LOST AND FOUND.

LOST—Black spaniel pup near 3800 Etzel. Reward for information or return. 1125 Hamilton.

LOST—Black and white pointer dog, one large, one small black spot on right side. Return to 4162 Delmar for reward.

LOST—On Easton ave. car, or between Academy and city limits, private papers. Return to 209 Commercial building and receive reward.

LOST—White setter dog, $25 reward; had some black on head and body. Return to Martin Voorhees, Webster Groves, and collect reward; no questions asked.

REMOVALS.

CHARLES SCHMIDT, distributer of all kinds samples, sign-tacker and envelope addresser, moved to 1418 O'Fallon st.

WILLYERD'S Photograph Gallery has removed from 819 Olive to 1107 Olive st., second floor; first-class work; special low prices for holidays.

MUSICAL.

BEFORE buying Xmas presents call to see the Twentieth Century Musical Novelty, sold on easily payments. Room No. 501 Burlington building.

FINE large-size mahogany upright piano; $175. 2022 N. Grand ave.

ESTEY pianos, Brambach pianos, Story & Clark pianos, Newton pianos; rare holiday bargains; open evenings. The Estey Co., 916 Olive.

"HEAR the soul of a Krakauer sing"; to hear is to buy it. Sold only by Dan'l G. Dunker Piano Company, Fourteenth and North Market.

PIANOS and organs sold, rented, tuned, at lowest prices. The Estey Co., 916 Olive st.

THE old reliable Kroeger piano, sold only by Dan'l G. Dunker Piano Co., northeast corner Fourteenth and North Market sts.

$15 buys a nice piano, with stool and cover. 1414 N. Sixteenth st.

BICYCLES.

For Sale.

CLEVELAND, Crescent and Caesar bicycles; St. Louis Cycle Co., 935 N. Second st.; ask for Morgan. Telephone Main 281; Kinloch A 216.

1900 Cleveland, Columbia, Crescent, Caesar and Andrae bicycles; repairing and renting. Morgan, Harding & Laing, 2826 Olive st.

THEATRICAL.

COSTUMES and wigs for rent and made to order; grease paints, powders, etc. Fueger's, 521 Walnut st.

SANTA CLAUS costumes, wigs, beards and masks for rent and sale at Fueger's, 521 Walnut st., St. Louis, Mo.

TYPEWRITERS.

For Sale.

BALL-BEARING Densmore, $30; No. 2 Smith, $20; Hickensderfer, $15; No. 6 Remington, $40. St. Louis Typewriter Ex., Chemical bldg. Tel M 1162.

WE have 1,000 typewriters for rent or sale. Call or mail or telephone your order. Satisfaction guaranteed. The Typewriter Exchange, 208 N. Ninth st., St. Louis, Mo.

WALL PAPER.

ZEHNER & CO., 1420 Papin St.—Paper hanging, whitening and plastering; all work done at lowest rates; satisfaction guaranteed; send postal.

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CARPET CLEANING.

ALL work guaranteed. J. N. Verdier Steam Carpet Beating and Renovating Co., Nineteenth and Pine. Lowest prices. Bell Main 690; Kin. D 79.

CARPETS taken up, cleaned, made over and laid; best work; lowest prices. Empire Steam Carpet Cleaning Co., 2123 Lucas; Main 1131; C 964.

ENTERPRISE Steam Carpet Cleaning Co.—Special attention to altering, sewing, relaying. Easton and Pendleton. Lindell 2743; Kin. D 889.

GOLD, SILVER AND NICKEL PLATING.

GOLD and silver plating in all branches; cash for old gold and silver; fine gold for sale. Seekamp & Krause, 812½ Pine st.

STEAMBOATS.

LOWER MISSISSIPPI.

STR. CHESTER.

Regular Chester packet, receiving daily at Eagle Packet Company's wharfboat. Leaves Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 3 p. m. Regular rate, meals and berth to or from Chester, $1.00. HUNTER BEN JENKINS, Agt. Phone Main 333.

EAGLE PACKET COMPANY.

Str. Grey Eagle for Cape Girardeau, Commerce and all way landings, leaves Mondays and Fridays, 5 p. m.
HUNTER BEN JENKINS, Gen. Agt.
Phone Main 232.

Lee Line Steamers.

TO MEMPHIS $7. ROUND TRIP $12.
INCLUDING MEALS AND BERTH.
Steamer REES LEE will leave wharfboat, foot of Pine street, Tuesday, December 18th at 5 p. m., for Memphis and all way landings, taking freight and passengers for Arkansas River to Pine Bluff and all landings south of Memphis, to Vicksburg, Miss. Phone Main 45A and Kinloch A 112. JOHN E. MASSENGALE, Agent.

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STR. COLUMBIA
Leaves Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays, at 3 p. m., from Diamond Jo Wharfboat, for Ste. Genevieve, Chester, St. Mary's and all way landings.
LAWRENCE MACDONALD, Agent.
Phone M 2447A.

ST. LOUIS AND TENNESSEE RIVER PACKET CO.

Str. CITY OF MEMPHIS will leave wharfboat, foot of Pine st., Wednesday, December 19, at 5 p. m., for Chester, Grand Tower, Cape Girardeau, Cairo, Paducah and all points on Tennessee River to Florence, Ala. Phones Main 45A and K 112.
JOHN E. MASSENGALE, Agent.

THE WEATHER.

To-Day's Forecast.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Forecast for Monday and Tuesday:

Illinois—Cloudy Monday; probably rain or snow flurries. Tuesday fair; fresh southerly winds.

Missouri—Generally fair Monday and Tuesday; southerly winds.

Arkansas—Fair Monday and Tuesday; variable winds.

Oklahoma and Indian Territory—Fair Monday and Tuesday; winds mostly southerly.

Local Report.

St. Louis, Sunday, Dec. 16, 1900.

	6:59 a.m.	6:59 p.m.
Barometer, inches	29.40	29.19
Temperature, degrees	25	48
Humidity, degrees	69	63
Direction of wind	SE	S
Velocity of wind	11	10

Weather at 6:59 a. m., cloudy; at 6:59 p. m., cloudy. Maximum temperature, 48; minimum temperature, 38. River, 5.6.

R. J. HYATT,
Local Forecast Official.

Government Report.

Department of Agriculture, Weather Bureau—Meteorological observations received at St. Louis, December 16, 1900, at 6:59 p. m., local time and 8 p. m., seventy-fifth meridian time. Observations taken at the same moment of time at all stations:

Stations.	Dir.	Bar.	Tp.	Mx.	Pre.	Weather.
New York	N	29.42	29	38	....	Clear
Philadelphia	NW	29.46	22	38	....	Clear
Washington	NW	29.52	24	38	....	Clear
Norfolk	NW	29.46	32	52	....	Clear
Charlotte	E	29.42	52	62	....	Clear
Jacksonville	N	29.34	48	58	....	Clear
Atlanta	SW	29.38	50	56	....	Clear
Montgomery	SE	29.36	54	60	....	Clear
Vicksburg	W	29.50	54	60	....	Clear
New Orleans	NE	29.52	54	62	....	Clear
Little Rock	S	29.38	50	58	....	Clear
Galveston	E	29.36	58	60	....	Clear
Palestine	SE	29.38	48	54	....	Cloudy
Memphis	SW	29.34	34	58	....	Clear
Nashville	S	29.32	50	56	....	Clear
Chattanooga	E	29.40	44	52	....	Clear
Louisville	E	29.38	38	42	....	Fair
Indianapolis	SE	29.36	32	36	....	Clear
Cincinnati	SE	29.42	34	44	....	Clear
Pittsburg	S	29.52	22	28	*	Cloudy
Parkersburg	NE	29.54	24	30	....	Clear
Buffalo	E	29.56	12	18	.02	Clear
Cleveland	SE	29.52	18	24	*	Clear
Grand Haven	E	29.20	28	28	*	Cloudy
Marquette	S	29.16	22	32	....	Cloudy
Chicago	SE	29.24	32	32	....	Cloudy
Duluth	SW	29.04	28	28	....	Cloudy
Dubuque	SE	29.14	26	28	*	Snow
Davenport	SE	29.14	26	38	*	Rain
St. Paul	S	29.16	34	34	*	Cloudy
Des Moines	SW	29.08	28	38	.02	Rain
Springfield, Ill.	SE	29.18	38	42	....	Cloudy
St. Louis	SE	29.18	48	48	....	Cloudy
Cairo	S	29.26	52	56	....	Fair
Springfield, Mo.	SW	29.20	46	46	.02	Cloudy
Kansas City	S	29.12	44	46	*	Clear
Omaha	SW	29.02	42	48	....	Clear
Huron	SE	29.06	24	32	....	Clear
Bismarck	SW	29.94	22	44	....	Clear
Lt Appelle	S	29.68	28	32	....	Cloudy
Calgary	SW	29.44	36	46	....	Fair
Havre	SW	29.70	46	54	....	Clear
Helena	S	29.82	48	50	....	Cloudy
Rapid City	S	29.88	44	56	....	Fair
North Platte	SW	29.10	42	58	....	Clear
Lander	SE	29.34	26	48	....	Fair
Cheyenne	NW	29.04	48	50	....	Fair
Denver	NW	29.04	34	60	....	Fair
Pueblo	W	29.12	54	62	....	Clear
Dodge City	SE	29.18	42	62	....	Clear
Oklahoma	S	29.22	48	56	....	Clear
El Paso	NE	29.28	54	64	....	Clear
Abilene	NW	29.20	54	66	....	Fair
Amarillo	S	29.16	48	58	....	Clear
Grand Junction	W	29.46	28	48	....	Cloudy
Salt Lake	NW	29.18	42	54	....	Cloudy
Cedar City	SE	29.30	46	54	....	Clear
Santa Fe	SW	29.34	32	50	....	Clear

*Precipitation inappreciable.

R. J. HYATT,
Local Forecast Official.

Women Frighten Thief Away.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

De Soto, Mo., Dec. 15.—An unknown mulatto gained admittance to the room of two women living at the Acme Hotel, and at the point of a pistol demanded that they be silent and hand over to him their valuables. The women raised such a row that he made off without having secured anything.

SECRET SOCIETIES.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

ACME LODGE, NO. 219, K. OF P., meets every Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock sharp. Burlington building, 816 Olive street. Work in ranks always on hand. Visitors cordially invited and members expected to attend. JOHN W. SHEVLIN, C. C.
Attest: William H. Melton, K. of R. & S.

CASTLE HALL, MONITOR LODGE, No. 68, K. of P., meets every Thursday evening in Century building, Ninth and Olive streets, Hall No. 1, tenth floor. Work in Page rank at our next meeting, Thursday, December 20. Visitors welcome. Members expected. GEO. E. EGGER, C. C.
W. J. Otto, K. of R. & S.

CASTLE HALL, ROBERT E. COWAN, No. 131, K. of P.—West hall, Century building, Ninth and Olive streets, on Monday, December 17, at 7 p. m. sharp, will be a business meeting, and at 8 o'clock will be held the annual reception of our widows and orphans. All members are expected and visitors are cordially invited.
SAM S. HARRISON, C. C.
Attest: Harry Roberts, K. of R. & S.

CASTLE HALL, MISSOURI LODGE, No. 2, K. of P., Elks' Hall, Holland building. The lodge will work in the second or armorial rank of Esquire on Friday evening, December 14, and other important business. Visitors always welcome.
GUS. J. PETERS, C. C.
Charles C. Fink, K. of R. S.

COLUMBIA LODGE, NO. 22, K. OF P., meets every Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. Castle Hall, Century building, tenth floor, Hall No. 1, Ninth and Olive streets. Members requested to be present. Visiting brothers welcome. Also smoker.
JOHN H. SCHULZE, C. C.
J. F. Dempsey, K. of R. & S.

CONFIDENCE LODGE, NO. 121, K. OF P., meets every Thursday evening at Masonic Hall, Seventh and Market streets. Work rank of Page Thursday, December 17. Members expected to attend and visitors cordially invited. JOHN M. HUDSON, C. C.
William Faber, K. of R. & S.

DAMON LODGE, NO. 28, K. OF P., meets every Wednesday evening at Fraternal Hall, Eleventh and Franklin avenue, Hall No. 1. Business meeting. Members are requested to be present and visiting knights are cordially invited.
FRED TOENGES, C. C.
Attest: H. R. Bermel, K. of R. & S., 2742A Evans avenue.

FUTURE GREAT LODGE, NO. 216, K. of P., meets every Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock at Howard's Hall, Thirtieth and Olive streets. Next Wednesday evening, December 19, work in the rank of Knight, amplified. Visitors welcome.
ROBERT T. FRITSCHLE, C. C.
W. A. Roberts, K. of R. & S.

GOLDEN CROWN LODGE, NO. 62, meets every Friday evening, Hall No. 2, tenth floor, Century building, Ninth and Olive streets. Work in rank of Knight at next convention, Friday, December 21. All members expected. Visitors cordially invited.
C. A. WILLEY, C. C.
Henry C. Scott, K. of R. & S.

LAFAYETTE LODGE, NO. 128, K. OF P., meets Wednesday evening, December 12, at Burlington building, No. 816 Olive street, eighth floor. Work in the Esquire.
WALTER H. WILCOX, C. C.
Attest: Fred Horn, K. of R. & S.

MODOC LODGE, NO. 250, K. OF P., meets every Saturday evening at Anchor Hall, southwest corner Jefferson and Park avenues, at 8 o'clock. Work in the rank of Page, December 15. All members are expected and visiting brothers cordially invited to attend. T. L. ALLEN, C. C.
D. H. Abbott, K. of R. & S.

PACIFIC LODGE, NO. 206, K. OF P., meets every Wednesday evening in Century building, Ninth and Olive streets. Work in the rank of Esquire Wednesday evening, December 19. Members expected and visitors cordially invited. F. W. FOLK, C. C.
J. W. Campbell, K. of R. & S.

PARAGON LODGE, NO. 38, K. OF P., meets every Tuesday evening, Hall No. 2, Odd Fellows' building, Ninth and Olive streets. Next Tuesday, work in rank of Esquire. Members and visitors cordially invited.
O. M. RUTHERFORD, C. C.
Attest: Frank Johnson, K. of R. & S.

PREMIER LODGE, NO. 248, K OF P.—The next regular meeting Thursday evening, December 20, at Hall No. 1, Odd Fellows' building. Work in the rank of Page. Members and visitors cordially invited.
GEO. E. STUCKEY, C. C.
J. F. Witte, K. of R. & S.

RED CROSS LODGE, NO. 54, K. OF P.—The funeral of our late brother, Paul Steffens, will take place Thursday, December 13, at 2 p. m., from No. 1716 North Twenty-third st. As many members as possible are requested to attend.
M. F. DEAN, C. C.
Attest: Alfred Boyle, K. of R. & S.

WABASH LODGE, NO. 248, K. OF P., will meet Tuesday, December 18, at hall, Broadway and Benton. Visitors are welcome. J. R. KELAHAN, C. C.
F. H. Sachleben, K. of R. & S.

WALNUT LODGE, NO. 299, K. OF P., meets every Thursday evening at 8 o'clock sharp at Druids' Hall, southeast corner Ninth and Market streets. Election of officers, Endowment Rank, December 13. Visitors cordially invited and members expected.
WM. WASSMANN, C. C.
W. J. H. Perkins, K. of R. & S.

WASHINGTON LODGE, NO. 123, K. of P., meets every Friday evening, west hall, Masonic Temple, Seventh and Market streets. Work in the rank of Knight, Friday, December 21, 1900. Members are requested to be present. Visiting brothers always welcome. GRANT LUCE, C. C.
J. P. Dummich, K. of R. & S., 3104 Clark ave.

ZULEMA LODGE, NO. 321, K. of P.—MEETS every Monday evening at 8 p. m., Burlington building, Eighth floor. Rank work every meeting.
F. J. VOLLMER, C. C.
Attest H. J. Conway, K. of R. & S.

ROYAL ARCANUM.

CABANNE COUNCIL, NO. 1204, ROYAL Arcanum, meets second and fourth Mondays of each month at Rose Hill Hall, Maple and Hamilton aves., at 8 p. m. Visiting brothers invited to attend.
J. E. EGGERS, Regent.
R. A. McCurdy, Secretary.

CARR LANE COUNCIL, NO. 668, Royal Arcanum, meets first and third Mondays of each month at West End Hall, Vandeventer and Finney avenues. A cordial welcome is extended to all visiting and local members of the order.
L. E. GETTYS, Regent.
J. H. Dann, Secretary.

COMPTON HILL COUNCIL, NO. 855, Royal Arcanum, meets first and third Mondays of each month at Anchor Hall, corner Jefferson and Park avenues at 8 p. m. Visiting brothers fraternally invited to attend. C. O. FISCHER, Regent.
G. H. Frederick, Secretary.

GRAND COUNCIL, MISSOURI Royal Arcanum 309-311 Holland building. A cordial welcome to visitors, friends, brethren and members from abroad. L. J. MEISER, G. R.
Chas. B. Cox, Grand Secretary.

DELMAR COUNCIL, NO. 854, ROYAL Arcanum, meets regularly on the second and fourth Mondays of each month at West End Hall, Finney and Vandeventer avenues. Visitors cordially welcomed and pleasantly entertained. J. R. BRACKEN, Regent.
W. E. Newman, Secretary.

ROYAL LEAGUE.

ROYAL LEAGUE, HAMILTON COUNCIL, No. 102, meets the first and third Mondays of each month at Rose Hill Hall, Maple and Hamilton avenues.
C. F. LONGFELLOW, Archon.
D. C. Wray, Scribe.

SOUTH SIDE COUNCIL, NO. 88, Royal League, meets every second and fourth Monday of the month in Anchor Hall, Park and Jefferson avenues.
ALFRED PALMER, Archon.
H. A. Philippi, Scribe.

BARONS OF RUNNYMEDE.

ST. LOUIS LOCAL COUNCIL, NO. 1, Ancient Order Barons of Runnymede, will hold an open meeting at 8 o'clock, Thursday evening, December 20, at their hall, No. 4 Odd Fellows' building, southeast corner Ninth and Olive streets. Visiting sir knights are fraternally invited.
JOHN WEERTS, Lord Marshal.
Attest: L. A. Hall, Baron of Records, 601 Fullerton building.

KNIGHTS OF HONOR.

OLIVE BRANCH LODGE, NO. 812, K. of H.—Regular meetings first and third Mondays at Union Hall, southwest corner Broadway and Benton street. All Knights of Honor are invited.
PERCY C. JONES, Dictator, 4390 McPherson ave.
Peyton C. Jones, Reporter, 493 Odd Fellows' building.

ORDER OF COLUMBIAN KNIGHTS.

ST. LOUIS LODGE, NO. 55, ORDER of Columbian Knights, meets every second and fourth Monday at hall No. 2 Odd Fellows' building. Visiting members of the order are always welcome. Cigars and initiations at all meetings. E. S. MATTHEWS, Pres.
John F. Ryan, Secretary, Wells-Fargo Express Co.

KNIGHTS AND LADIES OF SECURITY.

SECURITY COUNCIL, NO. 684, K. & L. OF S., meets every Monday evening at 8 o'clock, at Phoenix Hall, Jefferson and Cass avenues. Members are requested to attend. A cordial welcome extended visiting brothers and sisters.
E. J. TARLING, President.
G. W. Reed, Corresponding Secretary.
Gussie Hart, F. S., No. 1805A Laflin street.

NATIONAL UNION.

MOUND CITY COUNCIL, NO. 154, National Union, meets on second and fourth Fridays each month at Howard's Hall, corner Garrison avenue and Olive street, at 8 o'clock. Next regular meeting, Friday, December 14. Annual election of officers and special award for attendance will be had. JNO. S. KIMBROUGH, President.
Attest: Richard E. Berger, Secretary.

SECRET SOCIETIES.

ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS.

CORNERSTONE LODGE, NO. 253, A. F. & A. M.—Regular meeting Monday evening, 7:30, December 17, 1900, at Grand Avenue Masonic Temple, Grand and Finney avenues. Business: Installation of officers. R. W. Brother Howard Watson (D. D. G. M.) will officiate. Resident members' presence desired. Visitors cordially welcomed.
HY. L. ERMATINGER, W. M.
M. W. Smith, Secretary.

GEORGE WASHINGTON LODGE, NO. 9, A. F. & A. M., will hold a special communication at 8 o'clock Wednesday evening, December 26, 1900, at Masonic Temple, Grand and Finney avenues, for installation of officers. Members are earnestly requested to attend. Visitors are fraternally invited.
W. L. REYNOLDS, JR., W. M.
Henry Lihon, Secretary.

ITASKA LODGE, NO. 430, A. F. & A. M.—Stated communication this (Monday) evening, December 17, 8 o'clock, at Grand Avenue Masonic Temple (third floor). Installation of officers. Visitors invited.
WM. PUDEN, W. M.
Adolph Kleintopf, Secretary.

MISSOURI LODGE, NO. 1, A. F. & A. M.—Stated communication at Corinthian Hall, Grand Avenue Masonic Temple, Thursday, December 20, at 7:30 p. m. Public installation of officers. For members and their families only.
GREGORY S. MILLER, W. M.
James A. Harris, Acting Secretary.

OCCIDENTAL LODGE, NO. 163, A. F. & A. M.—Regular communication at Corinthian Hall, Grand Avenue Masonic Temple, this Monday, December 17, at 7:30 p. m. Work in E. A. degree. Visiting brethren fraternally invited.
WM. M. PORTEOUS, W. M.
A. P. Oliver, Secretary.

KNIGHTS TEMPLARS.

ST. LOUIS COMMANDERY, NO. 1, Knights Templar—Stated conclave this (Monday) evening, at 7:30 o'clock, Grand and Finney avenues. Installation of officers. Sir knights invited.
CHAS. N. WATERHOUSE, Commander.
R. R. Caffall, Recorder.

KNIGHTS OF FATHER MATHEW.

SUPREME COUNCIL, KNIGHTS OF Father Mathew, Office 1903 Locust Street—Executive Board meets first and third Fridays, 8 p. m.
DANIEL O'C. TRACY,
Supreme Chief Sir Knight.
Thos S. Bowdern, Supreme Recorder.

EMERALD COUNCIL, NO. 19, KNIGHTS OF Father Mathew, meets second and fourth Mondays of each month at St. John's Hall, Sixteenth and Walnut streets. Members, please be present. Visiting brothers welcome.
CHAS. P. MONAGHAN, Chief Sir Knight.
Peter R. Gunn, Recorder.

ST. LAWRENCE O'TOOLE'S COUNCIL, NO. 5, Knights of Father Mathew, meets first and third Mondays of each month, at School Hall, 2512 O'Fallon street. Members, please be present. Visiting brothers welcome.
JNO. T. HUNT, Chief Sir Knight.
Jno. J. Scully, Recorder.

INDEPENDENT ORDER ODD FELLOWS

MOUND CITY LODGE, NO. 276, I. O. O. F., Hall No. 4, Odd Fellows' Temple, southeast corner Ninth and Olive streets, will hold its regular meeting on the second and fourth Mondays of each month at 8 o'clock. All visiting brethren fraternally welcome.
W. H. BLATTERMAN, N. G.
Attest: Chas. E. Montgomery, Secretary.

LEGION OF HONOR.

EXCELSIOR COUNCIL, NO. 17, LEGION OF Honor, meets first and third Tuesdays at Turner Hall, No. 2848 Easton avenue. Members and visitors requested to attend.
J. A. CARROLL, Chancellor.
J. P. Farrington, Recorder.

MISCELLANEOUS.

MISSOURI COUNCIL, NO. 269, Y. M. I., meets every Tuesday evening at Y. M. I. Home, No. 2568 Page boulevard. Rooms open every evening and Sunday. Visitors welcome. Election to-morrow night.
WM. J. HAMILTON, President,
1005 Chestnut st.
F. Weber, Corresponding Secretary.

RIVER NEWS.

REPUBLIC SPECIALS.

Cairo, Ill., Dec. 16.—The river fell .7 of a foot during the past 24 hours, the gauge reading 29.5 feet. The weather is cloudy, cold and threatening rain. The Peters Lee from St. Louis with a fair trip arrived at 3:20 a. m.; she discharged a few sundries and added 25 tons and departed for Memphis at 6 a. m. The Fritz from the Lower Mississippi arrived last night with 2 barges of lumber; she returned south at 1 p. m. with empties. The naphtha boat Blanch with a house-boat in tow arrived from the Upper Ohio at 9 a. m. The City of Memphis from the Tennessee River with a big trip arrived at 2:45 p. m.; she took on some business here and departed for St. Louis at 3 p. m.; her cargo consists of 193,000 feet of lumber, 1,500 sacks of peanuts, 100 bales of cotton, several head of cattle and a lot of sundries. The Condor came from the Lower Mississippi early last night and returned south at midnight. The Carrie V. arrived at 11 a. m. from the Lower Mississippi with a barge of lumber; she will clean boilers and return to-morrow. The New South is due from Cincinnati to-night; she wired that she passed Evansville at 11 a. m. The City of Paducah is due early to-night from St. Louis, having passed Cape Girardeau at noon. The Rees Lee and Ferd Herold are due to-morrow from Memphis. The Boaz, coming down the Ohio River with coal tow, it is thought, will not be able to get over the shoal places on the present water and she may be compelled to go to the bank to await a swell in the Upper Ohio. The City of Paducah arrived from St. Louis at 6:30 p. m.; she will discharge her freight here and go south to Tiger Tail for a trip of lumber; she will get away early to-morrow morning. The City of Memphis on her next trip will get the freight she discharged here.

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 16.—River marks 14 feet on the gauge, a fall of .7 of a foot in 24 hours. Weather cloudy and cooler. The Kate Adams arrived last night from Arkansas City with a good trip and will leave to-morrow evening on return. The James Lee arrived from Friar's Point with a good trip and will clear to-morrow evening on return. The Robert E. Lee got in last night from Ashport with a good trip and will leave to-morrow evening on return. The Peters Lee will clear at noon to-morrow for St. Louis. The Hill City with a good trip passed down early last night on way from St. Louis to New Orleans after doing some business here. The towboat J. B. Williams with coal tow passed down at noon to-day on way to New Orleans. The W. W. O'Niel with coal tow passed down this afternoon on way to New Orleans. The Harry Brown with coal tow passed down late last evening on way to New Orleans. The Allen Brown with coal tow passed down this evening on way to New Orleans.

Chester, Ill., Dec. 16.—River falling; gauge 3.9 feet. Weather cloudy. Boats up: Chester departed for St. Louis at noon; Columbia followed at 2 p. m.; Grey Eagle due. Boats down: Columbia arrived at 11 o'clock last night; Chester arrived at 2 a. m.; City of Paducah at 2 a. m.; Tender in and out on time.

Paducah, Ky., Dec. 16.—River gauge reads 18 feet and falling. New South due down. L. H. Buhrman arrived here at 6 p. m. T. H. Davis departed at 10 a. m. for the Tennessee River. Beaver left at 10 a. m. for Cincinnati. Weather clear and cold.

Wheeling, W. Va., Dec. 16.—River 4 feet 4 inches and falling slowly. Weather clear and cold; ice, but not sufficient to interfere with navigation. Departed: Ben Hur, Pittsburg, 6 a. m.; Kanawha, Pittsburg, 8 a. m.; Keystone State, Pittsburg, 11 a. m.; Lorena, Zanesville, 7 a. m., and Queen City, Cincinnati, 5 a. m.

Grand Tower, Ill., Dec. 16.—Grey Eagle up at 6 a. m. City of Paducah with an empty barge down at 8:30 a. m. The gauge reads 7.1 feet, a fall of .1 of a foot in last 24 hours. Weather cloudy and cool.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 16.—River 5.1 feet and falling. Weather clear and cold.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 16.—River falling; 8.5 in canal; 6.2 on falls; 18.4 below locks. Clear and cool.

Cairo, Ill., Dec. 16.—River 29.5. Cloudy. Arrived: Peters Lee, St. Louis, 3:20 a. m.; City of Memphis, Tennessee River, 2:45 p. m. Departed: Peters Lee, Memphis, 6 a. m.; City of Memphis, St. Louis, 3:15 p. m.

Evansville, Ind., Dec. 16.—River 17.3; falling. Cloudy, warm.

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 16.—River 16.4; falling. Clear; mercury 35.

Missionaries Report Progress.

Richmond, Ind., Dec. 16.—The American Friends Board of Foreign Missions, which has undertaken to establish missions in the West Indies and recently sent missionaries to Cuba, has received the most favorable reports from the work.

LAW DEPARTMENT.

City of St. Louis,
Law Department,
December 17, 1900.

To Whom It May Concern, Take Notice:

The Commissioners, in the matter of opening an alley in city block 3711B, under ordinance No. 19250, will meet at room 234, City Hall, on December 24, 1900, at 3 p. m., for the purpose of assessing benefits occasioned by said opening, and all parties interested are invited to be present; when and where they have the right to be heard, and may except to the Commissioners' report before the Circuit Court when it is filed.

The taxing district for said opening includes the property in city block 3711B, bounded north by Labadie avenue, south by St. Louis avenue, east by Taylor avenue and west by Cora avenue.

B. SCHNURMACHER,
City Counselor.

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ZINC AND LEAD REPORT.

Purchasing Agents Complain of Zinc Ore Prices.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Joplin, Mo., Dec. 16.—One lot of 88 tons of zinc ore sold at $29.50 a ton, two lots, comprising 163 tons, sold at $29; 200 tons sold at $28.50, and 500 tons sold at $28 a ton. Other sales were at prices corresponding to quality and generally on a basis of $26 a ton for 60 per cent ore, $25 for 58 per cent, and $24 for 56 per cent, with deductions for iron and moisture.

Lead sold all week at $46 a ton, the same price that has been paid since the 1st of September.

The sales of both ores were less than the preceding week, the decrease in zinc amounting to 515 tons, while that of lead was only 18 tons. The value was $15,085 less.

The purchasing agents say that they are compelled to curtail purchases on account of zinc ore being too high, compared with the market price of spelter (pig zinc).

It is reported that the assay price will be cut a dollar, and that unless this is done the purchases this week will be proportionately less.

Following are the sales, in pounds, from tracts of land owned or controlled by the companies or individuals named for the week ending December 15, 1900:

JOPLIN.

	Zinc.	Lead.
Continental Z. & L. M. & S. Co.	472,420	4,570
Missouri Lead and Zinc Co.	247,010	127,440
United Zinc Cos.	159,660	71,830
Perry leases	124,210	25,270
Granby M. & S. Co.	122,410	42,050
John Jackson Mining Co.	111,090	9,250
Jackson, Jr.	108,460	.....
Frye & Co.	86,570	22,070
Massasoit L. & Z. Co.	83,210	23,760
Empire Zinc Co.	64,770	12,000
Joplin Separating Co.	53,600	.....
New York-Superior	53,970	10,140
Leckie Land	44,510	8,330
Triad Mining Co.	33,950	5,530
Roqua Mining Co.	30,230	.....
Jim Johnson Mining Co.	24,620	.....
North Joplin	22,900	6,440
Excel Mining Co.	20,740	1,290
Joe Aldrich	19,690	.....
Mays Sludge Co.	16,160	1,160
Montgomery L. & Z. Co.	15,650	4,230
Rex Mining Co.	15,600	20,760
Gilchrist Porter Realty Co.	14,670	2,940
Phelps Land	10,050	2,890
Kingfisher Mining Co.	6,870	.....
Mark Hanna Mining Co.	5,400	.....
Kelly & Co.	4,220	.....
Leonard M. & R. Co.	4,020	1,720
J. G. Harrison	4,290	.....
Muncie Mining Co.	2,500	.....
Roaring Springs L. & M. Co.	1,920	8,540
Yale & O'Brien	.....	13,280
L. P. Williams	.....	11,740
McConnell Mining Co.	.....	3,760
South Shoal Mining Co.	.....	6,700
Colorado-Joplin Mining Co.	.....	6,670
O'Keefe land	.....	6,170
John H. Taylor land	.....	5,910
Hafner & Carll	.....	2,700
A Number One Mining Co.	.....	2,520
Everett Mining Co.	.....	2,250
Mohaska Mining Co.	.....	2,150
Glover Land	.....	2,130
West Joplin L. & Z. Co.	.....	1,170
Sundry sales	81,400	2,440
Total sales	2,038,590	431,220
Zinc value, $28,015; lead value, $12,213.		Total value, $40,733.

GALENA-EMPIRE.

Galena Lead and Zinc Company	334,420	10,520
Union Zinc and Lead Company	248,100	370
South Side	184,650	25,840
Northeast	103,520	1,990
Summit	87,190	.....
Noble & Donahue	73,720	.....
Murphy, Friel & Co.	58,150	8,640
F. S. Bolce & Co.	42,540	.....
Lassombe & McElroy	41,520	.....
H. H. Beckwith & Co.	40,620	.....
James Murphy	28,160	.....
Riverside	27,360	.....
McCann	24,260	830
R. Kirby	22,980	4,430
Peacock Valley	20,870	12,290
Windsor	27,570	1,120
Clacy & Soultz	24,820	.....
Merrimac	20,270	.....
White Star	19,790	.....
Middle	9,840	.....
American	11,000	1,260
Central	9,020	.....
Elwood	4,700	.....
Bonanza	4,160	1,400
Brookline	2,120	2,620
North Empire	.....	22,850
New York	.....	16,870
Richland	.....	14,890
Meredith Bros.	.....	9,710
Clement	.....	7,630
Park, Noble & Co.	.....	6,250
Crowe crusher	.....	840
J. Pregunzer	.....	3,560
Irene	.....	2,270
G. C. Monlux	.....	2,740
Hayner	.....	1,270
Sundry sales	28,540	9,010
Total sales	1,354,900	171,070
Zinc value, $19,436; lead value, $4,932.		Total, $23,428.

SPURGEON.

Hub Mining Co.	130,420	.....
Cora Jeanette Mining Co.	35,880	2,100
Foster-Jackson (Little Nugget)	35,570	.....
Alta Mining Co.	.....	62,250
Easy Street Mining Co.	.....	3,460
Total sales	181,870	67,810
Zinc, $2,861; lead, $1,365. Total, $3,496.		

ROARING SPRINGS.

K. C. M. & M. Co.	65,020	.....
Hudson & Co.	21,700	3,200
Columbus Mining Co.	23,500	.....
Tanyard Mining Co.	1,740	.....
Aunt Patty	.....	4,450
Total sales	121,960	7,650
Zinc, $1,525; lead, $178. Total, $1,701.		

CAVE SPRINGS.