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**CITY NEWS.**

**FAMILY PURSUED BY VIOLENT DEATH**

FIFTH TRAGEDY OCCURS IN JACOB MARTIN'S FAMILY.

His Daughter, Mrs. L. W. Daman, Is Burned to Death on the Eve of Her Removing with Her Husband and Children to Minneapolis to Reside.

Jacob Martin, 244 Twenty-eighth avenue S., a pioneer resident of Minneapolis, yesterday received news of the tragic death of his daughter, Mrs. L. W. Daman, of Aurora, Ill., widow of a prominent resident of the Rathbone, Saratoga Company Stove works of that city. Coupled with the death of Mrs. Daman are a series of remarkable facts. For twenty years not a member of Mr. Martin's family has died from natural causes, although there have been at least five deaths in that period.

Mrs. Daman and her husband left here about four years ago. Mr. Daman while here was superintendent of the Northwestern Stove Works. He had decided to return to Minneapolis, however, and the family had packed and shipped their furniture. Mrs. Daman was cleaning up about the house and started to burn some rubbish in the yard. A gust of wind blew the fire into her clothing and in an instant her body was wrapped in flame. Assistance was not at hand and the unfortunate woman was terribly burned that death ensued in a few hours.

Mrs. Daman is the fifth member of Mr. Martin's family to meet a tragic death. His son, John, was killed by the accidental discharge of a shotgun at Lake Amelia, where he was a member of a hunting party. An infant son died from the effects of the administration of chloroform during an operation. Mr. Martin's sister was burned to death in a hotel fire at St. Paul and one of his brothers lost his life in a shipwreck on Lake Michigan.

Mrs. Daman is survived by her husband, who with his two small children will accompany the body to Minneapolis tomorrow. She had been married six years and the children are 5 years and 2 months of age. She also leaves her father, three sisters, Mrs. Theodore Birgell, 1818 E. Lake street; Mrs. Mary Goeck, and Mrs. Lillie Jensen, and one brother, William Martin, all of Minneapolis. The two latter reside with their father.

**SODA, WITH A TAR 'STICK'**

COAL TAR FLAVORS AND COLORS DISCOVERED IN SOME COMPOUNDS DISPENSED IN SOFT DRINKS.

State Chemist Hortvet has been making a special investigation of fruit flavors and extracts, and as a result the state dairy and food department has determined to make a crusade against the cheap and injurious coal tar flavors that are in use. Samples submitted showed that the cheap flavors all have aniline coloring and even coal tar flavoring, and these are present in such quantity that a spoonful of an extract mixed with an ice cream soda contains enough to be injurious. Some of the best flavors have coal tar colors.

W. W. P. McConnell, state dairy and food commissioner, says he will take drastic measures to stop the use of these harmful compounds. Drinks and foods found colored with these injurious dyes will be confiscated and the dealers will be prosecuted under the state law, which is ample to reach them. Since the ingredients can be shown to be harmful the courts cannot do anything but pronounce convictions in such cases.

**FOR MISS LE BRUN'S LUCK**

Members of Savage Opera Company Tempt Kind Fates.

The casual observer behind the scenes at the Metropolitan opera-house Wednesday night would have been not a little astonished during the production of "The Bohemian Girl" to find a hundred singers in grand opera devoting themselves seriously to the task of holding their thumbs under the first two fingers of each hand.

Big Winifred Goff in Count Arnelm's brilliant clothes, huge Francis J. Boyle attired in a fierce moustache and gypsy rags, and Joseph Manning in varnished, black-browed Marlon Ivel, and all the other principals, chorus singers, wardrobe women, wig-makers, and attaches of the theater, grasp the stems of the chorus and boys in their first season—all stood in the wings and held their thumbs. When it was necessary to "go on" the thumbs came out into normal position, but as soon as the wings were reached back went the thumbs.

It is a tradition in the land of the grand opera and concert that to hold the thumbs on a first night will bring good luck, and Miss Antonette Le Brun was singing Arline for the first time in English. So the entire company, in their desire to see the soprano "make good" with her audience, held their thumbs and hoped in unison for the success which Miss Le Brun scored.

Those members of the Savage Grand Opera company who are students of mental science maintain that the concentrated attention of the company to the thought that the "first night" must score a success—that and the turning under the thumbs, will so influence the audience to help the singer.

**FOR AN OLD CRIME**

Bartholoma Labiera Is Arrested and Taken to Mexico.

Bartholoma Labiera, an alleged murderer of Yucatan, Mexico, after ten years of uncertainty, has been arrested, and yesterday passed through St. Paul in charge of an officer, bound for Mexico.

The alleged murderer, a dashing young beau, visited Yucatan ostensibly for the purpose of buying an interest in John T. Benson's ranch. Incidentally he had loved to Benson's pretty wife. The husband objected. A dispute occurred. Three days later Benson was found dead and Labiera had disappeared. No trace of him could be found until he was arrested a few days ago in a small town near the coast of the Yucatan peninsula. The prisoner is still a fine-looking man and appears confident of acquittal after the lapse of years, during which time many of the important witnesses against him may have disappeared.

**MEN'S CLUB DINES**

Church of the Redeemer Organization Holds Annual Meeting.

Covers were laid for thirty-five at the second annual dinner of the Men's club of the Church of the Redeemer, at the Minneapolis club last night. The guests of honor were W. D. Washburn, Dr. James K. Hoemer, Professor Frank L. McVey and Dr. William McGaughlin. Alfred H. Bright acted as toastmaster and nearly all present were called upon to respond. Those present were:

Dr. M. D. Shutter, Rev. E. D. Ellenwood, Dr. Charles M. Jordan, Omar Goodridge, Dr. A. F. Peck, George A. Clark, E. G. Hick, Frank B. Chase, W. L. Harris, George E. Gee, William H. Canaughy, Arthur L. Edwards, W. A. Grant, J. J. Professor F. M. Sanderson, Philip B. Sears, E. Grace, Jr., John E. Calloun, Fred K. Eather, W. C. Johnson, W. C. Johnson, Frank A. Knoblach, W. M. Crane, W. F. Roberts, T. G. Winter, William D. Washburn, Jr., J. W. Molyneux, Morgan W. Beach and Alfred H. Bright.



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**WON'T GIVE OUT FIGURES**  
 Amateur Insurance Solicitors Prepare to Spring a Surprise.

Actual figures in the canvass for life insurance in the Northwestern National Life Insurance company have not been given out by the general auditorium committee, which is prosecuting the campaign actively. The members report good progress, but are evidently preparing to spring a surprise on the public. As the movement becomes more thoroughly advertised it is easier for the solicitors to obtain results. The insertion of blank applications in the newspapers has helped the work. Wallace G. Nye, secretary of the public affairs committee of the Commercial club, to whom the applications are to be addressed, received this morning five requests for \$1,000 insurance each.

W. F. Bechtel, president of the company, and A. B. Chamberlain of Bertrand & Chamberlain, the architects, left last night to inspect music halls in the east, with a view to securing ideas for the Minneapolis auditorium.

**ABBIE ALLFORD BETTER**  
 Sneller Says He Doesn't Know Her—He Practices Hypnotism.

Abbie Allford, the girl who was thrown into narco-synopsis of fear because she thought that John W. Sneller was going to hypnotize her, is still in a critical condition at her home, 1025 Sixth avenue N. She became worse yesterday afternoon but her physician, Dr. J. M. Kistler, succeeded in quieting her nerves and late last night she was greatly improved. Hopes of her recovery are entertained.

The neighbors say that Laird Minske, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Minske, 259 Lyndale avenue N., was the victim of similar attacks. The Minske boy is one of the crowd of boys that often visited the shop and the corner grocery where Mr. Sneller usually gave exhibitions of his powers by hypnotizing Johnny Carroll.

Sneller says that he has never hypnotized any of the children except the Carroll boy, and that he suffered no evil effects. He says that he has effected much good by correcting the flaws of temperament of individuals.

Sneller says he does not know the Allford girl, but admits that he was setting up a sign in front of his place the other day when he heard a commotion near the corner and upon inquiring the cause a little girl informed him that another girl had been frightened, thinking that he was going to hypnotize her. He thinks this was the Allford girl.

**CITY TO SELL BIKES**  
 Last Year's Accumulation Will Be Auctioned Saturday.

To-morrow morning at 10 o'clock all the unclaimed bicycles that have come into the hands of the police during the past year will be sold at auction. Aside from forty wheels, other articles, such as harness, saddles and cutlery, will be sold. The sale will be held in lock-up alley.

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Persons who have thought they were seeing double when they looked at the new trolley wire on Hennepin avenue may rest assured. The wire is of the new duplex variety which has a cross section much like a figure eight. This gives the clips by which the wire is suspended a firm grip on the upper portion of the wire while the lower surface presents a smooth, uninterrupted track for the trolley to travel on. As a result sparking, and the consequent danger of loosening the clips, is reduced and the trolley is less likely to be displaced.

The automatic electric switch installed by the street railway company last fall at Sixth street and First avenue S., has stood the test of the severe winter in good shape and the use of the device may be extended to other parts of the system.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL MOVES**  
 New Century School to Be Held in First Baptist Church.

The New Century Sunday school which held its meetings for so long in Century hall on Fourth street S., has recently been moved to the First Baptist church under whose auspices it is conducted. To-morrow afternoon a free entertainment has been planned to be given at 3 o'clock in the church to arouse interest in the Sunday school. "Uncle" Boston Smith will tell a story, Miss Genevieve Wales and Miss Hazel Brown will recite and George Peck, the triple instrument soloist, will furnish a number.

Refreshments will be served after the program. The invitations contain a rhyme which promises all sorts of good times for the children who are invited to bring their parents and express their opinion of a big afternoon Sunday school.

Office of Department of Charities and Corrections.  
 Minneapolis, April 5, 1904.

Sealed proposals will be received at the office of the Board of Charities and Corrections, City Hall, up to Monday evening, April 18th, 1904, for the erection of an engine-room, kitchen, servants' quarters and operating-room at the City Hospital, according to plans and specifications of the architect, L. A. Lamoreaux, 1107 Lumber Exchange.

Bids will be received for the whole or any part of the work set forth in the above, and will be opened at the secretary of the board, accompanied by a certified check for 5 per cent of amount of bid, to be forfeited if contractor fails to execute contract if awarded to him.

The Board of Charities and Corrections reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

—W. P. BARTON, Secretary.

**SUPREME HIVE OF THE LADIES OF THE MACABEES OF THE WORLD**—Home office, Port Huron, Mich. Mrs. Lillian M. Hollister, president; Miss Nina K. West, secretary. Organized October, 1892. Commenced business October, 1892. Attorney to accept service in Minnesota, Insurance Commissioner.

Net assets December 31, previous year.....\$700,363.74

Dues for expenses.....\$14,202.25

Mortality and reserve assessments.....955,913.74

Membership and examiners' fees.....17,254.50

Total paid by members.....\$1,027,570.49

From all other sources.....14,495.13

Total income.....\$1,041,965.64

DISBURSEMENTS DURING 1903.

Death and permanent disability claims paid.....\$573,923.47

Return and other benefits to members.....8,850.00

Total paid to members.....\$577,273.53

Commissions, salaries and expenses of agents and organizers.....\$15,932.42

Salaries of officers, employees and examiners' fees.....30,202.51

All other disbursements.....85,871.38

Total disbursements.....\$779,540.14

Excess of income over disbursements.....263,025.50

ASSETS.

Bonds and stocks owned.....\$711,500.59

Unpaid Dec. 31, 1903.....294,925.74

Accrued interest and rents.....7,233.09

Assessments in course of collection.....7,000.00

Total admitted assets.....\$996,624.24

Assets not admitted.....\$145.00

LIABILITIES.

Losses adjusted and unpaid.....\$8,050.00

Losses unadjusted.....5,000.00

Reserves retained.....31,838.87

All other liabilities.....\$120,904.53

Total liabilities.....\$124,943.53

Balance to protect contracts.....\$78,029.71

EXHIBIT OF CERTIFICATES OR POLICIES, BUSINESS.

In force Dec. 31 (beginning of year).....89,979

Written during the year.....29,190

Total.....119,169

In force Dec. 31 (end of year).....112,251

Expired during the year.....63

Expired during the year.....709

Total.....112,560

Claims settled during the year.....882

Unpaid Dec. 31 (end of year).....100

Unpaid Dec. 31 (beginning of year).....6,815

Collected from members during year.....\$1,027,570.49

Number. Amount.

In force Dec. 31 (beginning of year).....2,185

Written during the year.....1,455

Total.....3,640

Ceased during the year.....808

In force Dec. 31 (end of year).....8,387

Claims incurred during the year.....28

Total.....8,415

Claims settled during the year.....24

Unpaid Dec. 31 (beginning of year).....4,400

Collected from members during year.....\$28,548.27

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