MINNEAPOLIS.

PHASES OF LIFE.

That the members of the Minneapolis board of education are likely to make little breaks once in a while was demonstrated a day or so ago, by a letter received from the clerk of the board by an East side gentleman. This man had presented to the board a flag, 8x12 feet, to be used on the Everett school, and as it was of regular size he supposed, of course, that it would be accepted. Judge of his surprise, then, when a short time later, he received a letter from the clerk informing him that the flag would not be accepted, as it was not of the size decided upon by the board—11x14½. This is an odd size for flags, and a little inquiry showed that the board had adopted it simply because a dealer in flags had once sent in one of those dimensions. All flags of that size would have to be made to order, and the board might find it rather expensive to have odd-sized flags made for school buildings. It is probable that at the next meeting of the board the resolution will be changed, so as to secure regular-sized flags. It is also probable that different sized flags will be used on different sized builings, as to have one sized flags for the various building would be a good deal like having only one size garments for children ranging from three to fifteen years.

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The punster killer was derelict in his duty yesterday. A large safe was being moved into the block on the corner of First avenue south and Third street, and of course it was surrounded by a crowd of idlers, who had nothing better to do than to watch the work. The punster was there in all his glory, in fact several of them were there. He shot off several remarks, like "Wonder if it's safe?" and "It's safe and yet it isn't safe," and a good many more of the same class. Why will some persons persist in cracking puns which had good old-fashioned beards when George Washington's great grandmother's nurse was in swaddling clothes.

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"That's the third time to-day that I have narrowly escaped immolation upon the pyre of the city ordinances," remarked a well-dressed gentleman at Fourth and Nicollet yesterday, just as he had pulled himself from beneath the forefeet of a rapidly driven team.

"Some day," he continued, "I will come out with a gatling gun. Some driver who cares naught for the convenience or safety of pedestrians will try to drive over me. There will be a funeral in Minneapolis a couple of days after." And as the gentleman said this a baleful gleam stole into his left eye which told that he meant business.

His complaint is but one of thousands. Not one driver out of a hundred on the streets of Minneapolis makes a pretense of pulling up on a crossing or trying to avoid running down a less fortunate fellow being who is compelled to walk.

"M'GINTY" SHOTS.

Exposition Manager Regan understands the country editor when he suggests a little boodle to quiet his fulminations against the big show.

A debate between Mrs. T. B. Walker and Mrs. Carrie Ester, with J. Ellen Foster and Frances E. Willard as judges, might prove a good attraction for some enterprising showman.

Washburn says Sabin is mad. Wouldn't the Icicle have been mad, too, if he had been defeated last winter after getting rid of all his loose change?

"Free" Lane is waiting for a chance to get back at "Bob" Jamison. Why doesn't Lane take lessons of Judge Shaw?

No, Algernon, "La Grippe" does not refer to any part of the new cable line which Mr. Lowry will put in when the robins nest again.

And now Mr. Washburn's friends will be kept busy for a time explaining the charges of Rev. W. Copp, of Eagle Lake, concerning their idol's secretary.

The Sons of the Revolution are now to be added to the list of patriotic orders. Why wouldn't Survivors of the Pequot War be a good name for another?

The Evening Tribune announces an entertainment for the benefit of Our Savior. Was he one of the fire sufferers or a Dakota farmer whose crop failed? The same paper makes the somewhat vague statement that F. A. Husher will be out "one of these days."

John R. Everard's statement that he reads no Minneapolis papers speaks well for the sheet whose boast it used to be that it was "the only morning paper published in a city of over 200,000 inhabitants.

"Free" Lane should be careful about calling attention to the possible physical disorders of other persons, such as Winn Brackett's being troubled with St. Vitus' dance. It calls attention to "Free's" disease, overflowing of the gall.

More than one person besides Col. Ripley would like to know where Capt. Harvey is.

Since the czar of all the Russias and the Minneapolis police officers are down with the same disorder, several Minneapolitans assert that disease never attacks anybody but tyrants.

AMUSEMENT NOTES.

The final rehearsal was held yesterday afternoon at Dyer's by the Danz orchestra for the fifth concert of the series which occurs at Harmonia hall tomorrow afternoon, and all present united in saying that the programme is the best of the series thus far. In addition to the features already announced there will be a serenade for the flute and oboe by Carl to be rendered by Messrs. Freeman and Wertz. Emil Straka has selected for his violin solo a fantaisie from Wieniawski's "Faust." H. E. Zock, the pianist, will render the adagio and rondo from Beethoven's fifth concerto.

The advance sale for Stuart Robson's engagement next week at the Grand was very large yesterday. "An Arrant Knave" and "The Henrietta" will be the comedies of the week.

A matinee and evening performance of "A Poor Relation" will be given at the Grand to-day.

"Little Lord Fauntleroy's" receipts at the Grand was over $4,000 for three evening and one afternoon performances, at regular prices.

"Jim the Penman" drew another good sized audience at the Harris theater last evening.

Manager Frank Bixby, of the Bijou, thinks of organizing another "The Burglar" company, after his exploit of last evening.

The charming and popular actress Miss Minnie Maddern is the attraction at the Harris theater this week, the first half in "In Spite of All." During the latter half her popular comedy "Featherbrain" will be presented. This play is entirely new here, but critics in other cities are unanimous in its praise, and it met with great success in St. Paul. There will be a special matinee on New Year's day, and on Tuesday and Thursday will occur the benefit of the Flambeau club.

Le Grand White, manager of the "Jim the Penman" company has recovered from his attack of pneumonia sufficiently to be about as usual.

Frederick Bock puts on his "Col. Blizzard" this afternoon for a run of five performances at the Pence.

The "Little Nugget" will be given afternoon and evening at the Bijou today.

Seats are now on sale for Minnie Maddern's engagement at the Harris theater.

"Lost in London," which begins an engagement at the Bijou Monday, is the most successful tank show on the road this season.

Excursion Rates

Are in effect via the popular Soo Line to Canadian and New England points. Ticket Offices—St. Paul, 197 East Third street; Minneapolis, 10 Nicollet House block and union depots.

THE MABEN TRIAL,

So-Called, Although Brackett Seems to Be Really on Trial.

S. T. Johnson the Man Who Furnished the Affidavits.

Frank L. Bixby's Version of "The Burglar" Successfully Produced.

"La Grippe" Said to Be "on the Police Force" Now.

Promptly at 9 o'clock yesterday morning Judge Emery took his seat on the bench in the municipal court, and the libel case of Brackett vs. Maben was resumed. Counsel for both sides were evidently prepared for war, for a good-sized law library was spread out on the table between them, while numerous and mysterious packages of papers were kept close at hand and constantly referred to. The work of securing the remaining two jurors was taken up. John R. Everard was accepted as the eleventh man, after he had testified that the only newspapers he read were those published in New York and Chicago. Maj. R. R. Henderson was peremptorily challenged by the defense and stood aside, while A. B. Hush and E. J. Conroy were excused for actual bias. A. M. Shuey was challenged by the defense on the ground of actual bias, but after Mr. Shuey had answered a few questions, the challenge was withdrawn and he was accepted. This completed the jury, which, for financial wealth and business standing in the community, has perhaps never been excelled in the history of the city. The twelve good men and true are E. G. Barnaby, J. W. Lauderdale, C. E. Dye, W. K. Morrison, Jacob Stone, W. T. Bowen, Preston King, C. F. Haglin, J. M. Hale, M. Lara, John R. Everard and A. M. Shuey.

The court room was crowded when Assistant City Attorney Hall arose to make his opening speech to the jury. In his speech he referred to the Declaration of Independence, and quoted "Our lives, our fortunes and our sacred honor." In pathetic tones he told of the physical weakness of the state when that historic statement was made. "But the state has grown strong," he exclaimed, "the child has grown to manhood, and now the state guards with jealous care the honor of its most humble citizen. This case is action of the state of Minnesota against C. B. Maben, who is charged with wilfully, wrongfully and maliciously libeling Winslow M. Brackett. In this case the sacred honor of a citizen has been attacked. Honor to an upright man is more sacred than even life itself, and to assail the honor of a man who has lived an upright life in this community for twenty-five years is striking at his very vitality."

Mr. Hall then, in a dramatic tone, read the celebrated Wausch affidavit, laying particular stress and calling attention to the muendoes contained in the now famous paper. He quoted that section of the penal code relating to libel and said:

"Charles B. Maben has lived in this community for some time. He may be honest, but, judged by this publication, he is either a knave or a fool. It is charged and rumored in the community that Mr. Maben is not a bad man, but that others, who are more practical and designing than he, have fired these guns over his shoulder. I can conceive of Mr. Maben as a sort of modern Don Quixote, with his national arsenal filled with all the modern artillery, and the modern Free Lance of ancient knight errantry, who has looked out of his small window and, seeing the windmill which is grinding out the crime which is rife in this community, mounting his steed and, placing his lance in rest, attempting to run it down. An attempt may be made on the part of the defense to prove the truth of the charges; and, if this be the purpose, the state has no object in suppressing anything which is the truth, or which will keep the truth from coming out. We shall prove to you that the poison of this dirty libel was concocted and distilled in the national arsenal and placed upon this Free Lance to be thrust into the vitals of Winslow M. Brackett. It was carried to his very doorstep, that his confiding wife and children might read it and blush for shame at their loved one's disgrace."

THE EVIDENCE.

Samuel T. Johnson was the first witness sworn by the state. In answer to County Attorney Jamison's questions he testified that he had known Mr. Maben since last fall, and he knew him to be the editor and publisher of the Free Lance. He had several talks with Mr. Maben about the affidavits previous to their publications, and had called at Maben's office to see him in regard to their publication. In response to his request Mr. Maben came to his office in the Rochester block, and read the five affidavits. After Maben had read them he said that if they were not true it was strange that they should corroborate each other. Then Maben said he would publish them, and the witness saw them printed in the Free Lance, with the exception of one, which had not been published. The affidavit known as the Wausch affidavit was given to Mr. Maben by Mr. Johnson.

W. H. Donahue was called to show that Mr. Maben had admitted the publication of the Free Lance.

SUPERINTENDENT BRACKETT'S STATEMENT.

Winslow M. Brackett, the complaining witness, was called and testified that he had lived in Minneapolis for twenty-five years, and that he was now the superintendent of police. Mr. Brackett testified that he had received a copy of the Free Lance of Nov. 9, 1889, at his home on Seventeenth street, and swore that he had never subscribed for it.

"Are the statements made in the Wausch affidavit true?" inquired Mr. Jamison.

"One moment," exclaimed Col. Ripley. "We might just as well make public our line of defense now, as it will save considerable time. Neither my health nor my inclination will allow me to go into proving these affidavits true. We claim that the publication was allowable by law and that it was justifiable under the law."

A long legal battle between the attorneys on both sides followed, but Judge Emery ruled that the truth or falsity of the affidavits might go to show that the publication of them was actuated by malice.

Mr. Brackett then said that the part of the affidavit relating to the taking into custody and that which related to the discharge of the women was true. All other statements are absolutely false.

"On July 6," said Mr. Brackett, "word was brought to my office that a woman supposed to be a procuress from Brainerd was about to take an innocent girl under the age of sixteen years out of the city for immoral purposes. I notified the officer at the union depot to take the parties into custody if they attempted to leave the city. When they were about to board a train the officer arrested them and brought them to my office. I had them sent to the lock-up and detained until I could have a chance to consult with the city attorney and the county attorney as to what charge I could make against them. Assistant City Attorney Hall and Assistant County Attorney Briggs went to the lock-up and had a talk with the women. The Wausch girl told Mr. Hall that she was over sixteen years of age, and that she was a prostitute. Both the city and county attorney told me that there was no charge on which to hold the women and advised their discharge and ordered the release of the two women, but at the request of the Wausch girl's father I detained her until the following Monday. I never received or directed any one to receive any money for the release of the women, and I never knew who the Wausch girl was until she told me that she had worked for Charles Hoyt." On cross-examination Mr. Brackett admitted that there was a rule made by the police commission, which was still in force, prohibiting the discharge of prisoners without an order from the court, but the commission allowed him to use his own discretion to a certain extent in this respect. In the case of the women Mr. Brackett said that they were not, strictly speaking, prisoners, but were detained for examination.

After offering copies of the paper containing the publication, and one of a previous date, calling attention to what was to follow, the state rested its case.

THE DEFENSE BEGINS.

Col. Ripley quoted section 220 of the penal code, claiming that the publication was of a privileged character. He also claimed that in a case of this kind express malice must be proven, and moved for a dismissal of the case, as the state had failed to prove malice. After Mr. Jamison had cited a number of authorities Judge Emery denied the motion.

Col. Ripley, in opening the case for the defense, said they would offer in evidence five or six affidavits, made by people whom Mr. Maben had every reason to believe were responsible, which would show that the things complained of were said to be true. The publication of the affidavits, Col. Ripley claimed, was a privilege of the press as it called attention to the official acts of a public official.

C. B. Maben was called by the defense. Mr. Maben testified that he had lived in Minneapolis since 1882, and was engaged in the real estate business, and he was also the editor and publisher of the National Arsenal and Free Lance. "About two week before the publication of the affidavits S. T. Johnson came to my office," said Mr. Maben. "I wasn't there, but Johnson left his card and a request that I should call on him at his office in the Rochester block. He told me that he had in his possession a number of affidavits charging Chief Brackett with very serious offenses. I went to the office once or twice after that, and Mr. Johnson wanted to know if I would publish them. I said I thought I would, and made arrangements for another interview. Then I examined them thoroughly. Mr. Johnson didn't want the printers to see the names of the notaries, and he told me that if I would call again he would have the last pages, upon which the signatures appeared copied and prepared for publication. When I went there again Mr. Johnson gave me the affidavits and wanted me to comment upon them. I told him I hadn't the time to make the comments, and that, as he understood the thing thoroughly, he had better write the comments, which he did and gave to me. When the affidavits were published I did not know that any examination or denial of the Wausch affidavit had been made. I had been informed of the rule which prohibited the discharge of a prisoner without an order from the court. I had also been told that the matter had been brought to the attention of the police commission, but that Mayor Babb had said that the commission would never investigate Brackett while he was a member of it.

The affidavits made by Josie Wausch, Blanche, Arthur, Jennie Hall, Delbert Hall, Lela Lepa and Sergt. Krumweide were identified by Mr. Maben as those which had been given him in Johnson's office, and, after a lively fight between the opposing counsel, were admitted in evidence and read to the jury.

About Dec. 12 Mr. Maben testified that he had met W. H. Donahue, Mr. Brackett's attorney, and in his conversation with him he had offered the use of the columns of his paper for any statement or refutation of the affidavits either the attorney or Mr. Brackett chose to make. Mr. Maben said that he had never known Chief Brackett until he was introduced to him by Mr. Donahue, and declared that when he published the alleged libel he was not actuated by any malice, but printed the affidavits because he believed them to be true and for the good of the general public. In his cross-examination by Mr. Jamison Mr. Maben said that prior to their publication he had talked about them with S. T. Johnson, Police Commissioner Gjertsen and Henry Gjertsen and Police Sergeant Krumweide, who professed to know all about them. He said that he might possibly have consulted others, but he would like to refer to some memoranda he had made at the time before he could answer positively who the persons were. After cautioning the jury not to talk with any one about the case and to restrain from reading the newspaper comments about the trial, at 5 o'clock Judge Emery declared a recess until 9 o'clock this morning, when the cross-examination of Mr. Maben will be continued.

HE WAS UNDER THE BED,

But He Had to Come Out and Submit to Arrest.

Manager F. L. Bixby, of the Bijou theater, and his family had a little experience at their home, No. 28 North Tenth street, shortly after 6 o'clock last night, which they will not forget very soon. While the family were at dinner in the dining room a messenger boy with a note called Miss Bixby to the door. When she returned to the dining room she did not latch the front door, and a gentlemanly-looking fellow walked in unseen by any members of the household and quietly slipped up stairs. Mr. Bixby had finished his dinner, and went into the bath room, which adjoins his bed room on the second floor. He was accompanied by his dog, and noticed the animal acted rather strangely and kept growling at something in the bed room. He lit the gas just in time to see the form of a man disappear beneath the bed. The dog flew at the man, but was called off, and Mr. Bixby invited the fellow to come out in tones that could not possibly be misunderstood.

"What are you doing in here?" inquired the proprietor of the house.

"Nothing at all, sir, to say in explanation. I have made a very bad play and I am caught. I was after money, but I got left," was the cool reply.

"I should say you did," replied Mr. Bixby with a smile, "but you are lucky. If it had been later in the evening I think I would have killed you first and made the inquiries later. I guess this time the courts can settle you."

"I am very glad it was not later," replied the would-be robber, as he buttoned one of his gloves.

Miss Bixby had summoned one of the neighbors, and the fellow was taken into the parlor to await the arrival of the police, who had been telegraphed for. He refused to give any account of himself further than to say that he wanted money and had no other way of getting it. Policeman Tom Garvin soon arrived, and escorted the man to the central station. He told the officer in an off-hand way that he had only arrived from Duluth about three hours before his arrest, but refused to give his name. He is unknown to the Minneapolis police. He is apparently about twenty-one years of age, dressed in dark clothes, very gentlemanly in appearance and wears kid gloves. The only thing about him is his hair, which is a bright red. At the station house he said: "I've made a d—d bad play, and the less I say about it the better it will be for me." He will be arraigned before the municipal court this morning.

Early yesterday morning Dunn & Allen's saloon, at 40 North Sixth street, was visited by thieves, and $30 in cash, the receipts of the evening was stolen from the till. As there were no marks to show the doors had been forced it is believed that the thieves were locked in the place when it was closed shortly before midnight. There was considable excitement in the neighborhood when the robbery was made known, and several amateur detectives armed with horse pistols hunted for the thieves, but not even a tramp was to be found in the neighborhood.

MORE OF "LA GRIPPE."

It Is in Minneapolis for Sure and Is "on the Police Force Now."

"La Grippe" is certainly fastening its poisonous fangs upon Minneapolis. The doctors are every day reporting the spread of the disease, and while they do not expect any such a scourge as is visiting some of the European cities, notably St. Petersburg, Berlin and Paris, yet it is making itself felt here. In lieu of finding any czars in Minneapolis upon which to feed itself, the disease has attacked the blue-coated representatives of the law. Police Surgeon Matchan has fifteen cases on his hands, all from the police force, and they are all so badly off that they cannot appear on duty. Sergeant John Leonard is confined to his bed and Sergeant Samuel Kirkham is too ill to attend to his regular duties.

LOOKS A LITTLE SHADY,

A Possible Candidate for the Mayoralty Charged With Intimidation.

There was a complaint filed in the district court yesterday which, if true, reflects somewhat severely upon two of the most prominent Scandinavians in the city. R. Sunde and A. C. Haugan, president and cashier respectively of the Scandia Bank of Minneapolis are accused of setting the screws rather tightly upon Ole Dahl, a contractor and builder.

Dahl's complaint recites that on the 11th of July, 1889, he owed the Scandia bank $3,000 on a loan, for which he gave a note, and which was secured by a mortgage on certain property. He alleges that he was called upon by A. C. Haugan, who requested his appearance at the bank. Dahl, according to his statement, called at the Scandia bank Dec. 19, 1889, and was by Sunde and Haugan invited into the back room. It is alleged that they then and there demanded the payment of the $3,000, threatening to have Dahl arrested should he fail to do so. The threat to arrest was made on the ground that, in giving the mortgage to secure his note, Dahl had made false representations concerning incumbrances on the property mortgaged. Dahl said that he could not pay the $3,000 that day, whereupon, it is alleged, they said:

"You will then have to go to jail or make an assignment to the bank of the rents of all your property."

This Dahl declined to do; and, it is claimed that Sunde next said:

"You cannot go out of this bank until you make that assignment, for if you do I shall be up town before you are and shall have you arrested."

Dahl says he was unacquainted with the law and asked permission to consult with his friends, but was met with the reply:

"You cannot go out of here until you make that assignment."

It is alleged that the assignment to the bank of all the rents of his property was then written out, and that Dahl, being under duress and in fear of arrest, signed it. Haugan has, it is said, visited some of Dahl's tenants and demanded the rents. The rents amount to about $350 per month.

Dahl asks for an order enjoining the collection of the rents and for possession of the written assignment, that he may destroy it. Judge Rea has ordered the defendants to appear at the special term of court to-day and show cause why they should not be enjoined from collecting the rents, and why they should not deliver over the assignment to Dahl.

ROTHSCHILD'S SCHEDULE.

Assets and Liabilities of the Insolvent Clothier—Court Notes.

A schedule of the assets and liabilities Samuel Rotschild, the clothier has been filed. The assests consist of stock and fixtures, $12,025.26; good accounts, $1,587.75; doubtful accounts, $4,971.64; equity in real estate, $1,200; total, $19,784.65. The liabilities amount to $40,775.68. The two largest individual creditors are Solomon Rotschild, the insolvent's father, for $7,600, and the City bank, for $5,004.57. Several wholesale clothing dealers in the East are creditors for smaller amounts, few of them being for over $1,000.

J. B. McCrystal, the tailor recently assigned, has filed a schedule showing assets of $2,015.74, and liabilities of $6,962.45. His heaviest creditor is E. H. Van Duzen & Co., of New York, in the sum of $4,795.80.

The sheriff yesterday levied an execution on behalf of the Minneapolis Stone company against the property of Woodward & Monroe, carriage dealers.

Harry Benham and Joseph W. Wheeler were yesterday removed to the St. Cloud reformatory.

G. H. Brownell has begun an action against J. J. Kingston and George Northrop to set aside a certain contract regarding the sale of property for $1,200. Brownell agreed to buy the property if he could get a clear title, and alleges that Kingston has made a certain conveyance of the property to Northrop in order to prevent Brownell from securing the property.

GRAIN RECEIVERS ORGANIZE

They Propose to Look After the Railroads Just a Trifle.

The meeting of the grain receivers of Minneapolis, adjourned from last Monday, met at the chamber of commerce yesterday afternoon and perfected organization. C. M. Harrington was chairman of the meeting, and J. H. Morton, secretary. The committee on by laws and articles of association, appointed at the last meeting, consisting of F. W. Commons, William Griffiths and J. H. Martin, reported, and the report was adopted. The association will be called the Grain Receivers' association of Minneapolis, and its object, is stated as "for the mutual protection in the business of receiving and handling grain and other property in this market and for the correction of errors and abuses of whatever nature, which may arise in the general course of trade."

The by-laws contemplate the appointment of several committees, among which will be one on transportation and one on warehouses, inspection and weighing. The transportation committee will be the most important, and will have charge of the investigation of all discrimination, overcharging and every question connected with the railroads. It is designed to protect the shipper as well as the receiver. Only members in good standing of Minneapolis chamber of commerce who are receivers of grain will be eligible to membership. Another meeting will be held next Monday at 3 p. m. for the election of officers and the appointment of committees.

He May Escape.

Several legal complications have arisen since the arrest of Michael Schieber, the Bavarian murderer. Yesterday Schieber was taken before United States Commissioner O'Dell for a further hearing. F. J. McMahon has been retained by the prisoner, and yesterday he made a formal demand for his client's discharge, claiming Supt. Brackett had no authority to make the complaint on which Schieber is now held. He also claimed that the complaint is void on the ground that it does not allege that there is an extradition treaty between the United States and Germany, nor does it state that any warrant for the fugitive's apprehension has been issued in that country. The commissioner reserved his decision.

Run Over and Killed.

H. W. Hussey, a teamster who lives at 2523 Twelfth avenue south, was run over by a wood cart and instantly killed shortly before noon yesterday. Mr. Hussey was driving a woodcart, and had stopped front of the co-operative barrel factory to attend to some repairs which were needed on his cart. His horses took fright and started to run away. In attempting to regain his seat to stop the team, he slipped and fell, and the heavy wheel passed over his head, cutting it in two and killing him instantly. The coroner viewed the body and ordered it sent to Gleason & Byorum's morgue. The deceased was married. He leaves a wife and one child.

GATHERED THEM IN,

And Judge Mahoney Ordered Them Out of Town.

Thomas Healy, James McGrath, Frank Wilson, John Roche, Herman Winat, Joseph Clark, James Burton, Patrick Snyder, Thomas Rogers and Charles McCarthy were the names given by the toughest-looking crowd of tramps who ever terrorized a housewife or pounded rock at the workhouse quarry as they stood up in the dock before Judge Mahoney yesterday in the municipal court. They had been around town drinking beer and acting in a manner that caused the detectives to loose considerable sleep of late, and so detectives Howard, Doyle and Lawrence gathered them in. After reading them a lecture Judge Mahoney sentenced the entire outfit to the workhouse for thirty days, but suspended sentence long enough for them to get out of town.

John Welsh had no overcoat but he wanted one bad. Yesterday he went into Peterman, Norstrum & Nicholson's store, at 325 Washington avenue South, and picking up a coat valued at $22 started to run away. He was captured, and for the next thirty days he will reside at the workhouse. George Bradley was fined $2 for an assault and battery committed upon Charles P. Smith, and it cost Julia Bly an even $5 for the privilege of striking Pauline Levy. William Hatch, a bottler employed by the Schlitz Brewing company, was fined $50 for selling liquor to minors.

LIFE'S PLEASANTRIES.

The K. of L. Annual Ball and W. T. T. C. Hop.

The second annual ball of the K. of L. Building association was held in Labor temple last night, and was well attended. The reception committee consisted of H. M. Burgess and wife, Ed Martin and wife, M. J. Gill and wife, Thomas A. Clark and wife, A. Melland and wife and James O'Leary and wife. S. G. Comee officiated as master of ceremonies, and had as assistants, C. S. Axtell, T. J. Gallagher, George W. McKay, J. C. Dunn, E. J. Harrington and Thomas T. Warham. Thyle & Ringwall's orchestra furnished the music for the programme, consisting of twenty-four numbers. There was a big crowd, and they had a pleasant time.

One of the pleasantest social events of the holidays was the inaugural ball of the W. T. T. C. Social society, which was held last night at Malcolm's hall. Each member of the society did his utmost to make their first ball a grand success, and their highest hopes were achieved. Everything progressed most smoothly, and the manner in which the arrangements were carried out did great credit to the society which veils itself under those mysterious letters, W. T. T. C. About forty couples were present, and entirely filled the hall, though no one complained of their being crowded, and all expressed great satisfaction with the entertainment.

INSOLVENT TROUBLES.

The Northwestern Collection, Loan and Trust Association and the Petrole Fuel Company.

F. B. Wright is the assignee of the Northwestern Collection, Loan and Trust association, and G. B. Coffin is assignee of the Petrole Fuel company. David Gomlo & Son were heavy stockholders in the Petrole Fuel company, and likewise heavy creditors of that company, and Wright has sued Gomlo & Son and Coffin, alleging conspiracy to defraud.

It will be remembered that when the schedule of assets and liabilities of the Northwestern Collection, Loan and Trust association was filed some time ago, the largest item among the assets of the company was $10,000 worth of stock in the Petrole Fuel company. There is where the shoe pinches. Wright, assignee for the collection company, in his complaint alleges that Gomlo & Son conspired with Coffin, assignee of the petrole company, to cheat the other creditors out of a fair share of the proceeds from the property of the fuel company. The defendants have been ordered to show cause why they should not be enjoined from disposing of any of the assets of the Petrole Fuel company.

MEN OF MINNEAPOLIS.

A. J. Blethen was forty-three years old yesterday, and as he glanced with pleasure at an elegant antique oak desk that came as a memento from a friend in honor of the event, he looked as though good for forty-three years more. A. J.'s whiskers are but slightly frosted, and there's plenty of vigor left in the Tribune's "old man" yet, if he don't exhaust it with too much "unexampled enterprise."

Dr. A. A. Ames has been out of the house for something like a week past and has quietly resumed his practice. He announces his firm determination to take care of his health after this, and attend exclusively to his profession.

C. B. Maben by his personal appearance creates a more favorable impression than by his writings.

Dr. George E. Ricker has been blowing himself for all he is worth lately—the poor man has "La Grippe."

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL.

Capt. A. P. Snider is home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Axford are spending the holidays in Wisconsin.

The Normanna infantry give a military ball at their hall this evening.

Battery B, N. G. S. M., will give their second ball at Harmona hall this evening.

John Baxter and family left for California yesterday, where they will spend the winter.

Mrs. J. W. Johnson and daughter leave for Europe Jan. 11 to spend the remainder of the winter.

R. J. Lanterman, financial secretary of the Y. M. C. A., has resigned, and will be succeeded by C. V. Potter.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred D. Pedee will receive their friends at their home, 13 Thirteenth street south, Jan. 15, 22 and 29.

The holiday reception of the juvenile classes of Prof. Malcolm will be held from 6 to 9 this evening. A "Kris Kringle" german will be the attractive part of the evening.

The Druids of Minnehaha Grove, No. 8, have rearranged their hall at 109 and 111 Bridge square, and will receive visitors this evening from 8 to 12. Dancing will be the main feature of the evening.

Ernest Grant and Miss Lillian Irvine were married Wednesday evening at the residence of the bride's parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Irvine, 629 Fifteenth street, by Rev. W. H. Harrington. Mr. and Mrs. Grant will be at home Tuesdays and Thursdays during January at 307 Ninth street south.

One of the most important social events of the holidays in labor circles took place last evening at Labor Temple, corner of Eighth avenue south and Fourth street. The ball was given by the directors of the K. of L. Building association, and the proceeds, which amounted to a large sum, are to be added to the building fund.

MINNEAPOLIS GLOBULES

The debate between Minneapolis and St. Paul high schools will take place at the high school in this city, Jan. 10. Minneapolis will take the negative on the question: "Resolved that the telegraph system ought to be owned and controlled by the government."

The Welsh Singing society has voted down the proposition to attend the musical festival at Chicago. According to the rule adopted, no society having less than six voices is entitled to compete for the first prize, and the Minneapolis society found itself unable to meet this requirement.

The widow of James Igoe, who was killed at the Tribune fire, desires to recover the overcoat of her late husband. It was thrown from the seventh story before Igoe jumped.

Oliver P. Morton post and Relief corps will hold public installation at Elk's hall, New Year's night.

The bank clearances yesterday were $859,132.55, and for the week $4,459,533.58, as against $3,975,230.86 for the same week last year.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

At the Brunswick: A. J. Smith, Wahpeton, N. D.; John Quinn, Wahpeton; A. W Booth, Stevens' Point; John L. O'Hair, Waverly; George Merrihew, La Crosse; D. J. Sullivan, Columbus, O.

At the Nicollet: W. C. Cambell, Tacoma; Helen Benton, Anaconda, Mont.; Martin F. McMahon, Fergus Falls; G. R. Kinyon, Owatonna; F. Clark, Ashland; C. W. Moffatt, Algona; J. N. Stacy, Monticello; M. F. Daly Perham.

At the Holmes: Oscar McWilis, Chicago; J. S. Ricker, Omaha; C. T. Bachus, Cedar Rapids, Io.; W. S. Larkin, St. Louis; Charles C. Rice, Montana; W. W. Shaffer and wife, Columbia, S. D.; B. C. Ferguson, Great Falls, Mont.; W. A. Yager, Chicago.

At the West: D. A. Henderson, Dubuque, Io.; Miss Oliver, R. W. Oliver, J. Ryan and wife, Kearney, Neb.; W. T. Orcutt, Wahpeton, N. D.; H. Conrad, Heron Lake; S. V. Enkine, Sioux Falls; W. Gale, Winona; F. E. Briggs, Moorhead; W. E. Young, D. F. Morgan, Mankato.

At the Windsor: H. S. Ackerman, Fergus Falls; D. P. Boyle, Bonner, Mont.; Dan Egan, Grand Forks; C. L. Flint, Mankato; J. F. Dougherty, Waukon, Io.; A. W. Smith, Fargo; C. H. Mars, R. X. McArthur, Chicago; C. A. Ridgeon, Buffalo, Minn.; A. P. Woolverton, Waterval; S. L. Cale, Motley, Minn.; J. A. Canniff, Grand Forks; William Barker, Council Bluffs; J. P. Robertson, Fargo; J. L. Lunden, Morris.

Geologists in Council.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—President Dana, of New Haven, called the meeting of the American Geological society to order this morning. The following papers were read: "The Origin of the Rock Pressure of Natural Gas in the Trenton Limestone of Ohio and Indiana," by Edward Orton, of Columbus; and "Tertiary Deposits of the Cape Fear River Region," by William B. Clark, of Baltimore, Md. A large number of prominent geologists were present. The meeting continued during the afternoon, the time being entirely taken up with readings and discussions.

LOCAL MENTION.

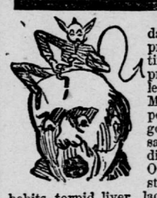
P. M. Dahl,

County Surveyor, removed to 602 Oneida block.

Marriage Licenses.

Licenses were issued yesterday to the following parties: Emil Swanson and Mary Peterson, A. J. Waller and Augusta Anderson, Nathaniel Freeburg and Armanda Anderson, H. C. McKay and Jana Cody, Gustav Erickson and Christine Bloomquist, G. M. Fryer and Grace M. Calson.

What this Augurs.



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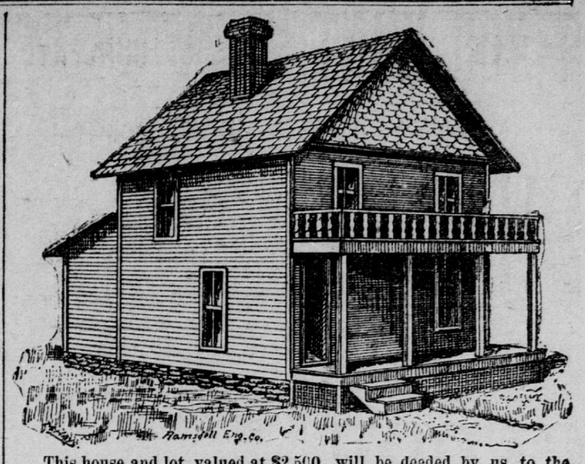

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