

MINNEAPOLIS NEWS.

OFFICE—No. 6 Washington Avenue, opposite Nicollet house. Office hours from 6 a. m. to 10 o'clock p. m.

MAYOR PILLSBURY'S inaugural message differs in no essential points from that of Mayor Ames two years ago. Respecting the social evil he says: "It do not wish, by any half-sighted or ill-considered policy, to merely change the form and location of evil, and spread it like a hidden contagion throughout the community, thereby placing it beyond the reach of law and control, and without really lessening the evil."

MINNEAPOLIS GLOBE LETTERS.

Officer Sidmore has tendered his resignation. The city officers elect have filed their bonds.

The real estate transfers filed yesterday aggregated \$89,972. A kitchen garden exhibition will be given at Plymouth church this evening.

The Philharmonics are in active rehearsal for the Thomas concert in June. The industrial institute will soon be one of the prominent institutions of the city.

The Boston Ideals will present the "Musketiers" at the matinee this afternoon. The prohibitionists have nominated Dr. Emery for alderman from the Fifth ward.

Gus Williams will open a brief engagement at the Grand to-morrow night in "One of the Finest."

Four hundred cigars were stolen from Jack Walker's saloon, on Nicollet avenue, by burglars.

The original Madison Square "Emerald" company will open a brief week season at the Grand on Monday evening.

W. S. Gray, who was arrested upon the charge of stealing a watch from Harold Wilson, was discharged yesterday.

The Diamond saw mill is the first to open the summer lumbering campaign, and is now busily engaged sawing up logs.

The season at the Grand of the Boston Ideals will close this evening with the presentation of the "Bohemian Girl."

In the case of Farnham & Lovejoy against John Murphy, the jury yesterday gave a verdict for the plaintiff in the sum of \$116.37.

Rev. Treadwell Morton has been induced to deliver his lecture, "Whither Bound?" in St. Paul's church on Friday evening, April 15th.

A crook named Tom Ward is in the lockup for stealing a pair of pants from the front of the Bay State clothing store, on Hennepin avenue.

Lawa Kreis, the wife of a German farmer residing on the Rockford road, was adjudged insane yesterday and sent to the lunatic asylum at St. Peter.

Stephen Burns, found guilty of burglarizing John H. Thompson's store, was yesterday sentenced by Judge Lochren to three years at hard labor in the state prison.

The Minneapolis Trades assembly has requested Mr. Washburn to do what he can to prevent the employment of convict labor in the construction of the new postoffice building.

Philip Foster, of Montreal, a guest of the Nicollet house, had his pocketbook containing \$50 in cash and a draft for \$100 stolen from his room. He offers a reward of \$100 for the detection of the thief.

The case of Dr. E. B. Zier against Joseph R. Hoffin, was given to the jury about 4 o'clock last evening, and as no verdict has been returned up to six o'clock, the judge directed them to retire a sealed verdict.

The hearing in the matter of the writ of habeas corpus issued at the instance of Max Segebaum, to obtain the care and custody of his three children, was continued yesterday until 2 p. m. to-day, when respondent is ordered to appear.

The following parties received marriage licenses yesterday: John K. Johnson and Nellie Conway; O. Kelng and Della E. Brown; Otto Bohlander and Amanda Boyer; Ole Olsson Holly and Engelborg M. Thompson; Peder O. Melby and Gullie Kjellrad.

The matter of the investigation into the workings of the police department, which has been under prosecution by the city council committee on police for some time will be referred to the new committee on police owing to a failure yesterday to get a quorum.

At the quarterly meeting of the Woman's Industrial exchange, Mrs. Lewis resigned the presidency, and a committee was appointed to select a successor. The rule limiting contributions to \$100 was changed, throwing the file open to the entire community.

Three of the saloonkeepers who hid open defiance to Mayor Ames' mandate to close their saloons on Sunday—Jacob Barze, Selneck Bros. and Joseph H. Murch—were arraigned, through their attorneys, in the municipal court yesterday. The trial was continued until April 25.

The state oratorical contest will occur on the evening of Wednesday, the 10th inst., at the Hennepin avenue M. E. church. The contestants will be John A. Bennett, of the State University, Tandy and Martin of Hamline University, and Adams and an unknown student of Carlton College.

Jessie E. Palmer was granted a divorce yesterday from Frank L. Palmer for habitual drunkenness. She gets the custody of her two-year old infant and it is adjudged by the court that it shall be lawful for her to marry again in the same manner as though the said Frank L. Palmer were dead.

Last evening one of the huge caldrons used at the Linsend Oil works, at the corner of Tenth avenue south and Washington avenue, caught fire, and before the department could extinguish it the contents of the kettle were destroyed. The damage to the building was nominal, and the value of the oil burned about \$600.

The semi-annual meeting of the Northwestern Lumbermen's association will be held in this city April 16. The association includes all the lumbermen in the Mississippi river valley, Michigan, Lake Superior and Saginaw valley. The lumbermen of Minneapolis will hold a meeting next Monday to arrange for the reception of the large attendance which is expected.

James M. Myers filed an action yesterday against Hodgson & Son, the architects and superintendents of construction, to recover \$233.34 alleged to be due him for architectural drawing, plans and specifications of the new chamber of commerce building prepared by them on orders solicited by the complainant in accordance with contract entered into by the respective litigants.

At the annual meeting of Westminster church last evening, A. M. Reid, W. W. McNair and J. K. Sidle were elected trustees for three years, and J. B. Gillilan for one year to succeed F. B. Brooks, deceased. There were 150 additions to the membership during the year, and nine deaths. Of the funeral collections made, \$100 was for Macalester college. The society has a debt of about \$10,000. Resolutions increasing Dr. Sample's salary to \$4,000 were adopted.

Chief West. Mayor Pillsbury has decided upon the promotion of Capt. West, of the police department, to the office of chief of police. Chief Berry, removed. The promotion meets with the approval of the citizens generally. Capt. West has been a faithful and competent officer and no one better understands the workings and needs of the department.

THE OLD AND NEW.

Mayor Ames Throws Off the Official Garb Gracefully.

Mayor Pillsbury's Inauguration—Message of the One and Inaugural of the Other.

Organization of the City Council and Election of City Officers.

C. W. Clark, President; E. M. Johnson, Vice President—Street Commissioners, Etc.

The city council met yesterday afternoon for the purpose of listening to the farewell message of Mayor Ames, the inaugural of Mayor Elect Pillsbury, the organization of the council and the election of officers within the power of that party for the ensuing year.

The session was called to order by Ald. Clark, and the new aldermen elect, Fleetham of the First ward, Barrows of the Second ward, Pratt of the Third ward, Sly of the Fourth ward, Clark of the Fifth ward (re-elected), and Haugan of the Sixth ward (re-elected), took oath of office and were seated.

CLARK ELECTED PRESIDENT. Ald. Coe was then called to the chair and Johnson and Horton were appointed. A formal ballot for president of the council gave—

Clark..... 15
Gleason..... 2
Wash..... 2
Hallow..... 1
Johnson..... 1

Total vote..... 20
Ald. Clark assumed the presidency and made a short speech, in which he said he should never disgrace the chair.

For vice president the vote stood: Johnson..... 16
Horton..... 1
Huyar..... 1

Total vote..... 19
Johnson was elected.

On motion of Ald. Morse, Ald. Sly and Johnson were appointed a committee to wait upon the outgoing and the incoming mayors and introduce them to the council.

Immediately upon these gentlemen arriving, the oath of office was administered to Mayor Pillsbury, when ex-Mayor Ames delivered the following parting message, which is worthy a careful perusal:

Ex-Mayor Ames' Message. In retiring from office Mayor Ames presented an important and valuable review of the city's growth and progress. The financial condition of the city is given; the pressing demand for carrying forward the needed improvements in water works, paving and sewers prompted the city council to ask the legislature for permission to issue bonds for that purpose. It was given, and \$450,000 in these bonds bearing 4 1/2 per cent were sold during the fiscal year just closed.

An additional \$75,000 for the same purpose has been issued and sold since the fiscal year closed, and brought 99 cents on the dollar. Another \$100,000 in bonds has been issued by order of the council, and will be sold in time to meet the payments on contracts to build approaches to street crossings of railroad tracks.

By reference to the report of the city treasurer, I find that there was realized out of taxes and other sources, for the year just closed, the sum of \$354,743.04 during the year. Against this was a deficit of \$11,535.94 from the previous year, and at the close of the last fiscal year the account stood overdrawn \$3,573.34.

The permanent improvement fund has contained during the year \$692,362.23, and there was realized from taxes \$196,439.32, and from bonds \$454,720. There is now on hand \$71,719.11. In this connection it should be stated that in order to meet a deficit in the general fund, the board of public works has authorized the city council \$50,000. The law provides that out of the proceeds of the bonds sold, \$250,000 shall be turned over to this fund, to be used for a specified purpose. If the \$70,000 paid by the council for the East River pumping station is to be deducted from this amount, then there is the \$50,000 borrowed, and \$42,000 still due on the bonds, yet to be paid from the permanent improvement fund.

The park fund has contained \$239,000, of which \$235,000 has been realized from the sale of park bonds. There is remaining in the fund \$20,420.26.

COMPTROLLER'S REPORT. From the comptroller's report I glean these items of interest:

Present bonded debt of the city, \$2,978,000; bonds paid during the year, \$15,000; cash on hand March 1, 1883, \$75,152.07; received during the year, \$1,916,662.29; total, \$1,991,814.36.

In treasurer's hands, in all funds, \$395,960.37.

Receipts of municipal court, \$22,380.53; expenses, \$13,604.41.

Licenses—Liquor licenses, \$47,907.99; total from all licenses, \$57,605.81.

Cost of maintaining police force, \$7,935,694.

Cost of maintaining fire department, \$8,485,86.

City officials' salaries, outside of department, \$83,862.25.

Street lighting cost, \$27,900.20.

Expenses paid from general fund, which includes operating the engines, twelve departments, for which special funds are set aside, \$363,385.89.

The retiring mayor reports that there were twenty-one suits against the city last year, of which five were decided in favor of the city. One was settled, two appealed, and seven still pending.

Upon the insurance question he thus discourses: "Mr. F. L. Stetson, the present efficient chief engineer, and his able officers and men were recently subjected upon by a lot of insurance hands and newspaper vultures, who charged them with inefficiency, incompetency and general worthlessness. An investigation showed that the charges were groundless, and that they were investigated with a view to making the rates a pretext upon which to increase insurance rates, and thereby to plunder the people.

From the annual report of the chief engineer I glean these facts: The department consists of forty permanent and forty-three transient or call men, six engines, twelve hose carts (four old ones used for reserve), three hook and ladder trucks (one chemical), two supply wagons and thirty-three horses. There were eight miles of wire added to the fire alarm telegraph (making thirty miles), and eight fire alarm boxes (making sixty-one in all), and fifty hydrants (making 365 total)—During the year there were 205 fire alarms—101 more than the previous year. The loss by fire was \$600,079, with \$480,905.11 insurance paid. Mr. Stetson has insurance authority for stating that \$500,000 is a fair estimate for premiums paid on insurance during this time. This would leave \$179,173 as profits and to pay for doing the business. The cost of the fire department for the fiscal year, including the cost of the engines, horses, and new apparatus, was \$81,850.86.

The police force consists of ninety-three men, with one chief, three captains, three lieutenants and four sergeants. During the year there were 3,787 arrests, an increase of 721 over the previous year. Fines and costs collected were \$23,173.20.

The engineering department expended \$580,000. There are nineteen men besides the engineer, and the pay roll was \$15,996.74. WORK ROL 1884-85.

The work ordered for the summer is estimated, will cost \$250,000, as follows:

Sewers—Thirty-one thousand three hundred and twenty-eight feet in length, or 5.933 miles, at an estimated cost of \$136,000.

Paving—Granite, 66,510 square yards; cedar, 24,055 square yards; total 90,565 square yards, at an estimated cost of \$225,000.

Curb and gutter—Forty-seven thousand seven hundred and twenty-nine feet, or a little over nine miles, at an estimated cost of \$71,000.

Sidewalks—Length of stone walk 353 miles; plank sidewalk, twenty miles. Cost of stone, \$125,000; cost of plank, \$32,000; total, \$157,000.

The law relating to parks and what has been done is elaborately reviewed, as is also the water system of the city. The retiring mayor concludes as follows:

Now that I have completed the task imposed upon me by the people two years ago, and have rendered an account of my stewardship, I feel that a great load of responsibility has been removed from my shoulders. If I have erred in performing my official duties, I trust the people will be charitable and accord to me honestly of purpose.

Gentlemen of the City Council—I now have the pleasure of introducing to you my successor, the Hon. Geo. A. Pillsbury, who comes to you fresh from the people, and by a very large majority.

Mayor Pillsbury's Address. Mayor Pillsbury's address opens with the announcement that it is the duty of the mayor to make that address and of the mayor to enforce them. He says the bonded indebtedness is \$2,978,000 and annual interest \$135,055. The assessed valuation of the city is \$53,000,000, and the new valuation will not be less than \$80,000,000. There is a deficit in current expenses of \$109,442.53 to be provided for. The expenses of the police force for the past year were \$79,356.94.

After considering other matters the message thus treats of:

MORAL REFORM. It should be the aim of us all to improve the morals of the city. The public eye is upon us, and much will be expected of us in this regard. This is largely the work of the mayor and police. The city council shall have first enacted proper and sufficient ordinances. As to the crimes of gambling, the keeping of disorderly houses and low dives of all sorts, if the present ordinances are not sufficient to protect the public eye, I shall ask you from time to time to give all legislation in your power, and should your power under the charter be insufficient to fully compass the question in all respects, the next legislature should be called upon to still further increase your corporate authority.

As to the sale of intoxicating liquors, the present policy in this state, as enacted in all its laws, is to regulate and not prohibit their sale. Whichever our individual opinions may be on this subject, so long as this policy prevails in the state, we should use these powers judiciously and in such a manner as to lessen as far as possible the evils connected therewith, and particularly those which affect the young and growing generation.

As to the number of saloons in this city during the past two years as shown by the comptroller's books, has increased from 352 to 323, and if we permit the matter to go on without restriction, they are liable to increase still more in numbers during the next two years. This increase in the number of saloons is largely due to the efforts of some of the brewers and wholesale liquor dealers to increase their business. It is to the interest of every other person in this community that the number of saloons be stopped, but that the present excessive number be largely diminished. The public call for a higher liquor license, with wide and wholesome restrictions as to whom, and where and when and under what circumstances it should be granted, so that the number be stopped, but that the present excessive number be largely diminished. The public call for a higher liquor license, with wide and wholesome restrictions as to whom, and where and when and under what circumstances it should be granted, so that the number be stopped, but that the present excessive number be largely diminished.

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I would also earnestly recommend that no licenses be given in portions of the city where the people are strongly opposed to having saloons, and that no licenses be given for saloons in districts where they do not now exist, including our beautiful lakes and other places of public resort; and moreover, that they be refused in certain sections where they have already created a bad reputation, and are now residing in the vicinity. I deem this recommendation necessary, for many reasons. It is impossible to properly police our whole city without an expense far beyond what our people are willing to be taxed for. No saloon should be licensed in any portion where there is not a regular and continuous police patrol. Our mechanics, laboring men and youth should be spared the temptation of having a saloon under the very shadow of their homes, and their wives and children consequently subjected to its baneful influences. If saloons can be kept out of the residence portions of our city, private homes will be improved, women and children will be made happier, industrious men will accumulate competencies, and I will try and do it for the benefit of the whole city.

Another cause of the rapid increase of saloons has been that severe restrictive laws passed in other localities drive persons here who have been forced to abandon their establishments elsewhere. They come here, and before they have had time to acquire citizenship, open up a saloon wherever they wish. This should be stopped. And I would suggest to you that you would not be wise to refuse to entertain an application for a license which does not come before your honorable body during the months of April or May of each year.

I shall endeavor to make a study of all things which affect the moral and material welfare of our city. Municipal governments present many intricate questions, and on which good men may honestly differ. Many things cannot be decided upon theory alone, but time and experience are required to work out the best solution of these matters, and to decide how to best curb and restrain certain offenses against morality. While I shall use every effort to enforce the law in every respect, it do not wish, by any half-sighted or ill-considered policy, to merely change the form and location of evil, and spread it like a hidden contagion throughout the community, thereby placing it beyond the reach of law and control, and without really lessening the evil. On the contrary I desire to do that which will best check evil and protect the home and fireside of all our citizens. On all such questions it is better to go slow and retain the ground gained, than to go fast and be obliged to retreat. 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