GENERAL PRODUCE

Official quotations of the Minneapolis Produce Exchange, corrected up to 12 m., Wednesday, Jan. 31.

BUTTER—Receipts yesterday, 17,087 pounds. Creameries, extra, 25c; creameries, firsts, 22½; creameries, seconds, 18c; dairies, extras, 20c; dairies, firsts, 18c; dairies, seconds, 15c; rolls and prints, fancy, 17c; rolls and prints, choice, 15c; renovated, firsts, 20c; choice, 15c; ladles, firsts, 18c; ladles, seconds, 14c; packing stock, fresh, sweet, 15c; stale, held, 10c.

EGGS—Receipts yesterday, 225 cases. Current receipts, No. 1, case count, case, $4.25; current receipts, No. 1, candled, doz, 15c; fresh dirties, candled, case, $2.50; checks and seconds, candled, $2.50; refrigerated, candled, doz, 11c.

CHEESE—Twins or flats, fancy, cured, paraffined or unparaffined, 14c; fancy, new, 12½c; choice, cured, paraffined or unparaffined, 11½@12½c; choice, new, 10½@11c; fair, paraffined or unparaffined, 11@11½c; good, paraffined or unparaffined, 10c; daisies, fancy, twins or flats, 14c; choice, twins or flats, 12½@13c; off grades, twins or flats, 10@11½c; Young Americas, fancy in quality and regular in style, 14c; choice, 12½@13c; off grades, 10@11½c; brick, No. 1, paraffined or unparaffined, 13c; No. 2, paraffined or unparaffined, 10c; off grades, paraffined or unparaffined, 5@7c; limburger, No. 1, 12½c; No. 2, 11½@12c; off grades, 5@7c; Swiss, fancy loaf, 16c; choice, 13@14c; off grades, 9@11c; fancy block, 14c; choice block, 11@12c; off grades, 8@10c; pultost, No. 1, 9½c; off grades, 5@8c; primost, No. 1, 7c; off grades, 3@8c.

ONIONS—Spanish, crate, $1.75; Globe, 100 lbs, $1.50; yellow, per 200 lbs, $1.75; Valencia, crate, $5.

CRANBERRIES—Jerseys, brl, $18; bu, $6; late Howes, brl, $18.

WESTERN FRUITS—Pears, Winter Nellis, box, $3.25; Buerre Hardy, $2.50.

CABBAGE—Per lb, 2½c.

VEGETABLES—New carrots, doz, $1; new turnips, doz, 90c; beets, bu, 65c; cauliflower, crate, $4.75; carrots, bu, 50c; celery, doz, 25@50c; celery, California, crate, $4.50; doz, 75c; cucumbers, doz, $2; egg plant, doz, $2.25; garlic, 10@12c; lettuce, leaf, 30c; lettuce, head, doz, $1.50; mint, 40c; onions, shalots, doz bchs, 75c; parsley, doz, 30c; pieplant, lb, 7c; peppers, green, per basket, 90c; radishes, round, doz bunches, 40c; rutabagas, bu, 50c; squash, doz, $1.25; spinach, bu, $1.10; turnips, bu, 40c; tomatoes, Florida, six-basket crate, $6; water cress, doz, 30c; string beans, bu, $5.

HONEY—Extra fancy white, 1-lb sections, 14c; fancy white, 1-lb sections, 13c; choice white, 1-lb sections, 10c; amber, 13c; goldenrod, 12c; extracted white, in cans, 7½c; extracted amber, in cans, 7c.

POTATOES—Carlots, sacked, Burbanks, bu, 58c; white mixed, carlots, sacked, 55c; red, carlots, sacked, bu, 52c; small lots, 5c more; sweets, Illinois, brl, $3.50@2.75.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR—Fancy, brls, $6.25; bales, 100 lbs, $3.25; choice, brls, $6.

BEANS—Quotations include sacks: Fancy navy, bu, $2; choice navy, $1.65; medium navy, $1.75; mixed and dirty, 45@70c; brown, fancy, $2; mixed, fair to good, $1.50@1.75; Lima, California, per lb, 6½c.

FISH—Pike, per lb, 8c; pickerel, 4c; crappies, 7@8c; bullheads, dressed, 5@6c; sunfish, perch, etc, 3@5c.

POULTRY—Dressed, undrawn, turkeys, fancy, 17c; choice, 15c; old toms, 15c; thin, young toms, 11@12c; culls, 8@10c; chickens, springs, fancy, 11c; springs, fair to good, 10c; hens, fancy, 10c; fair to good and small, 9c; old roosters and culls, 5@6c; ducks, fancy, heads off, 12c; ducks, fair to good, 11c; geese, fancy, heads off, 11@11½c; geese, fair to good, 10c.

LIVE POULTRY—Roosters, 6c; hens, 9@10c; springs, 10c; geese, 10c; turkeys, hens, fat, 13@14c; thin, small, 8@10c; ducks, 10c.

PIGEONS—Tame, live, young or old, doz, 75c; dead, 50@60c; squabs, nesters, fancy selected, live or dead, $2@2.25; small, poor and thin, unsalable.

DRESSED MEATS—Veal, fancy, 8c; veal, fair to good, 7@7½c; veal, small and overweight, 3½@4½c; mutton, fancy, 6@7c; mutton, thin and overweight, 4@5c; lambs, yearlings, choice, 9c; fancy, 10c; thin or overweight, 4@5c; hogs, 6¾@6¾c.

RABBITS—Jacks, doz, $2.75@3; cottontails, doz, $1.25@1.40; white, small, doz, 75c.

SQUIRRELS—Doz, 60c.

BANANAS—Jumbo bunches, $2.75@3; large bunches, $2.25@2.50; medium bunches, $1.75@2.

DRIED PEAS—Yellow, fancy, bu, $1.50; yellow, medium, $1.25; green, fancy, $1.50; green, medium, $1.10; marrowfats, $1.80.

GRAPE FRUIT—Florida, box, $6.50.

ORANGES—California navels, $2.75@3.

LEMONS—California, fancy, $3.75; choice, $3.50.

APPLES—Ben Davis, brl, $5; Northern Spies, brl, $5.50; Jonathans, $6@6.50; Kings, $5.50@6; Genetons, $3.50; Winesaps, $5; Talman Sweets, $5.25; Greenings, $5; Baldwins, $4.50@5; Bellflowers, bu box, $1.75@2; Gano, box, $2.25.

HIDES, PELTS, TALLOW, FURS.

	No. 1.	No. 2.
Green salted cured steer hides, over 60 lbs	12¼	11¼
Green salted heavy cow hides, over 60 lbs	11¾	10¾
Green salted light hides, under 60 lbs	11¾	10¾
Green salted hides, branded	11	10
Indian handled, dry flint, over 18 lbs	15½	
Green salted bulls, stags, oxen or work steers	9	8
Green salted long-haired kips, 8 to 25 lbs	11½	10
Green salted veal kips, 15 to 25 lbs	12½	11
Green salted veal calves, 8 to 15 lbs	14	12½
Green salted deacons, under 8 lbs, each	70	60

Green or frozen hides 1½c less than green salted.

Horse and mule hides, large, each	$3.60	$2.60
Horse and mule hides, medium	2.85	1.85
Horse and mule hides, small, each	1.70	1.20
Montana butchers, short trim, light	18½	
Montana butchers, long trim, heavy	18½	
Montana butchers, long trim, light	18	
Indian stretched	18	
Montana calf, under 5 lbs	22	
Montana kip, 6 to 12 lbs	17	
Iowa, Minnesota, Dakota, Wisconsin hides	17	16
Dry bull hides	13½	
Dakota and Wisconsin calf, under 5 lbs	22	20
Kips, 6 to 12 lbs	19	17
Dry salted, all sections	15	13
Dry horse and mule hides, each	$1.50	1.00
Pelts, large, each	$1.10@1.50	
Pelts, medium, each	.60@ .90	
Pelts, small, each	.30@ .50	
Short shearlings, each, green salted	.15@ .30	
Dry territory butchers	.17@ .18	
Dry territory murrains	.15@ .17	
Tallow, cake	4½	3½
Tallow, solid	4¼	3¼
Grease	4	3

	Large.	Medium.	Small.
Bear, black	$20.00	$14.50	$12.00
Badger	1.50	1.10	.65
Cats, wild	1.25	.90	.60
Fox, red	4.00	3.25	2.00
Fox, gray	.80	.55	.40
Lynx	7.00	4.50	2.75
Marten, dark	22.00	15.00	10.00
Marten, pale	6.50	4.50	3.00
Marten, brown	11.00	7.00	5.00
Mink, dark	3.50	3.00	2.65
Mink, pale	3.25	2.25	1.75
Mink, brown	4.00	3.00	2.00
Muskrat, winter	17@18	....	13@14
Muskrat, fall	13@14	....	8@ 9
Muskrat, kits	....	4@5	....
Raccoon	2.00	1.35	.85
Skunk, black	2.00	1.50	1.25
Skunk, short striped	1.50	1.25	.50
Skunk, long striped	1.35	.95	.70
Skunk, broad striped and white	.70	.50	.30
Weasel, white, winter caught	.80	.55	.30
Weasel, stained or off color	.40	.32	.20
Weasel, all brown	....	....	.05
Wolf, timber, cased	4.00	2.75	1.50
Wolf, prairie, cased	1.75	1.25	.85

These prices are for No. 1 large, medium and small; other goods are in proportion. For other furs not quoted prices are about the same as last year.

REPORTS ON INSURANCE

Minnesota and Dakota Board Issues Statistics for Year.

The insurance board of Minnesota and the two Dakotas, which has headquarters in this city, has completed the preparation of statistics of its 1905 work. These show that during the year estimates for 183 towns were prepared and published, making a total of 1,007 estimates now on hand. The total number of maps of towns issued in the year is 72; total number of towns now mapped, 570.

This apportionment of estimates is as follows: For Minnesota, 71; North Dakota, 75; South Dakota, 37. Maps were prepared: For Minnesota, 39; North Dakota, 12; South Dakota, 21.

THREE FIREMEN INJURED

Milwaukee Pipeman Falls from Ladder While Fighting Blaze.

Milwaukee, Jan. 31.—The factory of the Wilbur Stock Food company on Second street was damaged by fire today, the loss being estimated at $30,000, covered by insurance. Timothy O'Donnell, pipeman of engine company No. 1, was seriously injured by falling from am ladder. He was taken to the Emergency hospital. Two other firemen, James Shannon, a pipeman, and James Gunning, third assistant chief, were also injured, but not seriously.

BISMARCK, N. D.—Gus Crambs, a tinsmith, who contracted tuberculosis from an infected milk can he was repairing, has undergone a successful skin-grafting which has practically healed his right hand and arm. Several pieces of skin as large as a silver dollar were cut from his leg and bound over the raw spots on his hand and arm, and have now become part of those members.

DECLARES SIR NIGEL WOULD BE STAGE HIT

"I want to go on record," says Errol Dunbar, who plays Sherlock Holmes at the Bijou this week, "as predicting that Conan Doyle's latest novel 'Sir Nigel,' which I see is being given in serial form in The Sunday Journal, is going to furnish a pla ythat is likely to exceed the book in popularity. This may seem a little venturesome, for the real plot of the story has not yet developed. Sir Nigel, with his trusted bowman Samkin Aylard, has just started out in quest of adventures and there's no telling what the youngster may run up against, but I know my Doyle well enough to feel confidence in his boundless ingenuity to create clever climaxes and startling denouements. I am watching the unfolding of the tale with a great interest. The farewell interview with Mary Buttestron in the last installment will contribute a delightful little love scene.

"While dramatized novels are not always lasting successes, they generally have a great advantage at the start thru the already created public interest. Doyle wears well, however. 'Sherlock Holmes' has been played season after season, and I cannot see that its popularity has begun to wane. Doyle became so weary of his creation that he actually killed off Holmes and then had to resuscitate him to appease the demand of the public you remember."

BELASCO IS LIBERAL

Scale of Prices for "Heart of Maryland" Surprises Theatergoers.

Mention of the many distinguished names which will grace the cast of "The Heart of Maryland," David Belasco's military romance, which is to be presented at the Auditorium the first three nights of next week, with Odette Tyler, Orrin Johnson, R. D. MacLean, John E. Kellerd, Wallace Eddinger and enough other notable players to justify the claim to an "all-star" cast, might suggest to the average playgoer a charge for tickets that would seem prohibitive, but Mr. Belasco asks only a popular scale of prices for his famous war drama, the schedule for which will range from 50 cents to $1.

When "The Darling of the Gods" was played here a few weeks ago, with $1 as the highest price, there were those who confessed that they did not patronize the Auditorium during its engagement because they feared that at such a modest price the company could not be of the first order. For the benefit of those who may entertain similar notions concerning "The Heart of Maryland," it should be only necessary to call attention to the names of the playgoers who will interpret the leading roles, and the fact that the magic name of Belasco is attached to the play, both as author, producer and manager.

OBJECT TO CHARTER

Owatonna's Special Election Results in Defeat of Measure.

Special to The Journal.

Owatonna, Minn., Jan. 31.—By a majority of 381 votes, the proposed new city charter was defeated at the special election held here yesterday. The principal objections were the provisions for four aldermen-at-large and limiting to taxpayers the right to vote on the question of issuing bonds.

The measure was drawn up by twenty prominent voters who were appointed by Judge Thomas Buckman for that purpose.

HASTINGS PIONEER DIES.

Special to The Journal.

Hastings, Minn., Jan. 31.—A. J. Short, who was prominently identified as one of Minnesota's early lumbermen coming from St. Louis, died today at the advanced age of 89 years.

HURT BY FALLING LOG.

Special to The Journal.

Stillwater, Minn., Jan. 31.—Daniel Farnham of this city was brought here today from a Wisconsin logging camp where he was seriously injured by a log falling on him. He was taken to the hospital.

TWO KILLED IN WRECK.

Special to The Journal.

Winnipeg, Man., Jan. 21.—A report has been received here that two were killed and two injured in wreck today on the Canadian Pacific railroad near Guelph, Ont. No details are given.

BUILDS ELECTRIC OVEN

St. Cloud Man's Invention Gives Relief to Rheumatism.

ST. CLOUD, MINN.—F. B. Doten, a local electrician employed by the Public Service company, working on the ideas suggested by a St. Cloud physician, has constructed and placed in practical use in his own home an electrical oven, which, it is claimed, will do wonders for people suffering with rheumatism. An electric current sufficient to heat the blood to 130 or 140 degrees Fahrenheit is furnished by electric current, and a 300-candle-power light absorbs the moisture. Mrs. Doten's mother arrived a few days ago with a view to trying her son-in-law's invention, and declares she has been greatly benefited by the treatment after having been an invalid for years.

The estate of the late Marcus Maurin of Cold Spring will be the first to come within the scope of the new inheritance tax law that was recently declared constitutional by the supreme court. The estate is estimated at nearly $500,000.

SCORE CENTRAL PLANTS

Farmers Censured for Deserting Co-operative Creameries.

ST. PETER, MINN.—Central creamery plants were severely scored by Frank Shrewsbury of the state dairy and food department in an address to the creamerymen of Nicollet county, delivered at a meeting held in the village of Nicollet yesterday afternoon. He censured the farmers for deserting the co-operative plan after making it so remarkably successful, and declared that the central plants are a menace to the entire dairy industry. Other speakers at the meeting were Professor D. S. Wilson of the state experimental station, St. Anthony Park; J. C. Joslin, Mankato; Samuel Haugdahl, St. Peter, and Ole Peterson, Brighton. Several hundred farmers attended.

FRESHMEN MUST PAY

Sophomore at Carleton to Receive Value of Lost Overcoat.

NORTHFIELD, MINN.—A claim for loss of an overcoat by a Carleton sophomore, who was taken aboard a train by four freshmen to keep him from attending a class party, was settled before a board of arbitration, consisting of three citizens. The board found in favor of the sophomore, and directed the principal to pay part of the expense and the class to pay the balance, holding that the matter was partly a class affair.

MANKATO, MINN.—The Interior Millers' club, an organization of the millers of the state south of Minneapolis, held a meeting at Mankato. It is given out that the only purpose of the meeting was the strengthening of the social ties of the millers.

PASTOR DIES SUDDENLY

While Instructing Confirmation Class Milwaukee Minister Drops Dead.

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—Rev. Theodore Jaeckel, since 1868 pastor of Grace Lutheran church, died suddenly yesterday afternoon. He was instructing confirmation candidates in a classroom of the parochial school of that church when he became suddenly ill and fell to the floor.

Several of the students ran at once for help. Dr. W. E. Kramer was hurriedly called, but before he arrived Mr. Jaeckel had died. Altho he refused to make a positive diagnosis, Dr. Kramer declared he thought Mr. Jaeckel had died of heart disease.

President A. C. Frost of the Chicago & Milwaukee Electric company announced to the council committee yesterday afternoon that his company and the Milwaukee Northern have reached an agreement: that they have made a transfer agreement which will give a one-fare rate across the city. Alderman Stralbauer then introduced a substitute franchise, which will give the Northern line a right of way to the center of the city north and the Chicago line entrance to the same terminal from the south.

TODAY'S NEWS OF THE NORTHWEST

SOUTH DAKOTA

RAMER APPOINTS MANY CONDUCTORS

INSTITUTE WORKERS ANNOUNCED FOR THE PRESENT YEAR.

South Dakota Superintendent Names Presiding Officers for Fifty-two Towns in State—Governor Elrod Appoints Five Delegates to the Washington Convention to Consider Uniform Divorce Laws.

Special to The Journal.

Pierre, S. D., Jan. 31.—Superintendent Ramer of the state farmers' institute has made the following selections of institute conductors for this year:

W. H. H. Beadle, Madison; E. L. Biederstaedt, Ramona; A. H. Bigelow, Lead; C. K. Buckel, Springfield; J. R. Byers, Vermillion; L. E. Canfield, Academy; G. A. Clark, Yankton; S. K. Clark, Milbank; W. L. Cochrane, Aberdeen; F. L. Cook, Spearfish; W. P. Dunlevy, Pierre; E. K. Everly, Brookings; E. T. Fitch, Watertown; E. L. Flanigan, Alexandria; A. E. Farmer, Yankton; J. S. Frazee, Springfield; C. H. French, Huron; W. W. Girton, Madison; T. F. Graham, Mitchell; J. W. Goff, Madison; C. H. Harding, Brookings; S. C. Hartranft, Aberdeen; J. W. Heston, Madison; F. H. Hoff, Mitchell; A. B. Humbert, Rapid City; J. Jones, Jr., Miller; G. W. Kephart, Beresford; B. M. Lawrence, Madison; C. G. Lawrence, Canton; C. F. Lehr, Tyndall; J. C. Lindley, Gary; L. P. McCain, Spearfish; R. B. McClennon, Brookings; F. C. McClelland, Sioux Falls; A. A. McDonald, Sioux Falls; G. W. Nash, Aberdeen; A. W. Norton, Madison; E. C. Perisho, Vermillion; W. H. Powers, Brookings; Martin Remp, Huron; G. N. Sabin, Alexandria; G. J. Schellenger, Selby; A. W. Seymour, Arlington; G. M. Smith, Vermillion; J. W. Scott, Yankton; E. M. Stephens, Rapid City; A. L. Stout, Mitchell; Alex Strachan, Deadwood; W. A. Thompson, Webster; H. K. Warren, Yankton; B. J. Woodbury, Arteslan; C. M. Young, Vermillion.

Governor Elrod has selected the following as delegates to the convention that meets in Washington Feb. 19 to 26, to consider uniform divorce laws: G. W. Case, Watertown; A. W. Burtt, Huron; Dr. H. K. Warren, Yankton; Thomas Sterling, Vermillion, and Bishop W. H. Hare of Sioux Falls.

Secretary Robinson of the state historical society desires to add to the state library under his charge a list of books for the blind. The government transports such books free of postage from libraries to those who desire to use them and returns them to the library on the same terms. Mr. Robinson wants to build up such a library here to supply the blind of the state, and will welcome any donations for that purpose, either in the way of books or cash for the purchase of them. The books so selected will be cataloged in the library and furnished to the blind of the state on request.

H. W. Nelson, employed on the drilling work for the railroad bridge foundations, was saved from serious injury a few days ago by carrying a package of smoking tobacco in his pocket. His clothing caught in the machinery and he was being drawn into the wheels when the package of tobacco jammed the cogs in which he was entangled, stopped the machinery and allowed him to be released without any further damage than a torn jumper.

REDUCES STATE'S DEBTS

South Dakota Bond Issue Surplus Goes to General Fund.

PIERRE, S. D.—On the strength of an opinion by Attorney General Hall, the state treasurer on Feb. 1 will transfer $50,000 of surplus in the bond interest and sinking fund to the general fund, and will call outstanding warrants to that amount. Thru the use of the accumulated general fun from the last quarter's collections, a call was sent out last week for about $25,000 of general fund warrants, reducing the outstanding obligations of the state about $75,000 by these two calls.

Articles of incorporation have been filed with the secretary of state for the Bank of Herrick, at Herrick, Gregory county, with a capital of $6,000; incorporators, H. F. Slaughter, Wilford Staniford, Naper Neb.; and W. S. Slaughter of Herrick.

For the Trust & Savings bank of Aberdeen, with a capital of $25,000; incorporators, C. A. Russell, Anita, Iowa; R. C. Townsend, Mitchell; C. F. Easton, Fred J. McArthur, R. A. Townsend, Aberdeen. For the Watertown Baseball association, at Watertown, with a capital of $2,000; incorporators, J. E. Bird, F. L. Cary, L. Baker, Hiram Ba Park, O. N. Whistler, W. F. Miller, Watertown.

SPECIAL VISITS SEVEN TOWNS

Grain Experts Reach Milbank on Lecture Tour.

MILBANK, S. D.—Despite the increasing cold weather and the freezing of the badly cut-up roads, the attendance upon the good seed meetings along the Milwaukee railroad has been comparatively large and enthusiastic. Wherever the train has stopped, fur-coated farmers have met the travelers and carried them off to the town halls, where the audience waited. In South Dakota the party was joined by Professor J. A. Cole of the South Dakota experiment station. The talk as the train approached the boundary between South Dakota and Minnesota, has been given over more and more to the consideration of corn. In eastern South Dakota the railroads and the experiment station want the farmers to plant more corn that now stands in relation to wheat, one acre to ten acres.

The attendance at the seven meetings held in Minnesota yesterday was 1,200. The meetings in South Dakota for today reached the figures of 1,136. The towns visited were Wheaton, Clinton and Ortonville, Minn., and Milbank, Wilmot and Sisseton, S. D., on the Sisseton line of the Milwaukee. At Milbank, both afternoon and evenings meetings were held in order to meet the demands of the farmers who wanted to know more about the selection of seed and the care of grains. The speakers were Professor Cole and Wheeler of the South Dakota experiment station, Professors Bull, McVey and Parker of the university of Minnesota, W. H. Keeley, traveling freight agent of the Milwaukee, and J. J. Quinn, secretary of the Tristate Grain association.

LAND VALUE INCREASES

South Dakota Loses by Too Early Sale of Tracts.

PIERRE, S. D.—As a comparison between land prices in this state now and a few years ago, the appraisement of the school lands that will be offered for sale in Minnehaha county this spring is a good example. Most of these lands in the southern part of the state were sold ten years ago at a minimum of $10 an acre. Those left in Minnehaha have been appraised at from $30 to $90 an acre, with the average for the county at about $50. If the lands that were rushed on the market in the early days of statehood had been held for a few years more, the permanent school fund would have been increased many fold.

FIREFIGHTERS' TOURNAMENT

South Dakota Event to Be Held at Sioux Falls.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D.—At last night's meeting in this city of the board of control of the South Dakota Firemen's association, Sioux Falls was selected as the place for holding the next annual tournament of the association, and June 26 to 29 was determined upon as the time.

C. W. Gillis of Mitchell, president of the association, and William Kolb of Vermillion, secretary, attended the meeting. J. H. Pettibone of Sioux Falls was appointed to the position of corresponding secretary.

Y. M. C. A. CONFERENCE

Delegates to Marshalltown Meeting Entertained by Searchlight Club.

MARSHALLTOWN, IOWA.—The state conference of the Y. M. C. A. closed today. Last night the delegates were the guests at a banquet given by the Searchlight club in the gymnasium of the new building. Fred B. Smith of New York, secretary of the religious department of the national organization, was the principal speaker, and T. J. Fletcher of this city acted as toastmaster.

About fifty delegates, including general secretaries, physical directors, presidents and other officials of the Y. M. C. A. in Iowa attended the conference.

The election of officers resulted as follows: President, J. G. Olmsted, Des Moines; vice chairman, F. A. McCormick, Sioux City; recording secretary, C. E. Hunn, Des Moines; treasurer, I. K. Wilson, Des Moines.

The annual inspection of the Soldiers' Home by the G. A. R. committee was made yesterday. The committee will make its recommendations to the legislature within a few days.

MONTANA

3 KILLED AND 4 FATALLY INJURED

CASUALTY ROLL IN LOGGING OPERATIONS AT MENOMINEE.

Many Accidents Are Reported Despite Fact that Work Is Not Carried On So Extensively as in Former Years—Counterfeit Money Discovered by Bank Is Clever Imitation of Real Half Dollars.

Special to The Journal.

Menominee, Mich., Jan. 31.—Three killed, four fatally and three seriously injured, besides numerous accidents of a minor character, makes the casualty roll so far this winter in the logging operation in this vicinity.

This is considered remarkably high on account of the fact that the work this season is not so extensive as that of previous years.

Of the killed, two were crushed to death by falling logs and the third wandered away from camp, was lost and froze to death. A strange coincidence is noted in the death of Barney Bowman and the fatal injury of Joseph Schulz. The logs that killed the former were responsible for fatally injuring the latter. Schulz was injured by the tree falling on him, while sawing it. Later, the same log started the fall of the pile that crushed Bowman.

Counterfeit Half Dollars.

That there is considerable counterfeit money still in circulation in this vicinity was demonstrated today, when several spurious half dollars made their appearance with some good money at the Lumbermen's National bank. The coin is a clever imitation and bears the date of 1900. It is much lighter than the legal half dollar.

PARDON IS REVOKED

Montana Jailbreaker Must Serve His Whole Sentence.

HELENA, MONT.—H. E. Homan, recently pardoned from the county jail at Fort Benton, where he was serving a six months' sentence for stealing a valise in Havre, will not enjoy the governor's boon, as the executive has revoked his act on learning that Homan had escaped from jail and had been recaptured. The state board would have acted favorably on the pardon.

Governor Toole has issued requisition on Governor Cutler of Utah for Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Gladney, wanted in Butte to answer a charge of being implicated in the robbery of the Centerville store of the Hennessy Mercantile company on Jan. 9, when $3,000 in cash was taken.

CORN CHEAPER THAN HAY

Montana Ranchers Get Shipments from Iowa to Feed Stock.

RED LODGE, MONT.—Montana hay is so high in price and so scarce that ranchers are shipping in corn from Iowa and feeding it to their stock. This is the first time in the history of the livestock business that such a condition of affairs has existed. Many ranchers along the Marias have shipped in quantities of corn bought in Iowa at about 55 cents a bushel and are feeding it to their stock and calves. Tho the freight on the corn is high, they estimate that it is about 20 per cent cheaper than Montana hay at the prevailing prices.

HELENA, MONT.—The war department designated Captain Thomas Anderson of the Seventh infantry, stationed at Fort Harrison, to inspect the Montana national guard. Inspection will begin April 10.

PHILLIPSBURG, MONT.—Charles Harding, a miner, was killed in the shaft of the Tussle Mining company, near Royal. He was struck on the head by a descending bucket.

WILL FIGHT FOR HOMES

Settlers in Forest Reserve Appeal to Washington for Relief.

CUSTER, S. D.—The farmers of Custer county will fight to the bitter end for their homes and their little houses and belongings. The recent ruling providing that only ranchers in the forest reserve who had settled on their land prior to 1898 might prove up is working a great hardship to many men who were endeavoring to make homes for themselves and their families. Many men moved out here since 1898 and many others, having used their homestead rights, settled here, believing they would not be disturbed. Then, one year ago came the order that all fences on land not patented must come down.

Threats of burning fences, setting fire to the forests and of kindred daring deeds were made. No man could make a living if his fences had to come down, and many an old couple who thought they had found a rest for their declining years looked to see themselves once more adrift. So great was the uproar that a stay of proceedings was at last granted to give the ranchers time in which to arrive at some conclusion with the government. An effort is now being made to have a law passed that will permit all bona fide settlers, no matter when they located here or whether they have used their homestead right or not, to gain a title to their land by the payment of $2.50 an acre.

Custer county is especially interested in this movement, as so large a number of the ranchers were about to be ejected that the population, already small, would have been seriously affected. A considerable amount of money has been raised and State Senator W. F. Hanley, formerly cashier of the First National bank, has gone to Washington to plead the cause of the people and to make an effort to secure titles for them to their homes.

COMMISSIONERS GET BUSY

Complaints of Car Shortage to Be Thoroly Investigated.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D.—The state board of railroad commissioners has taken up the work of investigating the charges made by South Dakota grain buyers, and the Tri-State Grain Dealers' association, in connection with the great shortage of cars in South Dakota. Several members of the board, accompanied by Secretary W. H. Stanley, have gone to visit the big terminal points. It has been charged that the railroads are intentionally withholding empty cars from the elevator men of the state. Altho it is difficult to believe these charges are based on a solid foundation, it is the purpose of the railroad commissioners to fully investigate the complaints and ascertain for themselves if they are true.

In the course of the investigation, the twin cities and Chicago, and possibly Omaha, will be visited.

PRAYER OPENS COURT

First Session in Faulk County's New Building Begins.

FAULKTON, S. D.—Circuit court was opened with prayer yesterday. It was the first session in Faulk county's new courthouse, and after Sheriff Metz called it to order, Judge L. E. Goffy asked Rev. P. H. McBeth, pastor of the the M. E. church, who was present, to invoke a blessing. The courtroom was well filled with officers, attorneys, jurymen and spectators, and the scene was an impressive one.

MUST PAY GAMBLING DEBT

Important Ruling Made by Marinette Circuit Court.

MARINETTE, WIS.—Judge Hastings of the circuit court has handed down a decision which makes paper passed for a gambling debt in the hands of an innocent purchaser legal. Joseph Merz, a local barber, lost $350 on a roulette wheel, paid his loss with a certificate of deposit. This was sold to another man and Merz attempted to prevent its payment. The court held, under chapter 56, laws of 1906, that the innocent purchaser was entitled to the money, the first ruling of the kind as far as known in the state.

BONUS FOR HOTEL

Renville Offers $2,000 to Person Who Builds Modern Structure.

RENVILLE, MINN.—At a largely attended meeting of the Commercial club last evening it was unanimously decided to raise a bonus of $2,000 to be given to any person who will build a modern hotel at this place. There is no doubt felt that ground will be broken for the structure with the opening of spring, as Renville is considered a good location for such a project.

CROOKSTON, MINN.—Ecky Hathaway, supposed to be connected with the robberies of Soo freight trains the past three months, at Thief River Falls, was arrested in this city yesterday, and will be taken to Thief River Falls.

MICHIGAN

FIRE WRECKS BIG REDUCTION WORKS

CONCENTRATOR AT SENATOR CLARK'S PLANT IS DESTROYED.

Blaze of Unknown Origin at Butte Causes Loss of $500,000 to Large Ore Property—Vigorous Crusade Against Gambling Begins at Billings by Minister Securing Ten Warrants.

Special to The Journal.

Butte, Mont., Jan. 31.—The big concentrator at Senator Clark's Butte reduction works was destroyed by fire of unknown origin early today, causing a loss of $500,000, only part of which is covered by insurance.

The whole plant was imperiled for several hours and its preservation is attributed to the absence of wind. Fortunately, the stiff breeze that usually blows across the flats on which the smelters are situated, had died down. The fire departments from Williamsburg, Centennial and this city, assisted by the employees of the smelter, fought the flames that every minute threatened to envelop the adjoining structures.

The fire was a spectacular one. The mammoth ore crushers, in their descent thru a mass of burning timbers, sent immense showers of flaming embers high into the heavens. A $15,000 600-horsepower electric motor was also destroyed. The concentrator will be rebuilt and in the meantime ore from the Clark mines will be shipped to Anaconda.

Crusade Against Gambling.

The long-taked-of crusade against gambling in Billings was started yesterday afternoon, when warrants for the arrest of ten saloon men were placed in the hands of Sheriff W. P. Adams for service. Ten complaints were issued by County Attorney Harris L. Wilson and in each one the defendant is charged with permitting roulette wheels to be played for money in his saloon. The complaining witness in each case is Rev. B. Z. McCullough, pastor of the First Presbyterian church.

MENOMINEE, MICH.—W. Gulifoil was killed by a cavein of earth at a building site, where he was working.

MAD DOG IN VILLAGE

Mayor and Marshal Have Exciting Chase to Kill Canine.

FERGUS FALLS, MINN.—Mad dogs are reported in several villages in this vicinity, and the village of Tintah had an exciting time with them yesterday. A strange canine, a splendid looking specimen of doghood, appeared in the village during the day, and after acting queerly for some time, bit several other dogs. Mayor Collins and the village marshal started in pursuit, whereupon the dog headed straight for the mayor's premises and bit a dog officially valued highly by that official. The animal was finally shot, and all of the dogs that he had bitten shared a like fate. The village council was hastily called in special session to adopt a resolution calling on all owners to muzzle their dogs without delay. Those that are found unmuzzled will be shot without further warning.

The Barkers Prairie tombstone case, which has been watched with some interest, has been amicably settled, and the monument remains undisturbed on the grave where it was erected. The Northwestern Marble works secured a judgment against Engvald Everson a short time ago for $128 for a tombstone, and an execution was issued and placed in the hands of the sheriff for service. The sheriff objected vigorously to levying on a tombstone, but it became his duty to do so unless he could find other property, and he undertook the task with reluctance. On conferring with Everson, he found him quite willing to pay, and after a little negotiation, the necessary money was raised to clear up the judgment, leaving the monument undisturbed.

A new ordinance, provides that wood shall be officially measured, and coal, hay and straw officially weighed, has been adopted by the city council here. The ordinance is aimed at those who have been giving short weight and measure, and it is the general opinion that it was needed. The aid of the official weigher is to be invoked on request of the purchaser, and any attempt to evade the provisions of the ordanance subjects the seller to a heavy fine.

WOUND PROVES FATAL

Duluth Fireman, Accidentally Shot by Wife, Dies at Hospital.

DULUTH, MINN.—Albert Schrann, a locomotive fireman employed by the Duluth, Missabe & Northern road, and 30 years of age, died in a hospital here as a result of a gunshot wound accidentally inflicted by his wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Schrann were out hunting rabbits with one gun. The weapon was carried by Mrs. Schrann, who was wearing mittens. Suddenly the husband sighted a rabbit scurrying thru the brush and urged his wife to make haste and shoot it. She endeavored to cock the gun, but the mitten she wore caused the hammer to slip and the gun was prematurely discharged. Schrann had thoughtlessly stepped between his wife and the rabbit and he received the discharge from the gun in his leg.

Mrs. Schrann hurried for assistance, and the wounded man was brought to Duluth, but his life could not be saved. Mrs. Schrann is prostrated by the tragedy, but no blame is directed at her by anybody.

OMAHA LOSES SUIT

Road Must Fill Ditch Built More Than Year Ago.

MANKATO, MINN.—By the terms of a decision filed by District Judge Cray the Omaha railway will be obliged to fill up 1,000 feet of ditch it constructed something over a year ago north of this city.

The Wisconsin, Minnesota & Pacific road brought an action against the Omaha to perpetually enjoin it from maintaining the ditch and to compel it to fill it, on the ground that the ditch drained water from a marsh and watercourse against the railway embankment of the plaintiff to its injury, compelling the building of more culverts and preventing the lowering of the grade of the line at that point, which had been commenced.

Judge Cray finds that the construction of the ditch was not only an unreasonable act on the part of the Omaha road, but was not a practicable way to take care of the water. The ditch is a large one, 2,200 feet long, and it is the last 1,000 feet that comes high and dry ground, that must be filled to the level of the original soil. The case has been hard fought.

GIRLS WIN HONORS

Carleton's Valedictorian and Salutatorian Are Selected.

NORTHFIELD, MINN.—The valedictorian of Carleton senior class will be Miss Ella Richardson of Northfield, who secured an average of more than 95 per cent in her work. The salutatorian is Miss Margaret MacGowan of Ocheyedan, Iowa, whose work was more than 94 per cent. Eighteen members of the class averaged over 90 per cent.

DULUTH'S HEALTH RECORD

DULUTH, MINN.—In giving the annual death rate as 7.74 to each 1,000 of population Health Commissioner Murray, in his annual report, says Duluth is the healthiest city of similar size in the world.

NORTHWEST NECROLOGIC

LA CROSSE, WIS.—Patrick Brady, one of the pioneer residents of this city, died yesterday, aged 80 years. He came to this city in 1855 from New York state, and has made this city his home ever since.

FERGUS FALLS, MINN.—Mrs. Julia Fox, who has resided here for the past twenty-three years, dropped dead last night while sitting in a chair beside her husband. She was 76 years of age, and her death is supposed to have been due to heart failure.

PIPESTONE, MINN.—Robert Farmer, a son of H. J. Farmer, one of the oldest residents of this county, was found dead in a shed at