MINNEAPOLIS EVENTS.

Politics and Religion Discussed by the Pastors and the "Lower Strata" Alluded To.

The Smoke Nuisance, Stock Yards and a Bonded Warehouse Considered by The Board of Trade.

A Large Number of Criminal Cases--County Affairs Transacted by the Commissioners.

Retail Grocers Consider the "Deadbeats"--Bounced From Church--Co-operative Companies.

RELIGION AND POLITICS

Discussed by Pastors--The "Lower Strata" Again Alluded To.

At the ministers' meeting yesterday morning, which was not particularly well attended. Frank Prandell, representing a Christian labor organization spoke in favor of an agricultural co-operation institution as a solution of many difficulties now present. A committee consisting of Revs. Pitner, Van Anda, Colwell and Wagner was appointed to devise methods for work.

Rev. Mr. Chamberlain presented a paper on religion in politics. He thought it was the duty of all pastors to talk to young men just entering upon manhood upon the responsibilities of voters in regard to public welfare. Ministers, he said, should attend the primaries and do what they could to secure good men in positions of honor and trust. The laws should be enforced or repealed he said, and if the head of any government, be it federal or municipal, did not enforce them the people should take care never to elect such a man again.

Rev. Mr. Fisher thought ministers should attend primaries more, and lend their influence toward good citizenship.

Rev. Mr. Palmer was of the opinion that the way to reach the men who elect was to call a big mass meeting and address the workingmen there, showing them that the ministers were their friends and were working for their interests.

Rev. Mr. Hobbs thought it was hardly the thing to take up any part of the Lord's day by discussing politics, but on any other day he thought it was a good thing and should be encouraged.

Rev. Mr. Fisher said he was sorry to say that it was not the men the ministers preached to who elected officials, and he thought that until there was a great reform in this direction the lower classes would be in the ascendency and elect their own candidates.

Rev. Mr. Pitner compared the law and order faction to a calf which had been driven a long distance and then given out. "That is the way with us, he remarked, "we give out too soon and too easily."

The next meeting will be the last of the season. Just when they will begin again has not yet been decided, but will be next Monday. At this meeting Rev. Mr. Hobbs will read a paper on Sin and Its Consequences, or Righteousness and Its Results.

THE SMOKE NUISANCE

Again Before the Board of Trade--Bonded Warehouse Report.

At the board of trade yesterday morning the attendance was unusually large, and besides the regular and familiar faces those of Dorilus Morrison, John S. Pillsbury, H. C. Morse and others were seen in their places. The committee on city affairs reported back the ordinance on smoke consumption with an interpolation, made at the suggestion of certain of the committee, who deemed the first one impracticable. With the interpolation the ordinance declares dense smoke a nuisance, after sufficient time has elapsed to raise steam. A motion to send the ordinance to council, with the urgent request for its adoption, failed after a long discussion, and on motion of Mr. Morrison the matter was referred back to the city affairs committee, with the addition of three practical men, to obtain full information.

Messrs. W. D. Washburn, H. E. Fletcher, W. S. King, James A. Byrnes, J. I. Wyman and Anthony Kelly were, on motion of H. G. O. Horrison, appointed a committee on stock yards, to act in conjunction with a similar committee from the chamber of commerce.

In the matter of a bonded warehouse for Minneapolis, Anthony Kelly made a verbal report. At present Minneapolis importers dealing through the St. Paul custom house are compelled to pay extra freightage between the two cities, and handling in St. Paul. The large bulk of Minneapolis imports comes through New York, Philadelphia and Boston to avoid this extra expense, and the system is inconvenient and burdensome. At the next meeting resolutions will be introduced calling upon our congressional delegation for a bonded warehouse.

A communication from the chamber of commerce asking the co-operation of the board in furthering the state fair, was referred to the committee on city affairs.

Some little time was devoted to board matters of business of no public interest.

PETTY CRIMINAL CASES.

Motions for New Trials and Continuance the Rule.

When Henry Roth, convicted of robbing Charles Erickson, a Swede, of $20, last winter, by forcing a worthless watch upon him in a snide auction store on Bridge square, and exacting $20 in return, partly by force and partly by threats, came up for sentence yesterday morning, Mr. Woolley and Mr. Donahue, Roth's attorneys, moved for a new trial on the ground that an injustice had been done Roth in convicting him of robbery when he should have been convicted, if convicted at all, of simple fraud. They proposed to show that robbery had not been committed, as Erickson made no protest or outcry at the time he handed over the $20 for the watch, and that he was satisfied until he was told that the watch was almost worthless. County Attorney Davis opposed the motion on the ground that Roth had been found guilty of robbery on the testimony introduced. Judge Young took the motion under advisement.

The case against M. Nuson, charged with selling beer at Crystal Lake without a license, was tried and the prisoner acquitted.

August Drummond, the Bohemian arrested last winter for stabbing Fred Kenedy during a drunken row, appeared looking white and scared. His bail was fixed at $500, and the case reset for June 23.

The following cases were reset for the same date: H. Clay James, keeping house of ill-fame; Mary Wilber, killing her infant child; George Tanner, keeping gambling house; Chris. Hanson, illegitimate parentage; S. B. Hazzard, W. W. Tripp and James Monroe, selling oleomargerine as butter; Shaw & Wacutta, keeping gambling house.

The case against George Howzek, Andrew Tarasaw and John Miller, charged with assaulting Watzlof Sicklow, was called, and was still on trial when the court adjourned for to-day. All the parties in this case are Bohemian, and a decidedly interesting time was experienced in getting their testimony. The trouble grew out of a dispute over political matters, Siskow espousing the Ames faith while his alleged assailants had voted the Pillsbury ticket. Siskow was knocked down, jumped on and quite seriously injured, one of the attacking party pounding him with a ladder, it is said.

Clark and McCasthy, the men arrested on a charge of fleecing a stranger out of several hundred dollars some time ago, were in court and honorably discharged.

THE WORK OF A YEAR.

Results Accomplished, as Shown at the Meeting of the Y. M. C. A.

There was a large attendance at the annual meeting last evening ot the Young Men's Christian association. Reports showing the condition of the different branches of the organization were read and commented upon. The report of the treasurer showed the receipts of the past year to have been $7,045.79 and the expenditures $6,744.57, leaving a balance on hand of $301.22. The report of the committee on membership shows the aggregate number of members to be 487, of which 265 are active, 98 ordinary associate, 5 special and 119 sustaining. This shows a falling off of 73 from last year.

The committee on library and reading room reported that the association had on file 19 daily papers, 38 weeklies, 26 monthly magazines and 9 miscellaneous publications. The library now cohsists of over 300 volumes.

H. W. Benton, chairman of the committee on evening classes, stated that the total attendance last season was 228, being an average attendance of 8 per evening.

The president of the ladies' auxiliary read an interesting report of the work accomplished. The treasurer of the same organization reported that the cash on hand was $194.87.

The report of the secretary of the Bridge square branch showed that there had been held 36 open-air meetings, 52 Sunday evenings, 52 Monday and Tuesday evening meetings, 51 jail meetings; 47 Testaments had been given away; 91 visits had been made to the hospitals; 53 persons had professed religion; 8 backsliders had been reclaimed; 50 persons had been given employment.

The railroad branch report showed that the attendance since the rooms opened, July 17, 1885, had been 11,203; 366 had become members, and 206 letters had been written by visitors. The secretary had made 672 visits to the shops and yards, and 43 at the homes of the men; 102 times had he visited sick persons. He reported a great interest being taken and hoped before another year that the membership would be double what it is at present.

Myron A. Clark, president of the junior department of the boy's branch of the association, reported that a meeting had been held on every Friday evening the past year with an average attendance of fifteen. This department has taken in some $30, of which $20 was subscribed for the state work at the St. Paul convention last December. There are at present forty-seven members, against thirty the same time last year.

The building committee's report showed that the work had not retrograded in the least, although it had not advanced as much as might be desired. The proposed new building was spoken of as an assured thing, and the committee hoped that before another year a graceful structure would be erected in this city. Numerous subscription papers were then put in circulation, the amount subscribed by each person to be paid when the sum of $75,000 shall have been reached. Refreshments followed the reading of the reports, after which a sociable was held.

QUIETLY WEDDED.

Enjoyable Nuptial Scene at the Home of Ex-Mayor Pillsbury.

AMONG the brilliant galaxy of weddings to adorn the early summer society none could be more beautiful and present than that which last night made man and wife of Mr. Burt B. Townsend and Miss Mary Chamberlain, daughter of Hon. George A. Pillsbury. The ceremony was performed at the Pillsbury homestead, corner Tenth street and Third avenue south, in the presence of only a few intimate friends and the immediate families. Rev. W. T. Chase of the First Baptist church officiated and pronounced the solemn words. The elegant parlors were handsomely garnished for the occasion. The Danz orchestra played the Mendelssohn wedding march to precede the ceremony and discoursed exquisite music during the wedding supper that followed. There was no formal reception and at a seasonable hour Mr. and Mrs. Townsend retired to their new home on Highland avenue, where they will receive friends after June 1.

The bride received many valuable and costly presents, including several heavy bank checks, as testimonials of the universal esteem in which she is held.

Mr. Townsend was formerly a clerk in the furniture establishment of C.P. Stevens & Son, but recently associating himself with Mr. Fillmore has built up a prosperous business. The bride is the step-daughter of Hon. G. A. Pillsbury and is known far and wide on account of her beauties of person and graces of mind and heart, and especially on account of her untiring devotion to the cause of the church with which she was connected.

FIRST NIGHTS.

The Week's Opening Run of Amusement Attractions.

The aggregation of dancers and musicians headed by George Wilson and Carl Rankin began a three night engagement at the Grand last evening to a medium house. Wilson and Rankin are both too well and popularly known to require any mention. The company includes William Muldoon, the wrestler, who poses in various classic attitudes, E. M. Hall the banjo Paganinie, and a good collection of singers and dancers, though scarcely up to the old standard. One good bass, several phenominal tenors and one heady falsetto make up the vocal complement. The bill is not long and ends with an amusing travesty on the "Mikado." The show will continue until and including Wednesday evening and will be followed by Hanlon Bros.' "Fantasma," with which the season ends.

THE DIME MUSEUM

was crowded last night, the attractions being the two-headed nightingale, Millie Christine. Much has been said of the wonderful creature, but it can be safely said without exaggeration that she is the greatest curiosity ever exhibited at the dime museum. She has two heads, and her previous descriptions are true to the detail. She sings and dances very nicely. On the stage the best bill of the season is presented. The Derville family present some very clever specialties, and the lad Dick Derville is the most accomplished and brilliant cornetest for his age. In fact his playing his phenomenal. The same bill runs the week.

OTHER ATTRACTIONS.

The New York combination drew the usual good Monday crowd at the Comique, last evening. As a variety entertainment it is a good one.

The "Octoroon" at the Pence had only a meagre crowd, due largely to the fact that few knew anything of it.

COUNTY AFFAIRS.

The Usual Routine Business Transacted by the Commissioners.

At the meeting of the county commissioners yesterday morning all the members were present. A communication from the supervisor of Medina asking for an appropriation for repairing county roads was referred to the committee on roads and bridges. Communications from Excelsior, Eden Prairie, Independence, Brooklyn and Dayton asking for similar appropriations were referred to the same committee.

The following persons put in applications for the abatement of taxes: George B. Hall, Michael Carroll, Nels Steele, W. S. Curtis, M. G. Nelson, G. A. Slater, O. J. Wigen, Andrew Johnson, W. B. Morse, J. H. Kennedy, Gethsemene Church, E. C. Ripley, R. P. Lupton, M. Beeas, M. G. Bond, John Fogelberg, John F. Picha and James McMillan.

On motion of Commissioner Peterson, $20 each was appropriated for Jesse Earlz and F. S. Barnes, inmates of the deaf and dumb school at Fairbault.

At the afternoon the taxes on property owned by James McMillan, John F. Picha, John Fogelberg, Margaret G. Bond, M. Beers and R. P. Lupton were reported back as abated.

The committee appointed to meet and examine the petition of P. F. Richie and others for the change of a highway, and the petition of A. F. Sandhoff for the location of a highway, reported that they had as yet been unable to meet. Thursday, May 12, was set as the time for them to meet again.

The report of H. A. Thompson, overseer of the poor farm, was presented. It showed the receipts for April to have been $627.70, and the disbursements $631.15. The total number of persons at the farm on April 1 was seventy-five, and on April 30 sixty-six.

Two bids were received for constructing an addition to the vault in the register of deed's office. One was for $875 and the other for $950. Both were referred to the committee on public buildings, who were given power to act in the matter.

On motion of Commissioner Chowen, the petition of Fred Holts and others asking that their land be set off from Minnetonka and attached to Medina, was not granted.

S. H. Dyer was granted a license to run a ferry across Gideon's bay, between Dyer's landing and Lakeview, upon his executing a bond of $500 and paying into the county treasury $5.

The bills presented by the committee on claims, together with those of the county attorney, were allowed and warrants drawn.

The committee on roads and bridges were authorized to advertise for bids to construct a "jack knife" draw bridge over the west arm of Lake Minnetonka as soon as the plans and specifications proposed by the board were received.

By a unanimous vote appropriations were made for the towns of Dayton, Independence, Eden Prairie and Excelsior as asked for, after which the board adjourned.

"INSPECTION, ARMS !"

Company A, First Regiment, Undergoes the Annual Criticism.

"Fall in."

Obedient to the command, Company A of the city militia of Minneapolis filed into Armory hall promply at 8 o'clock last evening to undergo their annual inspection. With rifles brightly shining, shoes richly blackened and snowy collars just peeping above the close-fitting military jackets, the company presented a pleasing appearance, which was not at all marred by the dress parade helmets worn instead of the fatigue caps. The company is composed of the leading young men of the city, and most of them are muscular, well-built fellows, ranging in age from 20 to 30 years.

As they stood in line, they presented an appearance not excelled by any company in the state and were the admiration of all who were present. In the gallery sat numerous young ladies, spectators, whose bright eyes danced merrily as the company went through the evolutions under the watchful eye of the inspector. Col. King, of St. Paul, assistant inspector general of Minnesota, reviewed the company, and pronounced the drill almost perfect. To one only partially familiar with military tactics, it seemed perfect, however, and the appreciation felt found vent through the ladies, who gleefully clapped their hands at each resting spell.

The company consists of fifty-two men, that is, men in the ranks, of whom forty-eighth were present, three out on a furlough and one on the sick list.

The Company will begin its annual encampment July 7, probably at White Bear Lake.

CO-OPERATIVE TENDENCY

Of the Labor Situation--Johnson & Hurd Resume--The Plumbers.

The tendency of the striking working men now appears to be to co-operate. Already have the carpenters drawn up articles of incorporation for a co-operate company, with a capital stock of $10,000, of which amount $3,000 has already been taken. Two of the journeymen have opened shops on their own account, and more will soon follow. At a meeting of Union 34 last evening at 111 Nicollet avenue, some twenty-five new members were initiated. The feeling of the men seemed to be that matters would adjust themselves in a few days. The plumbers' trouble remains unchanged. Johnson & Hurd, sash, door and blind manufacturers, have resumed operations again with ninety men, who are working ten hours at the old wages.

THE PLUMBERS AGAIN.

To the Public: Recognizing as we do the justness of the journeymen plumber's demands on the so-called master plumbers for grievances presented, we wish to say most emphatically we are with the men, and also say we are prepared to furnish figures and take contracts at old rates, and are ready to furnish bonds to any amount. Respectfully,

JORGENS & KLETZIN,
317 Third Street, Northeast.

Another View of the Case.

The labor question partly explains itself and throws the greater blame upon the workingman because of the manner of the disposition of their earnings in sustaining the Cheap John stores, which are also assisted by a number of so-called respectable business firms. These Cheap John concerns offer articles for sale at prices far below the market value in order to mislead a class not using fair judgment regarding mercantile honesty, and the workingmen in patronizing them force the manufacturers to cut by degrees their entire profit to pieces, or surrender the same altogether, which certainly obliges them to reduce wages or shut down their factories. In many instances it shows that the poorest paid mechanic has an income far above the wealthiest manufacturer, as many, hoping for a favorable reaction in matters, only keep their establishments running for appearance sake, and through that they are subjected to the most disgraceful treatment by those they so protect to the utmost of their ability. There are perhaps capitalists to the number of one out of every hundred, who don't deserve the fresh and pure air they are breathing, but friends, don't allow the solitary one to poison your blood against those who would suffer beyond your own limits if their so doing would be of any assistance to your welfare. Consider and reconsider your actions, and you will find that you are the direct tool yourself causing the difficulties, through adding to the destructions of our great factories, and through that, your earnings, by swarming to those so-called department stores, or rather tornadoes to public welfare, in which you draw your own blood. Patronize business men who are willing to pay a living profit to the manufacturers for your toil, and shut down on the trappers at once, and you will find that it neither requires strikes nor bloodshed to improve our deplorable condition in the near future. A true friend to all honest thinking and acting,

A. GARBEN.

Minneapolis, May 10.

Municipal Court Jurors.

The following municipal court jurors were drawn to serve during the next three months: W. H. Davis, W. P. Mealey, L. S. Cook, J. R. Frear, P. H. Rogers, Amos Caverly, T. F. Lally, W. A. Fisher, J. W. Hayes, M. V. Little, T. F. Nally, J. F. Calhoun, F. J. Lofgren, John A. Turnquist, W. A. Hankins, D. C. Donaldson, C. Abraham, B. H. Truman, Chris Hilstad, S. H. Chute, J. D. Fowle, A. G. Green, J. S. McClary, T. T. Thompson, Carl Larson, A. H. Edsten, Frank Durgin, S. I. Wing, B. F. Cole, Jacob Hauser, H. Parkhurst, W. B. Woolsey, John Byrnes, Thomas Hall, Carlos Burton, C. G. Vanstrum, J. H. Thompson, Solon Armstrong, Jacob Barge, N. H. Nelson, J. G. Layman, Max Segelbaum, George H. Simpson, Isaac West, A. S. Munger, A. W. Ehle, Joseph Murch, J. H. Bonholt, William McArdle, Chris Goehringer, James Goodnow, David Bentson, J. A. Sanderson, L. A. Egolf, J. B. Ames, G. S. Mayhew, Fred Massolt, Julius Nelson, Chris Ellingson, J. R. Purchase, J. O. Weld, I. P. Nichols, James Smith and John Guth.

An Old Timer Arrested.

Saturday evening John Cooney was held up and robbed of a watch and some clothing. He at once reported the case, and later on Detective King arrested Dennis Weldon, an old timer, well known to the police, on suspicion. Yesterday morning he was held to the grand jury. Under the name of Frank Spencer and "Fifth Infantry" Weldon has achieved a reputation second to none held by any crook ever in Minneapolis. Last December he was sent down for thirty days for stealing some brooms. When he came out he stole a robe from George Mann and was again sent down for thirty days. He escaped at the expiration of ten days by answering to another man's name who had been sent down for drunkenness. He went to St. Paul, was recaptured by Officer Lawrence, brought back and served his time, and after being released got a dose of thirty days more for stealing a sheep.

The Grocers.

The Retail Grocers' association last evening inspected for the mutual edification of the members, a list of about thirty employes of the city, who are reported as not paying in their bills. While the bills cannot be collected by legal process, some steps are to be taken in the way of calling the attention of the proper authorities to this practice of "deadbeating" indulged in to a considerable extent by certain persons holding down positions under the city government. It was suggested that the association might be made useful as a medium for the exchange of surplus stocks by the different members. Messrs. Hawes, Parkhurst, Bell, Libby and Powells were appointed as the executive committee for the ensuing year. An offer from the Butcher's association was received to the effect that the two associations should hire suitable quarters which can be used jointly.

The Gilmore Jubilee.

The publication of the Gilmore jubilee programs yesterday set everybody talking about the forthcoming concerts. They will occur in Minneapolis on Tuesday and Wednesday next, and the board will open at Dyer's on Friday.

Mr. W. H. Hinkle of the Philharmonic directors will have charge of fitting up the Leland rink for the jubilee, and he will have it light, comfortable and warm. Directors W. E. Slater and Capt. Snider have secured the promise of the Fort Snelling cannon from Commandent Van Hime for the use of the jubilee, and if used Vernon Bell will make the electric connections with the stage.

There was a Philharmonic rehearsal last night of their own songs and other choruses n the jubilee at the Syndicate block.

Publicly Suspended From Church.

John Ward, formerly an insurance agent in this city, was, on Sunday evening, publicly suspended from Westminster church. He was not present at the time. There were three charges against him, obtaining admission to the church under false pretenses, absenting himself from service for more than one year, and making false statements against two church members. Mr. Ward has not lived with his wife, who is a leading worker in the church, for some time. He recently went to Chicago.

Hibernians En Route to St. Paul.

The national convention of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, at St. Paul, will be attended by about 400 members from this city. They will form at Windom hall at 7:15 this morning, march to Nicollet avenue, down Nicollet to the city hall, around this building, up Hennepin avenue to Sixth street, down Sixth street to Nicollet avenue, down Nicollet to Washington avenue, and then to Milwaukee depot. Charles Fox will act as grand marshal. W. J. Reece will represent Minneapolis as a delegate.

PERSONAL COMMENT.

A. B. Barton—I regard the jury system as a farce. I would prefer any suit of mine to be decided by two judges on the bench.

Rev. Stryker—I place the ministry first, in point of general influence, and the newspapers next.

Dorilus Morrison, at board of trade—I don't propose to come here and squander time doing nothing, and I don't propose to belong to any organization that cannot pay its debts.

Wm. Regan—The GLOBE is not of my religion, but it is certainly the best paper in this section.

H. G. O. Morrison—Some of the gentlemen at our banquet on Thursday evening were pretty well "salted" before they got up.

George Davis—My left hand is crippled and it is difficult for me to do ordinary work. I wrote an application for health inspector and gave it to Ald. Clark, who promised to bring it before the council. When the election was held he never introduced it at all. I suppose he quietly pigeonholed it.

MINNEAPOLIS GLOBULES.

Co. B will be inspected this evening.

Bank clearings yesterday were $624,512.56.

About 175 saloonkeepers have filed their bonds for licenses.

The Sons of Maine entertainment for to-nght has been postponed.

It is estimated that the dog licenses will far exceed those of any previous year.

The Rev. Frank Bailey of Portland, Me., is filling the pulpit of the First Congregational church.

The council committee to investigate the Brackett block disaster will meet to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

A change of venue has been taken in the libel suit of Quinlan vs. the Pioneer Press, and Wright county courts will try the case.

County Delegate John P. Fitzgerald, of the A. O. H., will represent the Minneapolis division in the national convention at St. Paul to-day.

A meeting of the board of directors of the Catholic orphan asylum will be held at Father McGolrick's residence this evening at 8 o'clock.

The Fifth Ward Prohibition society met last evening with J. W. Lawrence, 1922 Clinton avenue. Musical and literary numbers made up a pleasant evening.

Eddie Bayless, a son of Capt. Bayless, who was injured by a brick in the hands of a companion Friday afternoon, is pronounced out of danger. No arrests will be made.

The Alaska circle will meet with Mrs. L. H. Terry, corner Mary place and Eleventh street, this evening. It being the regular monthly meeting, it is expected that there will be a large attendance of both members and visitors.

The following marriage license were issued yesterday: Carl C. Borglin and Fanny Dewal, Burt B. Townsend and Mary A. Chamberlain, Peter Olson and Belle Erickson, Herman Grandberg and Amanda Peterson, A. M. Bouillard and Exerina Bissonnette.

John Simmons, one of the Brackett block victims, will be buried this morning at 9 o'clock from the East Side French Catholic church. The remains will be placed beside those of James Connell, another victim, in the West Side Catholic cemetery.

"Old John," more properly speaking John Simpson, arrested Saturday by Detective Quinlan on a charge of robbing John Johnson of the Boston restaurant of $250, waived examination in the municipal court yesterday morning and was held to the grand jury under bonds af $800.

A few days ago a pickpocket gently "touched" George Rooke, the pugilist, for $60 on Washington avenue South. Yesterday Detective Hoy arrested the thief, but as the professor was going to leave in the evening for Coney island, where he is to act as special policeman at Hotel Brighton, he declined to prosecute him.

Yesterday morning Officers Grace and Cronin arrested Henry Regan, John McNeill and William Rouse of South Minneapolis on a charge of throwing beer kegs through the windows of Lundin's saloon, at 1205 Washington avenue south. In the municipal court Regan was fined $25 and the other two $10 each.

Yesterday the council committee on roads and bridges listened to the claims of parties interested in the opening of Third street, from Plymouth avenue to Fifteenth avenue south, but decided upon no action. The same may be said regarding the opening of Lindsey avenue, from Nineteenth avenue to Franklin.

James Garvey, a carriage washer at Harwood's livery stable in the rear of the Cascade laundry, yesterday struck Jerry Riley, another employe, on the head with a monkey-wrench, inflicting five severe scalp wounds. The assault is said to have been unprovoked and unjustifiable. No arrest has been made yet.

A box consigned to the Minnesota Medical college at the Minneapolis & St. Louis depot yesterday created considerable sensation by reason of an intolerable stench that created suspicion as to the nature of its contents. The police were assured that the box contained a "stiff" for dissecting purposes, and allowed it to be delivered.

A novel plea for not serving on a jury was yesterday morning advanced by a juryman, who evidently thought he would make more money at something else. When the case against M. Unison, charged with selling liquor without a license, this juryman arose and asked to be excused, saying that he was prejudiced against any man who would sell even a glass of beer without a license. He tried hard to induce the lawyer to object to him, but without avail and he served.

MINNEAPOLIS PERSONALS.

Ald. C. M. Bruer of Fergus Falls is in the city.

Rev. T. J. Wagner left yesterday for Chicago.

Rev. Peter Clare of Bismarck was in the city yesterday, en route for Chicago.

J. D. Boyd, cashier of the Fergus Falls National bank, was in the city yesterday on his way to Chicago.

C. M. Palmer and W. W. Northway went to Chicago last evening to attend the National Millers' convention to-morrow.

President L. S. Small of the Minneapolis, Lyndale & Minnetonka road left for New York last evening on business connected with the soda motor.

John Hart, a prominent citizen of Newark, N. J., attending the Hibernian convention in St. Paul, is in the city to-day, the guest of Frank J. Frunk.

W. C. Whiteman left yesterday to assume charge of the Ortonville Herald, which he has purchased. His friends wish him full measure of success in his venture.

THE JURY'S VERDICT.

Fixing the Responsibility For the Brackett Block Disaster---The Inquest Concluded.

Inspector Pardee, Architect Orff and Contractor Putnam Guilty of "Gross Negligence."

George A. Brackett, Owner of the Block, Exonerated After a Careful Investigation.

The Last Day's Testimony and the Statements of Mr. Brackett and Architect Orff.

The coroner's jury in the inquest over the victims of the Brackett block disaster met yesterday morning, and made another examination of the ruins as a preliminary to the day's work. When the jurymen had assembled at Connolly's morgue Coroner Hill stated that the county attorney had decided that the jury could legally pass upon the death of John Simmons, who died from injuries received by the same accident since the jury was impaneled. Frank Chabat, proprietor of the French hotel at 261 Island avenue, identified the remains of a man who had applied for accommodations the day before the accident. Later on Rev. Father Petrus Dagnault testified that the deceased before death had told him that he was unmarried and hailed from Three Rivers, Canada.

The investigation of the cause of the falling building was then taken up. W. J. Larkin, the stone contractor, was recalled and was first questioned concerning Hans Peterson, who is about to commence a suit for damages against Mr. Brackett. Mr. Larkin stated that the man was not employed by him about the building and he knew nothing of him. Continuing, Mr. Larkin testified that he had called Mr. Peterson's

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of about three-fourths of an inch on each floor, but was told it was only the settling of the joists into the false work. He did not remember seeing Architect Orff on the roof, but thought he must surely have known of the piling of the brick upon it. He supposed also that Mr. Orff knew that the battering ram was to be used. He was positive that none of the stone removed by the ram were in contact with the joist. The testimony of Messrs. Orff, Larkin, Putnam and Seebar was then read in the presence of the expert witnesses, subsequently to be called. The first of these witnesses was B. W. Fisher, the architect, who, in answer to hypothetical questions, stated, among other things, that if each floor had settled three-fourths of an inch there must have been something wrong with the false work, probably with the "keying" and foundation of the piers. The settling of three-fourths of an inch to each floor would tend to cant the 2x14 plank set on edge, throw the posts out of plumb and let the floor down. He thought the footings should have been made at a lower point than the stone foundation. The principal cause of the accident he attributed to the removal of the foundation wall, but there could have been no settling of the floors if the false work was properly put in. The supports were sufficient in size if properly used; the use of a ram would have a tendency to shake the building. The witness also thought the use of pine shingles for wedging purposes was wrong.

IN THE AFTERNOON

the hearing of expert testimony was resumed.

Fred Keyes, the architect, testified that from his examination of the building that he did not think Mr. Putnam had obtained as good a foundation for footings as he might have. If he had any doubt as to what was wanted of him as an architect he would have inquired just after drawing the plans.

L. S. Buffington stated in reply to inquiry as to the sufficiency of the false-work that he considered the upright timbers plenty large enough, sufficient timber in the girders if properly constructed, the footings insufficient and not large enough, being simple 2x14 timbers placed on 4x4 sleepers, twenty inches from the center. He thought the girder should have been a solid piece or else bolted together. If the battering ram was used on the walls below the joist the stability of the building would not be affected. The building probably was also overloaded, the piling of brick on the roof and floors helping to break it down. The shoring was strong enough to have held if the brick from the fire-wall had been removed and the brick piled on the floors.

W. P. Schaffer, a carpenter, who was employed in the construction of the false work, gave a description of the work which did not differ essentially from that of previous witnesses. He had never heard anyone say anything about danger of the building falling because of the settling.

Coroner Hill stated that this concluded the testimony with the exception of that of Chris Gallagher, Assistant Building Inspecter Hazen and some witnesses that Architect Orff wished to have introduced for the purpose of showing the nature of his instructions. Mr. Neil stated that he did not see the necessity of hearing the testimony of Mr. Gallagher and Mr. Hazen, as neither had any personal knowledge of the cause of the building's fall. Mr. Brackett stated that he had requested Mr. Gallagher to be called for the reason that he had explicitly stated at a public meeting that the building was poorly constructed by cheap workmen. If this was so he thought the jury ought to know it. However, he had no idea that Mr. Gallagher knew from personal observation what he was talking about. The jury decided not to call these witnesses, and it was decided to conclude the inquest with the testimony of Messrs. Brackett and Orff.

WINDING UP.

Mr. Brackett repeated forcibly his testimony concerning his instructions to Mr. Orff, and said: "my understanding was that he was to have entire charge throughout. I expected that he would bring in a bill for superintending the construction as well as for drawing the plans. I am entirely unacquainted in the details of building and could not even decide the strength of a single timber. All bids have been addressed to him, and I relied upon him solely. Mr. Orff suggested that Mr. Putnam should go ahead with his assistance and superintendence. I am entirely satisfied with Mr. Orff as an architect, and think if he made a mistake it was because he like others is not infallible. I may have pushed him too hard to get out the plans for the iron work, so that he may have neglected some important point. I never directed Mr. Larkin to place brick on the roof and did not know he was putting them there until I saw them."

Architect Orff was next called and stated that he had considered that he was engaged to draw the plans, and presumed that he was to superintend the construction. He had not been consulted as to the tearing down of the old blacksmith shop at the rear and supposed it would be the same with the fire wall. The carpenter came some times to my office, and I of course advised with him. I think my position was something like this. I used to go there occasionally, and if questions wese asked me of course answered them. It was just as if a doctor had called on a patient and some one else should ask him what was good for a headache. I understood that I was to have charge of the new building, but that I had nothing to do with the taking down of the wall, I did not know either Mr. Putnam or Mr. Larkin before they commenced work. No one ever told me that the building was sagging or that there was any danger of its falling. I feel that I have been somewhat misrepresented by the newspaper reports, especially that of the Tribune. I have a feeling that there is a disposition to shift the responsibility for this accident upon me. Whatever instructions I gave were concerning the permanent work and not to tearing down.

This concluded the testimony and the jury after deliberating for almost half an hour returned a verdict that John Yannish, Hans Peterson, W. D. Masen and James Connell died from the effects of injuries received by the falling of the floors and roofs of the Brackett block Wednesday afternoon and that the accident resulted from the gross neglect of Walter S. Pardee, building inspector, George W. Orff, architect, and Charles R. Putnam, carpenter in charge of work.

The inquest has lasted three days and the jury's verdict is rendered after a thorough and painstaking investigation. Although nothing is said as to the probable cause of the falling of the building, it is understood that the idea entertained is that the false or temporary work, put up to support the floors and roof during the removal of the wall, was faulty in construction and rested upon an insecure foundation. Upon this view it is likely that the jury consider Architect Orff and Putnam, the carpenter in charge, at fault. Inspector Pardee probably comes in for his share of the blame because he allowed the removal of the wall to go on after he had refused to grant a permit. George A. Brackett, the owner of the building, stands exonerated, it appearing that he relied upon his architect and assistants, not assuming any personal supervision of the work, nor issuing specific directions as to how the work should be performed.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Those who are personally acquainted with George A. Brackett will rejoice in his exoneration from blame by the coroner's jury which investigated the recent accident. Mr. Brackett is said to have a heart as big as a hill and has suffered tortures since the disaster occurred. An intimate friend said Sunday night brought him the first sleep he has had since the building fell. With him it was not a fear of consequences, but a feeling of genuine sorrow for the havoc created by the falling structure. The verdict of the jury was expected by his friends, who will rejoice accordingly.

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The board of trade must have taken the GLOBE'S criticism to heart yesterday, for the meeting was an unusually large one. Faces were seen that very seldom illuminate that room, and the discussions were sharp and interesting. There is a power for good concealed about the board, and a little newspaper friction occasionally will bring it out.

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Sports in Minneapolis fluctuate, Two months ago the excitement was at its height and business was neglected by hundreds to participate in the excitement of a wrestling match or bicycle race. Then came the relapse, and for a time sports were frowned down. The police recuperated and back came the sports, with renewed force and in additional numbers. Winter and summer join hands with the presence of base ball, and the sporting editor becomes an object of general public envy.

Will Banquet the Doctors.

About forty physicians met last evening at the West hotel for the purpose of arranging to entertain members of their fraternity attending the convention of the State Medical association which will be held at Minneapolis June 17 and 18. It was reported that at least 350 physicians will be in attendance, and it was unanimously decided to tender them and their ladies a banquet at the West hotel at the close of the convention, also to see that the proper courtesies are extended during their stay in the city, which will probably include a ride about the city and perhaps an excursion.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

ALL LATHERS are requested to meet at Peterson's hall Tuesday evening, May 11. By order committee.

ATTENTION CARPENTERS of the Northwest—You are hereby notified to stay away from Minneapolis, as the nine-hour question is not yet settled, and there are more than enough carpenters here to supply the demand for the entire season. By order of the organized carpenters of Minneapolis.

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