SAINT PAUL.

LOCAL NEWS NOTES.

All departments of the public library will be closed tomorrow.

A hockey game between St. Paul and Minneapolis will be played at Aurora park Tuesday night.

The bazar given by the St. James church was very successful. The total receipts footed up more than $2,000.

Harry J. Farrell, recently taken with a sudden sickness, is out of danger, and will be about again shortly.

George W. Lamb, of the Third ward, has been indorsed for school inspector by the Third Ward Republican club.

The chamber of commerce will hold its regular weekly meeting tomorrow morning, despite the fact that it will be Washington's birthday. An executive session will also be held.

The last ball of the season given by the Hack and Cab Drivers' Union No. 6605, A. F. of L., for the benefit of the union's treasury will be given at Assembly hall tomorrow evening.

The executive council of the state federation of labor will hold a special meeting at Assembly hall this evening to consider several important labor measures now before the legislature.

Prof. Barrett, of Washington, D. C., president of the American Society of Spiritualists, will speak today at the Washington hall, Minneapolis, at 10:30 a. m., 2:30 p. m. and 8:30 p. m.

The grand masquerade ball given by the members of the West Side lodge, No. 86, A. O. U. W., last evening, at Paul Martin's hall, was a great success. The attendance was large, and the participants thoroughly enjoyed the occasion.

The "Crusaders" will hold a public meeting in their hall, Sixth and Fort streets, Thursday evening. The principal speaker will be Rev. Dr. Judge, of St. Paul's seminary. Other literary and musical numbers will also be furnished.

Tuesday afternoon is the first anniversary of the opening of the Benjamin Drew school. This event is also to be celebrated as parent's day. At 3 o'clock the children will go home and the parents will listen to addresses by Superintendent Curtis, Miss Brooks and others.

The Minnesota battalion boy's brigade gave its second drill at Market hall Friday night, with Maj. E. F. Smith in command, and Rev. A. B. Meldrum, president of the organization, to conduct the religious exercises. The battalion includes the First company of the Central Presbyterian church, the Second of the Bethel, the Thirteenth of the First Baptist church, and the First and Second companies of cadets. The next drill will be held on the third Friday in March.

The funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth Harris took place yesterday afternoon from the residence of her son, Geo. T. Harris, at the Fort Snelling hotel. The interment took place in Oakland cemetery. The venerable deceased was 73 years of age, and had lived in St. Paul with her son for some years. She had a very large circle of friends, and was an especial favorite of the ladies of Fort Snelling, her native kindliness of heart and sympathetic disposition being most endearing qualities. Mrs. Harris left one surviving son and daughter besides George T. Harris, who is widely known in St. Paul.

This evening at 8 o'clock the Francis Harper W. C. T. U. will hold a gospel temperance meeting at St. James A. M. E. church, Jay and Fuller streets. Prof. George Ennis of Hamlin university, will speak on local option; Mrs. Alice Bardswell, of Stillwater, member of the national board; Mrs. B. R. Leonard, president of Central W. C. T. U., of St. Paul, and Rev. S. B. Jones will also address the meeting. All members and friends of the W. C. T. U. are cordially invited to be present. Mrs. A. G. Russell, president of the Francis Harper union, will preside at the meeting.

THE BUSY WORLD.

M. Jennings, of Butte, is at the Ryan.

H. Wallace, of Tacoma, is at the Ryan.

F. M. Gettys, of Knoxville, is at the Ryan.

Jesse Koch, of Chicago, is at the Clarendon.

Ben J. Smith, of Mankato, is at the Windsor.

W. H. Dawson, of Slayton, is at the Windsor.

W. C. Canall, of Spokane, is at the Merchants.

Edward G. Adams, of Northfield, is at the Windsor.

Frank A. Weld, of Stillwater, is at the Windsor.

John E. Carland, of Sioux Falls, S. D., is at the Ryan.

W. D. Taylor, of Winnipeg, is a guest at the Ryan.

M. M. Shields, of Faribault, is a guest at the Clarendon.

W. J. McLeod, of Redwood Falls is at the Clarendon.

E. H. Kent, of Lacota, is a guest at the Merchants.

J. A. Eaghen and Howard Eaton, of Medora, N. D., are at the Merchants.

John R. Meining, chief deputy sheriff of St. Louis county, and popular Billy Sargent's best man, came down to Stillwater yesterday, bringing with him Chas. Liaes, sentenced to the penitentiary for a term of eight years and six months.

SOKOL'S SECOND ANNUAL.

Gay Masquerade Ball at C. S. P. S. Hall.

The second annual masquerade ball given by the Turning Society "Sokol," which took place at C. S. P. S. hall, Western avenue and West Seventh street, last evening, was wholly successful, both from the standpoint of the many fantastically costumed participants and the large audience which watched the dancers in the figures of quadrilles or the maze of the waltz. Many of the costumes were handsome in design, and fittingly portrayed the characters they represented. All nations were among the dancers, while clowns and acrobats contributed to the amusement of the entire company. Indians whirled dainty peasant girls, who nestled in the dusky embrace without the slightest fear of a massacre, while Chinese and Celts mingled with negroes and German immigrants oblivious to all national prejudices or difference. Stately court ladies acknowledged the compliments of princes and knights, while fairies and sprites enlivened the scene with their antics and tricks. At midnight there was a grand march, followed by a substantial supper, after which the dancing was resumed.

The judges, Martin Ceska, John H. Horetish, William B. Miller, Joseph Rybak and Mrs. Paul Kleist, awarded the prizes as follows:

For best dressed lady, piano lamp, Joseph Lutofsky, Oriental dancer.

Best dressed gentleman, Martin Moehlole, captain Prussian infantry, History of Bohemia.

Best dressed lady, Mrs. Edward S. Klenar, photographs.

Best dressed gent, Edward S. Klenar, Turkish Pasha, photographs.

Most comical lady, Miss Mary Ceska, yellow coon from Georgia.

Most comical gent, Eddie Shea, tramp, briar pipe.

Assignee Sale by Public Auction.

Country merchants desirous of making purchases from the Ransom & Horton stock of furs, fur trimmings, fur garments, cloth garments, men's hats, umbrellas, etc., should attend the auction sale to take place at Nos. 99 and 101 East Sixth street, St. Paul, on Friday next at 10 o'clock a. m. Terms cash.

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REVIEWS HIS WORK

CORPORATION ATTORNEY DARRAGH GIVES AN ACCOUNT OF HIS STEWARDSHIP.

WORK DONE DURING THE YEAR.

THE DEFECTIVE SIDEWALK HAS CAUSED AN AVALANCHE OF DAMAGE SUITS.

THE PLAINT MADE TWO YEARS AGO

Council Only Pays $4,077 of Amount Claimed, as Against $39,059 Under Former Attorney.

Corporation Attorney Darragh completed his annual report of the business of the legal department of the city yesterday and submitted a copy of it to the mayor. The report goes into the detail of the work of the department and makes an excellent showing when compared with reports of former years. The amount of money asked through damage suits was $59,391.01 in excess of that asked during the term of Mr. Darragh's predecessor, but the cause for that is clearly explained in the report. During the two year's preceeding Mr. Darragh's term of office the legal department sent to the council claims to the amount of $156,827.76, while Mr. Darragh only sent in $35,096.94. Of these figures $39,059.50 were paid under the former corporation attorney, while only $4,077.50 were paid of those sent in by Mr. Darragh. Following is the report:

Complying with the provisions of the charter of the city of St. Paul requiring the heads of the different departments to make annual reports of the work done and the condition of the departments, I herewith submit the report of the corporation attorney for the year 1896, and I feel justified in stating, that it is the most complete record of the legal department that has been submitted in years.

There are hereto attached five schedules marked, "Schedule A, B, C, D and E," the object of which is to show at a glance the work done not only with regard to litigation instituted during the year 1896, but also with that which was pending a number of years prior thereto.

Following a statement of what the schedule contains, the report says:

In Exhibit A, also hereto attached, is shown the number of actions for personal injuries finally disposed of in the year 1896, and it will be seen from it that out of a total of $175,603 claimed against the city only $11,439.75 was secured. The records of the clerk of the municipal court during my administration of the legal department show that 8,467 cases were proseouted by this department in the criminal branch of that court, and $43,242 collected in fines from these cases. And here it is proper for me to state, that no verdicts were gotten against any of the members of the police force of the city of St. Paul on account of false imprisonment during my term of office. I deem it proper also to say, that during the time I have held the position of corporation attorney there have been pending actions against the city which were defended by the law department, and in which plaintiffs sought to recover money judgments and amounting to the sum of $518,560.28, which I believe is the largest total amount in the history of the legal department.

The reports of the city engineer for the past few years show that the main source of these actions is due to the rotten and decayed condition of the sidewalks throughout the city. In his report for the year 1892 he uses these words: "Personal injury cases on account of the defects in walks have largely increased, in fact I think that one-half the damage suits against the city are on this account, for which the city is held liable in nine cases out of ten."

In his report for the year 1893 with reference to the bad condition of the sidewalks, he says: "Our wooden sidewalks are in a very bad condition. Consequently this state of affairs has been growing rapidly worse from year to year, and unless some vigorous action is taken by the city council, with so many miles of defective walks, the city must expect to pay annually a large amount for accidents resulting from the condition of these walks."

In 1894 he again says concerning the condition of the sidewalks: "Notwithstanding all the care taken, a very large majority of all the damage suits brought against the city are on account of accidents resulting from defective walks. Every year the state of affairs grows worse, and some very vigorous action must be taken soon to renew these walks, or the old ones should be taken up and abandoned."

The former corporation attorney in his last report said that "There are about 500 miles of wooden sidewalks within the city, and that 306 miles have remained in service beyond the usual life of wooden sidewalks."

An examination of the records of the engineering department of this date shows that these walks have remained during my term of office, and that only thirty-eight miles of new sidewalks (wooden), were laid and seven miles of cement sidewalks were put down since the last report of my predecessor, which was two years ago, so that these walks are naturally in a much worse condition, and an increase in damage suits has been the consequence.

These actions are all defended by this department, and it will be seen from the foregoing extracts from the city engineer's reports, the city has been practically defenseless in these suits, and yet the total amount of final verdicts, settlements and decisions against the city in these cases have been only $25,274.29 during my incumbency of the office of corporation attorney of the city of St. Paul.

It gives me much pleasure to say of my assistants, than they have been obliging, honest, efficient and untiring in their efforts to make my administration of the affairs of the department creditable. These gentlemen are Hermon W. Phillips, first assistant; Arthur Bowe, second assistant; Herman Oppenheim, third assistant; Thomas F. Darragh, clerk, and John W. Clancey, stenographer; and Sergeant Jerry J. Sullivan, police officer detailed for special service in this office.

SELBY AVENUE DEVICE.

Commission of Engineers Holds Another Meeting.

The second meeting of the commission of engineers appointed to consider the various safety devices for operating electric street railway cars on Selby hill met yesterday afternoon at the office of the city engineer. There were present, besides Engineers Loweth and McHenry, Vice President Goodrich, General Superintendent Heild and Supt. Smith, of the street railway company.

The following gentlemen submitted safety devices: T. H. Wheelock, R. F. Hiler, D. R. Hevener, A. R. Weston, L. T. Straight, J. R. Nichols, L. A. Fulgraff and Joseph Merten.

All of the plans received attention, after which followed a general discussion of grades and the difficulties and dangers attending the operation of street cars on steep grades. No definite action was taken, and the commission adjourned until next Tuesday at 3 p. m.

MR. BICKEL PULLS OUT.

Judge Willis Names T. D. Sheehan as Receiver.

William Bickel presented to the district court yesterday, Judge Willis sitting in chambers, his resignation as assignee of the Minnesota Savings bank. Judge Willis thereupon appointed Senator T. D. Sheehan and Fred N. Dickson receivers of the bank.

In his resignation, which appeared in the form of an affidavit, Mr. Bickel declares that owing to the dissatisfaction of certain parties interested in the bank he had decided to tender his resignation as receiver. In consequence of the long lists of accounts of the bank and the various items on the books, the assignee says he was unable to finish his schedules, but they can be speedily completed.

In accepting the resignation of Mr. Bickel, Judge Willis said that there had been a large number of applicants for the appointment, over a hundred at least, and that it had been his custom to appoint lawyers as receivers, whereupon the court first appointed Gen. Moses E. Clapp as receiver. Gen. Clapp, however, declined the appointment.

Judge Willis thereupon appointed T. D. Sheehan and Fred N. Dickson as receivers, believing these two gentlemen to be satisfactory to the depositors. Judge Willis fixed the bond of the receivers at the sum of $250,000.

A meeting of the stockholders of the Minnesota Savings bank was held last night in the old Commercial bank building at Third and Robert streets. The attendance was representative, there being some thirty stockholders present. William F. Bickel presided. The meeting was called principally to decide upon the course of action to be taken in the matter of the law suits which attack the validity of the bank's charter and seek to hold the individual stockholders liable as co-partners on the theory that the bank was not legally incorporated. The stockholders decided to defend the suit and appointed a committee to select attorneys.

After the adjournment of the stockholders' meeting, the depositors' committee on reorganization met and adopted the plan of organization proposed at the meeting at Labor hall last Thursday night.

STIRRED UP BY CHAPEL.

His Suit Against Conroy Brings Out Campaign History.

Thomas F. Conroy filed his answer yesterday to ex-Sheriff Chapel's suit against him to recover $200 alleged to be due Mr. Chapel on a promissory note made and delivered to him by Mr. Conroy in March, 1894. If the answer states the true condition of affairs, it discloses some interesting reminiscences of Mr. Chapel's 1894 campaign.

Mr. Conroy alleges in his answer that, although he made and delivered the note to Chapel in March, 1894, in reality there was no consideration for the note, and it was never understood that the defendant should pay it.

The answer proceeds to declare that during the month of March, 1894, Sheriff Chapel sent for defendant to call upon him at his office in the court house. Defendant complied with the request. Sheriff Chapel informed the defendant, so the answer continues, that his campaign to secure the nomination for sheriff at the early fall convention had already begun, but that the adverse publications and criticisms regarding him that frequently appeared in a weekly sheet, entitled "The St. Paul Review," were injuring him and his prospects of renomination for sheriff. The plaintiff, Mr. Chapel, the answer continues, further informed the defendant that the paper would cease abusing Sheriff Chapel, provided the sum of $200 were paid. This amount, Mr. Conroy alleges, Sheriff Chapel handed to him, Conroy, to quiet the Review. He paid the Review, so he swears, and then at the request of the plaintiff, he made and delivered to plaintiff the note for $200, upon which Mr. Chapel has brought suit.

The answer further alleges that after the payment of the $200, "The St. Paul Review" ceased to attack Chapel. If it had continued to score him, a bill of sale of the paper held conditionally by Chapel would have been enforced by him, it is alleged.

Mr. Conroy says that Chapel waited some two and a half years before asking any payment of the note. On Nov. 25 last, Mr. Conroy received a brief note from Sheriff Chapel asking him to pay the note. Mr. Conroy replied that he did not owe Chapel a cent on that note, and that Chapel knew it. Last month Chapel began the suit.

HE MEANT THESE FIGURES.

Assemblyman Daly's Error in His Police Salary Ordinance.

Assemblyman Daly, in his ordinance fixing the salaries of the police force, made a slight mistake in the amounts. Mr. Daly was absent at the last meeting owing to being ill, but he will ask that it be amended so that the salaries will be as follows:

Chief of police, per year, $2,700; one captain (senior captain at central station), per year, $1,400; three captains (sub-stations), per year, $1,300 each, $3,900; three lieutenants (central station), $1,200 each, $3,600; three lieutenants (sub-stations), $1,080 each, $3,240; one lieutenant, mounted, per year, $1,321.50; nine sergeants, $960 each per year, $8,640; one sergeant, mounted, per year, $1,128.50; one chief of detectives, per year, $2,000; four detectives, $1,200 each per year, $4,800; one secretary chief of police, per year, $1,200; 140 patrolmen, $870 each per year, $121,800; eight patrolmen, mounted, $1,100 each per year, $8,800; one license inspector, $1,100; one superintendent of police telegraph (including three assistants), $3,200; one driver workhouse van (including team and forage), $1,000; one janitor (central station), at $50 per month, $600; one matron (central station), at $50 per month, $600.

Partlomen should be graded as follows: First six months at $60 per month; next six months, $65 per month. After being in the service one year to be advanced to full pay.

LIND WILL TRY AGAIN.

Jury in His Libel Suit Was Unable to Agree.

The jury in the John Lind libel suit after being out twenty-four hours failed, as anticipated in the Globe, to agree upon a verdict. They so reported to Judge Bunn yesterday forenoon and thereupon discharged.

It was learned that nine members of the jury were in favor of giving Mr. Lind a verdict for $1,000, whereas the most that the remaining three would allow was $500. One of the jurors disputes this statement. He says that on the first ballot eight jurors favored a verdict for the plaintiff ranging anywhere from $1,000 to $10,000. One wanted to return a verdict for $10,000, while three thought that $100 would be amply sufficient. The second ballot, according to the same authority, resulted in one vote for $5,000 damages for Lind, nine votes for sums ranging from $1,000 upwards and two votes for a verdict of $1 for Mr. Lind.

Mr. Lind will bring the case to trial again and it will probably come up next month.

TO CLEAN THE SIDEWALKS.

City Will Begin to Spend the $10,000 That Way.

The joint council committee appointed to act with the mayor in the matter of supervising the expenditure of the $10,000 contingent fund for the relief of the unemployed, conferred with the mayor for two hours or more yesterday. The subject was discussed in all its bearings.

It was decided that the duty of investigating the cases of applicants for the work to be done, with a view of ascertaining their need of employment, should be delegated to the Associated Charities. This duty is directly in line with the purpose of the organization and its officers are consequently in a position to make the desired investigations.

The work of clearing the sidewalks of snow and ice will be done under the immediate supervision of the engineering department, through which the money will be paid out.

Civil Service Examination.

The United States civil service commission has ordered that an examination be held by its local board in this city on Saturday, April 3, 1897, commencing at 9 o'clock a. m., for the "first grade" in the customs service. Only citizens of the United States can be examined. The age limitations for this examination are as follows: Minimum age, twenty years; no maximum age. No application will be accepted for this examination unless filed with the undersigned, on the proper blank before the hour of closing business on Monday, March 15, 1897. Applications should be filed promptly, in order that time may remain for correction, if necessary.

The commission takes this opportunity of stating that the examinations are open to all reputable citizens of the United States who may desire to enter the service, without regard to race or to their political or religious affiliations. All such citizens are invited to apply. They shall be examined, graded, and certified with entire impartiality, and wholly without regard to any consideration save efficiency, as shown by the grades they obtain in the examination. For application blanks, full instructions, and information relative to the duties and salaries of the different positions, apply to A. F. Storey, secretary board of examiners customs service, postoffice address St. Paul, Minn.

HIS IS ACUTE MANIA

ANTON KIEBER HAS A LIVELY SCRIMMAGE WITH THE LOCAL POLICE.

BECOMES INSANE EN ROUTE

TO THIS CITY FROM A SHEEP RANCH NEAR MILES CITY, MONT.

FEAR THAT HE WOULD SUICIDE

Leads to the Placing of a Careful Watch Over the Desperate Man.

Anton Kieber, a sheep herder from Miles City, Mont., arriving in St. Paul over the Northern Pacific road at 6:40 last evening en route to his home at Grantsberg, Io., was taken violently insane at the union depot, requiring the combined efforts of four policemen to safely lodge him in the county jail. In attempting to place Kieber in a cell at the jail Deputy Sheriff George Allen was bitten in the hand by the infuriated man, though his injury is more painful than serious.

Kieber is a young man, over six feet tall, and of muscular build, which made the task of handling him, when aided by the supernatural strength of insanity, a difficult and dangerous task. He first showed signs of mental derangement when the train stopped in Minneapolis by strangely refusing to get aboard when it started again, though persisting that he must get to St. Paul. As the train pulled into the depot in this city Conductor Corcoran started to assist Kieber through the sheds, when he was suddenly felled to the ground by a vicious blow in the face. Officer McCall was called to the scene in time to see Kieber jump on a moving Northwestern train starting for Chicago and pulled the man from the platform. He raved and begged not to be killed, appearing to be laboring under the hallucination that some one was seeking his life.

After Officer McCall had somewhat calmed the violent man by assuring him that he would come to no harm, Kieber willingly accompanied him into the depot, but scarcely was he inside the door when he again began a wild struggle for freedom, which continued in the presence of a large crowd of spectators until the patrol box was reached. While waiting for the wagon several citizens assisted Officer McCall in holding Kieber. The sight of the patrol made a veritable demon of the insane man. As it started for the station he bodily lifted one of the officers and tossed him to the ground. Sergeant Joe Keating grabbed the fellow as he was about to leap from the wagon, and though a strong man, weighing 235 pounds, he had an almost impossible task in holding Kieber until he could be handcuffed. Even in this condition the frenzied man fought with renewed strength all the way to the jail, tossing his captors about like children, although unable to escape by reason of their number. At the jail three deputies lent their services in placing Kieber in a cell, but until he was tripped and thrown to the floor they could not themselves escape from his mad embrace and lock the door. During the struggle Kieber begged to be allowed to live but two hours, and as a long rope was found in his pocket it is thought he contemplated hanging himself at the expiration of this time.

MENDOTA MAN'S WOES.

He Is Robbed and Then Arrested Himself.

James Kearns, a farmer living at Mendota, came to St. Paul last Thursday to dispose of a horse, and wound up a series of bewildering city experiences yesterday a prisoner in the police court on the charge of larceny. According to Kearns' story, he sold the horse to a man at Tenth and Broadway for $45, and then started out to take in the town. In spending a portion of his money for liquor Kearns made a number of acquaintances, one of whom piloted him to an East Seventh street saloon, where Kearns claims the last thing he remembered was watching a game of cards. Before he left the place he missed his "roll," and could find no trace of his companion. He spent the night wandering about the streets, and Friday evening visited James Hogan's saloon, on Robert street, between Sixth and Seventh streets. He still had a small sum of money left, and when Hogan offered to sell him a horse bridle Kearns purchased the article for 50 cents. Later he was accosted by Nels Peterson, an employe of Allen's livery barn, who accused him of stealing the bridle and turned him over to the police. Kearns has but a hazy recollection of events subsequent to his arrival in the city, and his case was continued until Tuesday.

TENDERED A BANQUET.

Prudential Insurance Company's Testimonial to Its Staff.

The Prudential Insurance company tendered a complimentary banquet at the Ryan last evening to the members of its staff of the St. Paul district. The affair passed off very pleasantly, and there were some thirty-five guests present. An excellent menu was served. The list of toasts included some very interesting local speakers including N. L. See, head of division G; Judge Twohy, W. T. Jacksan, Edmund S. Durment, Judge Orr, G. M. P. Pridham, Dr. Arthur Sweeny, J. C. Tolles, superintendent at Minneapolis; C. J. Gray, Dr. W. D. McCourt, Supt. J. Broughton, G. J. Collett, assistant superintendent. Messrs. Pridham, Gray and Jackson rendered vocal solos. The discussion of the different branches of work occupied several hours. The legal branch and the medical branch were well represented.

Scrofula Swellings

On Our Boy's Neck Grew Larger and Larger

Until we became alarmed. In May we purchased a bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla and the child began taking it. Soon we could see an improvement. In July the swelling broke. We gave our son Hood's Sarsaparilla until the sore was entirely healde and the scrofula wholly driven from his system. He is now permanently cured."
W. C. KREAMER, Milesburg, Pa.

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Is the Best—In fact the One True Blood Purifier. Sold by all druggists. $1; six for $5.

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A SENSATION IN BLACK SILKS.

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Right here it is proper to say that the prices quoted below apply only to this special purchase of 301 pieces. We could not sell our regular stock at such prices. Most of the regular stock costs more than our tomorrow's selling prices of the special purchase.

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$1.00 Black Rustling Taffetas, 23-inch, **69 Cents.**
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$1.50 Black Gros Grains, 24-inch, **98 Cents.**
$1.25 Black Moire Velours, for Skirts, **88 Cents.**
$1.00 Heavy Striped Satins for **50 Cents.**
$1.25 Black Brocaded Satins for **69 Cents.**
$1.75 Heavy Black Armures, 24-inch, for **98 Cents.**
65c Black Shanghais, 27-inch, for **39 Cents.**
75c Black Brocaded Jap Silks for **48 Cents.**
$1.25 Black Brocaded Silks, 28 inches wide, for **68 Cents.**
$1.00 Black Corded Silks for **48 Cents.**
$1.25 Heavy Brocaded Gros Grains for **75 Cents.**
$1.50 Heavy Brocaded Gros Grains for **98 Cents.**
$1.25 Black Peau de Soie for **88 Cents.**
$1.50 Black Peau de Soie for **98 Cents.**
$1.75 Black Peau de Soie for **$1.18.**
$2.00 Black Peau de Soie for **$1.39.**
$1.50 Black Moire Velours, 21-inch, for **98 Cents.**
$1.50 Black Moire Velours, 24-inch, for **98 Cents.**
$2.00 Black Moire Velours, 22-inch, for **$1.39.**
Black Satin Duchesse, 75c quality, for **49 Cents.**
Black Satin Duchesse, 85c quality, for **59 Cents.**
Black Satin Duchesse, $1.00 quality, for **69 Cents.**
Black Satin Duchesse, $1.25 quality, for **88 Cents,**
Black Satin Duchesse, $1.50 quality, for **93 Cents.**
Black Satin Duchesse, $2.00 quality, for **$1.28.**
Black Satin Rhadame, $1.50 quality, for **98 Cents.**
Black Grenadines of pure Sewing Silks, usual $1.00 quality, for **47 Cents.**
Black Grenadines of double twisted pure Silk Threads, extra firm and strong, usual $1.25 quality, for **59 Cents.**

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These New Goods are here for all the people—for women of slender purses who want good, reliable Dress Goods at a small cost—as low as 25 cents a yard—for those who desire High Novelties at three or four dollars a yard. And there's every possible price between.

New Etamines and Canvas Cloths—light, sheer and open weaves in fresh new colors and weaves.

All-Wool Melange and Canvas Cloths in the new Beige and Army Blue colors, with a semi-rough finish. These cost only..... **$1.35**

Many new effects in smooth-finish goods—genteel, serviceable and suitable for wear all the year. Among them are several lots of English Covert Suitings in new color mixtures, at **$1.00, $1.25** and **$1.50.** Considering the width—50 inches—they're not expensive.

New French Repps, **$2.00.**

New Coventry Suitings, **$1.25.**

New Broche Suitings, **$1.75.**

New French Vigoreaux Suitings, never sold under 85c, opening sale price, **67 cents.**

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Three Extra Monday Specials.

40 pieces strictly pure wool Cashmeres, all colors, but no blacks, 38 inches wide, Monday only..... **25c**

42 pieces New Spring Suitings, all in medium dark colors, Monday only..... **33c**

25 pieces of Fashionable Large Checks for Skirts and entire Suits, every possible color, Monday only..... **39c**

NEW BLACK GOODS.

Just as many New Things and just as many Novelties in Black Goods as in colors.

In fashion's front rank are Etamines and Canvas Cloths in entirely new weaves. Prices: **$1.00, $1.25, $1.50, $1.75 and $2.00.**

Granite Cloths retain their popularity on account of their handsome appearance and sterling wearing qualities. Two extra special offerings of these for Monday:

46 inches wide.....75c | 48 inches wide.....$1.00

Look up these specials in Black Brilliantines Monday—prices for one day only. All are 44 inches wide.

65c quality for **48 cents.** | $1.00 quality for **77 cents.**
85c quality for **67 cents.** | $1.25 quality for **95 cents.**

A lot of high class novelties in Mohair and Wool, best $2.00 goods, not more than one or two dress lengths of any design, choice tomorrow..... **$1.35**

FIELD, SCHLICK & CO.,
...CONTINUED...

New Suits and Skirts.

What's new this season? Come in and we'll show you. The latest shapes in skirts are copies of Paquin's and Doucet's models of Paris—narrow in front and full in the back. Correct shapes cost you no more than other kinds.

Figured Black Brilliantine Skirts, **$1.95** and **$2.75.**

New Check Skirts, **$4.25.**

New Skirts in black and colors, silk or wool, **$4.25** to **$18.00.**

Newest Suits, **$8.75** to **$40** each.

Our Lining Leaders.

Genuine Imported Hair Cloth, warranted real horse hair, all you want for

23 Cents

a yard tomorrow—one day only. Gray; no black.

A very Superior Rustle Taffeta, finished with real silk rustle, black and all colors; all you want for

11 Cents

a yard tomorrow—one day only.

All-Wool Skirting Moreen, black and colors, all you want for

25 Cents

a yard tomorrow—one day only.

Percales for 8 Cents.

We will place on sale tomorrow 70 pieces of one of the best known brands of FINE PERCALES, a full yard wide, in most carefully selected styles, for

8 Cents

a yard. The wholesale price is 9½ cents and the regular retail price is 12½ cents. They are not seconds, buy them even if you have no use for them until next July or August.

Ladies' Underwear.

$1.00 Drawers for 50c.

They're medium light-weight Merino.

$1.50 Combination Suits for 69c.

These are of heavy natural gray Merino. We took all the maker had and we're sorry he didn't have more. Late comers will be sorry, too.

75c Stockings for 48c.

They're Ingrain Black Maco Cotton, In these sizes only: 9, 9½ and 10.

50c Stockings for 25c.

These are Imported Cashmere Stockings with high spliced heels, double soles and toes. All sizes.

For Men.

The best Shirt in America at a low price.

Our **"Sovereign"** brand of Unlaundered Shirts, with pure Irish Linen bosoms, for

48 Cents

each tomorrow. They're built like this:

Langdon G. B. Muslin, with all-linen bosom and bands, double reinforced front and back, hand-made buttonhole in front neckband, patent inserted sleeves, continuous facings and felled seams. How could you improve on such a shirt at any price? All day tomorrow,

48 Cents

each by the piece or dozen.

Plain **Wamsutta** Night Shirts, full 60 inches long, the best **One Dollar** kinds made, for

69 Cents

each. Two sizes are missing.

Send in Your Mail Orders.

We'll take as good care of them as if you made personal selections.

FIELD, SCHLICK & CO.

RELIEF SOCIETY.

Employment Register.

Office 141 East Ninth Street—Telephone 183.

We have the following list for whom we desire places:

BOOKKEEPER—Competent, double-entry, magnificent penman, will work cheap; addressing invitations a specialty.

CARPENTERS—Several with large families depending upon them, who can get nothing to do.

DRUG CLERK—One who has a wife and three small children depending upon him, who is exceedingly anxious to get work.

ENGINEER—A good stationary engineer who also has a large family.

GROCERY HAND—Competent and exceedingly anxious to secure employment to take care of his family.

LAUNDRESS—A widow with a large family.

NURSING—We have several good women who would be glad to get nursing to do.

OFFICE MAN—A good office man who has sickness at his home and no work.

WE HAVE a number of sewing women, men with teams, washerwomen and wood sawyers in abundance.

For all of the above we solicit from "the friends of the poor" employment.

M. L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

Generous Bequest.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Ten city lots worth $300,000 have been given under conditions to the St. James Protestant Episcopal mission in this city by J. S. Rhinelander. The conditions are that in five years the mission must accomplish enough tangible good to satisfy the donor, when the lots will become its absolute property.

Decrease of Sales.

KEOKUK, Io., Feb. 20.—A decree was entered today in the federal court case of the Farmers' Loan and Trust company against the Iowa Water company and involving a half million dollars ordering the sale of the Ottumwa waterworks.