

MINNEAPOLIS.

MATTHEWS DISCOVERED.

The Missing Bookkeeper Turns Up in New York. In the fall of 1891 Fred B. Matthews, bookkeeper for G. B. Kirkbride & Co., and well known about town, disappeared mysteriously. It was thought he had committed suicide and the lakes in the vicinity of the city were dragged in vain. Not a word was ever heard from the missing man and after a time people forgot all about Matthews and the peculiar manager in whom he disappeared. Several days ago Matthews was found; he was discovered as it were, by Luther B. Little, a New York newspaper man, who was sojourning in this city. Mr. Little knew Matthews very well, and when he met Matthews on Broadway he recognized him instantly. Matthews tells a weird story of his disappearance from this city, but does not explain why he did not write to his friends and relatives and explain the mystery. This is what he told Mr. Little: "I do not know where I went to then or what I did, but when I came to myself I was in Texas—terribly ill, and apparently about to die. By what route I got there I do not know, nor do I know how long I was on the way. It must have been nearly three weeks from the time I left Minneapolis until I reached Texas. Gradually I recovered, and the people with whom I found myself were kind to me, and after I was somewhat better I settled down to work for a time. But I did not fully recover, and after a year or so I came North and went to a little town in this state, where I had friends to help me. Even then I had a hard time of it, but my health, but I have been gradually and gradually and am now in pretty good shape. Matthews does not say why he never came back to Minneapolis or informed Minneapolis friends where he was.

The Merchants' Police.

During the "good old days" of the police commission the police powers of the city were withdrawn. It left the special police officers manpowered directly in the performance of their duties. Mayor Eastis has succeeded in the arguments of these special police officers, and granted them limited police powers. Among the special police who had applied for the position, was the Hebrew policeman who turned in his resignation several days ago.

Renowned New Railroad.

The rumor of the building of a new railroad from Minneapolis north is revived. The route given is from Minneapolis in the Columbia district, through to St. Paul, and then to the heart of the Itasca iron district. Thomas Lowry is said to be behind it. He is not in the city and the rumor is unconfirmed.

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The weather bureau promises that warm weather will come to Minneapolis today. A real cold transfers, aggregating \$30,000, were filed with the register of deeds yesterday.

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Third Annual Convention of the Northwestern Lumbermen's Association.

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Paper on Manufacturers' and Retailers' Relations--Hoos-Hoos Meet.

The directors of the association met yesterday morning and made the final arrangements for the convention and the trip to Chicago. The directors found little to do, however. Secretary Hollis had done his work so well and had so explicitly informed every member of just what the convention would do and when it would be done, that little remained for the directors. While the sessions of the association are not executive, the admission is only by card. The Lumber Exchange hall, where the sessions are held, will accommodate the shipment of a member of the association, and no room is left for people who have no business with the association.

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ONE-FIFTH POSE.

Judge Daniel Fish's Objections to Mayor Ewing's Motion. Two or three weeks ago Judge Daniel Fish gave notice of a motion to dissolve the board of trade. Yesterday he attended meetings faithfully. Lack of time by the members he thinks the organization is not in a position to attend. "Most of its members are too busy to attend, and so a very few who have the time are enabled to pose as a representative of the board. The non-attendance of about four-fifths of the members, the other one-fifth very often fail to attend."

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E. C. Cooke Is the Man Wanted by E. S. Corser's Creditors met in the New York Life building yesterday to hear the report of the committee appointed to investigate the affairs of E. S. Corser and T. S. Williams & Co. The committee was not long in making its report. When it came, that report was short and to the point—terse as a military order on the field of battle. For the first time the committee reported having carefully investigated the accounts of E. S. Corser and E. S. Corser and T. S. Williams & Co. The committee recommended that the formation of a trust of the assets of the firm be made, and that the trust be managed by a committee of three persons, one of whom should be a lawyer, and one a banker, and one a merchant, and that the committee be empowered to make such arrangements as they might deem wise and practicable, if not impossible. The committee further recommended that E. C. Cooke be appointed assignee of the firm, and that he be empowered to handle the

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