MINNEAPOLIS NEWS.

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MINNETONKA.

The New Orchestra and the Opening Hop.

The Hotel Lafayette orchestra arrived yesterday morning and in the afternoon rendered delightful music in the parlor for the enjoyment of a large number of guests. The orchestra is one of the finest in the Northwest, and is led by Prof. H. H. Thiele, a thorough musician and conductor. Prof. Thiele studied in Leipsic and Boston, and has had a rich musical experience. He has played with the famous Dodworths band, and at the Olympic theater in New York, and has led the orchestra at the United States hotel, Saratoga. He has been in Milwaukee for the past ten years, seven of which he has spent as assistant leader of Bach's orchestra, and the last three with his own company of musicians. His is recognized as the favorite society orchestra of Milwaukee, and is considered a very superior company. Prof. Thiele is a composer as well as leader, and his opera "Amaryllis," has been produced with great success in Milwaukee. He is engaged upon a new opera, which will be given to the public early in the fall. He plays first violin in the orchestra. H. Zeltz, another first violin player, is a young musician of promise, and E. Hansen, who also plays first, is from the Chicago F. Hensler, the second violin, is from European circles. R. Baez, violin, has been assistant director of the Mexican Opera company, is a Spaniard by birth and is one of the best pianists in the country. E. Seya, the 'cello artist, is a Leipsic student who came to this country with the orchestra; W. Walker, bass, is from the Chicago opera house; L. F. Arbuckle, flute and piccolo, has a world-wide reputation as a very fine player; F. Zeltz, soloist, was a member of Gumble's orchestras in Vienna and came to this country with Schreiner's band; P. Chapple, the solo clarionet, is from the Grenadiers' band of Austria; Hoffman, the solo cornetist, was time a member of the Second Bavarian band. F. Chapple and Kuehne play the French horns. E. Zeltz is the second cornet, C. Schemeck plays the trombone and Aug. Spranger is soloist and drummer. Nearly every player is a soloist and the band is the best that has been heard as a permanent institution by dancers. The dancers last evening were with the music, and that it will prove a magnet to draw guests to the hotel without saying. It is expected concerts will be given in the afternoon, where on Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings of each week the Military band will render a choice program of selections, evening in each week will be the presentation of a request on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday evenings the orchestra will play for hops. A special program is arranged for Sunday music. The first concert by the Military band occurs this evening, when the following program will be rendered:

"Lafayette," from the "Amaryllis," .....Thiele
Dedicated to Mr. E. Mehl.
"The Night Wanderer"....Moskar
"Angiolo".....Metra
"The Beggar Student"..Millocker
"Fiesta".....Strauss
"Spring Waltz".....Strauss
"Love Thine".....Weiss
"Shelley".....Beyer
"Superb".....Hoch
Cornet solo, John Hoffman.
"Echo".....Bernstein

LAFAYETTE BALL.

The opening hop at the Hotel Lafayette last evening was the social success it was expected to be as the first of a series of brilliant events to continue through the season. The circumstances under which the affair took place were exceedingly favorable to enjoyment, and it is but the truth to say that no social season at the hotel has ever opened in a more pleasant manner than the present one. The hall presented a scene of beauty, being decorated and illuminated in a charming manner. Floral decorations were prepared by Prof. Peters and, though not elaborate, showed excellent judgment on the part of the master of ceremonies, under whose direction the arrangements were perfected. A delightful breeze during the entire evening made the dancing very comfortable, and the music by Prof. Thiele's splendid orchestra, which at 8 o'clock the overture to the votaries of Terpsichore to the about seventy-five couples responded. A goodly number came out on the evening trains from Minneapolis and St. Paul, and a large party of society people from the various hotels and cottages around the lake, combining with the guests of the Lafayette to make the scene one of animation and brilliancy. There were twenty numbers on the program. No attempt was made to elaborate in the way of toilets was attempted by the ladies, and but few appeared in full evening costume, yet all were attired with taste—charming taste in most cases. Most of the gentlemen were in full dress, yet every style of garment, from the conventional evening coat to the business suit, was represented. The absence of great formality was noticeable, and the occasion was what the promoters intended—a delightful season of pleasure. During the evening a choice lunch of substantials and delicacies was served by a corps of waiters under the direction of Mr. Al. Plummer. The guests ate standing, and evidenced great pleasure in this part of the program. At the conclusion of this service dancing was resumed and continued with great eclat until nearly midnight. The presence of so many cottagers and hotel guests from the various points of the lake was highly appreciated by the management. Among the participators in the pleasures of the evening were: John Summers and wife, Miss Alice Monfort, Clarence E. Secor and wife, G. D. Blakely, J. A. Moore and wife, Dr. A. Wharton and wife, Miss Wharton, A. R. Farnum and wife, W. H. Richardson and wife, Dr. Douglass, Dr. Patterson, H. C. Ives, C. H. Warren, Charles Lotz and wife, Silas DeCoy and wife, Mark Bohrer, May Bohrer, W. Harrison and wife, St. Paul; R. B. Langdon and wife, Cavour Langdon, Miss Carrie Langdon, Maj. G. A. Camp and wife, Miss Lulu Camp, Miss Grace Chute, Hal Watson, George Neller, G. Eustiss and wife, Ike Halliwell, George M. Pullman and wife, Dr. and Mrs. Beaumond, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Heffelinger, Charles Handy, Miss Thompson, Maud Buzzell, L. R. Andrews, William Orr, C. D. Allen, J. W. Griffin and wife, Mill Woolford and wife, Henry Elliot, Minneapolis; Col. J. B. Alexander and wife, Mrs. M. J. Harrison and daughter, Miss Merriam Brock, Louisville, Ky.; Miss Wheeler, Mrs. Howard and daughter, Miss Clelland, F. H. Knight, St. Louis; Dr. Jewett Wilcox, Miss Maude J. Wilcox, Chicago; Miss Harriet R. Pickert, New York; Miss Era Hersey, Stillwater; Mr. Waterman, Burlington, Ia.; Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Eaton, St. Paul, and many others.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

Hotel Lafayette: W. H. Lee, Miss Hardenbergh, Minneapolis; Prof. H. H. Thiele and fifteen musicians, Milwaukee; James Keefe, M. W. Williams, W. J. Maitland, St. Paul; John Crosby, C. J. Martin, P. M. Babcock, C. F. Hatch, W. S. Judd, A. M. Bailey, W. Delabarre, John Washburn, E. B. Andrews, A. V. Martin, Minneapolis; R. O. N. Ford, New York; Samuel Bell, Philadelphia; W. W. Dudley, Miss Brown, Detroit; Mr. and Mrs. H. Beer, New Orleans; Miss R. B. Langdon, Miss Carrie Langdon, Minneapolis; Mrs. Eva Hersey, Stillwater; Mrs. C. Tryon, Minneapolis; Farnum, Duluth; S. M. Pye and Cincinnati; J. B. Searce and Miss Searce, Chillicothe, O.; R. B. Langdon, Mrs. Fred Pulsifer, Belle Phelps, J. W. Griffin and wife, G. W. M. Pittman and wife, W. B. Boardman, G. K. Taylor, Charles P. Chapman, Minneapolis; Miss Mabbett, Milwaukee; Dr. R. H. Patterson and wife, Dr. H. S. Patterson and wife, A. Douglass, Mrs. A. L. Burr, Mrs. E. E. Getchell, N. C. Smith, A. F. Carrier, C. F. Loll, Mrs. Hall and daughter, May Bohrer, Nellie Van Auken, F. C. Conger, Millard Bagley, W. J. Hope, Mark E. Bohrer, J. D. Blakely, E. S. Chittenden and wife, W. Harrison and wife, C. H. Warren, H. C. Ives, St. Paul; Miss M. Louise Wood, Dexter, Me.; Mrs. R. F. Pickert, Miss Harriet R. Pickert, E. W. Collingwood, New York. Mrs. G. S. Brittain, Hartford, Conn.; Mrs. A. McGreggor, Helena, Mont.

Lake Park Hotel: C. W. Fogg and wife, Chicago; Thomas Lowry, Mrs. Goodrich, Miss Mamie Lowry, Clinton Morrison, Miss Ethel Morrison, Mrs. Dr. Kimball, Mrs. C. E. Thorpe, Miss Grace Harrison, Randolph Mitchell, Minneapolis; Samuel Clifford and wife, Chicago.

GENERAL NOTES.

The Hotel Lafayette Base Ball club last evening issued a challenge to the Lake Park club to play a series of twelve games for the championship. Al Plummer is manager of the Lafayette ash-wielders and Frank Doctor is captain. The men and their positions are as follows: A. Roberts, pitcher; W. Brown, catcher; F. Herndon, first base; A. Plummer, second base; W. Mason, third base; F. Doctor, short stop; W. Willson, left field; D. Bennett, center field, S. Deas, right field. There are several good players in the nine and they will fight for the banner for all they are worth in skill and brawn. The Lake Park boys are practicing daily and confidently assert their superiority over the nine across the lake. The first battle between the leviathians of the diamond will probably take place July 4. Dr. A. L. Cole, the Lafayette resident physician, has been retained for the afternoon and will have his medicine case on the ground. The umpire will be insured by the Accident association and the scorers will be allowed to wear wire masks. The details of the great event will be arranged later.

Hon John Crosby of Washburn, Crosby & Co., Minneapolis, showed his agents, Messrs. R. O. N. Ford of New York and Samuel Bell of Philadelphia the beauties of the lake yesterday. Mr. Crosby invited a number of Minneapolitans to accompany him to make the occasion more enjoyable. Messrs. Charles J. Martin, P. M. Babcock, C. F. Hatch, W. S. Judd, A. M. Bailey, W. Delabarre, John Washburn, E. B. Andrews and A. V. Martin accepted his invitation and formed a merry party. On arriving at the lake, the party boarded the Rosander, and made a trip to Upper lake, returning in time for dinner at the Lafayette. The day was passed in a delightful manner, and the party returned to Minneapolis on the early evening train.

The Hotel St. Louis will open formally for the season to-day. There are already thirty-five guests in the house, and the number will be increased to a hundred by the close of the week. Mr. Charles Scudder will, as formerly, be general manager, and Mr. Preston Gibson will be cashier. William Orr of the West hotel, Minneapolis, has been engaged as chief clerk, and the selection is an admirable one. The many improvements in the hotel during the season have already been noted in the GLOBE, and need not be repeated at this time. A very bright hope for the season is entertained by the managers.

Rev. John L. Scudder of Minneapolis chaperoned Prof. C. W. Benton of the state university and Judge Henry Benton of St. Louis around the lake yesterday. They were loaded for fish, and their stories about their adventures and success during the day rivaled the wildest fancy of a Munchausen.

The City of St. Louis was put on yesterday and until further notice will make daily runs from Excelsior, Lake Park and Hotel Lafayette to Upper lake points, meeting the morning Minneapolis & St. Louis and motor trains at Excelsior.

The ladies' society connected with the First Baptist church, St. Paul, had an excursion on the City of St. Louis from Wayzata to Chapman's and return last evening. A large company participated in the pleasures of the occasion.

The Hotel St. Louis will formally open its doors to-day, and Manager Gibson will be prepared to receive and entertain guests in a manner characteristic of that popular hostelry. Mr. Scudder will arrive late in the week.

Commodore Zimmerman of the navigation company is erecting a windmill on Enchanted island for the purpose of running a fountain, as well as for the boilers of the steamers.

The Lafayette Base Ball club, composed of nine muscular waiters under command of Capt. Doctor, have challenged their brethren of the Lake Park force to meet them on the grounds of the former next Saturday afternoon.

At the yacht club meeting last evening the arrangements for the regatta July 4, as previously outlined in the GLOBE, were completed.

Gen. J. W. Bishop and family of St. Paul arrived at their Spring Park cottage yesterday, and will spend the season there.

Mrs. Maj. Forbes of St. Paul made a trip to Upper lake yesterday with a party of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence E. Secor of St. Paul are at the Lafayette for the season.

Mrs. A. Troutman and daughter of St. Louis are at the lake for the summer.

FIRST DAY'S RACES.

The Entries and the Favorites in the Pools.

This afternoon the summer meeting of the Minneapolis Driving Park association will open for a season of four days. The program includes a pacing, a trotting and a running race for each day, and a special in addition on the afternoon of the Fourth, in which the great sidewheelers Gem and Mike Wilkes will try conclusions. The entries in to-day's races are as follows:

2:45 Class, Trotting—Purse $400, divided. Thomas B. Marrett enters b. g. Gen. Sibley; J. F. Appleby enters ches. m. Pearl of the West; Peter Silvernail enters br. g. Silvernail; James K. O'Brien enters br. s. Rolla Parvin; Louis Bertrand enters b. g. Little Lue; J. S. Wolf enters br. g. Visitor Sprague; R. Overpeck enters br. g. Black Bob.

2:30 Class, Trotting—Purse $400, divided—C. C. Lyford enters ch. m. Mabel H; Isaac Staples enters br. g. Zig; J. C. Oswald enters bl. m. Topsy; Abe Rohrbach enters br. g. Boston Davis; A. H. Hale enters b. m. Carrie B and H. D. McKinney enters First Call.

Running, three-fourths mile dash for 3-year-olds—purse $250, divided. John Bradford enters b. filly Madelaide and b. h. King Bill; F. H. Metta enters b. f. Coral; L. A. Legg enters ch. f. Alameda.

The interest manifested in the events is unusual for a strictly racing meeting, and last night a large crowd congregated in the rotunda of the Nicollet house to witness or take part in the

POOL SELLING.

At first the sales went slowly. Everybody seemed timid and waited for those best acquainted with the merits of the starters to indicate their preferences. At about 9 o'clock, however, the buyers warmed up and the pools were rattled off by the seller at a great rate. The favorites were quite decidedly favorites. In the running race Bradford's fine filly, Madelaide, was the first choice, with Leon Legg's chestnut, Alameda, a good second, leaving King Bill and Coral a cheap field.

In the 2:45 class O'Brien's Rolla Parvin proved a popular favorite and sold quick and fast. There was no one who manifested the temerity to designate second choice and as a consequence it is a big field selling at about two-thirds first choice money.

There was manifestly no unanimity of opinion respecting the probable winner in the 2:30 class. When the pools opened Carrie B appeared to be the favorite and it was several minutes before the great Barton Davis was selected for second choice. Then Zig was taken for third choice. After a shift had been made, as is usual, by a clever pool manipulator to keep up interest, and this class was reached again, Barton Davis was brought conspicuously to the front as a prime favorite, with Carrie B second, and again Barton Davis sold against all the others entered as the field.

Throughout the evening there was notably an absence of the old-time steering by those who claim to be on the inside. This is certainly a refreshing fact and is indicative that no jobs have been put up. Each horse is to go on his merits, and each winner, it is expected, will be compelled to lower his record.

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N. P. Clark of St. Cloud, the president of the State Fair association, has arrived in the city and will enjoy the turf events of the week.

Every running class has been filled, and there will be from four to seven starters in each.

There will be from four to eight starters in each pacing and running race.

Dr. O. J. Evans has been appointed as judge in the races.

STILL AT IT.

Judge Shaw Talking in the King-Remington Suit.

At 9:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon Judge Shaw resumed the reading of his brief in the King-Remington suit. He spoke rapidly and made few pauses or digressions. As a result he covered a good deal of ground and may be able to conclude his argument this morning.

Judge Shaw first took the theory of the plaintiff, that Remington became a trustee by entering into possession of the property, thereby establishing a relation which would prevent him from becoming the purchaser of the equity of redemption. Upon this point he quoted a number of authorities to show that the law does not hold that a mortgage conveys, but only a security. A mortgagee is often called a trustee, and in a limited sense this character might be attributed to him, for there might be a duty resting upon a mortgagee to discharge a particular claim against the property mortgaged. A mortgagee is bound to account for rents, taxes and profits, and in this respect might be called a trustee, but except in some special sense that was not the relation he bore to the mortgagor. A mortgagee who is in possession is also sometimes spoken of as a tenant, and while the analogy between the two relations is not close, it is difficult to see any reason for denying the right of a mortgagee to purchase and hold adversely to the mortgagor in cases where the tenant would be allowed to purchase and hold against the landlord.

Another ground upon which the plaintiffs claim that Remington became so situated that he could not take under the bankruptcy sale a title adverse to King is the agreement alleged in their replies between King and Remington and Innes in connection. Judge Shaw here read

THE AGREEMENT,

which is denied by the defendants. The facts alleged with respect to the agreement are about as follows: First, that there was to be a sale by the two assignees; second, that King desired to have the title of the assignee procured for him, to the end that the relations between him (King) and Remington might continue without any embarrassment from any claim or title by a third party; third, that King intended to buy in the assignee's title for himself, and to have it bidden for him in trust; fourth, that friends were ready with funds to buy in the property; fifth, that King declared to Remington and Innes such intention; sixth, that it was expressly agreed between Remington and King that the latter should not bid at such sale, but that Remington should have the lands bidden off in his name for the purpose of continuing the trust and relations theretofore existing; seventh, that in pursuance of the agreement King refrained from bidding and the lands were bidden off in Remington's name for $25; that by reason thereof Remington was enabled to get the title of the assignee at a greatly less price than he otherwise could have obtained it. The proof of the agreement which has been offered is entirely verbal. The detailed conversations are received subject to an objection that the same are incompetent, and that under our statute of frauds such a contract cannot be established by parol or verbal testimony, and under the statutes of uses and trusts is void, as being a trust not permitted. This is the position of the defendants. We earnestly contend that the agreement cannot be so established. The statutes of frauds expressly prescribe that only an agreement in writing, signed by the parties, will suffice. Again, this agreement must be looked at in the same way as if any one else, other than King, who had never seen or known Remington, was setting up a claim to redeem this property by it.

The judge then went on at some length to show that the agreement came within the statutes of frauds, combatting the theory that the transaction between King and Remington respecting the bankruptcy sale constitutes a mortgage and can therefore be shown by parol evidence. He also claimed that the agreement was void under the statutes of uses and trusts. Upon these points an elaborate argument was made, and numerous decisions and rulings; cited one feature to which the attention of the court was particularly called was that King alleges that he, Remington and Innes deliberately agree to suppress bidding at the bankruptcy sale, to the end that King might get the lands to make money out of, and that the result was that the property was bid in for $25. If this is true it was a

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upon the assignee, the court of bankruptcy and the general creditors of King. Yet King has the effrontery, after having deliberately concocted and carried out the scheme, to ask a court of equity to decree to him the anticipated fruits of it.

Mr. King, with characteristic abandon and sang froid, says that no one was to derive any benefit from the agreement, which is set up as a reason why Remington should not have the benefit of this purchase from the assignee, which, but for the agreement, he would have had. It was not for Remington's interest with about $300,000 of his own money invested and King in bankruptcy with a personal discharge from his indebtedness, to continue to hold this property as a mortgagee or trustee, with $100,000 to $150,000 of prior liens upon it. Yet King says that in order that he might "speculate," Remington and Innes "thought it best to do this," and then they deliberately used the machinery of the bankrupt court to defeat the object of the bankrupt law.

It would seem that Mr. King had, and yet has, an idea that Mr. Remington was brought into existence, and lived and moved and had his being, and was bound to devote and continue indefinitely to devote his whole fortune with an utter abnegation of his own interests for the express and only purpose of serving and promoting the welfare and glorification of William S. King.

It is characteristic of some people to contemplate the earth and the fullness thereof as belonging to them by a sort of divine right, and to aver that they are wrongfully and fraudulently dealt with if anybody presumes to question their assumptions. It appears likewise that the plaintiff and his learned counsel have an idea that the bankrupt law was a cunningly devised pretense and codification of a system of legalized fraud, a sort of a judicial mill where spendthrifts after borrowing and wasting the substance of credulous and confiding creditors, might put themselves and what they aver to be the valuable remainders and equities of their incumbered estates into the hopper at front and be turned out at the spout at the rear and with a clear discharge and redemption from pursuit by their victims, and all the estate which they had pretended to surrender still in their hands. They should remember the maxim, exturpi causa non oritur actio, or as the same idea is sometimes expressed, "He who asks relief from a court of equity must come with clean hands."

The argument of the plaintiff seems to be that nobody else but Mr. Remington would buy this property; he was compelled to do it in self-defense; it was a matter of doubt as to whether the property was worth enough to pay the liens upon it, but as Mr. Remington did buy it for a nominal sum, subject to and assuming all the liens upon it, and it has risen in value so that it is now worth a large sum in excess of such liens, I now ask the court to decree that Mr. Remington shall account with me for all such surplus value.

After this digression Judge Shaw proceeded to lay down the proposition that the effect of the vesting in Philo Remington of the legal title and equity of redemption of the property which had passed to the assignee in bankruptcy was to merge Remington's lien or mortgage in the legal title thus acquired. He next entered upon a discussion of the relation of the case to Col. Innes and Mr. Menage, declaring that they were clearly free even from suspicion of having acted otherwise than with entire good faith in acquiring a portion of the property which is now the subject of litigation. He continued to read until 4 o'clock, when an adjournment was taken until 9:30 o'clock this morning.

Judge Shaw is now nearly three-fourths through with his argument, and will probably conclude this morning or early this afternoon. He will be followed by Hon. E. M. Wilson for the plaintiffs.

HE WAS INNOCENT.

An Unfortunate School Teacher is Found Not Guilty.

Monday night the police raided a house on First street north, arresting Pearl Hammond, F. G. Hammond and Frank Seymour. The case came up for a trial before Judge Mahoney yesterday afternoon. The charge against the Hammonds was keeping a house of ill-fame, and they gave bonds in the sum of $75 each to appear July 3 for trial. Seymour stood trial. The officers testified to the bad character of the house, and Seymour made a very affecting plea for his acquittal. He stated that he was a teacher and accountant; that he had come here and made a futile attempt to secure employment; that he had made the acquaintance of a man with whom he had agreed to go to Casselton, Dak., to seek employment on a farm; that the man proposed that he could get his laundry work done cheaper at a private house than in a public laundry, and consequently the defendant gave him his linen to have it washed. On Monday night, having been given the directions, the witness started out to get his washing. He called at the house of the Hammond's and made inquiry, and just as he was about to leave was arrested. With tears in his eyes he concluded: "As God is my judge, your honor, I never insulted nor made an improper proposition to a woman in my life, and I am as innocent of any wrong in this case as a babe. All I want to do is to get employment and earn something for the support of my little family I left in the East."

"The case is dismissed," quietly contemplated the court.

DISTRICT COURT BRIEFS.

Assignment Litigations--Jury Cases Reset for Court Trial.

R. H. Prosser, assignee of Elwin & Hartley, yesterday commenced an action in the district court against Isabella J. Hartley, alleging that on Jan. 2, 1885, Elwin & Hartley made an assignment to Henry Hartley, a relative of one of the firm. Feb. 12 Hartley was removed, and R. H. Prosser, the plaintiff, appointed in his stead, who now charges that William Hartley delivered to Isabella Hartley, the wife of Henry Hartley, his promissory note for $700, giving for security a mortgage on real estate in Remington's Second addition; that a conveyance of the property was made without any consideration, and to secure a preference for Henry Hartley and to defraud other creditors of William Hartley. It is claimed also that in a similar manner he had conveyed to the defendant a mortgage and note for $1,500, without consideration, and with intent to defraud. Wherefore it is asked that the conveyances be declared void and that the plaintiff, as assignee, be entitled to recover possession of the property. An order was made by Judge Lochren restraining the defendant from disposing of the property.

ABANDONMENT OF PROCEEDINGS.

In the proceedings of the St. Paul & Northern Pacific Railway company, to acquire lands for a right of way on the East side, a notice of abandonment of proceedings was yesterday filed by D. A. Secombe, attorney for the road, in regard to the following lands: A strip of land sixty feet wide, extending through lots 2, 3, 4, block 3, St. Anthony, belonging to Henry Hechtman; part of lots 5 and 6, block 3, Henry Hechtman owner; a piece of land forty feet wide, extending in a southerly direction, between Hechtman's and Orth's additions to St. Anthony.

CASES RESET.

The following jury cases in which jury trials were waived were yesterday set for court trial in the district court: July 7, C. A. Eels vs. St. Paul & Northern Pacific Railroad Company; O. L. Haskell vs. John Judge; July 8, E. C. Anderson, respondent, vs. Mordecai White, appellant; Emily Olson vs. St. Paul Fire & Marine Insurance Company; July 9, Charles B. Lang vs. George B. Shepherd et al.; J. G. Jackson et al. vs. Emily R. Holbrook; E. P. Hawthorne vs. City Bank of Minneapolis; Vinette Lincoln, appellant, vs. L. L. Stanchfield, respondent; July 10, Roderick La Belle vs. Hennepin County Catholic Building and Loan Association; Mary McGrail vs. Elijah Farrington; July 13, Minneapolis Union Railway Company vs. Caroline Bulchers; Minneapolis Union Railway Company vs. Joseph Deslauer.

CURRENT COMMENT.

While the matter of selecting a candidate for the appointment to the position of engineer at the city hall was under discussion in committee meeting yesterday, Ald. Cutler pertinently remarked: "It is not so much how much a man knows as it is how much he will do. It is not all who will conscientiously do their best," and Ald. Walsh coincided with the theory expressed.

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"My idea is," said Ald. Cutter, "an engineer should not only be a competent and reliable engineer, but he should also be a practical mechanic, capable of doing ordinary bench repairing. Such a man would save the city many dollars in the course of a year. One very urgent applicant persisted in arguing his claim for the appointment and I asked him what he is now receiving and what he expected the city to pay him. He said he was getting $70 a month, and he thought the city ought to give him at least $100. I advised him to go right back to his work. An engineer who is dissatisfied with $70 these hard times would not be satisfied with anything the city can afford."

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"Sixth avenue south, across the Milwaukee tracks, is in a disgraceful condition," was the pointed language which Ald. Cutter used at the city hall yesterday. "It should be paved, and at the expense of the railway company."

"It is not half as bad as the crossing on South Second street," interposed Ald. Hashow. "It is almost impassable, and the council should do something about it at once."

"It is not of so much importance," continued Ald. Cutter, compromisingly. "Twenty-five, yes, fifty teams have to pass along Sixth avenue while one crosses the Second street crossing."

"Simply because it is impossible for them to cross Second street," persisted Ald. Hashow. The dialogue was continued at some length, the upshot being to the effect that something should be done to correct the evils, and Ald. Cutter volunteered to call upon Supt. Prior on behalf of the city.

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"I cannot give the press a single pointer regarding the census of the city," said Mr. Case yesterday, "and possibly I may not be able to furnish any information for the public until fall. We are doing the best we can, compiling everything as fast as we can gather in our lists, but it is a mighty sight bigger job than we had contemplated. Will we exceed 100,000? Now, as I said before, I shall give out no tips," and he winked significantly.

Mayor Pillsbury has decided to deliver no address to the Mexican editors to-morrow. That is right. There is no excuse for inflicting municipal eloquence on a party of innocent foreigners who have done nobody any harm.

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It has been said over and over again by the directors of the Masonic Temple association that the matter of a bonus would settle the question of location. Perhaps the present boom to Sixth and Nicollet comes in the line of a bonus?

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Law is sometimes singularly inconsistent. The other day two prominent business men were arrested for participation in a little game in which they had $1 on the table before them. Every day men go into the Wong Pong Foo tea store and play for a dollar, but they are not disturbed. Then was one man played for a dollar and lost and, as losers generally do, he "squealed" and wanted the concern raided at once. He went to the city attorney, who sent him to the county attorney, but that important official was too busy to wait on him. If it had been a small game of poker, 25-cent ante, but with an equal chance all around, there is no official but would have had an abundance of time. The Grocers' union found it could do nothing with the tea men and dropped the whole matter.

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The man who paid $1 and found $50 in gold in the can of coffee, will say the tea company is a great institution. It is only the loser who denounces it as a giant swindle. No sensible man will suppose every one who pays $1 will draw $20, and every one who invests banks on his luck, allowing the affair is honest, and should do his kicking before he buys. A moment's thought will show that for every purchaser who draws a pair of $10 "solitaire diamond ear drops, in gold setting," there are 100 who get nothing but a trumpery piece of jewelry, worth $2.50 a gross, for this concern is no eleemosynary institution. It plays for suckers, to use a slang phrase, and gets plenty of them.

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Since the purchase by C. A. Pillsbury of the $130,000 motor line bonds Col. McCrory has worn his old-time ruddy smile. He says the line will now have a square chance to work itself out of debt, which it has every prospect of doing. It is not alone the thousands of people who get an outing at the lakes by means of the road who will rejoice at any step likely to keep the line as it is, but by those hundreds, as well, who are compelled to live where lots are not held at $1,200 a front foot, and who must have cheap and rapid transit in and out.

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This is the time of year when the insurance man anxiously cranes his neck and breaks his back to watch the flight of a rocket over property on which he carries risks. When you see a man with his eyes riveted on the paper balloon as it sails away like a floating star you may know insurance is his line of business.

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Some of the handsomest residence property in the city is being disfigured by the erection of fences. The beauty of many of our streets was their long lines of smooth, velvety lawns, with not a fence for blocks to break the beautiful monotony, and it is a matter of regret that some owners have seen fit to put up those unsightly palings. Why is it done?

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To-day the new postal regulation goes into effect, which makes the rate for first-class mail matter 2 cents per ounce instead of 2 cents per half ounce as heretofore. The special 10-cent stamp which insures the immediate delivery of a letter up to 10 p. m. can also be used on and after to-day.

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Owing to the unusual press of business in the district court, the special term calendar on Saturdays will be continued through the summer. It has been customary to discontinue the special terms from the second Saturday in July to the second Saturday in September, but the King-Remington suits have thrown the business of the courts too far behind to allow the judges their usual vacations this year.

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"I feel highly gratified at the success we have met with in preparing for our races," remarked Secretary Jones last evening. "We have done it against big opposition. There are four competing meetings in the Northwest this week, but we have raised the money and secured the entries, and now all we want is the people. The purses are all assured, and if we get the attendance our expenses will be paid."

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"I don't think that Boston Davis stands a ghost of a show to win the 2:30 race," said a veteran turfman. "He has sold favorite, but I bought Carrie B as a favorite," and this is a fair example of general opinion.

They Want More Applications.

The committee from the city council on public grounds and buildings met in adjourned session yesterday and took up the matter of appointing an engine and an elevator man at the city hall. Some eight applications for the former appointment were read. Of the number one had the certificate of a chief engineer and the others certificates of assistants. Ald. Walsh moved that the chairman of the committee be requested to receive further applications together with certificates, and when he estimates that he has received a sufficient number, to call another meeting of the committee for action, and the motion prevailed.

The Western Union Telegraph company having asked for a reduction in its rent in case the office of the superintendent be removed to St. Paul, vacating his room in the city hall, the committee considered the petition in its different phases and decided to report adversely.

Mysterious Shooting.

The East side portion of the police department has been endeavoring for two days to ferret out a case of mysterious shooting, but in vain. The principals to the little affair here so persistently kept their lips sealed that no reliable clue has yet been obtained. All that is known about it is that a quarrel ensued between two gamblers while playing in sporting rooms on the East side. After a liberal exchange of very uncomplimentary epithets the two whipped out their derringers in the true old Texas style. Only one bullet, it is said, in the fusilade took effect. That struck one of the men in the shoulder and passed down the back some ten inches, and was extracted by a surgeon's knife.

MINNEAPOLIS GLOBULES.

Gust Larsen indiscreetly bathed in the city limits and his fine was $1 only.

The city council will meet this evening and the water board will meet to-morrow.

Claud Adams, Ella Palmer and Kitty Reynolds each paid a fine of $52.50 for keeping bagnios.

A shoot of considerable local interest will be held by the Gun club to-day at the range near Minnehaha.

K. M. Riner returned home yesterday from Fergus Falls, where he was a successful bidder on public works.

A fire broke out in a small mill on Sibley street on the East side yesterday noon, but before the department arrived it had been extinguished.

The medical staff at the St. Barnabas hospital believe that Andrew Bims, the colored man who was run over on Chestnut avenue on Monday, will recover.

Thomas Green, an employe of Clark's cafe, complains that he was clubbed and held up near the chamber of commerce the other evening and robbed of nearly a dollar.

Frank Grand and W. A. King, two painters, were thrown to to the ground, a distance of about thirty feet, Monday night by a swinging scaffolding giving way, while they were employed on a Western avenue house. Grand was dangerously injured, but King escaped with slight bruises.

Arthur B. Chase and Effie D. Gage, Gustav Gottwerth and Minnie Eastman, Hugh McMillan and Susan Cook, Henry Killmer and Christina Willy, Herbert Archibald and Clara Underhill, F. J. Hall and Lydia M. Zabner, Cornelius R. Peterson and Grace Thompson, Nels L. Anderson of New York and Magdeline H. Strop of New York yesterday obtained marriage licenses.

An alleged former temperance enthusiast named McGinty, living on the corner of Lyndale and Sixth avenue north, "fell from grace" yesterday and got gloriously drunk. He went home and nearly frightened his family to death by menacing them with a knife and later with a huge carving knife. He slept in the calaboose last night.

MINNEAPOLIS PERSONALS.

Dr. and Mrs. L. A. Bull of Buffalo are at the West.

A. E. Rayner, Andover, Dak., Gazette, is at the St. James.

George B. Hush, teller of Hush's bank, is quite ill, threatened with a typhoid fever attack.

A. P. Beard has returned from an extended tour to Lowell, Mass., and other points.

V. O. Hush, who has been spending a few weeks in Boston, is expected home this morning.

Hon. E. W. Durant and Isaac Staples of Stillwater were registered at the Nicollet yesterday.

Judge Baxter of Fergus Falls left for home last evening, after spending several days in this city.

George H. Jackson arrived home yesterday from his visit to Toronto, and reports a most enjoyable trip.

Henry Strobach, the extensive brick manufacturer of Chaska, was in the city yesterday, and he closed a good fat contract.

William Burns of the Morgan Post drum corps returned last evening from the national G. A. R. encampment at Portland, Maine.

Ivar Holstrom, who has been in the city for two weeks past in the interest of the Inman Steamship line, returned to New York last week.

Roswell Miller, general manager; A. C. Bird, general freight agent; D. W. Keyes, first assistant freight agent, composed a party of Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway officials at the West yesterday.

Frank A. McMillan, of McBride, Armstrong & Co. of Chicago, has arrived in the city to take charge of the pool selling for the races of the Driving Park association. He will be assisted by Messrs. Lou Phillips, H. Harris and C. F. Fife, also of Chicago.

Minneapolis Real Estate.

YESTERDAY'S TRANSFERS.

Twenty-three warranty deeds were filed yesterday with the register of deeds, as follows:

Lts 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, blk 9, Sandy Lake add; S R Nettleton to Willis Baker	$2,500
Lts 14, 15, 16, 17, blk 1, Avery's Chicago av add; H W Smith to E L Stone	2,500
Lt 4, blk 16, Gale's 2d av add; Nels Berstrom to Emma Oleson	2,000
Lt 9, blk 14, J T Blaisdell's add; L Laramee to James Chalmers	1,500
Part of lt 6, blk 7, St Anthony; Harriet A Roger to G J Backus	1,500
Lts 9, 10, blk 2, Baker's 2d add; Elizabeth S Van Anda to Mary M Sagree	1,800
Lts 4 and 5, blk 9, Baker's 2d add; C H Stevens to J D Root	1,600
Lt 12, blk 2, Swensen Bros' add; P P Swensen to E O Brown and Ole Brown	1,000
Lt 14, blk 1, Blooming Prairie add; Mary B Whitmore to Abby H Abbott	2,800
Lt 2, blk 168, Minneapolis; Jas Bulger to Heinrich Bros	9,000
Lt 1, Stoneman's rearr of e ½ of blk 3, Peters' add; Antonette Bakke to D H Murray	2,500
Lt 17, blk 3, Stillman's add; G W Johnson to A B Clampet	3,000
Eleven miscellaneous deeds, the considerations of which are less than $1,000	4,027
Total	$35,727

YESTERDAY'S PERMITS.

Inspector Pardee yesterday issued the following permits to build:

Thomas Currey, 2-story 7-room wooden dwelling, w side Girard av, bet 18th and 20th sw	$700
J Woodward, 2-story 8-room wooden dwelling, s side 23d st, bet 14th and 15th avs sw	1,500
Olaf Thompson, 2-story 8-room wooden dwelling, 5th st and 22d av sw	900
Halver Fergusted, 2-story 8-room brick dwelling, E side 23d av, bet 5th and 6th sts s	1,300
Two minor permits	300
Total permits, 6; estimated cost	$4,700

GENUINE DIAMOND FOUND IN TEA

The Merchants' Tea Company

Have opened a branch store in this city. Their teas and coffees are put up in paper canisters. Weight of coffee can and contents, about three pounds; weight of tea can and contents, about one and one-half pounds. This company, as a method of advertisement, place souvenirs in every can ranging in value from 10 cents to $50, such as solid gold, silver and nickel watches, genuine diamonds and other jewelry. But after thirty days these choice teas and coffees will be sold wholly on their merits, at the same price, quality and quantity, but without the souvenirs. Orders by mail promptly forwarded to all parts of the United States, and should be accompanied by cash, postoffice order, and addressed Merchants' Tea company, 302 Nicollet avenue, Minneapolis. Prices—Single cans, $1; six for $5, and thirteen for $10. Among the fortunate purchasers yesterday were: A. L. Linquist, 322 Nicollet avenue, genuine diamond stud; Miss Laura Barbour, 19 Twelfth street north, miss's solid gold ring; Mrs. B. Haberbush, 2424 Third av