MINNEAPOLIS.

AMUSEMENTS.

Astor Broad's pretty little operetta, "Golden Hair and the Three Bears," received its first presentation at the Lyceum theater last evening. It is, primarily, a children's opera, with parts for three or four adults, and as such, the music is, of course, of a simple, easy character. But it is bright and pretty. In the concerted numbers, the work done by the chorus of children, who ranged from the little tot of six up to the misses of fourteen and sixteen, showed careful training. The part of Big Bruin was handled well by Frank Wilberger, considering that he had never seen the music until two days ago. Everett Johnson and Raymon Robertson, the boys who essayed the parts of Morning Muff and Tiny Cub respectively, deserve special commendation. The singing of Mrs. George E. Levines, as the queen, Miss Mabel Butterfield as Golden Hair, and Miss Josephine Jennings, as Lightfoot, was all that the several parts demanded. The singing of Gil C. Farley, as the Baru, was the feature of the representation. The operetta is handsomely staged, and is well worth seeing. It will be presented at the matinee to-day.

Last performance of "Robin Hood" by the Bostonians at the Grand this afternoon, with the following popular cast:

Robin Hood ..... Ferdinand Schutz
High Sheriff of Nottingham .. H. C. Barnabee
Little John ..... W. H. MacDonald
Will Scarlet ..... Eugene Cowles
Friar Tuck ..... George B. Frothingham
Sir Guy of Gisborne ..... Peter Lang
Allan-a-Dale ..... Flora Finlayson
Dame Burden ..... Josephine Bartlett
Annabel ..... Grace Reals
Maid Marion ..... Marie Stone

To-night that ever popular and favorite opera, "Fatinitza," will be rendered by the Bostonians with the following artists in the cast: Jessie Bartlett Davis, Juliette Corden, Grace Reals, H. C. Barnabee, Eugene Cowles, Edwin Hoff, George Frothingham, A. E. Nichols and Fred Dixon.

"The Great Metropolis" opens at the Bijou to-morrow night for one week. The big spectacle will be staged with two carloads of scenery and a cast of twenty-four people. Some new features are promised in the way of spectacular effects.

"McCarthy's Mishaps" will be presented this afternoon and evening for the last time at the Bijou.

To-night Yale enthusiasm and college music will strive to outdo one another at the Lyceum. A handsome house is confidently expected, and all who remember the concert and house of two years ago, when the Yale Glee club last sang here, have no misgivings on that point. An unusually large number of theater "box parties" have been invited for the occasion. The clubs are said to be better this year than ever. Following is the programme:

Aigen's Comedy and Specialty company will close their successful week at the Pence with performances to-night, a Sunday matinee, and Sunday night. The Rentz-Santley Burlesque company will open their week's engagement next Monday. Manager Hilton is thinking of opening his attractions on Sunday evening.

Kadoodjas, the great Algerian dancer and a great favorite with the sultan of Turkey, is making her first American tour with the Rentz-Santley Novelty and Burlesque company.

The Weber Concert company will be at the Lyceum, Minneapolis, Jan. 1, 2 and 3, with New Year and Saturday matinees. With this company will appear the two foremost boy artists of America—Master Glenn Hall, the boy soprano, and Harry Duinnd, the little fourteen-year-old violinist, who has completely captivated the hearts of lovers of music in the East. This will be the only appearance of this company in Minneapolis or St. Paul this season.

DISTRICT COURT BRIEFS.

The Durnam-Smith case is again in the district court, where it will be heard in various phases. The young lady's attorney will make an affidavit in which he will set forth the facts in regard to that transfer of some $9,000 worth of real estate from Maurice Durnam to his mother and brother. The affidavit will be entered in answer to an application made by Durnam's attorney for a further stay of proceedings in the case.

An application was filed with Judge Bailey yesterday by George D. Holt, to have the three children of Mrs. Griffin, of 2021 Sixteenth avenue south, sent to the state school at Owatonna. The names of the children are Julia, aged eight years; Martin, aged five; and Allen, aged four. Their case will be considered Monday.

Beal, Morse & Co. have brought an action against William W. McCloskey to recover $325 on a bill of goods sold, and has filed papers in replevin. He claims that the defendant was insolvent at the time the purchase was made and kept the fact from the firm.

Nels C. Nelson claims that John Neethe, John E. Kittson and Andrew Peterson came upon his land and spirited away a house belonging to him. He wants $200 in lieu thereof.

Charles C. Chapman is about to sue for $5,000 consequent upon injuries inflicted by the rolling stock of the Minneapolis Street Railway company, and has filed a petition to act as guardian of his son, William Chapman, in order that he may prosecute the action.

John G. Norman and Minnie Norman want to adopt little Susannah Nelson, and have filed a petition to the court asking that papers in adoption be issued.

Katie Leutner has become disgusted because her divorce suit against her husband, E. H. Leutner, a local carpenter, didn't come up on the calendar, and has filed a substitution of attorney. She claims that her former legal adviser didn't railroad matters with a celerity that should be observed, especially in divorce matters, and she couldn't stand it any longer. C. D. Kerr will see to it that she is accommodated.

Mrs. A. Finkleson wants a divorce from her husband, but she is afraid the newspapers will publish one of their sarcastic and lugubrious accounts of the affair, and so it will come up on a note of issue.

Unfortunate Mrs. Proyfart.

Mrs. Maggie Proyfart resides in Minneapolis, near the corner of Twenty-fifth street and First avenue south. She is very fond of birds and chickens, and has quite a number of them about her premises. On last Monday Mrs. Proyfart locked the doors of her home and went to St. Paul. She met some friends of a convivial nature and indulged to a degree. While endeavoring to return to Minneapolis she was accosted by a police officer, who subsequently arrested her. Her trial resulted in conviction, and she was sentenced to sixty days imprisonment. Yesterday the officials of the Associated Charities received an unsigned letter asking to care for the canary birds and chickens. Mr. Kellogg, who has charge of the telephone service at headquarters, after investigation was enabled to discover the the writer of the letter and Officer Tatro of the S. P. C. A., looked after Mrs. Proyfart's pets.

Christmas at the Workhouse.

Christmas of 1890 will long be remembered by the unfortunates who are confined during the holiday season at the workhouse. Thoughtful and charitable persons gave the inmates Christmas night a splendid supper and then entertained them with readings and musical selections. Rev. William Wilkinson delivered the Christmas address, which was attentively listened to by his auditors. Mr. Oliver sang a solo and Miss Sandberg gave a selection on the piano. Miss West created a great deal of enthusiasm by reciting "Custer's Last Charge," and was warmly applauded. Mr. Ogden's playing of the banjo was a source of much pleasure, and a quartette composed of Messrs. Rollins, Bentley, Tyrone and Hohl sang a number of popular ballads.

HAD HIS HANDS FULL.

Coroner Towers Holds Four Post-Mortems in One Day.

An Autopsy to Be Held in the Case of O. H. Hogan, of Iowa.

Chief Brackett Visited by a Man Suspected of Murder.

More About the Fight on Kilvington--General City News.

Coroner Torners had his hands full yesterday. During the day he directed no less than four post-mortem examinations at Connolly's morgue. The first and chiefest one was held on the body of a former patient of St. Barnabas' hospital, who expired on the operating table while having a tumor removed from his foot. O. H. Hogan, who is supposed to have been a native of Iowa, visited the hospital on Tuesday last and expressed the wish to have an ugly tumor removed from his foot. After discussing the matter with Drs. Hendricks and Hague it was decided to perform the operation on Christmas morning, and, in order to render it less painful, it was agreed to administer chloroform. To this Hogan assented, and at the proper time the anæsthetic—two drams dropped on an Esmrch mask—was applied. The surgeons had made an examination of Hogan before administering the chloroform and discovered no indications or evidence of organic trouble. Within five minutes after inhaling the chloroform Hogan's heart stopped beating. Every remedy at hand was utilized in a vain endeavor to revive the patient. Drs. Hendricks and Hague labored conscientiously for more than an hour to no purpose. The Iowa man had died under their hands.

Coroner Towers, in view of the circumstances surrounding the case, concluded to hold an autopsy, and the body was removed to Connolly's morgue. Drs. Nippert and Hill conducted the post-mortem, which was witnessed by Drs. Hague and Hendricks. The examination revealed Hogan's heart to have been of slight muscular development. The coroner considered his death an accident. It is believed that Hogan came from Kensitt, Io., and an effort has been made by Dr. Hendricks to communicate with the dead man's friends and relatives.

A post-mortem examination of the body of "Jack" English, who suddenly expired in his home on Christmas night at 125 Tyler avenue northeast, was also held yesterday morning. The old man was a hard drinker, and his dissolute habits led to his death.

In the afternoon the coroner directed an autopsy on the body of Peter L. Shields, a well-known carpenter living at 3201 Fourth street north. Shields expired on Christmas day. He was forty-three years of age and leaves a wife and three children. The deceased was an active member of Hennepin court of the Ancient Order of Foresters, who will probably make the necessary arrangements for his funeral to-morrow. Secondary heart trouble caused his death.

The fourth case investigated by the coroner yesterday was that of "Jack" Robinson, who formerly worked as a waiter in Taylor's restaurant on Hennepin avenue. He was alive and at work early yesterday morning, but becoming ill returned to his room at 324 First avenue north, where he shortly afterward died. The post-mortem disclosed pneumonia as the cause of his demise.

About 4:30 yesterday the body of a white infant was discovered in a vacant house on the corner of Twelfth avenue northeast and second street. The coroner had the remains, which are in a state of preservation, removed to Connolly's morgue. No evidences of violence were found on the tiny body. The coroner is investigating the matter.

HE DECLARED HIMSELF.

A Man Suspected of the Shakopee Murder Has a Talk With Chief Brackett.

An afternoon paper published, in an issue of yesterday, an article purporting to give the substance of an interview between Chief Brackett and a man suspected of being implicated in the late Shakopee triple murder.

A GLOBE reporter asked Chief Brackett last evening if the article referred to was correctly written. He replied that in the main it was, but expressed his surprise, however, that it should have been published. An enterprising reporter while lounging around police headquarters had overheard snatches of a conversation between the head of the police department and the "suspect," afterward mysteriously referred to, and incorporated the information in his story. The suspect is quoted as saying that he was aware of the fact that his name had been connected with the Shakopee murder, and he wished to declare himself innocent. He was willing to make any financial sacrifice in his power to apprehend the real criminals and explain a mysterious crime. He confessed his ignorance of the details of the killing, and added that the family had no theories to offer concerning it. It was rumored that a man dressed in woman's clothes was seen on the night of the murder crossing the river, which was frozen. The article fails to state whether the "suspect" is a member of the Spearman family.

ANIMUS OF THE OPPOSITION.

Why Certain Men Are Opposing Kilvington's Re-Election.

The interview with Tom Downs, Ald. Thomas Downs, of the Fifth ward, late of the universe, published in the Pioneer Press yesterday morning, discloses the animus of the people who are opposing the re-election of Dr. S. S. Kilvington as health officer of Minneapolis. On the subject of Downs' opposition to him, Dr. Kilvington had been quoted as saying that Downs had, personally and without authority from the city council, taken it upon himself to go before the Hennepin delegation for the purpose of instigating the legislation of Kilvington out of office, Downs alleging that he represented the city council in the matter. Downs retorted that Kilvington had promulgated "a dirty lie." Downs used such language for the purpose of denying that his opposition to Kilvington was a personal matter. The very use of such language would seem to indicate to the ordinary mortal that Downs was actuated by something besides a desire to serve the public. Even Tom Downs, the man who once sought to rule the world and the city of Minneapolis, because the mayor was a fellow member of the G. A. R., and who was afterwards deprived of the right to rule any part of the Fifth ward, isn't going to render himself open to the institution of a damage suit, merely for the purpose of serving the public. More than that, when it is considered that Downs will have no voice in electing a new health officer, his rampant antagonism to Kilvington wears still more the appearance of being not entirely the result of laudable motives. As a matter of fact, Downs' cuticle is considerably bruised and abraded since he was defeated for a renomination. Now he is out to cut the throat of every man who was ever against him. But Downs the Boss is dead. The only Downs now on earth is Tom Downs, the contractor.

When it comes to considering this question of who should be health commissioner it would seem that the opinions of the physicians of Minneapolis should carry some weight. Whom do the doctors indorse? With the exception of about fifty of them who want to be health commissioner, they are almost to a man for Kilvington. Why? Because they recognize in him the most efficient health officer Minneapolis ever had, and the man who really created the office what it should be—one of the most important in the city. He has brought order out of chaos, and systematized the rules for the preservation of the health of a great city's inhabitants. The only men who are opposing Kilvington's re-election are a lot of sore-headed politicians to whom he has refused to kneel. Dr. Kilvington is making no boasts and conducting no guerilla fight in order to be re-elected. He is content to stand upon his record.

Yesterday one of the most prominent livery men in the city unwittingly advanced one of the strongest arguments for Kilvington's re-election. Said he:

"All I know about Kilvington is that he is the only health officer the city ever had who made me keep the yard back of my stable cleaned up."

DANZ FRIDAY CONCERTS.

The First of the Winter Series of Brilliant Musical Entertainments.

The first of the Danz winter concert series took place yesterday afternoon at the Lyceum before a fashionable and music-loving audience. The concert began yesterday, as will those in the future, promptly at 4 o'clock. The auditorium of the theater presented a brilliant spectacle during the entertainment. The boxes and loges were for the most part occupied by parties who have engaged them for the series. Quite a number of enthusiastic children were present, and the little folks were not slow to appreciate the efforts of Mr. Danz's orchestra. The programme was a varied and excellent one, and each rendition a gem. Every number was heartily received, and the concert was in every way an artistic and most enjoyable success. Regular attendance on the winter series means a season of rare enjoyment, and from an educational point of view the Danz entertainments are highly valuable to lovers of music. It is especially requested that all desiring to hear the concerts time their arrival at the theater prior to 4 o'clock—a custom if honored that will doubtless result in mutual satisfaction to the leader and members of the orchestra and the audience. The price of admission has been fixed at 25 cents for school children, a feature that grew in popularity during the winter.

VERY CONSIDERATE.

Miss Abbie Judson Makes a Fruitless Appeal to Have a Dog Killed.

The officers and reporters on duty at the Central station on Friday morning about 2 o'clock were surprised on witnessing the figure of a woman clad in a brightly-colored shawl glide into the office noiselessly and timidly. It was Miss Abbie Judson, formerly principal of the Judson seminary, but of late a prominent exponent of spiritualism. She wore a white hood of some soft stuff drawn closely about her face, which was flushed with the unusual exercise of a long walk in the frosty morning air.

Miss Judson wanted a police officer to accompany her to the residence of a neighbor and kill a pet dog. The animal, she stated, had evidently swallowed poison and was suffering the greatest agony, or it had gone mad. In either event Miss Judson thought it only human to kill the dog, and with that purpose in view had walked the entire distance from her residence in Harmon place to the station. Jailor Needham referred Miss Judson to Capt. Hein. The captain was not in a position to detail an officer at 2 o'clock in the morning to kill a poisoned pup, and Miss Judson sorrowfully and protesting returned home.

Another Crossing Muddle.

The North Minneapolis crossing matter is liable to make the railroad companies some trouble, as the property about the improvement is in bad shape as a result of the work going on. Already Joseph A. Glaba, living at 414 Washington avenue north, has begun an action against the company for $5,000 damages, alleged to be due him for the injury to his property, and it is possible that other actions will follow in the same line. The road, in its answer, goes completely over the history of the whole crossing matter, and is quite a piece of historical literature. The case, when it comes to trial, will undoubtedly prove of more than ordinary interest, as it may be a test of the merits of the action for others to follow.

Ward McAllister's Rival.

Col. Charles McCormick Reeve, officer of the M. S. N. G., leader of the "400," member of the legislature-elect, politician, manufacturer, etc., has invaded the flowery paths of literature. He has written a book. It is entitled "How We Went and What We Saw; a Flying Trip Through Egypt, Syria and the Aegean Islands." It covers 300 pages, and its title has reference to a trip the author made in company with ten others, mostly Minneapolitans, through Europe and down the Nile. The story is told in such an original manner that the book has an excellent prospect of becoming very popular, so the booksellers say.

Death of Ernest Ortman.

Ernest Ortman, one of the oldest residents of Minneapolis, died Wednesday night after a lingering illness. Mr. Ortman had for years been in the county auditor's office at the court house, and was well known to all whose business called them there. He was for several years city comptroller, and old residents speak of him as "the best comptroller Minneapolis ever had." His death will cast athwart many a face a shade of sorrow.

Powderhorn to Be Enlarged.

Yesterday the special committee of the park board on the enlargement of Powderhorn park met again and considered the matter, which had been left over from the preceding meeting of the board because enough land had not been offered the board. Yesterday, however, the prospects for the enlargement looked favorable, although a little land may have to be condemned.

MINNEAPOLIS GLOBULES.

The Sunday School Teachers' Primary union will meet at 3 o'clock this afternoon at the Y. M. C. A. parlors.

In the latter part of January Col. John T. West, accompanied by his daughters, intends to start on a tour around the world.

The union meeting for the study of the Sunday school lesson will be held this afternoon at 4 o'clock at Dyer's music hall and will be led by H. Plant.

James S. O'Donnell, the contractor who recently assigned for the benefit of his creditors, makes affidavit to the effect that his debts do not exceed $10,577.

It is feared A. A. McCann, the printer who fell down stairs at the office of the Weekly Post, Sunday afternoon, may not recover. He does not seem to improve much.

Peter E. Michaels, of the firm of Newstrom & Michaels, dropped dead from heart disease Wednesday evening about 6 o'clock, at his place of business, 1327 Washington avenue.

Louis Halverson was fined $25 by Judge Emery yesterday morning for creating a disturbance in Bye's boarding house, 247 Seventh avenue south, Christmas night. He paid the fine.

Jeremiah Hartwell, a switchman in the employ of the Milwaukee road, while at work in the yards early yesterday morning, was caught and severely pinched between a locomotive and a car. He was sent home.

Thomas Lowry is in Chicago. A telegram received at his office yesterday afternoon stated that he would reach Minneapolis Sunday morning. Mr. Lowry's family reached Minneapolis several days ago.

Charles B. Holmes, ex-clerk of the probate court, is reported to have been instrumental in saving several lives in a railway wreck in Iowa a few days ago. The cars were set on fire, and Mr. Holmes bravely extinguished the flames.

The three members of the "Boo" gang who created a row in Larson's saloon, near Second avenue south and Second street, on Christmas evening, were John Burnes, John Smith, and Charles Raymond. Each received $20 or twenty days.

The Criterion Literary society, of the Holmes high school, will enact in costume Dickens' humorous trial scene, Bardell vs. Pickwick, next Tuesday evening, Dec. 30, at the First M. E. church. In addition there will be other musical and literary attractions.

The postoffice was so crowded on Christmas day, prior to 11 a. m., when the office closed, that many people were not able to secure their presents. Posmaster Hale estimates that, in round numbers, the people of this city sent out 30,000 packages containing presents.

Judge Emery was kept busy yesterday morning disposing of the plain, ornamental and accidental drunks that were presented to his notice through the medium of a number of police officers. Seventeen offenders were fined $10 each, and most of them were sent to the workhouse.

St. Andrew's Episcopal church is to have its Christmas tree this evening, when the children of the Sunday school and their friends will gather in force to celebrate the holiday time. Efforts are being made to secure a large pipe organ, which it is hoped will be in place by Easter.

Detective Lawrence arrested a man on Washington avenue yesterday, and in searching him at the lock-up he was found heavily armed. A bunch of skeleton keys were discovered dangling from his watch chain. The fellow is supposed to be one of a gang of cracksmen visiting the city.

S. C. Gale has sold to L. R. Brooks the property adjacent to the Hotel St. Louis property at Minnetonka, comprising the Cottagewood club and three lots. Mr. Brooks expects to make a prominent Minnetonka institution of the club, and to that end will build some additional cottages next season.

E. C. Whitney on Christmas handed $110 and a seal cap to Rev. William Wilkinson, with a letter of warm thanks to him for his effort to pay the debts on the Sheltering Arms. The gift came from the ladies of the board and a few friends, who had privately given the money for the purpose. St. Andrew's people gave Mr. Wilkinson a beautiful study chair.

Rev. Bernard Sandmeyer, who has been in charge of St. Elizabeth's Catholic parish, corner Fifteenth avenue south and eighth street, for about five years, has gone to New Ulm to take charge of the parish in that place. Father Sandmeyer's farewell sermon was preached last Sunday.

Only about one-third of the Methodist people took interest enough to participate in the straw vote on admitting women to their conferences. It will require a three-fourths vote of the ministers and laymen to change the constitution, and the movement has probably failed.

The lumbermen are not particularly well favored with logging weather nowadays. No snow has fallen in the woods yet, and the work is consequently being mainly confined to "shore timber," so that it can be hauled to water by teams. The season is not much later than a year ago, however, and if snow falls by Jan. 10 there will be time to break the record on the cut.

Application has been made by George D. Holt, in the probate court, in the case of a family of three children in a destitute and neglected condition. The children are thought to be fit subjects for the state school at Owatonna. Julia Martin and Alice Griffin are the names of the little ones, and they reside at No. 2021 Sixteenth avenue south. Petition in the case was made by County Commissioners Erickson and Coburn.

Frank McDonald, son of ex-County Auditor McDonald is in Minneapolis. Mr. McDonald has been employed as a conductor on a Union Pacific train, running from Spokane Falls to Portland. An accident recently occurred on the road while Conductor McDonald's train was running at the rate of sixty miles an hour. The train was totally wrecked, and four men killed. McDonald saved his life and the lives of others by cutting the caboose from the flying train and stopping it.

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL.

Prof. Bockman, of Augsburg seminary, is in Goodhue county.

G. O. Sand has left the city for Clarkfield to spend a few days.

C. O. Searle, of Cloquet, is spending the holidays in the Twin Cities.

Will P. Shattuck, of Chicago, is visiting his parents at the Nicollet house.

Philip Fay and his sister, Miss Maggie Fay, are visiting relatives at St. Peter.

Nels Nelson, of A. E. Johnson & Co.'s Minneapolis office, left last evening for New York and New Jersey.

The members of the Scandinavian Singers, of Minneapolis, will visit St. Paul this evening to attend the concert to be given by the Singing Society Nidaros at Turner hall.

SHAKESPEARE'S BIRTHPLACE

Where He Lived, Worked, Died, and Lies Buried.

Rev. George Hodges in the Pittsburg Dispatch: There are three places in Stratford which everybody must see, and, these seen, we go our hurried way. One is Shakespeare's house where he was born; another is Anne Hathaway's cottage where he did his courting. The third is the church in whose chancel he lies buried. There was once a fourth, the house in which he lived, he and his Anne. But that is pulled down and nothing left of it. It had been repaired out of all likeness to the original, anyway; so that the loss may not be great. But the circumstances of the pulling down were peculiar. It seems that there was an ancient mulberry tree in the garden, under which the poet meditated. And everybody who came to Stratford wanted to see the mulberry tree. But the garden and the house belonged to an ill-natured parson. And the parson was not pleased at all this swinging of his gate and trampling over his lawn; no doubt it was not altogether pleasant. And after he had endured the tourists to the limits of his patience (which was probably not gteatly extended), he took his clerical coat off one fine morning, and got a stout ax and chopped that historical mulberry into small pieces, and made a bonfire of the pieces. And shortly after he effected a clean sweep of the whole business by tearing down the house to the last brick; and having thus revenged him of his enemies, he departed, leaving this curious memory behind him.

"Shakespeare's house," where he was born, is a rather respectable-looking dwelling on the outside. It is in that style of architecture which is known as "post and pave," that is, it is built of great timbers, with wide spaces between, which are filled with lath and plaster. But the house within is uncomfortable and cheerless enough to satisfy even the most ardent admirer of the "good old times." The first room into which the street door opens is that upon whose dingy and dontracted walls John Shakespeare's baby first opened its observant eyes. They knew none of our modern distinctions between a parlor and a bedroom in Shakespeare's day. The only evidence of the well-to-do condition of the family is in the presence of a chimney. A chimney was a luxury. Common people built their fires informall upon the floor, and allowed the smoke to make its graceful exit through a hole in the ceiling. But John Shake-peare had a chimney. Indeed during a season of brief prosperity he was an important man in Stratford holding the two significantly related positions of ale-taster and alderman. The splendors of the house begin and end with that plain brick chimney. The rooms are low, cheerless, comfortless, dark, like the rooms of a low-class tenement. Up stairs you strike your head against the rough beams of the roof. Part of the house is used as a museum for Shakespearean treasures. Here, among other curious sights, you may see the poet's autographs, a score of them, and no two spelled alike.

Out among the fields at Shottery is Anne Hathaway's cottage. You go out along a footpath, with whose windings Shakespeare was familiar. And if it is early morning when you make your pilgrimage, and the dew is on the grass, and everybody is asleep but the early birds, and the sun and the mist are contending in the meadows, and the air is fresh and clear, and you have pleasant company—why, your long walk through the green fields and over the stiles and beneath the great trees is an event which you will always mark with a red line. Shottery is a little village of low-browed, thatch-roofed cottages, any one of which is picturesque enough to have been a courting place for William Shakespeare. Anne Hathaway's cottage stands close by the wayside, prettier than the prettiest pictures of it, with vines climbing up the corner and a hedge about it. Here young Master Will came with sweet words for the fair Mistress Anne, and they were married—the boy of eighteen and the young woman of twenty-six—and lived happily (let us try to think) forever after. The happiness is somewhat open to question, this fact in the case being at least certain, that the poet in his will left as a sole bequest to his wife, out of his considerable possessions, his "second-best bed!" But the flowers grew brilliantly beside the brown walls, for all that, and however much prose may have come into the two lives afterward, the cottage is as charming as a love story.

Beneath the pavement of the chancel floor of Holy Trinity church, in a grave seventeen feet deep, with a protective curse against disturbers inscribed on the top of it, lies the body of William Shakespeare. To the left, on the chancel wall, is the painted bust with whose looks everybody is familiar. How Shakespeare really looked is a question with as many answers as the similar inquiry about Mary Queen of Scots. As in her case, there isn't lack of pictures, but they are all different. This bald-headed, sharp-bearded statue on the chancel wall was set there shortly after his death, and probably looks most like him. Certainly it cannot flatter him.

So we turn away and wander again about the Stratford streets. Here is the obtrusively modern memorial theater; and the ancient chapel of the guild, one of whose charities was the distribution of beer to the needy poor; and the handsome fountain which Mr. Childs, of Philadelphia, has set for the refreshment and reminding of the passer-by. Here is the Red Horse inn. We sit down in "Geoffrey Crayon's" room, where once, with meditative pokings of the fire, he wrote his chapter about Shakspeare's town. The landlady brings her modest bill. The 'bus and the red horse convey us to the station.

STILLWATER NEWS.

The O'Brien-Searles Contest Is Dragging Along.

The O'Brien-Searles senatorial election contest was taken up again yesterday at the city hall, and a number of witnesses from Marine gave their testimony. Charles Lund testified that the ballot which he placed in the ballot box on election day was not among the ballots which are now deposited in the box. When asked by Mr. Marsh, attorney for O'Brien, if a certain ticket which he (Marsh) had shown him was not the ticket which he voted, he answered that he could not say that it was not. Mr. Lund claims to have voted for Mr. Searles, but on election day told Mr. O'Brien that he had voted for him. There are a number of witnesses who are summoned to appear to-day, and the contest will, probably, be closed on both sides by this evening.

The judges and clerks of election in the first precinct of the First ward were called upon to testify yesterday in the Durant-Daly legislative contest in regard to the manner in which the ballots were taken to the city hall. Each of the officials swore that they did not carry the ballots from the polling place to the hall, and it is a mystery how the ballots reached there, where they were found by City Clerk Hopkins hanging to the gas fixtures. Some of the officials claim that the original figures as returned by them on the day after the election are correct, while others claim that a mistake has been made. The evidence on both sides will all be in today and the contest will be closed.

Ben Schellenberger, a resident of this city, employed at Anderson & O'Brien's camp on Hay creek, came down from the woods Thursday evening, having sustained serious injuries through being struck on the head by a falling limb. He was attended by Dr. Freleigh, who sewed up the large scalp wound.

Maj. Brackett, of Minneapolis, deputy United States marshal, was in the city yesterday summoning witnesses to appear before the United States grand jury at St. Paul Jan. 13, in the matter of E. A. Bryant, who was arrested here a few weeks ago on the charge of passing counterfeit money.

Testimony was taken yesterday before Judge Murdock in the matter of the application made by creditors of the insolvent firm of Lustiz & Muckenhauser to be allowed to participate in the distribution of assets without filing releases. The matter was argued and submitted.

Judge H. R. Murdock left last evening for Hastings, where he will preside at the hearing of a number of cases to-day.

W. A. Martin, a guard at the prison, was married a few days ago at Cordova, Le Sueur county, to Miss Flora A. Green.

Beginning with Monday evening the dry goods stores will close at 6:30, excepting on Saturday evenings.

Interesting Christmas exercises for the children were held last evening at the Presbyterian church.

Myron McKusick, of West Superior, Wis., is in the city visiting relatives and friends.

H. S. Yeomans, of Winona, Minn., arrived yesterday for a brief visit with friends.

The funeral of Richard Sutton will be held at 9 a. m. to-day from St. Michael's church.

Mr. and Mrs. William Sauntry left las evening for a visit at Denver, Col.

Granville Smith returned yesterday from Bangor, Me.

ARE RATHER WARM.

Three Drummers' Stories of Pittsburg, Cincinnati and St. Louis.

Detroit Free Press.

A number of commercial travelers stood in the Cadillac yesterday, and in the course of a general discussion got to talking about hot weather.

"The hottest wave I ever struck," said the man with the bushy mustache, was in Pittsburg in 1884. Pittsburg, you know, is right next to hades, anyway. I was trudging along with my sample cases when the rays of the sun set my linen duster on fire, and if a man who was sprinkling the street hadn't turned the hose on me I'd been a corp se."

The other drummers perspired awhile, but finally the man with the eyeglasses and tenor voice spoke up.

"I had quite an experience in St. Louis in 1879. I was traveling for a Boston shoe house, and lucky it was I carried a good supply of samples with me. The sun seemed to shrivel up everything on earth, and the pavements fairly smoked. I started out with a thin pair of shoes on, and in a short time the smell of burning leather and the roasted condition of my feet informed me that my shoes were ruined. I threw them away and put on a sample pair. Would you believe the soles of six pairs were literally burned off my feet before I got back to supper at the Lindell hotel?"

His fellow-travelers looked sad.

Presently the fat man with the wide check clothes, weak voice, and dreamy air remarked in a cheerful way:

"I think it was in '74, in Cincinnati, that the thermom was 116 in the shade. It was either 116 or 117, I won't be certain. The mayor issued a proclamation that it would be dangerous to get in the sun's rays, and warned people to stay indoors till nightfall. Never saw old Sol shine so fiercely. Firemen were kept busy squirting water on frame buildings that ignited. I had important business, and, disregarding the mayor's warning, started out. The first breath I drew prostrated me, and I was carried back to the hotel. I had inhaled fire. Careful medical treatment brought me around, but my lungs have never since been strong."

Half a dozen pale-faced, dispirited-look n men wandered hopelessly away, leaving the fat drummer standing solitary but happy.

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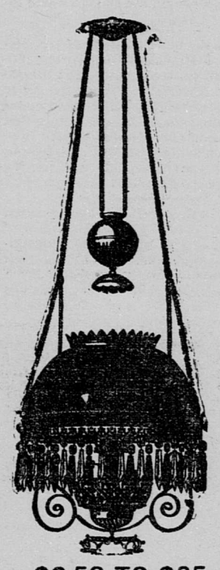

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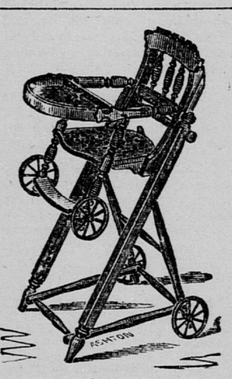

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