# ST. PAUL MATTERS.

Attorney General Hahn Will Not Indorse the Petition of Bend Against Lieut. Col. Harrison.

Dentists Who Do Not Propose to Fall in With the Requirements of the New Law.

Two Lectures One Evening—Something of the Woman's G. A. R. Relief Corps.

Brutish Depravity Confessed—New Odd Fellows Hall—Treasurer's Report—Notes.

## IS THERE ANY COLONEL?

### Attorney General Hahn Does Not Favor Bend's Petition.

Attorney General Hahn yesterday gave out a lengthy opinion in which he refused to give his official sanction to an information in the nature of a quo warranto against Lieut. Col. Perrry Harrison of the First regiment, M. N. G. The application had been made by W. B. Bend, through his attorney, Hon. J. N. Castle, of Stillwater. The decision says that the points to be considered are that Col. Bend was duly elected, commissioned and qualified; that he was ordered arrested by authority of the governor, and that by the same order Harrison was elected to assume command of the regiment; that after a courtmartial the governor made an order attempting to remove Col. Bend and continuing Lieut. Col. Harrison in command, all of which had been alleged in the petition to the attorney general to be null and void. The petition further claimed that without any legal right Lieut. Col. Harrison had been exercising all the rights vested in a colonel, issuing furloughs, discharging men from the several companies, etc., "to the entire exclusion of the defendant." It further alleges that he will continue to usurp and possess these rights unless the court prevents him, and that he has no right to do this without being elected and commissioned colonel. The relator claims still to be the colonel of the regiment and says he ought to be in possession of all the rights and privileges of that office. The attorney general says that Harrison never claimed, so far as is shown, to be the colonel, and that all his acts have been done simply as lieutenant colonel, and on this showing, the application of course, should not be granted. It should on general principles be denied unless it is believed there has been an usurpation or unlawful holding of a public office. The query then arises, whether there is evidence that Lieut. Col. Harrison either has, or has intended, to usurp or unlawfully hold a public office.

THE DILEMMA.

On this point the attorney general speaks as follows:

It will not be claimed that the governor's order assigning him the command, ipso facto, made him colonel or over authorized him to assume such title or rank, and if he has not assumed to be or act as such (and he undoubtedly has not), then these questions must, as it seems to me, be answered in the negative. What then remains? Nothing but an alleged false assumption of authority and an erroneous exercise of power on the part of the lieutenant colonel. It would seem, therefore to be an attempt to test the legality of Harrison's acts, and to prevent him from exercising authority which, it is claimed, is not conferred upon him, but upon the proposed relator. This cannot be done by quo warrant. If the evident purpose is in the legitimate result of the proceeding (if it can have any result) it must be to prohibit or restrain the respondent from doing any particular act or acts and not to divest him of the office itself, thus conceding to the respondent the legal title to the office he holds and denying only his legal right to exercise it over particular cases, or in reference to some particular matter or subject.

The position of colonel is either vacant or the relator himself is occupying the same, or if not in fact occupying it, being vacant, there is nothing to prevent him, so far as anything appears, for taking possession. At all events it is not denied that Harrison is the lieutenant colonel, and it is not pretended that he should be ousted from that position. If then no one is in the office of colonel, and Harrison is properly in his office, ouster could not be adjudged. In a word, if the governor's order of removal is void, as Col. Bend claims, he is now colonel; if good, the First regiment has no such officer. On either horn of their dilemma the writ would not be proper. I must therefore decline to grant the request.

## THE DENTISTS.

### Opposition to the Board of Examiners in Some Quarters.

The action of the dental association of this city, in appointing a committee of three, at their meeting Tuesday evening to report for prosecution of those who had not registered according to law, is the cause of considerable discussion among the profession. A GLOBE reporter called upon a number of prominent dentists yesterday for the purpose of ascertaining their views upon the matter. They were not inclined to talk, however, very freely upon the matter.

The list of dentists who are opposed to the examination before the state board of examiners includes a number who have already complied with the law, and who are not compelled to go before the board for examination, as well as those who have not fulfilled the requirements of the act. It is argued that those who are opposed to this examination are men who have resided here and been engaged in the practice of dentistry for from five to fifteen years prior to the passage of the act, and that according to the provisions of the act as set forth in its first section they are entitled to registration without any examination. It does not appear to be the law that they object to, but merely the construction that the state board has set upon it. That board includes in its membership, according to a prominent dentist, who, although registered, is in sympathy with some of those left out, some young dentists who, while thoroughly competent dentists, lack the practical experience in the profession that has been acquired by older practitioners, and it is humiliating to the latter to be compelled to appear for examination before men so much younger than themselves.

The section adds: "That it shall be unlawful for any person who is not, at the time of the passage of this act, engaged in the practice of dentistry in this state, to commence such practice unless he or she shall have obtained a certificate as hereinafter provided."

Dr. Brown, a member of the state board of examiners, stated that the board had not been fighting those dentists who had failed to register, but that now, as the local dental association had brought the matter up, the board would furnish a list of those who had registered under the law, and would make an effort to compel those who had not registered, to appear before the board. This was only an act of justice to those who had neglected to register in time, and had since come forward at great inconvenience and undergone their examination. Dr. Brown stated that he knew of some very competent and capable dentists who had not yet complied with the law, but he thought the grievances of these few were being used as a cloak by others who were less competent in their profession.

A number of unregistered dentists held a meeting with closed doors last night and a full discussion of the situation was had. The line of action to be followed was informally discussed, and it was decided to take active measures against any prosecutions on the part of the dental association. Subscriptions were handed in to defray the expense of a test in the courts and it was decided to retain the Hon. C. K. Davis to represent them. A conference with ex-Gov. Davis will be held this morning.

## A TRIP TO CUBA.

### Lecture of D. R. Noyes Before the Y. M. C. A. Last Evening.

The lecture by Mr. D. R. Noyes at the Young Men's Christian association was given to a large audience. After speaking briefly of Cuba and its resources, the trip there by sea and the sea-sickness, he said:

As we were drawing near the island the captain of the steamer called our attention to the slope of the shores, down which the bears were said to come in great numbers to drink. Watching intently and not seeing any bears we asked the reason why and were informed that the water was not so fresh as we were and the bears did not probably care to drink. The men in Cuba wear linen clothes and straw hats. The women wear no hats, unless occasionally a negro woman is seen with a large straw hat and puffing a cigaret. The hotels are without modern conveniences, and it is impossible to summon a waiter unless you tip him well. Then he will watch for you at every corner. Laziness there is entirely reputable, and with them, as with the Chinese, it is a sign of a gentleman of leisure to wear long finger nails. Hotel business is transacted in the evening to the Grand square, where the ladies remain in the carriages and the gentlemen alight and visit from one to another. The cemeteries there are horrible places, for the remains of the poor are buried so slightly that they are often exposed to view, and of the inscriptions upon the tombstones a gentleman said:

"Here lie the dead, and here the living lie."

The watchman carries a lantern. Why, cannot be told, unless that he might be seen at night. He carries, also, a blanket, and after crying the hour and "Ene serreno"—all's well—reclines in the nearest doorway for the succeeding hour. The churches are open all the time, but no one is in them; the jails are always full.

After a brief but interesting description of Good Friday and Easter, the mourning processions upon the former and the hilarity, feasting, burning of Judas in effigy, etc., on the latter, the speaker concluded by uncovering a table upon which was piled 200 oranges, surmounted by a pineapple, to which he invited the audience to help themselves. This done, it dispersed highly pleased.

The next lecture will be given, when Mr. W. L. Howard will relate his personal reminiscences of the Russo-Turkish war. The second of the series of monthly receptions will be given at the association rooms this evening.

## BRUTISH DEPRAVITY.

### A Man Prostitutes His Wife to Help Pay Expenses.

A case of unusual depravity was brought to the surface by the police last night. Officer Conick's attention was attracted about 11 o'clock by the yells of a man who rushed out of a house on Cedar street near Seventh. He asked him what the trouble was and he said a woman in the house had stolen $4 from him. The officer went in and found Oscar Floyd, John Sigler, Henry Blom, Stella Floyd, and Julia Smith. The entire party were put under arrest and taken to the police station where they were locked up. Floyd said Stella was his wife. To help pay the running expenses he said he had prostituted his wife for monetary considerations and Julia Smith had been induced to live in the family for the same purpose. He confessed to having been criminally intimate with the latter woman.

Peter Junker, living at 130 Concord street, in the Sixth ward, last night had his wife locked up at the police station on the charge of disorderly conduct. The woman, who is of exceedingly meager proportions, was placed in a cell, where she wailed and sobbed hysterically until completely exhausted. She claims that her husband was enamored of another woman and had her locked up to enable him to pass the night with her. She complained of being lame and sore from laboring at the wash tub to earn money to put victuals into the mouth of her robust and alleged brutal husband.

## FEMININE PATRIOTISM.

### Anniversary of the Acker Relief Corps Celebrated Last Evening.

A free entertainment was given at Acker Post hall last evening by the ladies of the Acker Relief corps, being the first anniversary of the organization. After a musical and literary program the drawing for the crazy-quilt made by the ladies of the corps took place, ticket No. 99, held by Mrs. C. S. Thompson of the Garfield Relief corps, winning the prize. The proceeds of the recent sale of tickets amounted to $80.

During the evening an address was delivered by Mr. Simonton, giving personal army experiences, and the history of the relief corps was given by the president, Mrs. E. H. Quick. At the close of the war the charitable work of the women, which had accomplished so much during the war, was kept up and later auxiliary societies were formed in connection with the G. A. R. The attention of the G. A. R. was first called to this work during the national encampment of 1870. But little was done toward permanent organization until 1879, when at Fitchburg, Mass., the auxiliary relief associations connected with the G. A. R. were formed into a permanent body—the Woman's Relief corps. At the national encampment at Denver in 1883 the order was formally indorsed. Many difficulties had attended its early history, but it was now on a firm basis and was represented in nearly every state and territory in the Union. Nov. 28, 1884, the Minnesota department was organized with Mrs. Nettie M. Norton of Minneapolis president, and to-day there are fifteen corps in this department with 450 members. Acker Relief corps was organized one year ago. The present strength is forty-three. The aims of the organization were declared to be: To assist the G. A. R.; to perpetuate the memory of their heroic dead; to assist needy veterans; to extend aid to widows and orphans; to cherish and emulate the deeds of loyal women during the war; to inculcate lessons of patriotism in our children; to maintain loyalty to the United States. The ladies wish to express thanks to Mrs. M. C. Thayer and Miss Nellie Mabon for entertainment given.

## A HALL DEDICATED.

### Exercises by the West St. Paul I. O. O. F.—Music and Speeches.

Odd Fellows' hall, West St. Paul, was dedicated with appropriate ceremonies last evening. The beautiful hall, which is in the new block at the corner of Fairfield and Dakota avenues, was filled with an audience composed of the society and its friends, including many ladies. The services were conducted under the auspices of West Side Lodge No. 106, and were of an impressive and interesting character. Capt. Starkey, as presiding officer of the lodge, delivered the address of welcome. Brief addresses were also made by Grand Master Josiah Marvin, Past Grand Master J. Fletcher Williams, Past Grand Master David Ramaley, Grand Secretary Sherwood Hough and others. After the dedication ceremonies an interesting musical and dramatic program was rendered, the participants in which were Maj. Burk, Messrs. Nichols, Haggeman, Reardon, Marti, Hare, Johnson, Cassidy, Geiselman, R. W. Cassidy, Tong and Wooley. The entertainment was concluded with an oyster supper and social repast that had been spread in the anterooms of the lodge, and to which full justice was done by the highly-pleased company.

## MISTAKES.

### Rev. Robert D. Forbes' Lecture at the Bates Avenue M. E. Church.

Rev. Robert D. Forbes, pastor of the Jackson Street M. E. church, gave a very entertaining lecture at the Bates Avenue M. E. church last evening on Mistakes. He stated that preachers were, as a rule, happy, good-natured men, and nowhere could a jollier set of men be found than at a Methodist camp meeting. One of the mistakes of which the world was full was the oft-reiterated charge that ministers' sons usually turn out bad. Statistics had been carefully gathered, showing that in the large majority of cases the contrary was true. The world was full of theological mistakes. We denied the infallibility of the pope who from the banks of the Tiber makes opinions for millions, yet every religious body in Christendom was full of popes who considered their theological opinions infallible. There were many difference between the old and the new theology. The old directed too much attention to the historic satan and not enough to the satans in their midst. Speaking of the mistakes of infidels and of Ingersoll's laudation of morality and the ideal home, he said that those ideas had been always proclaimed from the pulpits of Christendom, and were necessary features of Christian life, yet Ingersoll proclaimed them as original ideas and a substitute for religion.

The importance of trifles and the probability of placing too great an estimate on the intelligence of others, were alluded to. We were too much disposed to reserve flowers for the coffin and give the living nothing but harsh criticism. We could not expect great reforms in a short time. The world was growing better and the optimist had a mission to perform. Among the anecdotes with which he enlivened his address was one of an ex-governor of Minnesota, who in a speech said he "often thought of those beautiful words of holy writ: 'God moves in a mysterious way, His wonders to perform.'" This was a "mistake."

## THE STATE'S FINANCES.

### Annual Statement of Receipts and Expenses by the Treasurer.

State Treasurer Kittelson has submitted his official report for the fiscal year ending July 31, 1885. A summary of the entire report is as follows:

| FUNDS. | Total Receipts. | Total Expenditures. | Balance in Treasury on July 31, 1885. Dr. | Cr. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State institutions fund | $163,863 44 | $191,578 23 | | $27,714 79 |
| Revenue fund | 1,009,697 99 | 1,023,936 94 | | 14,238 95 |
| Redemption fund | 76,349 49 | 32,253 64 | $43,095 85 | |
| Forestry fund | 36,740 00 | 12,976 75 | | 23,763 25 |
| Permanent school fund | 233,900 00 | 502,774 18 | | 268,874 18 |
| General school fund | 292,505 71 | 353,717 16 | | 61,211 45 |
| Permanent university fund | 30,324 48 | | | 30,324 48 |
| General university fund | 93,385 69 | 72,834 13 | | 20,551 56 |
| Internal improvement land fund | 59,470 89 | 14,576 98 | | 44,893 91 |
| Internal improvement land fund interest | 52,756 55 | 71,229 84 | | 18,473 29 |
| Swamp land fund | 931 26 | | | 931 26 |
| Attorney Twelfth district fund | 2,027 82 | 2,027 82 | | |
| School text book fund | 32,574 87 | 73,504 32 | | 40,929 45 |
| Internal improvement fund | 64,416 03 | 49,419 45 | | 14,996 58 |
| Deduct revenue fund overdrawn | $2,077,664 14 | $2,490,313 62 | $2,133 80 | |
| | 936,705 04 | Deduct Rev. Fd. overdr'wn. | | $2,133 80 |
| | $3,014,459 18 | Bal. in Treas. July 31, 1884. | | $310,570 46 |
| | | | | 382,327 59 |
| | | | | 165,390 14 |
| | | | | 182,365 13 |
| | | | | 56,976 99 |
| | | | | 3,525 17 |
| | | | | 61,029 04 |
| | | | | 38,923 23 |
| | | | | 3,707 38 |
| | $916,279 36 | | $2,133 80 | |
| | 15,115 62 | | | |
| | 9,348 22 | | | |
| | $914,145 56 | | | |

## THE COMPANY D DRILL.

### A Pleasant Time at the Armory Last Night.

Company D gave an exhibition drill at Armory hall last night. Company A of Minneapolis, under command of Capt. Barnard, and a squad from Company I were present. They were met at 8 o'clock at the train by the Sons of Veterans drill corps and escorted to the hall, where they witnessed the drill, which began at 8:30. A large number of spectators filled the balcony and part of the floor of the hall. The exhibition was as pleasing as those given by the crack company of the Northwest always are, and the boys in uniform were accorded frequent and hearty applause. The drill closed at about 9:30 and the hall was given up to dancers. With the First regiment orchestra on the platform the dancers were soon floating through the mazes of the waltz and the entertainment continued until long after midnight. At 11 o'clock the visitors from Minneapolis were escorted to the train by the Sons of Veterans drum corps. Another drill will be given Jan. 24.

## A STREET SAYING.

An occasional laugh is had at the expense of a popular young railroad man whose bride of a few short months recently left on a visit to a city of Northern Minnesota. During her absence the young husband dashed off a somewhat hasty letter in moments stolen from hurried business hours and inadvertently addressed it to her in her maiden name. His wife was so perplexed by the unaccountable mistake that she wrote asking if de had forgotten their marriage and immediately followed the letter to her lord. The joke escaped and proved legal tender for several cigars.

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"Something seems to have come over the people in Western cities recently," said Manager Frank W. Paul of "Over the Garden Wall" yesterday, "for I hear that in Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul and Minneapolis the people are not attending the theaters as much as usual. In Boston all the theaters are doing big business, and in Montreal, where the small-pox has kept companies away for five months, why, the houses ought to be twice as large to accommodate the rush."

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A gentleman who is much interested in the success and welfare of the public library says: "Where in the city can a better or more appropriate spot be found for a library building than the ground occupied by the old city hall? It is in a quiet part of the city, centrally located, facing a beautiful park and is the most available place in the city. The enterprise and intelligence of St. Paul should demand a new building. We need one, and that location should at least be set apart for that purpose."

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"Warm day," remarked a man standing on the corner of Wabasha and Third streets yesterday.

"Yes, splendid weather for this time of year."

"If this kind of weather continues it'll sort of knock the ice palace out."

"You bet your life it won't." was the reply. "When St. Paul starts out to have a thing she gets it and she'll have an ice palace if she is obliged to build it with an ice cream freezer.

### The Striking Steamfitters.

Messrs. Rogers, Dervney and Madison, lately employed by the steamfitting firm of Rogers & Davis, say: This firm reduced the hours of work from ten to eight hours per day, and reduced wages correspondingly. The average pay of fitters was $1.75 a day, and this reduction left them an average of but $1.40 per day. The pay of helpers was $1.25 per day; after the reduction $1. These men call public attention to the fact that at this reduction they would not be getting such wages as would keep a family in house rent, fuel, clothing and food, even by the practice of the most strict economy; and further, that these wages bear no just relation to the prices the firm charges its customers for the same labor, which is usually about $6 per day for a hand and helper. The striking men ask workmen to keep away from Rogers & Davis'.

AT THE SHOPS.

The patrol wagon was called by Rogers & Davis yesterday forenoon to suppress striking steamfitters. Mr. Rogers was seen yesterday in regard to the matter and stated that the fitters who lately struck in his shops had been around intimidating those men who are working for him, and yesterday they went to a building on Wacouta street where his men were working and attempted to force them to leave. He called the patrol wagon, but before it arrived the strikers had gone. He stated that if the men made any further demonstrations he would have them arrested.

### New Quarters.

For a number of years Messrs. P. V. Dwyer & Bros. have been carrying on the plumbing and gas fixture business on Robert street. But their business has grown to such an extent that they were obliged to take up the elegant new store situated at 96 East Third street.

Their stock, like their store, is all new and elegant, and parties desiring anything in the latest styles and designs will do well by giving them a call.

### Nevada.

The general public will be admitted to the board for the Nevada concert to-day at the rink. The subscribers' sale has been large, but the rink seats 3,000 people, and there are plenty of just as good seats left as have been taken. Go early. Subscribers whose tickets have been reserved for them are requested to call for them at the rink. Subscribers' tickets are addressed to them in envelopes and ready for delivery.

### Fine Jewelry Presents

may be secured at Mansfield's, 149 East Third street, at less than half what you would pay regular jewelry stores. Mansfield's fine stock, every dollar's worth of it, is now being sold under the hammer, and you can get watches, diamonds, clocks and silverware at just the price you choose to bid for it. The attendance of ladies is particularly requested, and every one attending gets a valuable present.

## GLOBULES.

The sale of tickets to the Nevada concert begins at the rink this morning.

Anybody and everybody can get the best of seats to the Nevada concert at the rink today.

Fine new furniture at auction this day at 10 o'clock, being the entire stock of F. Fleigner, No. 36 East Third street.

Sale of seats for "Over the Garden Wall," which will be at the Grand the first half of next week, will open this morning.

J. G. O'Gendron was appointed special policeman to watch at Gustav Heineman's store, corner of Seventh and Jackson streets.

Reported at the health office yesterday: Diphtheria, 745 Mendota street and 27 Hoffman avenue; marriages, 1; births, 2; deaths, 2.

Building Inspector Johnson yesterday condemned the building lately damaged by fire at the corner of Fifth and Exchange streets, owned by Gen. Terry.

William Bernard and G. Thompson, who were arrested Wednesday evening while coasting on Third street, were yesterday fined $2 each by Judge Cory.

A Scandinavian lodging house on Edmund street, near University avenue, took fire about 7 o'clock last night, and was damaged to the extent of about $25.

In referring to the car-coupling invention of Mr. Joseph H. Hayes of Wednesday it was mistakenly stated that a test trial would be made in this city at once. That will come later on.

Mr. Fleigner, the upholsterer, is going out of business. His entire stock of fine new furniture at No. 36 East Third street, near Cedar, will be sold at auction this morning at 10 o'clock.

H. C. McCartey, Esq., will address the West St. Paul branch of the Irish National league mass meeting on Monday evening. Vocal and instrumental music and recitations will make up the program.

The English Lutheran Church society has finished its new church structure on West Sixth street, between Franklin and Exchange streets, and will dedicate it with fitting ceremonies next Sunday afternoon.

In the case of M. S. Smith against T. Wilson, before Judge Wilkin, the jury returned a verdict for the plaintiff in the sum of $589.56. In the case of John H. Lawton against the Minnesota & Northwestern railroad, the jury found a verdict, but, as the court had adjourned, the verdict was sealed.

The painting of the ice palace, which was on exhibition in the rooms of the carnival association Wednesday night, has been placed on the wall back of the counter at the Hotel Ryan. The painting, which is crystalized by a patent process, appears very natural and attracts general attention from all who visit the hotel office.

The Ladies' Aid society of Dayton's bluff will hold their next meeting on Saturday at 2 p. m. at the residence of Mrs. Gillette, 402 East Seventh, near Maple. All ladies living on Dayton's bluff who are interested in helping the poor in their own vicinity are invited to be present to help in devising the best manner and means of so doing.

The musical and literary entertainment given at the rooms of the Temperance union and Bethel mission last evening, was participated in by Miss May Judson, Prof. W. H. Wheaton, Mrs. Nettie Fuller, Mr. J. F. Riley, Mr. Malcom Geddes, Miss H. J. Bryan, Miss L. Dickson, Prof. W. W. Pendergast, Misses Julia Risdon and Laurel Thayer. Several numbers were heartily encored and kindly responded to by the participants.

At the meeting of the court house commissioners held yestereay afternoon the contractors, Haugh, Ketcham & Co., ironworkers of Indianapolis, produced to the commission its corporate bond with sureties, viz.: E. E. Scribner, Joseph Lockey and A. J. Goodrich. The bond was found satisfactory, and a resolution adopted referring their award of the contract, the bond and the contract as prepared under the direction of the commissioners, to the joint session of the county commissioners and common council for approval.



## PERSONALS.

W. G. Sawyer of Northfield is at the Ryan.

Pat Conley returned from the East yesterday.

J. E. Sackett, the museum man, is in the city.

C. E. Marvin and wife of Rochester are at the Ryan.

Hon. H. P. Hubbell, Winona, is stopping at the Ryan.

H. W. Pratt of Faribault was at the Merchants yesterday.

Rev. James Foster of Shakopee was at the Merchants yesterday.

Dr. A. Guernon of St. Vincent was a guest at the Merchants yesterday.

Prof. S. S. Taylor is confined at his home by an attack of pneumonia.

Harry Whitney, in advance of the Lillian Russell Opera company, is in the city, stopping at the Windsor.

James Bellows, Mandan; Parmly Billings, Billings, Mont.; W. O. Hughart, Jr., Duluth; Thomas Wilson, Hillsboro, Dak., are registered at the Ryan.

C. P. Jones and wife, L. S. Johnson, Duluth; A. W. Baldwin, St. Cloud; H. A. Hutton, Wadena; H. Simmons, Winona, are stopping at the Windsor.

H. Wickendorp, Glendive, Mont.; H. A. Thayer, La Crosse; O. W. Baldwin, St. Cloud; Charles Butler, Winona; R. W. Daniels, Jr., W. H. Brady, Fargo; W. H. Wheeler and wife, Faribault; B. F. Spaulding and wife, Fargo, are at the Merchants.



### Supreme Court.

Harriet A. Prescott and Charles A. Prescott, respondents, vs. Ferdinand Boyer, Michael Lux and the City of St. Paul, appellants. Argued and submitted.

Paine Lumber company, respondent, vs. Charles Betcher, appellant. Argued and submitted.

In the matter of James M. Smith and C. W. Kertland, insolvents. Argued and submitted.



### St. Paul Real Estate.

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

YESTERDAY'S TRANSFERS.

| | |
|---|---|
| Minnie F York to Clarence P Smith, lts 4, 5 and 15, blk 8, Macalester park | $2,125 |
| O S Hagerman et al to Hans Anderson, lt 13, subd of lt 41, Lake Como villas | 450 |
| E T Somers et al to Frank Schlick, Jr, lts 9 and 10, blk 201, Irvine's add | 1,050 |
| Josephine Gotzian et al to Peter Johnson, lt 14, subd of blk 77, Lyman Dayton's add | 1,175 |
| George Hilfrich to Henry T Vayhinger, lt 5, rearr of blk 32, Brown & Jackson's add | 950 |
| Charles F Dana to W L Swift, lts 3 and 5, blk 3, Kittering & Constans' add | 1,300 |
| Ambrose Cook to Charles A B Weide, lt 1, subd of blk 40, Arlington Hills add | 800 |
| E Langevin to A M Lawton, lt 14, blk 1, Langevin's add | 500 |
| H Knox Taylor to Marie and Ann E McCloud, lt 1, blk 9, Macalester park | 600 |
| Mary E H Scott to O C Weatherby, lt 4, blk 18, Marshall's add | 500 |
| Joseph Weide to Carl J Lof, lt 28, subd of blk 27, Arlington Hills add | 500 |
| R J Lewis et al to P T Wagner, lts 9, 10, 21 and 22, L K Stone's add | 1,600 |
| John M Lynch to Charles J Berryhill, lt 11, blk 7, Hitchcock's add | 300 |
| R S Munger to John M Lynch, lt 35, Hall & Brown's add | 6,500 |
| John M Lynch to Chas F Young, lt 35, Hall & Brown's add | 7,000 |
| Joseph W Roberts to Chas F Helm, lt 4, blk 1, Cruickshank's garden lts | 1,500 |
| J W McClurg et al to J B Hawley et al, lts 18 and 19, blk 4, subd of Walcott's add to cottage houses | 500 |
| J L Marge, Jr, to Walter S Lefevre, lt 18, blk 5, subd of Walcott's add to cottage houses | 437 |
| Bernhard Kuhl to W G Johnson, lt 20, blk 4, College Park | 400 |
| B B Smith to Paul H Storving, lt 9, blk 10, Nininger & Donnelly's add | 650 |
| Same to Elizabeth Stover, lt 5, blk 10, Nininger & Donnelly's add | 600 |
| John L Merriam to Abbie P McEntyre, lt 5, blk 11, 2d add Merriam Park | 100 |
| Wm A Fitzer to Ellen M Fitzgerald, lt 5, blk 7, Morrison's add | 1,450 |
| Clara A Deisher to Charles Wright, lts 21 and 22, blk 10, Hitchbrook's add | 550 |
| O H Perry to Bazille Landronhes, lts 1 and 2, blk 6, Prospect Plateau | 3,200 |
| Chas A Moore to Eve Tarbox, W'ly 20 ft of lt 3, blk 3, Whitney & Smith's add | 10,500 |
| Eve Tarbox to Chas A Moore, W'ly 20 ft of lt 8, blk 8, Whitney & Smith's add | 10,000 |
| Total | $48,638 |

BUILDING PERMITS.

The following building permits were issued yesterday:

T J Setterholm and A T Anderson, 1-story frame store, w side Payne st, bet Case and Jenks ..... $200

Frank Waller, 1-story frame dwelling, s side Blair st, bet Dale and St. Albans ..... 600

Crasford & Co, 1-story frame carpenter shop and vault, e side Concord st, bet Winifred and Robie ..... 250

G Peterson, 1-story frame kitchen, w side Woodbridge st, bet Wayzata and Front ..... 100

J H Bryant, 2-story frame dwelling, n side St. Clair st, bet Chatsworth and Oxford ..... 1,000

Total ..... $2,150

## PUBLIC LAND COMMITTEE.

### Lamar Seeking to Keep Cobb Out of the Chairmanship.

Special to the Globe.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—A good deal of interest is felt in the prospective organization of the house committee on public lands. There is a vigorous contest over the chairmanship of the committee, which is far-reaching in its results. In the last congress the committee on public lands was divided in opinion regarding the forfeiture of lands granted to railroads. It was claimed by a majority of the members of the committee, under the lead of Mr. Cobb, as chairman, that all lands which were not earned by the expiration of the time at which the road was to be completed, ought to be forfeited. On the other hand, it was held by Mr. Oates, Mr. Van Eaton of Mississippi, and several of the Republican members of the committee that the government permitted the roads to go on building their lines after the expiration of the time, and did not in the meantime declare the lands forfeited, the roads had a right to all the lands lying opposite the section of road constructed after the expiration of the time, and

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was ordered. This question was transferred from the committee on public lands to the committee on judiciary, and there the legal views of Mr. Oates and his followers were sustained by an overwhelming majority. The matter attracted considerable attention at the time, as the difference of views was not only strongly marked, but because it involved the right of many million acres of land held by the Northern Pacific and other roads. Since Mr. Lamar came to the position of secretary of the interior he has been studying this question and he fully coincides with the views held by Mr. Oates and his following. So strongly is he impressed with this view that he recently sent a request to Speaker Carlisle that in making up the committee on public lands he should appoint Mr. Oates instead of Mr. Cobb its chairman, saying that a committee made up of men holding the views expressed by Mr. Oates and his followers could materially assist in the solution of the

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By some means this came to the ear of Mr. Cobb, who is a pretty firey fellow, and he was, as a natural result, a good deal disturbed over it. He set off on a visit to Mr. Lamar, and it is said took him roundly to task for his course in the matter. Lamar replied with some spirit that he was anxious to see a committee appointed that would work for such legislation as could be passed and be made available in settling disputes regarding railroad lands, adding that in his opinion the views held by Mr. Cobb were not good in law and would not stand the test either of congressional action or of the courts should they be enacted. It is understood that Land Commissioner Sparks, the head of the public land division of the interior department, affirms the views held by Congressman Cobb, so the alleged quarrel between Sparks and Lamar seems to enter into the complications growing out of this committee question. What Speaker Carlisle will do in regard to this committee position cannot be definitely foretold, though as he is a man of peace, he may, dodge a quarrel by omitting to place either Cobb or Oates at the head of that very important committee.

### Want the Three-Cent Rate.

MONONGAHELA CITY, Pa., Dec. 17.—At the River Coal Miners' association meeting this afternoon it was unanimously decided to continue the strike for the three-cent rate. Resolutions were adopted calling on the labor organizations of the United States for aid to carry on the struggle, and requesting Kanawha region miners to come out for a higher rate.