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LOCAL BREVITIES.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Sperry last Friday. FOR SALE—Two fine building lots at south end of Sixth street. Inquire of Thomas Scofield. Judge Nordin attended a meeting of probate judges held in St. Paul last week. A number of Willmar people are laid up with that malady known as the gripe. Prof. Anderson went to Atwater Saturday to give the band boys of that place musical instruction. Ernest Sperry is among the Willmar young men who will take a course in pharmacy at Minneapolis. Miss Emma Malloy has accepted a position as primary teacher in the Little Falls public schools. Edward Johnson of Lake Andrew holds a position in the Minnesota legislature as house file clerk. John Borg is just recovering from a severe cold which affected him so as to cause a discharge of the ear. Mrs. Samuel Porter entertained a company of lady friends at an afternoon party at her home last Friday. Geo. H. Pietsch was able to resume work last Saturday, after being confined to his home with an attack of the gripe. Atwater is to have a local telephone exchange. We understand it will be put in by the Minnesota Central Telephone Co. Axel Johnson arrived here last Friday evening from Minneapolis for a brief visit at the home of John Swenson, town of Dovre. The condition of John Mossberg was such that he had called here on account of his accident were able to return last week. The Hamm Brewing Co. will establish an agency in Willmar. A warehouse is being erected between Ninth and Tenth streets, on the Great Northern right of way. There will be a meeting of the W. C. T. U. at the home of Mrs. Aaron Stansbery on Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock. All ladies are cordially invited to attend. Miss Abbott, primary teacher in the Garfield building, was out on a brief vacation last week owing to illness. Her place was filled by Miss Zylpha Williams. The Ladies Parish Guild will meet with Mrs. A. F. Nordin on Friday afternoon of this week. Coffee will be served from four to eight o'clock. All cordially invited. Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Robbins and Mr. J. S. Robbins were in the city last week, and during their stay there attended the annual meeting of the lumbermen's association. The passenger train pulled out of Benson the other day minus Conductor Sprague who was out on a brief vacation. The loss was discovered a half mile out the train backed up for him. The January term of court opens next Monday. Those wishing citizenship papers will have an opportunity to get them at this regular term, by calling on Clerk of Court Ramssett. It is reported that J. Ziesemer of Willmar, traveling auditor for the Northwestern Elevator Co., is a candidate for the appointment of chief deputy grain inspector at Minneapolis. LOST—A gray fur robe, between Olaf Wallin's place in Roseland and Willmar, the 14th of January. Finder will please call on or write Sam Nelson, Willmar, Minn., at Court House, 5017. A. B. Robbins of Minneapolis, a former well known Willmarite, is among the new state appointees. He has the position of surveyor general of logs and lumber for the Minneapolis district. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hornbeck left last Saturday for Holton, Kansas. Mr. Hornbeck lost his father a short time ago and closely following came sad news of the serious illness of a sister. The Citizens' band will give a grand concert on Wednesday evening, Feb. 6, at the Willmar opera house. Admission will be 25 cents to all parts of the house. The program will be announced later. O. N. Nelson, salesman at Roise & Co's., enjoyed a visit last week from his mother and sister of Litchfield. Mrs. Nelson returned home Saturday. Miss Nelson will remain here to attend the high school. Carl Carlsson arrived home last week from West Point where he had been spending the past several weeks with relatives. Carl has been employed at railroad work in British Columbia since his last visit here. P. G. Thompson, of New London, who announced in the past few issues of the Tribune that he would saw logs on lot 2 Sec. 6, town of Lake Andrew, writes us that he will only saw at his home in New London. A meeting of state butchers was held in Minneapolis last week and as a result there is now a regularly organized association of meat men of the state. Chris Ackerman of Willmar was among those in attendance. The Ladies' Social Union received a liberal patronage at the coffee given on Friday at the home of Mrs. S. E. Stansbery. Mrs. Getchell and Mrs. Smith assisted in serving. A good substantial supper was served in the evening. L. A. Vlk represented the Kandiyo hi County Bank at a meeting of stockholders of the Atwater Security Bank, held in that village last week. He was also one of the guests at a bankers banquet given by Mr. and Mrs. Martin Olson. A new telephone company has recently been organized, in which Willmar parties are interested. The officers are: D. N. Tallman of Willmar, president and treasurer; J. L. Schoch of New Ulm, vice president; John Williams of Willmar, secretary.

the village property. This is something which will be much appreciated in cases of accident or in transferring patients to the quarantine hospital. The upholstering work of A. S. Riesberg, of the Willmar Upholstering Co. Among new cottages which will be built at Green Lake the coming season are those of Messrs. J. S. Robbins, D. N. Tallman and J. D. Wolpert. Besides additional buildings at the lakes, we understand that several parties are making arrangements for gasolene launches. F. W. Segerstrom will put one on and also J. S. Robbins. John E. Sjoberg, an old settler in the town of Kandiyo, died last Friday of general debility, at the age of 70 years. He leaves a family of four children, two sons and two daughters. Deceased had been a widower for over twenty years. The funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock, from the Tripolis Lutheran church. The Markhus family has been sorely afflicted with illness recently. His wife, Bergetta, her brother Will has been confined to the house for the past several days with an old complaint. Mrs. Markhus is not in a strong condition, and of, who is at Moorhead, has been suffering from an attack of pneumonia. The end of the year 1901 will see a large number of new buildings erected in Willmar. Local contractors report that the prospects in the building line are very favorable. Several contracts have already been let for additional buildings. There is still a big demand for houses to be erected as soon as they are completed the owners will have no trouble in securing occupants. J. W. Olson of Albert Lea, the new state superintendent of public instruction, is of Danish birth. He was born in Copenhagen, Denmark, and was educated in the Minnesota public schools, the Albert Lea high school, and the normal school of Valparaiso, Ind. He has been county superintendent of Freeborn county for several years, and has made an enviable record in that capacity. It is reported that oyster fishing is good in Eagle Lake. It would be natural for our people to question the reliability of a statement that oysters are found in Eagle Lake, but there are some who insist that it is a fact that they are there in considerable quantities of late. Perhaps it is a scheme to boom the lake resort. Who knows? Green Lake will be next. Mr. Trygve O. Gilbert and Miss Clara E. Johnson were united in marriage last evening at six o'clock, at a bill from the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Johnson, corner of Pacific avenue and Second street. Rev. E. E. Gynild of the Lutheran Free church officiated, the ceremony being performed in the presence of a large number of relatives and friends. Both of the young people are highly estimable, and their large circle of friends extend best wishes. Marriage Record. Jan. 11.—Frans A. Rosenquist to Victoria Amanda Youngberg. Married next day by Rev. G. O. Schoberg of Atwater. Jan. 18.—Trygve O. Gilbert to Marie E. Johnson. Jan. 21.—Charles G. Moberg to Marie E. Pagel.

A DEPLORABLE AFFAIR.

A Drunken Spree Results Disastrously—Hans Agre Instantly Killed. The Granite Falls and Appleton papers contain reports of a particularly sad affair which took place at Appleton recently, and in which we are sorry to say a Willmar party is implicated. The following account is taken from the Granite Falls Tribune: On Tuesday noon—election day—Hans Agre accompanied by Victor Nelson, a Willmar man and a friend of Hans, took the west train for Appleton. No doubt the two drank some and in the evening started to visit a resort in the suburbs of town and rapped for admission. It was either denied them or else they were threatened if they did not leave the premises when one of the intruders kicked a window in and immediately the occupant of the house, Mike Janetta, fired a revolver, the bullet taking effect in the head of Hans Agre, who was killed without warning. The man who did the shooting went to the marsh to shoot himself, saying he would rather have lost ten dollars than have it happen. 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NOTES & COMMENT.

Victoria, queen of England and Empress of India, died last evening at 6:30 o'clock. The Republican caucus nominated Moses E. Clapp for the short term senator in the fifteenth district, and resulted as follows: Clapp, 75; Evans, 59; Lowry, 3; Bixby, 2; Tawney, 1. Knute Nelson and Clapp were formally elected to the U. S. Senate yesterday. Grand jury voted for Clapp from the start. Senator Grue voted for Judge R. R. Nelson and Charles A. Towne, the minority candidates. Senator Grue introduced three bills during the week: Permitting town insurance companies to insure creameries. Permitting town insurance companies to enter into agreements with insured that no assessment or bond is not paid within 60 days after becoming due, as in some cases null and void without further notice from the company. Leasing the state capitol lands in Kandiyohi county and to apply proceeds for further drainage and to the county road and bridge fund. Representative Gandrud introduced a bill: To change law requiring unanimous consent of owners of land adjoining lake or grassy slough less than 1/4 section, to be reduced to consent of three-fourths of land-owners, and providing for appeal. A year ago a friend told the editor of the Tribune that the law prohibiting the selling of liquor in town where people had no license was of no practical value, and cited instances where brewing companies had established branch offices and succeeded in so doing that the people secured a reversal of the popular verdict. We were a little skeptical because we of Kandiyohi county have been taught to believe that this law was the best of laws, and that legislation. Now, lo and behold, here our contemporary, which is always "next" in anything of this kind, announces with flaring headlines that "Drouth will be Broken," and states that the Hamlin-Brewery Co. will open a branch house here. It may be interesting also to know that they will be permitted to retail their goods to the public, and under the license which will control their operation here. It can be handled in cases or in kegs in amounts over five gallons and the company will still be liable for a violation of the liquor law. It now behooves those people who have made such pretensions (and who have denounced others for insincerity in temperance work), to prevent this subversion of the law which rests on them rests the entire responsibility and they will not be permitted to forget it. They have the governor, the legislature, and all minor positions and CAN DO WHAT THEY WISH TO DO. The retirement of the late County Attorney P. H. Frye is a matter of sincere regret to a large share of the people of the county and village, even with some who say, in the excitement of the campaign were so carried away by party feeling as to vote against him. Mr. Frye was not an office-seeker, nor did he make any pretensions of a representative of the county and village, and he was a skilled practitioner. He had studied law and been admitted to practice, but had abandoned legal work for the life of the farm. But when his brother-in-law called on him to make the people of the county representative of the lawyers' clique at Willmar he reluctantly yielded. He was elected by a close vote and he applied himself to his new duties with care and diligence. With his associates, Mr. Olney, he succeeded in making an unexcelled record of successful prosecutions against a class of criminals who had always been immune under the old regime. Not only did they effectively prosecute the criminals, but with good judgment were the expenses to the county held down to a figure not materially above that of the periods of his predecessor's administration. We repeat that it is a matter of regret that honesty, prudence and hard work for the public weal should have been so thoughtlessly thrown aside by the people of the county, and all this check-up for the sake of the county gang thus be removed. Unthinking ones will attempt to excuse this action by reference to party lines, but such talk, while potent in an excited campaign, is in any event, needless. Less than any of his friends, does Mr. Frye regret his defeat. He is content to devote his entire attention to the management of his dairy farm. There are too few such men in the public service. In its issue immediately following the election of 1898, Editor Wharton made many helpful suggestions that the people of Kandiyohi county had been actuated by a desire for office in the fight they had made. His suggestions indicated a "holier-than-thou" feeling. Now, no sooner had Gov. Van Sant been elected, were we told that Editor Wharton himself, who so lustily held up applicants for office under Lind as office-seeking demagogues, rushes up to the pie counter and wants to be assisted at the pie counter, and clerk, isn't Bro. Wharton alarmed that his motives will be misconstrued? This office may have been an afterthought with him, but many of his readers will draw the conclusion that he had it in mind when he denounced Lind and threw bouquets at Van Sant. An editor of a public journal who becomes a supplicant for office sacrifices the dignity and independence of his position as a moulder of public opinion. Sells His Interest. L. L. Nerlien of the firm of Nerlien and Johnson has purchased the large mill race at the mill owned by Mr. Coltronsen. Mr. Nerlien now owns the mill at Eden Valley, Belgrade and Broton and is interested in the one at Chokio. The consideration was \$20,000.—Litchfield Herald.

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