CITY NOT EXEMPT FROM LIABILITY.

Circuit Judges So Decide in a Test Suit for Damages From a Sewer Overflow.

CLAIMS OF CITY'S ATTORNEYS.

Urged That a Municipality's Acts in Building Sewers Were Not Subject to Review—Court Disputes It.

The Circuit Judges, sitting in general term, yesterday rendered a decision in a test case against the city for damages caused by the overflow of the Mill Creek sewer in 1896. They decided that the city is not exempt from liability if the cause of the overflow was a defect of the sewer.

A number of suits for damages are pending in the different divisions of the Circuit Court because of the overflow. The city's attorneys took the position that the city was not liable on the theory that the municipal authorities are vested with a discretionary power in designing the plan of sewers and that their acts could not be reviewed by the courts. Motions to strike out the allegations, referring to the city's liability, were filed in the cases.

To save time in the litigation one of the cases was referred to the Circuit Judges in general term to be passed upon as to the motion to strike out. The case selected was that of Charles Gulath, who prayed for $2,000 damages. The matter was argued before the Judges some time ago and was taken under advisement. The other cases were continued pending the decision.

The ruling is on a line with a decision of one of the Circuit Judges in a case regarding another sewer, in which practically the same principles were involved. Prior to the ruling to that effect, the practice had been that the construction of a sewer could not be pleaded in an action for damages, resulting from an overflow, because of the failure of a sewer to carry off the water with sufficient rapidity.

In the decision given yesterday, the opinion recites the allegations that the sewer became choked and dammed with timbers and logs, and that in a downpour of rain on July 8, 1896, the water from the sewer flowed over the plaintiffs' premises, causing the damage sued for. It was also alleged that the sewer had been extended and made to drain a district embracing 9,000 acres, which was twice its capacity.

The city's attorneys, in moving to strike out these allegations, claimed that the action of the municipal authorities in designing a general plan of drainage, and determining when and where and what sewers are to be built, are of a quasi judicial nature, and that they exercise a discretion depending upon the consideration of the effect on the health and needs of the community, and that their action cannot be reviewed by a Judge or jury.

The opinion states that the proposition that the city has power to construct sewers so that the plan will throw the sewerage on the lands of private persons, is so illogical and unjust as to be abhorrent to the sense of justice of every intelligent mind. Neither the Legislature nor the city has the power, the opinion states, to pass any measure that will injure the property of private citizens. The motion to strike out was, therefore, overruled.

The Judges cited numerous authorities in support of their ruling.

SPEAKERS WHO WILL REPRESENT MISSOURI.

PRELIMINARY CONTEST AT STATE UNIVERSITY.

Comedy in German Proved a Success—Activity Among the Students' Organizations.

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

Columbia, Mo., Feb. 23.—The preliminary contest to select speakers to represent Missouri University in the annual debate with Kansas University was held, and the various societies were represented, as follows:

New Era Debating Club—Mercer Arnold of Joplin and R. A. Kliemschmidt of St. Louis. M. S. U. Debating Club—Clyde Williams of Grubville, R. S. Douglass of Malden and H. S. Conrad of Prairie Hill. Miles Lyceum—C. S. Marsh, Brunot; C. A. Martin of Nevada, and R. L. Higginbotham of Bowling Green. Athenean Literary Society—F. A. Borley of Butler, N. O. Hopkins of Westboro and Sewall Burruss of Miami. Union Literary Society—M. C. Burk of Laclede and J. F. Hogan of Maryville.

The question for the debate was the same as for the final debate with Kansas: "Resolved, That the Philippine Islands should be retained as a permanent colonial possession by the United States."

The debaters appeared on the stage in pairs, and each pair had a complete debate. The order and order of speakers were chosen by lot. None of the speakers heard the arguments of the speakers who preceded them. Each speaker was allowed ten minutes for his first speech and three for rebuttal.

Ernest Tate, chairman of the Executive Committee of the Debating League, composed of all the debating societies in the university, presided, and E. F. Cameron acted as timekeeper.

The debate was a success in every particular, and the speakers were uniformly well trained. The excellence of the speakers demonstrates beyond all doubt the great value of the work done by the debating organizations in the university. Much enthusiasm was manifested in the contest, and the prospects for the future prosperity of debating work in the university are bright. The final debate with Kansas will occur in Lawrence on Friday evening, April 13. The sides that each university will have will be decided by votes cast by the chancellor of the University of Nebraska one month before the day of the debate. This is the third year that the New Era Debating Club and the M. S. U. Debating Club have monopolized the places in the debate.

The German comedy, "Der Neffe Als Onkel" (The Nephew as the Uncle), was played in the university auditorium. This is a three-act comedy, translated from the French, and adapted for the German stage at Weimar, Germany, by Frederick, the great dramatic poet. The play was presented by the Germanic Department of the university, and the proceeds will be applied to the enlargement of the Germanic library. This is the first time that a play in German has been presented at the university, and it shows the great improvement in the character of work done at the university in recent years. The play was also presented in Jefferson City.

The acting was good. John Dieter as Chapmanne was particularly popular with the audience and provoked much amusement. Edwin Stanton and C. M. Strong, as uncle and nephew, respectively, played their parts well. Rudolph Kleinschmidt played the part of the lover, and N. F. Freudenberger appeared as a drunken postilion. Miss Sue Stone, as the uncle's daughter, was wooed by two suitors, and finally became the wife of the nephew. Lermont, being defeated in his purpose of marrying Sophie, is captivated by the charms of Frau von Mirville, impersonated by Miss Yetta Leopold, who played her part excellently. The uncle's wife was Miss Anna Abrens, who was one of the best characters of the play.

The cast of characters was as follows:

Edward von Brasing, the uncle—Edwin Stanton
Flaxe von Ludenhof, the nephew—C. M. Strong
Champagne, his valet—Sewell Burruss
Valcour, friend of Frau von Dusseau—A. L. Hunter, Nevada
Lermont, Sophie's betrothed husband—Rudolph Kleinschmidt, St. Louis
Postillion—N. F. Freudenberger, Chandlerville
First Attendant—J. A. Bohnenkamp, St. Louis
Second Attendant—Paul Sugg, St. Louis
Third Attendant—F. B. Abbey, St. Louis
Footman—Paul Sugg, St. Louis
Frau von Mirville—Miss Anna Abrens, Fort Scott, Kan.
Sophie, the Colonel's daughter—Miss Yetta Leopold, Columbia
Frau von Dusseau—Miss Sue Stone, Columbia

Senor y Rubio Lopez of Cuba is one of the students of the University of Missouri. He was quite intimately connected with the struggle of Cuba for freedom, and for several months during the late Cuban War served as a Sergeant, and two years as a Second Lieutenant on the staff of General Gomez. While on the General's staff he was intrusted with several important missions, one of which was to enter a city in the possession of the Spanish and make a plan of the place. Another was to make a topographical map of one of the Spanish positions while under fire. Near the close of the war he was promoted to a First Lieutenancy. He had several personal encounters with the machete, being wounded in two places. He has taken a bachelor's degree at the University of Havana, and intends to take the degree of mechanical engineering at the University of Missouri. There is also a Porto Rican enrolled at the university.

The junior academic class held a meeting and decided to have a pronunciamento on the evening of February 22. This is the anniversary of the famous unofficial student "riot" which took place while the first freshman now junior class were its sophomore receptions in 1898. No trouble is anticipated this year by the authorities. The promenade will start off with a grand march. It will be held in the ladies' parlors of the university. The senior class has been invited to attend. The juniors have selected yellow and blue as their colors.

The annual official prize contest in elocution will be held in the Auditorium Thursday evening, March 8. Three prizes in cash—$25, $15 and $10—are offered, and will be contended for by three ladies and eight gentlemen. All students in the department of elocution, Rehearsals have been going on for a number of weeks, and an excellent and entertaining programme is promised, aside from the competitive features of the occasion. No admission will be charged.

Speakers have been chosen by the various societies for the preliminary for the debate with Nebraska University as follows: M. S. U. Debating Club—R. L. Ward of Clubb and John Kramer, one more to be chosen. New Era Debating Club—Gibony Houck of Cape Girardeau, T. H. Records of Blue Springs and W. E. Coffey of Knox City. Twentieth Century Debating Club—E. F. Cameron of Nevada, C. W. Lowe of Moberly and J. S. Harrison of Botham. The other societies will choose their debaters later.

Three students of the Kansas City School of Law will meet three students of the law school of the University of Missouri in debate at Carrollton, March 6. At a preliminary debate at the Kansas City school Thursday night, W. H. Hulse, H. E. Dean and Clifford Snow were chosen to represent the school. The question to be argued is, "Resolved, That the aggregation of capital in the form of trusts are detrimental to the welfare of the people." The Kansas City men will have the negative side of the question.

The Athenean Literary Society held a freshman and sophomore debate Friday night, and debated the question, "Resolved, That England's course of action in the Transvaal is justifiable." W. B. Barmer of Columbia and T. E. O'Connor of Maryville were in favor of the British side. E. F. Bishop of Ravenwood and C. J. White of Columbia were in favor of the Boers. The negative side of the question was carried the decision.

The following programme of athletic events has been prepared by Professor Y. P. Rothwell, director of the gymnasium, February 28, illustrated lecture on gymnastics at the opera-house; March 1, strength contest; March 2, gymnastic contest with William Jewell College; April 13, preliminary field day; May 11, 12, interscholastic field day.

Kimbrough Stone, who graduated from the law department of the university, and who was clerk of the Revision Committee at Jefferson City, has declined a call to the chair of law in the University of North Dakota. He will practice law either with his father in St. Louis or in Northwest Missouri.

Charles Van Note of Hannibal, who was a student in the law department, but has not been enrolled for a month, has been expelled. For awhile it was thought that the case would have to be reported. This was not done, however, and he is now quietly considering.

E. E. Lindbergh, who was called to his home at Plattsburg, Mo., on account of the death of his father, has returned to school. His mother and two sisters came with him and will make their future home here.

The monthly social of the Y. M. C. A. was held Friday evening, February 23. These monthly socials have been much enjoyed by those who have attended heretofore, and this one was not an exception to the rule.

W. D. Moore of St. Louis has left the university to take up the study of law in St. Louis. He will return and complete his course in the economic department next year or the year after.

G. R. Wesselius will deliver a lecture in the university auditorium on March 16. This is the third number of the Y. M. C. A. lecture course.

Dexter J. W. Conaway delivered an address before a meeting of shorthorn cattle breeders in Kansas City this week.

About 1,200 volumes of new books have recently been received by the law library. This addition makes the law library one of the largest in the West.

E. M. Lockwood of Columbia was the only undergraduate student enrolled at the university at Columbia this year. He entered the law department.

The senior members have received their caps and gowns, and will wear them whenever the occasion offers.

Miss Laura Bischell has been called to her home in Maryland by the serious illness of her mother.

Army Orders.

SPECIAL TO THE REPUBLIC.

Washington, Feb. 24.—Army orders:

Major Robert P. Bates is detailed as professor of military science and tactics at Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa.

Captain M. M. McMillin, assistant quartermaster, now in New York, will proceed to Seattle, Washington, for temporary duty. Upon the completion of this duty Captain McMillin will assume charge of the quartermaster's property on the transport Sherman and proceed thereon to Manila.

The following assignments to regiments of officers recently promoted are announced:

First Lieutenant John Morrison, Jr., to the First Cavalry, Troop G.

First Lieutenant H. O. Willard to the Second Cavalry, Troop M.

First Lieutenant L. R. Holbrook to the First Cavalry.

Major J. G. Davis, surgeon, will proceed to Manila for duty.

Leave for four months is granted Major G. P. Borden, Fifth Infantry.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Hugh Goodwin will proceed from Fayette, Mo., to San Francisco and report to the commanding General, Department of California, for duty.

The leave granted Captain W. E. Ayer, Twelfth Infantry, is extended two months.

Recruit Harold Walter, general service, Detroit, is transferred to the hospital corps. He will be sent to Jefferson Barracks.

Private James Lewis, Troop L, Sixth Cavalry, Fort Sill, is transferred to the hospital corps.

Acting Hospital Steward J. E. Ochl, hospital corps, now in Washington, is transferred to Jefferson Barracks.

SBARRETTI INSTALLED.

New Bishop of Havana Not Subjected to Indignities.

Havana, Feb. 24.—Mgr. Sbarretti, the newly appointed Bishop of Havana, arrived this morning and landed at 9 o'clock. A procession was formed and the Bishop went to the Cathedral, where he was formally installed. Many clergy went to meet the prelate. There was no demonstration. Mgr. Sbarretti says that it is too early to give an opinion in regard to his new office. He pleaded, however, that the Catholic Church is cosmopolitan, and that questions of nationality do not enter into it.

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Swivel Silk—The Swivel Silk Madras, in fancy woven figures, neat and stripes, in blue, green, red, tan, pink, etc., for waists for short waists, full skirts, etc., regular 25c goods at the Monday Special 19c

Mousseline—32-inch white French Mousseline De Soie—the sort that examined and washed French Mousseline sells for 75c—for fancy dresses, worth $1.00—Monday, per yard 50c

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These comfortable and gracefully-shaped easy chairs are becoming more and more popular every day—these are those we will offer exceptional bargains for Monday—are specially made, solid oak frame, finished in rich color, covered with good quality cane, and with loose cushions—a chair for which exclusive Furniture Dealers would ask at least $5.50, here at Grand-Leader, on Monday, while the price is, each $3.98

Infants' Wear.

25c For Infants' Jersey Ribbed Skirts, cotton and wool mixed, with warm bodies, for ages up to 2 years, and many worth 35c

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We offer for Monday 7 of the latest and best pieces of Sheet Music at Special Introductory Prices—4 of these pieces are now offered for the first time in St. Louis.

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Our new stock cannot be surpassed, both as regards number of patterns from which to select, beautiful colorings and choice designs. These for Monday:

Bedroom papers in all the latest colorings—with ceiling to be—at 5c, 4c and 3c

Parlor stock and hall papers in rich Grounds, some shades of gold, in fine gold, with ceiling to match 12½c and 10c

Elegant gilt and opaque papers of heavy quality, usually sold at 25c and 20c—Monday, per roll 18c and 15c

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New arrivals! Clever, captivating creations from original models by Ducet, Worth and other world-renowned fashion moulders—waists of every conceivable color, design and make—with fancy fronts and with yokes in dainty colors to correspond with the main hue of the garments—corded waists—hemstitched waists—tucked waists—in short, the choicest assortment ever brought to St. Louis—marked at very close prices, ranging variously from $4.50 down to as low as $4.75

SILKS FOR 1900.

All the new and charming novelties, in exclusive designs, exquisite colorings and prettiest weaves—prices much lower than their handsome appearance would lead you to expect. Here are a few of the many:

Wash Silks—New and very pretty Corded Wash Silks, in the latest spring shades, in stripes and checked effects—special to-morrow at, per yard 35c

Foulards—A most attractive showing of these popular silks, in handsome pastel effects—24 inches wide and a fine quality—Special Monday Price, per yard 65c

Taffeta—A choice quality of the new Hemstitched, Lace-Striped Taffetas, in exquisite pastel shades—specially adapted to waists and dresses—Monday, per yard 75c

Taffeta—A full line of the new colorings in Plaisse Cord Tucked Taffeta, also including cream, white and black—Introductory Price, yd 85c

Peau de Soie—24-inch printed Peau de Soie, in the newest weaves and shades for spring of 1900—we are the first to show these goods in St. Louis and advise an early selection while the assortment is good—Monday Price, per yard 98c

Handkerchief Squares—A most popular high-class novelty, introduced for the first time this year—Introductory Price, Monday $1.00

Black Taffetas—A good quality of 36-inch Black Taffeta will be offered here Monday at the Special Price of 50c

Still better quality of 36-inch (note the width) Black Taffeta goes on sale Monday at, per yd $1.25

Dress Goods from Auction

Monday we offer 120 additional pieces of new Spring Dress Goods bought at the auction sale of Townsend & Montant, but which were delayed in transit—a fact which tends to your advantage, as we've made prices even lower than on the first shipment to close out with a rush! Read these remarkable values:

Homespun—36 pieces of 40-inch all-wool Homespun Suiting in the newest spring shades of gray, tan, brown, etc., regular 65c quality—Auction Sale Price 49c

Plaids—38-inch silk-striped Swiss Plaids—just the kind of material for shirt waists and children's dresses—regular price 50c—Auction Sale Price 39c

Mixtures—46-inch all-wool Scotch Mixtures in the latest and best shades of tan, brown, gray, green, etc., would be sold in the regular way at 60c—Auction Sale Price, per yd. 45c

Tweed—A fine quality of 50-inch all-wool Scotch Tweed Suiting—splendid wearing goods, worth fully $1.00—Auction Sale Price, per yard 65c

Black Crepe—50 pieces of 42-inch all-wool Black Crepe Cloth, worth if bought in the regular way fully 60c—Auction Sale Price 35c

Black Cheviot—40 pieces of 44-inch all-wool Black English Cheviot of the quality usually sold at 75c—Auction Sale Price 45c

Black Crepon—42-inch imported black silk finished Crepon in new effects and designs—would be sold regularly at $1.10—in this Auction Sale we offer it Monday at 69c

Black Venetian—Only 25 pieces of finest quality 54-inch Black Venetian Cloth—regular $2.00 quality—Monday, all sponged and shrunk, at, per yard $1.25

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Table Covers—6-4 size Satin Finished Tapestry Table Covers—regular center table size—in rich colorings, finished with knotted fringe—the 75c kind at, each 39c

Portieres—Odd Portieres of reversible tapestry and damask, in floral and Oriental designs, with dado and deep fringe at top and bottom—worth up to $6 per pair—choice, per curtain $1.25

Rope Portieres—A new lot just received in the very latest and prettiest draped designs, with heavy cords and tassels—cannot be duplicated elsewhere for less than $2.50—Grand-Leader price, each $1.50

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$16.50 For Ladies' swell tailored Eton Suits of imported Venetians and cheviots in spring shades of gray, tan and cadet—lined throughout with taffeta silk, skirts of the latest design, finished with rows of stitching and lined with taffeta silk—a suit that is a perfect beauty—regular price $25.00—our Spring Price $16.50

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Misses' and Children's Imported French Kid Gloves in all sizes, from 1½ to 6½, in tan, brown or red, embroidered in same color or black—a genuine $1.00 glove, offered to-morrow at the Special Price of 59c

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Misses' umbrella style Cambric Petticoats for girls of 4 to 14 years, having flounce of hemstitching, and worth 49c and 59c—Special Price for Monday 35c and 25c

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18-inch fancy stamped Gauzes, in newest spring colorings and designs, suitable for hat trimmings, and worth 35c, at, per yard 19c

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18-inch imported Liberty Silk Crepe, in all the most popular shades, suitable for ties and hat trimmings—40c quality at, per yard 29c

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One small case of 36-inch fine Imported India Linen, worth 40c, at 19c

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Towels—Heavy unbleached Turkish Bath Towels, 19x45 inches, and worth 15c, each 8⅓c

Damask—72-inch heavy all-linen unbleached Table Damask, worth 75c, at 50c

Napkins—Large ¾-size bleached linen Dinner Napkins, worth $2.00, at, per dozen $1.00

Muslin—Extra good yard wide Sea Island Muslin, worth 7½c, at 4c

Twilled Muslin—Genuine Fruit of the Loom yard wide bleached twilled Muslin, worth 15c, at, yard 8c

Percale—Extra heavy yard wide dark colored dress Percales, worth 15c—Monday, while 2 cases last, per yard 4c

Flannel—30-inch soft fleeced white Shaker Flannel, worth 7½c, at, per yard 4c

Gingham—New spring styles in stripes and checked Zephyr Dress Ginghams, really worth 10c, at 5c

Cambric—1 case of yard wide Lonsdale Cambric—10c quality, at 6c

Black Sateen—1 case of solid fast black Dress Sateen—usually sold at 10c—our price, per yard 6½c

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