

FLOUR CITY. FINEST.

The Police of Minneapolis to Enjoy a Day Off To-day at Chapman's, Lake Minnetonka. Capt. Henry Williams Laid to Rest— Peculiar Suit of One Woman Against Another. A Seven-Year-Old Boy Steals a Gold Watch—It Doesn't Keep Good Time Now. Wild Pranks of a Young Girl—The Evidence Against Gerber, the Printer.

This week is altogether changed as to volume of production. The millers (one more than operated for several months), have been attempting to run the past two days, it is doubtful more than one-half the usual amount of flour is turned out. To assist with, over two-thirds of the capacity of the city was closed down Monday for the labor picnic. Twenty of the mills started yesterday and ran strong until noon, when the water began to fall rapidly, and there has been serious trouble ever since. All the mills have been forced to reduce their "feed," and not a few have found it necessary to wholly shut down at frequent intervals. Those at the lower end of the canal are especially handicapped. Unlimited quantities of sand, bark and refuse find their way to the lower mills, and it is almost impossible for them to run, except by jacks. Under these circumstances the output to-day will undoubtedly be less than two-thirds what it would be the past good movement was set on foot to-day to get all the mills shut down two or three days the latter part of the week, and it is not unlikely that the millers will be particularly anxious to crowd the flour out at the present time, and the shortage of power is therefore felt more severely.

CLEANING UP. The Council to Aid the Exposition—An Important Move.

Every Minneapolisian who has a pride in his city will be glad to see the committee on the part of the city which will hold a special meeting this evening, called by Mayor Ames for the purpose, at which steps will be taken to clean up the unsightly yards in the vicinity of the Exposition grounds. These eye sores, if allowed to remain in their present chaotic state, would be a disgrace to the city. There are also several ungrainly lawns which should be placed in repair. A few hundred dollars would paint them up and make them appear decent abodes at least. The project is to secure an appropriation sufficient to prosecute the contemplated work. The board of directors of the Exposition in executive session resolved to make the request to the council, through the mayor, and in accordance therewith, the council will meet upon Mayor Ames yesterday. The result was the official call.

NOTES OF PREPARATION. Col. H. H. Hubbard, the general manager, yesterday moved his office to the Exposition building, where he will hold forth hereafter. Exhibitors are beginning to arrive, and the space reserved for each exhibit is being marked out. It is expected that the exhibition will be opened on Monday next or their space will be forfeited.

THE PAINTERS. The painters, to the number of forty, will probably quit work to-day. They complain that they cannot afford to take one-half of their pay in stock and the other half in cash. They are, however, anxious to take one share of stock, but demand the balance of their pay in cash.

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. The executive committee meets this morning at 9 o'clock to make arrangements for the opening of the Exposition building.

THE GERBER CASE. Several Parties Say He Did Pass the Forged Check.

When Erick Lind, upon whom a bogus \$9 check was passed a few evenings ago, heard that Frank Gerber, the printer accused of passing it had been released, he was somewhat indignant and expressed himself in the following pointed manner: "I am just as certain that he was the right man as I am that I am alive. Why, I even went into the Tribune building with Detective Tracy and picked the man out from among some thirty or forty other printers. Both myself and my barkeeper, Al Schuster, saw him when he was in the saloon, and Schuster even drank with him, so I guess we can't be very much mistaken as to his identity. When I went up into the municipal court and tried to swear out a warrant against the fellow charging him with uttering a forged check, the clerk, Mr. Dunn, refused to do so, saying that he did not have time to attend to anything like that. I remained there from 9 o'clock in the morning until nearly 5 o'clock at night, and every while I asked Mr. Dunn to listen to my story. He repeated that he did not have time, but I notice that he had time to stop and talk with some people, and that what the municipal clerk needs just now is a clerk who can attend to his business, or else more clerks."

DETECTIVE HOY. In speaking of the articles in the Journal reflecting upon him, said: "The reason the man was not released when Assistant County Attorney Janison told me that he did not need a warrant against him, was because when I went to the lock-up to release him I found that Banks, the second man named, was in there, and that he was passing a forged check, and I desired to investigate. When Mr. Lind first made a complaint, I did not immediately arrest Gerber, but took him to police headquarters, where he was fully identified by two or three persons."

HERE'S A HOW DE DO. A Methodist Minister Goes Wrong—Serious Charges Against Him.

The Methodist conference which meets in Minneapolis Oct. 7 will investigate the scandal concerning Rev. John Walton of St. Paul, who is charged with having committed rape upon a young girl employed in his family when he lived at Wadena. The conference has just been held in this city in relation to the matter, and sensational developments are expected when the M. E. conference takes hold of the matter. The girl, who is now in the city, refused to testify against the man, but he was indicted by the criminal court and found guilty, but was granted a new trial. The matter was brought up in the conference last fall, but it was not until this year that the conference took action in the matter. He was, however, refused a pastorate on account of the scandal, and went to St. Paul, where he engaged in the real estate business, which he has since followed. When the case was tried a second time the state failed to convict, and Walton preached three or four times after that, thinking that the stigma of the case was wiped out by his not being convicted. Mr. Walton then made himself so conspicuous that another church investigation was called for. Not enough witnesses could be got together, however, and the session was adjourned subject to the call of the presiding elder. Soon after this it was charged that Mr. Walton had been guilty of forgery in altering a pass. By this charge he pleaded guilty and was suspended from the list of ministers until the coming conference, when he will receive a church trial on both charges. Mr. Walton denies the charge of forgery, but admits that the trouble was originated by saloon men who wanted to get even with him for his zealous temperance work.

POLICE COURT ETCHINGS. Didn't Know There Was a Work-House—Liquor Case.

Charles Harris, alias "Little" Harris, a well-known night worker, who was arrested Tuesday night while prowling around the Central hotel in a suspicious manner, was before Judge Mahoney yesterday morning. He is a slick thief, and the police have been unable to detect him in any of his work. He was clearly beaten yesterday when he pleaded guilty to the charge of vagrancy, thinking he would be ordered out of town. Ninety days in the work-house was his sentence. H. S. Edgerton, otherwise known as "Kid Benjamin," was bound over to the grand jury in the sum of \$300 for cutting M. A. Gray with a razor. Frank Low, charged with selling liquor without a license, posted \$200 for his appearance, as did the notorious Herman Priest, arraigned for the same offense. Priest is now running the New England boarding house, at the corner of Second avenue north and Second street.

NOT ABOVE SUSPICION. The readers of the GLOBE will remember that some two months ago or more Capt. Bosworth of the Second precinct station arrested a boxy young Swedish girl named Annie Hausstrom for wearing rough male habiliments and disporting herself as a cowboy on the East side, about four miles up the river. She professed with such an air of innocence and candor of wrongdoing that she won the sympathy of the crowd and was allowed to go. Since that time her demeanor has been such as to arouse the suspicion that her modesty and innocence were not what they seemed. It has been in the habit of hiring livery rigs and treating male friends to drives in the country. On Tuesday she secured a horse from Brown's livery stable and rode to the city. The price in advance. The three hours rolled by, as did the night and yesterday as well, and the girl failed to return the horse to the stable. Capt. Bosworth was notified, and, visiting the livery stable, where she played the cowboy role, he found that the girl had been there with the horse. She had been drinking to excess and was in gay spirits. The search for her is being prosecuted.

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