

AT THE PRISON DOOR

WHERE EX-REGISTER BORGSTROM OF DULUTH, WOULD HAVE BEEN SOON

HAD THE PARDONING POWER

NOT INTERVENED TO RELIEVE DULUTH'S UNHAPPY OFFICIAL OF CONVICT'S STRIPES.

HIS FINE IS REDUCED TO \$300.

And if He Does Not Pay He Can Spend Four Months in the County Jail.

Ex-Register of Deeds Peter J. Borgstrom, of St. Louis county, was snatched from the portals of the state prison yesterday by the board of pardons, it being the first case in which that body has intercepted the confinement of a citizen.

The circumstances in Borgstrom's case were peculiar, however, and, in the judgment of the board, warranted this precipitate action.

There was a great deal of interest in the case in the Zenith City, and about a score of prominent citizens came from there to appear before the board in Borgstrom's behalf, while one Prosecuting Attorney C. O. Baldwin and Judge Moer, who sentenced the convict, were opposed to the commutation of the sentence, which the board granted, fixing it at a fine of \$300 alone, instead of a fine of \$500 and imprisonment in the state prison at hard labor for one year.

Indeed, Mr. Baldwin said himself he would not have appeared but for some criticisms in the first petition for pardon which he considered unjust. He would have no criticism to offer, if the pardon was granted, though he believed the law should take its course. He objected strongly to the statement that he had been in the pay of, or under the influence of any secret or semi-secret organization, though he was careful not to make a direct denial that he had been representing the "Tax Payers' league as well as the state at large. He said he had been appointed by Attorney General Childs, and his appointment had been confirmed by the three judges of the St. Louis county district court. He had done nothing in connection with the case of which he was in the least ashamed. He resented the statement that Judge Moer had not allowed the defendant a fair trial.

The petitioners explained this away by saying that they alleged nothing more in that petition than they would have set forth in a motion for a reargument made before Judge Moer himself, but at the suggestion of the judge's friends they had filed an amended petition from which the alleged criticisms of Judge Moer's conduct were eliminated.

Dr. Forbes made a plea on behalf of

Borgstrom's family, and on the ground that he was not a criminal, and that no one in Duluth believed he was. Mr. Borgstrom spoke very briefly in his own behalf, assuring the board that he had never intended to appropriate one cent of money belonging to the county, but, on the contrary, had intended to save the county some money. The extra work had been done to accommodate the patrons of the office. The alleged shortage upon which he was convicted had arisen through some rust work that was done in the Harris-Merritt contest. He had no criticism to offer against either the trial judge or the prosecuting attorney. The petitioners put in a few more words on the claim that Mr. Borgstrom had already been sufficiently punished with the loss of his office, and some \$5,000 in emoluments, the public disrepute he had incurred, and the forfeiture of his office again. An extra resolution favoring the pardon was presented from the business men's association, of West Duluth, and the crowd in the room, while the board went into executive session. In less than half an hour the decision was announced.

In the event of Mr. Borgstrom's failure to pay the \$300 fine, he is to be confined in the St. Louis county jail for four months, but his friends present said the fine would be paid.

Known Everywhere. Fischer Pianos—over 100,000 in use—Indorsed by some of the greatest artists. Prices moderate. Sold only by Howard, Farwell & Co., 20-24 West Fifth street.

PLEA FOR YOUNG PINES.

Ruthless Slaughter for Christmas Trees Meets Opposition.

Last Christmas time there were myriads of young evergreens brought into the Twin Cities for Christmas trees that found no sale, but were left to rot in lumber yards and squares until carted off as rubbish. And the experience was duplicated in many places. It was reported that thirty car loads of young evergreens were hauled out of Chicago after the holidays last year and dumped on the prairie. In the Northwest, with its scarcity of trees at best and the scarcity becoming annually more and more pronounced, it is frightful to contemplate this needless slaughter of our bright and promising innocents of our scanty forests, says the Farm, Stock and Home this week. No one can blame the dealers for desiring to increase their slender incomes by selling Christmas trees, and there is a certain demand for them that should be supplied, but it should occur to them to leave this needless slaughtering and hauling to market thousands of trees that can find no sale. There are no means at hand to put an end to this sad tragedy of the trees, but it can be suggested to those who have cut trees for this purpose in the past to cut not over half as many this year as last, and to ask those who have not had the experience of the past to guide them, to move cautiously in the work of supplying Christmas trees for their neighboring towns and cities. The young things that are so needlessly slaughtered are always the primest, most beautiful and best; they have outlived the vicissitudes of infancy, and are rapidly making matured and valuable trees; every one saved from destruction now is a decided gain to those who will come after us, and there should be no cutting and hauling among the suppliers of Christmas trees to confine the destruction to something near the demand. Please, good woodmen, take heed of this matter, and by some agreement between you, let there be less slaughter of these innocents for the coming holidays.

To all those who contemplate opening a savings account we recommend the State Savings Bank, Germania Life Building.

APPEARANCE OF EVIL.

County Attorney Anderson Would Avoid Even That.

County Attorney Anderson sent a communication to Attorney General Childs yesterday, requesting him to appear on behalf of county auditor Sullivan and County Commissioner Moritz in the suit brought against these officials to test the constitutionality of the law of 1885 regarding the salaries of county officials. As published in yesterday's Globe, Mr. Anderson takes the position that it would be improper for him to appear in the case as the law affects him, inasmuch as the resolution of the county commissioners passed by virtue of it, reduces the amount of money allowed him.

Save Money.

We manufacture all our Pianos and Organs in our own factories and sell them direct to you at lower prices than the ordinary dealer can possibly make. You can readily see how easy it is to save by dealing with us. Our new stock for the holidays is just arriving, and we will have the best assortment of first-class Pianos and Organs ever shown in the Northwest. Shoddy goods are unknown to our stock. We always have bargains in slightly used and second-hand instruments.

CONOVER MUSIC CO., Sixth and St. Peter Streets, S. T. Osborne, Manager.

Police Court Briefs.

Joseph Daly and Frank Dupes, two youths arrested a week ago for the alleged theft of a suit of clothes belonging to J. J. Murphy, were tried in the police court yesterday and discharged. The clothes were recovered. Edward Preston, accused of despoiling two houses on Arundel street belonging to J. J. McCarty, of a quantity of lead, was sentenced to the workhouse for 45 days. William Smith, formerly a bell boy at the Metropolitan hotel, who was arrested on the charge of passing a \$500 check, was arraigned before Judge Orr yesterday. Smith had no attorney and a plea of not guilty was entered by the state. The case was continued until Wednesday. Smith has in the past borne a good reputation, and as this is the first time he has been arrested, it will be made to adjust the matter outside of the court.

Open for Inspection.

Just received the finest stock of cigars and cigarette holders for Christmas presents, at Adam Petsch's, Fifth and Robert.

Women in Lighter Veils.

The St. Paul Teachers' Library association, to whom Prof. E. W. Warman, of Chicago, the distinguished orthopedist, has been giving lessons in pronunciation, has arranged with him to also give his series of five entertainments. These will be for the public as well as for the teachers. The entertainments will be given in the Central high school assembly hall, as follows: Wednesday, 8 p. m., Dec. 8, "The Delicate Philosophy of Expression" (Theoretically); Monday, Dec. 8, 8 p. m., "The True and False Philosophy of Expression" (Practical); Wednesday, Dec. 15, 8 p. m., "The True and False Philosophy of Expression" (Practical); Monday, Dec. 22, 8 p. m., "A Choice Programme of Readings, Recitations and Impersonations."

Pianos at \$50 to \$100.

Reduction from regular prices until Xmas. We sell only reliable pianos. Howard, Farwell & Co.

Would Vacate a Writ.

Anthony Kubicki, against whom Rufus Pella recovered a verdict of \$2,000 for alienating the affections of Mrs. Pella, has applied to Judge Kelly yesterday, and through his counsel moved to vacate the writ of attachment issued against his property. The motion was partly heard and continued until tomorrow.

Will She Wait Another Day?

Judge Oehl granted a divorce yesterday to Ella B. Deal from James A. Deal. The couple were married in Michigan seventeen years ago last February, when the plaintiff was scarcely sixteen years of age. In April, 1892, the defendant deserted his wife and has since then neglected entirely to support her and her children. The court awarded the custody of the children to the plaintiff.

ANOKA'S NEW IDEA

IF IT CAN GET THE ANNUAL STATE MILITIA ENCAMPMENT.

LOWRY PROMISES ELECTRICS

TO CONNECT THE ABANDONED HOSPITAL SITE WITH THE TWIN CITIES.

MILITIA MEN ARE FAVORABLE.

Say the Anoka Property Is Advantageous for the Purpose in Several Respects.

The city of Anoka is again hopeful.

For ten years two desires have animated the bosoms of the public-spirited citizens of that community.

The first was the iridescent dream of electric railway connection with the city of Minneapolis; the second, long latent, has within a few years taken definite shape as a clamor for the much-needed new hospital for the insane.

The Anokians were beaten on the second proposition in the last legislature, but not until they had sold the state a site of over 600 acres.

Now it appears that the instrument of the city's undoing in the start may prove the instrument in the accomplishment of the long-cherished desire for a prompt street railway service.

Here, in brief, is the proposition made, according to the Globe's information, by Thomas Lowry to the people of Anoka:

"Get the state to locate its military encampment on the proposed hospital site, and I will build an electric line, not only to Anoka, but right to these grounds. It will save the state money in transporting the troops of the Twin Cities and all north of them to the annual encampment. It will save them the long marches necessitated, and it will give your city the advantage to be gained by the presence of the encampment annually."

Anoka people have brought this proposition before the officers of the national guard, and while no definite action has been taken by them, a number of them have indicated favorable opinions to the acceptance of the proposition.

Adj. Gen. Muehlberg stated to the Globe yesterday that, as far as accessibility was concerned, the Anoka plan had much to be said in its favor.

State Military Storekeeper Converse was even more favorable. Said he:

"I have been over the property up there, both before and since its designation for the hospital, and it is perfectly adapted for the purpose of accommodating the annual encampment. There is room to spare—room indeed for a brigade encampment."

"If I remember right there are 600 acres or more in the angle between the two roads, and two or more acres across one of these streets. The grounds are about the size of the encampment grounds at Camp Douglas, Wis."

One obstacle, of course, to the acceptance by the state of the proposition to remove the annual encampment from Lake City to Anoka, is the fact that the state has acquired an equipment in the tract at present occupied annually at Lakeview. That has been deeded to the state conditional on its continuance as the quarters of the militia encampment for thirty years from 1889, when it was acquired.

The Anoka people profess to believe, however, that the forces were so bitterly arrayed against each other last winter, can be brought together harmoniously again, and the appropriation for the Hastings asylum inevitably to be brought up next winter, he carried through without opposition from the Anoka forces, contingent, of course, upon the removal of the encampment to the city.

At present the state derives a revenue of \$1,200 from the Anoka site. That at least was the revenue during the last year. Some officials, however, claim to be found a maximum. It is claimed by the advocates of the new Anoka plan that the difference in fare of the twin city soldiers alone will save the state more than that revenue annually.

Only \$7.00 to Milwaukee

And many other points via "The North-Western Line." Secure tickets at 355 Robert street, St. Paul, 413 Nicollet avenue, Minneapolis, and union depots in both cities.

ONLY \$7.00

To Chicago and Milwaukee.

Effective December 1st, the Wisconsin Central Line will sell tickets at the above rate. Fare to Eastern and Southern points reduced proportionately. Pullman Cars, Cafe, Parlor Cars and Dining Cars. Service strictly first-class. City Ticket Office, No. 373 Robert Street.

YOUNG MAN MISSING.

Monroe Smith, of 1762 Capitol Avenue, Has Disappeared.

The police have been asked to look for Monroe A. Smith, formerly a student at Hamline university, and living with his parents at 1762 Capitol avenue. The young man has been ill of late and disappeared from his home yesterday, leaving a note to his mother in which he said he had gone into the world to seek his fortune and would not return until successful. His parents are of the opinion that sickness has impaired the young man's mind. He is eleven years of age, five feet, ten inches tall and talks with a decided drawl. When he left home he wore a blue overcoat, dark cap and arctic overshoes.

Only \$7.00 to Chicago

Via the North-Western Line. Secure tickets at 413 Nicollet avenue, Minneapolis.

AND UNION DEPOT IN BOTH CITIES.

PRaise FOR FIREMEN.

And a check for \$50 signed "Guttermann Bros."

Guttermann Bros., whose store on Fifty-third street was recently damaged by fire, yesterday sent to the firemen, who did such good work on that occasion, a check for \$50 as a token of their appreciation. The money will be devoted to the fire department's relief association, as is the customary disposition of all such tributes to the valor of the fire laddies in this city.

Rheumatism

Is permanently cured

By Hood's Sarsaparilla,

Which neutralizes the

Lactic acid in the blood.

Thousands who were

Sufferers write that they

Have felt no symptoms

Of Rheumatism since

Taking Hood's Sarsaparilla.

FIELD, SCHLICK & CO.

It gives us pleasure to announce our

Annual Sale of Christmas Dresses.

This is one of the delightful features that you have grown to expect year after year. And year after year this annual sale of Christmas Dresses has improved in every way.

This year's showing is vastly ahead of any preceding one. Quantities are larger, varieties are larger, and, best of all, prices are lower. We feel that in every Dress Pattern that is sold we are contributing a part of its value—making it easy for you to buy.

All kinds of fabrics will be found in the collection—plain and fancy, rough and smooth, black and colors. And all have been cut in full, generous lengths. No skimping anywhere, except in price.

One thing more. While there isn't a poor dress in the lot, and while you'll get wonderful values, whether you pay \$1.75 for a full pattern or whether you pay \$10.00, there's always a choice in such a large offering. Naturally the early comers pick the best.

- Full Dress Patterns for \$1.75. Full Dress Patterns for \$2.00. Full Dress Patterns for \$2.25. Full Dress Patterns for \$2.50. Full Dress Patterns for \$2.75. Full Dress Patterns for \$3.00. Full Dress Patterns for \$4.00. Full Dress Patterns for \$5.00. Full Dress Patterns for \$7.50. Full Dress Patterns for \$10.00.

These are conveniently displayed on the center tables under the skylight.

Black Silks For Christmas.

We don't know of anything more acceptable as a Christmas gift than Black Silks for waists, for skirts, or for gowns. Always in style. Appropriate for all seasons and all occasions, and always a place for them in every woman's wardrobe.

The Christmas purchases of Black Silks and Satins have been coming for the past two weeks, and the present assortment is far ahead of any ever shown in St. Paul at any time. The silk man is determined that the Dress Goods men shall not do all the business next week. And having this in mind these Black Silks and Satins will go on sale at most tempting prices.

New Black Brocaded Gros Grains, worth \$1.00, for 69 cents. New Black Brocaded Gros Grains, worth \$1.50, for \$1.18. New Black Poplins—\$1.75 qualities for \$1.25. \$2.00 qualities for \$1.50. \$2.25 quality for \$1.75.

Black Satin and Gros Grain Bayaderes for Waists and Dresses, \$2.25 quality for \$1.68. Plain Black Silks and Satins at prices that will wake up the town.

Black Peau de Soie. Black Satin Duchesse.

- \$1.00 quality for 69 cents. \$1.25 quality for 88 cents. \$1.50 quality for \$1.18. \$1.75 quality for \$1.28. \$2.00 quality for \$1.38. 21-inch, \$1.00 quality, for 69c. 22-inch, \$1.25 quality, for 88c. 22-inch, \$1.50 quality, for \$1.18. 23-in., \$1.75 quality, for \$1.28. 24-in., \$2.00 quality, for \$1.48.

Only four numbers of those extra wide (33-inch), extra fine and extra heavy Black Satins for Dress Skirts left. They are without a doubt the richest Black Silks ever shown in St. Paul. Nothing like them in any other store in the two cities. Prices, \$2.75, \$3.00, \$3.25 and \$3.50. Values, \$4.00 to \$5.75 a yard. 5 or 6 yards will make a skirt. 8 or 9 yards will make a dress.

SWELL NOVELTIES—The best posted women say we have the only stock of Swell Plaids in town. We're getting new ones every day, all in strictly exclusive designs and all in single Waist Patterns, which will not be duplicated. Prices, \$1.25 to \$3.00 a yard.

LOSING MONEY on two tables full of Fancy Silks, both ready at 9 o'clock. All the Remnants and Waist lengths from last week's special 98c table—Silks, worth \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50, all at 69c. The other table is loaded down with Novelty Silks for Fancy Waists. These are worth from \$1.50 to \$2.00, and will be sold for 98c.

Christmas Goods Are Ready.

There never was a time when our Christmas preparations resulted so satisfactorily to us. We are sure it will be so with you. Many things are here which were not carried in former years. Thousands of useful, sensible things for gift-making, and all marked at prices that will make dollars or dimes go farther than ever before.

It would be impossible to tell you of all the new things—they're counted by thousands. It would be just as unsatisfactory to quote a lot of prices. One thing you may be sure of, however: Prices are lower than you have been accustomed to pay for similar goods. Don't wait for the rush of Christmas week. Choice selections, comfort and satisfaction are all here now.

Cut Glass in charming variety. Cut Glass articles with Silver Mountings. Ebony Goods with or without Silver Mountings. Sterling Silver Goods. Bohemian Glasswares. Leather Goods with or without Silver Mountings. Fine Stationery. Diaries and Address Books. Kid Gloves and Handkerchiefs.

See our advertisement on Engraving,

Important Handkerchief News.

We received on Thursday direct from John S. Brown & Sons, Belfast, Ireland (through the St. Paul Custom House), nearly 1,000 dozen of Irish Linen Handkerchiefs for men and women.

Not a word need be said about wearing qualities to those who have used them. John S. Brown & Sons' Linen Handkerchiefs will outwear three ordinary kinds. And as they come direct from the makers without any commission

to the New York office we can sell them at a wholesale basis. 1,000 dozen is not a big lot. We advise our friends to make their selections at once and reap the benefits of these special prices.

For Ladies: 18c quality for 12 1/2 cents. 25c quality for 18 cents. 40c quality for 25 cents.

For Men: 25c each or \$2.75 the dozen. 40c each or \$4.50 the dozen. 50c each or \$5.50 the dozen. Half dozen will be sold at dozen rates.

FIELD, SCHLICK & CO.

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Engraving and Stationery.

Please note. The following prices for engraving will hold good for a very short time only. Copper plate engraving and printing are done by hand. It's slow and careful work. At the prices we quote for tomorrow we ought to take orders enough in a day or two to keep our full force of engravers busy until Christmas Eve.

Notwithstanding these lowest prices in the United States the work will be fully up to our standard—the very best.

An engraved Copper Plate and 100 cards, all for 75 cents tomorrow. 100 cards printed from plate, 35 cents tomorrow.

Monogram Dies in any style—the kinds that usually cost from \$2.00 to \$2.50, only 85 cents tomorrow.

No fancy prices for stamping, no fancy prices for paper. 1,400 Christmas boxes of stationery, white and tinted, 24 sheets and 24 envelopes in each box, 22 cents to 39 cents a box.

Initial seals, all letters, 20 cents. Gold Pens with fancy holders, \$1.25 to \$2.25.

Half-Price Jackets and Capes—Half-Price.

Don't misunderstand us. We are not selling all our Capes and Jackets at half-price. We only use the heading "Half-Price" to be in fashion. It's the heading you see in most advertisements concerning Jackets and Capes.

But we are selling Capes and Jackets cheap. You'll wear out a brand new pair of shoes in a vain attempt to find equally good garments at lower prices than ours—or even at equal prices.

We will gladly send garments to your house for comparison with any of the half-price offerings you may read about. And we'll be doubly pleased to have you compare quality and styles.

Read carefully the smaller print: About 125 Tailor-Made Jackets of reliable, seasonable materials, new styles, fit guaranteed, only \$3.75.

For Monday's selling we have selected 100 Garments in all styles and colors and materials, which have been selling for \$8.75, \$9.50 and \$10. The price will be \$6.75.

Tailor-Made Jackets, full Silk lined, easily worth \$15.00, for \$11.75. These would be called \$20.00 Jackets in some places.

Silk-lined Jackets that are the equal of any \$20.00 Jacket in town, for \$13.50.

Highest grade Jackets that would have sold for \$25.00 and \$26.50 if we had them early in the season, for \$16.50 tomorrow.

Reductions in Capes. Silk-lined Cloth and Plush Capes that were \$11.50 and \$13.50, only \$9.50 tomorrow.

Capes that were \$15 to \$20 will go on sale tomorrow for \$13.50.

Our Lining Leaders.

Everybody that buys some of the Christmas Dress Patterns mentioned at head of this ad. should profit also by these Lining Leaders.

Very best French Hair Cloth, soft finish, black and gray, all you want tomorrow for 21c.

Fine Silk-Finished Rustle Taffeta, Black and Colors, full yard wide, all you want tomorrow for 10c.

Best 15c Silsesias, in all colors, tomorrow, only 10c.

The best Kid-finish Lining Cambric in America at any price, black and colors, tomorrow—only 3c.

At the Notion Counter.

Monday only: Real Mohair Skirt Binding, regular 4c quality, for 2 cents.

Stockinet Shields, 4 Cents a pair. Hump Hooks and Eyes, 2 Cards for 5 Cents.

Machine Needles, 2 Papers for 5c.

Ribbon Special.

A big lot of highest grade, pure Silk Ribbons, 3 1/2 and 4 inches wide, will be closed out at 19 Cents a yard tomorrow. Don't look for these late in the week.

Standard Paper Patterns.

Highest perfection at lowest cost. Best fitting and most economical in cutting materials. One trial will convince you of this. Prices, 5 cents to 25 cents. Why pay twice as much for other kinds?

More Good News.

A sale of Sample Lace Curtains that should fill the store with buyers as soon as the doors are opened. It's the finest lot we ever had because there are from four to ten corners of each pattern.

The lot consists entirely of Brussels Not Corners; they will be divided into three lots, and at the prices we have put upon them the entire lot should be sold out clean in a few hours.

Down Go the Rates

To Chicago. Seven Dollars gets you a ticket out of the Burlington (Limited)—the finest train on earth. Ticket of 40c. 400 Robert St. (Hotel Ryan) and Union Depot.

Fort Snelling.

Mrs. J. H. Page gave a dinner party Saturday evening. Her husband is spending a short vacation with his parents.

Mrs. J. H. Meitas entertained the Ladies' Euchre club Wednesday afternoon. Corporal Snook, Company G, has been appointed sergeant, vice Moore, promoted.

Mrs. Horabrook, of Texas, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Sand, left for her home Thursday.

Lieutenants Giddings and Cloke left Friday afternoon for Anoka, where they will remain for a few days.

Mrs. George Stouch, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. James Meitas, left Thursday for her home in Montana.

The Literary Club of the Officers of the Garrison held their first meeting Friday afternoon. The first paper was read by Lieut. Cloke.

Lance Corporal, Charles Crystal, Company C, to corporal, vice Snook, promoted. Corporal Benjamin Torrence, Company G, to sergeant.

The following promotions have recently been made among the enlisted men of the Third United States Infantry: Sergeant, Timothy McMahon, Company D. Third Infantry, is appointed color sergeant of the regiment, vice Stewart, dismissed.

The first formal ball of the season will be given Dec. 29. It is to be a "bal pousse," and promises to be a grand affair. It has been for several years past the event of the season, and the officers and ladies of the garrison will put forth their best endeavors to make it a success in every detail.

An unusually good concert was given Friday evening in the Post hall. One of the features of the programme was the clarinet solo by Musician Strachols, which was loudly applauded and encored. After the concert the usual informal hop was given. The hop was well attended by the people of the garrison, and guests from the cities.

The following decision has been made and is applicable to the army for the information of all concerned. The use of the book, entitled "Manual of Physical Drill," prepared by Corporal Snook, Company G, has been first infantry, copies of which have been purchased and issued to the army, is authorized by the secretary of war in physical training in the army.

Down Go the Rates To Chicago. Seven Dollars gets you a ticket out of the Burlington (Limited)—the finest train on earth. Ticket of 40c. 400 Robert St. (Hotel Ryan) and Union Depot.

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Everything named below will be on sale at store opening tomorrow,

MONDAY, DEC. 6th.

9c A dozen for a choice lot of Bananas.

6c A peck for best Rutabaga and White Turnips.

10c A pound for a choice lot of full Cream Cheese.

15c A gallon for Pure Sweet Cider.

20c For quart bottles of Solid Tomatoes.