MINNEAPOLIS

OFFICE 29 SOUTH FOURTH STREET.

MINNEAPOLIS GLOBULES.

Ed. Olson met a man and woman at Eleventh avenue south and Third street Friday night and was relieved of his overcoat. The police gave chase to the pair, but they escaped, after dropping the coat.

The funeral of Mrs. A. S. Hand, who died Friday at the age of 73 years, will take place from her residence, 3151 Columbus avenue south this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The interment will be at Lakewood.

George Kean and Harry Cussier, the men arrested while ransacking a room Thursday night, waived examination in the municipal court yesterday morning and were bound over to the grand jury in $500 bail each.

The attention of theater going people has been occupied in the past few weeks with the announcement that "The Prisoner of Zenda" would be the attraction at the Metropolitan for the week commencing Monday evening.

A company of comedians will appear at the Bijou for the week commencing this afternoon, at 2:30, presenting "McSorley's Twins." It is headed by those entertaining Irish character artists, Terry Ferguson and George Emerick.

Ed. Haglund, Ben. Hoffer and Christ Larson, boys, arrested early in week for breaking into a Great Northern freight car, waived examination in the municipal court yesterday morning and were bound over to the grand jury in $100 bail each.

The experiment of giving the Sunday afternoon First Regiment concerts in the Metropolitan opera house having met with success two weeks ago, the third concert of the series will be given this afternoon in the same place, and there is every promise of a fine audience to greet the band and its assisting soloists.

MORTON POST INSTALLS.

Pleasant Evening's Entertainment at the Lodge Parlors.

Lodge parlors were crowded last night by members and friends of O. P. Morton post and corps, it being the occasion of the installation of the officers-elect. The post officers were installed by Col. M. H. Sessions, a past commander of the post. They are as follows: Commander, P. E. Folsom; senior vice commander, S. S. Wales; junior vice commander, A. B. Applin; quartermaster, W. H. Parsons; surgeon, H. Bracy; officer of the day, James Palmer; officer of the guard, Frank Greenler. Commander Folsom appointed Comrade O. E. Lawson post adjutant. The chaplain-elect being absent in Texas his installation was deferred, as was also the officer of the guard.

The following are officers of the corps who were installed by Mrs. Anna K. Fay, past president of the corps: President, Mrs. Frances Bracy; senior vice president, Mrs. Bessie Owens; junior vice president, Mrs. Lizzie Wadleigh; treasurer, Mrs. Mary Boyd; chaplain, Mrs. Nellie Church; conductor, Mrs. Nettie Osterman; guard, Mrs. Stella Personous; secretary, Mrs. Lena Dubois; assistant conductor, Mrs. Alice Hunt; assistant guard, Mrs. Elizabeth C. Dowdall, the last three being appointed.

After the officers were installed Mrs. Bracy, the president, presented, in behalf of the corps, in a few well-chosen words, Mrs. Fay, the installing officer, a gold ring. A programme of literary events followed.

TRIPLE SHOW OF PETS.

Arrangements Progress for the Horse, Dog and Poultry Exhibition.

The combined horse, dog and poultry show will be held in this city the latter part of February. The date fixed upon by the provisional committee is the week of Feb. 22, but it may possibly be held the previous week. A meeting was held yesterday afternoon at the Commercial club, attended by Messrs. Whiting, Brown and Eaton, representing the dog men; Franklin Benner, the poultry men, and A. E. Ashbrook the horse show manager. President Dickey, of the Kennel club, was also present and Secretary Danforth acted as the representative of the Commercial club. Plans prepared by W. C. Wyckoff, showing the proposed arrangement of the Washington rink for the use of the three features of the combined show, were on hand and a list of subscriptions from some of the leading business and professional men of the city, to serve as a guaranty fund, were ready and formed the basis of the proceeding.

A meeting of all parties concerned is to be held at the rooms of the Commercial club tomorrow evening for the purpose of forming an association similar to the Fall Festival association, to have charge of the entire show. They will have the final power of appointment and everything up to the meeting in question is regarded as of a temporary and tentative nature.

NEW FACES IN CITY HALL.

General Shake Up of Forces, With Change of Officers.

Monday morning will see a large number of new faces at the court house and city hall. The sheriff will have a complete new force and the register of deeds' office will see mostly new faces. Of the old force employed by Mr. Plummer, only Frank Peterson, Miss Anderson, Miss Miller, Mrs. Oftedal and Miss Owens will remain of the old help, and new ones will take the place of those let out. Some of the new ones to come are Ben Aarons, vault clerk; G. E. Tuttle, C. Gilpatrick, S. E. Stewart, Misses Jones and Ward, and a Mrs. Patterson. Harry Holmes, who has been in the office for many years, has opened a grocery store on Chicago avenue, and will be in business for himself hereafter. The others who are to leave have not yet located themselves.

Located Sub-Postoffices.

Minneapolis' four sub-postoffices have practically been located, with the exception of "B," which is to be at the corner of Washington and Cedar avenues. This one had been located in the building on the southeast corner, but before the choice was confirmed the owner rented to a private person, and Capt. Woods has given notice to property owners in the locality to send in their bids again. Office "C" is located in Fred Frederichs' building, near the corner of Washington and Plymouth avenues; "D" is located in the Mason building, corner of Nicollet avenue and Thirty-first street, and "A" is to be on Central avenue, between Third and Fifth streets. Its exact location has not yet been settled, but Capt. Woods will make his decision Monday morning. First Assistant Postmaster General Jones has assured Congressman Fletcher that the suboffices will be opened Feb. 1.

Short and Missing.

According to the last issue of the Wiarus, the Polish paper of th's state, Frank Lilla, treasurer of Lodge No. 5 of the Polish Mutual Aid union, in this city, secretary of the Polish religious society of St. Anthony, and all-around person of importance in Polish society, has disappeared, leaving the books of the two organizations mentioned with a balance on the wrong side. He left during the latter part of November, but the shortage was not discovered until recently. It is said that the Mutual Aid society is out $50, and the society of the Church of the Holy Cross, in St. Anthony, is out $200, by reason of the popular young churchman's error in conduct. Some of the local Polanders think that Lilla is somewhere in Illinois.

Fargo Bank Suspends.

FARGO, N. D., Jan. 2.—National Bank Examiner Ankcier took possession of the Citizens' National bank at 2 o'clock this afternoon. The officers of the bank are H. F. Miller, president; C. C. Schurler, cashier. The last statement published at the close of business Dec. 17, shows bills payable and notes and bills rediscounted $55,000, with a capital of $100,000. Cash items were strong, about 50 per cent, but only little of it available. Little excitement was created, as it is the general opinion the embarrassment is only temporary. Statements of all other banks published within the last two weeks are remarkably strong, and there was no run on other institutions. The bank examiner and bank officials will make no statement until the examination is completed.

Belonged in St. Paul.

A large portion of the silverware recovered in connection with the recent arrest of Harry Green and Al Longton, the alleged burglars, has been identified by St. Paul detectives as the property of a Mrs. G. Salls, of 181 Fuller street, that city. Mrs. Salls was in Minneapolis yesterday afternoon and recovered her property.

Statue Funds Tied Up.

Among the funds tied up in the Columbia bank at its failure was about $3,000 belonging to the Ole Bull trust fund. John W. Arctander, who has been the moving spirit in the Ole Bull demonstration, stated today that while it was an unfortunate affair, he believed that the bank would pay out in full and that the fund would lose nothing.

Byers May Get Out.

It is understood that John F. Byers will be removed as receiver of the Scandia bank because he is a debtor of the bank, it being impossible for him to sue himself. It is claimed that when the appointment was made the court was in ignorance of that fact.

HANEY FOR CLERK

DENOUEMENT OF THE MUNICIPAL SCANDAL THAT IS REALLY STARTLING.

HE IS OUT AS A CANDIDATE.

WILL RETURN TO MINNEAPOLIS WEDNESDAY TO WORK FOR RE-ELECTION.

WHEAT THIEVES ROUNDED UP.

Wholesale Arrests Which Police Believe Will Break Up a Notorious Gang.

For city clerk, Charles F. Haney.

That is the latest sensation in municipal politics. It comes upon what seems to be something more than a clever guess; it bears the mark of authority. It will be thoroughly characteristic of Charles F. Haney.

He has faced his accusers before; he knows what it means to be accused of corruption and live it down. Haney never turned his back under fire; it would be only like him to return to Minneapolis and have himself elected city clerk once more.

Would Mr. Haney serve as city clerk? Not at all. He is not supposed to do so. Mr. Chapin, his first assistant, can run the office and Haney can be given a six-months leave of absence. Mr. Chapin can be re-appointed to his present position, which pays a very good salary. An extra man can be hired to assist in the work of the city clerk's office. This extra man can be paid out of the salary of the city clerk and there will be a nice margin for Charles F. Haney, while he takes his daily siestas in some shady tropical garden in the Sister Republic of Mexico, waiting for the climate to take the uric acid out of his blood.

This is denouement worthy of Napoleon. It is snatching victory from defeat; vindication from condemnation; it is playing the right bower on his opponent's ace; but all the same it is very much like Charles F. Haney.

Would Mr. Haney come back from Mexico? That depends. In six months he might find some promoting work, some Mexican concessions which would prove even more profitable than managing the business end of the council combine and have less draw-backs. But, Mr. Haney knows how to write a letter of resignation. In six months business will probably be good and rapidly improving, and the people will have something else to do besides talk hard times and municipal scandal. Then Mr. Haney will come back, if he wants to, or he can tender his resignation and his assistant and faithful friend, Chapin, can be promoted to the city clerkship.

How many votes will it require to carry out such a scheme? Just 14. Charles F. Haney has 16 votes pledged to this programme and he could probably get two more from the other side, if imperative.

A special from Normal, Ill., upon this point, confirms the story. It says that Mr. Haney says he could come to Minneapolis in ten days after he is re-elected, although he seems to be quite sick still. Mr. Haney's physician says he is improving rapidly.

Private dispatches to parties in Minneapolis, corroborate the story, but say that Haney will be in Minneapolis next Wednesday.

ELEVEN BEHIND BARS.

Police Round Up a Gang of Suspected Wheat Thieves.

By the arrest of eleven young men and boys last night, the police and private detectives, who have been working on the case, believe that they have broken up one of the boldest organized gang of wheat thieves that ever operated in Minneapolis. This gang has been stealing wheat for three or four years and so skillful has been their method of procedure that the authorities have never been able to break up the gang and convict the guilty ones.

The arrests were made last night by Inspectors Hankinson, Stavlo, Nic Smith, Hicks and Courtney, aided by Herbert Chrisman, of the firm of Chrisman & Anderson, which has been engaged in obtaining evidence for several weeks. Ten of the arrests were locked up at the South side station, the charge of grand larceny being booked against each. The names given by them are as follows: John Johnson, known as "Swedie;" "Speck" McCune, Harry Johnson, Axel Olson, Harold Olson, "Tad" Olin, Fred Albright, Mackiney, Ellund and Youngren. James Mason was arrested at the Bijou theater and locked up at the central station, being also charged with grand larceny. He was in the gallery enjoying the show when he spied the officers and made a break for liberty down the stairs. However, Inspector Nic. Smith was too quick for him and caught him at the foot of the steps. Several of the prisoners gave fictitious names and as many of them went by nicknames, their right appellations are unknown.

The story of the detection and arrest of the prisoners is a long one, and extends back several months. Most of the boys in the gang have been attendants at the Riverside mission, but for some time pst have been absent. One of the teachers spoke to the father of one of the boys about the matter, and the latter suggested that the absent boys might be up to some mischief. From that time suspicion was directed towards them, and Herbert Chrisman, of the firm of detectives, had his attention called to the matter. He called the attention of some of the officers of the chamber of commerce and the Grain Receivers' association, of Minneapolis. These two organizations had spent large sums of money in trying to put a stop to wheat stealing, by which they were heavy losers, and at first were loth to take up the matter again, as they had concluded that it was impossible to secure conclusive evidence. However, an agreement was made with Detective Chrisman, and he set at work to catch the culprits about a month ago.

The first thing done was to have Carl Anderson, a private detective, become a member of the gang. He became acquainted with those under suspicion, and, after getting into their good grace, they readily admitted him into the inner circle. He played the part of an innocent, but soon became a full-fledged member. Shortly after, Charles Patterson, also a private detective, was introduced through his friend Anderson, but Patterson played the role of one steeped in crime, and soon became something of a ringleader. These two worked along with the gang, securing evidence until the time became ripe for arrests.

CREDITORS IN COURT.

Judge Belden Listens to Evidence in the Scandia Bank Case.

Judge Belden's court room was packed with the depositors of the Scandia bank yesterday, gathered to hear the proceedings before the court in certain matters.

Receiver Byers had some matters to refer to the court. There had been a large number of deposits made Monday, which he thought perhaps should be returned; also quite an amount put in Saturday which was credited on Monday's buisiness. There were also a few cashier's checks and drafts, the total amount being about $5,000. The court was asked to pass upon these matters.

M. D. Kenyon, superintendent of banks, was sworn and testified that all the money received on deposit Monday was placed in envelopes, with the names of depositors thereon, and the money was never mingled with the other funds. The witness knew nothing about the money deposited Saturday night of his own knowledge.

"Was the bank at that time insolvent?" asked the court.

"The capital was impaired," said the witness, "and could not have paid much longer. The securities were largely real estate and could not be realized upon. Their stock was impaired about $33,000 Dec. 15, and the clearing house was going against them at the rate of $4,000 per day."

"Well, was the bank able to settle all its liabilities?" asked an attorney.

"Not including the capital stock," was the reply.

It developed that before the examiner took hold the bank was paying out money on checks, which might make the late Saturday deposits subject to check and therefore a part of the bank assets. This would amount to a mingling with the other funds. The witness explained that as the difficulty only amounted to an impairment of capital it would be met and the bank go on in business.

T. G. Yellsnig, teller of the Scandia bank, testified that he had received deposits of about $5,000 late Saturday night after the bank closed, and it was entered as Monday business, the Saturday banks having been closed at noon.

The witness testified that all the money put in Saturday night he had in his possession when the bank opened Monday morning. He also testified that, as far as was in his power, he had obeyed the instructions of the bank examiner, but some of the money taken in Monday morning had become merged with the general funds. Judge Belden drew out the fact that the bank had cashed certain checks after closing hours Saturday night, as well as received money. This might put a different face upon the matter.

A large number of attorneys asked questions of the bank examiner and the teller, but after the evidence was in they were not ready to argue the matter. An attempt was made to show by evidence that the officials knew the bank was insolvent prior to Saturday, with the object of saving money deposited a day or two before, but the court did not give any encouragement to this kind of evidence, as it would not be a point even if it was so.

The court continued the case for argument until Monday morning at 9 o'clock. It is the general opinion of attorneys present that an order will be made allowing the depositors who placed money in after banking hours Saturday and Monday to take their money out.

KNEW NOT HIS ASSAILANT.

Police Doubt Gilbertson's Story of How He Was Shot.

The mystery surrounding the shooting of Nels Gilbertson, on Eighth avenue south, Friday night, remains unsolved, although the police are doing their utmost to clear up the matter and apprehend the man who did the shooting. The wounded man remains at the city hospital, and is recovering as rapidly as can be expected under the circumstances. The bullet was extracted from his arm yesterday by the doctors. It had entered the arm below the elbow and lodged in the back of the arm, inflicting only a painful flesh wound.

The story is told by Gilbertson to the police, is as follows: Friday night he was out with a young woman, whose reputation, he says, is of the best. He and she went to a saloon at Twelfth avenue south, and Third street. Later on they walked to another saloon at Eighth avenue south and Third street, and were sitting in one of the wine rooms when a stranger stuck in his head and ordered them to move out, as he wanted the room himself. Gilbertson replied that he had a right to the room, having taken it first. The stranger then began to curse and abuse Gilbertson. The latter and the woman with him then left the saloon and noticed that a woman wih red hair was with the stranger. Both women stepped aside and the stranger took Gilbertson by the neck, after which the latter succeeded in downing his opponent. Gilbertson started to leave, when the stranger, who had risen to his feet, fired two shots, at a distance of six or eight feet, one of them striking Gilbertson in the arm. He then went into the saloon to bathe his arm, and was later found by the police and removed to the city hospital.

The police are still of the opinion that Gilbertson knows who his assailant is and that he is attempting to shield the guilty parties. This is what adds an air of mystery to the case. Inspector Stavlo had a talk with the patient yesterday, and the story as given above, was told him. The red-haired woman has not yet been located, and when she is, some more light may be cast on the affair.

Gilbertson is a young, unmarried man, employed as a bartender at a saloon at 627 Washington avenue south. He rooms above the saloon.

Five Arraigned.

George Keane and Harry Kussler, alias Brackett, were arraigned in the municipal court yesterday on a charge of burglary. They waived examination and were held to await the action of the grand jury in $300 bail each. Ed Haglund, Ben Hoffer and Christ Larson, arrested recently on suspicion of stealing wheat from Great Northern cars, were charged with grand larceny. They also waived examination and were held to the grand jury in $100 bail each.

MELTED SNOW POWER.

Swiss Towns Utilize the Mountain Streams in Many Ways.

Besides a considerable number of large water-power installations, Switzerland is full of small-power plants, nearly every town in that land of mountains and water-falls being well supplied with power from the "white coal," as the melting snow on the mountain sides has well been called, says Cassier's Magazine. When there are no large streams, many small ones are impounded and collected in reservoirs on the hillsides, and it is rare to find a place of any size which is not well lighted by the power of some mountain stream.

At Montreux the electric tramway gets its power in this way, and from the old Roman town of Vevey to the mediaeval castle of Chillon one may ride in a trolley car propelled by the power of an insignificant little stream which may or may not be noticed when climbing up the hillsides just above.

The capabilities of this general utilization of natural power are beginning to be understood everywhere, and with the appreciation of the possibilities of the best methods of long-distance transmission, the development of many mountain streams must surely come. There are innumerable streams which while very small, are yet very high, and these can with comparatively little difficulty be impounded and carried down many hundreds of feet, thus making up for their lack of volume by the great pressure readily obtainable, and, either by the use of electricity or compressed air, the power may be transmitted to many points of application with but little loss.

Paris Woman's Club.

Paris has a woman's club where homeless women can spend their evenings and get their meals. There is a good library, and for 60 francs a year a woman may become a member. All the employes about the place are women.

The Truth About Homer.

"We must die to be appreciated," said the poet. "Seven cities, you know, contended for Homer dead."

"Yes," replied the editor, "but the poor fellow died in debt, and they merely wanted him for a dime museum, so that his creditors could get even."—Atlanta Constitution.

A Clever Imitation.

The Mentor—You're crazy, man! A woman can't love three men at one an the same time.

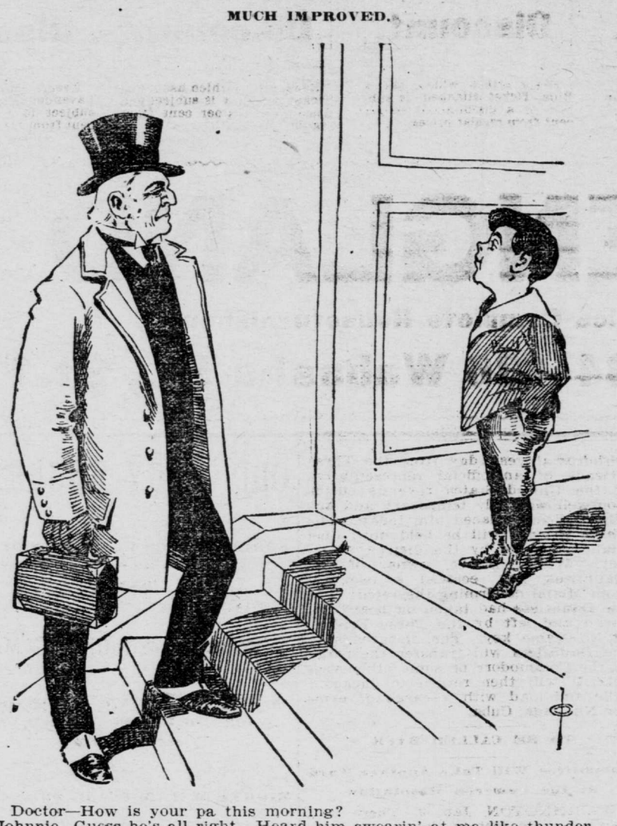
The Demented—I suppose not. (A pause.) But gee whiz! what a bluff she can make at it!—Puck.

A Likely Solution.

Smithers—I wonder what was the origin of the saying, "It will all come out in the wash?"

Rinktums—Don't know. I suppose it referred to the indelible marking fluid.—Puck.

MUCH IMPROVED.



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Johnnie—Guess he's all right. Heard him swearin' at ma like thunder.

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O. F. SPRING, Publisher of the Preston "Times," Ia., writes:—"Your remedy '77' for Grip relieved myself and and mother from the worst 'bone-racking' cases of Grip that we ever had, and in mother's case it saved a doctor's bill of about $10.00. The investment has brought returns that I little expected."

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HARRY McDONALD, Rahway, N. J., writes:—"I had a severe cold on my lungs that lasted over six weeks and could get no relief. One bottle of your '77' stopped the terrible cough and the second bottle completely cured me. It is with all confidence that I recommend '77' to my friends."

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HIS AWFUL BLUNDER.

Clementine Brannigan—How did Maggy Murfy's fadder break up der golf turnniment?
Roy O' Toole—Why he took der balls fer sugar-coated pills de night before de game, and didn't discover his mistake until he had swallowed dem.

BIG BUDGET IN HAND

WESTERN PASSENGER MEN WILL CONSIDER A GRIST OF MATTERS THURSDAY.

RECALCITRANT SOO AGAIN.

ALLEGED SLASHING OF CANADIAN EXCURSION RATES THE TROUBLE.

MR. M'KINLEY'S INAUGURATION.

Events in Other Cities Will Be Taken Up—New 5,000-Mile Book Mileage Bureau.

The Western Passenger association will hold an important meeting at St. Louis Thursday, Jan. 7, at which a number of very important matters will be discussed. One of the topics will be the action of the Soo line in cutting Canadian excursion rates to the East. The Soo line is so often on the carpet before the association that the announcement of the new charge against them caused no comment whatever. Other matters which will come up before the association are as follows: The consideration of better control of advertising; the one-way settlers' rate to points in the South and Southeast; reduced rates to the inauguration of Presidentelect McKinley in Washington, March 4; rates to the national G. A. R. encampment in Buffalo, August; rates to the North American Gymnastic union festival, St. Louis, in May; rates to the meeting of the Grand Lodge of Elks in Minneapolis, in July; biennial meeting of Seventh Day Adventists in Lincoln, Neb., also matters relating to the eastbound transatlantic traffic; reduced rates for political clubs desiring to attend the Washington inaugural. The association will also consider the proposition looking to the adoption of a new 5,000-mile book. The mileage bureau will meet at the same time as the association.

BOBS UP AGAIN.

Tale That J. J. Hill Is Interested in Getting the D. & W.

Samuel White has secured a judgment against the Duluth and Winnipeg Terminal company and the Canadian Pacific for $159,000. Prior to the judgment, Mr. White already owned a large block of the stock, and, with the addition that the judgment will give him, will have a controling interest. In this connection, it is rumored that President J. J. Hill, of the Great Northern, has an interest in this and that the long talked of deal between the Great Northern and the Duluth & Winnipeg line will be consummated. The interest of the Great Northern in the Duluth & Winnipeg road has always been pointed out by shrewd guessers. When the Duluth & Winnipeg was sold at auction by the master in chancery last summer, it will be remembered that the Great Northern bid high for it in order to keep the Canadian Pacific from gaining possession. With Mr. White in charge of the terminal property in Duluth, the Great Northern can extend the line into the iron ranges, and, besides having a strong pull on the ore trade, will have a cinch upon a large portion of the Canadian wheat trade.

That the Great Northern will extend its Fosston branch, is now considered a certainty. The proposed extention will connect with the old Duluth & Winipeg at Deer river, which again shows how desirable the latter line is to Mr. Hill.

FIVE THOUSAND MILE TICKETS.

Some Western Roads Will Issue Them in Any Event.

CHICAGO, Jan. 2.—It is practically certain that the Western roads will, at their meeting on Monday or in a very short time thereafter, decide to place upon sale interchangeable 5,000 mile tickets. Some of the roads have privately declared that if the association does not place them on the market as an association, they will of their own accord put them out. It is more than likely, however, that the Western Passenger association will have control of the tickets in a manner similar to that of the Central Passenger committee. The latter organization placed its first mileage reading 5,000 miles on the market today, and a large number were sold.

The estimated gross earnings of the entire Rock Island system for the month of December are $1,237,136, a decrease of $40,707, as compared with the estimated gross earnings for December of last year.

PROMOTION FOR M'LEAN.

Will Be Chief Clerk in the G. N. Disbursing Office.

F. J. McLean has been appointed chief clerk in the office of auditor of disbursements of the Great Northern with headquarters in St. Paul. The position is one of trust and responsibility.

Mr. McLean has for some time past been chief clerk for the superintendent of the Grand Forks division of the system, and is a very capable man. He will assume his duties in St. Paul about the middle of January.

His successor as chief clerk of the Grand Forks division will be A. A. Ladd, of this city, who has been connected with the Great Northern in many capacities for several years. He was at one time chief clerk to the general superintendent and also chief clerk of the Willmar division.

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OPPENHEIM ABROAD.

Rumored Improvements on the Chicago Great Western.

Ansel Oppenheim, of the Chicago Great Western, has gone to England on business connected with the railroad. In fact Mr. Oppenheim has been abroad for nearly ten days, but it was not generally known. One of the matters which will occupy the attention of the capitalist will be an annual meeting of the directors of the Chicago Great Western held in London. Before election one of the leading officials of the road was heard to say that in case of the triumph of the sound money cause, Mr. Oppenheim would go abroad at the opening of the new year, and that he would probably return with full authority to make some very important improvements which might involve the relaying of a large portion of the line with heavy new steel.

TARIFF DOESN'T GO.

The New Rate on Potatoes Called Off.

The new potato rate from this territory to Texas, which went into effect Jan. 1, will be short lived, as the tariffs announce the rate will go out of effect Jan. 10. It was given out yesterday that the old rate would reestablished Jan. 11 with a quarter of a cent increase, which means that the tariff after Jan. 11 will be 66¾ cents.

WIT IN AN ENGLISH COURT.

Trial in an Action for Libel Brings Out Queer Evidence.

In the queen's bench division in London recently, before Justice Cave and a special jury, the case of Weller and another vs. Hess was heard. This was an action brought by William Hamilton Weller and Randall Sacheverel Bradburn, carrying on business as Hamilton Weller & Co., against Henry Hess, editor and proprietor of the African Critic, to recover damages for alleged libel. The plaintiff's case was that in February, 1896, the following paragraph appeared in the defendant's paper: "The Total Gold Extraction company, limited. This concern has been floated to extract gold from ore. It appears to be ushered into the world by Hamilton Weller & Co., of 155 Fenchurch street, who state that they are authorized to offer for sale 10,000 of its £5 shares, fully paid, at the price of £2 15s per share, and they desire to extract the sum of £27,500 from the public.

Up to the present, however, they have only managed to get the solicitors of the company, Messrs. E. J. Bellot & Co., of 7 King street, Cheapside, to disown the precious touting prospectus and everything that accompanied it. Under the circumstances I may be doing the company an injustice to criticize its merits in the statements made in Hamilton Weller & Co.'s circular, and I only now want to warn my readers not to have anything to do with these people, and not to allow the gold extraction process to be worked on their pockets."

The defendant pleaded justification. The plaintiff, Hamilton Weller, was called, and in cross-examination by Mr. Carson, Q. C., said the statements in the prospectus were made on the authority of two of the directors. He did not make any investigation as to their truth, although his firm's name appeared on it. His firm were simply to receive subscriptions, and were to get £1,300 for commission.

Mr. Carson—Do you think these two directors who were instructing you in this matter would have sold their shares at £2 15s if they were going to get a dividend of £4 within a few weeks?

The Plaintiff—Very likely. (Laughter.) Continuing, he said he did not buy any of the shares himself.

Mr. Carson—Do you thiuk, now, with your knowledge of the matter, that it is a severe criticism to say, "this precious touting prospectus?"

The Plaintiff—Yes.

Justice Cave—It does not seem to me to be half severe enough. (Laughter.)

The Plaintiff (to Mr. Carson)—I have no proof that what you say is correct.

Mr. Carson—Don't you think Mr. Hess' advice was very sensible?

The Plaintiff—It may have been, but not a proper thing to say of us.

This was the plaintiff's case, and the jury here intimating that they did not wish to hear any more, judgment was entered for the defendant with costs.

A Matter of Health.

Life.

Theatrical Manager—You say you want a position in my company. Why, man, you don't look well enough.

Actor—That's just it. My doctor says if I will walk 30 miles a day I'll be cured.

The Masculine Heart.

Roseleaf.

"Talk about a man breaking his heart," said an old lady. "Well, perhaps he does, but it's like a lobster breaking one of his claws—another sprouts out at once and grows in its place."

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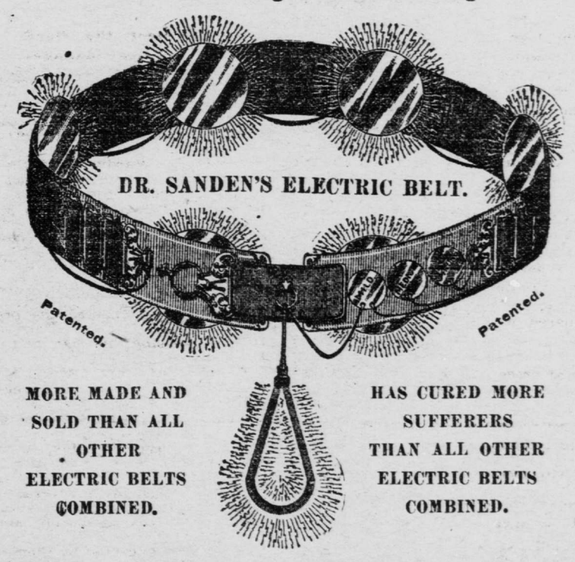

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