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Seven Fourteen Nicollet.

Reduced Prices

On New Year's Gifts That Will Be Appreciated.

Dolls—Only a few left of the \$5.00, \$6.00 and \$7.00 dolls. You may choose from these at each, **\$3.00**

The dolls that sell at \$2.50 to \$4.50 are offered to you at each, **\$2.00**

Work Boxes—Novelty imported work boxes, containing needles, scissors, thread and thimble, the 75c kind for 50c; the 50c kind for 30c, **20c** and the 35c kind, ea.

Ribbons—Some more of those splendid all silk satin ribbons, 1 to 2 1/2 inches wide, values 6c to 15c yard. While they last, yard, **5c**

Creme de Chine Scarfs, the two-yard kind, made from the full width of material; these sell at \$2.50 each. A few in black, cardinal, pink, **\$1.50**

Handkerchiefs—Fine embroidered Irish linen, the 75c kind very dainty designs **50c** clean and fresh each.

Opera Bags—A few late novelties in choice silk opera bags. Just the right sort of a New Year's Gift. The **75c** \$1.25 kind, each.

Save your cash purchase checks. Each \$10.00 worth entitles you to 50c worth of merchandise of your own selection.

Adam Pickering & Co.

W. L. HARRIS BUYS THE MORRISON BLOCK

The J. F. Conklin & Zonne company closed today one of the big season-end real estate transactions in which the Morrison block at Second and S. W. L. Harris has bought the six-story brick building, occupied by "The Branch," from the Abbie C. Morrison estate for \$50,000. The building is 45 feet on Washington avenue by 100 feet deep. Years ago it was occupied by the Boston One-price clothing house. For several years it has been leased by the Branch, and three years before was occupied as an accessory of the New England Furniture & Carpet Co., of which W. L. Harris is the head.

"It must be good."

The home of fine haberdashery and Alfred Benjamin & Co. Clothing.

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EYES Examined Free. Artificial Eyes. **BEST,** Optician. 409 Nicollet.

How's the furnace? Does it heat satisfactorily? If not, I can tell you in a few minutes where the trouble is. Been repairing furnaces for 15 years.

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MAGNOLIA SPRINGS HOTEL Magnolia Springs, Fla. Ideal climate, dry, free from mosquitoes. Fishing, shooting, golf, tennis and bathing. Pure water. Illustrated booklet. O. D. Seavey.

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Mannheimer Bros. Sixth & Robert Streets, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Our Great After Xmas **25% OFF** Sale Is Now On

and includes

Cut Glass China Gilded Glass Bronzes Pictures

Chafing Dishes Fans Back Combs Lamps Bric-a-Brac

Plated Silverware Marbles Ebony Goods Holiday Box Stationery

Jewelry Novelties Leather Goods Sterling Silverware Except Suit Cases Forks and Spoons

AND EVERY OTHER PIECE OF HOLIDAY MERCHANDISE IN OUR STORE.

City News

TOWN TALK

EVENTS OF TONIGHT.

Metropolitan Theater—May Irwin in "Mrs. Black Is Back." Bijou Theater—"My Tomboy Girl." Orpheum Theater—Modern vaudeville. Unique Theater—Vaudeville. Doney Theater—Miner's Americans. Auditorium—Yale Glee, Banjo and Mandolin clubs, concert. Augustana Lutheran Church—Sunday school Christmas celebration.

New term, Jan. 2. Minnesota School of Business, 54 3d st. S. The Journal Newsboys band will meet at 2:30 Thursday afternoon at the band room.

Start the New Year right! Have a northwestern telephone in your home. Rates are low. Order today!

Coppage, the furniture man at Dayton's, will begin the semiannual clearing sale of furniture Tuesday, Jan. 2.

The Century News Store, Third street E. is the place to leave your subscriptions. See us before you send elsewhere.

The Union State bank has commenced business at the old banking corner, 100 Washington avenue S. Open Saturday evenings from 6 to 8.

Our adjustments are made in Minneapolis, not in the East. Fred L. Gray Co., bonds, burglary and liability insurance. 1212-1226 Guaranty Building.

Owing to housemoving operations tonight, no Central avenue owl cars will run at 2, 3 and 4 a.m. The west end of the line will be operated as usual.

The interest coupons maturing Jan. 1, 1906, on the bonds of the Twin City Telephone company will be paid, if desired, at the Security Bank of Minnesota or the office of the Twin City Telephone company in Minneapolis, Minn.

Sunday school of the following churches will hold Christmas festivals this evening: Nazareth Unitarian, Bethlehem Lutheran, First M. E., Plymouth Congregational, Immanuel Baptist, Augustana Lutheran, Lowry Hill Congregational.

We offer at a liberal discount for cash, orders for livery on three of the most stylish and desirable firms in the city. We also have a few orders for jewelry and clothing on several well-known high grade firms. Yale Realty company, 206 Fourth street S.

Fire that first threatened the destruction of the entire building did \$500 damage to the large G. C. Christian flour mill shortly before midnight. The blaze was confined to the boiler room, where it had started from some unknown cause. The loss is covered by insurance.

The directors of the Twin City Telephone company have declared the fourth semi-annual dividend, at the rate of 5 per cent per annum, payable on Jan. 1, 1906, to stockholders of record of the date of Dec. 26, 1905. The transfer books of the company will be closed from Dec. 26 to Dec. 31, inclusive.

"Seeing Is Believing," \$7 Shoes, \$5. Hoffman's "High Grade" Sale is on.

WON'T INVALIDATE LAW

GOOD ROADS AMENDMENT CAN'T AFFECT HIGHWAY COMMISSION. SAYS ATTORNEY GENERAL.

The good roads amendment to the constitution submitted by the last legislature will have no effect in the highway commission act of 1905, if adopted at the next general election. This is the opinion furnished by C. S. Jelley, special counsel to the attorney general and approved by Attorney General Young.

Because the new amendment drops all mention of the highway commission from the constitution, the question was raised whether it would not knock out the highway commission law. Mr. Jelley holds that as the legislature has power to levy the road and bridge tax, it has the right to provide for expenditure of the fund, and can delegate that right to a commission even if the constitution is silent on the subject.

The law will be valid whether the amendment passes or not. The Jelley opinion removes the main objection raised against the good roads amendment, and is expected to result in all friends of the good roads movement supporting the amendment.

CONRY GIVES UP

Sixth Street Restaurateur Files a Petition in Bankruptcy.

Edward J. Conry, who has been running a restaurant at 32-34 Sixth street S as successor to the unsuccessful Schreps venture, filed a voluntary bankruptcy petition in the United States district court today. The attached schedules show debts amounting to \$4,308.49 and assets valued at \$2,708.88. The debts are divided among a number of creditors and none of the individual claimants are large.

FIFTY-SIX DRUNKS UP

Drinkers and revellers had a great time of it yesterday, but some of them had to pay dearly for it in police court today. Eighty men were arraigned in police court and fifty-six were charged with drunkenness. The other chief charge was disorderly conduct.

The police court session lasted three hours, during which every man on the tab pleaded guilty.

WILL GIVE ENTERTAINMENT.

Columbia Lodge, No. 496, M. E. A., will give a musical and literary entertainment at the next meeting, Wednesday evening, at 229 Central avenue, free to members and their friends.

HOLIDAY TRADE A RECORD-BREAKER

RETAILERS REPORT 25 PER CENT INCREASE OVER 1904.

Buying Began About Thanksgiving and Continued Steadily for Four Weeks—This Shows that People Have Money, Say Merchants—Saturday's Rush Broke Many Records.

Smiles of satisfaction over the holiday trade of 1905 adorn countenances of proprietors of retail stores. The average increase over the business of 1904 seems to have been about 25 per cent. In the case of Boutell Brothers, with their new stock, the increase has been 100 per cent over the business of previous years. Walter Boutell does not consider this a fair criterion of the general trade, but takes it as an indication of the general increase in trade in the city.

The trade preceding Christmas is regarded as the most uniform in the retail history of Minneapolis. It began about Thanksgiving time and continued steadily for four weeks. In its analysis it shows that the people were buying because they had the money. The storekeepers say that when times are hard, buying is confined to the last three or four days before Dec. 25. Then the people buy from force of the Christmas spirit and spend money anyway. When times are easy, the women of the family take the buying in hand themselves and begin so as to have a leisurely shopping time.

G. D. Dayton of the Dayton store said today: "Our Christmas trade started the day after Thanksgiving, and every day, without a single exception, the business was larger than the corresponding day last year."

Other merchants voiced similar reviews of the trade for December. At the Glass Block a large force of extra clerks and floor managers were employed to care for the rush. Cut flower trade was "about the limit," as it was expressed. The Palace Clothing House found itself unable to care for the business offered, although great preparations had been made. P. J. Kennedy of Kennedy Brothers reports that their trade started in several weeks ahead of time, and that it was unprecedented. Everything that would please the boys and girls was snapped up by the purchasers and paid for as if everyone had plenty of money. The cigar trade was better than last year. Box goods went fast at a better class of these goods was in demand.

Saturday's business was phenomenal. Rarely has any retail store in the city experienced such a tremendous rush as was on until 11 p.m. that night. A pleasing feature of the holiday business has been the increased patronage of all the stores. Extra help was necessary to take care of the trade rush, and thus the business made hundreds of clerks for four weeks, and at good salaries.

Seeing Is Believing, \$7 Opera Hats \$5.50. Hoffman's "High Grade" Sale is on.

WEATHER WAS PERFECT

MINNEAPOLIS' CHRISTMAS WAS JUST RIGHT FOR EVERYBODY AND EVERY KIND OF FUN.

Minnesota, and especially Minneapolis, put in a strong claim yesterday for the title of weather paradise of the world. The weather powers produced a brand of goods that was every way worthy the day that everybody was celebrating, and everybody enjoyed and appreciated it.

It was a day for everybody. It was not too cold for those who wished to parade in fine raiment and make fashionable calls. It was not too cold for driving and was weather par excellence for the automobiles. Many a machine that had been stalled for weeks was refilled and given a spin thru the country and about the town. Many a Santa Claus found that his buzz wagon had the reins under his control and made his trips in thoroughly up-to-date fashion.

All this did not interfere with the winter sports that many preferred to the tamer exercises of walking and driving. There was just the right amount of chill in the air that made life worth the living and made everyone glad to be alive. It was everybody's Christmas and everybody enjoyed it to the limit.

Visitors in the city admitted that they could see why Minneapolis people always boast of the Minnesota climate. "This town should be a winter resort if you can get weather like this," said a Boston man. "In Boston we generally plan to spend the day under cover in the house, but it would be a shame to do it today."

The day started like a beautiful spring morning and kept it up. Old Sol worked overtime wishing the country a merry Christmas until the last moment when he settled down in the red. There was just a suggestion of chill in the air that made life worth the living and made everyone glad to be alive. It was everybody's Christmas and everybody enjoyed it to the limit.

Managers Raymond of the Orpheum Breaks Up Little Gift Deal.

For several Sundays, and other days in the week, when "sell-out" have occurred, enterprising young men have appeared a few moments before the performance with small bunches of tickets with which they were willing to part for a little premium.

For the past four Sundays Mr. Raymond has stood out in the lobby and warned everyone seen buying scalpers' tickets that admission would be given at the door on such tickets.

This had a discouraging effect, but the combination of two "sell-out" days, Sunday and Christmas, was too much for the enterprising amateur scalpers, and several appeared yesterday afternoon, only to find huge signs reading: "Don't buy tickets from speculators at advanced prices. Admission will be refused," starting them in a huff. Some tried to get out from under by selling back to the box office, where the answer was that there was "nothing doing," and others tried vainly to get rid of their wares at advanced prices. Most of them sold out at the regular rates and promised to leave the tickets alone hereafter.

DOVEY SOCIETY CELEBRATES. Dovey singing society's Christmas festival was held yesterday afternoon at East Side Turner hall. Appella's orchestra furnished the music and an elaborate and enjoyable program was given, including choral and quartet singing, a speech by James Hall and Christmas tableaux. The prize, a \$15 silver set, was won by Miss Ellen Graybach, 1568 Monroe street N.E. Dancing followed the program.

H. C. HANKE CHOSEN AS NEW TREASURER

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ELECT COL. JOHNSON'S SUCCESSOR.

The New Official Will Take His Seat as Soon as His Bond Can Be Arranged—Charles F. Nickels, Chief Deputy, Had Strong Support for the Place.



HENRY C. HANKE, Who Succeeds the Late Colonel C. W. Johnson as County Treasurer.

Henry C. Hanke was the unanimous choice of the board of county commissioners today to succeed the late Colonel Charles W. Johnson as treasurer of Hennepin county. Mr. Hanke will assume charge of the office as soon as his bond has been provided and declared immediately after his election this morning that he probably would not make any changes in the present force of deputy treasurers.

Basing his quest for the office on the fact that he had been the second choice of the people before the primaries last year, Mr. Hanke launched his candidacy a few days ago. He was not opposed, and his words made it clear that he would do his best to discharge the duties of the office in the best possible manner.

Will Make Few Changes. "The fact that I was the second choice of the people at the primaries determined my entrance into the contest for the treasurership," said Mr. Hanke, "and on that platform I believed I deserved the position. I made no campaign among the commissioners, not asking a single one for his support, and I feel that I have been put into the office by the people. I sincerely thank you all for your support in discharging the duties of the office in the best possible manner."

Mr. Hanke is well known in business and political circles and was a candidate in the primary election against Colonel Johnson, whom he now succeeds. He made it a strong race and secured the support of the business men of the city. Johnson at the finish he lives in the eighth ward and is engaged in the land business, principally, but he has other interests. He will endeavor to arrange his bond in order to take charge of his new office about Jan. 1. Entrance at that time will give him a full year in office, as it was just a year ago, Jan. 1, that Colonel Johnson was seated.

As soon as the bond is provided, Mr. Hanke will take charge of the office. He has been mentioned during the brief but strenuous campaign, but neither was an active aspirant.

"Seeing Is Believing," \$4 Vests, \$2.25. Hoffman's "High Grade" Sale is on.

KNOW HE WAS DOPED AND MADE GETAWAY

Andrew J. Wright's presence of mind saved him from being robbed of \$235 yesterday after he had been drugged by newly made friends in a Bridge Square saloon.

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EDUCATORS TO MEET TOMORROW

STATE TEACHERS OPEN THREE-DAY SESSION IN ST. PAUL.

Problem of English Teaching to Be Taken Up at Preliminary Meeting Tonight, and in Opening Session Tomorrow—Prominent Educators and Speakers Are on the Program.

The Minnesota Educational association will meet for its forty-third annual convention tomorrow at 9 a.m., at the Central Presbyterian church, St. Paul. The association will meet Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, and the session promises to be a memorable one. Some able educators and speakers have been secured from outside the state, including Dr. F. W. Gunsaulus, Miss Jane Addams of Hull House and W. M. R. French, director of the art in Chicago; Mr. John W. Cook, president of the Illinois normal at De Kalb, Ill.; Dr. James F. Haney, director of manual arts in the New York city schools and Sara Cone Bryant, teacher of English in Simmons college, Boston. Governor Johnson, President Cyrus Northrop of the state university and State Superintendent J. W. Olsen are also on the program.

A preliminary meeting will be held at the Ryan hotel, St. Paul, at 8 o'clock this evening. It is called by Professor J. Watson Cooper of Hamline, chairman of a committee named last year to make a report on the teaching of English in the Minnesota schools. All teachers of English in the schools, and all principals and superintendents are invited to join the discussion tonight. This committee will report at the opening session tomorrow, after the addresses of Governor Johnson, State Superintendent Olsen and Frank A. Weld of the Moorhead normal, president of the association. Papers on the subject will be read after the reports are given, as follows:

"The Present Attainments of the Average Freshman in the Matter of English," by Ada Comstock, instructor in English in the University of Minnesota.

"The Grammar and Composition Problems," Lafayette Bliss, superintendent of schools, Virginia.

"The Teacher of English," W. F. Webster, principal East Side high school, Minneapolis.

"The Future of the English Problem," Professor R. Watson Cooper.

Section meetings will occupy Wednesday afternoon, and Wednesday evening will come the address by Dr. Gunsaulus.

Thursday's Activities. "Efficiency in Public School Efforts" will be the topic of the general session Thursday morning. The discussion to be led by C. R. Frazier of Winona. Thursday evening the program will include a discussion of the problem of rural teachers by Julius Boras, superintendent for Goodhue county, and C. G. Schulz, assistant state superintendent. "The Art of Story Telling" will be the subject of a talk by Sara Cone Bryant of Boston. W. M. R. French of the Chicago Art institute will speak on "The Wit and Wisdom of the Crayon." Following this program reception will be held in the parlors of the Ryan, from 10 to 1:30 p.m.

Section meetings will be held Friday morning, and the closing session of the association will be held in the afternoon, when there will be a discussion of "The Relation of Education to Success and Happiness."

The meetings of the various sections are announced to take place as follows: Section Meetings.

County superintendents, house chamber old capital, Wednesday afternoon.

Elementary section, Central Presbyterian church, Wednesday afternoon and Thursday and Friday mornings.

High school section, Central Presbyterian church, Wednesday afternoon and Thursday and Friday mornings.

Associated school boards, Ryan hotel, Thursday and Friday mornings.

College section, Ryan hotel, old capital, Wednesday afternoon and Thursday and Friday mornings.

Business college section, room 24, high school building, Thursday and Friday mornings.

Rural school section, assembly room, high school, Wednesday afternoon and Thursday and Friday mornings.

Elementary section, Central Presbyterian church (child study and kindergarten), Wednesday afternoon and Thursday and Friday mornings.

Music section, at Ryan hotel, Thursday morning.

The normal schools will give an informal reception in the banquet rooms of the Ryan hotel at 6 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, to be followed by a banquet at 6 o'clock.

CALLAWAY'S ANNUAL

Soo Line Passenger Agent Sends Unique Remembrance.

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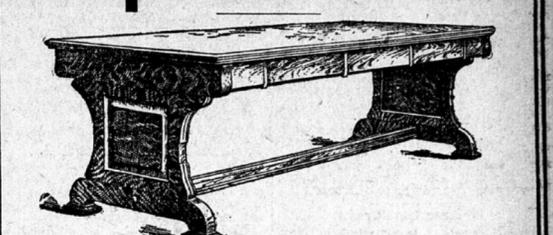
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Your Credit is Good at the New England

SPECIAL SALE HIGH GRADE Sample Office Desks



We have just sixteen (16) Roll Top, Flat Top, Standing and Type-writer Desks and Directors' Tables—Samples, which we want to sell this week—Wednesday if possible—A Round-Up of By Far the Largest Year's Business in Office Desks We Ever Transacted.

Note the Deep Cuts in Prices—The Savings may be Absolutely Depended upon as actual, while each piece is in First Class Condition.

In the face of Sharp Advances in Price by the Manufacturers of Office Desks, already announced, it should be needless to urge a Prompt Response by those interested—Here's the List. See the Desks Displayed in Our First Ave. Show Windows—Terms to Suit.

- One (1) Quarter Sawn Golden Oak "Gunn" Government Roll Top Desk; Single Pedestal Typewriter Attachment in same; 35 in. deep, 50 in. long; Regularly \$45.50. This Sale, **\$32.00**. Cash, or \$5.00 down and \$1.00 Per Week.
- One (1) Mahogany Finished "Standard" Roll Top Double Typewriter Desk; 32 in. deep, 50 in. long; Regularly \$43.75. This Sale, **\$33.00**. Cash, or \$5.00 down and \$1.00 Per Week.
- One (1) Quarter Sawn Golden Oak "Derby" Bookkeeper's Standing Desk; Compartments below; 34 in. deep, 96 in. long; Regularly \$98.00. This Sale, **\$69.50**. Cash, or \$12.00 down and \$2.00 Per Week.
- One (1) Quarter Sawn Golden Oak "Derby" Roll Top Desk; 39 in. deep, 60 in. long; Regularly \$96.00. This Sale, **\$64.00**. Cash, or \$10.00 down and \$2.00 Per Week.
- One (1) Massive Mahogany Top Directors' Table; 42 in. wide, 96 in. long; Regularly \$49.75. This Sale, **\$32.00**. Cash, or \$5.00 down and \$1.00 Per Week.
- One (1) Exquisite Mahogany Top Oval Directors' Table; 42 in. wide, 42 in. long; Regularly \$39.50. This Sale, **\$24.50**. Cash, or \$4.00 down and \$1.00 Per Week.
- One (1) Quarter Sawn Golden Oak Oval Directors' Table; Pedestal Effect, with Carved Claw Feet; Regularly \$78.00. This Sale, **\$49.50**. Cash, or \$8.00 down and \$2.00 Per Week.
- One (1) Genuine Mahogany Plain Effect Directors' Table; 30 in. wide, 48 in. long; Regularly \$19.50. This Sale, **\$13.50**. Cash, or \$3.00 down and \$1.00 Per Week.
- One (1) Genuine Mahogany Massive Plain Effect Directors' Table; 36 in. wide, 72 in. long; Regularly \$36.75. This Sale, **\$28.50**. Cash, or \$5.00 down and \$1.00 Per Week.

New England Furniture & Carpet Co.

The One-Price Complete House Furnishers. 5th St., 6th St. and 1st Av. S.

AMUSEMENTS

THE BIG EVENT TONIGHT Auditorium, 8:15.

YALE—MUSICAL CLUBS—YALE

A Half Hundred Clever Entertainers. An Evening of Individuality and Originality. Nothing Like It This Season. First Hand View of Eastern College Life. Seats Now Selling at Metropolitan Music Co.

Orpheum Both Phones, 3997. THIS WEEK Matinee Today 25c. MRS. STEWART ROBSON AND COMPANY. EDWIN LATELL. OLAYTON, JENKINS AND ASPER. MIRZEL VON WENZEL. LEONE AND DALE. JUGGLING NORMANS. GALBRETH & FARBEL.

METROPOLITAN L.N.Scott. TONIGHT. MATINEE SATURDAY. **May Irwin** in Geo. V. Hobart's Comedy Triumph "MRS. BLACK IS BACK" New Year's Week. ANDREW MACK

Unicell Ladies' Day Friday, Matinee 10c Night, 25c. Continuous Vaudeville Afternoon and Evening. Prices 10c, 15c, 20c, matinee 10c; box seats \$6.

BIJOU TONIGHT AT 8:15 Charles E. Blaney presents the Talented Comedienne. **LOTTIE vs. LIAMS.** In the Spectacular Musical Comedy Drama. "My Tom-Boy Girl" 50—People in the Cast—50. New Year's Week, Billy E. Van in "The Brandy Boy."

DEWEY MATINEE TODAY. TONIGHT AT 8:15. Ladies' Day Friday, Matinee 10c Night, 25c. **MINER'S AMERICANS** Ladies' Day Friday. Next Week, The Bohemians. 10c 20c 30c