SAINT PAUL.

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CHATS IN CORRIDORS.

Editor S. M. Owen, who came within an ace of being elected governor of Minnesota as the Alliance candidate, came over from Minneapolis yesterday, and tarried around the Merchants' a short time. He looked as happy as though he really had been elected, and declared that the Alliance party had come to stay. It represented certain principles, and was bound to stand by them or go by the board. For these reasons he feels confident that the Alliance members of the legislature will not combine with the representatives of either of the old parties at the coming session. The speakership they will ask and undoubtedly get. While the farmers may not have quite as skillful parliamentarians in their ranks as have the other parties, the fact that he is an Alliance man and a farmer will insure his election.

The constant talk about combinations between the Alliance and other parties is not at all to Mr. Owen's liking, and he did not hesitate to denounce it. In his opinion, the very salvation of the movement demands that its representatives hold aloof from all entanglements with other political parties.

Sydney M. Owen is to-day one of the most popular public men in the state. During the time he spent at the Merchants' yesterday he was surrounded by a small army of admirers, and, in fact, was quite the lion of the hour. The phenomenal run he made for governor was discussed in every corner of the lobby, and no end of complimentary remarks were made about him. And no wonder. He is a strikingly handsome man, so earnest and sincere that he captures the hearts of those who meet him in spite of themselves.

Lieut. Gov. J. E. Rickards, of Montana, who attempted to play the Reed act as presiding officer of the first Montana state senate, passed through St. Paul yesterday. Mr. Rickards looks like a very ordinary man for a czar, and has neither the length, breadth nor mouth of Speaker Reed. In fact, his only resemblance to the speaker was found in his desire to avoid discussing the recent election. He gave it out cold that the recent Democratic victory in Montana would not be repeated. Judge Dixon, who defeated Congressman Tom Carter, he said, proved to be a very popular candidate, and this, with the strong anti-Republican drift, was too much for the r. g. o. p. Mr. Rickards was accompanied on his trip by L. J. Hamilton, also of Butte.

Banker and ex Senator E. G. Holmes, of Detroit, came down from Northern Minnesota yesterday and mingled tears with Hon. J. C. Flynn, of Little Falls. Mr. Flynn seems to take his defeat as smilingly as he usually does success, wherein he is far ahead of the Becker county statesman. Senator Holmes is decidedly sour over his defeat and the success of Hon. R. M. Probstfield. Up to within a few days of the election Mr. Holmes felt the utmost confidence in the success of his canvass: in fact, he never dreamed of defeat. This may in a measure explain his disappointment over the result. Neither Senator Holmes nor ex-Representative Flynn spent a great deal of time in the hotel lobbies yesterday—they don't like to be sympathized with by their friends or gloated over by their political opponents.

Hon. Henry Feig, the stalwart farmer who will represent Kandiyohi in the lower house of the legislature at the coming session, was at the Clarendon yesterday, and incidentally took a little hand in discussing politics. Some one jokingly suggested that as he was a farmer it might be a good idea for him to enter the lists as a candidate for the speakership.

"I would not have that office this winter if I could get it," remarked Mr. Feig very emphatically. "In my opinion there will be some very peculiar legislation proposed at the coming session, and I do not care to be in a position so responsible as that."

Q. D. Pillsbury, of Chicago, and John A. Keane, of New York, are Ryan guests.

Dr. A. H. Clark, of Heron Lake, Sam T. Clover, of Chicago, Maj. John K. Shaw, of Duluth, and C. S. Benson and M. D. Taylor, of St. Cloud, are at the Merchants'.

R. B. Abbott, of Albert Lea, J. H. Wendell, of Buffalo, E. L. Warren, of White Earth, and Judge Samuel Porter, of Willmar, are stopping at the Clarendon.

THE LOCAL STAGE.

Little Tontina and Lilly Adams, in their Spanish dancing, again pleased a good audience last night, at the Newmarket, in "He. She. Him, Her." There will be a regular matinee this evening.

Arnold & Gardner's Japanese Burlesque company is doing a good business at the Olympic. It presents such well known artists as Billy Arnold, Lida Gardner, Camille and Ella Kenyon in a brief burlesque on the "Mikado," in songs, dances, rope-skipping and tambourine singing, and in which Miss Gardner is always bound to make a hit, as she did last evening. Barnello, the fire fiend, defying fire and in wonderful tricks only known to magicians; Al Mason in new and almost superhuman feats of juggling; Poldy Carle in eight difficult lightning transformations; Charles Orville, justly entitled to the name of being the most daring aerial king in the world; Leoni and Nelson in a plantation sketch, new and bright; the two Carles in their variegated musical feats; and lastly, Mason and Titus, the original shadowgraphers, presenting their mystical and comic feats on cloth.

Col. McCaull's opera company of sixty people will be seen at the Newmarket the first half of next week. Monday evening and Wednesday matinee, Von Suppe's "Clover" will be given; Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, "The Seven Suabians," by Millocker.

Katie Putnam will be seen in "Old Curiosity Shop" to-day, to-night and to-morrow night. On Friday night, "Love Finds a Way," Miss Putnam's new comedy drama, will be presented for the first time in this city. Next Sunday night that comedy novelty "Ole Olson" begins for a week. This play has been entirely rewritten for the present season and several new and strong situations introduced. The acting company is said to be a strong one, and the quaint drollery of this amusing comedy should assure the management of the Grand a big week's business.

The advance sale for the Duff Opera company at the Newmarket has been very large, assuring a successful season.

The second Danz symphony concert occurs next Sunday at the Harris, and the advance sale indicates that the series has leaped into popularity. Prof. Danz is preparing a programme of unusual brilliancy.

"Daniel Boone" is packing the Harris nightly. The usual matinee will be given to-morrow.

Tired of Home and Kindred.

Three lively West side lads, named Frank Harris, George Morrison and Joe Haskell, stopped in their career as runaways at South St. Paul last night. They complained of ill treatment at home; that they had to give up all their stuff to their mothers, and said they had concluded to go to Dubuque. They live on Dakota avenue, between Fairfield and Indiana, and were advised to return home.

WIRES MUST GO DOWN

But Supt. McMichaels Says the Western Union Can't Stand It.

Council Orders Proceedings to Eject From All City Property.

A Resolution From Which Mayor Smith Erased His Signature.

Various Odds and Ends of City Business Transacted by Council.

A comparatively small amount of business was transacted by the city council at last evening's session. A petition was received from property owners along Como and Lexington avenues asking for the construction of a bridge on Lexington avenue, to be completed by June 1 of next year. The matter was referred to the committee on streets. A claim by the National Building and Loan association for $1,500 damages to property on account of the grading of Hall avenue was referred to the committee on claims. A communication to the council was read from President Warner, of the board of fire commissioners, regarding the provision of additional fire protection for the Midway district, meaning Merriam Park, Hamline and St. Anthony Park. It is estimated that the additional cost of supplying the necessary engines and hose carts would be about $7,000. The communication was referred to the fire committee. The committee on ways and means reported in favor of paying a portion of the $2,650 towards the construction of the Jessamine street bridge, that amount being the city's share of the expense. The report was adopted. The committee also recommended that the rent of rooms for polling places used in the last election be fixed at $15, and that no deviation from that rate be allowed unless the parties show circumstances entitling them to a greater sum. There were several objections to the fixing of the rental as recommended by the committee, from the fact that varying prices had been promised by the aldermen securing the rooms in the different wards. Ald. Sanborn offered an amendment making the minimum price $20. The resolution was adopted by a vote of 14 to 3.

The Maze of Wire.

Supt. J. McMichaels, of the Western Union Telegraph company, was present to explain the working of the system of wire suspension, recently proposed by the company as a compromise on the underground system now going into general adoption. The expense the company would incur in placing the wires in cables would, he said, be fully $12,000. To place the wires in conduits would cost over $50,000, and the business of the company in St. Paul would justify no such expense. Seventy-five or 80 per cent of the entire revenue of the company in St. Paul was paid out in salaries to employes. The gross income of the company per annum from its business here was $108,000. This statement was made in reply to a direct question by Ald. Flandrau. Ald. Van Slyke moved that the matter be referred to the committee on streets. Ald. Sanborn hoped the motion would not carry, as the matter had already been fully considered and reported on by the committee. This report was that the wire matter be referred to the city attorney with instructions to draw up an ordinance specifying the methods by which the Western Union company should place its wires underground. The vote on the report resulted in its unanimous adoption.

Must Vacate City Land.

City Attorney Holman submitted the following communication regarding the present unlawful occupation of public land by private parties.

At the last session of our legislature a law was passed amending section 4 of chapter 66 of the General Statutes of 1878 so as to read as follows:

"Section 4. Action to recover real property. No action for the recovery of real property, or for the recovery of the possession thereof, shall be maintained unless it appears that the plaintiff, his ancestor, predecessor or grant or was seized or possessed of the premises in question, within fifteen (15) years before the commencement of the action. This amendment will take effect and be in force from and after January 1, 1890."

Under the old section the plaintiff could maintain his action, if he showed that at any time within twenty (20) years before the commencement of the action he or his predecessor in title was seized or possessed of the property. The effect of the amendment of 1889 is that after Jan. 1, 1891, a person may acquire title to real property by fifteen years' adverse possession, and that in all cases where the action is brought before Jan. 1 next twenty (20) years' adverse possession must be shown to establish the title. It is claimed most strenuously that this limitation law does not apply to municipal corporations, and I believe the weight of the authorities sustains this position.

In the case of the City of St Paul vs. The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad Company, two of the ablest of our district judges have decided that this statute applies to municipal corporations as well as individuals. From that decision the city has appealed to the supreme court. This appeal will be argued on Jan. 16 next, but a decision can hardly be expected before next April.

The purpose of this communication is to ask authority from the council to institute suit against all persons and corporations who are now occupying parts of streets, levees, alleys and public places within the limits of the city without right. I consider this matter of great importance to the interests of the city, for it is a well-known fact that many of our streets and levees are occupied by parties who have no rights whatever, except such as are based on the claim of adverse possession. The city engineer has furnished me with plats showing at least sixty cases of this character, and he has not yet fully completed his investigation. I submit the accompanying resolution, and ask that it receive your careful consideration.

A resolution that the corporation attorney be authorized and directed to commence action against all persons and corporations who are now unlawfully occupying any of the streets, alleys, levees and public places within the city of St. Paul, and that said actions be commenced before Jan. 1, 1891, was unanimously passed.

An ordinance by Alderman Conley, granting permission to Le Favre Deslaeuers to move certain frame buildings now standing within the fire limits to another point on the lot now occupied, was referred to the committee on streets, as also was another from the same source granting to Louis Johnson the right to build a skating rink on the river this winter. Another ordinance, introduced by Ald. Conley, providing for the employment of a police patrol telegraph operator for duty at the central police station at a salary of $70 per month, was referred to the committee on fire department.

A resolution by Ald. Cullen, authorizing the payment of a judgment rendered against the city in the United States circuit court Dec. 16, 1887, in favor of David J. Hennessy, was unanimously passed, the same action being taken with regard to the payment of the costs in the case of The State ex rel. William Godfrey and others against The District Court of Ramsey County, amounting to $36.25. A resolution by Ald. Banholzer that an order be drawn in favor of City Treasurer Reis, for $1,915.30 to pay bricklayers on the Midway sewer system for work during September and to Oct. 10, received 16 votes, Ald. Sanborn being excused from voting. The men have been working under Paulson & Conrad, subcontractors with James Forrestal, the original contractor with the city.

Erased His Signature.

The report of the board of public works regarding the application of W. P. Murray for the lowering of the sewer on Seventh street, between Robert and Minnesota, recommended that the alteration be made and paid for out of the sewer bond fund, the property holders affected having already been assessed $1.75 per foot for sewers. It was set forth in the report that a majority of the owners had not asked for the improvement. It seems that the sewer has been constructed above the level to which Mr. Murray desires to sink the cellar of a structure he proposes to erect. The report was adopted by the council when Ald. Flandrau moved a reconsideration on the ground that further investigation was necessary in the matter. The order providing for the change had, he found, been signed by the mayor, who had subsequently erased his signature for some reason. The motion to reconsider carried, after which, on motion of Ald. Flandrau, the matter was referred to the committee on streets. Mayor Smith stated after the meeting for the GLOBE that he had signed the order originally in the belief that it was an ordinary one for improvement by assessment in the usual way. He had subsequently learned that there was contemplated a draft on the city treasury for the proposed alterations, and he at once erased his signature from the order.

IMPROVED MAIL FACILITIES.

A New Box Collection System That Will Be Appreciated.

Postmaster Lee and Capt. Hardacre, superintendent of free delivery, have consummated a plan for the improvement of the postal facilities of the city that will meet with general approbation. Under the system of mail collection which has, up to this time, obtained, it was impossible to make a morning collection in season for early mails, and there was no certainty that that letters mailed in boxes in residence portions of the city would go out on the early mails. To remedy this, the local department has arranged what it calls star route collections. Certain mail boxes in various localities have been painted red; these red boxes will be emptied by special mail collectors every night at 10 o'clock, and the public, by locating the red ones, may be sure of the prompt collection of their mails. The carriers, en route home in the evenings, will transfer matter from the green to the red boxes, and the latter will be emptied by mounted collectors. For convenience in the collection, the city will be divided into four routes, as follows:

First—Includes East Third, Earl, East Seventh, Bradley and Collins streets, Lafayette avenue and Jackson street.

Second—Includes Wabasha and Rice streets, Western, Como and University avenues, Dale, Carroll, St. Peter and Tenth streets.

Third—Includes Dayton avenue, Victoria street, Summit avenue, West Third street, Pleasant avenue, West Seventh street.

Fourth—Includes South Wabasha, Concord, Congress and South Robert streets, being the West side trip.

The regular night collections will be made from the business portions of the city as heretofore.

GEORGE'S CREDITORS

Object to the Probate of His Father's Will, Which Cuts Him Out.

C. W. Youngman, by his attorneys, Young and Lightner, yesterday filed objections in the probate court to the probate of the will of Edward Langevin, deceased. Youngman has two judgments against George W. Langevin, a son of Edward Langevin, aggregating $7,390.81, which he hoped to secure out of George's share as heir to his father's estate. The will leaves nothing to George. The objections to the probate of the will are based on three grounds. The first of which alleges that the will offered for probate is not the last will and testament of Edward Langevin, the second objection states that the old gentleman, at the time of the purported signing of the document, was not of sane mind and was incapable of executing a will. The third objection states that he was induced to sign and attempt to execute the will by reason of undue influence and duress by members of the family other than George W. Langevin.

An Attorney's Alarm.

C. Tyson Butcher has made an application to Chief of Police Clark for protection from bodily harm, threatened him by a man named George Farmer and his wife. Butcher defended the Farmers, who were on trial the other day for keeping a house of ill fame. Mrs. Farmer claims that Butcher wrote an order purporting to come from her on the strength of which $25 in the hands of Clerk Ahern, which she had furnished as bail, was handed over to the attotney. The Farmers yesterday entrenched themselves in Butcher's office and held the fort all day, waiting for the attorney. Farmer threatens to make things lively for Butcher, who has thus far succeeded in evading him.

Adelphian Amusement.

St. Paul Conclave No. 113, Royal Adelphia, gave its first annual hop and entertainment last night at A. O. U. W. hall. The entertainment was all that could be desired, and embraced the following programme:

Overture.....Orchestra
Trio.W. F. Myron, J. C. Myron, G. W. McCree
Vocal duet.....Misses Schonarth and Smith
Violin solo.....F. J. Noordsyn
Recitation.....C. C. Fairchild
Comic song.....Al Flournoy
Vocal solo.....John F. Gehan
Cornet solo.....F. W. Norquist
Quartette—Messrs. Quesnel, Wahlund, Greaza, Thornquist
Comic song.....W. F. Myron
Vocal duet.....Miss Begg and J. C. Myron

Dancing followed the musical entertainment, and embraced fourteen numbers. The several committees were composed as follows:

Reception Committee—G. S. Leisander, W. Maxwell, H. Schloss, C. F. Wilson, W. T. Lowe, F. W. Norquist, H. H. O'Hara.

Floor Committee—W. J. Long, T. J. Carney, W. Maxwell.

Ushers—H. H. O'Hara, C. E. Nelson.

St. George S. S. Pleasures.

The members of the St. George Snowshoe club met at 134 East Fourth street last evening, and selected officers for the ensuing year. Dr. J. A. Quinn was chosen president; Dr. E. H. Whitcomb, first vice president; A. B. Brand, second vice president; James H. Bell, secretary, and H. R. Hardick, treasurer. Various amusement projects for the coming winter were discussed at length, and will be enlarged on at a future meeting when more of the members are present.

Small Burglary.

Richards & Bruno, the dry goods merchants doing business at 751 Rice street, discovered, on arrival at the store yesterday morning, evidence that a burglary had been committed. The police officer on the beat states that he visited the place at 4 o'clock a. m. and found everything all right. The property stolen consists of plush sacques, cloth and linen goods, amounting in value to several hundred dollars.

PAPA-IN-LAW A PEER.

A Well-Connected Englishman Charged With Forgery.

An extremely well-dressed young man, giving his name at the central police station as R. M. Crowley, was arrested last evening by Officer Rose, on complaint of C. A. Clarke, an advertising agent, who charges him with forgery. The prisoner is an Englishman, apparently less than twenty-five years old. Clark stated that Crowley had been employed by him as a clerk, and that recently he had been crowding the pace beyond the local limit. The forgery complained of is in connection with a check for $10 on the Commercial National bank, drawn by William H. Mead in favor of C. A. Clarke. The latter claims that Crowley indorsed the check in his name and obtained the money on it. When he became aware of the facts he determined to have Crowley arrested and, as he expresses it, taught a lesson. The prisoner was seen at the station last night by a representative of the GLOBE. The story he tells of the trouble which resulted in his arrest is a very different one from that recited by Clarke. Crowley admits having indorsed the check and received the money. He denies being a clerk for Clarke, stating that he and Clarke were in partnership in an advertising scheme. They were on equal terms, rented no office and employed no clerks. The cheque, he says, came into his hands in the regular transaction of the firm's business, and he indorsed it in his partner's name as a matter of course, holding that there could be no question of his right to do so. Clarke and Crowley, together with some associates, were together in a saloon near the Merchants' hotel, on Jackson street, when a dispute arose between them in regard to the conduct of the business, and they came to blows. Crowley states that he struck Clarke for using language towards him which he felt bound to resent. Both men show marks of the encounter. Clarke claims to be the advertising agent of several St. Paul and Minneapolis publications, and says he resides at the Holmes hotel, in the latter city. Crowley's father is a man prominent in the London financial quarter, and his brother-in-law is a peer of the realm. He is a general favorite among his associates here. His arrest he characterizes as a pure piece of malice, and he is confident of being acquitted of either actual or intended wrong.

A PALACE ON WHEELS.

"The Burlington" at the Front With One of the Finest.

The Elegant and Luxurious Vestibuled Service of "The Burlington" between the Twin Cities and Chicago has always given it a high place in the opinion of discriminating travelers.

Last Sunday all previous efforts were surpassed by sending out the latest and best effort of Pullman construction, the "Cabul," a handsome twelve-section Drawing-Room Sleeper, finished in cherry and maroon embossed plush. Instead of the carved wood that is generally used in cars of this kind, embossed plush is used. The smoking and wash rooms are handsomely fitted up and provided with easy chairs. In the wash room not a bit of marble is used; in its stead is nickel work. The car is carpeted with velvet, and Sections 11 and 12 curtained with silk plush. This car is one of seven which will be used on this run, and railroad men of years of experience say that they never saw its equal before, even in private cars.

Local Microscopists.

The first regular meeting of the Northwestern Microscopical society was held at the Merchants' hotel last evening. Among the visitors present were J. W. Walker, of Hudson, Wis., and Alex Leatheu, of the Tar-Oil Company of Chicago. The objects of the society were discussed, and a number of members exhibited specimens of work done by themselves during the past few weeks. At the business meeting the dues were fixed at $2 per year, and all persons interested in microscopy are eligible to membership. Those who do not care to join were by motion invited to be present at the meetings of the society.

Nationalists Will Extend.

The organization of branch clubs throughout the various wards of the city was the principal subject of discussion at the Nationalist club last night. A. S. Keeh, D. B. Geil and G. D. Spicer were chosen as portion of a committee to make efforts towards accomplishing this object. They were authorized to select other members of the club to assist in such organization. The plans and desirability of organizing several clubs were discussed by Messrs. Geil, Herman, Keeh, Brown and others. At the meeting of the club in two weeks, at 41 West Fourth street, officers will be elected.

There will be an open meeting of the Retail Clerks' Union, No. 4028, at Labor hall this evening at 8 o'clock, which is to be addressed by some prominent speakers, after which the regular routine business of the union will be transacted.