SALSBURY'S MEN PLAYED SNEAK

Eight More Conspirators Charged With Boodling on His Confession in Grand Rapids.

Investigation Brings Forth Many More Serious Charges—Another Informer Helps Prosecutor.

Grand Rapids, Mich., Dec. 8.—Lant K. Salsbury's confession has led to the issuance of seven warrants for conspirators in the water deal scandal. The men are:

Charged wiht conspiracy, J. Clark Sproat, former manager of the defunct Grand Rapids Democrat; C. S. Burch, manager of the Grand Rapids Evening Post; Eugene D. Conger, manager of the Grand Rapids Herald; J. Russell Thomson, former reporter for the Grand Rapids Evening Press; Isaac S. Lamoreaux, former city clerk.

Charged with attempting subornation of perjury, William McKnight, attorney, who was democratic candidate for attorney general in 1902.

Charged with perjury, ex-State Senator George E. Nichols, Ionia, Mich., attorney at law.

Instead of placing the warrants in the hands of officers to serve, the officials telephoned the respondents from police headquarters requesting them to appear.

Another warrant for Gerrit H. Albers, charging perjury at his trial on the charge of attempting to bribe Alderman Renihan, has been issued and Albers came into police headquarters and entered his appearance, being permitted to then go in search of bondsmen.

Another Confession.

Judge Haggerty, who issued the warrants, announced that the Albers warrant was based on a confession of Dr. Wilkie Devries, that he induced Albers to make an offer of a bribe to Alderman Renihan, as charged at the time of his trial by the prosecution. Albers was acquitted at that time. Altho Judge Haggerty refused to discuss Devries' confession any further, there are reasons for believing that it reveals much of the inside of the water deal and will be corroborative of Salsbury's confession.

Charles S. Burch, manager of the Evening Press, waived examination today in police court and was bound over to the superior court for trial under $2,000 bonds.

J. Clark Sproat, formerly manager of the Democrat and the Post, and J. Russell Thomson, former municipal reporter of the Evening Press, also waived examination in police court and were held to the next term of the superior court for trial, giving bonds for their appearance.

Other Companies Involved.

The examination of ex-Alderman Mol was taken up in police court today. Salsbury testified that he not only gave Mol $350 for aiding the water deal, but also gave him $80 to vote for him for city attorney.

Salsbury denied that he gave money for their campaign expenses to all the aldermen running for re-election in 1901. He went over the list of those who were running, however, and said he gave campaign money to Aldermen McCool, Kinney, Schriver, Ghysels, Johnson, Beck, Lozier and McLachlan.

"Where did you get this money?"

"Some from the street railway company and some of the Bell Telephone company. I got the street railway money from Mr. Sproat and I think he gave me $1,000."

Salsbury said that he could not remember the amount of the telephone company money, but said that it came to him thru Mayor Perry.

Jury Fixing, Too.

Salsbury testified that he entered into attempted jury bribing when he was on trial. He said he gave Alderman Mol $150 to pay to a juror named Meyers who was expected to sit in his case. Meyers was stricken off the jury by the prosecution and he afterwards returned $75 of the money, so Salsbury swore.

Salsbury further testified: "I gave $75 to John Kremer, who was in the poor department. He was to fix a juror whose name I do not remember. I am satisfied, however, that he never gave the money. I also gave William D. Pugh several hundred dollars for the same purpose and it never reached the jurors.

"They were all trying to do you up, were they?"

"That's about the size of it."

William F. McKnight appeared and demanded an examination in police court. The examination was set for Dec. 18. His bond was fixed at $5,000, which was furnished.

HAS PERMANENT QUARTERS

Minneapolis Real Estate Board Gets Home in Kasota Block.

The Minneapolis Real Estate board has established permanent quarters in the Kasota building jointly with the contractors. John N. Norris, secretary of the contractors' association, will be in the office all day, and will act temporarily as headquarters' secretary for the board. Some definite headquarters and an assembly room have been needed for a long time by the board. The quarters are the former rooms of the Commercial club on the top floor of the block and are made up of an office, a records room, and an assembly hall which will seat 150.

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ON FOOD

The Right Foundation of Health.

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The proper way out of the difficulty is to shift to the pure, scientific food, Garpe-Nuts, for it rebuilds from the foundation up. A New Hampshire woman says: "Last summer I was suddenly taken with indigestion and severe stomach trouble and could not eat food without great pain; my stomach was so sore I could hardly move about. This kept up until I was so miserable life was not worth living.

"Then a friend finally, after much argument, induced me to try Grape-Nuts food and quit my regular food. Although I had but little faith I commenced to use it and great was my surprise to find that I could eat it without the usual pain and distress in my stomach. So I kept on using Grape-Nuts and soon a marked improvement was shown, for my stomach was performing its regular work in a normal way without pain or distress.

"Very soon the yellow coating disappeared from my tongue, the dull, heavy feeling in my head disappeared and my mind felt light and clear; the languid, tired feeling left, and altogether I felt as if I had been rebuilt. Strength and weight came back rapidly, and I went back to my work with renewed ambition. To-day I am a new woman in mind as well as body, and I owe it all to this natural food, Grape-Nuts." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

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TO EQUALIZE ASSESSMENTS

COUNTY AUDITOR PRESENTS PLAN TO BUSINESS MEN.

Scheme Originated by W. A. Somers of St. Paul May Be Tried in Minneapolis—It Has Been a Success in Several Other Cities.

Equality of assessment is what County Auditor C. J. Minor is seeking. To this end a plan of his, which, if successfully carried out, he hopes to have adopted by the other eighty-three assessors of the state, was presented to several business men this noon at the Hotel Nicollet. W. A. Somers of St. Paul, author of the plan used successfully at St. Paul, Camden, N. J., and Cleveland, was present and outlined his scheme for the valuation of real estate for the purpose of taxation.

Present at the luncheon were representatives of the retail, wholesale and Chamber of Commerce interests, of the real estate board and the Commercial Club.

Following Mr. Somers' explanation of the system which he thinks equable, Mr. Minor asked that a committee of business men be appointed to set the front door valuation on property within a certain district, for instance between First avenue S and First avenue N, and Seventh street and the river, as a unit upon which his force might work out mathematically the valuation of the rest of the real property in the city.

Those present were: W. A. Badger, A. E. Zonne, Lester B. Elwood, W. L. Harris, W. W. Heffelfinger, F. G. Winston, G. H. Partridge, F. B. Snyder, G. D. Dayton, S. S. Thorpe, J. B. Sutherland and George Odlum.

Mr. Somers was a delegate to the irrigation congress at Ogden. He interested Minneapolis delegates, and upon his return outlined his method. This was recognized by Alderman D. P. Jones, W. G. Nye, John Leslie and others as having merit. The plan was called to the attention of Auditor Minor, with the suggestion that he consider the plan.

L. A. WOOD ENTERS PLEA

SAYS NOT GUILTY TO CHARGE OF MAKING FALSE RETURNS—F. B. WOOD APPEARS BY ATTORNEY.

Without waiting for formal notification of his arrest L. A. Wood of the grain commission firm of Edwards, Wood & Co., appeared in the municipal court at Duluth yesterday morning and pleaded not guilty to the charges of making false returns to grain consignors.

After bonds to the amount of $200 had been furnished by Mr. Wood for all the cases and for each person concerned he remarked to Judge Windom: "It takes a good man to get along with these fellows in North Dakota." He then left the courtroom.

F. B. Wood of Minneapolis was notified by a deputy sheriff that he was under arrest but was not required to go to Duluth. He was represented by an attorney. Both F. B. Wood and Mr. Edwards insist that spite work is at the bottom of the whole trouble.

TAKE SISTERS' HABIT

Thirty-three Young Women Take Vows in St. Paul.

Thirty-three young women took the habit at St. Joseph's convent to-day. The services were unusually impressive. Those who received the habit were:

Miss Bridget Brown, in religion known as Sister Mary Celous; Miss Bridget Kennedy, now Sister Mary Lawrence; Miss Mary Barry, now Sister Mary Gilbert; Miss Yvonne Lefebre, now Sister Mary Leon; Miss Petronilla Tillemans, now Sister Mary Harriet; Miss Catherine Kennedy, now Sister Mary Clarissa; Miss Agnes Heaton, now Sister Mary Theonia; Miss Honora McKenna, now Sister Mary Felix; Miss Frances Hellibake, now Sister Mary Verena; Miss Mary Cullom, now Sister Mary Justa; Miss Catherine Hennessy, now Sister Mary Elerius; Miss Anna Hennessy, now Sister Mary Peter; Miss Anna Cassidy, now Sister Mary Rosalie; Miss Appollne Arzenault, now Sister Mary Ethelind; Miss Josephine Gallant, now Sister Mary Emerita; Miss Rose Caouette, now Sister Mary Crescentia; Miss Martha Betker, now Sister Mary Marieia; Miss Kathleen Fitzpatrick, now Sister Mary Brena; Miss Maud Plaunt, now Sister Mary Emmanuel; Miss Mary M. Larinek, now Sister Mary Ladislaus.

Those making their annual vows were:

Sister Mary Gerald Corcoran, Sister Mary Edward Ryan, Sister Mary Charitas Farr, Sister Mary Liberia Sheehan, Sister Stane Kenny, Sister Mary Irma McMaster, Sister Mary Lorinda McMaster, Sister Mary Consuella Otterson, Sister Mary Flora Cull, Sister Mary Ethelbert Bednorz, Sister Mary Bathilde Thompson, Sister Mary Esther Hyman.

A PRESS CLUB REVIVAL

Local Newspaper Workers Start a Get Together Movement.

A movement to revive the Minneapolis Press club was inaugurated last evening at a dinner of newspaper men at the Opera cafe. All those present were enthusiastically in favor of forming an organization of newspaper workers even if its purpose was limited to arranging a series of monthly dinners. Harry G. Davis, one of the Tribune Smiths, Charles McCurdy, H. A. McLean and Joseph T. Mannix were named as a committee to canvass the situation and to propose a plan of organization.

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10,636,422 BUSHELS LEFT

Estimates of Manitoba Wheat in Hands of Farmers.

The Secretary of the Northwestern Grain Dealers' association, with headquarters at Winnipeg, has prepared a statement of the disposition of the last Manitoba crop thus far in the crop movement. He estimates that there is left unsold in the hands of farmers above the line only 10,636,433 bushels of wheat, a remarkably small total for this time, and a quantity far under that on corresponding dates for several years back.

A copy of the statement came by wire to the Van Dusen-Harrington company, and reads as follows:

	Bushels.
Total yield	50,290,944
Inspected in to date	18,500,000
In store at country points	6,354,522
In transit	800,000
Total marketed	25,654,522
Seed for next crop	7,500,000
Country mill supplies	6,500,000
Total	39,654,522
Balance of crop	10,636,422
Unmarketed	50,290,944

Allowances for seed and for country mill requirements are thought to be conservative, while the other figures are borne out by official inspection and storage reports at Winnipeg and other points. The yield would have been thought a low estimate a few weeks ago, but recently the estimate of a 50,000,000-bushel yield has been gaining ground.

Take Piso's Cure for Consumption. It will cure your cough. On market 40 years. All druggists.

The trustees of the soldiers' home will hold their quarterly meeting at the home Thursday. Among other business to be transacted is letting a contract for a $5,000 addition to the hospital building.

GORMAN WANTS AN INVESTIGATION

Senator from Maryland Declares that the Postal Frauds Should Be Investigated Further.

Charges That Men High in Authority Are Being Protected by Present Investigation.

Washington, Dec. 8.—When the resolution for the investigation of the postoffice frauds came up in the senate to-day, Mr. Gorman took the floor and strongly opposed the reference to a committee of the resolution. He declared that the majority should not shrink from an investigation. He said there had been positive assertions that men who had unlawfully placed employes on the rolls were to escape.

Mr. Gorman said fraud and corruption were admitted and communicated to the senate by the president. He said the country was not satisfied with the investigation, nor was the senate. Those who had been accused had said others higher up were as guilty as they, while they had been made scapegoats. "Let us have all the facts," said Mr. Gorman, "and see if the president will turn the rascals out."

Mr. Lodge, who made a motion to refer the resolution, stated that what Mr. Gorman said only further convinced him that the resolution should be referred. The investigation made under order of the president, he believed, had brought out all the facts.

Senator Nelson's Views.

Mr. Nelson said that it would be impolitic to take the evidence out of the postoffice department now and make it public. He said that such procedure would furnish the defendants with the papers in the department and give them an opportunity to make a defense. He contended that this would be improper while the cases were pending in the courts.

Mr. Tillman claimed that an attempt was being made to whitewash the frauds.

Mr. Hoar suggested that if the frauds were as great as claimed, somebody ought to be impeached, and such proceedings should originate in the house.

Mr. Cullom cut short the discussion on the resolution by insisting that the Cuban bill had the right of way. The resolution went over until to-morrow and Mr. Teller began a speech in opposition to the Cuban measure.

WEST DOES WELL

Eastern Press Comments on Prominence of Western Members.

From the Journal Bureau, Colorado Building, Washington.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Judge Jenkins of Wisconsin is receiving many congratulations over his appointment as chairman of the house judiciary committee. He was appointed in the last congress to fill an unexpired term, and some of those who opposed him thought he would not get the position for the full term.

Wisconsin gets six chairmanships in the present congress and Iowa four. Minnesota would have had two if Heatwole had remained in congress. The fact that so many chairmanships, and important ones, too, have gone to the middle west states, is exciting considerable comment in the eastern press, and an explanation is offered in the fact that western states are gradually adopting the tactics so long pursued in the east, of keeping members in both houses for long terms. It is only in this way that influence and position can be attained. Jenkins is a good illustration of this fact. He is one of the hardest working members of the house, and under his lead the judiciary committee will dispose of a large amount of important work this session.

The Washington Post has an editorial to-day, repeating the editorial utterances of the New York Tribune and other eastern papers, and saying that the middle west is finally coming into a position of commanding influence in congress and advising that section to continue its members in public service if it wants to exert a proper influence on national legislation and secure for the country beyond the Alleghenies that recognition to which it is entitled.

—W. W. Jermane.

THEY WANT TO KNOW

House Committee Will Look Into Postal Fraud Records.

Washington, Dec. 8.—When the house convened to-day Mr. Overstreet, chairman of the committee on postoffices and post roads, reported the resolution authorizing the committee to request the postmaster general to furnish the committee with all papers in connection with the recent investigation of the postoffice department and announced that the committee was unanimous in recommending its adoption.

Mr. Overstreet, explaining the purpose of the resolution, said that in view of the large appropriation bill before the committee it should have all possible information. If there had been extravagance in the administration of the department he said it was essential that the committee know the facts before recommending appropriations to the house. Mr. Overstreet said the request of the committee was foreign to any purposes to inaugurate or recommend any general investigation of the postoffice department.

Mr. Wanger (rep., Pa.,) asked if there was any objection to the papers coming to the house and being made public. Mr. Overstreet replied that he had no objection to making them public, except in so far as such publication might embarrass the department of justice in the prosecution of pending cases.

Mr. Moon (dem., Tenn.,) ranking minority member of the committee, said the only purpose of the resolution was to supply the committee with needful information and spoke for the resolution amid republican applause.

The previous question was ordered on the resolution by a yea and nay vote of 172 to 116.

REFORMERS DISCOURAGED

Repeal of Homestead Law Again Recommended.

From the Journal Bureau, Colorado Building, Washington.

Washington, Dec. 7.—President Roosevelt's message is rather discouraging to the enthusiastic advocates of the repeal of all land laws save the original homestead law. His message a year ago contained a sweeping recommendation for repeal, and it was hoped he would repeat it now, but he has shifted his ground a bit. He has decided that there are two sides to the question of absolute repeal, and wants a full investigation before deciding whether repeal is the proper remedy or not.

There is little difference of opinion among disinterested observers as to the need for radical amendment of the land laws and the charges of fraud are also admitted to be true, to a large extent, but that repeal is the way to reach these frauds is not so evident to the president's mind as it was a year ago. As soon as the commission which he appoints in the message to investigate the land conditions makes its report, he will probably send a special message to congress, meantime he contents himself with pointing out the frauds without suggesting any remedy.

—W. W. Jermane.

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The officers (whose signatures accompany this letter), as well as myself, thank you for the good you have accomplished in the compounding of Swamp-Root.

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To Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y.

William Moore Chief of Police.
W. H. Fredenburg Roundsman.
John W. Heath Patrolman.

Officers of the Binghamton, N. Y., Police Department.

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If you are already convinced that Swamp-Root is what you need, you can purchase the regular fifty-cent and one-dollar size bottles at the drug stores everywhere. Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root—Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

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WASHINGTON NOTES

Capital Doings of Interest to the Northwest.

From the Journal Bureau, Colorado Building, Washington.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Representative Stevens will introduce his resolution to permit millers to grind Canadian wheat in bond and dispose of bran and other byproducts in this country in a few days. Representative Tawney returned to Washington to-day, and Mr. Stevens will take up the subject with him and Chairman Payne of the ways and means committee, before presenting the resolution. Tawney favors the resolution and will urge favorable action in the committee.

Public Building for Brainerd.

Representative Buckman to-day introduced a bill for the erection of a $75,000 public building at Brainerd. Buckman, Steenerson and other members will go to the war department tomorrow to urge the establishment of a military camp at Walker. Buckman believes that one company of infantry would be sufficient for police purposes in the event of an uprising. The prospect of disturbance is lessened, he thinks, since bids for Indian timber were opened and such good prices offered for it; but the people living in the vicinity of Walker are uneasy and the government will be urged to send a small body of troops there as a precautionary measure and allay any fears of the settlers.

City Delivery at Hibbing.

Representative Bede has urged the postoffice department to establish city free delivery service at Hibbing. An investigation will be made by a special agent and it is probable the service will be ordered when the municipal government has arranged for numbering the houses and otherwise complying with the rules of the department.

Peter Dwyer, P. M.

Peter Dwyer was to-day appointed a fourth class postmaster at Dora, Otter Tail county, Minnesota, vice W. J. Hoffman, resigned.

Fort Mead Waterworks.

Senator Kitredge and Representative Martin saw the war department officials to-day relative to the water supply at Fort Mead. They urged the establishment of waterworks which will permit of a division of the supply between the fort and the city. The proposal was taken under advisement.

Newel in Washington.

Stanford Newel, minister to The Hague, is in Washington. He will remain here several days and will then go to St. Paul to spend the remainder of his vacation.

William L. Ellis has been recommended for reappointment as postmaster at Salem, S. D.

Senator Nelson's Bills.

Senator Nelson to-day introduced a bill to authorize national banks in cities of not more than 20,000 inhabitants to loan not exceeding one-third of its paid-up capital and surplus upon real estate securities, consisting of improved, occupied and cultivated farms, the loans not to exceed one-third of the value of the property taken as security for them.

Senator Nelson also introduced a bill providing for an increase of the circulating notes of national banks. It authorizes the secretary of the treasury to accept as a basis of circulation bonds of any state, city or county which has been in existence as such for twenty-five years, and which for a period of ten years previous to such deposit has not defaulted in the payment of any part of the principal or interest of its debt, has 50,000 inhabitants and whose net indebtedness does not exceed 10 per cent of the valuation of taxable property therein; or the first mortgage bonds of any railroad, not including street railway bonds. The controller of the currency is to issue notes eual to the par value of such bonds for the banks depositing them.

Mail Carriers Appointed.

Special to The Journal.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Murray J. Logue was appointed to-day rural mail carrier at Battle Lake, Minn.; Eugene F. Logue is named as substitute.

The following vacancies were filled: Elbow Lake, Minn. —Route No. 2, John L. Stanley; F. W. Stanley, substitute.

Montevideo—Route No. 4, R. Finch, regular; Grace Finch, substitute.

WILL NOT INTERFERE

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT MAINTAINS THE SITUATION IN COLORADO DOES NOT WARRANT FEDERAL ACTION.

Washington, Dec. 8.—President Roosevelt has again declined to interfere in the strike conditions in the Telluride district of Colorado. He will not go so far even at this time as to order an investigation into the conditions.

The president maintains that neither the rights nor the authority of the United States government has been invaded in the Colorado situation and that, therefore, he would not be justified at this time in interfering in the matter in any manner.

Women Take a Hand.

Hastings, Col., Dec. 8.—While Marshals Hightower and Waybright were tearing down some shanties on the Victor Fuel company's property, Marie Vanelli, the wife of a miner, struck Hightower on the head with a butcher's cleaver and nearly cut off one of his ears. Four other women joined her and gave Waybright a asevere beating. They were arrested and taken to Trinidad.

Three Strikers Shot.

Segundo, Col., Dec. 8.—A pitched battle took place at the Colorado Fuel and Iron camp last night, between about thirty striking Italian miners and seven of the company's guards. Three of the strikers were shot and two of them probably will die. None of the guards was hurt. The miners went to the ovens, but were ordered to stop by the guards. Almost immediately the shooting began, each side claiming that the other gred first. After the affair a mass meeting of strikers was called but dispersed shortly afterward. Sheriff Clark with a posse is now on the ground and everything is quiet.

Seizing Firearms.

Cripple Creek, Dec. 8.—Searching parties are out looking for firearms in the hands of suspected persons contrary to the proclamation of Colonel Verdeckberg, commander of the militia in this district which only permits responsible citizens to keep or carry firearms after giving the number and description of the weapon and the owners' name and address. The time set for surrendering weapons expired to-day.

Bloodhounds Employed.

Trinidad, Dec. 8.—A party of five nonunion men, escorted by Frank Jennings, brother of Superintendent Jennings of the Berwind mine, were ambushed on the trail yesterday. One of the party was shot in the foot, but he made his way to Primero and gave the alarm. He did not know whether or not the rest of the nonunion men had been killed or wounded. The sheriff with a posse and bloodhounds left to-night on a special engine for Primero, in response to a message asking for assistance.

SWAM THRU THE ICE TO WIN A $500 BET

Austrian Captain, Clad in a Rubber Swimming Suit, Takes a Plunge in the Chicago River.

Chicago, Dec. 8.—Clad in a rubber swimming suit and armed with a paddle with which to ward off ice cakes, Captain Sidney Hinman, an Austrian, lowered himself into the Chicago river just below the Rush street bridge and swam with the icy current down to the Madison street bridge, a distance of nearly a mile, winning $500 from George W. Turnbull, a contractor, who had bet him that he would not dare attempt the feat.

Mr. Turnbull was at every bridge as his friend went by and had a cab awaiting him when he emerged from his icy swim at Madison street, cheered by an admiring crowd.

MILEAGE GAIN OF 181.33 MILES

STATISICS OF FAILWAY BUILDING FOR YEAR GIVEN OUT.

Advance Sheets of Railroad and Warehouse Commission Report Show Apparent Gain of 84.08 Miles, but Error in Last Year's Footing Shows a Much Greater Gain.

During the fiscal year ending June 30, 1903, the increase in the mileage of main line railway in Minnesota was, apparently, but 84.08 miles.

The advance sheets of the annual report of the state railway and warehouse commission, issued to-day by Secretary A. C. Clausen, show that on June 30 the miles of main track in the state, not including local transfer tracks and union depot tracks, were 7,250 miles, as compared with 7,165.93 the preceding year. But thru the discovery of an error in the annual report of 1902, it is found that the mileage that year was 7,068.69 miles, instead of 7,165.93 miles, which really makes the gain for last year 181.33 miles, instead of 84.02 miles.

The mileage of transfer and terminal railways for 1903 is 86.94, which is the same mileage as that reported for 1902.

The increase is principally in the mileage of the Canadian Northern, Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul; Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific, Minnesota & International, Wisconsin, Minnesota & Pacific, and the Duluth & Northern Minnesota railways.

The total gross earnings of the railroads from passengers, freight, express, mail, baggage, miscellaneous, etc., were $68,061,499, and for the previous year the same were $51,868,192, which shows an increase of $16,193,307 for the present year. This apparent phenomenal increase in gross earnings is explained by the fact that in the year 1902 reports of the Great Northern, Eastern Minnesota and Wilmar & Sioux Falls railways to this commission failed to show Minnesota earnings on their interstate business.

The total proportion of operating expenses as reported by the railroad companies was $32,302,296. For the previous year the same was $28,007,439, which shows an increase for 1903 of $4,294,857.

The net income reported by the railroad companies was $35,759,203, and for the previous year the same was $23,800,753, which shows an increase for the year 1903 of $11,898,450.

The Price of Pleasure.

It is hard for a lovely woman to forego the pleasures of the life which she was created to enjoy and adorn. She may have to be busy all day in office or in store, yet she cannot deny herself the social pleasures which are offered her.

But the fatigue is often too great for her, and she suffers from headache and backache as a consequence of over-exertion.

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