

NO ARCADE THEATER.

The Plans Are Changed and the Opera House Abandoned.

Mr. Lowry Will Erect a Business Structure Instead.

St. Paul Hurriedly Visited by the Bogus Duke of Fargo.

Escorted by Detectives, He Passes Through for England.

The latest advices are to the effect that the Arcade opera house—St. Paul's million-dollar theater—will not be built.

Since the announcement of the trouble over the plans, the cessation of work and long period of idleness, the suspicion grew in the public mind that Thomas Lowry was undergoing a change of heart, and would not build the theater.

Yesterday came the announcement that the suspension was verified and the theater plan abandoned, but the details of the change could not be learned.

Mr. Lowry has stopped work on the plans and ordered them changed for a business block on the same site and founded. The St. Paul stockholders are not fully apprised of the situation, and Mr. Lowry is out of the city.

St. Paul men were not surprised, last night, when told of the change. The fact was that an insignificant amount of the stock was held in the city, while Mr. Lowry and the members of the Minneapolis syndicate, the owners of the Syndicate block, were the all in all of the company.

It had been stipulated that a certain amount of the stock was to be taken in St. Paul, but nothing like the requisite amount was secured. The St. Paul directors were nominal holders, placed in office to give the company a local appearance, and the change of plan is simply in accordance with an expressed determination, and not the outcome of feeling against St. Paul on account of the street car suits.

It was stated last night to be Mr. Lowry's fixed determination to abandon the theater plan and substitute an office and business block, on the lines already laid down.

This leaves St. Paul still practically without a large, first-class theater, and will be quite a disappointment to the city, which needs such an amusement temple, and capital should be found to build it.

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A PEER IN A PICKLE.

The Earl of Fargo and Duke of Jamestown Passes Through.

"Royalty" was seen at a disadvantage in St. Paul yesterday. Perhaps not royalty that would pass muster in the leading European courts, but a variety that does very well in Dakota, petted and fostered by the good people who have been forced to worry along without royal honors.

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MUCH GAS ABOUT IT.

The Chamber of Commerce Considers the Matter of a Uniform Rate.

At yesterday's meeting of the chamber of commerce, the report of the county and city taxes committee was considered under star chamber auspices. It was then decided to call for additional matter, and consider the question at a special meeting two weeks hence, when citizens generally will be invited.

E. V. Smalley, of the committee appointed to look into the gas charges, reported that the St. Paul Gas company be urged to change a uniform rate of \$1.75 per thousand feet. The cost of gas in Chicago and Indianapolis was \$1.25, and \$2 in Omaha.

The committee declined to recommend the acquisition by the city of the gas company's plant, but submitted that the company, enjoying as it does a public franchise, should not be allowed to charge consumers at different rates for the same purpose of increasing its capital and extending its system.

The price charged should not exceed the amount required to yield a fair return on the investment over and above working expenses. Mr. Leant proposed against the recommendation of a uniform rate of \$1.75. As a manufacturer, using gas as a motive power, he only paid \$1.50, and he did not think an additional charge should be imposed on large consumers.

Mr. Baker coincided in this view, as did also Mr. Nyroo. Eventually a resolution was introduced placing the uniform rate at \$1.50, but before it could be acted upon it was decided to lay the report over for one week, and to instruct the committee in the meantime to prepare a definite resolution thereon.

WARMEST SINCE 1882.

Observer Healy, of the United States and Minnesota weather service, reports that the mean temperature for August, 68.4, is 2 degrees above the August normal for the past years.

HE WAS THERE IN 1862.

An Old Veteran Who Was in the Merrimack and Monitor Naval Fights.

An old veteran, with a crutch, hobbled into the Merrimack and Monitor battle, corner Sixth and St. Peter streets, the other day, and inquired the price of admission, and when told by Mr. Brigham, the amiable and polite treasurer of the company, that it was 50 cents, expressed great astonishment.

MAN AND MONEY MISSING.

A German Looking for a Friend Who Suddenly Disappeared.

A young German from Worthington was racing around police headquarters and the municipal court yesterday afternoon, and police treasurer of the company, that it was 50 cents, expressed great astonishment.

Crop Effects on Railroads.

The Manitoba road yesterday made its half-yearly statement of gross earnings to the return covers from January to July, this year, and the earnings amount to \$1,928,760.25.

MEN WE MEET.

Hon. Amasa S. Crossfield, of Brown's Valley, Traverse county, is in the city. He is en route home from a two months' business and pleasure trip in the East.

Hon. Marcus Johnson, the Kandiyohi statesman, was in the city yesterday. He has not yet relinquished his position as collector of internal revenue collection, and is hopeful that the lightning will yet strike his rod.

Hon. G. S. Ives, of St. Peter, last evening registered at the Merchants' hotel, where he will remain over the State Fair.

Hon. James Compton, of Fergus Falls, was seen at the Merchants' last evening. He was slightly ticked at the description given of him by an evening paper. Mr. Compton is a state senator, but he found himself described as "United States Senator Compton."

TO AMUSE FAIR VISITORS.

"A Royal Pass" will have its first production in this city at Harrier's theater, commencing Monday, Sept. 16.

SCRAPS OF NEWS.

Bank clearances yesterday were \$789,076. Twenty-five transfers of real estate were made yesterday, aggregating \$45,428.

A meeting of the Junior Pioneer association will be held at 7:30 to-night in the municipal court room.

J. J. Toalin has resigned from his position in the dress goods department of Manchester Bros.

Twenty-three building permits were issued yesterday, the estimated value of the buildings being \$26,060.

Hon. C. A. E. will attend the State Fair to-day in a body. The post will meet at 9 o'clock in their hall at 350 East seventh street.

The Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor of the Presbyterian church, White Bear Lake, will give an entertainment Friday evening in the lecture room of the church.

Reports of diphtheria were received at the health office yesterday from Ellen street, 1132 Rooney street and 320 Martin street. Scarlat fever prevails at 151 West Seventh street.

An attachment for \$40 was levied on the property of Louis S. Alt, at South St. Paul, yesterday. In his absence the saloon property was allowed to remain open, subject to the attachment.

Harry W. Wack has been appointed a deputy clerk of the district court. He was informed by the entire bench. His primary object is the study of the law, and as he is a military young man, a fine career is predicted for him.

A proclamation was issued by Mayor Smith yesterday designating Thursday, St. Paul day at the State Fair, as a public holiday. All city offices will be closed, and business men are requested to co-operate in making the holiday general.

R. F. Edridge has received a communication from the Supreme Court, Chief Justice Van Valkenburg, stating that he will be present at the session of the grand jury, August 10, at 3 p.m. All subscribers or members of the association are requested to be present, J. S. How, secretary.

Ole Olson, a Swede, was badly cut about the head and face early yesterday morning in a fight with a man named Goodrich, the Goodrich and Joseph Harper. All of the parties live on the Westman family. The Swede was out for the arrest of the Goodriches and Harper.

The annual meeting of the Newsboys' Home association, for the election of the managing committee and other business, will be held at the chamber of commerce Tuesday, Sept. 10, at 3 p.m. All subscribers or members of the association are requested to be present, J. S. How, secretary.

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his scalp frightfully cut. He was removed in the Ducan street patrol wagon to his home, 133 Chicago avenue, West St. Paul.

STATE HOUSE NOTATIONS.

The business offices of the state capitol will be closed to-day.

Assistant Labor Commissioner Caserly will visit Duluth to-day for the collection of labor statistics.

The state board of equalization yesterday decided that the valuation of plans in Grant county be increased 100 per cent.

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ESTABLISHED, 1870.



A SEPTEMBER NECESSITY.

Always more or less rain during this month, and the wise man carefully turns up the bottom of his trousers to protect them from the mud. It makes the garment wear longer and look better.

We have an excellent Seal Plush Garment, which is sold on an exceedingly small margin. It is a Combination Plush, 33 inches long, with extra silk lining and four seal ornaments. Price, \$18.

Usters in the new fall shapes at \$10 and upwards. Jackets in 3-4 lengths are the newest. We have them at \$10, \$12, \$15, \$18 and \$20.

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Don't forget this week's special sale of Heavy English Serges, all wool, 50 inches wide, in a full range of colors, at only 80 CENTS.

We consider them good value at \$1.25.

All-Wool French Serges, 40 inches wide, in all the new colors, will be offered at the low price of 60 cents.

Novelty Pattern Dresses at \$10, \$12.50, \$15, \$17, \$17.50, \$18, \$20, \$22, \$28 and \$30.

"Isador Cloth," an entirely new and stylish material for combining with Wool Dress Goods, is shown by us exclusively; 48 inches wide. Price, \$2.

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