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Give the editor a merry Christmas by sending in your subscription this week paid a year in advance.

A dispatch to the Minneapolis Journal from Preston, under date of Dec. 11th, says: The entire rear wall of the new city hall and Carnegie library fell outward because of overweight in the concrete floor of the jail, combined with poor construction. The loss falls upon the village because of the bankruptcy of the contractor.

Our last year in toys. Come and see how cheap you can buy them now.

The Southern Minnesota Horticultural Society will hold its annual meeting in Spring Valley, opening at noon on Wednesday, January 17 and continuing until Friday noon, January 19. The sessions will be held in the Masonic Hall and the exhibits of fruit will be displayed in the banquet room of the hall.

Ornula Gold goods of any kind make beautiful Christmas Gifts. We carry an extensive line in Jewel Cases, Clocks, Inkstands, Candlesticks, Thermometers, Mirrors, Cigar and Tobacco Jars, Hat Pin Boxes and Puff Boxes.

F. L. Meyer of Letroy was in the city last week on business.

See our display of Artistic Place Cards, Christmas and New Year Postals, Calendars and Folders, fine embossed English Booklets in Vellum Parchment and Leather bindings. Large line of elegant Brass Goods. All the latest and best copyright books now in stock. Make your selections early.

Mrs. G. W. Nickels was called to Waseca Friday on account of the serious illness of her son-in-law, Verne Wilson.

Misses Watches guaranteed for one year \$2.00 at

Paul J. Gillam leaves Friday to spend the holidays at his home in Windom, Minn. He will be accompanied by his grandparents and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Hunt and Miss Genevieve Hunt of Brownsdale.



Leather Goods For Men.

There is nothing that pleases a man so much as a useful gift. Traveling accessories are at all times most acceptable.

- Playing Card Case, fine leather with cards..... \$1.00
- Collar Case, in brown and light tan soft kid leather..... 1.25
- Cuff Case, in brown and black leather..... 1.25
- Gentleman's Combination Card Case and Bill Fold..... 75c, \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$2.00
- Card Cases in real seal leather..... \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00 & \$3.00
- Cigar Cases..... 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00 and \$3.00
- Collapsible Drinking Cups in leather case..... 75c
- Flasks, seal leather covered..... \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.50 and \$3.00
- Coin Purses..... 50c, 75c and \$1.00
- Cuff and Collar Box, seal grain leather, lined with satin..... \$1.50
- Gentleman's three piece set, Collar, Cuff and Handkerchief Cases, fine grain leather, velour lined, complete..... \$3.75, \$4.75, \$5.00 and \$6.00
- Photo Frames, genuine seal leather..... \$2.00
- Leather Toilet Case, fitted with ebony hair brush, tooth brush, glass bottle, metal soap box, comb and scissors..... \$5.00

Schleuders
DEPENDABLE JEWELRY
AUSTIN, MINN.

Clarence Rosenthal left Monday evening for Altoona, Penn., where he will be married on Christmas Day to Miss Emily Ulrich. They will return to Austin and occupy the groom's new house on Lincoln street. A parcel shower was given for Clarence last Saturday.

Rosenthal home and a happy evening was spent.

A. H. Kinsman is planning to build another large greenhouse next season to supply his increasing trade.

Sterling Silver novelties in Nail Files, Manicure Scissors, Cuticle Knives, Stamp Boxes, Baggage Tags, Key Rings, Tape Measures, Tooth Brushes, in fact everything in Silver novelties at 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00 and up at SCHLEUDER'S.

Col. C. L. West attended the reception at St. Paul Saturday evening given in honor of the Western governors.

Mrs. R. Smith of Walla Walla, Wash., who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Frances Dantzer for the past two months left for her home Monday evening.

Representative R. E. Crane of Grand Meadow was calling on Austin friends Monday on his way home from the Land Products Show at St. Paul.

Bova Watches guaranteed for one year \$1.00 at SCHLEUDER'S.

Three auto loads of Austin business men spent Sunday at the hospitable home of August Smith east of the city and had a most sociable and enjoyable day. A turkey and goose dinner was served.

Miss Frances Campbell is expected tomorrow from Oberlin college where she is a student and will spend the holidays at her home here.

Annual meeting and election of officers of Fidelity Lodge, No. 39, A. F. & A. M. will be held this evening.

Miss Emma Fisher was married at Minneapolis Saturday to Mr. I. C. Early. They will reside there.

Everett Banfield is home from Amherst college for holiday vacation.

Will Fenton of Duluth spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Fenton.

About fifty Knights of Columbus went to Wells Sunday to attend the organization of a council there and assisted in the exemplification of the work. A fine banquet was enjoyed. There was a large attendance of outside visitors.

Mrs. J. C. Johnson, Jr. arrived home Sunday from Louisville, Ky., where she visited her son, Carl, who is a physician there.

Kremetz Collar Button Sets, a Christmas Gift for a Gentleman, \$1.00 at SCHLEUDER'S.

St. Bernard commandery, Knights Templar will hold their regular Christmas observance next Monday forenoon at eleven o'clock at the Asylum.

The W. R. Corps Aid sent a box of comforters, towels, etc. Friday to the McIntyre room in the Woman's building at the Soldier's Home. It was worth about \$12.

Mr. and Mrs. August Bushman leave next week for Flandreau, S. D. to reside as he has a position there as electrician.

Agent R. L. DeGroot and Miss Evelyn Snyder attended the banquet given at Fort Dodge Thursday evening for the Great Western agents and other officials. Mr. DeGroot read a paper on Station accounts. Many practical matters were discussed.

Chas. L. Rice informs us that the state meeting of the Grange at Minneapolis last week Tuesday and Wednesday as delegate from Enterprise and reports a very enthusiastic and largely attended meeting. His wife accompanied him.

Mrs. P. B. Harroun went to Mason City Sunday summoned by the critical condition of Mr. Harroun.

The White Front Fruit store on Main street has over two tons of candy just arrived and it must be closed out this week. Get your share of it.

Miss Frances Lewis, daughter of Dr. C. F. Lewis, has been appointed superintendent of schools for Mower county at a salary of \$600 a year.

There were about one hundred couples at the Elks charity ball Friday evening and a pleasant evening is reported. Tichy's orchestra.

Special high mass on Christmas morning at six o'clock and at 9:30 at St. Augustine's church.

N. F. Earl attended a Shriner's meeting in Minneapolis and Mrs. Mary M. Pace visited with Mrs. Earl during his absence.

Next Sunday morning and evening, Dr. Stout will read a Christmas story at the M. E. church entitled "A Shepherd of Bethlehem." He addressed the M. E. ministers meeting in the Twin Cities Monday.

H. O. Basford has received word that Mrs. Harry Basford of Denver had a serious surgical operation a few days ago but is getting along favorably.

Mrs. A. Drost was taken to St. Olaf hospital Wednesday for treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Hunter who have been visiting here left Thursday for their home in Mexico city. Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Gilmore went with them as far as Mason City.

There will be a box social held in the Dinsmoor schoolhouse district 55 Friday evening, 22nd, under direction of the teacher Miss Margaret Harpman. Everyone invited.

Apples a dollar a bushel at Dalage. Gentlemen's Travelling Sets, Co. lar Boxes, Handkerchief Cases, Shoe Bags, Tie Holders, Card Cases, Bill Books and an exceptional line of Ladies Hand Bags and Mesh Bags at all prices, any of which make a substantial Christmas Gift at SCHLEUDER'S.

Earl Turton who is taking a course in dentistry at Chicago is home for the holidays.

Dr. and Mrs. O. H. Hegge returned home Friday evening from Texas with Mr. Peter Hansen. J. Solner will stay there for a while.

Miss Florence arrived home the last of the week from her studies at Wellesley college to spend three weeks' vacation.

Mrs. P. A. Reilly spent Sunday at Blooming Prairie, the guest of Mrs. A. M. Steen.

Mr. John R. Black of Madison, Tenn. is spending the holidays with Austin friends.

Mrs. C. H. Davidson and granddaughter Margaret Mitchell went to Minneapolis Wednesday returning Saturday.

The Shakespear club met at the Y. W. C. A. rooms Wednesday evening and read from King Lear.

Miss Elsie Padden is home from Hamline university on account of the illness of her mother, Mrs. Ira Padden.

Our city schools close Friday afternoon for two weeks' holiday vacation. The teachers are planning to spend the vacation at their several homes.

Christmas programs will be given Friday afternoon in all the public school grades as well as in the high school.

C. E. Kingsley of Waltham bought the Normal restaurant of Avery J. Duffy last week and took possession Wednesday. It has had a fine run of business. Mr. Duffy will take up the study of chiropractic.

Mrs. A. Drost who had an operation at St. Olaf hospital Saturday for stomach trouble was reported yesterday as in a critical condition.

Mrs. Geo. A. Hornel had an operation for acute appendicitis Sunday and is resting easy.

Two lively basket ball games were played at the high school gym Friday evening. Scores Seniors 21 to Juniors 9. Second game Sophomores 41 to Freshmen 9.

The holiday rush of advertising is over. We will resume our serial story and will give our usual amount of reading.

It was a pleasure to see the crowds in the stores Saturday looking for the bargains advertised in the Transcript. Wagon loads of goods were taken out.

The K. K. K.'s met with Mrs. J. N. Nicholson Wednesday evening in honor of Mrs. Myra Hollister Graves of Fessenden, N. D. who is an out-of-town member.

Mrs. Harry Tuffe entertained the Knickerbocker club Wednesday evening in a very pleasing manner. A two course supper was served.

Miss Stella Slaven left Saturday to spend the holidays at Zanesville, Ohio. She will go from there the first of the year to Pittsburg, where she will take a course in the Carnegie Librarian training school.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Pooler left Thursday for Battle Creek, Mich., where Mr. Pooler will take treatment for his stomach trouble.

Miss Jane R. Todd installed the O. E. S. officers at Spring Valley Thursday evening.

Will Robinson came Wednesday to spend the holidays with his mother and other relatives. Will has been in his uncle John's bank at Steele, N. D. and likes it very much.

SCHOOL OFFICERS MEET. The annual meeting of the school officers of Mower county was held at the court house Saturday, and almost every district in the county was represented. The plan of having the districts pay the expenses of those who attend this meeting enables all districts to send. The main thought was the betterment of the district schools. The principal speakers were Mr. E. M. Phillips of St. Paul, rural school commissioner, and Dr. H. M. Bracken, secretary of the state board of health. The discussions were practical and the meeting must result in much good. There is no reason why grade and sanitary conditions in the country schools should not approximate those in the centres.

Merry Christmas For Christmas

We want every family in Austin to have a sack of PEERLESS FLOUR for Christmas and we want to help make Christmas a real pleasure to everyone in Austin, so for this week we make the price of our Peerless Flour an unusually low one in the face of a rising market.

Wishing all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and thanking you for your liberal patronage during the past year and hoping we can merit a continuance of the same in the future we remain,

Yours truly,

Alex S. Campbell.

AUSTIN MUTUAL HAIL COMPANY. The annual meeting of the Austin Mutual Hail Insurance company was held at the office of the company Thursday afternoon. The reports for the year showed an increase of 1911 business fifty per cent over the previous year. The losses have been heavy but are paid in full and there is a cash surplus of over \$10,000. The following officers were elected: pres., Chas. F. Cook; vice pres., Arthur French of Fairview; sec. R. L. Johnson; treas., H. L. Banfield.

Holly Mistletoe Poinsettias Azaleas Cyclamens Primroses Primolas

Ferns of all kinds and sizes at

KINSMAN'S Austin Greenhouses.

FOLLOW THE CROWD 13 Day Wonder Sale Now Going

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FISCH'S STORE.

Specials for Thursday, Friday and Saturday

4 Cans Corn	25c	1 Lot Ladies Skirts, value up to \$3.50	\$1.89
Maccaroni, lb.	4c	2,000 yards 36 in. L. L. Muslin, limit 10 yds. to a customer	5c
Wild Rose Coffee, 30c goods lb	25c	200 Pencil and Ink Tablets, each	3c

All other goods on large bills still on sale. Try and be here at least one day. It will pay you. Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year

Yours to serve,

M. S. FISCH,
AUSTIN, MINN.