

TWO MILLIONS MORE.

That Amount Expended Upon Public Works This Year in St. Paul.

Over Eight Miles of Paved Streets Constructed, and Eighty Miles of Walk.

Thirty-Two Miles of Streets Graded, and Nearly Ten of Sewers.

The Year's Record Surpasses Any in the History of the City.

City Engineer Rundlett lays down his busy pen on the eve of Christmas week, and turning back over the record books of the year, finds in his own department \$2,100,000 expended since Jan. 1, 1888, for public improvements...

Table with columns: Year, Miles, Acres. Lists data for years 1849-1887.

The details of the public work completed this year are taken from the city engineer's records, and fully show the nature and values of this year's contracts.

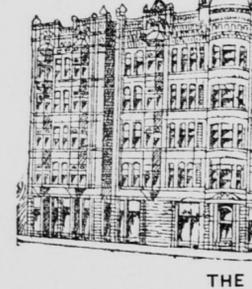


SOUTH ST. PAUL DISTILLERY

Street grading, \$145,150.18; Street paving, \$1,000,000; Sewers, \$466,650.57; Street cleaning, repairs, etc., \$380,000.00; Contract for bridges, walks, sprinkling, etc., \$116,499.92.

Table with columns: Street, From, To, Feet, Cost. Lists various streets and their paving costs.

MORTGAGES DECREASING. It is true that mortgages on property are being paid up as promptly this year as they were last. People say that money is close, but they seem to have enough to pay their debts.



THE ALBION.

were the Dakota avenue paving, cost \$2,000; Rosabel, \$11,500; Selby, \$24,700; Sibley, \$5,400; Washington, \$2,300; Wauconda, \$1,000. The total cost for the paving of 1888 is \$478,630, and the length, 8.53 miles.

The grading work has been directly toward and into the suburbs of every section of the city. The following were the heavy contracts: From To Linear Feet. Cost.

of 70,100 cubic yards of earth; Concord street, 42,730 cubic yards; Edgerton, 41,050 cubic yards, and that of Hastings avenue and Forest street 86,720 cubic yards. The Lexington avenue grading shows 210,000 cubic yards of excavation and 151,000 of embankment, while 50,000 feet of timber were used.

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Assistant Starkey has pushed the sewer work to its limit, so that some of the greatest systems the city possesses are now complete. The notable sewer work for the year will be found in the following tables:

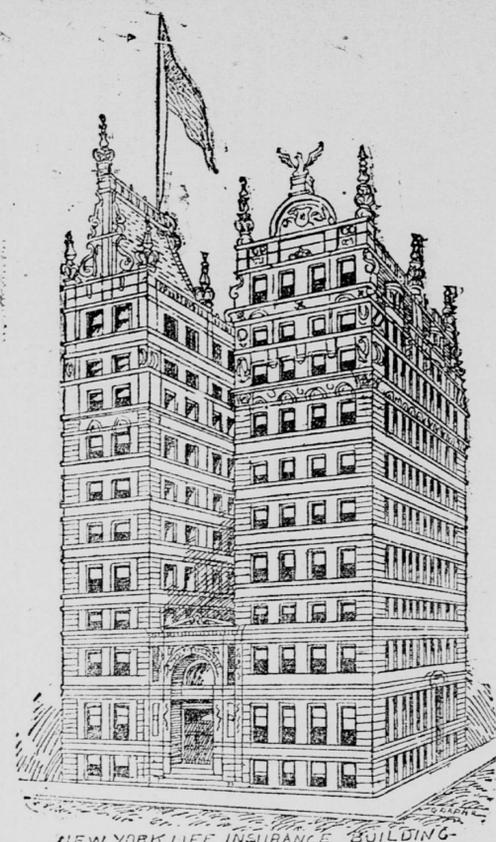
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The rapid growth of St. Paul's population has gone far to sustain her claims as to being a dangerous rival of Chicago, and a city of metropolitan proportions. Had not her strides in the direction of public improvements, private enterprises, and railroad development been sustained by a constant increase in population, her material growth would have soon been checked and progress brought to a standstill.

Table with columns: Year, Population, Increase. Shows population growth from 1838 to 1888.

On the basis of these changes in fifty years some interesting predictions as to the future can be made. For the first forty-one years the average increase was only about 1,000 a year, at which rate the city would only have contained about 50,000 inhabitants now.

By next summer I look to see the people have their debts squared and ready for legitimate speculation again. It has taken a good deal of money to pay the \$2,000,000 assessments for public improvements this year.



NEW YORK LIFE INSURANCE BUILDING

A TALE OF NUMBERS.

The Population of St. Paul and the Increase This Year.

FIFTY YEARS OF GROWTH.

A Gain of Thirteen Thousand Population in the Last Six Months.

The character of the people coming in is of the best. The myriads of new homes going up every year indicate the quality of their energy. The city is singularly lacking (and fortunately) in that class of people known as "floppers."

POLK & CO. ON POPULATION.

A Million People, These Safe Calculators Say, for 1900. The growth of the city is universally regarded as evidence of prosperity and for all the varied industries and surroundings with conveniences and luxuries. It means more business for the merchant; more work for the manufacturer; the builder, the citizen and the laborer—a wider field for all the professions.

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T. L. SCHURMEIER'S RESIDENCE.

POPULATION OF 1,022,300, or St. Paul and Minneapolis together will make one city of 2,044,720 souls, and in the language of one of America's greatest statesmen, the ultimate and last act of government will be found so far from the head of navigation on the Mississippi river.

H. S. FAIRCHILD & SON, REAL ESTATE AND LOANS. OFFERED IN ST. PAUL for SAFE INVESTMENTS. Includes text about real estate opportunities and investment options.

THE OLDEST REAL ESTATE AND LOAN FIRM IN ST. PAUL. HAVING BEEN IN CONSTANT AND SUCCESSFUL OPERATION Since 1837. AT THIS TIME Desires to CALL ATTENTION To the following IMPORTANT FACTS:

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OF EQUAL POPULATION, Commercial importance And future prospects. AT THE SAME TIME ALL SUITABLE BUSINESS HOUSES ARE OCCUPIED AT GOOD RENTALS, And there is a constant and STEADILY INCREASING DEMAND For all classes of MERCANTILE AND OFFICE BUILDINGS.

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WHOLESALE DISTRICT. Of St. Paul, at \$700 PER FRONT FOOT, on the BEST BUILT-UP STREET In the city, that would sell for two or three times that price in any other city of equal SIZE AND IMPORTANCE. WE CAN SELL THE BEST RAILROAD AND WAREHOUSE PROPERTY in the city at \$350 to \$400 per front foot; WORTH \$2,000 TO \$3,000 IN KANSAS CITY.

Have a large list of Iron, Fine and Silver Properties, ABOVE PRICES. WILL INDICATE SOMEWHAT the Exceptional Situation in this Marvelously Growing City that, among other indications of Greatness and Future Possibilities, can point to the fact that OVER 300! OVER 300! OVER 300!

PASSENGER TRAINS ARRIVE AND DEPART DAILY FROM THE UNION DEPOT IN ST. PAUL. For persons with small means that For persons with small means that For persons with small means that A number of Bargains in Minnesota and Dakota Farms.

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