MILL CITY MATTERS.

Erwin on the Stand in the Welch-Vilas Case--The Evidence All In.

The Free Baptists Pass Resolutions--Their Contents a Mystery.

Missionary Meeting of Presbyterian Ladies--Civil Engineers Meet.

Commissioner Lennon Has the Pleasure of Being Hurriedly "Bounced."

READY FOR ARGUMENT.

Closing Testimony in the Welch Case---Old Letters Read.

When court took up the Welch libel case yesterday morning, Judge Hicks announced that he had made a mistake the previous day in allowing the introduction of testimony serving as grounds upon which to have reasonable excuse or a justification of the alleged libel and that all of such evidence would be stricken from the records. He then decided that the proof of the truth of the alleged libel should first be produced before any species of justification could be advanced. Col. Sessions, counsel for the defense, the raised the question of what position Mr. Erwin occupied in this case. He said the law very plainly says that the county attorney may have assistance, but the county shall not pay for it; the law also commands that the county attorney shall not have the advantage of counsel paid for by persons not a party to the suit. Mr. Erwin was then asked to take the stand. Col. Sessions asked him the following question:

"Do you appear as an attorney in this case?"

Mr. Davis objected, and Col. Sessions detailed what he expected to prove by the witness. It was to the effect that he had been employed by W. F. Vilas to work up the case and press the prosecution. He then read as to the question of law involved in a report of a similar case in Wisconsin. The result of this discussion was that the court concluded that this was a vital question and that an improper ruling on this point might cause a new trial of the case, and consequently he would adjourn the court until 2 o'clock and consult some authorities on the question. When court was reconvened Judge Hicks denied the motion to exclude Mr. Erwin from the case. Buel E. Hutchinson was put on the stand by the state in rebuttal. The letters which passed between Hutchinson and Welch in regard to the wrecking of the insurance company were then read, which reading took up most of the afternoon. Mr. Welch read the letters written by himself, which were mostly letters of inquiry. The replies were read by the witness, Hutchinson. The reading of these letters by the authors themselves brought out every point to its best advantage. After the reading of these letters, one written by the defendant to David Atwood, the president of the company, was read and then his reply, followed by a second from the defendant. In the first letter the defendant asked what had become of the surplus and what amount had been paid Vilas, and the reply was that he was entirely ignorant of any payments having been made to Vilas or any one else, and as to the disposition of the surplus he could give no information. In the second letter Welch calls Atwood's attention to the fact that if his statements in his last letter were true then he had been grossly libeled by Insurance Commissioner Spooner in his report made June, 1879.

The witness (Hutchinson) was then asked to state how much each director received from the surplus fund. The defense objected because in one of his letters he said he could not remember, and if he had made an estimate from any books he might have in his possession, then the books were the best evidence and they should be produced. The witness stated that he, as secretary of the company, made these payments himself and remembered what they were, but at the time he wrote the letter spoken of he had not seen the books for some years and consequently he did not feel safe in stating the exact amounts. That since then he had refreshed his memory and could give the exact amounts from memory.

"Do you not use the book as the basis for these calculations?" asked Col. Sessions.

"No, sir," answered the witness; "I made those payments and remember what they were without reference to the books." He then took a paper out of his pocket and read off the following statement: "The surplus fund of $23,000 was divided as follows: Vilas, $4,140; Brown, $11,500; Proudfoot, $4,600; Fox, $460; Dudley, $1,150; Hutchinson, $1,150. Atwood did not receive anything." Col. Session then stepped up to the witness and asked to look at the paper, which was handed him. He then said: "As you say you remember what these payments were, now tell me the amount each one received as I read off the names." He then read of the names of Vilas, Brown, Proudfoot and Dudley. The witness got the amounts right for two of them, but failed on the other two. This caused Col. Session to break out into a loud guffaw, and he told the witness which two were wrong. The witness managed to correct one amount, but hopelessly stuck on the other. Col. Sessions advised the witness to again refresh his memory, and said they were through with him.

This closes the evidence in the case, and the prosecution will sum up the case at 9:30 this forenoon.

THEY RESOLUTED,

But an Air of Deepest Mystery Enshrouded the Meeting.

The great indignation meeting that has been discussed so much the past few days in reference to the resignation of Rev. J. J. Hall from the Free Baptist church, took place last night and turned out to be a very tame and unimportant event after all. It partook of the nature of a star-chamber sitting, and as it had a good deal of the ludicrous about it, it will not be amiss to state the simple facts as they occurred. The meeting was held in the small room, ante-chambers to the lecture hall in the basement. To have heard some of the trustees talk, one would have supposed the whole congregation would have turned out en masse, but, as it was, about thirty people, the majority of them ladies, were present, and commenced discussing the burning question. Just at this point of the proceedings a newspaper man entered and modestly sat down in a corner, but his modesty availed him nothing; his presence froze the burning question, and he entered just in time to participate in an impromptu prayer that was started the minute his entrance became known. Singing hymns was largely indulged in, but evidently as a mild diversion from the mysterious whispering going on all the time. After this playful deception had been kept going for an hour or so, Rev. Hall pronounced a benediction, and to all intents and purposes the meeting was over. During the lull in the proceedings the reverend gentleman was seen and seemed willing to impart information, but deprecated being quoted on the subject of his resignation. "I think," he said, "they will do something to-night, but I don't care one way or the other what they do." He was then sharply called to the star chamber, and a lynx-eyed, Dundreary-appearing gentleman escorted the newspaper men to the door, which he carefully and mysteriously bolted after their exit. The whole proceedings in this case are, to say the least, curious. Why such secrecy should enwrap such an innocent matter as the resignation of a person from his charge is one of those unsolvable things that are created for unknown, but doubtless beneficent ends. It will now be in order to look about a year hence for the indignation resolutions promulgated last night.

A PLEASANT DAY OF IT

Made by the Presbyterian Ladies' Missionary Meeting.

The third annual meeting of the Woman's Presbyterial society of home missions of St. Paul Presbytery met yesterday in Andrew church on the East side, and a large number were in attendance. The morning session was principally given up to greetings and prayer, in which Mrs. R. F. MacLoren led the opening devotional exercises, and Mrs. M. H. Welles gave the "Welcome," responded to by Mrs. A. W. Ringland. The afternoon exercises opened auspiciously, the church being full of ladies and young boys who took an active part in the programme. After the reading of the Scriptures and prayer, Mrs. G. R. Metcalf read an interesting paper on "Thoughtful Giving." Miss Josie M. Nicol recited in a very taking manner a pretty piece, and following her, figuratively speaking, the juveniles were given the floor. These little gentlemen acquitted themselves in a commendable manner, and were frequently applauded. Among the little fellows there are many societies, and yesterday reports were read by the Alaskan Auxiliary band, the Golden Rule band, the Pearl Gatherers band, present with a handsome banner, and Westminster Missionary Boys' brigade. These latter made a very fine showing. Willie Nay read the report, which went to show that they are educating a colored boy down South. The cost is $50 a year, of which they have already subscribed $30. Afterwards Harry Teel, Harry Hume, Frank Burt, Frank Pomeroy, Arthur Davis and Frank Polk, all bright little members of the brigade, gave short recitations. Robert Dysart of the band of East St. Paul church, St. Paul, read the report from his organization. Mrs. Ell Torrance in her report as secretary showed there were forty-six organizations — twenty-one of them ladies' societies, sixteen are bands, and nine Sabbath school organizations. There were present delegates from Duluth, Hastings, Red Wing, Litchfield, St. Croix Falls, White Bear and St. Paul. The state of the society was flourishing, as proved by the report of the treasurer, Mrs. D. R. Noyes, which goes to show that the total contributions for 1887 were $4,195.37, as against $1,998.93 in 1886, and the showing of the missionary boxes in 1887 was $4,568.73, as against $2,156.80 during 1886. This was received with great applause and was of course very satisfactory, showing a doubling of the funds in one short year. All the old officers were re-elected, so the ticket read thusly: President, Mrs. E. F. Pomeroy; first vice president, Mrs. T. A. MacCurdy; second vice president, Mrs. A. W. Ringland; Duluth; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Ell Torrance; recording secretary, Mrs. A. N. Elliott.

Resolutions were adopted thanking the ladies of Andrew Church for the accommodation of the sacred edifice. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. Dr. Donelson, and that brought the afternoon session to a close. The church was handsomely decorated with flowers around the reading desk and on stands, and the touch of feminine hands could be seen everywhere, making the building bright and cheerful looking.

At the evening session very pleasant and interesting addresses were given by Drs. MacCurdy, Patterson and Campbell on the subject of mission work, some excellent music was rendered, and a very pleasant evening was enjoyed. To-day will be the last of the conference, and the business to be transacted will be altogether confined to foreign missions.

AN EVENING OF PLEASURE.

Civil Engineers Visit the College of Mechanic Arts of the University.

The Minneapolis society of civil engineers and the St. Paul society met at the College of Mechanic Arts and Artisan's Training school of the state university last evening, and were taken all through the building by Profs. Pike, Bard and Hoag. The visit was a pleasant one and will be long remembered. About 7:30 the joint meeting was called to order by Prof. Pike, who made a short address, in which he outlined the work that was being done by the students and showed what a benefit it was to them. The party then started on a tour through the building. The mechanical drawing room was first visited, and many of the visitors expressed considerable surprise at the artistic and meritorious work shown them. The instrument room, where all the surveying instruments are kept, was next visited. Here the various methods used in surveying were explained and discussed. In this room wood carving is carried on, and many handsome specimens of work done by pupils were exhibited. From here the party went to the machine and vise shop, in the basement, where a force of student workmen was busily engaged in the manufacture of machinery, engines and the like. The scene was a lively one, and differed materially from that of the ordinary machine shop, in that everything was clean, the floors being white and free from stain. The party spent about half an hour in this room and then adjourned to the testing room, where materials are tested and comparative strength of various kinds of wood and iron are illustrated. The students at work in this room were Sam G. Neiter, B. L. Locre and John Morris. The testing machine was called into use first on a piece of white pine scantling, 4x4 inches, and six and a half feet between rests. This stood a strain of 3,080 pounds before it broke.

Next a piece of common refined iron rod, one inch in thickness and eight inches between points, was placed in the testing machine and the power applied. The limit of elasticity was reached at 1-100 part of an inch. As the power kept increasing the iron bar kept gradually stretching out, and when 43,200 pounds had been marked it parted with a snap that might have been heard some distance away. When the rod cooled down so that the broken edges might be touched, it was found that the break was nearly as smooth as it would have been had it been cut with a cold-chisel. The visitors were shown various pieces of iron and wood which had been subjected to similar tests, and the various peculiarities pointed out. The foundry and the forges were next visited and everything of interest pointed out. Among the gentlemen present from the Minneapolis society were Messrs. Sublette, Barr, Craig, Crisman, Pike, Hoag, Pardee, Newman, Turner, Regley, Ranford and Capellan. St. Paul was represented by A. Johnson, A. Munster, S. D. Munson, W. A. Truesdell, A. O. Powell, C. L. Annus, A. A. Swenson, H. Fenstrom, A. H. Hogeland, R. Hunt, R. J. Johnson, F. W. McCoy, J. D. Esterbrook, W. W. Curtis and George Wilson. Every one was unanimous in declaring it was the most pleasant meeting of the kind that had ever been held.

Stole Woolen Stockings.

About 8:30 last evening a young man seized a package of woolen stockings, which was fastened to a show case in front of the dry goods store of J. C. Harper & Co., 519 Washington avenue south, and in trying to get them loose pulled over the show case, which, falling on the stone pavement, was badly broken and the contents scattered over the sidewalk. He then ran up Sixth avenue south, closely pursued by the proprietor of the store, and was finally arrested on Third street, near Fifth avenue south, by Officer Peter Fox after a desperate struggle, in which the officer was forced to use his club rather vigorously.

The Police Commission.

The police commission met yesterday but transacted no business. The final meeting of the board will be held Monday, and the meeting for reorganization will be held Wednesday.

HE WAS "BOUNCED."

County Commissioner Lennon Experiences a Strange Sensation.

The Nicollet house has been annoyed of late by the antics of a religious enthusiast who has been in the habit of exhorting and singing, to the discomfort of the guests. The head porter, who is also the bouncer of the hostelry, was given a description of the follow, who wears a fur collar on his overcoat and a slouch hat, and was instructed to "fire" him incontinently. Yesterday morning County Commissioner Lennon, who wears a fur collar and a slouch hat, entered the hotel for the purpose of getting an early shave. The barber shop was not open, so he was loitering about, and was not a little astonished when he found himsel confronted by a six-footer, who remarked:

"Now just amble out of here. You've been making enough trouble."

"What do you mean? I'm a gentleman and I——," stammered the commissioner.

The porter was a man of action rather than words, and the next instant Mr. Lennan felt himself sliding rapidly towards the door. In spite of his struggles he was speedily ejected, and told not to enter again. His anger and mortification knew no bounds until matters were explained later in the day.

WHAT ALIENS MAY OWN.

The Law Governing the Owning of Lands by Non-Citizens.

A number of communications having been received asking for information in regard to the law passed by the last legislature restricting the ownership of real estate in this state to American citizens, and limiting the quantity of land which corporations may hold, the GLOBE prints the following summary of the law, which contains all the information asked for:

That it shall be unlawful for any person or persons, not citizens of the United States, or who have not lawfully declared their intentions to become such citizens, or for any corporation not created by or under the laws of the United States, or of some state or territory of the United States, to hereafter acquire, hold or own real estate so hereafter acquired, or any interest therein in this state, except such as may be acquired by demise or inheritance, or in good faith in the ordinary course of justice in the collection of debts hereafter created, or the foreclosure of mortgages. Provided, That the provisions of this section shall not apply to actual settlers upon farms of not more than 160 acres of land, who may settle thereon at any time before Jan. 1, 1889; That no corporation other than those organized for the construction or operation of railways, canals, or turnpikes, shall acquire, hold or own over 5,000 acres of land, so hereafter acquired in this state; and no railroad, canal or turnpike corporation shall hereafter acquire, hold or own lands so hereafter acquired in this state other than as may be necessary for the proper operation of its railroad, canal or turnpike, except such lands as may have been grrnted it by act of congress or of the legislature.

That no corporation or association more than 20 per centum of the stock of which is or may be owned by any person or persons, corporation or corporations, association or associations not citizens of the United States, shall hereafter acquire or shall hold or own any real estate hereafter acquired in this state. That all property acquired, held or owned in violation of the provisions of this act shall be forfeited to the state, and it shall be the duty of the attorney general of the state to enforce every such forfeiture by due process of law.

MARY WAS SATISFIED,

But Canty Was Not, and Sues for His Share.

Thomas Canty has commenced an action against the Minneapolis, Lyndale & Minnetonka Railway company for $1,666. He claims that Dec. 10 Mary A. Kinney took passage on one of the defendant's trains at Washington avenue and rode to Twenty-ninth street; while alighting from the car it suddenly started, throwing her violently to the ground and seriously injuring her spine. She then hired the plaintiff in this action to sue the defendant for $5,000 damages. Shortly after the suit had been commenced, the defendant came to said Mary A. Kinney and offered her $400 if she would dismiss the suit and agree to not pay this plaintiff anything for the work he had done in bringing the suit. The said Mary A. Kinney accepted their offer and dismissed the action without notifying the plaintiff, thereby defrauding and cheating him out of what he had justly earned, which was reasonably worth the sum of $1,666. The plaintiff claims that the defendants engineered this whole scheme for the purpose of defrauding him.

RUSTLED TO SOME EFFECT.

A Ball Club on Top--The Next Grand Jury--Court Notes.

The Sacred Heart Rustlers, a base ball club, obtained a judgment against the Yellow Medicine County Agricultural society for the sum of $423.48. The plaintiffs sued for $400, which sum they claimed was offered by defendants as a prize to the base ball club which would succeed in winning the most games of a series to be played at the county fair at Granite Falls, Minn., which was held last year. The plaintiffs entered into this contest and won every game played, but the defendants refused to pay them the $400.

The grand jury for the April term of court will be composed of the following persons: Peter Sutherland, R. B. Thompson, James T. Chute, John T. Barnum, R. P. Russell, Jr., Joseph H. Clark, George Van Ness, H. M. Kent, William B. Cady, C. E. Wingate, Chester M. Martin, F. L. Darrow, George W. Bray, W. C. Hayes, C. S. Bardwell, James Gillespie, J. Leachman, E. B. Hyatt, F. W. Lauderdale, E. J. Cushman, A. B. Nettleton, Perry Harrison and Leonard A. Lay.

Articles of incorporation of the National Steam Excavating company were filed yesterday. The general business of this corporation will be the manufacturing and operating of machinery for excavating purposes. The capital stock is $10,000, and the incorporators are John A. Hilliker, William Watson and Andrew B. Merriam.

The assignee of Michael J. Fitzgerald, a saloonkeeper at 255 First avenue south, filed with the clerk yesterday a schedule of the assets and liabilities. The assets amount to $1,085.40 and debts amount to $2,739.69. The principal creditors are J. C. Oswald & Co., $2,007.-69; H. R. Lamoreaux, $178, and Kehoe & Matthews, $125.25.

Catharine Miller has commenced an action against James C. Miller for a divorce on the grounds of desertion and drunkenness. They were married at Montreal, Can.

Frank W. Greaves & Co. sue G. F. Farrington et al. for $590.91 on a promissory note.

POLICE COURT NOTES

B. Robenbarge paid a fine of $5 for leaving his horse unhitched.

James Clark was found guilty of using abusive language to A. B. Kaswig, and paid a fine of $7.50.

Albert Olson, charged with injuring shade trees, was released on his own recognizances until next Tuesday.

Lou Pierce, an in inmate of Annie Watson's place, charged with stealing $50 from a male caller, put up $500 for her appearance to-day.

Annie Watson, charged with keeping a house of ill-fame at 116 Third avenue south, pleaded guilty yesterday morning and was fined $75. Lou Pierce, Myrtle Holmes, Alice McCormack, W. Wood, John Blake, George McKeen, John Hayes and George Washington, found in the same place, were fined $10 each. Watson is the woman who, with her little book, was a central figure in the police investigation during the Pillsbury administration.

Not an Infanticide.

Early yesterday morning Patrolman George Martin found, in the hallway of the notorious "McGregor's laundry," on First street north, the body of a child, dressed neatly. He at once summoned Deputy coroner Spring, who removed the body to Connolly's morgue and held an examination. It was found that the little one, which must have been about two months old, had died a natural death, and then left where it was found, to save burial expenses. As yet there has been no clue obtained as to who the parents are.

MURDERED IN A BAGNIO,

A Minneapolis Man Receives His Death Blow at Spokane Falls.

A VERY MYSTERIOUS DEATH.

Julius Schockens the Victim---A Woman Supposed to Be at the Bottom of It.

Friends of Julius Schockens, who lived for some six years in Minneapolis, are in receipt of news from Spokane Falls, W. T., to the effect that he was stabbed in a bagnio at that place Saturday, March 17, receiving a wound from which he died the following Tuesday. The Spokane Daily Chronicle of Wednesday, March 21, says, concerning his death:

The cold, dead body of Julius Schockens lies in the hospital of the Sacred Heart. Death was caused by a knife wound on the left side. The fatal blow, whether accident ally or purposely administered, was struck on Saturday night last at a bagnio known as No. 33, on Stevens street, between Main and Front. Except the dead man, no one was present but a woman of the town named Belle Earle, who claims to have known the deceased for the past seven years. Yesterday afternoon the injured man breathed his last at the hospital, the woman Earle being with him at the end.

THE WOMAN WON'T INTERVIEW.

Last night a Chronicle reporter endeavored to get an interview regarding the matter, but was unsuccessful. At noon to-day the reporter called at the house by previous appointment, but could get no statement from the woman. Friends of the dead man have been questioned as to all the facts bearing on the case, and they know nothing except that the whole affair is wrapped in mystery. At 2 o'clock this afternoon the reporter saw Coroner Penfield, who up to that time had no notice that an inquest was wanted. To the reporter, according to what he has learned in searching for facts connected with the affair, he is of the opinion that for the good of the city an inquest should be held and a rigid inquiry made. Schockens had only been in the city about two weeks, during which time he was in the employ of S. J. Holland.

The deceased was about thirty-five years of age and conducted a wholesale liquor business at 1315 Washington avenue south, in partnership with W. Burnstem, under the firm name of J. Schockens & Co. Afterwards he ran a saloon at 429 Washington avenue south. July 27 he went to Hurley, Wis., and engaged in the liquor business, but was burned out. He then went to St. Paul and opened a cigar store on Fifth street between Robert and Jackson streets. He left suddenly during the winter, and it appears he went west, although his friends did not know his whereabouts. He came to Minneapolis in November, 1888, from Chicago, where he has a cousin, who is one of the firm of Levine & Co., liquor dealers. Another cousin, R. Wolfson, lives in Kansas City, and he has a number of relatives in St. Louis.

The woman whom the Spokane Chronicle speaks of as Belle Earle, is undoubtedly Belle Currier, with whom the deceased lived while in Minneapolis, at 429 Washington avenue south. She also accompanied him to Hurley, where they kept house, and it is presumed, either accompanied or followed him to Spokane. She is a French woman, who was born and raised in Toronto. She was known to possess a dangerous temper, and the friends of the deceased think she may have been either directly or indirectly responsible for his death, notwithstanding it is asserted that Shockens before he died said she was in no way to blame.

GLOBULES.

Bank clearings yesterday, $376,665.41.

Seven cases of measles were reported yesterday.

North side citizens meet at Hunt's hall this evening.

The winter term of the public schools closes to-day.

Yesterday morning there was $172.50 paid in fines at the police court.

The board of trade committee on city affairs meet at the board room this evening.

If P. J. Callaghan will call at the GLOBE office at 11 o'clock this morning he will learn something to his advantage.

Saturday evening the Republican club of the Tenth ward meet at the hall at the corner of Thirty-second avenue northeast and Fremont.

At the meeting of Plummer post last evening, John Paulson, the recently elected commander was installed, and appointed Capt. Reber his adjutant.

Al S. Lipman, the leading man of Arthur Rehan's company, is considered one of the handsomest young actors in the country. He was here last in support of Rose Coghlan.

The sale of seats for Arthur Rehan's engagement at the Grand opera next week opens this morning at the box office. The company is indorsed as one of the strongest comedy organizations traveling.

The People's theater had its sixth large audience of the week last evening, and the management is almost astonished at the unexpected run of patronage upon what was cofidently expected to be the dullest week of the year.

Notwithstanding the powerful cast and expensive company with which Arthur Rehan will present Augustin Daly's comedies, "Nancy & Co." and "Love in Harness," next week at the Grand opera house, prices will not be raised.

Marriage licenses were issued yesterday to Frederick H. Petty and Lazzatta Calmus, Charles S. Anderson and Emily Hagberg, Peter Samuelson and Ellen Swanson, Thomas T. Coppage and Joan Broderic, Peter A. Peterson aind Charotte Anderson.

Why sneer at the vice presidential aspirations of Mayor Ames, of Minneapolis? He is, intellectually and morally, a good many pegs above that fellow Gray, of Indiana. And in November, 1888, Minnesota may be of a great deal more use than Indiana to the Democratic party.—Chicago News.

"Nancy & Company," the new comedy to be presented at the Grand next week, is another of Daly's triumphs. The New York Times says: "'Nancy & Company,' a most delightful piece of unadulterated fun, as ably written as it is conceived, and refined as it is amusing. The play is acted with as near an approach to absolute perfection as it is possible to imagine."

The Gustavus Adolphus society intend celebrating leap year by giving a grand ball at Harmonia hall to-morrow evening, March 31. The affair will be a military one, as the Swedish guards intend co-operating. The invitation committee so far has met with great success, and therefore a large attendance is anticipated. Among those interested in the success of the ball are John Asplund, Col. J. Lindberg, P. W. Sedman, John F. Peterson and C. C. Bennett.

"Eustache Baudin" is growing in popular favor at each performance at the Pence opera house, and the audiences are uniformly large. The play is really a meritorious one, with a plentiful sprinkling of comedy and sentiment, while the cast is, in the main, most acceptable. The company has become easy in their lines, and the several characters are rendered very smoothly. The scenic effects, especially the mountain scene and the graveyard scene, are remarkably good, and assuredly reflects credit on the scenic artist. "Married Life," a sparkling comedy, will be the attraction the coming week, when John Murray will appear in the cast.

A FEW PERSONAL OPINIONS.

Police Commissioner Guile—I was very courteously invited by Mr. Janney to be present at the meeting of the commission this morning, but was unable to avail myself of the invitation.

Lt. Gov. Rice—The winter cholera must be chargeable to the police commission, because the Minneapolis people always pull together and so many of them have it. Politics? Well, what do you think of the old tickets?

Sheriff Swenson—No one can say, but I may have a hanging episode on my hands before my term expires.

John W. Perkins—I am afraid if we nominate Capt. Snider for congress he will be defeated. There is not the least doubt but what Fletcher would poll more votes than he could, and yet I doubt even if Fletcher could be elected. But there is one man, who, if nominated, would run like a steer in a cornfield, and that man is Frank F. Davis. There would be no doubt about his election.

Edward J. Davenport, Clerk of Court—Since the newspapers have been agitating the question of whether persons who are foreign born, but whose parents took out their second naturalization papers while they, the children, were minors, are required to be naturalized in order to own real estate under the law passed by the last legislature, restricting the ownership of land in this state to American citizens and those who have declared their intention to become such, my office has qeen filled with persons who have concluded that they would be on the safe side, by taking out their first papers.

ETHICS OF THE AVENUE.

The characteristic trait of the dudes is to subdue themselves in everything. The idea of displaying any emotion has always been scoffed down by these gentry. It has therefore been cause for great surprise lately what has been the reason for the unwonted excitement among the callow youths who wear cape overcoats in this city. The reason is about as extraordinary as their general actions and amounts to a burning desire on their part to return thanks to the city council for the filthy condition of the public streets and crossings, as it thereby gives them a glorious opportunity of studying the effulgent and prismastic radiance of women's hose. It is all the rage now for the boys to study the mysteries beneath the skirts at the corners, and as long as four feet of snow in little mountains line the sidewalks women and maidens will have to hitch their pretty petticoats with an upward jerk, and lo! the dudes go into ecstacies at the glimpse of a pretty ankle, and oftener still a shapely limb that is suddenly displayed; and the women, surmising the cause, flash fire from out their eyes, but smile between their teeth, for if ever there was a weakness that is almost universal it is the weakness of women to show a pair of pretty ankles should they happily own such. The variety of stockings on exhibition is perfectly charming—beauties of silk, with clocks and flowers worked in by hand, and dainty garters that peep above humbler coverings of cotton and wool, and original in every respect for a woman to wear.

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A Chesterfieldian "vag," who was also an extraordinary dwarf and cripple, approached people on Washington avenue north last night, and, taking off his hat, deprecated politely the trouble of intruding, but he would like to have some loose change if possible? And his consummate gall caught on each time without fail.

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A remarkable visit to the city at present is the smallest baby in creation, and can be seen every day at the Dime Museum. The receptions this infantile wonder holds are remarkable. Of course women predominate, as they always do where a baby is concerned; but yesterday there could be observed members of the board of commerce hanging around for a squint at that baby, staid old farmers whispering asked the mother to let them touch the little deary, and when at last resting on the palm of the lecturer's hand, the little hero displayed his beautiful lines so perfect in their littleness a most edifying "Oh, ain't he sweet!" went up from everybody in that crowd.

CURIOUS TO KNOW.

Frank Davis has declared he will not again be a candidate for county attorney and modestly asks why he would not be suitable timber of which to construct a congressman?

Eugene G. Hoy has been heard to ask J. C. Worrall how long a man ought to live in Minneapolis before he could reasonably ask to be elected county attorney?

Willyum Hennery Eustis wants to know who said Blaine not a presidential possibility, in spite of his letter?

John Swift is interested in knowing what position he will get if his friend is appointed architect of the new county and city building.

Pat Callaghan respectfully rises to inquire whether Jim Hill should hold over him in the Beaver Island fight because he has more money.

William Welch is curious to know whether his present libel experience is a part of the regular thing among "us newspaper men."

Evert Nymanover wonders, vaguely, what King Oscar of Sweden thought when he saw himself referred to as "his royal niblets."

George K. Shaw wants to know whether his private utterances are of sufficient importance to warrant the newspaper which prints them in claiming a scoop.

Tom E. Byrnes is studying the league constitution to ascertain whether he is permitted to participate in a primary and at the same time hold his job.

Manager Gooding wonders whether the St. Paul talk of its weak ball team is straight goods, or whether it is done for effect.

The Death Record.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stahl, residing at 2434 Portland avenue, died yesterday morning at the advanced age of seventy-four years. The body will be sent to Lockport, N. Y., this evening.

Mrs. Jerusha Ripley died yesterday at 217 Ninth street south. The body was taken to Saugatucket, Mich., for burial last evening.

The funeral of A. H. Palmer took place yesterday afternoon.

STILLWATER NEWS.

One of the lumber camps of R. J. Wheeler & Co. on Eau Claire lakes landed 92,000 feet of logs on Monday over a five-mile road.

Mrs. C. A. Ludwig is very low with puerperal fever.

The ladies of Ascension parish who constitute the Aid society will meet this afternoon at the vestry rooms at 3 o'clock.

United States Commissioner Shipman will continue the hearing of evidence in the support of claims against the Matt Clark transportation boats today.

Miss Kitty Mabie, of St. Paul, was given a pleasant reception at the residence of D. M. Sweim, where she is now visiting, on Wednesday evening.

Col. R. F. Hersey is en route for home from Jacksonville, Fla., and will make a short call at Washington. Mrs. Hersey and daughter will remain a short time longer in the South.

United States Commissioner Shipman heard testimony in the case of claiments against the steamer Alice D yesterday at Searles & Gail's office. The total indebtedness against the boat is $3,600, while she is said to be worth only about $1,200.

Mrs. Thomas Sutton died at 4:30 a. m. yesterday of puerperal fever at her home, 620 West Willard. She leaves a husband and family of ten children, the youngest being a babe one week old. The deceased was a most estimable lady and the sister of William Saunting, one of the leading lumbermen of this city. The funeral will be announced later.

Democratic caucuses for the nomination of aldermen were held last evening. In the First ward John T. Burke, the present member, and president of the city council, was nominated for the three-year term, and T. C. Kilty for the one-year term, to fill a vacancy. In the Second ward F. B. Yates was nominated for the two-year term, and no nomination was made for the three-year term. In the Third ward the most interest was manifested, and about seventy-five votes were cast. C. Kranz was finally nominated unanimously. In the First and Third wards strong committees, composed of five each, were selected to act during the coming year, and in the Second ward one of three. The nominations for aldermen are regarded as exceptionally strong, and will no doubt be indorsed by the people next Tuesday.

Died of Heart Disease.

Special to the Globe.

HAYWOOD, Wis., March 29.—John Hefferen, of the firm of Hanson & Hefferen, prominent loggers of this vicinity, died of heart trouble very suddenly this morning. The body will be taken to Minneapolis for interment.

LOCAL MENTION.

They Received $2,000.

Received of the N. W. Mutual Endowment society $2,000 in cash, which was $1,000 each for myself and wife as members in above mutual society.

LEWIS STRANDBERG, Willmar Minn.

Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 270 B. of L. F. invite members and friends of the order to their third annual ball at Harmonia hall, Tuesday evening, April 3. Good music and supper. Tickets $1 to be procured, with invitations from committees and at the door.

A THRILLING ADVENTURE.

Capt. Paul Boynton Gets Lost on Lake Michigan.

A GREAT BATTLE FOR LIFE.

The Great Swimmer Comes Near Losing His Life Among the Ice on the Lake.

CHICAGO, March 29.—Capt. Paul Boynton, the noted swimmer, had an experience in Lake Michigan, Tuesday, that he thinks he will not forget for some time. The captain has grown heavy during the winter, and to reduce his flesh has recently been taking little pulls out into the lake in his rubber suit. Tuesday morning at 7 o'clock he left Fullerton avenue for a swim to South Chicago and return, and met with the most thrilling adventure of his life, in which he battled for hours with a great ice floe, was carried many miles out in the lake, stripped of his navigating instruments and lost for fifteen hours in the cold, bleak waste of drifting ice, hanging clouds and straggling ducks and gulls. "When I entered the water at 7 o'clock," the captain said, "there was a fresh west wind. I swam about two miles, intending to clear the crib for a trip to South Chicago. Just about the limit of my run east I began to meet ice. I pushed through it for a time and then ran across some floes, onto which I climbed. Meanwhile a heavy sky had shut out all view of the sun and the wind had got very high. I struggled for a while and then ran into what I thought was a pocket.

I PULLED THROUGH IT

and came again to straggling floes. I must have fought them until 10 o'clock before I missed my compass. When I looked to get my bearings, having noticed that the city had faded from view, I found the band which bound the compass to my body had either been severed by a piece of ice or had become unbuckled. It was gone. The sun was hidden and there was nothing by which I could get my bearings. The water was cold and I had been in it so long I began to get drowsy. Chills ran through my veins in quick succession, and I saw I must either pull out for somewhere or perish. I looked about and saw the field of ice was at my feet, I swam feet foremost—and then concluded I had only to pull to the ice to reach Chicago. So I started, and vigorously, too. For five hours I worked as I never did before. The water was heavy and lifeless. I had to fight for every inch I made. Chicago was still nowhere to be seen and I had no notion of the time of day. Then I changed my course about half way round and pulled hard for a while. The ice gathered about me again and when night came

I WAS FRIGHTENED

again for my life. Sometimes I could dodge the drift, at others I climbed upon the cakes and crossed them. When the moon rose I got a flash of a view of it and then saw my mistake. I had crossed the field in the morning when I entered what I thought was a pocket and all the long pull of the day with the ice at my feet had driven me toward Michigan. The turn I had taken had sent me south. I set about and pushed from the moon. At 10 o'clock I saw a faint light in the sky and an hour later perceived it was from the furnaces at South Chicago. Then I got my bearings and sighted the lights at the crib. I pulled up there at midnight and blew my bugle. I must have called a half dozen times before an answer came. Then Capt. McKay answered my signal and I shouted 'Crib, ahoy.' 'Aye, who's there?' the captain answered. 'I must stay here to-night.' 'Pull round to the port.' When I got there they dropped a bit of rope, into which I fixed my foot and they then drew me up. They gave me refreshments and put me to bed. Capt. McKay says when I left the ice at night it was fully fifteen miles from shore and I think he is about right, because the swim in would take the time used. I have swam greater distances but that was the first time I ever was lost and the battle with the ice and cold was a more thrilling episode than I care to experience again."

MINNEAPOLIS REAL ESTATE

The following real estate transfers were filed yesterday in the office of the register of deeds:

Charles McCabe to William M McCabe, 10 acres of the NW ¼ sec 19, town 28, range 24	$3,000
Clara M Kramer to Jessie Richardson, lts 15, 16, 17 and 18, blk 7, Kirkwood Park	800
Charles H Gilman to E H W Smith, lt 16, blk 1, Longfellow Park add	600
Harris F Park to Kewis J Rodner, lt 14, blk 3, Steele's Lake, Harriet Park	500
John J Dissetto to Mary J Swensen, lt 3, blk 5, Excelsior add	5,000
Francis B Bailey to James T Harrison, lt 15, Pleasant View, Lake Minnetonka	800
Charles E Ford to Robert W Hayes, lt 7, blk 7, Excelsior add	5,000
Celina M Kramer to Jessie Richardson, lts 12, 13 and 14, blk 7, Kirkwood Park	600
Prudence Babcock to Lew J Clark, lt 5, blk 1, Windom's add	7,000
William C Marshall to Ira W Lipe, lt 9, blk 2, Calhoun Boulevard add	250
Isaiah Dubuque to Farwell W Merriam, lt 1, blk 9, Phillips' add	450
Jacob O B Miller to Joseph Krieg, lt 4, blk 10, North Minneapolis	500
John H Fohvell to Thomas Eastman, lt 7, blk 6, George Galpin's add	6,000
Florence E Elwell to Jacob Maag, lts 2 and 3, Elwell's add	1,100
Mary E Wyman to Lew J Clark, 13 lts in Wyman's add	13,000
Wm Cleveland to Lew J Clark, lt 5, blk 2, Gjertsen's Lake Amelia Park	550
Henry Sommermeyer to Mary L Robinson, its 11 and 12, blk 6, and lt 2, blk 10, supplement to Forest Heights	2,400
George O May to Henry Riddle, lt 26, blk 3, and lt 4, blk 9, Lincoln Park add	600
Henry Riddle to Jennie M Bradford, lt 26, blk 3, Lincoln Park add	300
John S Swenson to John J Dissette, lts 5 and 6, blk 2, Swensen Bros.' add	4,000
Herman Gall to Joseph Pesderty, lt 2, blk 30, Lennon & Newell's add	925
Mary E Wyman to Lew J Clark, lt 19, blk 9, Baker's Second add	10,000
John C Oswald to A Von Reimperg, lt 14, blk 8, Oswald's add	900
Two unpublished deeds	58,000
Total, 24 deeds	$119,875

[Titles insured, 313 Nicollet av.]

Steamers Released.

Special to the Globe.

ASHLAND, Wis., March 29. — The steamers Baker and Daisy were released to-night upon the payment of the debt upon which attachment was made.

No Family Safe

Without a prompt and convenient remedy for Croup, Whooping Cough, Bronchitis, and other Throat and Lung troubles. A bottle of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral has saved many a life. Mrs. J. Gregg, First st., Lowell, Mass., writes: "My children have taken Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, for Croup. It gives immediate relief, invariably followed by cure."

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