

CITY NEWS.

Park Board Meeting—A meeting of the park board will be held tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock.

April Health Statistics—During the month of April twelve cases of diphtheria and seventeen cases of scarlet fever were reported to the health department.

Nurses' Association—The regular monthly meeting of the Ramsey County Nurses' association will be held at the rooms of the medical society at 5 p. m. Monday afternoon.

Committee on Streets—The assembly committee on streets will meet tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock. Among other matters to be considered is the ordinance granting a franchise to the long distance telephone company.

Market Site Committee—The joint council committee appointed to consider and report as to a site for a market place will meet tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. The plans prepared by the city engineer will be presented to the committee, and it is expected definite action will be taken in the matter.

Municipal Court Receipts—The monthly statement of receipts from the municipal court shows figures collected in the criminal branch amounted to \$1,814, and fees amounting to \$117 in the civil branch. The increase is due to the police enforcement of the city ordinances governing disorderly houses.

INSPECTION OF COMPANY B.

Soldiers of the Fourth Regiment Make a Creditable Showing.

Company B, of the new Fourth regiment, had its first inspection at the Armory last night. Capt. Albert Halton is in command, the only other commissioned officer the company has is First Lieutenant Stewart McMillan, who was also present. The inspecting officer was Capt. E. C. Monfort, assistant inspector general of the state. Fifty-five men were in line, and made a creditable showing.

A large number of the friends of the company were present, and among the interested spectators was Gen. Bend, who watched the different movements with critical eye. Gen. Bend left before the inspection was completed, but saw enough to say that the company had done well.

Company A will be inspected at the Armory on Monday night.

AGAINST STRONG DRINK.

Convention of Ramsey County W. C. T. U. Arranged For.

Ramsey County W. C. T. U. met yesterday afternoon at the Y. M. C. A. rooms. A resolution was passed authorizing the vice president, Mrs. Phillips, acting in connection with the other officers of the county union and the presidents of the local unions, to make arrangements for the Ramsey County W. C. T. U. convention. It was decided to hold the convention May 25.

For tents and awnings have a talk with Neat at 131 East Third street. Call or telephone.

VERXA

SEVENTH AND CEDAR STS. Tel. 732. Meat Market, 782.

The Philopenas of Trade.

The more almonds the housekeeper shells the more double kernels she will find—the Philopenas Nuts. Bargains are the philopenas in general groceries, real and decided money saving. Guess where these good-luck lots are thickest?

Potatoes, 50c Per bushel basket of good North Dakota Potatoes.

Sugar, 20 Pounds of the best Granulated Sugar for one dollar.

Salmon, Red, Fat, July; its ought-to-be price is 15c per can; but we'll sell it, per can, for 9c

Figs, Good California Fruit, the latest crop. The selling price is less than the cost of growing price; per lb., 5c

Oranges, Fine Mediterranean Sweets, 3 dozen for 25c

Pie Plant, Nice, ripe and fresh, per pound, 3c

Cranberries, Fancy ripe, sound ones, 5c; per quart, 7c

Soups, Armour's large 20c size Assorted Soups for 11c

Onions, Good Red ones, per peck, 9c

Mackerel, 10-pound pails of English breakfast Mackerel 95c

Peach Preserves, Pure Home Service, lb., 7c

Flour, The best quality in America, 49-lb. sack, \$1.00

Flour, The best quality in America, 24 1/2-lb. sack, 50c

Bacon and Greens, 3-lb. cans, A. Booth brand, 10c

Butter, Fresh lots every morning direct from the farms and creameries of Minnesota. Price high at 14c per pound

Olives, Manzanillas stuffed with peppers, small lots, each, 12c

Oives, quart, 50c

Pickles, Pint bottles, assorted, 7c

Orange Marmalade, Best English, 1-lb. jars, 15c

COFFEE.

Doing our own roasting, with a completely equipped roasting room, we are enabled to weigh out to you Coffee that is fresh roasted the same day you buy it—that's what we do.

Diamond Rio, Fresh from the blue-flame gas roaster, 9c

Golden Rio, Fresh from the blue-flame gas roaster, 11c

Santos, Fresh from the blue-flame gas roaster, 15c

Fancy, Mocha blend, fresh from the blue-flame gas roaster, 18c

Fancy, Mexican Java, from the blue-flame gas roaster, 20c

Gyhora, Mocha and Java, fresh from the blue-flame gas roaster, 25c

"Hoffman House" Fresh from the blue-flame gas roaster, 28c

"Hello!"

We've established a special telephone service in order that patrons may make known their grocery wants daily. If you desire us to make daily inquiry as to your table wants, please so advise us and we will "call you up" by telephone every morning.

YERXA BROS. & CO.

PROBLEMS TO SOLVE

HARD ONES WHICH THE SCHOOL BOARD WILL HAVE TO TACKLE

MANUAL TRAINING IN GRADES

Uniform Salaries for Grade Teachers and Night Schools to Be Resumed and Some of the Things to Be Settled—If Additional Levy Can Be Authorized New Building Will Be Erected in Eighth Ward.

The board of education will have some important and interesting problems to dispose of at its meeting Wednesday afternoon. There is a strong likelihood that the board will make provision for some material changes in the course of study in the schools so as to include some industrial and commercial features as recommended by Supt. Smith.

Questions of ways and means on this and a number of other subjects will be taken up by the board. As the best means to incorporate some of the changes recommended by Supt. Smith several months ago, the inspectors will probably provide for the resumption of manual training in the grades. This branch was abolished when the hard times came on and the board was forced to practice economy in every direction. Supt. Smith believes that every boy should have some trade or profession at which he could turn his hand when through with school. The first thing he does when out of school is to "look for a job," with no definite vocation in view. Mr. Smith believes that the instruction given the school boys should be made to fit the particular community in which it is located.

Now that the board is to have a little more money at its disposal, several of the branches which were done away with in 1895 will doubtless be restored. There has been an urgent demand for the resumption of the night schools. In these schools wage earners whose opportunity in youth had been limited are given a chance to acquire a common school education. The board could spend ten or fifteen thousand dollars in this direction, but with judicious economy the school can, according to the figures of Supt. Smith, be run for about \$4,000. With a night high school the cost will be increased somewhat, but the superintendent regards this a very low figure. In fact, a night high school is regarded as seven more necessary than a grammar school.

In former years night schools were considered an important branch of the school work and were well patronized and their usefulness was never questioned. A question which is of great importance to the teachers is that of salaries. Certain members of the board favor a uniform maximum salary for all grade teachers. Under the present schedule there is an apparent discrimination against the teachers of the lower grades. It is proposed to fix a maximum salary which will apply to all classroom school teachers, irrespective of grades. Under the present arrangement it can either be taken that the teachers of the lower grades have less to do or that they are not so capable, both of which are erroneous. Supt. Smith believes that maximum salary for grade teachers should be fixed by the board so that there would be no discrimination, as it is argued that it is just as hard and requires just as much work and ability to teach one grade as another. The board will take the matter up, although it is not probable that it will be definitely settled until the July meeting.

The budget will have to be made up within a short time and everything will be thoroughly discussed at the next meeting, as the special committee appointed to present their report to the comptroller must have their report ready by July 1. It is expected that the board can anticipate the one and a half additional school tax levy this summer by using the funds appropriated to run the schools for the year, but that they are not so capable, both of which are erroneous. Supt. Smith believes that maximum salary for grade teachers should be fixed by the board so that there would be no discrimination, as it is argued that it is just as hard and requires just as much work and ability to teach one grade as another. The board will take the matter up, although it is not probable that it will be definitely settled until the July meeting.

The salary question as applying to those outside of the grades will come up for consideration, and it is certain there will be no reduction, and perhaps a slight advance may be made in the regular schedule. Under the rules teachers in the employ of the board are not subject to annual election, but to assignment each year, which virtually amounts to the same thing. No important changes are contemplated.

Saturday Early Closing.

The early closing of the wholesale houses, insurance offices and the furniture stores will be inaugurated on next Monday, May 6. This half holiday has become so general it is a fixture. The solicitation of signatures has been interested in the Wholesale Yacht club and are as much interested in the half-key's braves at the park and with Commodore's beautiful summer resorts in the vicinity. Hundreds of people thus benefited by this liberal movement should thoroughly appreciate the interest being taken in the affair.

The printed signs will be distributed early in the week, and it is expected there will be a large demand for same.

Double Fine for Weiser.

Moses Weiser, who was arrested Saturday night in company with Jake Applebaum for disorderly conduct, was fined before Judge Hine yesterday for trial. But when put on the stand several inaccuracies in his testimony were apparent and he was fined an additional \$10 for disorderly conduct in making false representations to the Ducas street officers. Applebaum was also fined \$10 for disorderly conduct.

Injured by a Fall.

Prof. H. Schmidt, of the Central high school, was severely injured Friday afternoon by a fall on the stage in Assembly hall. A party of students were fixing the gymnasium apparatus on the stage for the entertainment which takes place this week, when Prof. Schmidt in some way became tangled up in the same rope and sustained a bad fall, wrenching his self severely.

He was taken to his home, 14 East Congress street. His injuries will keep him at his home for a few days.

Best Train Service From the Twin Cities

Is via the Milwaukee line. To Milwaukee and Chicago five through trains each business day and four on Sunday. To St. Louis daily. To Kansas City daily. The celebrated Pioneer Limited to Milwaukee and Chicago every evening is the only perfect train in the world. Via the Milwaukee—the lowest rates to all points.

St. Paul Doesn't Need Him.

"Slim" Macdonald, released yesterday from the workhouse, was taken to the central station yesterday and made to appear before the relief committee for the purpose of future identification, and then ordered out of the city.

New Electric Lights.

Manager Ellison, of the gas company, was asked yesterday about the delay in putting in the electric lights ordered some months ago. The work of putting up the poles and wires for the additional lights, he explained, had been delayed by the cold weather, it being impossible to dig until the frost was out of the ground. A large force of men are

now at work and inside of two weeks or so the arc lights would all be in operation.

A BOLD ROBBERY.

Desperate Thief Knocks Down His Victim at Seventh and Sibley.

An assault and robbery occurred last night at 11:30 on the corner of Sibley and Seventh streets. H. D. Vallane, 249 Grove street, was knocked down by a man with whom he had been drinking during the evening and his watch and chain taken. He would have lost the watch also, but for the fact that the chain broke as the thief snatched it.

The occurrence took place directly under the glare of an electric light, and Agent Monk, of the Humane society, stood across the street and witnessed the whole affair, yet the thief made his escape and could not be located afterwards. Vallane and his whilom friend came down Seventh street together, and as they reached the corner his friend struck him a powerful blow, and before he could recover had snatched at his watch chain and disappeared down Sibley street.

Officer Peterson, of Sibley, reached the spot immediately afterwards and were followed by Sergeant Ross, and later by Lieut. Bahe and Sergeant McCarty. The man who struck Vallane with the Humane society agent, were unable to find their man. He is described as about five feet ten inches in height, wearing a black hat and gray coat, of medium build and having a black mustache.

DEAD TO RIGHTS.

Detectives Arrest a Boarding House Thief who Confesses.

John O'Connor was arrested yesterday by Detectives Marnane and Sweeney, charged with entering a room at the boarding house of Mrs. Annie Martin, 257 East Seventh street, Wednesday afternoon, and rifling a bureau in a room occupied by Annie Meyers and Mary Gangle, two servants.

After being taken to the station he was searched and confined to a cell. He denied being implicated in the affair at first, but on being confronted with the girls, who recognized him, and with jewelry which he had pawned, he gave way and made a confession. A watch belonging to Mary Gangle was recovered at Pinkstein's jewelry store on East Seventh street, where it was pawned. A watch stolen from Mary Gangle was recovered from a man named Freeman, who stated that he had bought it of O'Connor for 50 cents, a note for \$71 made out to Annie Meyers, was found at his home, 455 Robert street.

O'Connor is well known to the police and has been a frequent visitor at police court on various charges. He was arrested a month ago for the larceny of an overcoat from Alfred Anderson.

DEATH OF MATHIAS YOUNG.

An Old Member of the Police Force Passes Away.

Mathias Young, appointed to the police force July 3, 1884, died at his home, 21 East Magnolia street, last evening, after an illness of about a half. He has been a member of the Rondo station detail for thirteen years, and is well known throughout the city. The news of his death was received with profound regret by his fellow members of the force, with whom he was very popular. He leaves a wife and two children, a boy and a girl. Deceased was a member of the Junior Pioneers, and a brother-in-law to Capt. Pottoisler, of the Margaret street station.

JEFFERSON CLUB WILL MEET.

Important Matters Will Be Considered—New Quarters Proposed.

The Jefferson club will hold its regular May meeting Tuesday evening at the club rooms in the Arrol block, 43 East Fourth street. The meeting will be executive, and it is desired that all members will attend, as several matters of importance will be brought up for discussion.

It is understood one of the principal questions will be the advisability of curing larger and more commodious quarters for its rapidly increasing membership, and the policy of employing a secretary to devote his entire time to the interests of the club, and to keep the club room and reading room open every day and evening.

FUNDS OF THE CITY.

Statement of City Treasurer Horst.

The report of City Treasurer Horst for April shows the following receipts and disbursements and a balance on hand of \$700,288.32 at the close of the month: Receipts—General fund, \$36,152.27 of which \$29,090 were from license fees; special funds, \$129,322.73; special assessments, \$2,594.29; balance April 1, \$781,922.31; total, \$479,272.59. Disbursements for the month, \$355,477.47. Balance April 30, \$700,288.32 deposited as follows: Where Deposited—Merchants National bank, \$14,807.93; National German-American bank, \$111,681.37; St. Paul National bank, \$106,174; Germania bank, \$29,217.38; Scandinavian-American bank, \$27,771.30; Union bank, \$59,700.76; Hanover national bank, \$1,100.00; N. Y. int. Acct. and Trust bank, \$19,319.53; local coupon account (N. O. & A.), \$3,471.55; cash in vault, \$489,144.01; total, \$700,288.32.

Records for Preservation.

Comptroller McCarty yesterday sent by express five handsomely bound photographs of the bronze tablet recently erected to the memory of Maj. Melville C. Wilkinson at Fort Snelling. The book beside the photograph contained a description of the tablet and newspaper clippings describing the ceremonies of the unveiling of the tablet. The books were forwarded to Rev. Wm. East, G. A. R., of Minneapolis, of which Maj. Wilkinson was a member, Col. Page, commanding the Third Infantry at Manila; Mrs. Wilkinson, at Los Angeles; and the Historical Society of Minnesota and the Military Historical society at Washington, D. C.

Substituted as Trustee.

An order was issued by Judge Lewis yesterday in the case of W. B. Merrill et al. against John W. Merriam et al., granting the application of Charles H. Bigelow to be allowed to withdraw from the duties and liabilities of trustees, under the will of John L. Merriam, deceased. Theodore Horn was appointed to fill the vacancy.

Rule in Bankruptcy Proceedings.

An important rule concerning cases in bankruptcy was yesterday promulgated by Judge Lochren. It is ordered that hereafter every form of petition, return or assets which are to be set out in any particular form shall be so drawn as to indicate that fact by the word "none" in appropriate places. In future, the order sets forth, no typewritten petitions or schedules will be received. Only printed forms may be used.

Tessier and Kelly.

E. J. Tessier and "Monte" Kelly were arraigned yesterday in police court, but their cases were continued until Monday to give time for the filing of a complaint for grand larceny. They were held for the burglary of rooms at 42 Sibley street, occupied by Alfred Thelander and J. A. Johnson.

You can save commission and exchange

by seeing The State Savings Bank before you renew old loans or make new ones. This home institution makes low rates, requires no gold clause, and gives the "on or before" privilege.

Allows the Case Reopened.

The Northwestern Telephone company was yesterday granted the right by Judge Bunz to reopen the case of the company against the company, and also the right to file an answer in the proceedings.

Field, Schlick & Co. Dress Goods. Field, Schlick & Co. Lace Curtain Sale.

More good, seasonable, fashionable, in demand Dress Goods than you will find in the combined stocks of the city.

FOR TAILOR-MADE GOWNS. The new Cadet blues, modes and covert mixtures, of correct weight, 54-inch, at

\$1.75

More of the same sort, mixtures, line stripes and broken checks, in just the weight for skirts to hang well,

At \$1.00 and \$1.25

FANCY WEAVES and mixtures, of medium weight, have been our best sellers. We have 20 pieces which will go to make good the breaks in our dollar line. They have never been sold under \$1.25.

Price, 95c

SMALL CHEVRON STRIPES of pure wool, fine cloth, 42 inches wide, never sold under \$1.35, will be sold at

95c

CREPE WEAVINGS and Etamines, in light, soft, clingy styles, in the new shades of light gray, tan and helio, 4 qualities, at

\$1.25, \$1.50, 1.65 and \$2.

Black Dress Goods.

Three perfect conditions attend this sale of Black Dress Goods:

- FIRST—The stock is the largest in the West. SECOND—The light is simply perfect. THIRD—The prices are right.

We have a long list of special interest for this week. It is to be the BANNER WEEK of this banner stock.

- "IRON WEAR" STORM SERGE. 46-inch 70c quality, 53c. 54-inch \$1.00 quality, 58c. 56-inch \$1.25 quality, \$1.05. BLACK CHEVIOTS—The very best wearing fabrics for Skirts or costumes: 50-inch 75c quality, 60c. 48-inch \$1.00 quality, 55c. 42-inch \$1.25 quality, \$1.05.

All the above reductions are from our regular stock numbers and you are not limited in quantity.

Extra Special.

10 pieces MOHAIR DIAGONAL CHEVIOT, All-wool, 47 inches wide, good weight, grand to wear, sold here all the year round at 75c—10 pieces will be sold on Monday, while they last, at

53c Yard

Linings.

- Shrunk Haircloth, the best made at any price; all you want, 17c. SILK-FINISHED TAFFETAS, full yard wide and Fast Black; all you want, 10c. ROMAN STRIPED TAFFETAS, choice new patterns, 20c and 25c qualities, at 15c. FAST BLACK PERCALINE—A fine quality, sold everywhere at 20c; all you want at 12 1/2c. SILESIA—Our own best quality, all colors and all you want, at 10c.

Standard Paper Patterns.

People who know, Ladies who use them, say "they have no equal." Price, 5c to 20c. Why pay more?

SILKS! SILKS!!

LIKE FINDING MONEY. "On Monday morning, at 9 o'clock, we will open some specials in high-class Novelty Silks at prices that will astonish you," (that's what our silk buyer says. Now for the facts—) SILKS FOR WAISTS, all of this spring's style; SWELL PLAID TAFFETAS, in the newest color combinations, they would be remarkably cheap at \$1.25. The price is

65c Yard

OIL-BOILED TAFFETAS—Just 28 pieces, all told, all different stripe effects, no muss or wrinkle to them. They will make an ideal waist or dress for summer wear and are cheap at \$1.00, but will be sold at

55c Yard

Two tables piled high with Spring Taffetas, in rich plaids, stripes and checks, including 20 pieces extra heavy Taffetas, in block patterns, not an old piece or poor style on the table; many have sold right here in our own store at \$1.50 per yard. Your choice for

85c Yard

GRENADINES. The stylish, up-to-date Grenadines are shown in great variety. FOULARDS. We show Cheney Foulards in great variety at 68c, 70c and 80c. FOULARDS. Our finest cloth is perfection for a lady's dress. Every day we hear customers say our assortment is far the largest and prettiest in the two cities.

98c Yard

Laces.

1,800 pieces French Val Laces, with insertings to match, at lower prices than goods of like quality were ever offered in this state. Sold by the piece of 1 1/2 yards only—

- 1/2-inch.....13c. 1-inch.....20c. 3/4-inch.....30c. 1 1/4-inch.....50c.

A big lot of Lace Curtains and Curtain Materials just in the nick of time for Spring House Furnishings.

Nottingham Lace Curtains

EXTRA—150 pairs Nottingham Lace Curtains, full 8 yards long. Price, per pair, 50c.

- \$1.50 Curtains for \$1.00 a pair. \$1.75 Curtains for \$1.25 a pair. \$2.75 Curtains for \$1.75 a pair. \$3.50 Curtains for \$2.25 a pair. \$5.00 Curtains for \$3.75 a pair. \$6.50 Curtains for \$4.75 a pair.

Irish Point Curtains.

- \$5.00 Curtains for \$3.75 a pair. \$7.00 Curtains for \$5.25 a pair. \$8.00 Curtains for \$6.50 a pair. \$9.50 Curtains for \$7.50 a pair. \$12.00 Curtains for \$9.00 a pair. \$14.50 Curtains for \$11.00 a pair.

Real Brussels Curtains.

EXTRA—50 pairs Real Brussels Curtains, full 3 1/2 yards long, 52 inches wide, at lowest price ever made for Real Brussels Curtains—pair \$2.85.

- \$7.00 Curtains for \$5.50 a pair. \$10.00 Curtains for \$8.00 a pair. \$14.00 Curtains for \$11.00 a pair. \$17.00 Curtains for \$14.00 a pair. \$20.00 Curtains for \$16.00 a pair.

Less Than Half-Price.

1,500 yards Real Scotch Madras Curtain Lace, five different designs, 45 inches wide, worth 35c a yard, for 17c.

In the Cloak Room.

TAILOR-MADE SUITS—33 Suits, tight fitting, Eton and box coat effects, some silk lined throughout and worth \$85.00. We should say some sizes are missing, may have just your size. The price is

\$25.00

TAFFETA SILK SKIRTS—25 Taffeta Silk Dress Skirts, handsomely trimmed with jet and braid, full circular or 3-gored new backs. Price,

\$10.75

DRESS SKIRTS of All-wool Serge or Mohair Sicilian, tailor-made throughout. Special,

\$3.50

TAILOR-MADE SKIRTS—A half dozen different lots, all at one price. Cheviots, Sicilians, Crepons and Fancy Tweeds, correct as to styles and thoroughly tailored throughout,

At \$6.75

SILK WAISTS—Including Black and Colored Taffetas and Satins, and a splendid showing of the latest Fancy Silks, beautifully made (165 in all), in two lots at

\$6.75 and \$8.75

SHIRT WAISTS, of good Percale, fast colors, pretty patterns, French or plaited backs, separate collars,

At 50 Cents

SHIRT WAISTS, of fine Percale, Cheviots, Madras Cloths and Gingham, beautifully made,

75c, \$1.15, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$1.95 and \$2.50

Parasols—Umbrellas.

India Silk Parasols, bought to sell at \$2.50; a choice assortment of colors, at

\$1.85

GLORIA SILK UMBRELLA, 26-inch, for sun or rain, Paragon frame, metal rod, with or without case, assorted handles, a good Umbrella,

At \$1.00

Ladies' Neckwear.

Gros de Afric Silk Stocks, 50c. Gros de Afric Silk Puffs, 50c. They come white, pink, helio, royal