

MINNEAPOLIS NEWS

The Minneapolis office of the Daily Globe has been removed to 213 Hennepin avenue, S. J. Clark, business manager of the department.

PERMANENT IMPROVEMENTS.

Discussing the Proposed Amendments to the City Charter by the Legislature.

THE QUESTION OF BUILDING A STONE ARCH BRIDGE AND OTHER BRIDGES.

The Hennepin county delegation to the state legislature met the council committee on legislation and a number of citizens yesterday afternoon for the purpose of listening to the arguments to be presented to sustain the petition for bonding the city to secure permanent improvements.

THE COURTS.

District Court.

J. Case Plow company vs. Erick Provlm, Henry Smith; to recover \$130.43 on a promissory note.

Christian & Orvis vs. Henry Knight; to recover \$292.32 on a promissory note.

E. E. Holt vs. Cobb & Mackeen, transcript of judgment filed.

J. R. Kinney vs. W. T. Erick and E. J. Garrison; to quiet title to real estate.

J. Case Plow company vs. Edmund Broer; to recover \$118.35 on a promissory note.

Patrick W. Tobin vs. Matt Walsh; deed of assignment filed.

Albert B. Oviit, administrator of Amos A. Oviit, vs. Peter Clary; to recover \$180.20 on a promissory note.

Dale, Barnes & Morse vs. Robert Wilson and Titson Tibbets; to recover \$266.06 on a promissory note.

JUDGMENT ROLL.

Erick Anderson vs. R. L. Berglund; \$257.01.

Mary Osmeck vs. Joseph Osmeck; divorce granted.

Frederick Fisher vs. Chas. M. Hoag; plaintiff given title to real estate.

TAX CASES.

[Before Judge Young.] State vs. Kellis Bazaine; dismissed.

State vs. Minneapolis Barrel company; judgment ordered for plaintiff.

State vs. Thos. H. Reeves; judgment for amount claimed.

State vs. William Zable; same.

State vs. John McLaughlin; same.

State vs. Drennen, Starr & Co.; same.

State vs. A. C. Harris; paid to sheriff.

State vs. H. W. Haven; dismissed.

State vs. Wm. Wheelock; judgment ordered.

State vs. Jacob Heideberger; same.

State vs. Wm. Seiwert; same.

State vs. C. C. Gibson; same.

State vs. R. A. Davidson; same.

State vs. S. T. Ferguson; dismissed.

Probate Court.

[Before Judge Ueland.] Estate of Aaron Arnold; decree of distribution and order allowing final account made.

Estate of Johanna A. Nelson; same.

Estate of John Rich; will admitted to probate.

In re guardianship of Lawson, minors; order confirming sale of real estate made.

Municipal Court.

[Before Judge Bailey.] John Hull, drunkenness; paid a fine in \$5.50.

Oliver G. Johnson, disorderly conduct; paid a fine in \$7.50.

John Mills, larceny of cigars and wine from Henry Scheier; continued until Jan. 30 in \$700 bonds; committed.

Peter Johnson; uttering forged paper; continued until Jan. 30 in \$500 bonds; committed.

John Kelly, Charles Alphen and Wm. Chapman; larceny of tobacco from Geo. R. Newell; committed thirty days each.

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