

THE WATER BOARD ANNUAL.

BILLIONS OF GALLONS OF WATER
DRUNK IN ST. PAUL.

THE RECEIPTS INCREASED.

The Board has Added to the Sinking Fund \$40,000 of This Year's Receipts—Plan to Liquidate the Bonded Indebtedness—Reports and Figures Galore—General Review.

The twelfth annual report of the board of water commissioners was submitted yesterday, accompanied by the reports of the chief engineer, city engineer, superintendent of water works, corporation counsel, secretary and treasurer.

The secretary's trial balance is as follows:

	Dr.	Cr.
St. Paul Water Works (original purchase)	\$310,000 00	
Bond account		\$2,400,000 00
General water receipts	1,501,763 05	
Miscellaneous receipts	194,482 48	
Connection account (street services)		11,071 00
Extension account	1,776,737 39	
General maintenance account	276,329 89	
Repair account	41,000 34	
Water account	28,850 34	
Construction account	1,034,566 37	
Interest account	550,535 11	
City of St. Paul, city treasurer	13,330 74	
General water receipts		121,663 19
Sinking fund acc't.	172,047 82	
Shutting off water		10,384 63
Turning on water		1,920 00
Frontage tax		542,743 92

Totals, \$4,848,000 27. Showing the total cost of original plant, bonded debt, interest, extensions, repairs, maintenance, etc., it will be seen to amount to \$4,848,000 27. But this includes \$172,047 82 sinking fund and \$13,330 74 in the hands of the treasurer. The annual interest on the bonds is \$114,300, and there was paid for interest on floating debt \$5,346 30 during the past year. The floating debt at the beginning of the year was \$25,000. That has been paid, and \$40,000 of this year's receipts has been added to the sinking fund, and there is due the sinking fund from the city for the use of water and for fire purposes \$127,331 30, which the board of water commissioners received and provided by tax with a view to placing it to the credit of the fund for the ultimate redemption of the bonds. The earnings of this fund for the past year amounted to \$10,384 63.

Receipts and disbursements from Dec. 1, 1892, to Dec. 1, 1893:

Dec. 1, 1892, balance	\$9,226 73
High service	\$6,859 64
Low service	\$1,611 06
Meters	\$9,153 91
Miscellaneous Receipts	\$187,565 21

Builders	\$1,701 63
Flushing sewers	764 32
Filling cisterns	948 16
Sprinkling streets	16,169 84
	\$19,583 94

Connections, services	\$14,770 65
Extension	646 19
Frontage tax	107,890 11
Shutting off and turning on water	644 00
General water receipts, hydrant account	121,663 19
Sinking fund earnings	10,384 63
Repairs	25 62
	\$956,030 39
	\$453,215 55

Total receipts	\$462,442 28
Disbursements	
Salaries	\$19,193 64
Stationery and printing	1,478 56
Miscellaneous	1,478 56
Labor	5,464 32
Material and fuel	8,533 04
Stable, feed	406 79
Stable, repairs	274 32
	\$36,404 84

Connections	\$12,900 55
Pipe	4,532 25
Brass goods and stop boxes	2,335 97
Tools and miscellaneous	530 64
	\$20,416 41

Repairs	\$2,558 12
Hydrants, labor	131 21
Hydrants, material	3 00
Mains, labor	406 99
Mains, material	113 35
	\$3,022 67

Meters	\$1,485 45
Labor	1,342 49
Freight and meters	
	\$2,829 94

Extensions	\$36,192 01
Pipe and special castings	27,459 73
Tools and repairs of same	688 35
Advertising	7 50
Fire hydrants	3,656 00
Valves	1,302 61
Lead and hemp packing	1,708 13
Lumber and material	1,622 84
Miscellaneous and building account	1,120 86
	\$63,925 15

Construction—new supply	\$1,582 09
Tools and repairs of same	80 89
Lumber and material	795 30
Engineering and right of way	1,725 80
Miscellaneous and building account	183 05
Reservoirs	222 43
	\$4,340 96

Interest	\$120,546 36
Refunded frontage tax	636 89
Bills payable	25,000 00
Sinking fund	172,047 82
	\$242,231 05

Total disbursements	\$449,121 34
Balance	\$13,320 74

The receipts exceed those of last year by \$103,774 73, mainly on account of hydrants, \$121,663 19; on account of sinking fund earnings, \$10,384 63; general water receipts, \$6,859 64; and miscellaneous receipts, \$15,801 76. They were less from connection service by \$4,897 05, and on frontage tax by \$4,188 46. The disbursements for general maintenance, etc., were \$2,068 95 less than for 1892, notwithstanding the establishment of the West St. Paul station at an expense of \$1,855 70.

Contracts for the year aggregating \$53,343 52 have been completed and paid, excepting a balance of \$7,364 53 for fuel; and \$3,394 has been paid on old contracts.

New service has been put in in 625 places; total service, 13,039. The length of the water mains now in use is 221 miles, 2,351 feet; added during the past year, 1,846 miles, 1,846 feet. The total number of fire hydrants

is 2,067; added, 90. Total number of valves, 1,901; added, 63. Total street sprinkling nozzles, 347; added, 12.

The amount of water raised at the McCerron lake pumping station for use in St. Paul was 1,208,551,300 gallons, using 3,074 tons of coal. The West Side station pumped 10,015,722 gallons, using 105 tons of coal. The Baldwin lake station pumped into other lakes supplying St. Paul 1,104,158,000 gallons, using 462 cords of wood.

The city engineer makes report showing that surveys have been run from Pleasant Lake to Taylor's Falls and St. Croix river via Forest and Chicago lakes and from Forest lake to Rice lake, and from Harwood creek to Big Stone lake, to ascertain if this lake could be connected with St. Paul's water system, the result to be covered in a subsequent report. He details plans adopted and recommended for improving the situation at Baldwin, and considers the subject of enlarging the reservoir area. He gives the rainfall of the past year at 24.13 inches, 5.30 in April, upon the ground, and during the four preceding months, largely in the form of snow. This, melted and mingled with the waters of April, filled the lakes and reservoirs to overflowing, causing an enormous waste of water; but he sees no way to prevent another overflow.

He gives in detail the work of the various pumps, and shows that the water raised by a single pump of coal runs from \$2 to \$2.50 per gallon, and that the cost under existing conditions to raise 1,000,000 gallons of water one foot is .082016 cent.

A recapitulation of the report of the city treasurer shows:

Balance on hand Dec. 1, 1892	\$7,538 70
Receipts	\$25,035 76
Total	\$32,574 46
Disbursements	\$17,073 72
On hand	15,500 74
Total	\$32,574 46

EXCLUDED FROM THE MAI.

Postmaster General Shuts Out a

Company.

Special to the Globe.

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 8.—By order of the postal authorities at Washington the following concerns doing business at St. Paul and Minneapolis, among many others, have been shut off from the use of the United States mails upon the ground that they have violated the law relating to the use of the mails: North American Bond Investment company, St. Paul; United States Investment company, Bankers' Investment company, Capital Consul company and Columbia Bond Investment company, Minneapolis.

SECURED IN ST. PAUL.

Inquiry in St. Paul last evening developed the fact that the North American Bond Investment company of this city, suspended business last July until a test case now pending in the federal court at Chicago should be decided. The postmaster general sent a letter to the company named in this city last July stating that if the style of the business should be modified there would be no violation of the law. The officers of the company here then replied to the postmaster general that there was no intention on their part to conflict with the postoffice department. About that time a case was begun in Denver, and also one in Chicago, to test the legality of the proceedings by the postoffice department to exclude the circulars of such companies from the mails, and the company here will not resume active operations until the case in Chicago has settled the rights in the matter.

HOWARD NEXT.

Butler Indicates That the Trial

Will Begin Monday.

County Attorney Pierce Butler has about determined to take up James Howard on the charge of robbing mail robbers to be tried, beginning Monday morning. Howard is one of the young men of the crowd, and has sharp features and a keen, dark eye. He was the first man arrested on suspicion. When arrested in Minneapolis before the robbery, as being a suspicious character, and the time his photograph was taken, he gave his name and his residence as 65 Canada street in this city. It was there he was arrested by Detective McGinnis. When searched \$500 in gold, \$500 in silver, and \$500 in cash were found on his person. The county attorney indicated yesterday that he rather expected on the first trial that Howard would have been put on the witness stand in defense of Fleury, or, rather, for the purpose of attempting to prove an alibi. Judge Kelly will preside at the trial beginning Monday morning. It is presumed that it will be harder than ever to secure a jury. The recent trial of Kelly was exhausted before summoning a jury. After securing the jury the time of adjourning till evidence will probably be shorter than at the former trials, for the reason that both sides will know what reason the court will take as to the admission of evidence. The general character of the evidence will be the same as on the former trials.

NOT INTENTIONAL.

Gov. Nelson's Letter to William H.

Condon.

Some of the Eastern papers have commented unfavorably upon the failure of Gov. Nelson to be present at the unveiling in Washington of the statue of Gen. Shields, which took place last Wednesday, the governor furnishes the following copy of the letter he wrote in reply to the invitation to be present in order to show that his failure was not intentional:

Nov. 18, 1893.—William H. Condon, Esq., 136 La Salle Street, Chicago, Ill.: Dear Sir: I am in receipt of your favor of the 16th, inviting me to attend the unveiling of the statue of the late Gen. John A. Shields, and to participate in the ceremonies connected therewith. I am unable at this moment to give you more definite answer than this: If it is possible for me to leave the state at that time I shall try to attend and cannot, at this early day, tell with any certainty whether I can get away or not. Yours truly,

KNUTE NELSON, Governor.

THE EDITORIAL ASSOCIATION

Meeting of the Executive Com-

mittee to Arrange for Annual

Meeting.

The Minnesota State Editorial association at its last meeting accepted an invitation to hold its next annual session at Minneapolis, the date of the convention the meeting is to be held in St. Paul, when the legislature is in session, but "off years" the association is at liberty to accept outside invitations. The second Thursday in February is the date of the meeting, and the executive committee is to meet at the St. Paul Press club at 10 a. m. today to outline the programme.

The executive committee is composed of C. P. Sine, of the Northwestern Printer, St. Paul, chairman; Joseph Leitch, of the Winona Herald, and William Hinds, of the Shakopee Argus.

The ex-officio members who are expected to be present are President J. A. Johnson, of the St. Peter Herald; First Vice President H. E. Day, of the Albert Lea Standard; Second Vice President Alvin Easman, of the St. Cloud Journal-Press; Third Vice President Branson Strain, of the Battle Lake Review; Recording Secretary F. E. Reilly, of the Sauk Centre Advance; Corresponding Secretary A. B. Karcher, of Ortonville; and David Kamsley, treasurer, of St. Paul.

Messrs. Leitch and Barnum are already at the Windsor, and the other members of the committee are expected this morning.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report

Baking Powder
ABSOLUTELY PURE

THE RECORDS AT FAULT.

THEY SHOWED ONLY 700,000 FEET OF TIMBER.

BIERMANN IMPOSED UPON.

State Auditor Biemann Acted

Upon Records Made Before He

Entered the Office—These Rep-

resented the Timber as Being

700,000 Feet of Inferior Pine

—Pillsbury Should Explain.

So far as learned, John S. Pillsbury has indicated no intention to explain his connection with the pine land deal in Mills, Lac du Flambeau, Wis., and with State Auditor Biemann. The official said yesterday:

"The public is entitled to a full explanation of the whole transaction, and I shall give it as soon as I have carefully read the decision of the court. I am confident that all fair-minded people will be convinced from the showing I shall make that my connection with the transaction was not governed by any desire to defraud the state. I have never seen any of the records, but I believe that there was the number of feet of timber on it found by the court; but further than this I have nothing to say until I have read the court's decision."

From another source it is understood that Mr. Biemann will show that the records in his office, which were made before he became state auditor, give the number of feet of standing pine on the tract in question at only 700,000 feet, and describe it as an inferior quality of timber. The informant says that Mr. Biemann has the means at hand to clear his skirts entirely from blame.

It may be easily seen how the state auditor, having before him records made by some predecessor, could be imposed upon. The records grossly misrepresented the amount of pine and the quality. It is not so easy to see how the purchaser of the pine could enter into the deal without a guilty knowledge. The state auditor, having before him the records, had nothing to rely upon for knowledge of its value except the records, and he is not by any means chargeable with guilty knowledge. The purchaser had made a careful inspection of the timber before making the purchase. It was certainly known to Mr. Pillsbury, or, at least, his partner, C. A. Smith, that the firm was purchasing 5,500,000 feet of first-class pine timber, worth at least \$4 a thousand, as being only 700,000 feet of inferior pine, at one-half its value. It would seem to be in order, since Mr. Pillsbury has been a governor of the state, at present is one of the regents of the state university, which institution is one of the beneficiaries of these lands, and is looked up to as a man of the highest personal standing, that he should come to the front with an explanation.

AN ATTORNEY'S STATEMENT.

Mr. Jackson, ex-Gov. Pillsbury's attorney, makes this defense of his client: "Some papers have been commented on the fact that the estimate on the auditor's books gave only 700,000 feet of pine on this section, while in fact there was 5,500,000 feet. The estimate was made by the auditor before the purchase, and was made by him as a man of the highest personal standing, that he should come to the front with an explanation."

CHOICE CREAMERY BUTTER.

Five-pound jar, only \$1.19 at the Excelsior Dairy, 31 East Seventh street.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

PEOPLES CHURCH, PLEASANT AV. At 10:30 a. m. Dr. Smith will speak on "The New Testament." At 8 p. m. the People's church quartette will give a special service with songs by Dr. Smith. Sunday school at close of morning service. Christian Endeavor at 7 p. m. All are invited.

MY SON, HARRY P. OLSON, LEFT my farm on Saturday, Dec. 2, with one mare, cow and milk, brown willow top buggy and light harness; boy has light hair, blue eyes, and wears fair boots and overalls; is fourteen years old; slender and comely please notice. Any information on between the time and place named by me, Ole H. Olson, Madelia, Minn., write me at once of any information in regard. Last heard at North Star, Redwood, Minn. county, Minn. (Signed) Ole H. Olson, Madelia, Minn.

DIED.

MRGE—At residence, 898 Dawson street, Charles McGee, principal of Van Buren school. Funeral Sunday at 2 p. m.

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MARRIAGES, BIRTHS DEATHS.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Michael Svedal. Mrs. Johanna M. Graneg.

BIRTHS REPORTED.

Mr. and Mrs. John B. Gough. Boy.

Mr. and Mrs. William T. Adewald. Girl.

Mr. and Mrs. John Sausen. Boy.

Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Bergquist. Girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Bertina Basel. Girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Hirsch. Girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Joseph. Boy.

Mr. and Mrs. William Manu. Boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Tankenoff. Girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Korde. Girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lang. Girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Felix Lach. Girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Yerkan. Girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Korde. Girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernhard Stoeckel. Girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Labaskey. Girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Korde. Girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Medemeyer. Girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Horeisch. Girl.

DEATHS REPORTED.

Amanda Bean, 882 Eighth. 76 yrs.

Anna S. Svendsdotter, 670 Sims. 60 yrs.

Louis Busselle, city morgue. 37 yrs.

Henry Dett, 844 Gaullier. 84 yrs.

Oscar Lanke, 85 Litchfield. 49 yrs.

AMUSEMENTS.

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Men's best quality red-lined Low Overshoes, worth \$1.25, at 75c.

Children's Buckled Overshoes, 39c and 54c.

Ladies' French Dongola Felt-Lined House Slippers, 98c.

Ladies' Beaver Slippers and Oxford, 98c.

Men's Best Quality Red-Lined Arctic, worth \$1.75, \$1.25.

Men's Finest Moose Hide Moccasins, \$1.75.

Boys' finest Moose Hide Moccasins, 85c.

Men's Fine Calf Shoe, all styles toe, in lace and congress, every pair worth \$2.50, at \$1.48.

Men's American Calf hand-sewed Shoes, all sizes, worth \$4, at \$2.48.

Ladies' fine Dongola Button, patent tips, worth \$2, at \$1.48.

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