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CITY NEWS

Telephone, either line 353.

Everything ready for Christmas. Immense stocks of well bought goods offered at right prices. Extra salesmen and deliverymen. Stores open to-night and to-morrow night.

Evening deliveries.

Candy.

For the Christmas trade we are opening great quantities of pure, wholesome Candies, that you can give the children with confidence that they are all right. Great care has been taken to have only the clean and unadulterated. Our prices are right.

100 kinds to select from, novel and beautiful boxes and baskets for Christmas presents.

New Nuts

- No. 3 Mixed, lb. 12 1/2c
- No. 2 Mixed, lb. 18c
- No. 1 Mixed, lb. 17c
- New Almonds, Pecans, Filberts, Hickory Nuts.
- Shelled Pecans, lb. 48c
- Shelled Walnuts, lb. 35c
- Shelled Almonds, lb. 35c

Figs

New, Smyrna, imported direct, just out of the custom house.

- 3 Crown, lb. 15c
- 4 Crown, lb. 18c
- 5 Crown, lb. 20c
- 7 Crown, lb. 25c
- Fancy, large Turkish, 3lb Box \$1.00
- Boiled Cider, quart 1.00
- Best New York Cider, gal. 20c
- Citron, lb. 11c
- Sueded Raisins, lb. pack, 9c and up
- Ultana, lb. 15c
- Currants, cleaned, lb. pack. 9c
- Dehesia, Cluster Raisins in 1, 2 and 5-lb. fancy Boxes.

- Meat, from lb. up. 8c
- California Seedling Oranges, doz. 10c
- Mexican Sweet Oranges, doz. up. 10c
- Florida Sweet Oranges, doz. 10c
- Washington Navel Oranges, all sizes 25c
- Tangerines, doz. 25c
- Florida Grape Fruit 25c
- Winter Nells Pears 25c
- Pineapples 25c
- Malaga Grapes 25c
- Bananas, doz. up. 10c
- Egg Plant 10c
- Cauliflower 10c
- Head Lettuce 10c
- Leaf Lettuce 10c
- Radishes 10c
- Young Onions 10c
- Brussel Sprouts 10c
- New Carrots 10c
- Holly, Holly Wreaths, Magnolia Wreaths and Galax Wreaths, Mistletoe.
- Fancy Apples, bu box. \$1.15
- Canberries, quart 8c and 10c

Cigars

Very large assortment of Havana Cigars in all sizes boxes for Christmas presents. Prices start at 40c box, up to the finest imported.

From Our Own Ovens

- Excellent Bread, 16-oz. loaf. 4c
- Best Pies, best Cakes, best Rolls, best Doughnuts. 10c
- Good Apple Pies, each 10c
- Home-Made Doughnuts, doz. 12c

Market

Turkeys, Ducks, Geese and Chickens.

- Pork Chops 10c
- Pork Loin Roast 10c
- Pork Shoulders 9c
- Pork Sausage, our own make 10c
- Pork Spare Ribs 10c
- Round Steak 10c
- Shoulder Steak 9c
- Hamburger Steak 8c
- Leg of Lamb 12c
- Shoulder of Lamb 10c
- Lamb Stew 5c
- Pot Roast 6c-7c-8c
- Rib Boiling Beef 5c

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Examined Free
Artificial Eyes,
BEST,
OPTICIAN, 409 Nicollet.

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 \$2.00-\$3.00
- Leather Cuff and Collar Sets \$2.00-\$3.00
- Statuary, regular price \$2.50; our price \$1.50
- Pocket Knives, Pearl Handles 50c-\$3.00
- Hair Brushes 50c-\$7.00
- Leather Cigar Cases 50c-\$5.00
- Poker Sets \$4.50-\$10.00
- Family Medicine Cases \$1.00-\$5.00
- Ladies' Purse 75c-\$8.00
- Opera Glasses 50c-\$3.00
- Dainty Atomizers \$1.00-\$5.00
- Open Glasses \$5.00-\$15.00
- Elegant perfume packages, imported and domestic 50c-\$12

Until Christmas all these goods will be sold at a discount of 25 per cent by

VOEGELI
Where all cars stop and start and where you can get a \$3.00 chest protector for \$2.

Hennepin & Washington

TOWN TALK

Choice farm and city mortgages for sale. Minnesota Title Ins. & Trust Co.

Christmas Gifts—John S. Allen, jeweler, ground floor, Guaranty Building, Open evenings.

Buy a glove certificate at Vrooman's, 7 Sixth street S. Open Christmas from 10 a. m. to 1 p. m.

For choice mistletoe, holly and wreaths for Xmas decorations go to Mendenhall's, 37 Sixth street S.

A large assortment of portable lamps at half price at Whittelsey Gas & Elect. Fix. Co., 311 2nd av. S.

Catholic Book Store. Religious articles, fine holiday gifts. Open evenings. Irish Standard, 51 Fourth street S, second floor.

Subscribe for all magazines, papers, etc., and get your binding done at Century New Store, 9 Third street S. near Hennepin av.

Barnum will close out his leather imported specialties that are holiday goods only at way down prices Wednesday. See them at 715 Nicollet av.

Wishing to close out three of the latest improved piano players, will sell same together with a good reliable piano for \$350. Remember only three of them. Brooks, Evans Piano Co., 429 Nicollet av.

Another shipment of fitted bags received this morning. Combination pocketbooks in the greatest variety. All goods marked in gold free to-morrow at Barnum's Leather goods store, 715 Nicollet av.

In Eighth and Central street car collision with the ambulance of the Northwestern hospital at Twenty-sixth street and Chicago avenue yesterday afternoon. The ambulance was badly damaged but no one was injured.

Annie Bockman was arraigned in municipal court this morning charged with petty larceny. She pleaded guilty and was sentenced to forty days in the workhouse. It is alleged that she stole silk handkerchiefs from a downtown department store yesterday.

Thomas Armstrong, a switchman employed by the Eastern Minnesota railroad, was "rolled" between a train of freight cars and the Fourth avenue S switch station. He was lightly injured about the hips and was taken to St. Barnabas hospital but was soon able to go to his home at 2605 Twenty-fifth street E.

"The Clever Stock" of the City. The newest stock, better values, as we do not use Michigan Avenue rents, Hoffman's Toggery shop, "Newspaper Row."

THE WEATHER

The Predictions. Minnesota—Threatening to-night and Wednesday with light snow flurries; colder Wednesday and in west portion to-night; high southerly shifting to northwest winds. Upper Michigan—Snow flurries to-night and Wednesday; warmer to-night; increasing southerly winds. Wisconsin—Threatening to-night and Wednesday with light snow flurries; high southerly shifting to northwest winds. Iowa—Threatening to-night and Wednesday with light snow flurries; high southerly shifting to northwest winds. North Dakota—Partly cloudy to-night and Wednesday; cold wave; brisk northwest winds. South Dakota—Partly cloudy to-night and Wednesday; colder with cold wave in east portion; brisk southerly shifting to northwest winds. Montana—Partly cloudy to-night and Wednesday with possibly snow flurries to-night; colder in east portion to-night; brisk northerly winds.

"Smart Set" Store Open Evenings "Shop comfortably". Hoff's Toggery shop.

PAY-ROLL PASSES

Teachers Will Get Money for Christmas Shopping.

The public school payroll for December was passed by the board of education yesterday afternoon so that the teachers and janitors might have funds for Christmas presents. The board appropriated \$25 with which to defray the expense of sending a collection of drawings and a basket work by the pupils of the city of Minneapolis to the Kensington museum in London. Miss Bonnie E. Snow, supervisor of drawing, and Miss M. Adelaide Holton, supervisor of primary work, have made the collection at the request of Dr. Michael Sadler, who attended the N. E. A. convention here.

NEW COUNTY BOARDS

Clearwater and Columbia Counties Are Provided With Commissioners Until Next Election.

The vote which created the new counties of Clearwater and Columbia also gave five best men commissioners, who will serve each county the next election and who will elect the other county officials. The commissioners chosen are as follows:

Clearwater County—E. N. Falk, Copley; J. W. Johnson, Leon; Knute Nora; Ben Sorenson, People and John Peterson. Columbia County—Henry G. Mitchell, Woodside; Larry J. O'Neill, Chester; Inghart Larson, Superior; Halvor Ott, Brandt, and Olaf Starvig, Knute.

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WHAT IS HATCHING?

Democratic Aldermen of the City Hold a Secret Meeting at the Temple Court.

It Starts Gossip at the City Hall—There Is Much Talk of a "Combine."

There is a general impression at the city hall that the democratic aldermen will bear watching. They held a meeting last Saturday afternoon at Temple Court—where one of them has an office—a very secret and mysterious meeting. It has caused much speculation among republican aldermen and officials, and none has yet solved the puzzle. The democratic aldermen are only nine in number out of twenty-six, and while they are numerous enough to defeat measures requiring two-thirds vote of the council their power can be only negative and obstructive.

Unless the democrats are planning a "combine" with some element of the republicans they would seem to be wasting time by holding meetings. The word "unless," however, starts a train of thought. Such combines have been known before here in order to have an effective combine, it will be necessary to secure five republican aldermen. But where could the democrats get five or one for that matter? Some of the republicans are not very friendly toward one another, but few are willing to believe that any one would jeopardize the interests of the party and his political prospects for such a reason.

There are, of course, rumors of an alliance between the democratic aldermen and several republicans who are said to be disgruntled. Names even are mentioned. But the story looks so thin that none gives it credence. The stories have it that the combine will consist of five democrats and five republicans, apportion the committees to suit the "combiners" and throw all the appointments into the whole council.

While many hold that the "combine" theory is impossible some give it credence, because they can discover no other reasons for a democratic caucus. And still the meetings may have some other purpose. Possibly the democrats simply met to frame a request to President D. P. Jones not to ignore them entirely in making the committee appointments. Possibly they are simply studying parliamentary law according to the plan introduced by the ever-famous Joseph L. Kitchin, when he was the leader of the majority party and "the five little bulldozers."

Tuesday eve. Hoffman's Toggery Shop.

PULLED THE WRONG CORD

St. Paul Woman at Willard Hotel Turns in an Alarm by Mistake.

While the fire engines were rumberling before the Willard hotel in St. Peter street last night, a woman, who was in the hotel, pulled the wrong cord and set off the alarm. She was Mrs. J. P. Simpson, who lives in the hotel. She was on the fifth floor, where she had just returned from her room on the fifth floor. She asked if she would be burned alive, and whether she had time to get her things. The fire, she was told, hadn't yet been discovered. It must be on the fifth floor, where the signal had been turned in.

"There, that's the box, madam," said Chief John Jackson. "The glass is broken and somebody's pulled the cord."

"Oh, no, it isn't," said Mrs. Simpson. "That's the A. D. T. box, and I just called for a messenger. At least I was perfectly sure it was a minute ago."

Quickly bought a most acceptable present. John W. Thomas & Co.'s glove certificate.

WEDDED TO HIS MUSE

Meantime Arthur Dale's Wife Prefers Charges of Non-support.

Arthur W. Dale, professional poet and a gentleman of aesthetic tastes, is now wedded to his muse. The marriage was celebrated in the St. Paul police court yesterday on a charge of non-support preferred by his wife. To Judge Hine, Dale explained that he had been a professional poet, but had abandoned the occupation to vote all his time to the muse. His wife, he said, was a woman of no taste. He complained that the children were run about, slovenly and dirty, and that he had stood it until his spirit rebelled, when they separated.

A crisis last spring, when the poet reached his lare and penates at No. 16 Summit avenue, where he continued to woo the muse of poetry during the still hours of the night and the less stilly hours of the day. His wife set up an altar to her own particular muse of Calliope at the Grand Central hotel, and started in to make her living as a stenographer.

Judge Hine didn't wince at the poet to the workhouse and so passed the case temporarily. He will try to bring about a settlement of this little battle of the muses and to reconcile Dale to his wife.

Most acceptable of presents, easy to buy. Thomas' glove certificates.

BOWERY BURLESQUERS AT THE DEWEY

The Bowery Burlesquers are better than their name and the entertainment they provide is the best seen at the Dewey theater in many a long week. The company is not an aggregation of stars, but its members work well together, and as they have really been given something to work upon the show is one of the most satisfactory burlesque shows presented here since the season opened.

There is no olio, the various acts being interpolated at frequent intervals through the burlesque, and the change is most one. Much of the music is new and all of it is catchy. The costumes are elaborate and in good taste and the scenery excellent. Moreover, the chorus is both comely and agile.

Of the specialties the contortion act of La Belle Yvonne, who is really entitled to her sobriquet, is a marvelous exhibition of suppleness. If La Belle isn't inverted, she comes nearer to it than any performer who has appeared here recently. Gilbert and Goldie, conversationalists, also contribute an excellent turn. Their patter is mostly new and contains a number of good things. "We're a couple of mainline holes," announced one of the team. "Yes," retorts the other member of the sketch, "but we'd like to be idle a couple of matinees"; and a number of professional people who attended the performance yesterday afternoon laughed with sympathy. Willie and Josie Barrows have an AI dancing act, but should not desert Terpsichore Calliope, even for a minute, as their attempts to sing are unusually sad. The Farrell-Taylor Trio, old favorites, present a pleasing musical stunt.

A tenuous thread of story runs through the four acts of burlesque and, although Loney Haskell, who is credited with having "booked" the piece, has not departed cordily from conventional lines except in one of his scenes, he has turned out an amusing vehicle and one that should please Dewey patrons. The Bowery Burlesquers are good goods. Only four more to be congratulated upon having secured so strong a Christmas attraction for his popular house.

John W. Thomas & Co., headquarters for glove certificates. They sell only the best makes of gloves.

FROM FAR SIBERIA

W. T. Perkins, Interested in Companies There, Stops a Day in Minneapolis.

His Companies Expect to Find Gold in the Realm of the Czar.

W. T. Perkins, who is greatly interested in ventures in northwestern Siberia, arrived in Minneapolis yesterday on the Tchoukotsk peninsula, which he explored last summer. He is on his way east with his wife, but found time enough to visit City Attorney Frank Healy, who was a classmate at Ann Arbor.

Mr. Perkins is the auditor of the Northwestern Commercial company and the Northeastern Siberian company. The latter is a Russian corporation with headquarters in St. Petersburg, but its interests are looked after by Americans. The company has a concession embracing the whole of the Tchoukotsk peninsula, the extreme eastern tip of Asia. It is as large as three big western states and three times the area of Seward peninsula, the land facing it on the American side of Bering Strait. The company runs a mail steamer, and a small steamer between its stations in Asia and Cape Nome. It also runs a steamer between Vladivostok and Seattle. The steamer makes only two trips a year, which, however, is very good for the company, as it is a long haul. Vladivostok is about 10,000 miles, and the return trip the steamer touches at several points.

The past season the company established five trading stations on its concession, naming them Anadir, Vladimr, St. Nicholas, Alexis and East Cape. The latter is almost on the very tip of the most easterly point of Asia.

Fifty American miners and about 125 Russians are prospecting on the concession. Mr. Perkins makes no secret of the fact that they are searching for gold. In his opinion Siberia will become a gold country. Several quartz prospects are now being developed by his company which considers the outlook most excellent.

Along the coast the natives are very stupid, but the languages of Alaska and the languages are much alike, but farther in the interior the people are very different, being taller and stronger and having a different language. There are about 5,000 natives on the concession of northwestern Siberia interested, and they like to trade. They have large herds of reindeer, and the country is invaluable. The United States government is now securing the reindeer for the Alaskan tribes from Siberia instead of from Norway, as animals from the former are much better adapted for the conditions in Alaska.

A CLUB SANTA CLAUS

The Fourth Ward Republican Club Delights the Children of the Neighborhood.

Matters in the District of Columbia visibly strengthened the future cause of republicanism last evening in the vicinity of its wigwag, Western avenue and Ninth street, by keeping the hoodlums far from the neighborhood children. Boys and girls from 3 to 10 years of age crowded the hall while good things were distributed with a lavish hand. C. B. Shove, president of the club, presided over the occasion the great lesson of Christmas Day. P. D. Boutell told them what Christmas meant to him when he was a boy, and William Hutz kept them in a roar with funny stories.

Music was furnished by the Obrecht Family orchestra, comprising the following: contributed by Mollie Gleason, May Lamb and May Kuava.

W. C. Pinkerton was master of ceremonies. The festivities ended with dancing.

FOR VOTING MACHINES

City Clerk Lydiard Favors Plan—Says Machines Would Pay for Themselves Quickly.

It is understood that a bill permitting the use of voting machines at elections will be presented at the coming session of the legislature. City Clerk Lydiard, who is greatly interested in the matter, estimates that eighty machines will be sufficient for this city. These will cost \$50,000, but they will also reduce the expenses of an election from \$30,000 to \$10,000, and will thus pay for themselves in two or three elections, after which they will save money.

FEW FIRES IN 1920

The Total Will Scarcely Reach 985—Wet Weather Kept 'Em Down.

Unless there should be an extraordinary number of fires, Chief J. R. Corbett thinks the total number of alarms for the year 1920 would be about 985. In 1901 there were 1,195 alarms. The great difference in the figures is due in a measure to the continued wet weather in 1902 and the unusual dry weather of 1901. Every month of the present year shows fewer fires than the corresponding month of last year, except April, which had 117 as compared with 112 for the same month in the previous year.

COST OF EDUCATION

The Expense per Pupil in the Current Year Has Been \$17.20.

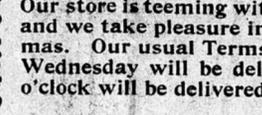
The per capita cost for pupils in the common schools of Minnesota was \$17.02 during 1920. According to State Superintendent Olsen, there are only four states with the high educational standard of Minnesota that have a lower per capita cost. In Wisconsin it is \$14.25, in Nebraska \$15.15, in Michigan \$15.15 and in Iowa \$15.58. The per capita of Indiana is \$18.72.

Store Hours Until Christmas—8 a. m. to 10 p. m.

Our Christmas Gift to Our Customers!

Twenty per Cent (20%) Discount on Wednesday on all Fine Furniture Pieces.

Also every Oriental Rug in Our Magnificent Stock.



New England Furniture & Carpet Co.,

The One-Price Complete Housefurnishers, 5th St., 6th St. & 1st Av. S.

KILLING THE YOUNG

S. M. Owen Comments on the Annual Slaughter of Evergreens for Christmas Trees.

He Thinks Present Methods Will Have a Noticeable Effect on Forest Growth.

"It's a slaughter of innocents," said S. M. Owen of the state forestry board this forenoon in discussing the annual Christmas tree and other government evergreens. "The practice is a serious detriment to the growth of our forests. But so long as people will have Christmas trees, it would be impossible to prevent the yearly sacrifice." "The tiny trees so cut off in their very greenest youth are little fellows six to ten years old. They are all healthy youngsters with a fine, fresh color and strong, straight back—nothing else would satisfy the Christmas tree ogre. But if these small folk were allowed to play out in the woods a few years longer, they would develop into robust, adult pines and spruces, and they would supply a large amount of excellent timber." "The number of such evergreens cut down before each Christmas is much greater than one would imagine. Enough trees are always provided to satisfy the wishes of all our villages, towns and cities. And then there is an immense surplus that proves unsalable and is simply thrown away. Several years ago the Chicago newspapers had a great deal to say about the thousands and thousands of Christmas trees shipped into that city and never sold. Even here in Minneapolis I've noticed many trees left over on Christmas eve. Once, I recall, the authorities were put to the trouble of removing some cords of evergreens left on Bridge square and elsewhere by speculators who couldn't get rid of their stocks.

"It may be, as I have recently read, that little trees are grown in eastern nurseries for sale at Christmas. But out here that wouldn't pay. The speculators get their trees here wherever they can. They aren't a bit careful not to trespass upon school lands and other government property, not to speak of private acres.

"Abroad, but especially in Germany and Switzerland, this wholesale destruction of valuable timber in the making would never be allowed. Most of the German and Swiss forests are under government supervision which forbids the cutting of healthy young trees.

"There's only one silver lining to this dark green cloud. Young pines and spruces make a splendid fire, and the surplus Christmas trees may do something to relieve the fuel famine."

Perfect fitting, good wearing gloves on Thomas' glove certificates.

Lake Harriet. H. M. Barnett's famous Harriet Taffy, Popcorn and Root Beer sold at Powers.

SPLINTS WERE A BLUFF

Clancy Wore Them to Make His Appeal for Charity More Effective.

William Clancy is under arrest at the South side police station charged with begging on the streets, but it is said that he is wanted at a certain Minnesota town upon a much more serious charge. Superintendent Waitie says that Clancy answers the description of a man wanted upon the charge of burglary but refuses to say