I would suggest Fifth avenue. Clinton avenue residents are particularly annoyed by the trees and premises. One of my neighbors, who lives in the recent contest for beautiful, well kept lawns."

CATS THAT WON PRIZES

Owners of Minneapolis Pussies Which Were Honored at the St. Paul Cat Show.

The Minneapolis prize winners in the St. Paul cat show are as follows: Mrs. A. Sylvester of Bedford avenue SE won first prize with Phyllis, Sappho and Captain Bob in the long-haired classes and special on Captain Bob as by a customer. In the short-haired class special in Sappho as best white and blue. Miss Myrtle Morrison of Clarence avenue, first on her kitten, fluffy.

Dr. Foote won first and special on brown banded tabby, Prince Rado. W. R. H. Simuleit of Sixth avenue N won first on blue eyed white Angora kitten, molasses. In the special in white Maltese, Kitten; two firsts and a special in French poodles, Ruby and Flossy. Dr. Cannon won first on blue and white Angora kitten, also special in the same class.

OVERPOWERED BY SONS

Corcoran Farmer Gets Drunk and Is Given Twenty Days.

Herman Dawson, a farmer of Corcoran, was arraigned in police court this forenoon charged with drunkenness. He pleaded guilty. After inquiry, Judge Hold sent him to the workhouse for twenty days.

Dawson was brought to the city Saturday and locked up by his two sons, aged 15 and 12 years respectively. They had overpowered him as he was raging about his home, threatening to do bodily harm to all who came near his farm. When they arrived at the central police station the father was still under the influence of liquor and swore vengeance against all his family.

SHOPPING IS DELAYED

Teachers Did Not Get Expected Salary Checks To-day.

In some unaccountable manner the teachers of the public schools were notified last week that the checks for the December salaries would be ready for delivery. As a result, a general raid on the afternoon stores was planned for this afternoon and evening. But the school board did not meet until this afternoon and the checks cannot possibly be ready for delivery until to-morrow morning.

Before the mistake was discovered this morning a representative of each of the sixty schools was on the way to the city hall to get the checks.

TOYS FOR POOR CHILDREN

The New Store's Annual Distribution to Take Place Christmas Morning at the Emory.

The Plymouth Basement Salesroom. Useful Holiday Gifts within Reach of Everybody. Plymouth Qualities at Reduced Prices. Neckwear 15c, Half Hose 12 1/2c, Suspenders 19c, Hdkfs 10c, Knee Pants 25c, Winter Caps 25c, Men's Hats \$1, Underwear 35c, Mufflers 25c, Windsor Ties 10c, Suspenders 35c, Brown Marten Scarfs \$3, Nearsal Scarfs \$2.75, Men's Slippers \$1, Fla'nelette Waists 25c.

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The Plymouth Handkerchief and Scotch Glove Sale. We have organized a sale of fine Christmas Handkerchiefs that all the Plymouth customers will be pleased to take advantage of. Lot 1—Finest sheer linen, blind embroidery and real lace edges, dainty and exquisite patterns, worth \$1, for 75c. Lot 2—Fine sheer linen, plain hems, blind embroidery, ruche and Val lace drawn work corners, best 75c quality 50c. Lot 3—All the 50c qualities at 35c, 3 for \$1.00; this includes a beautiful assortment of all the latest designs, 35c; 3 for \$1.00, nicely boxed. Lot 4—All our 35c Handkerchiefs for 20c—this consists of fine embroidered and lace edges, also initial and plain hems—a large variety of beautiful patterns that have sold for 35c; Tuesday 20c.

XMAS HINTS. GUNS RUBBER DOLLS AND BALLS, RIFLES, DOLLAR WATCHES, SKATES, MANICURE SETS, BICYCLES, STEAM ENGINES, PING PONG, BOXING GLOVES, MOCCASINS, FIELD GLASSES, EXERCISERS, CARVING SETS, BINOCULARS, DOG COLLARS, GAME BOARDS, FOOT BALLS, POCKET KNIVES, GUN CASES, PUNCHING BAGS, AIR RIFLES, FISHING TACKLE, SWEATERS, BILLIARD TABLES, KODAKS, GYMNASIUM GOODS, GOLF SKIS, SLEDS, ETC. KENNEDY & CO. 324 Nicollet Avenue.

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HOLIDAY ITEMS. Chating Dishes \$2.75, \$3.50, \$4.25, \$5.00 up to \$15.75. 5 O'clock Teas \$1.00, \$2.00, \$3.50, \$5.00 up to \$8.75. French Coffee Percolators \$7.50, \$9.25, \$10.75. Carvers 2-piece, 89c; 3-piece, in fancy boxes, \$3 up; 5-piece sets up to \$35. Tool Chests Empty, \$1.00 up to \$5.50. Complete \$2.00 up to \$25. PING PONG Sets \$1, \$2.50, \$3, \$3.50, \$5.00 sets reduced to \$6.00. Tables, folding, 3-ply, regulation size, \$16.00. W.K. MORISON & CO. Hardware, Cutlery, Tools, Stoves, Kitchen Furnishings, Etc. Etc. Open Evenings. 247-249 NICOLLET AV.

Eustis Bros. ANNOUNCEMENT. Bargain Tables open today with a choice display of novelties at 50 per cent discount. Come early and get the best selection Diamonds Always at the lowest price for fine gems. Watches of all makes in endless variety. Sterling Silver and Cut Glass to suit the taste and desires of all. 712 Nicollet Avenue

VOEGELI OFFERS MATCHLESS XMAS GIFTS At prices that will fit purses of rich and poor. A few suggestions which may help you to choose the presents you wish to give: Leather Writing Desks \$3.00-\$8.00, Leather Cuff and Collar Sets \$2.00-\$6.00, Stationery, regular price \$2.50; our price \$1.50, Pocket Knives, Pearl Handles \$5.00-\$9.00, Hair Brushes \$5.00-\$7.00, Leather Cigar Cases \$5.00-\$5.00, Poker Sets \$4.50-\$10.00, Family Sewing Cases \$1.00-\$5.00, Ladies' Purse \$1.75-\$8.00, Dainty Atomizers \$5.00-\$8.00, Opera Glasses \$5.00-\$15.00, Elegant perfume packages, Imported and domestic \$1.00-\$12.00. Until Christmas all these goods will be sold at a discount of 25 per cent. Cigars 50c, \$1.00 per box. Hennepin & Washington. Leather Chatelaines and Wrist Bags \$1.25, \$1.00.

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