

WHERE HE FINDS IT

COMPTROLLER M'CARDY EXPLAINS HIS \$200,000 ITEM IN THE SCHOOL ESTIMATE.

IT'S A COMPOSITE ACCOUNT

GATHERED BOTH FROM COUNTY AND STATE REVENUES, NOT DIRECT TAXES.

SECRETARY ANGELL FIGURES

The Same Proposition From the Standpoint of the School Board Very Differently.

There has been a considerable difference of opinion between the members of the school board and the city controller as to the amount which the board will have on hand this year for the purposes of the schools.

In Controller McCarty's estimate of the funds available for school purposes for 1896 there appears, in addition to the amounts derived from the two-mill direct tax allowed the city board, the balance now on hand and the state apportionment, a fourth item of \$200,000, styled "tax receipts." This, the comptroller explained yesterday, is made up of all moneys collected into the school fund which do not come under one of the three other heads, such as the moneys derived from the sale of school sections, the royalties on iron ore outputs devoted by the state to school purposes, the school share of back taxes, county and school revenues, and other sums which come into the school fund, but which do not properly come in the estimate of direct taxes or of the state's apportionment.

These miscellaneous receipts in 1895 were \$223,900; in 1894, \$195,000; so that the controller this year estimates the amount available for 1896 as at least \$200,000.

Secretary Angell, of the school board, figures it thus:

The income for school purposes is derived from the following sources:

One mill county tax.

Two or two and a half mills local city tax.

State apportionment, which is determined on the basis of a certain apportionment to each pupil in the state who has attended school for the period of forty days.

The assessed valuation of property in the city of St. Paul is \$123,000,000. On this basis the apparent normal amount which could come into the school fund from the special levy is two mills:

One mill county tax.....\$123,000

Two mills special levy.....246,000

State apportionment.....75,000

Total.....\$444,000

In August of each year the school board is required to make a financial statement to the state of its receipts and disbursements for the school year commencing Aug. 1 and ending Aug. 1. Their statement is compiled by the city controller. For the period commencing Aug. 1, 1895, and ending Aug. 1, 1896, the receipts in the school fund, as per the controller, were \$464,546.81, and for the year ending Aug. 1, 1895, \$441,511.37, or for the two years, \$906,058.18, an average of \$453,029.09, which will be seen is nearly normal.

For the year commencing Jan. 1, 1895, and ending Jan. 1, 1896, the city school fund actually received nearly \$500,000 from all sources, the receipts in November, 1895, being unprecedently large. As will be seen, this amount is about \$50,000 more than could be received from all sources when the special city levy is two mills. It could only have been derived from delinquent taxes extending back for many years. It is generally understood that the delinquent taxes are nearly all paid in, and consequently the board can scarcely expect for the next few years to derive much revenue from this source. The special city levy for 1895 was \$305,500, against which have been issued \$242,500 certificates of indebtedness, which must first be paid as the taxes of 1895 are collected in the December, 1895, pay roll and sundry bills passed by the school board which have not yet reached or been paid by the controller, in an amount nearly \$60,000, which had it been paid would have left the fund only about \$250,000 cash. On Jan. 1, of each year, the school fund for a number of years has shown a cash balance of about \$40,000, which just about takes care of the December claims, but if the levy as proposed passed the council it would appear that the board would have no cash on hand Jan. 1, 1897, with \$40,000 or \$50,000; December, 1896, claims outstanding. For 1897 the revenue of the board would be, if the proposed special levy for \$150,000 in 1896 prevails, as follows:

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

Baking Powder ABSOLUTELY PURE

ARE ON ITS TRAIL.

CIVIL ENGINEERS' SOCIETY WILL INQUIRE INTO AFFAIRS OF THE CITY.

MR. RUNDLETT'S DIVISION

WILL BE THE ESPECIAL PROVINCE OF THEIR PROPOSED INQUIRY.

COMMITTEE IS APPOINTED.

With C. F. Loweth as Chairman, Annual Election of Officers Occurs.

The Civil Engineers' Society of St. Paul held its thirteenth annual meeting at the society library in the city hall last night. Thirteen members were in attendance. After the usual routine and election of officers, the following important action was taken:

A committee of three was appointed by the president to consider and report upon so much of the report of the late Parker retirement committee as refers to the city engineer's department. The committee consists of C. F. Loweth, A. O. Powell and J. D. Estabrook.

A. H. Hogeland led the discussion of the evening with description of the sliding bank on the sites of various bridges on the line of the Great Northern railway, crossing the Red River of the North and its tributaries. C. F. Loweth explained in detail and illustrated the circumstances of the movement of Pier No. 1 of the Bismarck bridge on the Northern Pacific.

It was voted to read and subscribe to the following periodicals: Engineering Magazine, Engineering News, Engineering Record, London Engineering, Transactions of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and Transactions of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers.

The librarian was instructed to effect an exchange with the Engineers' Club of Philadelphia for its published proceedings.

The following officers were re-elected for the ensuing year: President, H. E. Stevens; vice president, K. E. Hilgard; secretary, C. L. Annan; treasurer, A. O. Powell; librarian, A. W. Munster; representative on board of managers of the Association of Engineering Societies, Edwin E. Woodman.

Immediately after adjournment the president appointed the following gentlemen members of the examining board: A. O. Powell, J. H. Armstrong, Oliver Crosby, Mr. Loweth was appointed to audit the books of the report.

W. L. Darling, of the Northern Pacific, was elected to membership. The government of the society, which consists of its five officers, was requested to report an amendment to the constitution providing for a more lenient treatment of delinquent members.

The annual report was read and various officers were read and placed on file.

THEIR DEATH ACCIDENTAL.

Inquest on the Bodies of James Newman and Wife.

The remains of James Newman and his wife, asphyxiated Saturday night at Lilydale, on the Mendota road, were sent Sunday night by Coroner Stopp, of Dakota county, to the undertaking rooms of J. J. Hurley, 357 South Washington street, on the West side. An inquest was held yesterday morning on the bodies, and a verdict returned by the coroner's jury that death had resulted from asphyxiation. The cause was found to be purely accidental. The remains will be held until the undertaker's bill is paid.

The Dictionary of Facts and Figures in the Globe Almanac, Cyclopaedia and Atlas contains over 100,000 important references.

WITHDREW THE COMPLAINT.

John R. Clark Didn't Press the Orlop Case.

The complaint against Brad Orlop, charging him with fraudulently procuring from John R. Clark the sum of \$95 by certain alleged gambling transactions, controlled by a so-called "stock" machine, has been withdrawn. Mr. Clark, in his communication requesting the municipal court to withdraw the charge, asserts, according to the usual form, that he received no compensation or equivalent whatever for his action in seeking to clear Mr. Orlop of the aspersion which has been cast upon him. Mr. Orlop is alleged to operate a "produce exchange" establishment on Robert street.

A social hop was given by the Allegro club last night at Litt's hall and a hearty good time enjoyed by everybody present. The hall was artistically decorated with great palm leaves tied with bunches of roses. The effect was rose and white. Festooned over the hall was a drape of white netting with long streamers of red ribbon. Twenty couples were present, and danced a merry round of fourteen numbers, with many extras, to pleasantly fill the evening.

Miss Mary Clark, of Holly avenue, entertained at an afternoon tea Saturday.

A meeting of all officers of the W. C. T. U.

Awarded Highest Honors—World's Fair, 'DR.

CREAM BAKING POWDER

MOST PERFECT MADE.

A pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. Free from Ammonia, Alum or any other adulterant.

40 YEARS THE STANDARD.

Reduction Sale of... Men's Underwear and Half Hose. Annal... Sale of Gold and Silver Shirts and Night... Shirts.....

Mannheimer Bros. Sixth and Robert Streets, St. Paul.

Our January Clearing Sale of all Kinds... of Fine Lace Curtains, Upholstery Fabrics, Furniture and Drapery Stuffs.....

OUR SEVERAL GREAT ANNUAL SALES COMMENCED

Yesterday. We have made greater preparations than ever before, and present stocks of goods in each of the different lines which are the best of their kind shown in the Northwest, and we quote positively, without any question, THE VERY LOWEST PRICES.

TUESDAY, January 7—The Nineteenth Day of

OUR GREATEST ANNUAL SILK SALE.

Selling Begins at 9:30 A. M.

A POINTER FOR 1896.

Fashion decrees that BLACK SILKS, both in Plain and Fancy Weaves, will be more than ever in favor for Gowns, Separate Skirts, Waists, and accessories for Black Woolen Dress Goods.

Twelve Huge Cases of FASHIONABLE BLACK SILKS

Came last week—all made to our special order.

THEY ARE:

Black Satin Duchesse, Black Satin Rhadame, Extra Heavy Black Beau de Soie, Sublime Qualities Black Gros, Grains, New Black Satin Brocades, Wide Heavy Black Taffetas, Several Qualities of Black Amure Royale, Double Warp 24-inch Black Surahs, One yard wide fine Black Habutais, Very Heavy Lustrous Black Crystals, Black Faconne Gros de Londres, Pekin Satin Stripe Duchesse, Pekin Satin Stripe Taffetas,

Fine Black Japanese Habutai, 27 inches wide, Fine Black Japanese Habutai, 20 inches wide, Extra quality 27-inch Black Satin Turkoman, Extra quality 27-inch Black Satin Rhadame, Extra quality 27-inch Black Satin Duchesse, Heavy Swell designs in Black Damasks, Late Ideas in fine 24-inch India Brocades, Spring designs in extra quality 24-inch Taffeta Brocades.

These and all of our regular stock will be assorted and placed upon Six Big Tables for rapid and convenient selling. They will be ready Tuesday morning at 9:30. The prices will be:

40 Cents a yard, value to \$1.25.

50 Cents a yard, value to \$1.50.

60 Cents a yard, value to \$1.75.

70 Cents a yard, value to \$2.00.

80 Cents a yard, value to \$2.25.

\$1.18 a yard, value to \$2.50.

\$1.69 a yard, value to \$3.50.

COLORED SILKS.

No other house here can sell you Silks as we can. No where else can such New, Bright Silks be had.

AT 14 CENTS A YARD.

Tuesday, at 9:30, we will sell 2,000 yards of stylish, good quality Wash Silks, in Stripe and Check Designs; regular selling price 39c. Not more than 15 yards to each customer.

AT 25 CENTS A YARD.

More than 18 kinds of Plain and Fancy Silks, that were formerly sold from \$1.00 to \$1.25. Liberal quantities of each kind.

PLAID SILKS.

The Only New Plaids in St. Paul. The Only New Plaids in Minneapolis. Fresh, Bright, Attractive, Stylish and Cheap.

10 Pieces at 49 Cents a yard, worth 75 cents.

5 Pieces at 69 Cents a yard, worth \$1.00.

5 Pieces at 89 Cents a yard, worth \$1.25.

6 Pieces at \$1.39 a yard, worth \$1.75.

5 Pieces at \$1.69 a yard, worth \$2.50 and \$3.00.

We sold last week over 100 pieces of Haskell's Taffetas; 100 pieces more (Black only) ready Tuesday at 9:30 a. m.

Quality 1 at 76 Cents a yard.

Quality 1 1/2 at 86 Cents a yard.

The only place and the only time that these Standard Taffetas were ever sold at a reduction.