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Hubbard Squash, each, 9c.
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California Table Figs, per lb. 9c.
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MONARCH SOAP, 10 BARS, 35c.
Swift's Pride Soap, per box, \$2.85.
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FIRST FOR THE JOURNAL'S CUP

Blooming Prairie and Owatonna Open the State High School Debating Contest.

Former Is Given the Decision by a Divided Vote—Large Audience in Attendance.

Special to The Journal.

Owatonna, Minn., Dec. 18.—The debating season in the State High School league for the first district opened last night in this city when the Blooming Prairie and Owatonna high school teams met before a large audience. The decision was awarded the Blooming Prairie debaters, who supported the affirmative of the question: "Resolved, That American Cities and Villages Should Own and Operate Their Public Utilities."
The Blooming Prairie team was composed of Misses Regina Guthrie, Gena Ostby and Ella McAdams, and Carl Trisko. Atlee Gudke and Clara Peterson represented the local high school.
The Metropolitan was well filled with an enthusiastic audience and the debate was hotly contested on both sides and very interesting. The decision was not unanimous.
The judges were Owen P. McElmeel, Ralph Stanford and Edward P. Stanford, all of Minneapolis.
A delegation of about thirty-five, headed by Superintendent Isaacs and several of the teachers, came from Blooming Prairie with the team of that place and returned after the contest with the laurel of victory. Pupils of the Owatonna high school contributed a rosters' club and were ready with megaphones and other noise producing contrivances to celebrate a victory. But it was not needed and the demonstration was only moderate one on the part of Blooming Prairie, as it was away from home and its army of partisans could not be heard from.
Music for the evening was of an excellent order and was heartily cheered. The high school orchestra and glee club of Owatonna contributed to this feature and Miss Warner and Miss Philpot, both of Owatonna, sang a duet.
Superintendent Merrill of the state school for indigent children presided and announced the decision of the judges. Blooming Prairie will next be pitted against the winner at Austin to-night when the teams of Austin and Albert Lea meet. The third meeting of the year will decide the district championship and result in the selection of the team for the semi-finals.

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CITY NEWS. CUT-THE-WIRE AMENDMENTS

ALDERMAN POWERS WILL FIGHT FOR THEM IN COUNCIL.

Petitions for Permission to Erect Electric Wire Poles Will Bring on the Contest—Question as to Cutting Stone for North Town Bridge—Lake Calhoun Level.

Several petitions for permission to erect poles for electric wires will be presented at the council meeting this evening and Alderman Fred M. Powers has already put on his war paint. To every motion or resolution he will tag an amendment providing that the wires shall be cut without expense whenever they interfere with the proper use of the street, particularly for house moving. This will undoubtedly precipitate several fights.
Another matter which will awaken interest will be the report of the committee on roads and bridges recommending that the substructure of the bridge at Thirty-second avenue N be cut in Minneapolis instead of at the quarries. City Engineer Rinker to the committee that the added cost would be from \$1,500 to \$2,000. Some of the aldermen are, therefore, opposed to the committee recommendation.
The council will also consider the report of a council committee establishing the normal stage of water in Lake Calhoun as 144 feet or inches higher than the present level. This action was taken on the report of City Engineer Rinker giving the elevations of the lake for several years past and a comparison with the elevations of Dean boulevard, which was overflowed last summer and fall by the high water in Lake Calhoun and the Lake of the Isles.

RETAILERS OBJECT.

They Do Not Want Old City Hall Made a Lodging House.

The Retail Dealers' association is trying to prevent the conversion of the old city hall into a lodging house and a committee consisting of W. L. Harris, M. L. Rothschild and C. J. Gutgesell has been appointed to present a protest to the city council this evening. There is a feeling among the citizens that the building is a somewhat historical building to the uses of a cheap lodging house.
The merchants favor turning the building over to the Salvation Army to be used for the homeless and aged. In order to defeat the lodging house plan Mr. Harris says he will offer as much rental as Emil Johnson will pay, which is \$3,000 year.
It is a question whether the old city hall can be used for a lodging house, inasmuch as the new building ordinance provides that all buildings over three stories high which are altered into lodging houses must be of fire proof construction.

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ADEL TAYLOR'S STORY
Pleads Guilty to Vagrancy—Husband Had Deserted Her.

Adel Taylor, the young married woman who was arrested Wednesday night on a complaint sworn out by her mother, was arraigned in police court this morning on a charge of vagrancy. She pleaded guilty and was given a straight sentence of ninety days in the workhouse.
Mrs. Taylor's story is a sad one. She was married when she was only 16 years old, and is the mother of two children, one of whom died a few months ago. A few weeks ago her husband deserted her, and left her penniless with her child to support. She was compelled to make a living the best way she might, and was frequently seen on the streets. Officers warned her that she would be arrested, and her mother pleaded with her to return home, but because she believed that they were all against her she refused.
The mother consulted the officers of the Humane society and they advised her to have the woman arrested in order that she might be taken from the streets.

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CAUGHT IN THE ACT

Burglar Nabbed While Going Thru Saloon Cash Drawer.

Thomas Caples, who says he lives in Duluth, was arraigned in police court this morning on a charge of burglary. He waived examination and was held to the grand jury in \$500 bail.
Caples was arrested last night by Patrolman Mike Lawrence and Constable Dahl, while in the act of robbing the cash drawer in a Washington avenue N saloon. Lawrence saw the man working at the cash drawer in the saloon and summoned Dahl to watch the front door while he went thru the back door to get the man, who gained entrance to the place by going over the transom of the back door.
When he was taken into the Central station he was greeted by several of the gang of vagrants arrested earlier in the evening.

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BRICKLAYERS MAY COME

Local Union Will Try to Secure National Convention.

Minneapolis bricklayers and masons have started a movement to secure the next annual convention of their national organization for Minneapolis. Last night J. J. Lumberg and C. G. Smith were elected delegates to the convention to meet in Trenton, N. J., the second Monday in January, and they will make every effort to bring the next meeting here.

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Holiday Excursion Rates.

Dec. 17 to 20, one fare round trip to nearly all points in Eastern Canada. Return limit Jan. 12, 1904. Local excursion rates to points within 200 miles on Dec. 24, 25, 31 and Jan. 1, with return limit Jan. 4, 1904, via Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway. Tickets: 328 Nicollet avenue, Minneapolis, Minn.

Change of Time on the Rock Island.
Chicago and St. Louis Express, commencing Dec. 20, will leave Minneapolis at 7 o'clock p. m. and St. Paul at 7:35 instead of 6:30 and 7:05 a. m. respectively. N. J. train arrives and departs from Milwaukee station. City office, 322 Nicollet avenue.

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HILL TO SPEAK BEFORE M. S. A. S.

FEATURES OF CONVENTION ARE ARRANGED.

Outlook Is Excellent for a Large Attendance at This, the First Convention of Society to Be Held in Minneapolis—Opening Day Is Jan. 12.

Minneapolis is to entertain the Minnesota State Agricultural society at its annual meeting for the first time this winter and the prospects now are that the convention will be a notable one. There is promise of a very large attendance at the meeting of the Agricultural society proper, and in addition there will be meetings of other associations which will bring many people to the city. These outside organizations are so numerous that it will be necessary to hold meetings during the week in sections so that all the various work of the several societies may be attended to.

Secretary E. W. Randall of the state fair announces the main features of this first Minneapolis Agricultural Society convention.
The meeting will be open at Masonic Temple on Tuesday morning, Jan. 12, with the usual formalities, and an address on an agricultural topic by some speaker not yet announced. In the afternoon the convention will split into sections, the main meeting being under the auspices of the Minnesota Stock Breeders' association. This meeting will be addressed by Dr. Ward on "Live Stock Diseases" and by John Huston of Blandinsville, Ill., who will speak on "Draft Horses."

Another section on Tuesday afternoon will be conducted by the Minnesota Field Crop Breeders' association, and the speakers will be A. B. Lyman of Excelsior, A. D. Wilson of St. Paul, Dean J. D. Shepperd of the North Dakota Agricultural college, J. L. McCaull of Minneapolis and J. S. Bell of Minneapolis, who will speak on "The Millers and Improved Grains." The same division of sections will be made in the convention session on Tuesday, when an expert from the government good roads bureau at Washington will address the main convention, and a number of good speakers, including Professor W. H. Hays of the Minnesota experiment station, will make an address.

Assistant Secretary to Speak.

Wednesday morning, Jan. 13, will be made notable by an address by Assistant Secretary of Agriculture Brigham of Washington, and a discussion of "Swine Husbandry" by A. J. Lovejoy, an expert breeder at Roscoe, Ill.

At the afternoon session L. H. Kerrick of Bloomington, Ill., president of the American Aberdeen Angus Breeders' association, will talk on "Cattle Feeding" and will be followed by an important address by James J. Hill. It is understood that Mr. Hill has something of moment to say to the farmers of Minnesota, and a large attendance at that particular part of the convention is expected.

Wednesday evening session will be devoted to the School of Agriculture, which will present an interesting program under the direction of Dean W. M. Lidgett.

On Thursday morning President C. N. Cosgrove will deliver the annual address; Secretary E. W. Randall will make his annual report and Treasurer F. J. Wilcox will report on finances. Its business will be followed by the reports of committees and the annual election of officers. In the evening the Farmers' club will meet and the Minnesota Live Stock Breeders' association will hold its business session.

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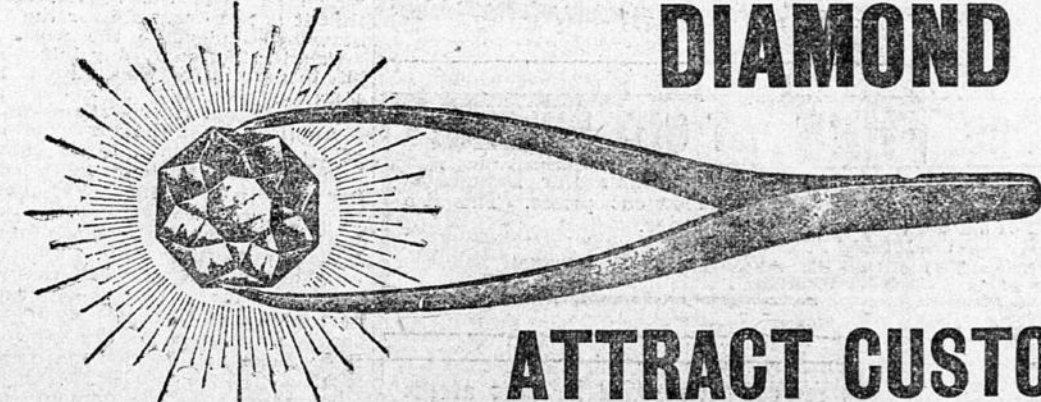
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