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TUESDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 11, 1906.

MINNESOTA PRICE ONE CENT IN MINNEAPOLIS.

SERIES OF PUZZLES IN MAINE ELECTION

Political Upheavals Startle Both Parties-Republicans, with Littlefield, Victorious.

PROHIBITION, NOT LABOR, BLAMED FOR CHANGES

Fight Rends Hearst Party-Conventions in Colorado and

Portland, Me., Sept. 11.—The result of the election in this state yesterday, when the republican plurality for governor, which usually approximates 25. ernor, which usually approximates 25,000, was reduced to about 8,000, while at the same time the total vote was greatly increased over the figures of four years ago, is attributed by leaders of both the republican and democratic parties to popular feeling over the oper-ation of the prohibitory liquor laws and not to the opposition of Samuel Gom-

not to the opposition of Samuel Gom-pers and his labor party.

Altho the republicans re-elected Gov-ernor William T. Cobb, and all the four congressmen of the state, and will have a working control of the state legisla-ture, the pluralities were so generally reduced as to occasion surprise in many

quarters.
Both Governor Cobb and Congress Both Governor Cobb and Congressman Littlefield, in whose district the most vigorous battle of the campaign was waged, are of the opinion that the Sturgis law, providing for the enforcement of the existing prohibitory law by state liquor deputies, was the leading factor in the result.

Democrats Win in Cities.

The democrats made resubmission of The democrats made resubmission of the liquor prohibitory amendment to the people a part of their platform, while the republicans stood squarely for indorsement of the prohibitory plan and its strict enforcement. The re-sult was especially evident in the cities, the democrats carrying all of the tires. the democrats carrying all of the twen-ty-one municipalities of the state, with the exception of four.

Party workers realized today after making an analysis of the vote cast yesterday that the election was one of the most puzzling in the history of Maine voting. Political upheavals occurred in places which were counted upon to remain tranquil and towns which were expected to write from upon to remain tranquil and towns which were expected to switch from one party to the other held fast to precedents, and turned in votes which varied but little from those of previous years. This was particularly true in Congressman Littlefield's district.

Fails to Carry Home City.

The city of Lewiston was one of the

The city of Lewiston was one of the most important places in reducing Littlefield's plurality, for it gave to McGillicuddy a vote of 1,430 in excess of that given to Littlefield. Four years ago Littlefield divided votes evenly with his democratic opponent.

Of a more startling nature was the vote for governor. Mr. Cobb failed to carry his home city, Rockland, where Davis received a plurality of 17. Augusta, the capital of the state, went democratic by a small margin. Sixteen out of the twenty cities in the state went democratic, Hallowell, Gardiner, Eastport and Calais being the only Eastport and Calais being the only

ner, Eastport and Calais being the only ones to remain republican.

Two years ago when the candidates for governor were the same as this year Cobb carried 18 of the 20 cities, Waterville, theh ome of Davis, and Lewiston being the only cities in the democratic solumn.

FIGHT IN HEARST PARTY

Question of Fusion Excites the Independence League.

New York, Sept. 11.—The much-de-bated question of whether the Independence league in state convention today. shall name a straight party ticket or, nominating William R. Hearst for gov-ernor, agree to fusion with the democrats so far as the remainder of the ticket is concerned, was still undecided when the state committee which met when the state committee which met last night to map out a convention pro-gram adjourned at 3 a.m. today. After hours of debate and when an agreement seemed hopeless, the state

committee voted to refer the whole matter to the committee on resolutions instructing that body to report to today's

The sentiment of the delegates when the convention was called seemed to fa-vor the naming of a complete ticket by the Independence league. If the demo-crats then should choose to indorse the league principles and its ticket the delegates who were most outspoken on the subject, declared they would be glad to welcome the democrats as individuals at the polls.

The heat in the convention hall was

oppressive, and coats were freely dis-carded until the indications were that it might become a "shirt-sleeve con-vention."

ADAMS WILL BE NOMINATED Former Governor of Colorado Again

Choice of Democrats.

Denver, Col., Sept. 11.—The demo-cratic state convention met in Coliseum hall today to nominate a full state ticket and two justices of the supreme court. When the convention opened, there seemed no doubt that former Governor Alva Adams of Pueblo would be nominated for another term as gov-ernor, altho County Judge Ben B. Lind-sey of Denver was still mentioned. Judge Lindsey has always been a firm supporter of Adams, and was not in any sense contesting with him for the honor. Lindsey's friends were anx-ious that Adams should accept the indorsement of the convention for the position of United States senator to succeed Thomas M. Patterson, whose term expires next March, and pass up

the governorship to Lindsey. Senator Patterscon, whose fight against the local democratic organiza-tion dominated by Mayor Robert W. Speer has won him warm support from outside counties, insists that Adams take the gubernatorial nomination in vindication of his claim that he was robbed of the office.

FIERCE STRUGGLE IN OHIO

State Leadership and United States Senatorship Excite Republicans.

hall, the immense dining hall of a local manufactory, O. B. Gould, chairman of the state central committee, called the

AMERICAN WARSHIP RUSHED TO HAVANA

Cruiser Des Moines Ordered WIFE SPENT 6C; to Cuba by Roosevelt, According to Report.

Attack-Palma Blasts Hope for Peace.

ZAYAS JOINS REBELS. Havana, Sept. 11.—What ap-pears to be positive confirmation pears to be positive confirmation has been received of the report that Alfredo Zayas, president of the liberal party and vice president of the Ouban senate, is among the group of prominent men who have joined the insurgents outside Havana.

to Havana.

The secrecy concerning the Des Moines extends to all officials of the navy department, where it is said she was sent on a cruise "for the benefit of the health of the sailors and marines."

President Responsible.

President Roosevelt, it is rumored here, is responsible for the sailing of the Des Moines. It is known that the state department is keeping him ad-vised daily of all information received

from Havana, and that he is keeping in close touch with the situation from every possible source.

The sailing of the Des Moines has chilled the sanguine feeling in official circles of President Palma's ability to promptly suppress the insurance. cial circles of President Palma's ability to promptly suppress the insurrection, and it is believed here that the revolutionary forces may be making greater headway than would be supposed from the meager news which comes from the island. The very fact that it has become necessary to dispatch a United States cruiser to Cuban waters is taken as an indication that the seriousness of the uprising has been belittled. belittled.

Rebel Attack Feared.

Havana, Sept. 11 .- Three hundred sol-Havana, Sept. 11.—Three hundred soldiers have been brought from Guanayay into Havana on account of the possibility of an attack upon the capital. The rebel leader, Colonel Edward Guzman, has appointed Figueroa, president of the liberal party in Cienfuegos, to act as police commissioner in his behalf.

Exchanges of shots with insurgent bands are occurring in some suburbs of Havana. There are many hundreds of insurgents a short distance from the

President Palma last night issued a decree suspending all constitutional guarantees, with special reference to articles 15, 16, 17, 19, 22, 23, 24 and 27, in the provinces of Pinar del Rio, Havana and Santa Clara. The law enforcing public order, which is equivalent to martial law, also is put in immediate effect in the three provinces named

A supplemental decree has been issued suspending the decree of Aug. 28 pardoning repentant rebels, and ordering that all rebels be arrested and jailed. Both decrees have been communicated

to all officers in the field. Liberals Thrown in Jail.

Coincident with the issuance of the decrees, which followed last night's decision not to yield to the peace demands, the government ordered the arrest of practically every prominent liberal. Alfredo Zayas, president of the liberal party, and several others have disappeared. disappeared.

Among other liberals arrested are

Congressman Florencio Villuendas, brother of Congressman Enrique Villuendas, who was killed in a fight with a policeman at Cienfuegos a year ago. and Congressmen Borger and Varona. When the news of the issuance of these decrees reached the veterans' peace commission, which was in session at the home of General Menocal, there was immediate and almost unanimous denunciation of President Palma and other members of the government.

TWO AND HALF CENTS PER MILE ON THE ERIE

New York, Sept. 11 .- The Erie rail-New York, Sept. 11.—The Erie railroad issued a notice today that beginning Nov. 1, 1906, the maximum oneway local fare will be 2½ cents a mile over the entire system instead of 3 cents, as at present. On the same date the company will place on sale a 1,000-mile book at a flat rate of \$20, use not restricted to purchases.

restricted to purchaser.

The interchangeable mileage book has been reduced from \$30 to \$25, the purchaser receiving \$5 on returning the cover, instead of \$10 as heretofore.

TRIED TO STOP FIGHT: PEACEMAKER IS DEAD

Redfield, S. D., Sept. 11.—William O'Connell, a prominent resident, died yesterday from the effects of a broken hip, the injury having been received last Thursday afternoon while he was trying to separate two strangers who were about to engage in an altercation over the Gans-Nelson fight. Mr. O'Connell was standing on the

robbed of the office. to fight he endeavored to stop them.
One of the strangers turned and struck
O'Connell, who fell upon the pavement,
breaking his right hip bone.
The hip was premptly set, but O'Con-

Senatorship Excite Republicans.

Dayton, Ohio, Sept. 11.—In Welfare tall, the immense dining hall of a local manufactory, O. B. Gould, chairman of the state central committee, called the

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The hip was promptly set, but O'Connell could not rally from the shock. Immediately after the occurrence and before it was known O'Connell was seriously injured, his assailant went before a justice and pleaded guilty to simple assault, and later paying the small fine imposed, left the city, and it is not thought he will be apprehended.

BEATEN, MAY DIE

Havana Prepares for Rebel Ax Handle Attack by Husband Follows Unapproved Expenditure.

> Paterson, N. J., Sept. 11.—The expenditure of 6 cents for household necessities without her husband's approval may cost Mrs. William Leonard her life. She is now in a hospital in a precarious condition, and her husband is under arrest, charged with beating her with an axhandle.

According to the story told to the police by Leonard's 10-year-old son, and partially substantiated by neighbors who overheard the quarrel, Leonard by the story of the story Washington, Sept. 11.—American shipping and commercial interests about Havana, Cuba, are to have the protection of an American warship in Cuban waters.

While government officials show an inclination not to discuss Cuban affairs in any particular, there can be no doubt that the cruiser Des Moines, which cleared from Norfolk yesterday, is sailing on a state department mission, and it is rumored in official circles that she will proceed immediately to Havana.

Beats Wife, Kills Self. Beats Wife, Kills Self.

St. Louis, Sept. 11 .- After quarreling with his wife for a time today, Frelying Walter, a one-legged man, ended the argument by beating her senseless with a hammer, choking her until she was nearly dead, and then cut his own throat with a razor. He died two hours later at the city hospital. The woman will recover.

ROASTED ALIVE UNDER FIREBOX

Horrible Fatalities Caused by Derailment of Engine on Wisconsin Central.

Waupaca, Wis., Sept. 11.—Two men were roasted alive and seven others seriously bruised and scalded in the upsetting of a locomotive and tender on the Wisconsin Central road three miles south of Waupaca yesterday afternoon. The track was torn up for 100 feet and traffic on the line was held up almost

ten hours.

Both engine and tender jumped the track and then ran in a zigzag line, tearing up the rails as it went. Suddenly the locomotive veered to one side and upset, and the men jumped. Road-master Laymans and Conductor Pettin-gill and five other men who were riding on the running boards succeeded in get-ting free of the wreck, but all were badly bruised and were scalded by the escaping steam.

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Engineer Armstrong and Fireman McDonald were in the cab and when the big locomotive turned over they were pinned beneath the firebox. Neither man was crushed but they were uner man was crushed, but they were unable to escape and both were literally roasted alive.



ALVA ADAMS.

Former governor of Colorado, who probably will be the nominee of his party for the governorship, it being the desire of Senator Patterson that he run again and seek vindication. In the last contest over Colorado's governorship contest over Colorado's governorship Governor Adams was counted out, charges of fraud being made.

THREE FOUND DEAD. CLINGING TO FENCE

Barbed Wire, Charged by Electricity, Fatal Snare for Workmen.

Rushville, Ind., Sept. 11.—Three men were killed today by coming in contact with a barbed wire fence that had been charged with electricity from the plant of the Indianapolis & Cincinnati Traction company. The dead are: Oliver Glere, aged 65; William Pettiford, colored, aged 45; Reuben Boltright, colored, aged 43.

The accident occurred near the power house of the traction company. Pettiford and Boltright were walking along a railroad track to a gravel pit where they had been working. Boltright started across lots thru a barbed wire fence. As he touched the wire he sereamed and hung helpless. Pettiford received a shock in trying to rescue him, and came in contact with the wire. Before the current could be shut off his body was badly burned and both men were dead.

James Glore was in the crowd that gathered about the two bodies. He recalled the fact that his brother in going to his work used a path near the fence. Investigation found the body of Oliver Glore hanging to the fence 600 yards away. A bolt of lightning

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FATHER KILLS HIS DAUGHTER AND SELF

Muscatine, Iowa, Sept. 11.—Because his daughter insisted on keeping company with a young man he did not like, John Holstein last night shot and killed her and then turned the gun on himself and will die. They came here ten days ago from Keitsburg, Ill.

MAINE GOES REPUBLICAN.

This shows which way the wind is blowing.

MAY LEAD PARTY AGAIN BRUTAL RUSSIANS DO MORE MURDER

STENSLAND SEEKS SOLACE IN DEATH?

Wrecker Drank Poison in Tangier.

Chicago, Sept. 11.—Paul O. Stens-land, looter of the Milwaukee Avenue State bank of this city, now under ar-State bank of this city, now under arrest in Tangier, is reported to have attempted to commit suicide by drinking poison. A private message brings the news of the alleged attempt of the former bank president to defeat justice, saying that his condition is critical. A dozen guards are watching him, says the message, and heroic efforts are being made by physicians to save his fast ebbing life.

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The local authorities discredit the rumor, saying that they would have heard immediately from Stensland's captors had he tried to kill himself.

Tangier, Sept. 11.—Stensland is pre-paring a written confession, which he will turn over to the authorities when Chicago is reached. In his confession Stensland will make

more expense.

Gibraltar, Sept. 11.—The steamer Prinz Adelbert, which is due here Wednesday, will call at Tangier to pick up and take to New York Paul O. Stensland, former president of the Milwau-kee Avenue State bank of Chicago, who was taken into custody in Morocco.

IGNORANT ITALIAN STARTS BANK RUN

Refused Money Without Identification, Alien Starts Wild

Chicago, Sept. 11.—Because an Italian who was ignorant of banking methods was refused payment on a check without proper identification yesterday at the Pullman Loan and Savings bank, he spread the report that the bank was refusing payment to depositors. The result was a run late yesterday afternoon, during which several hundred savings deposits were withdrawn.

Today the run was resumed, fully 500 workingmen and women being lined up at the doors of the bank when the place was opened for business. So eager was the crowd that a large detachment of police was necessary to restrain it.

The authorities have ordered that all suspects be expelled from the city.

The authorities have opened an inquiry into the events which led up to the outbreak and the subsequent reign of terror at Siedlee. There is great need for medical assistance for the police was necessary to restrain it.

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Czar's Artillery WrecksShulguti Destroying All Houses in the Village.

Private Message Says the Bank Disorders Caused by Douma Leader's Arrest Bring Orgy of Bloodshed.

> Stavropol, Sept. 11.—It is reported here by telegraph that the village of Stulguti has been bombarded by artilery in consequence of disorders which commenced there following the arrest of M. Onipko, the peasant leader of the late parliament, who is to be tried by courtmartial for complicity in the up-rising at Kronsteld leaf Tale

> rising at Kronstadt last July.
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> The inhabitans of the village fled and The inhabitans of the village fled and their houses were destroyed.
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> Teh artillery, according t oreport, is now moving against the village of Petroffskaia.

> > MASSACRE RENEWED

Jews at Siedlee Were Again Attacked Last Night. In his confession Stensland will make a detailed statement of his wrongdoing, starting with his first false step ten years ago. He will not spare himself nor anyone else, either in or out of the bank.

It is safe to predict that Stensland's trial will break all Cook county records for shortness. Stensland wants it so. He says he wants to cause the state no more expense.

Gibraltar, Sept. 11—Mavices from Siedlee are that the fighting and bombarding of houses, which ceased about midday Monday, were resumed yesterday, apparently in consequence of Governor Engelke's demand that the Jewish and Polish population deliver up to him members of the Jewish Self-Defense association. The bundists, preferring death in the open to surrender, greater that the fighting and to make that the fighting and the make about midday Monday, were resumed yesterday, apparently in consequence of Governor Engelke's demand that the Jewish and Polish population deliver up to him members of the Jewish Self-Defense association. The bundists, preferring death in the open to surrender, grant and the fighting and the properties of the same that the fighting and the properties of the same that the fighting and the properties of the same that the fighting and the properties of the same that the fighting and the properties of the same that the fighting and the properties of the same that the fighting and the properties of the same that the fighting and the properties of the properties of the same that the fighting and the properties of the same that the fighting and the properties of the same that the fighting and the properties of the same that the fighting and the properties of the same that the fighting and the properties of the same that the fighting and the properties of the same that the fighting and the properties of the same that the fighting and the properties of the same that the fighting and the properties of the same that the fighting

At Rudgusowka, forty miles east of

Warsaw, which is the site of the great Zirardow mills, scenes similar to those enacted at Siedlee were witnessed. The soldiers are said to have killed forty persons.

Fugitives from Siedlee report that
Governor Engelke issued an ultimatum
declaring that he would bombard the
whole town unless the terrorists sur-

In consequence of the pillage and destruction the citizens are suffering for food and water.

TERRORISTS HUNTED DOWN One Thousand, Mostly Jews, Arrested in Warsaw.

Warsaw, Sept. 11.—In a search for terrorists made here last night, some 200 houses, located in different parts of

police was necessary to restrain it.

All demands for payment were promptly met by the bank, which is one of the strongest institutions of it kind in this section of the country. Its officers declare that any statement of the trouble is absurd and without the slightest foundation.

In med for medical assistance for the wounded. According to the best information the number of persons killed in Siedlee is about 100. A great many persons took shelter in the various churches. Others remained for two days lying flat on the floors of their apartments for protection against flying bullets. They were without food or water. churches. Others remained for two days lying flat on the floors of their apartments for protection against flying bullets. They were without food or water. The four principal streets of the town have been almost deserted. The number of houses burned reaches twenty-seven. Many Jews managed to get out of the city and fled to neighboring villages.

EYEWITNESS' STORY

Man Who Escaped from Siedlee Tells Tale of Horrors.

Warsaw, Sept. 11.—The correspondent of the Associated Press interviewed a refugee from Siedlee today. The man

"I was staying Saturday at the Kupiecki hotel in Siedlee. Suddenly. at 9 o'clock in the evening, I heard two shots, which were at once followed by a volley. In a few moments. by a volley. In a few moments a number of Jewish women and children rushed into the hotel, pursued by soldiers. The shooting continued for an hour, and then came to an end. Then hour, and then came to an end. Then the only noise from the streets was the crying and moaning of the wounded. At midnight several soldiers passed the house singing martial songs. I learned that troops had been searching houses in an effort to discover members of the terrorist band. To this end they went thru the Wiktorja hotel and pillaged the wineroom. They got drunk rapidly and coming out onto the streets began wholesale murder and plunder.

"At 2 o'clock Sunday morning terrorists who were defending a house on Pienkna street threw a bomb at the soldiers. Batteries were at once brought into play and bombarded houses on Pienkna and Warsaw streets. The Kupiecki hotel, where I was staying, was destroyed. Refugees were fleeing thru the streets and as they ran the soldiers were constantly firing volleys at them.

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"I ran with the others and managed to reach a church in safety. Here 300 fugitives, most of them wounded already, had congregated.

"This was at 4 o'clock Sunday morning. I had passed down Sokolowka and Polywa streets, and found that the market place had been burned.

"At the end of two days lack of food and water forced the refugees in this

At the end of two days lack of food and water forced the refugees in this church to leave it. We made our way thru streets covered with debris. There were many dead bodies and wounded persons lying about. We finally reached the village of Roskosz.

"Most of the families in Siedlee who beyinged the weeklers in Siedlee who

barricaded themselves in their houses out of fear of the soldiers, have now been three days without supplies. The wounded have not been cared for, as the soldiers will not permit physicians to enter the town."

Girl Wantonly Shot.

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St. Petersburg, Sept. 11.—There was a revolt yesterday in the Central detention prison of St. Petersburg in consequence of the death of Mlle. Semenova, a girl of 22, a young and enthusiastic social democrat, who was shot and killed instantly by a sentry when she showed herself at the window of her cell overlooking the courtyard.

Mlle. Semenova was a medical student, and when she was shot was seeking to divide with the prisoners some sugar which she had surreptitiously ob-

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VOTERS' LEAGUE REPORT ISSUED

Conditions in City Council Are Passed Upon by Organization.

DISCUSSES FITNESS OF THE CANDIDATES

Public Records and Qualifications of the Men Are Set Forth.

The following is the report of the Voters' league, issued today:

'This report of the Voters' league deals with conditions in the city council and the qualifications of candidates for aldermen. The report on the candidates for county commissioner will be out in a few days.

The City Council.

"The city council is still unsatisfactory in the intelligence, efficiency and disinterestedness of many of its members. The drones, deadweights and

bers. The drones, deadweights and gangsters are too many. Men of positive convictions and the courage to fight for them are too few.

"No one not in touch with the situation can appreciate the influences, direct and indirect, proper and improper, social, business and political, that are brought to bear on aldermen by those selfishly interested in the action of the council. Nevertheless, the past two years have shown some improvements, notably:

notably:

"A small reduction in the price of gas, both for the city and the citizen; also in the cost of electric light and power service.

"An up-to-date franchise ordinance with the Minnesota Power & Trolley company safeguarding public interests, "Preliminary action looking to an looking to an with the Generadvantageous franchise with the General Electric company, promising cheaper lights for the city and lower rates for light and power for the general con-

"An effective ordinance regulating the construction and inspection of overhead wires.
"Extensions of the underground wire

"Extensions of the underground wire district.
"An agreement with the telephone companies, waiving their former claims of exemption from special assessments. "Important amendments to the building ordinance governing the construction of hotels, which assure better protection to the public.
"A cheaper and more efficient gar-

protection to the public.

"A cheaper and more efficient garbage collection service.

"Improved business methods in the purchase of fire department and city lighting supplies.

"The passage of the Clark liquor ordinance, and the defeat of the Rand liquor ordinance.

The Patterson Lighting Contract

"The city clerk's office has become a social center for contractors and lob-byists. The city clerk has shown a Dysts. The city clerk has shown a disposition to favor the granting of certain contracts, whereas he should be absolutely neutral. This office should be madelective. be made elective.

Public Service Corporations,

"The Minneapolis Street Railway company is the original corrupting influence in our city council, and still continues its persuasive attentions to aldermen. This company might continue its excellent service even if it should abandon its reprehensible connections with the council.

"The Northwestern Telephone company also does far too many favors for aldermen.

aldermen.

'The franchise of the Minneapolis is with issue for Gas Light company is a vital issue for the next city council. It is important that the aldermen to be elected this year should be free to fully protect the public interests in this regard.

'The Minneapolis General Electric company is a conspicuous example of a public-service corporation that has recently changed its methods and now cently changed its methods and now does business with the city on the

What Is Needed.

"Compel public-service corporations to base their transactions with the city on business principles only; make the office of city clerk elective; send strong, courageous, straightforward men to the council; then conditions will be permanently bettered.

Eliminate City Contracts.

"As far as possible the city should do its work by day labor, under the supervision of department heads.
"Time has proved the wisdom of this, and the system should be extended to include at least facilities for incandescent lighting and all paving repairs and construction, including the preservative treatment of creosote blocks.
"Contractors for public work often

"Contractors for public work often have influence with the council, and use it to obtain favorable contracts. When they combine among themselves, or with other interests, they become particularly formidable." particularly formidable.

The "Ward" Alderman.

"The 'ward' alderman, who considers his own ward and constituents to the exclusion of the larger and more important interests of the city at large, is "There is nothing that a ward is en-titled to in the way of local improve-ments that an honest and capable repre-sentative cannot obtain without trad-

ing away his vote on general city ques-

The Ward System.

"The 'ward' alderman is a logical product of the wretched, extravagant

product of the wretched, extravagant and wholly unnecessary system of ward improvements with which Minneapolis of all cities of her type and class, is alone afflicted.

'It is within the power of the city council, under the existing charter, to place street construction and repairs, sidewalk grading and street sprinking and cleaning in the hands of the city engineer, or some other competent central authority. This change would result in better streets and lower ward taxes. The present system is unbusinesslike, usually inefficient, always politically obnoxious.

Selling to the City.

"Contrary to the letter and spirit of the charter, several aldermen do a