MINNEAPOLIS NEWS.

Nicollet Island the Scene of a Fire That Causes a Loss of Sixty Thousand Dollars.

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FOOD FOR THE FLAMES.

The Island Mill Company's Building Burned--Over $40,000 Loss.

Nicollet Island was visited by a fire yesterday afternoon, entailing a loss of about $40,000, and which will result in throwing fifty people out of employment. The fire was first discovered in a pile of shavings, lying near a small barn owned by the Northwestern Furniture company, and hand grenades were thrown upon the flames until the stock of grenades had become exhausted. The fire alarm was then turned in from the box on Central avenue, but by the time of the first arrival of the department the barn had been consumed. The barn contained a span of horses and three cutters besides a small amount of feed. The horses were taken out with much difficulty, but nothing else was saved. To everybody's surprise the flames communicated to the large four-story manufacturing building owned by the Island Power company. The fire department experienced great difficulty in getting to work. The only water main on the island is on Central avenue, several blocks distant from the fire, and the precipitous banks of the river forbade the use of the stream until another length of suction hose could be procured, which occupied considerable valuable time. By this time the flames had made great headway. One of the sections of the manufacturing block, which is divided into five sections, was hopelessly burned. A second alarm was sent in, calling out the entire department. It was supposed that the different sections were divided by absolutely fire-proof walls. This, however, proved a delusion. Section C had burned, and suddenly section B was discovered on fire. This was occupied by the Northwestern Furniture company and Zerbaugh Bros., picture frame and mouldings manufacturers. The combustible nature of the materials gave the fire a terrific impetus, and it was feared that the entire row must fall prey, but fortunately the partition wall between sections A and B proved a sufficient barrier and the fire was stopped. The two sections, however, had been gutted. The walls were alone left, with a portion of the roof.

THE SUFFERERS.

The building was owned by the Island Power company, of which W. W. Eastman is agent and treasurer. The company's loss depends largely upon the fact of whether or not the walls of the building are damaged or ruined. If the walls can be used again, the loss will not exceed $6,000, upon which there is insurance in companies represented by E. B. Ames aggregating $5,000.

Zerbaugh Bros., occupying a portion of section B, suffer a loss on machinery and mouldings in stock amounting to $3,500, upon which they hold an insurance of $1,400 in companies represented by W. A. Barnes.

The Northwestern Furniture company was the heaviest sufferer. Everything was burned and the machinery was practically ruined. The loss will amount to $15,000, upon which there was insurance in companies represented by E. Eichorn, amounting to $6,100.

McAfee & Wing owned and run the grist mill. They estimate their loss at $7,000, but held an insurance of only $3,000 in companies represented by W. A. Barnes.

E. M. Miller owned the feed mill and had not 1 cent of insurance. His loss will reach $4,000.

W. Paine, manufacturer of graham and oat meal flour, suffered a loss of $1,500 and had no insurance.

T. Strickle, proprietor of the brush factory, in the third story of section C, had no insurance and lost $3,500 in machinery and stock.

LOSS AND INSURANCE.

The following is a recapitulation of the losses:

Island Power company	$6,000
Northwestern Furniture company	15,000
Zerbaugh Bros	3,500
McAfee & Wing	7,000
E. M. Miller	4,000
E. S. Coffin	1,000
W. Paine	1,500
T. Strickler	3,500
Total	$41,500

The insurance was as follows:

In companies represented by E. B. Ames:	
Island Power company—	
Franklin Insurance company	$1,500
City of London	1,500
Home Mutual	1,000
Detroit Fire & Marine	1,000
In companies represented by W. A. Barnes:	
McAfee & Wing—	
Fireman's Fund	$1,000
Travelers' Insurance company	1,000
Rhode Island, Providence	1,000
Zerbaugh Bros.—	
Travelers' Insurance company	600
Fireman's Fund	800
E. S. Coffin—	
Concordia, N. Y.	500
In companies represented by E. Eichhorn:	
Northwestern Furniture company—	
Washington of Providence	$1,000
Germania of New York	2,500
Hamburg of Bremen	1,600
Imperial of New York	1,000
Total	$6,100

THE CITY COUNCIL.

An Exceedingly Talkative Session Held Last Night.

At last night's meeting of the city council a communication was received from the committee of invitation asking that a delegation of eight be appointed to attend the river improvement convention to be held in St. Paul. The invitation was accepted and the president directed to appoint delegates.

City Assessor Case was granted a leave of absence for ten days.

The city attorney reported back the matter of the controversy growing out of the taking of a strip of land from A. M. Reed, in extending Mary place, recommending that a warrant for $3,700 be drawn in favor of Mr. Reed. The warrant was ordered drawn.

A warrant was ordered drawn in favor of John Kelly for $17 on account of an erroneous assessment. The months' budget of bills was ordered paid.

It was voted that the sum of $60 be paid to E. M. Titterude, in full payment for claims for damages owing to change of grade.

The committee on claims moved that the claim of Joseph Cullen for damages alleged to have occurred from settling of a sewer, be reported adversely. The same report was made respecting the claims of William Chambers, of John Burns, of John Ring, John Leonard, Emmerson Townsend.

The clerk was directed to draw a warrant in favor of S. H. Lindly for the sum of $800, for land taken in opening up and extending Portland avenue.

NEW ADDITIONS.

The standing committee on streets, grades and additions recommended that the plats of the following new additions be adopted, and they were so adopted:

Whitcomb's subdivision, in blocks 18, 19, 38 and 39, in Murphy's addition.

Washington avenue addition to Minneapolis.

Kalkhoff's subdivision of lots 8 and 9, block 3, of Cornell's Third addition.

Johnson's subdivision of part of block 80 of Minneapolis.

Upon motion of the committee on fire department it was voted to purchase 4,000 feet of hose, relief valves and nozzles, and that the proposed triangular piece of land fronting on the easterly side of the North Minneapolis hose house be not purchased.

The standing committee on sewers reported in favor of granting the petition of John Follan to be released from his sewer contract and the report was granted.

The motion to appropriate $500 for a drain in the Seventh ward was taken from the table upon motion of Ald. Gibson. The proposition provoked considerable discussion, but was finally carried, and Ald. Hashow moved to have $500 set aside for a drain in the Third ward. Referred to the city engineer.

GUERILLA WARFARE.

Ald. Fleetham moved that the motion granting to the John Orth Brewing company the right to lay a drain-pipe from the brewery to the public sewer be reconsidered. The motion was spiritedly debated for a half hour. Ald. Hashow, Fleetham and Lawrence ventilated their oratory, as did a First warder. The motion being carried, the matter was referred to the alderman of the Seventh ward and the city engineer with power to act.

Ald. Cooley called from the table the motion to procure art portraits of the ex-mayors of the city, to be hung in the council chamber. Ald. Cooley moved that the report of the committee on ways and means, to the effect that the paintings be procured, be adopted. This brought Ald. Johnson to his feet, who opposed most strenuously the motion, owing to the probable cost.

Ald. Cooley then explained that the expense to the city would be a mere bagatelle, probably not over $100. The principal expense would be in getting the paintings framed. After further discussion Ald. Cooley said:

"I will withdraw my motion. I did not suppose such a little matter would kick up such r row or I never would have called it up. I consider this opposition very small." The motion was withdrawn and the measure killed.

Ald. Hashow moved that a warrant be drawn in favor of W. W. Sly for the sum of $235 to defray the expenses of the committee on workhouse during its eastern trip. Referred to the committee on claims.

Ald. Sly moved that the council appoint a page whose duty it shall be to carry messages to and from the various desks. Ald. Johnson fought the project, and moved to lay the motion on the table and the motion prevailed.

The city engineer was instructed to notify the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway company to construct culverts at the Nicollet and Hennepin avenue crossings.

The same, too, was requested to place a water-proof floor on the lower Washington avenue viaduct.

The city clerk was directed to purchase scrap-books for each alderman's desk, in which are to be kept pasted the printed proceedings of the council for reference.

It was voted that the superintendent of the fire and police telegraph system be instructed to report to the council as soon as possible as to the practicability and cost of placing underground the wires of the city telegraph and alarm service.

Adjourned.

A SAFE HAUL.

Burglars Get in Successful Work at Thielan's Hotel.

When the clerk at Thielan's hotel, corner Central avenue and Fifth street southeast, arose yesterday morning he found thieves had been there since he had gone. A smell of powder prevaded the room and the safe in the corner was badly torn and bursted. During the night burglars had entered the room and had twice drilled the safe, the second attempt resulting in blowing it open. Some checks and papers, a watch and chain and $115 in cash had been taken, and the haul was a profitable one. The papers were of no value, and the checks will only serve to expose the thieves should they attempt to use them. The police were notified, and an examination convinced them the work had been professionally done, yet, notwithstanding that, they arrested five or six boarders upon the knowledge only that they had been out late the night before. They were dismissed for want of evidence. But how some of the boarders could have slept through the racket that inevitably attended the blowing is a mystery.

Several of the officers who examined the safe pronounced the work that of an expert. The operator was probably one of the crowd of crooks alleged to have recently come to the city.

CROTON OIL IN THE PIE

Caused a Shooting Affray--Montgomery Taken Back.

Yesterday afternoon Detective Quinlan went into the Theatre Comique and arrested a colored man named Sam Montgomery, placing him in the lockup to to await extradition to Keokuk, where he is wanted on a charge of assault with a dangerous weapon. Quinlan had orders to arrest him, which he did, but the only story obtainable is that of the negro himself. He told the affair to a GLOBE reporter, saying there was no reason for lying up here, as it would not help him down there. Last summer he was head meat cook at the Stanley house at Keokuk. A girl named Brown was head pastry cook at the time and made him the unintentional victim of a joke. She had a grudge against a fellow-servant and for his benefit made a tempting pie, into which she placed croton oil. The man ate the pie and Montgomery assisted him. When the well-known effects of croton oil began to play on their interior organisms the man wanted to kill the woman, but was restrained by Montgomery. The girl ran and returned with a revolver. Montgomery told her not to fire, and to scare her displayed his own weapon. Nothing daunted, she cocked her pistol, and, to save his life, Montgomery fired. The ball struck her in the hand and arm, disabling, but not fatally wounding her. He fled from the city, and, in the meantime, the grand jury returned an indictment against him. This is his story, told with every appearance of truth.

A requisition is on its way, and when indorsed by Gov. Hubbard the negro will be taken back to Keokuk.

MILLS AND MARKETS.

Waiting for the Threshing--Operation of the Rollers.

Milling has been extremely dull all of this month, not more on account of repairs to the canal than from the sluggish condition of the market, the millers not producing preferring to buy for orders to starting up their mills. The Miller will review the situation this week as follows:

THE GRAIN MARKET.

There has been some life on 'change the past week, the rapid and steady decline in values pushing the shorts to cover and developing some desire to buy on the part of the few who hold bullish views. The volume of business has not been large, but there are many signs which augur a healthy and lively season when the crop begins to move freely. But little new wheat has come in as yet, although the threshers have been busy for ten days or more, and it is the opinion of many that farmers will hold their wheat as long as possible, the majority of them seeming to have inflated views of the future of prices, "dollar wheat" being freely talked about in many sections. The local papers seem to believe that there is a determination on the part of millers and elevator men to let the first heavy shipments of the new crop go by this city to aid in breaking prices at the lake ports, but the fact that much of the crop has been damaged makes it certain that the hard wheat will be kept in this vicinity for use by our mills, although they will not hinder the passage of the inferior grades to other markets.

The verdict of the threshers is anxiously awaited. Latest reports from the North indicate that the harvest this side of the boundary line will not be finished for ten days or more, the fields in some portions of the Red river valley being under water to an extent that prevents the entrance of machines, but as a whole, the harvest has progressed quite favorably, and the crop promises to turn out better than many have anticipated.

DOINGS OF THE MILLS.

The operations of our mills were on a considerably larger scale last week, there being five mills in operation part of the time. The flour output of the week was 60,558 barrels—averaging 10,143 barrels daily—against 24,826 barrels the preceding week, and 100,104 bbls for the corresponding week in 1884. This week there are six mills running, all but one of which are of the larger class. They are turning out about 10,000 barrels daily. As for next week, there is some uncertainty about the product holding out as strong. There are about even chances for some 6,500 barrles daily being cut off by the shutting down of two of the mills now running. The flour market is quiet and very dull, some millers reporting a drop of 25 cents per barrel in prices on account of the decline in wheat.

IN THE GLOAMING.

Pleasant Afternoon Wedding on Ninth Street South.

Another afternoon wedding was celebrated yesterday, and the beautiful custom seems to be growing in favor—not the custom of marrying, but of marrying in the afternoon. On this occasion Miss Helen Cowles became Mrs. E. B. Hayford, through the medium of a wedding ceremony conducted by Rev. R. G. Hutchins. The wedding took place at No. 29 Ninth street south, the home of Mrs. J. Cowles, mother of the bride. The parlors were brilliantly illuminated within with the light of day excluded, and the wedding was in full dress. Dressed in cream satin, with lace, covered with a flowing veil of tulle and ornamented with diamonds, the bride looked her finest. The rooms were comfortably filled with friends and relatives, who heard with the usual interest the beautiful service as conducted by Dr. Hutchins. An informal reception followed, after which the party sat down to a wedding supper, exquisitely served. The happy pair took the evening train on the Milwaukee road for a short trip to Chicago and points further East. In ten days they will be at home at their new residence, No. 627 Eighth avenue north.

The groom, Mr. Hayford, is the popular traveler for Dale, Barnes, Morse & Co., and enjoys the respect and esteem of his employers and a large circle of friends. The bride is a popular society young lady, noted for her beauties of heart and grace of mind.

MENTIONED FOR MAYOR,

But Wouldn't Have it--Metempsychosis of the Colonel.

In the preliminary scanning of a still somewhat distant political field for suitable and promising material of which to construct a candidate for mayor of Minneapolis, it is said the portly and distinguished form of Col. John T. West fills up the mental horizon of quite a number of politicians. It is even said that at a recent meeting of public men, unmarked by party bias, the name of the owner of the big hotel was brought conspicuously foward. But Col. John T., while he feels, with Thurman, that such an office might honor any man, is not looking for offices and says he would not have it. However, having been mentioned, the GLOBE feels justified in presenting a view of his features to the reading world of the Northwest:

NOT SO MYSTERIOUS, EITHER.

The column of "Sharps and Flats" in the Chicago News of a recent date contained the following pertinent story of a "mysterious disappearance:"

Minneapolis some time ago had a case of mysterious disappearance that we believe has never been published. Jack West was a jolly fellow who kept a neat and orderly little saloon across from one of the railway depots. Jack had been a conductor, and of course his place was the resort of the railroad boys. They sat about his stove on winter evenings and spun their yarns about the big runs they had made and the close calls they had had, and Jack got many a good dime of their pay and in return gave them good "goods" and now and then a piece of advice as to how to vote, for Jack liked to dabble in a small way in ward politics. Other people, too, patronize Jack, for everybody knew him and everybody liked him. One day a rich uncle of Jack's came up from Cincinnati to see his nephew and the city by the falls. The old gentleman was pleased with the city and glad to find his nephew so jolly a sort of chap. Indeed, he was so pleased with both the city and his nephew that he spent two or three millions, as the Minneapolitans say, in building a vast hotel. When the hotel was built and paid for he deeded the whole establishment over to Jack. From that time on Jack West has been missing. Nobody has ever seen him since, and, strange to say, nobody has seemed interested in looking him up. About the time Jack West, the jolly, popular ex-conductor, disappeared, Col. John West, a courteous gentleman, came upon the scene. At once Col. John West became one of the most prominent personages in Minneapolis society. Whenever anything was to be done the people gathered about Col. John West to ask his opinion of it; and his opinion at once became their opinion. He was courted and flattered and banqueted, and his name was upon everybody's lips and in all the newspapers. If he turned around it was a public event. But all this time, and to this day, poor Jack West has never been seen nor hardly thought of. Wherever he is, he must sometimes be provoked to smile at the honors that are heaped on Col. John West, who, it should be said, is about as good-natured, if a little more dignified, and about as companionable as Jack West used to be.

KILLED BY THE CARS.

Conductor Jones Run Over by a H. & D. Freight Train.

John Jones, an old conductor on the I. & M. division of the Milwaukee road, was run over and killed shortly after midnight yesterday morning, by the late train on the Hastings & Dakota road. He left here on Tuesday evening at 11:30 o'clock, on train No. 11, in charge of Conductor Carey, to go to Milbank, Dak., to harvest. Upon leaving the yards he got into the engine, and stayed there until the train passed the shops, when he got out and started back over the freight cars for the caboose. The last seen of him was when he was climbing a car, and though missed, the trainmen thought nothing unusual of his disappearance. Yesterday morning Conductor Armstrong of incoming train No. 6, found the body lying on the track a few yards from the Hennepin avenue crossing. It is supposed Jones missed his footing and fell beneath the wheels. The head and body, including the right arm, were frightfully mangled and death was instantaneous. The remains, upon identification, were brought into the city and placed in the morgue.

Jones was formerly a conductor of freights on the same division. His age was 33 years. He had been divorced and his former wife is now living at Hampton, Iowa. His brother, A. Jones, lives at Morris, Minn., and will be here to-day, in answer to a dispatch. Coroner Hill decided an inquest unnecessary.

A RISE OF PRICE.

Minneapolis Lumbermen Making an Estimate With This in View.

The Lumberman's exchange held a meeting last evening for the purpose of consulting about the proposed raise in the price of lumber. An estimate of logs, old and new, in the booms, placed the total amount at 145,000,000 feet, although it is thought an accurate count will lower this somewhat. An estimate of the amount of lumber in the yards was 210,000,000. Another meeting will be held this evening, when B. F. Nelson will submit a report, based upon figures taken from the books of the members, which will furnish an accurate estimate. Upon his report it is expected to ascertain whether the supply will warrant a raise of price.

The following committee was appointed to attend the river convention at St. Paul, Sept. 3: H. L. Gordon, B. F. Nelson, John DeLaittre, James Goodnow and George A. Camp.

CURRENT COMMENT.

The city council met in the new chamber last evening. A difficulty not anticipated is found in the acoustic properties. The aldermen when arranged around the hall, by wards, found it impossible, owing to the "wave sounds," to understand the clerk as he read petitions, communications, etc. At one time the circumstance was so aggravating that Ald. Sly moved for an intermission in which to rearrange desks and seats so that the aldermen should be nearer the president's desk. After huddling around the clerk's table, the aldermen found that they could hear better.

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Ald. Cooley is of the opinion that the city will have to adopt some method which will break the wave sounds, and suggests that wires be strung through the council chamber. He believes that would remedy the evil.

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The new incandescent lights in the council chamber are not strong enough to satisfactorily illuminate the room.

LAKE MINNETONKA.

The Masonic Picnic a Success--General Gossip.

The first annual excursion and picnic, given under the auspices of the Blue lodge of Master Masons of Minneapolis at Lake Minnetonka yesterday, was one of the finest and most successful affairs of the kind that has ever taken place at the lake. The picnickers came out on the Minneapolis & St. Louis road. At Lake Park they were met by the steamer Belle of Minnetonka and taken to the picnic grounds at Chapman's in the Upper lake. There was no regular program. It had been expected that an address would be delivered by C. H. Benton, Esq., of Minneapolis, but he was unavoidably absent. H. R. Denny, the grand master of the state, who was expected, was not present. Short speeches were made by Secretary A. C. T. Pierson of St. Paul, W. P. Roberts, Col. Hooker, C. M. Foote, R. G. Evans and A. C. Kilvington of Minneapolis. At 4 o'clock, after having spent a most enjoyable day, they again went aboard the Belle, which made the excursion of the Lower lake, landing at Lake Park for the 5:25 train. Very few took this train, the majority waiting for the special which left at 8:30, and there were quite a number who waited for the last train at 10:30. In the evening the Lake Park pavilion was thrown open and dancing indulged in by a large number. Taken altogether everything passed off more smoothly than it generally does in affairs of this kind and there were no troublesome hitches or delays whatever. E. W. Mortimer of the Minneapolis & St. Louis road had charge of the party and credit should be given him for the excellent way in which he handled so large a party. The general Masonic committee who were the organizers, and made all arrangements for this their first annual picnic, consisted of C. P. Boyse of Cataract Lodge No. 2; Jacob Breyer of Hennepin Lodge No. 4; E. E. Brand of Minneapolis Lodge No. 19; George A. Todd of Huron Lodge No. 112; W. A. Miller of Plymouth Lodge No. 150. The proceeds of the picnic will be given to Masonic Relief association.

Zion Commandery, Sir Knight John C. Schlener commander, which accompanied the Master Masons, gave a drill on the Lake Park grounds in the evening.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

At the Lafayette: George W. Morrison, J. O. Heyworth, H. T. Lawoan, Chicago; Hugh J. Macdonald, wife and family, Winnipeg, Man.; Will G. Barrett, Adele Newhall Barrett, Galena, Ill.; G. P. Douglass, Mrs. W. H. Hinckle and child, Mrs. Clarke, Miss Clarke, W. A. Nimocks, Mrs. A. Buckman, H. H. Robinson, C. C. Bovey, Miss H. Bovey, George B. Shepherd and wife, F. R. Shepherd, Harry K. Cole, C. M. Webster, Miss Webster, Mr. Chadbourne, Miss Chadbourne, Minneapolis; E. A. Campbell and wife, E. P. Peterson, Miss Corde, Litchfield, Minn.; Miss E. L. Carpenter, Thomas Kerr, A. S. Brisbin, F. V. Van Duzee, C. F. Wetherold, R. Hilgerd, Oscar Claussen, St. Paul; Mrs. W. B. Dean, Master Willie Dean, Mrs. H. Kerrehval, Miss Lizzie Berris, Misses Mary and Hasia Rohan, St. Louis; S. W. Bayan, Westfield, Mass.; Mrs. A. Hinkle, Cincinnati; L. M. Maus and wife, Mrs. O. H. Holt, Bismarck, Dak.; W. W. Vernon, Chicago; Mrs. E. J. McCan, Miss McCan, Mrs. W. Ogden, Miss Ogden, Miss L. Ogden, Miss M. Ogden, J. O. Bigelow, R. McCan, Miss Yates, Louisiana; F. C. Wood, Pittsburg, Pa.; George M. Closkey, New Orleans; Mrs. M. Hayes, New York; Edward D. Holton, Milwaukee. Mrs. Charles L. Cole, Miss Annie H. Cole, Pittsburg, Pa.; O. A. Aikens and wife, Chicago; M. O. Bayan, R. P. Hare, A. L. Hare, J. F. Jenkens, Louisville, Ky.; Harris Gregg, Jr., William A. Bigler, Chicago; Lem Myers, William Haas, New York; W. E. Miller, Jr., C. A. Page, D. J. Healey, Chicago.

At the Lake Park: Miss Mamie Rose, Miss Annie Rose, Davenport, Ia.; D. B. Ogden, J. D. Sullivan, St. Cloud; J. C. Wynd, Peoria; Miss Gilbert Comstock, Keokuk; Mr. L. Conger, Janesville, Wis.; Miss Nina Smith, St. Paul; John West and friend, P. P. West, C. R. Hill, Minneapolis; B. H. Spencer, Iowa; C. F. Brown and wife, Fulton, Ill.; J. W. Shannon, M. H. Fuqua, S. Joseph; G. M. Farnham, Minneapolis; John T. Bell, Dayton, O.; J. R. Allen, Louisiana, Md.; Owen Putnam, C. W. Putnam, St. Louis; D. D. Downs, Baraboo; E. A. Belden, Hamilton, O.; Charles E. Anthony and wife, N. Neary and wife, Willie Neary, M. M. Gidbery, Chicago; S. A. Stevens, Troy, N. Y.; J. L. Newton, St. Louis.

At the Exposition house—H. J. Farrell, St. Paul; O. B. Worthington, Milwaukee; H. W. Kendall and wife, Richmond, Ill.; Mrs. E. J. Ellis, Miss N. Robalck, Chicago; Dr. C. M. Hall, wife and daughter, Miss Anna Park, W. A. Benton, Miss Gertrude White, Miss Louisa Park, Minneapolis; F. C. Altman, Boston; Paul C. Vogel, H. D. Russell, Chicago; George L. Pratt, wife and daughter, Kansas City.

At the White house: L. H. Parker, Miss McDod, Dubuque; Mrs. G. B. McKinney, Mrs. L. L. Atwood, Minneapolis; George B. Halstead, the Hermitage; Charles Champion, Charles Plummer, Minneapolis; W. H. Kane, St. Paul.

GENERAL NOTES.

The Belle of Minnetonka carried more people yesterday than at any other time during the present season. There were nearly two thousand that made the excursion to the Upper lake.

The principal event of to-day will be the annual basket picnic of the Universalist societies of Minneapolis at Lake Park. About 400 people are expected to come out.

Dr. A. F. Schiffmann registered at the Lafayette yesterday. He says there will probably be another race between Stone and himself within two weeks.

Edward Butler and family, and John C. Kupperlee and family of St. Louis, with a large party of friends, visited the different points on the lake yesterday.

The Hatte May made the trip to the Upper lake yesterday in place of the Belle, which was used exclusively for the Masonic excursion.

Though it was quite cool last evening, the concert by Prof. Thiele's orchestra, on the Lafayette veranda, was largely attended.

The West hotel and Hotel St. Louis waiters will play a game of base ball on the grounds of the latter to-morrow afternoon.

Dr. Burton, George Johnson and Miss Lizzie Kenna are being entertained by Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Thompson at Fairview.

O. B. Worthington of the Milwaukee Journal is spending a few days at the lake. He is stopping at the Excelsior house.

The Lotus made the run from Lake Park to the Lafayette, a distance of two miles, in six minutes last evening.

The last regatta of the Excelsior Yacht and Amusement club this season will be sailed Saturday afternoon.

The surveyors were at work between the Lafayette and Orono Point yesterday on the proposed new road.

The Minnehaha took a large party from Hotel St. Louis over to the Lake Park hop last evening.

Miss Chute of Danville, Ky., is the guest of Miss Grace Chute of Minneapolis, at the Lake Park.

The employes of the Minneapolis & St. Louis road picnic at Lake Waconia next Saturday.

F. C. Altman, a well-known Boston merchant, is the guest of the Excelsior house.

The Minneapolis will not be used any more this season, only for extra runs.

The nights are getting so cool that most of the campers are leaving the lake.

A private german will be given at the Lafayette a week from to-night.

Prof. Thiele's orchestra serenaded the guests at Hotel St. Louis and Lake Park last evening. The serenading party were accompanied by Prof. R. H. Evans.

A party will be given at Hotel St. Louis to-morrow evening.

There will be a hop at the Lafayette to-night.

Alarm From the Grand.

The mercurial thermostat at the Grand opera house got in its work again yesterday, bringing out the department in great shape. The workers at the theater were considerably surprised when the engines dashed up to the doors, as they knew nothing of the alarm. This is the second time recently this thermostat has made a mistake, and it is the opinion of Chief Stetson that some one has meddled with it. The principle on which the thermostat operates is that of a wire suspended over a cup of mercury. The mercury is very sensitive to heat and expands very rapidly, thus meeting the wire, closing the circuit and sending the alarm. This one should be looked to, as an alarm during a performance might create a panic.

Universalist Basket Meeting.

The annual basket meeting of the Universalists will be held at Lake Park to-day, and an immense crowd is expected to attend. The Minneapolis & St. Louis road will carry people on regular trains at 50 cents for the round trip. A program has been arranged as follows:

Sermon by Dr. J. H. Tuttle at 10:30; theme, "The Life, Power and Victory of Divine Love.

A general conference meeting will be held at 2:30 in the afternoon.

At 8 p. m. a platform meeting will be held, with addresses by William R. Dobbyn, Rev. L. G. Powers and Rev. W. H. Harrington.

The committee of arrangements is made up of S. A. Stockwell, F. P. Rundell, G. H. Fletcher, W. R. Dobbyn and E. J. Edwards.

The Masonic Picnic.

Nearly 2,000 persons made up the crowd that attended the picnic at Minnetonka yesterday, given by the several Masonic blue lodges. The Minneapolis & St. Louis road carried them out, and the officials say it was the jolliest and most orderly they have carried out this year. At 8:25 o'clock the first train went out, made up of six coaches and carrying about four hundred people. The regular train an hour later carried nearly a thousand more. About 10 o'clock a special took out 300 more, including 50 Knights Templars in full uniform, escorted by Sidwell's band. The large party spent the day pleasantly at the lake, returning in the evening.

The Routed Gamblers.

The gamblers arrested by Sergeant Kirkham at No. 417 Nicollet avenue the previous night were arraigned in the municipal court yesterday. They all gave fictitious names to shield their identity. They were arranged as Joseph Smith, John Potter, George Allen, L. F. Butler, John Harrison (colored), John Morning, N. F. Hawley, and Frank Thompson. Butler and Harrison were discharged but the others pleaded guilty and were fined $50 each. After a deal of skirmishing they managed to raise the money.

Grosss Carelessness.

During the progress of the fire on the island yesterday, some careless fellow hitched his horse to a ring in the curbstone on the island. The horse took fright and backed up, and the more he backed the more taut the lines became, until the horse wildly threw himself, cutting his mouth frightfully. Joe Smith, the fruit dealer, cut the reins and freed the animal and then sent him to Baldwin Brown's livery stable.

The Burglar Held.

John Stevenson, the man arrested for breaking into C. H. Barry's residence on Tuesday night and stealing a lot of clothing and several books, was given a preliminary examination in the municipal court yesterday, resulting in holding him to await the action of the grand jury in $500 bonds. He was remanded to the custody of Sheriff Brackett in default of bail.

MINNEAPOLIS GLOBULES.

The body of Joseph Huglund, who was drowned on Monday, has not yet been recovered.

The Head Millers' association holds a special meeting to-night at the office of the Northwestern Miller.

No bloody corpse was found in the woods in the Third ward, and Kilday is a practical joker, probably, now laughing in his sleeve.

Jacob Barge will erect a handsome residence at the corner of Franklin and Stevens' avenues, where he purchased two lots for $10,000.

There was a large sale of reserved seats yesterday for "A Parlor Match," which inaugurates the season of 1885-6 at the Grand to-night.

Miss Clara Hoffman, president of the Missouri W. C. T. U., will lecture at Westminster church on Saturday afternoon on "Personal Responsibilities."

The new Baptist church on Tenth street and Harmon place is nearing external completion, and will be the handsomest house of worship in the Northwest.

Mrs. Clara Hoffman of Missouri will speak in the lecture room of Westminster church Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock, Subject—Personal Responsibility.

The Central Woman's Christian Temperance union will hold its monthly business meeting this afternoon at 4 o'clock in Friends' church, corner Eighth street and Hennepin avenue.

To-day's matinee at the driving park promises to be of unusual interest. Two trots and one pace will be well contested and the feature of the day will be the half-mile dash between Wilson and McNair's two-year-olds.

When the new building opposite the chamber of commerce is completed the corn exchange will mean something more than a "guy." That will be its name. The new Lowry-Herrick building will be known as Temple Court.

A plat was yesterday filed with the register of deeds of John A. Weaver's subdivision of Rollins' additions, and a map of the Monefiore Burial association. Also a plat of George L. Baker's amendment to Highland Park addition.

Arthur C. Putnam and Jennie C. Walrath, Charles F. Harris and Lizzie F. Hauser, Thomas McElroy and Josephine Smith, Martin Beman and Sophia Erickson, W. F. Holman and Sadie Cole, Herman and Mattie Goodwin, F. F. Curles and Florence A. Braun, yesterday obtained marriage licenses.

A dog got mixed up with the machinery in Whiting & Carlisle's shirt factory on Washington avenue yesterday morning and was threshed about by the tail in the liveliest kind of a way. Carrie Olson tried to release him and got a severe bite for her pains. Finally the tail pulled out and the dog shot away like a meteor.

A new publication makes its appearance Saturday, to be called the Spiritual Messenger. It will be a four column quarto, and will be issued weekly, as its name indicates. It is to be devoted to the interest of spiritualists of the Northwest. F. J. York is to be the managing editor, Dr. U. D. Thomas associate editor, and other writers of ability are included in the staff.

The Minneapolis Rifle club's team will leave to-night for Western Union Junction to compete in the fifth annual tournament of the Western Rifle association, which begins on Monday. The members of the team are: Dr. C. M. Skinner, L. W. Gibbs, C. W. Weeks, E. Cooley, Cole Mandlin, A. F. Eliott and George Harrison.

MINNEAPOLIS PERSONALS.

G. O. Cress, U. S. A., is at the Nicollet.

Prof. C. C. Duplessis has gone to Chicago.

I. G. Fowler of Philadelphia is at the Clark.

R. L. Penny has returned from Lake Itasca.

Thomas Lowry yesterday returned from Chicago.

E. B. Miller, one of the leading men of Akron, O., is at the West.

Dr. Nelson Mead of Auburn, N. Y., is registered at the Clark house.

George D. Clark, of the Globe Nail company, Chicago, is at the Clark.

L. E. Howard, proprietor of the Transit house, Chicago, was in the city yesterday as the guest of Jewett Wilcox of the Hotel Lafayette.

S. W. Maxon, the grain dealer at Dassel, is stopping at the Windsor house.

J. W. Mason, a leading attorney of Fergus Falls, was in the city yesterday.

M. T. Stevens, the hardware dealer of Wahpeton, was at the Pauly house yesterday.

Peter Maurim, a large landowner of Elizabeth, Minn., was in the city yesterday.

E. H. Monroe and family of Blair, Neb., are guests of Byron Towne of the Clark house.

Alf J. Shilling of Shilling Bros., druggists, Des Moines, is stopping at the Clark house.

C. D. Griffith of the Merchants' bank, Sleepy Eye, was at the West yesterday, accompanied by his wife.

J. W. Sponable, president of the Miami County bank of Paola, Kan., is in the city stopping at the West.

W. H. Newman, general traffic agent of the Missouri & Texas Pacific railroad, is at the West, accompanied by his wife and Mrs. W. E. Hughes and Miss Cliffie Hughes of Dallas, Tex.

Louis Reibold, proprietor of the Bates house, Indianapolis, yesterday telegraphed to Col. John T. West: "Arrived home safely. Will always remember my visit to the finest hotel in the world."

Minneapolis Real Estate.

YESTERDAY'S TRANSFERS.

Deeds were yesterday filed with the register of deeds as follows:

Lt 17, blk 8, Westfall's add; F B Felt to E E Holt	$4,000
Lts 8 to 14, blk 1, Supplement to Forest Heights; M A Magoon to T H Parsons	5,600
Lts 8 to 14, blk 1, Supplement to Forest Heights; T H Parsons to William Thomas and S L Washburn	2,500
Lt 4, blk 8, Mason & Lovejoy's add: Amanda E Olson to J A Murray	2,000
Lts 13 and 14, blk 6, Holway & Taylor's add; Milo J Fuller to W H Holway	2,000
Lt 4, blk 8, Morrison & Lovejoy's add; Patrick Ronahan to Amanda C Olson	1,700
Lt 12, blk 22, Judson, Daniels & Whitney's add; J G Jones to Sarah E Fish	3,500
Part of lts 7 and 8, blk 1, Bell Bros.' add; Ellis J Woolf to Susannah Williams	3,400
Lts 5 and 6, blk 2, Nicollet add; Robert Pierson to A Cederstrand	1,400
Part of lot 1, blk 102, Minneapolis; Washburn et al to A M Allen	4,950
Und ½ of lt 1, blk 102, Minneapolis; Dorilus Morrison to A M Allen	4,450
Lt 24, blk 16, Motor Line add; Mary S French to A S Trowbridge	3,000
Lt 24, blk 16, Motor Line add; James L Monroe to Mary S French	2,000
Part of lts 2 and 3, blk 102, Minneapolis; J C Whitney to Minneapolis & St. Louis Railway company	4,500
Lts 8 and 21, blk 21, Chicago avenue and Lyndale add; E G O'Donnell to T J McCarthy	1,600
Lt 9, blk 3, Drew's add; Hugh Wilson to D W Faulkner	4,400
Twelve miscellaneous deeds, the considerations of which are less than $1,000.	2,706
Total number of deeds, 28	$54,100

BUILDING PERMITS.

Inspector Pardee yesterday issued building permits as follows:

Theodore Anderson, 1-story frame dwelling, 3 rooms, cor of Twenty-first av and Polk st	$500
Otto Hoghund, 1-story frame dwelling, 3 rooms, Twenty-first av and Polk st n	500
Herman Leighton, barn, 1½-story frame, Fourth st and Eighth av	700
C S W Lasher, 2-story brick veneered tore, 108 East Third st	2,600
James McMullen & Co, addition to tannery, Hennepin Island	150
John Mowers, 2-story frame dwelling, 7 rooms, Colfax av, bet Franklin and Lincoln avs s	1,500
Wm McKinney, 2-story frame dwelling, 10 rooms, 7th st and 13th avs s	2,800
Wm McKinney, 1½-story frame barn, 7th st and 13th avs s	500
Two minor permits	90
R Reese, 323 Washington av s, addition to brick store	1,500
Total permits, 11; estimated cost	$10,840

Try it Yourself.

The proof of the pudding is not in chewing the string, but in having an opportunity to try the article yourself. A. P. Wilkes, Seven corners; F. H. Heinert, 374 Dayton avenue; John Boyden, 323 East Seventh street, and P. C. Lutz, Wabasha street, opposite postoffice, druggists, have a free bottle of Dr. Bosanko's