

SAINT PAUL.

LOCAL NEWS NOTES.

V. B. Seward, county attorney of Lyon county, called at the capitol yesterday.

A "social smoke" will be given by Webster Lodge No. 2 tonight at Pythian hall.

The Firemen's Relief Association of Benson filed articles of association yesterday.

Amelie Landmark lodge, A. F. and M. E., will meet and confer the second degree tonight.

Division No. 4, Daughters of Erin, will hold their regular hop in the Edgewater hall this evening.

Fredrick Lameroff has presented the Press club with a full-length portrait of himself in stage costume.

Scarlet fever is reported at 539 Orleans street and at 1339 Prospect street and 56 Blair street.

W. Hamilton Gibson, the artist and naturalist, delivered a lecture Tuesday and Thursday evenings of this week in the People's church.

Fire from a kerosene oil stove caused slight damage, about 11 a. m. yesterday, at the residence of L. H. Thayer, 24 Temperance street.

The state institute for defectives has reported to the state auditor miscellaneous receipts for the fiscal year ending Oct. 30, amounting to \$21,356.

The Western Timber and Land company, of St. Paul, with a capital stock of \$1,000,000, filed articles of incorporation with the secretary of state yesterday.

The Aurora rink will not open today as expected, the weather being so mild to have the ice in first-class condition. The opening will be announced through this paper later on.

Rev. Paul Ebert, D. D., will preach a Thanksgiving sermon today at the House of Hope, Presbyterian church, at 11 o'clock a. m. Music by the choir of the House of Hope Presbyterian church.

This afternoon at 7 o'clock the singing section of the choir of St. Paul will hold its annual concert in Paul Martin's hall. Supper will be served by the ladies at 6:30 and a hop will follow.

The second of the series of Selbert band concerts will be given at Concord hall Sunday afternoon. Among the selections will be some of Dvorak's Slavonic dances and a symphony by Beethoven.

Officer Cowan, who fell thirty feet Tuesday night, was in a satisfactory condition yesterday. The fall, which was a result of a slip, which, it is hoped, will not prove serious.

Conductor Tom McCormick, of Mandan, N. D., was in St. Paul yesterday on his way home. McCormick, who has been in the business of the city for thirty years ago, of which he was co-owner. He is now contemplating the fact that his side won the case.

PERSONAL MENTION.

James Nell, of Chicago, is at the Ryan.

M. V. Rice, of Glenwood, is at the Clarendon.

W. A. Prestal, Cincinnati, is at the Windsor.

L. L. Tabor, of Milwaukee, is registered at the Ryan.

Henry Graf Jr., of Chicago, is a guest of Chicago.

John G. Williams, of Duluth, is a guest at the Ryan.

Charles W. Gould, Philadelphia, is at the Metropolitan.

Carlton W. Brown, of Winona, is at the Merchants.

E. B. Pope, of New York, registered at the Windsor yesterday.

Isaac Sumnerfield, of Duluth, is registered at the Windsor yesterday.

M. J. Murphy and wife, of Ellsworth, Minn., are at the Merchants.

George H. Soule and A. Noble are registered at the Metropolitan.

Paul E. Darrow, of Albany, N. Y., registered yesterday at the Clarendon.

Mr. and Mrs. George D. Baxter, of Fairbault, are stopping at the Metropolitan.

W. D. Flinn and wife, of Redwood Falls, registered at the Windsor yesterday.

Mrs. F. S. Wade and Mrs. Fall, New Richmond, Mrs. R. H. McCoy, Lakeville, Minn., are at the Clarendon.

Miss Mattie de Groot, Miss Margaret McLeone, W. C. McLeone, of Menomonie, Wis., are among the guests at the Metropolitan.

Among yesterday's arrivals at the Clarendon was C. A. Mackay, a prominent cheese manufacturer of West Concord.

Mrs. C. M. Merrill, of Eau Claire; F. Jennings and wife, of Fargo, N. D.; Mrs. Zanner, of Fairbault, are at the Metropolitan.

CARNIVAL CLUBS.

Flambeaus Organizing Against Others Preparing for the Winter.

Citizens and visitors who remember the flambeau club of former carnivals will be delighted to know that the militia boys are organizing an escort for the Fire King, which will number over 30 members.

Milton S. Mead, president of the carnival brigade of the Improved Order of Red Men, is in training in the assurance that his boys will turn out nearly 30 of the most unique figures ever seen on the streets of St. Paul.

PAPER CONFERENCES.

First to be held at Judge Young's Residence.

The Associated Charities will hold its first paper conference of this season next Monday evening at the residence of Judge Young, on Summit avenue.

The papers will be presented as follows: "The Public Hospital, Relation to the Public and the Poor," by Dr. Aweker; "Internal Organization," by Dr. Heath; "The Charity Hospital, Its Relation to Economics," by Mrs. James Gillman; "Its Relation to the Church," by Miss Grace Doran.

The papers will be followed by discussions, which will be made a feature of the conferences. Those desiring invitations should address James P. Jackson, secretary of the Associated Charities, 364 New York Life building.

Fell Into Honey Hands.

W. P. O. Reid, cashier at Lovering's shoe store on Washburn street, had the misfortune to lose a large sum of money from his pocket yesterday night, a pocketbook containing \$100. Yesterday Mr. Reid had the good fortune to receive back the purse and money from the finder, Lewis Olenheimer, a cutter for Guterman Bros.

GAS IS THE BETTER

FOR STREET LIGHTING PURPOSES, SAYS CRAWFORD LIVINGSTON.

TO PARKER COMMITTEE.

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS TAKEN TO TASK FOR DISCRIMINATION.

LANGFORD MAKES A CHARGE.

And Capt. Gorman Explains, but Finally Admits That It Was an Error.

Crawford Livingston, the president of the St. Paul Gas Light company, gave the Parker retirement committee the benefit of his views on the lighting question yesterday. Some of them have already been published by the Globe. In substance, Mr. Livingston advised the committee that the city could expect plenty of competition if it advertised for bids for electric lighting; that, in his opinion, gas would prove a cheaper and more efficient means of lighting than electricity, and that a new gas had been discovered, possessing illuminating powers that rendered it more than likely to displace electricity.

Before Mr. Livingston was heard, the committee resumed its consideration of the general subject of assessment and taxation. The proceedings opened with an informal discussion regarding the assessed valuation of St. Paul property. It was conceded by Col. Clough, Judge Lusk and Gen. Sanborn that the valuation, amounting to \$123,000,000, was too high. It was their opinion that the property had been assessed at a high figure for the purpose of establishing a basis of credit.

N. P. Langford, who referred to this matter in his paper, believed that the valuation ought to be reduced to \$85,000,000, and the rate of levy raised. This would effect a big saving in the annual tax paid to the state.

Mr. Langford, at this point, took occasion to arrange the board of public works for its action in a matter that had interested him. Mr. Langford related to the committee how the board of public works had exempted the Atheneum company from the operation of a final order calling for a cement sidewalk on Exchange street. As his own property was directly opposite, and he was required to pay for a cement sidewalk, Mr. Langford called upon the board of public works to ascertain why the Atheneum company was exempted from the provision of the final order and was permitted to lay a wooden sidewalk instead. He was informed that the exemption was made at the request of the aldermen. Gen. Sanborn stated that the board would exempt him if he desired. He so desired, and the exemption was made.

"But on the way home," continued Mr. Langford, "I got thinking the matter over, and concluded to do nothing to do with such an irregular proceeding. So I ordered a cement sidewalk, and used the plank in the old wooden sidewalk to help construct a new floor in my barn."

Mr. Langford said that he considered this proceeding a grave charge to lay against the board of public works. "The board of public works," he added, "is almost a judicial body, and its corruption is almost as serious as corruption of the judiciary would be."

Mr. Langford's statements amused as well as surprised the committee. President Gorman, of the board of public works, was at once sent for. "When he arrived, Col. Clough put this matter to Capt. Gorman: 'Is it a party captain for the board of public works to make variations or exceptions from the terms of final orders for sidewalks?'"

Capt. Gorman answered that perhaps there had been some exceptions made generally, however, at the request of the aldermen.

Gen. Sanborn—When you know that that request is against the order of the council?

Capt. Gorman—Yes, sir, when the parties interested are willing to pay for another kind of work.

Col. Clough—Doesn't look quite straight, does it?

Capt. Gorman thereupon explained that after the board of public works had adopted the plan, but that the council it had allowed parties to lay their own walks before the final order was published, but not after its publication.

THE CASE IN POINT.

Capt. Gorman was not certain whether the concession to the Atheneum company in the case in point was made before the final order was published.

HE WOULD LIKE TO CORRECT A FEW MISSTATEMENTS THAT HAD BEEN MADE BY THE PRESS AND PUBLIC OFFICIALS. HE DID NOT BELIEVE THAT THE PEOPLE TOOK THE GREAT INTEREST IN THE LIGHTING BUSINESS THAT THE COMMITTEE SEEMED TO THINK THEY DID.

Mr. Livingston read from a written statement showing the scale of reduction in the price of gas during the past ten years in Minneapolis and in St. Paul. The statement showed that Minneapolis had been paying for nine years past from \$2 to \$1.60, while St. Paul had enjoyed a uniform rate of \$1.50 per 1,000 feet during the existence of the present five-year contract. Mr. Livingston discussed the cost of electric lighting and called the attention of the committee to the fact that many important requisites had been omitted by the electric experts, who had estimated the cost for the benefit of the committee. As for the statement that the most recent electric apparatus reduced the cost of manufacturing electricity, Mr. Livingston quoted high authority to the effect that the most recent inventions in dynamo were not more than 1 per cent better or more efficient than dynamo in use fifteen years ago.

Mr. Livingston informed the committee that a new gas known as acetylene had been discovered or manufactured, which possessed superior illuminating power, and that this gas was rapidly coming into use. He would unquestionably be adopted in St. Paul in much less than five years. This illuminant, Mr. Livingston believed, might displace electricity.

Mr. Livingston reiterated what was recently published by the Globe, as to the superiority of gas over electricity as an illuminant of streets. Not a city in the country was lighted by electricity except Detroit, Mich. Mr. Livingston said that electric light did not have the diffusive power of gas. If an arc light could be divided up, instead of being massed at one point, then it would be more efficient than gas lamps.

As a citizen, Mr. Livingston was not prepared to recommend the substitution of electricity for gas in the business district, but as president of the gas company he would recommend it, because the public seemed to be interested in it. In conclusion, Mr. Livingston assured the committee that if the city advertised for proposals for electric lighting, it would receive the benefit of sufficient competition.

The committee then adjourned until 3:15 p. m. tomorrow, when it will grant a hearing to C. W. Horr and other interested parties to point out what they deem to be the virtues of the Howard character.

"A READY SALE."

Marketers Objects to Unjust Statements of a Reporter.

Dear Sir: We note an article in last evening's Dispatch headed "A Ready Sale," which does us an injustice. Without any question or doubt we are the leading retail game market of this city, in fact of the Northwest, and this article makes it appear to the purchasing public that we are asking more money for the same goods than other people are getting in this business, which is not a fact. Trusting you will give this space in your paper and thereby endeavor to correct an error, we are, yours very truly,

POLICE COURT CASES.

F. M. Andrews Reported to Have Been Indicted.

In the municipal court, yesterday, the case of F. M. Andrews, charged with disposing of mortgaged property, was continued until the 21st. It is understood that the prisoner is now being sold the bicycle on which he had already given a mortgage. Andrews is the man recently brought from Fargo by Deputy Sheriff Pichony.

Thomas Kelpner was discharged. He had been arrested by Officer Imhoff for assaulting a man named O'Toole. The evidence showed that O'Toole had taken away a boat belonging to Kelpner and which was moored on the river bank near the prisoner's West side residence. The boat was not returned for several days. When O'Toole at last appeared, he received a thrashing expressive of Mr. Kelpner's disapproval.

William Perkins, a negro, and Simon Fagelson, a young Seventh street tailor, were both arraigned for disorderly conduct. The two had quarreled over a vest to be repaired by Fagelson. The colored customer was fined \$1 and the tailor \$5.

Joe Keller was placed under bonds to keep the peace. He was charged by J. H. Nickels, the contractor, with having threatened to "do" Nickels, the threats being the result of a misunderstanding over some trees planted by Keller for Nickels.

Yesterday's docket was the lightest for many a day. Almost every case was that of a drunkard or a vagrant.

LEO KOSKIE'S

Restaurant and Oyster House, Washburn Building.

Today being my first Thanksgiving day in business in St. Paul, I wish to announce to my many patrons a fresh shipment of fine oysters, lobsters, clams, terrapin, sea turtles, with the turkey, our great American bird, as king! The bill of fare will consist of the best in the market for the occasion. Don't miss the Rockaways and Shirazbury, just in by express this morning.

SAYS SHE ELOPED.

Joseph Koskie Tells the Police of His Wife's Disappearance.

Joseph Koskie, a laboring man living on the upper flats, reported to the police yesterday that his wife Anna had eloped, deserted him and her four children. He told the police that she had been reported at the same time by a Bohemian named Alec. The latter's last name was unknown to Koskie. Alec is also a laboring man. He came from Chicago several weeks ago with considerable money in his possession, and has been boarding at the Koskie house.

BENEFICENT STATISTICS.

More Figures From the State Census Bureau.

In Hennepin county the state census enumerators have found 146,550 native born citizens, 249 English, 429 Irish, 1,065 Scotch, 225 Welsh, 11,327 Germans, 294 French, 1,917 Danes, 22,480 Swedes, 12,762 Norwegians, 2,533 Russians, 8,642 Canadians, 85 Bohemians and 2,848 of all other nationalities.

In the city of Minneapolis there are 128,739 native born citizens, 2,264 English, 3,576 Irish, 830 Scotch, 215 Welsh, 1,332 Germans, 23 French, 1,515 Danes, 21,270 Swedes, 12,275 Norwegians, 2,629 Russians, and 2,777 of all other countries.

THANKSGIVING DAY

ST. PAUL PREPARED TO OBSERVE THE RECURRENCE OF THE EVENT

IN VARIOUS WAYS TODAY.

HOTELS MAKE THE USUAL ELABORATE PREPARATIONS FOR THEIR GUESTS.

A NUMBER OF THE MENUS.

Some of the Places at Which Enjoyment is to Be Found—Sports and Amusements.

St. Paul will celebrate Thanksgiving today with a will. While the event itself will be the occasion for all the celebrations of the day, the nature of the festivities will, among the different people of the city be varied.

In the offices, stores and factories business will be suspended, as is the custom, and all will have an opportunity of doing honor to the event. The different churches of the city have made arrangements for special services of an appropriate nature, notices of which appeared in the Globe of yesterday. The theaters will give special matinees, and numerous social events will occur in the afternoon and evening. The weather is thoroughly in keeping with the ideal Thanksgiving day, and will afford a particularly good opportunity for those who are lovers of skating to enjoy themselves. The ice at Como is in excellent condition, the warming rooms are open and special cars will carry the hundreds of people who will visit that popular place.

The hotels of the city will make particular efforts to care for their guests in the manner in keeping with the day. Special menus have been prepared, in all of which turkey is a prominent feature.

At the Ryan Seibert's orchestra will play during the dinner, which will be served from 12:30 to 2 o'clock. Following are the menus in a number of the hotels:

GREEN TURTLE RYAN. Clear Green Turkey and Quenelle. Cream of Peasant a la Distingue. Consommé a la Reine. Sautéed Almonds, Anchovies, Radishes, Pickles, Sardines, Spanish Olives, Caviar. Paupiette of Red Snapper a la Demi. Braised Whitefish, Maitre d'Hotel. Cucumber, Potatoes Duchesse. Mashed Goose a la Foyot. Teddie Lamb, Florentine. String Beans, Succotash. Boiled Potatoes. Roast Rib of Beef. Dressing Cranberry Sauce. Sucking Pig, Apple Compote. Fried Potatoes, Mashed Potatoes. Larded Sweetbread with French Peas. Red Birds en Caisse a la Perigieuse. Stewed Terrapin, Philadelphia Style. Asparagus Sauce Hollandaise, Squash, Creamed Spinach. Roast Mallard Duck Sauce Green. Haunch of Venison. Cherry Sauce. Fried Hominy, Baked Sweet Potatoes. Lettuce and Potato Salad. Game Pate, Boned Capon. Terrine de Fole Gras de Strasbourg. Mince Pie. Pumpkin Pie. Wine, Jelly, Biscuits Glaces. Home Made Ice Cream. Assorted Cakes. Fruits. Tea, Coffee.

MERCHANTS' HOTEL. Blue Points. Puree of Chicken (Secret) Printanero. Roast Chicken. Queenelles of Chicken and Supreme. Fillet of Red Snapper, a la Chambord. Potatoes Duchesse. Dressed Lettuce. Queen Olives. Fried Turkey. Celery. Wild Turkey, Braised with Chestnuts. Baked Sweet Potatoes. Sugar Corn. Prime Rib of Beef, Dish Gravy. Mashed Potatoes. Cranberry Dressing. Sucking Pig, Apple Sauce. Browned Potatoes. Baked Chicken Pie. Egg and Cabbage. Cal's Sweetbread, Larded, Asparagus Point. Roast Redhead Duck, au Confiture. Fine Apple Salad. Water Cress. Boned Turkey, au Gratin, Fresh Lobster. English Plum Pudding, Rum Sauce. Mince Pie. Assorted Cakes. Tutti Frutti Ice Cream. Orange Cream a la Duchesse. American and Cheese. Fruit. Roman Cakes. Coffee.

HOTEL METROPOLITAN. Blue Points. Baked Almonds. Fried Potatoes. Essence of Chicken in Cups. Celery, Mushrooms, Olives. Salmon a la Regence. Potatoes Chateaux. Young Turkey, with Chestnut Dressing. Cranberry Jelly. Stuffed Young Pig, au Barbecue. Fried Sweetbread. Sweetbread Fatties a la Reine. French Potatoes. Filet of Beef Larded, Demi Glace. Fried Sweet Potatoes. Pumpkin Pie. Quail on Toast. Water Cress. Salad Macédoine. New England Mince Pie. English Plum Pudding. Cognac Sauce. Bonbons. Sweet Omelette. Requin Ice Cream. Fancy Assorted Cakes. Fruits. Walnuts. Roasted Cheese. Bread. Demi Tasse.

COLONNADE CAFE. Blue points on half shell. Omelette. Sautéed almonds. Olives. Baked red snapper. Potatoes a la Reine. Cucumbers. Col. Larded sirloin beef au jus. Oyster plant, mashed potatoes, spinach. Young Turkey, oyster dressing. Cranberry jelly. New wax beans, Sweet potatoes sauté. Haunch of venison, currant jelly. Watermelon sweet pickles. Mallard duck, with chestnut dressing. Fried Potatoes. Lettuce salad, mayonnaise. English Plum Pudding, brandy sauce. Sliced apple pie. Mince pie. Pumpkin pie. Pistachio cream. Angels' food. Kisses. Fruit cake. French Macédoine. Clusters of raisins. Water crackers. Cheese. Demi tasse.

CLARENDON HOTEL. Foley Bros., Prop. Menu, Nov. 28, 1895. Soup. Consommé. Lettuce. Young Onions. Celery. Fish. Boiled Salmon. Trout. Oyster Sauce. Eggs. Fried Southdown Mutton, cetera sauce. Prime Beef, au Jus. Spring Lamb, mint sauce. Young Turkey, stuffed. Oyster dressing, cranberry sauce. Entrées. Chicken, cold, braized, with champagne. Chicken Pot Pie. Pincapple Meringue. Vegetables. Mashed Potatoes. Sugar Corn. Stewed Tomatoes. Baked Hubbard Squash. Dessert.

Stemmed Suet Pudding, brandy sauce. Apple Pie, creaming. Cream Pie. Chocolate. Coconut, Jelly Roll. Lady Fingers. Fresh Kisses. Citron Biscuit. Coconut Drops. Vanilla Ice Cream. Roman Punch. Oranges, Apples, Bananas, Nuts. Tea, coffee, young American cheese.

EXERCISES HELD YESTERDAY.

In most of the public schools Thanksgiving exercises were held yesterday afternoon, particularly interesting programmes being given in some of the more advanced grades. At the Madison school, selections from the current magazines and other literature appropriate to the occasion was read, and in the lower grades Thanksgiving songs were made a special feature.

At the high school there was a patriotic programme, consisting of the reading of a biography of Francis Smith, of the school board, and the singing of the Declaration of Independence, by Walter Howell; and address on "Patriotism, National and Local," by L. D. Wilkes, of the school board, and the reading of "America," and "The Star Spangled Banner," by the school.

Both day and evening schools are closed until Monday.

DISTRIBUTING DINNERS.

The school children of the city sent yesterday most liberal donations to the Relief society, 141 East Ninth street. Throughout the day a committee, consisting of Charles Steele, president of the school board, and the singing of the school board, and the singing of the Declaration of Independence, by Walter Howell; and address on "Patriotism, National and Local," by L. D. Wilkes, of the school board, and the reading of "America," and "The Star Spangled Banner," by the school.

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PLANNING A BIG TIME.

Some of the Features of the Bohemian Cabaret.

Ex-Mayor Eustis will be one of the guests of honor at the Bohemian Cabaret, which Minnesota council of the Royal Arcanum proposes to hold Dec. 3 to celebrate the first anniversary of its establishment. The event has been described in glowing colors to the members of the lodges in St. Paul, Minneapolis and other places in the state, so there promises to be a goodly representation of good fellows.

A programme, the like of which never has been attempted by any council of the Royal Arcanum in either of the Twin Cities, will be given in its entirety under the direction of Regent Cooley, and will conclude with an informal banquet and smoking concert. The Council quartette will sing. Al Flournoy will recite, numbers will be given by the council, Tenney, Delafield and McCrumish and several well-known entertainers, such as Franklin Lee and Fred Johnston, will be down for contributions to the feast of wit. The present intention is to have the event such an unqualified success that all future Arcanum matters will be dated thereafter.

The Matchless Shaw. Planos; superior to all others. S. W. Ramenbush & Co., No. 14 West Fifth Street.

Advertisement for Vines! The \$10 Holiday Home Case of Fine Pure Wines and Liqueurs. Includes a list of wine prices and a picture of a wine bottle.

Advertisement for START IN EARNEST MAKE PURCHASES OF STOCK AT SOUTH ST. PAUL AND THE MINNESOTA TRANSFER YARDS. WHERE VISITED YESTERDAY. Much Pleas'd With What They Saw and Heard in Their Brief Investigation.

Advertisement for INTO POPLAR PULP. A COMPANY OF MICHIGAN MEN PROPOSE TO DAM THE MISSISSIPPI. POPLAR A DOLLAR A GORD. WHAT THIS DENUDATION OF THE FORESTS MEANS TO MINNESOTA. LAKES AND RIVERS DRYING UP. Unless the Timber is Permitted to Remain We May Have to Irrigate.

Advertisement for FAIR IN MARKET HALL. St. James' A. M. E. Church Holding One. The fair, which is being conducted at Market hall, by the ladies of the St. James' A. M. E. church, was visited by a large number of citizens last evening, and the various booths and departments were well patronized.

Advertisement for CONO PARK EXTENSION. The board of public works resumed consideration yesterday of the matter of the extension of Como park. The members spent most of the afternoon trying to fix the value of the land to be taken, to determine how the assessment for the extension of the park will be spread, but finally adjourned further consideration until 10 a. m. tomorrow.

Advertisement for NEW ROOF DESIGN. Another One Necessary for the New Federal Building. A change being made necessary in the design for the roof of the new federal building in consequence of the many changes that have been made in the wall plans, Gottlieb Auer, of the office of supervising architect, is here from Washington to prepare a new roof design. The roof and bay work therefor will cost about \$24,000. It is expected that the building will be enclosed this winter.