MINNEAPOLIS.

AMUSEMENTS.

Ragan's lecture on Ireland at the Lyceum theater last evening drew the largest audience of any of the lectures as yet given in this course. It was enthusiastically received. There will be a special matinee this afternoon at which a lecture on "The Rhine and Switzerland" will be given.

The ninth midweek concert to be given this season by Danz orchestra occurs next Friday afternoon at the Grand opera house. This is the next to the last of this delightful series.

The Pence entertained another good-sized audience last night, and Mellini and Waite's Vaudevilles again made a fine impression. While the company is a good one, Manager Hilton says it can't be too good, so he added Gregory and Johnson, a good, heavy song and dance team, to the programme. A matinee will be given to-day. Next week Reeves' Operatic Burlesque company present a burlesque on "Faust."

District Court Briefs.

The Bank of Minneapolis has filed papers in an action against O. S. Buell to collect $291 on a past due promissory note.

Suit has been entered by Henry S. Sprague against Mary A. Wells et al. to recover damages in the amount of $3,000. The claim is made that the defendant contracted to build a house for the plaintiff, who gave a mortgage to cover the amount. The contract was never fulfilled.

W. S. Hill & Co. have begun an action in replevin against Foley Bros. to secure possession of a quantity of lumber.

In the action of George J. Williams against Richard H. Bevat to collect $2,814.50 on an Illinois judgment, Judge Pond has made an order dismissing the attachments in the case.

Judge Hooker has given the Security bank a judgment against the Cyclone Steam Plow company in the amount of $2,000 on the action on a promissory note. A stay of twenty days was allowed.

Annie Anderberg, living at 1320 Second street, was examined and sent to St. Peter yesterday by Judge Corrigan. She had been brought in the previous night and placed in the jail, where she took down her bed and scattered the debris about the cell. She was harmless, her insanity being of the childish order. She had been in St. Peter before and was released on account of good behavior.

A. J. Finnegan had filed an application asking the court to rescind its order dismissing the assignee in the assignment matter of J. S. Gellette, to allow him to put in a claim. The plea was denied.

In the case of Churchill B. Moods vs. Joseph E. Thorny et al., Judge Hooker has refused a new trial.

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL.

S. S. Peterson, chief of police of Kansas City, Kan., is in the city.

D. C. Bell and wife have gone to California for the balance of the winter.

Ald. Lars M. Rand left on a week's business trip to St. Louis last evening.

J. P. McKinstry, general manager of the Erie Telephone company, is in Minneapolis.

Ex-Mayor A. A. Ames has sufficiently recovered from his recent illness to be about again.

Mrs. Joseph Rolfe is very sick at her home, 1500 Laurel avenue. She has been ill for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Downs left yesterday evening to spend the winter at Hot Springs with their daughter, Mrs. Ellis Woolman.

The alumni of Dartmouth college, in the Northwest will have their tenth annual dinner at the West hotel Friday evening, Feb. 27.

The Peek-a-Boo club will give a dancing party this evening at Ames' hotel at Shingle creek. The members will assemble at the Grand opera house at 7 p. m. and go from there in busses.

Monday evening the ladies of the First M. E. church will give a Martha Washington reception at the parlors of the church. Costumes will be worn representing the old colonial times and a beautiful tableau entitled "He Never Told a Lie" presented.

A grand ball will be given by the Flour City Lodge No. 119, O. B. A., on the 11th of March, 1891, for the benefit of the Russian refugees. The Harmonia hall has been chosen for that purpose. The following compose the committee in charge: Phillip Feder, M. Edelman, M. Rosenstein, R. Schielman, D. Blumenfeld, Jonas Rosenberg, S. Kirschbaum, B. Nathanson, G. Schwartz and Danny Skoll.

Mr. and Mrs. DeWitt C. Hayes, 2714 Stevens avenue, will entertain the members of the Crazy club in honor of the visit of George A. Peabodie, now of Baraboo, Wis., but formerly of this city, this evening. Progressive euchre and music by "Dad's Dinner Pail" quartette will be the features of the occasion. Mr. and Mrs. Will O. Falk, 2806 second avenue south, entertain the members of the Crazy club to-night.

Mrs. C. M. Carpenter gave the last of a pleasant series of thimble bees yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock, at her home, 1107 Hawthorne avenue. The occasion was a very informal one, and was attended by about thirty-five ladies. Among the guests were Mrs. Wayland Hoyt, Miss Hoyt, Mrs. J. H. Thompson, Mrs. E. P. Capen, Mrs. E. B. Ames, Mrs. Alice Bryton, Mrs. J. S. Pillsbury, Miss Pillsbury, Mrs. Tom Lewis, Mrs. M. B. Koon, Mrs. Frank Conkey, Mrs. W. L. Bigelow, Mrs. John Bigelow, Mrs. Sol Smith Russell, Mrs. G. F. Roberts, Mrs. Fred Snyder, Mrs. G. D. Thomas, Mrs. A. B. Coe, Mrs. Alvin French and Mrs. Shepherd, of St. Paul.

MINNEAPOLIS GLOBULES.

The bank clearings yesterday were $926,587.76.

John Grimes yesterday altered his plea of "not guilty" to "guilty," to keeping a clock, and was fined the sum of $75 by Judge Elliott.

Frank Almy, a former Minneapolitan, committed suicide by shooting himself in San Francisco last Tuesday. Ill health is given as the cause. He left no family.

On the case of embezzlement against Frank A. E. Young being called yesterday, it [illegible] to the court that the county attorney was e[illegible]gaged elsewhere and the c[illegible] continued to Thursday next at 2 o'clock.

William Ray, the motor driver who was found lying unconscious beside the street car tracks about a week ago, is on his feet again. He says he cannot tell now he was injured.

Elijah Butler was charged with stealing one hat, two shirts, two pair of cuffs and three collars, value $5.50, the property of George Bunch. He plead guilty to the theft, and Judge Elliott ordered him to pay $25 or go up for thirty days.

Officer Yamboid distinguished himself yesterday morning by stopping a milk team that was running furiously down Nicollet avenue, preventing probable serious accidents. He was dragged by the horses nearly half a block, at imminent risk to himself.

Annie Anderberg, a single woman living at 1320 Second street, was arrested yesterday on the complaint of her landlord that she is insane. She is not violent, but behaves like a three-year-old child. Her insanity was brought on by religious excitement.

There is said to be an epidemic of smallpox at Prairie du Chien and other points in Wisconsin, and that several exposed persons have left those points bound for Minneapolis. The health department and the police are taking the most rigid measures to exclude contagion.

George W. Grant, the supervisor of the census of manufactures, has nearly completed his work, and will probably leave for Washington next Saturday. He declines to give out any figures on his work, but says that the showing for Minneapolis will be better than was anticipated.

The annual reports of the officers of the Franklin Avenue Presbyterian church show $1,556.83 raised during the past year for current expenses; thirty members added to the roll, making the total at present 186, of whom 150 are resident. The number of members of the Y. P. S. C. E. is thirty-seven; of the Sunday school, 438. The Ladies Aid society have made provision for lighting the auditorium, parlor and class rooms with electricity. The new trustees are Hon. C. E. Vanderburgh and W. E. Ellis.

She Betrayed Him.

August E. Roeder seeks a divorce from Maggie Roeder on a complaint which shows that his feelings have suffered. They are still young, he being but twenty-three years of age, while she is but twenty-one. He claims that he discovered her infidelity, and knows positively that she passed the night of Nov. 18, 1890, in a room with N. W. Grossman at 258 Second avenue south. Since that time also she flew to the arms of her Lothario, and then changed off and went with indiscriminate men, all of whose names August does not know. Luckily they have no children.

THEY'RE IN CANADA.

Mayor Winston and Several Aldermen on a Lark Over the Line.

Dispatch From the Globe's Special Envoy at Sault Ste Marie.

Health Commissioner Kelley Is Caught on a Draw Bridge.

The Street Railway Goes Back to the Old System of Transfers.

It was extremely quiet about the city hall yesterday. There is generally a motley crowd of officeseekers to see the mayor, but the not-at-home card warned them that the victims of their persecutions was far beyond reach. S. B. Loye, mayor pro tem, dropped around once or twice to see that the elevator was kept running along with other city machinery.

Along in the afternoon the delegation of junketing officials were heard from. They were at Sault St. Marie, and a telegram informed "Mayor" Loye, that a desperate prize fight (The Needham-Ryan contest) was to take place near Elder Stewart's park, and that he was expected to do his duty and suppress it. To this "Mayor" Loye replied that the fistic battle had been abandoned owing to the absence of so many patrons of sport in Canada, and that he had appointed ex-Ald. Sterling as dog-catcher.

The following special from the GLOBE'S correspondent, on board the train, gives the only authentic account of the trip up to date:

SAULT STE. MARIE, Feb. 17.—The special train containing the delegation of Minneapolis officials arrived here at 11 o'clock in the morning. The trip was a delightful one, although the scenery through the Tamarack region might be likened to an almost endless forest of telegraph poles, fringed by a deep undergrowth of scantlings and kindling wood.

Before retiring last night a special meeting was called and lots were drawn for berths; as a result the old adage that "politics make strange bedfellows" was realized. Hunt, of the Tribune, was assigned to bunk with Ald. Ingenhutt, and Mullaney, of the GLOBE, with Ald. Gray; McGowan was condemned to sleep with Potter, while Parry was consigned to sleep with Bradish; "Dorey" Farnsworth and Melvin Grimes flipped for the upper and lower, and Grimes came out on top; Woodward declined to be paired with Haney because he was too chilly. The dining car was welcomed in the morning with a vote of thanks and a motion to table the breakfast was unanimously carried. The cuisine of a "Soo" dining car is excellent, and the aldermen ate like a lot of hired men. Arriving at the "Soo," the aldermen were shown through the lock-up in which ships that sometimes get half seas over are kept. The fort, the Canadian "Soo," were also visited. The mayor of the city with a number of officials extended a hearty welcome, and the scheme of utilizing the rapids of the St. Marie river so as to produce 2,427,333⅓-horse power which can be transmitted to Minneapolis and St. Paul for running the street railways, was fully explained. Mayor Winston convened court and imposed several fines. Ald. Bradish was sentenced for pronouncing the name of the city "Salt Ste. Mary." R. R. Odell, W. S. Conover, and James Tripp were given two hours in the baggage car for trying to play poker with a euchre deck. J. C. Haynes was repremanded for trying to smuggle white wheat whisky from the Canadian side.

The visit to the Canadian "Soo," by the way, was full of interest to Chief Runge, of the fire department. He was much interested in the fire alarm system, which consists of little wooden boxes, set on posts on the street corners. One side of the box contains a pane of glass. When a fire occurs, the person who wishes to give an alarm breaks the glass, and, reaching into the box through the aperture thus made, pulls a hook which communicates with the engine house and brings out the fire department as soon as the people can be aroused from their beds by a violent ringing of a bell in the tower.

The return trip to the depot was made over the one electric line which Sault Ste. Marie boasts of. Here it was found that Health Commissioner Kelley, who had remained behind, had been going through a tough experience. He had wandered out on the draw of the great Canadian Pacific bridge and somebody moved the bridge, i. e., swung the draw so that the doctor found himself suspended above the raging St. Mary, unable to reach shore again. Here he remained for two hours.

The trip was resumed without further accident, and to-morrow at noon Ottawa will be reached, and Mayor Winston is in receipt of a telegram that a warm welcome awaits the Minneapolis junketers.

AWAY THEY GO.

The Aldermanic Party Apparently Enjoying Itself.

Special to the Globe.

SUDBURY, Ont., Feb. 17.—Nearly all of the aldermen and city officials now on a tour through Canada are still alive, although a few were lost shortly after leaving Minneapolis. When the train bearing them out of the reach of United States law left Minneapalis behind, it was discovered that Ald. Farnsworth had been lost in the noise made by his trousers. Rand was left behind to see that Loye followed instructions. As soon as the city limits were left behind the sentiments of the Republican aldermen underwent a change. The majority in the council immediately became advocates of an extension of the patrol limits. They were extended several times during the night. Everything was praised by the alderman except bills, ordinances, and good resolutions. Several times a clash of authority between the mayor and President Potter seemed imminent, but all differences were finally washed away during the trip through Michigan yesterday morning. Several persons were arrested for violating the laws against gambling, but charges were so frequent that they were never decided. The train bearing the government of Minneapolis arrived at the Soo at 2 p. m. Supt. G. J. Berry, of the Canadian Pacific railroad, met the delegation at the "Soo." Ottawa will be reached at 11:30 to-morrow morning. The special train will leave there at 4 o'clock Thursday morning and arrive at Montreal at 8 a. m. The Soo officials have been constant in their efforts to make the trip enjoyable and have succeeded admirably. General Manager Underwood has kept the party informed of the progress of events at home by frequent specials, etc. The impression is growing that Mayor Winston brought the aldermen out on this trip for the purpose of lecturing them on the principles of municipal government.

The Minnesota Loan & Trust Co.
Allows 5 per cent interest on six-months deposits.

THE JURY IS OUT.

The Case of Leo Heilpern at Last Completed.

The case of The State of Minnesota against Leo Heilpern went to the jury at 3:30 o'clock yesterday, and at a late hour had not returned a verdict in the case. Mr. Thian, the county attorney, opened his argument in the morning, and, though his talk was comparatively brief, it was to the point, and was one of which he may well feel proud. He was more flowery than any one had given him credit for, and he made a decided hit. He seemed to feel that he had presented a strong case, and left the testimony he had put in to do its own work.

Mr. Hart, for the prisoner, used up two hours in a fiery argument in his best style. He made it a point to roast everybody from Frank Grygla to Ernest Zeidler, who, he insisted, was the one who was culpable. He recited the story of his having lost $60,000 in wheat deals, and again referred to the books, which showed no checks made payable to the order of Heilpern, as stated he had done to square the petty cash account.

He insisted that the course pursued by Leo while in Mexico was that of an honest man who would rather stay in jail a year until the charges against him were disproven than leave the cloud of disgrace to hang over his head for the rest of his life. He read the letter written by Heilpern from El Paso, or rather he read an English translation, for the original was in German. The seance at the city hall was gone over as another proof of the innocence of his client. His version was that Mr. Bassett sent Capt. Hein into the room where Mr. Zeidler and Heilpern were because he, Bassett, did not trust Zeidler, and so on.

Judge Lochren's charge was such an able one that no exceptions were taken, and the jury took the case in hand, while Heilpern and his friends commenced the long wait that preceded the verdict.

A PERPLEXING PROBLEM,

The Street Railway Goes Back to the Old System of Transfers.

This morning the street railway company will discard the system of transfers that has been in vogue for the past two weeks and will return to the system used before that was put in force, that of stationing transfer agents at the street corners to look after the interests of the company. This change has been brought about by a vigorous series of kicks from the public, both through the press and to the management of the company. Two men have even taken steps to bring suit for alleged damages brought about by the new system. General Manager Goodrich said yesterday: "We still think the present system of transfers is the best that can be devised for the interests both of the public and of ourselves, but we are not bullheaded enough to insist upon it in the face of the opposition it has excited. The regulation of a transfer system that will be satisfactory for both parties is a difficult thing. It is necessary in any event to have transfer agents at the corners to look after the interests of the company. Though we recognize the fact that nearly all the conductors are honest, still, you will find rogues among any class of men. Though the system we are about to adopt is not the most satisfactory one to us, still, we are forced to adopt it to stop a perfect deluge of complaints that is coming in."

THE JUNK DEALER FREE.

Jacob Slayman Gets a Verdict of Not Guilty.

The man who was indicted by the grand jury for receiving stolen property from the six young boys who took brass findings from the flat cars and sold them to him, went free, and Jacob Slayman can now return to his business again. The case was a dull one in the extreme. The testimony was confined to that of the boys themselves, the prisoner and a few who were willing to come in and testify as to his previous good character. The boys said they had told him that they had stolen the stuff they sought to sell him, but he insisted that they impressed him that they had found them on the streets. The attorneys spoke but a few moments, that for the defense asking for a dismissal because the boys were accomplices and their testimony was not corroborated. The case went to the jury, which returned a verdict of not guilty in an incredibly short time.

ROBBERY RAMPANT.

Minneapolis Crooks Get in Much Work—Three Cases Reported.

The Minneapolis sneak thieves and footpads have all been very busy lately. Three burglaries and highway robberies were reported to the police in the last two days. Oscar C. Fay, a cabman, says that he was held up and robbed of $90 in cash about 7 o'clock Monday evening on Second avenue south, between First and Second streets. Two men, a tall one and a short one, did the work, but Fay says that he doesn't think he can identify them.

The same evening J. O. Steen was robbed of $45 in money and a check on the Citizens' bank. This robbery was also committed by two men, and took place on Thirteenth street, near Sixth avenue.

Louis Peterson, living at 1700 Washington street northeast, reports that his house was entered during Monday afternoon by sneak thieves and a pocketbook containing $5 and five checks on the Commercial bank were stolen.

CORNER STONE LAYING.

The Programme for That Ceremony at Wesleyan M. E. Church.

Arrangements are being made to make the laying of the corner stone of the new Wesleyan M. E. church on March 2, a notable event in the church history of Minneapolis. The programme is in charge of Dr. French, of Centenary church. It has not yet been fully arranged, but it is announced that Dr. J. W. Bassford, of Delaware, O., the president of the Ohio Wesleyan university, will make the address. Bishop Fitzgerald will lay the corner stone. Dr. John Stafford, the presiding elder of this district, will also take some prominent part. The singing will be specially arranged for the occasion, and it will be made up almost exclusively of Charles Wesley's hymns.

DOUBLE ASSESSMENTS.

An Elevator Company Asked to Taxes in Two Wards.

The elevator of the Interstate Grain company is situated on land belonging to the Great Northern railway in the Second ward. The office of the company is in the Fifth ward. When the tax list was made out in the office of the company the elevator was included in the list of personal property in the Fifth ward on the ground that it is located non-taxable land, and therefore for purposes of taxation is personal property and follows its owner. On the other hand, Assessor Plummer and City Attorney Russell agree that the property is realty and should be assessed in the ward where it stands, which was done. The company object to paying double taxes on it, and they intend to fight the assessment in the Second ward.

EXPOSITION AFFAIRS.

The Guarantee Fund Will Be Raised in Time.

At their meeting two weeks ago the exposition board decided that unless the guarantee fund for this year's exposition should reach the sum of $100,000 by to-day, the exposition would not be held. In consequence of this action, Manager Brackett has been doing some very lively hustling for the past two weeks, and it looks as though he would win by a neck. Yesterday the fund lacked just about $5,000 of the required amount, and this deficit will without a doubt be raised before the board meets to-day, and it is probable that an effort will be made to raise the fund more than $100,000.

Doesn't Affect the H. & D.

City Engineer Rinker said yesterday that the recent supreme court decision in the Nineteenth and Twenty-second Avenue M. E. cases has no bearing whatever on the H. & D. question. It simply settles the point of whether the statute of limitations applies to municipal corporations.

ODD FELLOWS' RECEPTION.

To Be Given at Masonic Temple This Evening.

The reception to be given Lieut-Gen. John C. Underwood, supreme commander, and Adjt.-Gen. William S. Frost, of the Army of the Patriarch Militant, I. O. O. F., this evening, will be held at the Masonic Temple instead of at the Washington rink as previously announced. Battalion will be formed at 8 p. m. and dress parade and drill will follow. All Odd Fellows and their friends are invited to attend. A meeting of all the officers of department of Minneapolis will take place at North Star lodge hall. Canton Apollo No. 3, of St. Paul, will attend with a large number, and will leave St. Paul at 7:30 p. m.

FURTHER PROSECUTION.

Three More Complaints Filed Against Orrington Gardiner.

District Attorney Hay yesterday placed three additional complaints before Judge Nelson against Orrington Gardiner, the letter carrier. He is charged with opening letters and interrupting the course of the mails. One complaint was rejected at once on the ground that the subject matter had been introduced in the trial just ended. The other two were taken under advisement. The filing of these complaints was done at the instance of Postoffice Inspector Childs.

Blethen's Coal Mine.

Some time ago A. J. Blethen was jubilant because the court dismissed the action of Carpenter & Co. against him, on the grounds that the contract under which the suit was brought was not a valid one. A new trial was asked for, and when Judge Hooker heard the arguments he took them under advisement, and yesterday filed his order stating that the court had erred. The new trial is therefore granted. The action is brought to compel the Minneapolis editor to live up to a contract to supply the plaintiff with coal from his Illinois mine, or stand the damages of a failure so to do.

The Christian Endeavor Convention.

The "committee of '91" of the Christian Endeavor association met at City Attorney Russell's office yesterday, and they report most flattering prospects for the convention to be held in Minneapolis next summer. At least 1,500 delegates are expected from Illinois alone, and St. Louis will send about 200. The Grand Trunk railway is arranging for an excursion from Montreal and intervening points, and probably other excursions will be run by different railroads from all directions.

A ROMANCE IN REAL LIFE.

How Love Caused a Burglar to Restore a Stolen Fortune.

Milan (Tenn.) Special to Globe-Democrat.

The truth of the old saying that fortune favors those who wait, has again been illustrated in the case of Lal Wickland, an old man, sixty-three years of age, and an employe of the Illinois Central railroad at McConnell, some fifty miles north of here. The story reads like a romance, and, as given to a Globe-Democrat reporter, runs in this wise:

There resided in the city of Aberdeen, Scotland, seventeen years ago, a rich and prosperous jeweler, Lalland Wickland, a man of family, which consisted of himself, his wife, three sons and three daughters. The name of his eldest son was Jean, and he was engaged to a young lady of his native city by the name of Craig, one of the foremost of the beautiful Scotch maidens of Aberdeen. Their marriage was only deferred on account of some business transactions. One day Wickland burst into his wife's room, greatly agitated, and exclaimed:

"Mary, we are ruined, utterly ruined! The shop has been broken into and at least £12,000 worth of plate and jewelry carried off. I have been with the detectives through all the holes in the city, but we found no traces of the thief nor of the goods. The detectives think the goods will never be recovered, and we are ruined if it is so."

When this robbery occurred Jean Wickland was in London, and he read the news in a London newspaper. He hurried home and found the family in the greatest distress. For many days the Wicklands indulged themselves in the hopes that some clew would be found to the robbery, and their precious wealth be restored them. These hopes were never realized. The robbery, as the police said, had been cleverly and cleanly done. No trace of the perpetrators or any part of the property was ever discovered.

In the meantime Wickland had paid all his outstanding debts and found himself a pauper and without a sixpence. He might have urged the robbery as a plea for bankruptcy, but he was too honest and conscientious a man to ever think of such a course, so he paid his debts to the last penny. The utter ruin which had overtaken the Wicklands postponed and proposed union between Jean and Miss Craig, and Mr. Wickland struggled on for a few years in a small way of business, his son Jean assisting him all the while, but they could not even make a living out of it. It seemed that fate was against them.

About this time thousands of people were leaving the old countries of Europe and heading for America. Mr. Wickland caught the emigration fever and longed to come to this country. He sold all his personal effects, and after securing steerage passage for his family, landed in New York. He had some money, and it went fast. He began to realize that he must find something to do. He left New York and went to St. Louis. When they arrived in that city, some fifteen years ago, they had very little left. The boys found employment as hands on the railroad. In 1863 they came to Cairo, Ill., and the boys staid there, while the old gentleman secured a position further south, at McConnell, as track-walker and keeper of the tanks in that vicinity.

For years they have battled with difficulties since coming to America, and, while never in real need, fortune still was unkind, and they have never been able to lay by enough to go back to Aberdeen. During all this time Jean and Miss Craig kept up correspondence, until, in November last, Miss Craig was agreeably surprised by the sudden and unexpected appearance of Jean Wickland in his native city, who bore the joyful intelligence that his father's family, their fortune restored, would soon be in their old home. How was it?

This happy termination came out in this wise; A man named Johnson located himself at McConnell as a merchant, running a plantation and a supply store. His unlimited amount of money was the talk of the town. He sold lots of goods and made money hand over fist. He took great interest in the Wicklands, and seemed to evince especial interest to the facts relating to their robbery and utter ruin. It finally came out that Johnson had been a prison bird and the cold shoulder was turned to him by Lucy Wickland, to whom he was paying attention. This seemed to nettle him, and he sent for the old gentleman to come to him. Their interview lasted two hours.

At length Johnson confessed that it was he who had robbed Wickland of his wealth, and, coming to this country, had trebled his possessions. He gave the old man his check for $50,000. So soon as this happened the Wicklands decided to return to their native land. When Johnson heard of their determination he insisted on paying their passage back to Scotland. The strangest feature of the affair was that Johnson immediately sold out all his belongings and went back to Scotland a month after the family of Wickland had returned, and a letter yesterday from him to a friend announced his marriage to Miss Lucy Wickland, eldest daughter of the man whom he had robbed.

OH, BUT HE WAS MAD!

A Very Mean Way of Taking Revenge.

New York Sun.

During the halcyon days of the roller skating rink I was in the ticket office of a rink in Louisville, when a man came in and asked if he could hire the floor for one hour. It was about 10 o'clock in the forenoon, and, after some figuring, he was told that he could have it for $10.

"I want to bring a friend here and teach him to roll," he exclaimed, "and I want it understood that no one is to raise a hand to help."

That was agreed to, and he paid the money and went away. When he returned ten minutes later he had his friend with him, and he selected one pair of rollers, strapped them to the man's feet and after a little led him out to the center of the floor, where there was a single column reaching up to the roof. Here he loosened his hold, stood back with folded arms and said:

"James Burns, you are a cheat and a liar! You lied me out of $50 a year ago!"

"Look here, Sam; what does this mean?" demanded the other, who was clinging to the post for support.

"It means that the hour for my revenge has come at last! James Burns you are a scoundrel! Yes, sir; you are a contemptible, miserable wretch!"

"You—you must be crazy!" gasped the victim, as he recovered from a "slew" made by one of his feet.

"No, sir! Far from it! I planned this to get revenge. You are a low-lived, miserable cur! Words fail to express my contempt for you!"

The other made a move at him, but "slewed" right and left, and came near going down. He got a new grip on the post, and stood there with his legs wabling and trembling. The other steadfastly regarded him for a long minute, and then exclaimed:

"Liar, vilifier, slanderer, I defy and spit upon you!"

He advanced and spat, and then turned on his heel and walked away. The other was so mad and helpless that he shed tears, and he offered an employe $5 to come and help him sit down and get his skates off. This was against the bargain, however, and no one went near him. He got so mad that he decided to try it alone, but the instant he let go of the post one foot shot one way and the other in a contrary direction, and he came down like a block of stone. After ten minutes' work he got his skates off, and then he crawled across the floor on hands and knees. His companion had disappeared, but as he was ready to follow after him he waved his hand to us and said:

"I will hunt him! I will find him! I will skin him, and use his skin for fishbait to catch bullheads with!"

THE LAND OF OPHIR.

Some Speculation on Solomon's Lost Kingdom.

Harper's Weekly.

The belief has long prevailed that the enormous quantities of gold which contributed to the splendor of the reign of Solomon were brought from some part of Southeast Africa. "And they came to Ophir and fetched from thence gold, 420 talents, and brought it to King Solomon." Ophir was famous for its gold in the days of Job, who speaks of "laying up gold as dust, and the gold of Ophir as the stones of the brooks."

Where was Ophir? Some say in Malacca; others have located it in India; others in Arabia, and not a few have contended for the southeast coast of Africa, about Sofala. There has been much discussion on the subject but the discussion has been profitless. The Sofala region of South Africa has as much to recommend it as any other. As told in the Bible, the story of the Queen of Sheba and the story of Ophir have a singular relation to each other and seem to suggest that the location of the one was not far from the home of the other. In Solomon's time the round voyage to and from Ophir covered a period of three years. This has by some been considered fatal to the South African theory.

When we consider the times and take into account the difficulty of transport the objection loses much of its force. It is at least a remarkable circumstance that discoveries should now be made in the very region of South Africa so long favored by one set of traditions—discoveries which point unmistakably to very ancient occupation by a people advanced in the arts and industries of civilization, and also to the plentiful existence of gold in the region at one time, however it may be now.

The Tramp and the Violin.

Lewiston (Me.) Journal.

A down-town music store in Lewiston was surprised on Friday at the entrance of a tramp—a ragged, veteran tramp—who said that he was not vicious, but only unfortunate. "What made you come into a music store?" asked the proprietor. The thin cheeks of the tramp flushed as he said: "I am a musician." Having said that he played the violin, they handed him one, and he laid a loving cheek against the fiddle and drew a bow of finished power across the trembling strings.

For half an hour he played to a rapt audience, preluding with the skill of an improvisator and weaving the theme into many an airy fancy of the strings. Sometimes he marched up and down up and down the floor playing and talking. A new light was born in his eye. His rags were forgotten by all who saw him. His cheeks were flushed, and his gray hair was tossed back by one impetuous wave of his head. In the imagery of the strings were palaces of delight and strange visions of wasted hopes and years. In the pleading voice of the violin one heard a voice of long ago, a mother's tone and a baby's cry. "That's all right," said he, as he laid it down, and a silence fell upon all around, broken by the querulous voice of the tramp as he said: "Gim'me the price of a supper."

Retrospective.

Chicago Tribune.

"George, dear, I don't see how you ever found courage to ask me to be your wife."

"It was a pretty hard thing for me to do wasn't it? Did I make a fool of myself, Nellie?"

The young man shifted her weight on the other knee as he asked the question.

"Not any more so than usual, George. You always acted confused and bashful, you know."

"?M—yes, yes, I suppose I was a good deal of a dunderhead," candidly admitted the youth, "but I was pretty far gone," he added, in extenuation. "I was hooked in both gills."

"Now confess, George'" said the maiden, toying with his watch chain, "didn't your heart fly right up into your throat when you—when you asked me the—the question, you know?"

"It tried to, Nellie," replied George, shifting her weight again, "but your head, you remember, was kind o' holding it down."

And Nellie didn't say anything more for a long, long time.

Good for Twenty Miles.

Detroit Free Press.

Indignant Voice at the Telephone—Is this the creamery?

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"Yes'm. Thunder storm, you know."

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"The one out at Wayne, ma'am."

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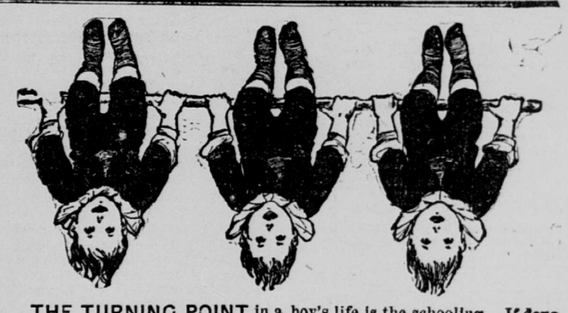

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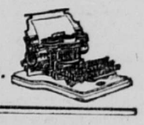

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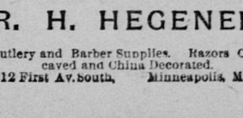

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