SERVANTS.

It is a difficult question to touch this question of what to give your servants or to the janitor. Kindly take a few suggestions from us.

KNIVES.

Every man likes a first-class knife. Not a makeshift, and it doesn't need to be anything fancy, but a first-class blade in a good wood or buckhorn handle is a very sensible thing to give. We can give you a knife suitable for this purpose at from

40c to $1.50.

We would suggest one of our 50c or 75c or 90c knives.

TOOLS.

He likely has some tools of his own, but will always appreciate a new one. You may have noticed that something he used was about worn out, or you might get him what we call a

Toolholder for $1.00.

We have them in less expensive material for the boys.

SCISSORS.

Your maid or seamstress will appreciate a pair of thoroughly good shears or scissors as well as yourself. For 50c to $1.00 you can give her the best.

We could list a hundred things they might want or use, but these are what we call special attention to. You can't afford to shop for Christmas and leave us out.

St. Paul Hardware Co.,

Seventh and Minnesota Streets.

Great Boys' tool ad tomorrow.

CITY NEWS.

Feast or Famine—The school teachers will be paid again today.

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Will Be No Services—Rabbi Rypins being still in the East, there will be no services in Mount Zion temple on Friday evening and Saturday morning.

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Scorched a Barn—James Bond's barn, in the rear of 730 Hoffman avenue, was damaged to the extent of $50 by fire yesterday afternoon. The cause of the fire is unknown.

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In Voluntary Bankruptcy—A petition in voluntary bankruptcy was filed yesterday in the federal court by Stephen Lentsch, a cigarmaker. The liabilities are given at $622.14 and the assets at $125.

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On the Philippines—Rev. C. A. Cressey, late chaplain of the Thirteenth Minnesota volunteers, will lecture this evening under the auspices of the Brotherhood of Andrew and Philip at the Central Presbyterian church.

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Struck by a Crank—While working in an excavation at Seventh and Bradley streets yesterday John Olson, of 958 Reaney street, was struck by the crank of a windlass and badly cut about the head. Dr. Robillard dressed his injuries.

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Phrenologists Meet Tonight — The St. Paul Phrenological society will hold a public meeting at Central hall this evening. President Spicer will lecture on "The Progress of Phrenology as a System of Mental Science." Questions from the audience will be answered.

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Fire From a Fallen Lamp—The fire department was called to the home of H. A. Currier, 401 East Seventh street, shortly after 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon to extinguish a blaze caused by a lamp falling on the floor. The damage, confined to the room, was slight.

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Assessments Are Confirmed — The board of public works yesterday confirmed assessments for the paving of Robert street, between Seventh and Eighth, the cost of which was $1,477; Wabasha, from Second street to the bridge, $628; sewer on Blair street, from Fry to Aldine, $511. The confirmation of the assessment for the paving of East Seventh street was adjourned for one week.

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Farmers Bruised by a Car — Louis Campledin and Alex Campledin, farmers living at Wescott, were thrown from a wagon at Fourth and Washington streets yesterday afternoon in a collision with a street car. The farmers were driving across the tracks. The car struck the front part of the wagon, breaking off the tongue and throwing the men out. The brothers were somewhat bruised, but escaped without serious injury.

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SEVENTH AND CEDAR STS.

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21 cents

A pound for fresh arrival of alive, very lively Lobsters.

3 cents

A head for fresh hot house head Lettuce.

Rolled Oats,	A fresh lot, per pound	2c
Butter,	A choice Creamery, per pound	25c
Butter,	A fancy Creamery, per pound	26c
Butter,	In our wholesale cold storage room, by the tub, at lowest wholesale prices. Prices begin at, per pound	16c
Eggs,	Selected, No. 1 stock, per dozen	16c
Apples,	Visit our Apple Department. We have them at, per barrel	$1.50
Apples,	Good Baldwins, per barrel	$2.50
Apples,	Northern Spys, per bbl., $2, $2.25 and	$2.50
Oysters,	Fresh Bulk Oysters, per quart	25c
Tomatoes,	3-lb cans new Standard quality, per can	7c
Corn,	2-lb. cans of real good new corn, warranted to suit you	7c
Corn Starch,	1-lb. packages, each	3½c
Cleaned Currants,	3 pounds for	25c
Matches,	Good Parlor Matches, six boxes for	5c
Chestnuts,	Best new imported Italian, per pound	12½c
Navel Oranges,	The fancy big home brand, per dozen	20c
Bananas,	Very fancy bright Port Limons, prices begin at, per dozen	10c
Evergreen,	A fine assortment of the best of everything in Evergreen—Holly—green wreathing—plain and mixed wreaths—Mistletoe.	
Baldwin Apples,	Choice New York Baldwins, per peck	30c
Sweet Potatoes,	8 pounds for	25c

FRESH FISH.

Salmon Steaks, per lb	15c
Halibut Steaks, per lb	15c
Fresh Whitefish, per lb	12½c
Fresh Pike, per lb	11c
Fresh Pickerel, per lb	8c
Fresh Perch, per lb	8c
Fresh Herring, per lb	5c
Fresh Buck Shad, each	20c
Fresh Smoked Finnan Haddie, per lb	12½c
Fresh Smoked Whitefish, per lb	8c@12½c
Fresh Smoked Salmon, per lb	8c
Fresh Shrimps, per quart	30c
Fresh Boiled Lobsters, per lb	25c
Large Jack Rabbits, each	30c

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COST EACH A "V."

Fighting in the Wee Sma' Hours Expensive Sport.

Francis L. Winch, formerly of the carriage firm of Crisham & Winch, Third and Wabasha streets, and Matt Conroy were fined $5 each in the police court yesterday as the result of a fight in which they engaged on South Washington street shortly after 3 o'clock yesterday morning. Winch got the worst of the encounter, receiving several blows in the face that caused his nose to bleed freely. He lay some time on the sidewalk unconscious after being assaulted.

According to Officer Houska, who made the arrest, Conroy was the aggressor. The policeman says Conroy jumped on Winch and stretched him cold on the walk. After reviving Winch, Officer Houska locked both men up. Conroy claims to be a member of the police force at West Superior.

NUSHKA CURLING RINK.

It Will Be on Selby Avenue, West of Arundel.

The Nushka club secured a building permit yesterday for the erection of fences, warming rooms and other buildings necessary in conducting a skating and curling rink. The rink is to be located on the south side of Selby avenue, between Arundel and Mackubin streets, and will cost $2,000.

The Hamm Brewing company also secured a permit for the building of an ice house on Fauquier street, near Greenbrier. The structure will be 50 by 135 feet, and cost $5,000. W. Grew secured a permit for a $1,000 dwelling to be put up on Greenwood avenue, near Isabel street. Two other minor permits, aggregating $1,350, were also issued.

DIED IN THE ASYLUM.

Julius Weitzel Passes Away at Rochester of Nephritis.

Clerk of Probate Sundberg was yesterday notified of the death at the Rochester asylum of Julius Weitzel, who was committed from Ramsey county on Nov. 13, 1899. Death occurred on Dec. 12, and was caused by nephritis. When examined in probate court the man refused to talk, and maintained his silence up to the time of his death. Nothing is known of his friends or relatives. He was fifty years old.

SCHOOL BOARD SPECIAL.

Meeting Will Be Held Monday Evening Next.

A special meeting of the board of school inspectors has been called by President Zimmermann for Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock. It is expected that by that time Mayor Kiefer will have announced the appointment of the new member to fill the existing vacancy, and the board can then consider the problem of school finances, as seen in the light of the report of the conference committee.

MOULTON LECTURES MOVE.

Park Congregational Church Will Not Hold the Crowds.

The Park Congregational church has proved inadequate for holding the large audiences desirous of attending the Dr. Moulton series of lectures, so the New Century club, under whose auspices the lectures are given, has decided to have the next Sunday's lecture delivered in the House of Hope church. Dr. Moulton will discuss "The Historical Aspect of the Bible."

Filed Two Foreign Wills.

Two foreign wills were filed for probate yesterday. Henry R. Hoyt asked for letters of administration on the estate of Charles F. Daly, who died at Sing Sing, leaving property in Pine county valued at $17,500. Henry F. Boardman and George J. Sicard, of New York, petitioned for letters on the estate of John Boardman, who died at Troy, N. Y., leaving property in Ramsey county valued at $10,000.

HOTTEST IN TOWN—WHEN LIT.

El Modelo and Tennyson Cigars.

Daughters of the Revolution.

Articles of incorporation were filed by the Daughters of the Revolution of the State of Minnesota with the secretary of state yesterday. The following officers are named for the first year: Regent, Isabella C. Ramsey; vice regent, Gertrude M. Bowen; secretary, Elizabeth Gilmore; treasurer, Mary W. Hill; registrar, Augusta Place; historian, Lulu W. Gleason; librarian, Francis R. Butterfield.

Brown's Jewelry Store is the most attractive place in the city. 110 East Sixth street.

Held to the Grand Jury.

Cassie Smith, the colored woman accused of robbing Herman Peterson at a colored resort on Eighth street, near Robert, waived examination in the police court yesterday and was held to the grand jury. Peterson says he visited the woman at the Eighth street place, and departed minus $80. He went back with a policeman and found $71 in a bed.

Couches, Chairs, Etc.,

Made just as you want them at Schroeder & Dickinson's, 16 E. 6th.

Will Ask for a Pardon.

Elmer E. McDonald, the attorney who defended Michael Stewart, recently convicted of highway robbery and sentenced to four years in the penitentiary, stated yesterday that in case a new trial should be refused he would appeal to the state board of pardons on behalf of his client, whom he believes to be innocent.

Holiday Wines for the Home.

The world's best wines, old liquors and cordials at Michaud Bros.'

HAZLE'S HEADACHE CAPSULES

Cure by removing the cause of Headache.

CHRISTMAS '99.

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The most carefully selected stock of Silverware and Jewelry in the Northwest, covering everything in the Jewelry, Silver, Watch and Clock business.

A Watch from..... $2.50 to $200

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No trouble to show goods.

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A large Company can pay more for claims than they are worth to an individual, for the same reason that large department stores can and do pay more for assigned stocks of goods than small firms or individuals. It is their business; they have the facilities. Call and see us or write us about your Bank claims. N. R. Frost, Agent, 51 East Fourth street.

PROTEST TO GOV. LIND

MEMBERS OF THE THIRTEENTH MINNESOTA DIVIDED ON IMMEDIATE REORGANIZATION

OF THE FIRST REGIMENT

Claim Is Set Up That Only a Small Percentage of the Latter Went to the Philippines, and They Do Not Want to Transfer Their Glory to Those Who Didn't Go—Stillwater View of the Question.

The reorganization of the First Minnesota regiment along the lines that have been suggested is meeting with opposition from the members of the Thirteenth Minnesota. Members of the Thirteenth claim that but a small percentage of their number were First Minnesota men, and they object now to having the First Minnesota get the glory of being the Thirteenth Minnesota on the strength of this small representation. Petitions are in circulation and being signed by ex-members of the Thirteenth Minnesota for presentation to the governor asking him to delay calling the First Minnesota from its leave of absence. The first of these petitions was received by Gov. Lind yesterday from St. Cloud. All the petitions are alike, and read as follows:

"To Hon. John Lind:

"We, the undersigned, late members of the Thirteenth regiment, Minnesota volunteer infantry, for the reasons hereinafter set forth, respectfully show to your excellency:

"At the time the call for the mobilization of the First regiment, N. G. S. M., issued preparatory to muster into the United States service, out of the nine hundred and some odd men composing the enlisted strength of the First, only from one-fifth to one-fourth responded. The remaining refusing to serve as soldiers at the time when their services were so urgently needed. For many years this regiment had been drilled, equipped and disciplined for the time when war should again come upon us. Yet of the 1,339 men composing the late Thirteenth regiment, Minnesota volunteers, only some two hundred were from the First regiment. During our absence all the papers continued to represent the facts to be that the Thirteenth was formerly the First N. G. S. M. Surely your excellency can see how unfair it is to credit the First regiment with such service when eleven-thirteenths of the men were never in the First. Now that we are returned and mustered out of the United States service, plans are being talked of for the reorganization of the First, formerly the Thirteenth. If the leave of absence is at this time revoked, it results in again installing the old roll of the First, as the active soldier list of this state. That is, the four-fifths who have masqueraded as soldiers and then refused the service when the call came, will again be the citizen soldiery of Minnesota. The old officers will again be in command. And in addition this most unwarlike crowd will be referred to as the former Thirteenth.

"Under the present plan of reorganization, we doubt if five per cent of the Thirteenth would ever affiliate themselves with the militia. We would like some time to find out whether it is possible for the adoption of some plan that will permit of some real representation of the Thirteenth regiment.

"Wherefore we request of your excellency a deferring for the time of the proposed order revoking the leave of absence of the First regiment, N. G. S. M., until we shall have had such time as will permit us to suggest some plan of reorganization as will meet the approval of the former members of the Thirteenth regiment."

The sentiments in the foregoing petition are not those of all the ex-members of the Thirteenth. J. C. Rhodes Jr., of Stillwater, writes about the question as follows:

"There has been some talk about the reorganization of old Company K in the First Minnesota national guard. I am an ex-member of the old company, and think it should be perpetuated and kept alive, as it was only mustered into service by order of Gov. Clough, our then governor of Minnesota, for the time of the war with Spain. Of course, many who have served for five years in the old company would hate to see its proud position taken by any other company, and it would be impossible, perhaps, to restore the conditions of men and officers as they were on that day in April, 1898, when their country called them.

"Some take different views from those they had when they met at drills and summer camps during the many years of service for our state. Many, of course, never expected to be called out of the state. When it was found wise not to let some old members go to the Philippines, no one must for a moment think a man was a coward or shirked because he did no volunteer. Many went who did not have any entangling alliances or family, and a large percentage of our company members went on call. They had all the honor for their brave acts, and none of the ex-members seek to retract from their glory. Still, at the same time, we wish to preserve the ranks of an active company and the ranks of an active exempt list, made up of those who were honorably discharged for faithful service. Of all the many organizations in Stillwater, not a secret order, the old Company K was the most successful.

"Our annual gatherings April 5 every year were the most interesting.

"Then let us revive Company K and select our officers out of the old company, as it was on the day they were mustered into Uncle Sam's service, recruit it up, occupy our armory, that is now vacant, and be ready for any emergency.

"Let the time in the Philippines be applied as service on the ex-members' certificates, Nulli Secundus, and go forward and have a good company that will be as creditable as it has been in the past. Then the reunions of the ex-members and the Thirteenth Minnesota will all be something pleasant to look forward to. Let us bury all animosities of the past and have the old boys get together and tell about the 'prison' fire, Fort Snelling, Camp Lakeview and other notable events arising out of the Spanish war. It will make a history to be proud of. Take in a few honorary members from the civil war and make it interesting and profitable to the younger element now growing up, so that they will emulate the noble deeds of their ancestors."

Special Sale of Sample Pianos for Christmas at less than factory prices. Payments of only $5 to $8 per month. Don't miss this chance if you want a piano. A. E. Whitney, Fourth and Cedar streets. Second Floor, Take Elevator.

SUBSTITUTION ALLEGED.

Case of a Cereal Food Company Dismissed by Judge Bunn.

The case of the Minnesota Cereal Food company against Horejs Bros. came up for trial before Judge Bunn in district court yesterday, and after being partially heard was dismissed on motion of the attorney for the plaintiff.

The action was brought to recover $5,000 for alleged breach of contract. According to the complaint in Oct. 1898, the defendants entered into a contract with one Jorges Simons, who held a patent on a cereal flour by which, in return for 1,000 pounds of flour free, they were to put out samples and push the sale of "Simons' Health Bread." Afterwards Simons sold his rights to the Minnesota Cereal Food company, who were plaintiffs. It was alleged that other flour was substituted for the patent flour, and that the sale of the bread was not pushed.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

BARBERS INCORPORATE.

Masters of Shops Meet and Form an Association.

The members of the Master Barbers' association met at the barber shop of H. Kaufer, 245 East Seventh street, Tuesday evening, and signed the articles of incorporation. The articles will be filed with the secretary of state, naming as the purpose of the enterprise to be literary and social culture of its members, the promotion of skill, efficiency and honor in their avocation, and advancement to the highest standard of development in their pursuit and calling.

Membership is open to any master barber who is duly qualified in accordance with the laws of the state of Minnesota governing the profession of barber. The membership fee will be 50 cents and the monthly dues 25 cents. Forty-six members of the association signed the articles. Committees of the Trades and Labor assembly, Barbers' Union No. 31 and Barbers' Association No. 3 will act in conjunction to devise some plan of how to induce the proprietors of the three shops that are still out on the new scale to sign it, and report to the association at the next meeting, which will be held on Tuesday evening in Assembly halls, corner Third and Wabasha streets. All boss barbers of the city are requested to attend.

RED MEN, TOO.

They Observed the Centennial of Washington's Death.

The Washington centennial was celebrated by Minnesota Gopher Tribe No. 21, Independent Order Red Men, at their hall corner Robie and State streets, West side.

An immense bust of Washington graced the center of the rostrum, crowned with a wreath of evergreens, draped with the American flag, surrounded with flowers, flanked with living representatives—West side Americans—attired in the habiliments of Poor Lo of a hundred years ago, a score of children dressed in white and the sachems of the tribe, adorned with paint and feathers.

S. G. Andrist, the great sachem of the order, gave a brief history of the order.

Miss Ethel Kay won unstinted applause by the recitation of "The American Flag."

Miss Steidl rendered a solo beautifully, and Rev. Thomas Hambly delivered the oration of the evening on George Washington.

He said his education was limited, mathematics being his only strength. His writings had been edited until now they are Washingtonian in thought only. Education, well directed, was the greatest power on earth; but, misdirected, the greatest weakness. Some of the greatest men of history had been of limited schooling, but of large, self-developed brain. Such were Lincoln, Grady, James Gordon Bennett Sr. and Bishop Vincent. Referring to Washington's military life, he cited his experience in the French and Indian war, and told how, in that war, the young major had stood nobly for the volunteer soldier as against the supercilious arrogance of the regulars. He was no aristocrat. He worked himself up from nothing and knew how to sympathize with the people. Then for twenty years nothing was heard of him. He had gone back to his estates, and at forty-two years of age he was appointed to the continental congress. He maintained that the colonies should not be taxed to support the mother country and predicted war. He said that if the ministerial policy was persisted in there would be more bloodshed than history had ever yet shown instances of in the annals of North America. Mr. Hambly concluded with a number of tributes from contemporaries of Washington and later statesmen of various countries.

FROM THE SEAT OF WAR.

Valuable Contribution to the Literature of the Philippines.

Mr. Karl Irving Faust has written, and the Hicks-Judd company, of San Francisco, has published, one of the most interesting contributions to Philippine literature. The work is entitled "Campaigning in the Philippines." As a whole it is a complete and very readable history of the war with Aguinaldo's forces from its inception to the muster out and return home of the United States volunteer regiments. The material for this work has been gathered on the ground, from the most reliable sources, the officers and men of the American troops, by Mr. Faust, assisted by a competent corps of writers. The illustrations, half tones from photographs, are profuse.

The overture to this really good book is, of course, Dewey's great battle in Manila bay. Then follow a history of the events leading to the war with Spain, after the battle of Manila bay, reinforcement of Dewey, capture of Manila, and the revolt of the Filipinos.

Supplemental to the work, and a feature that makes it invaluable to Minnesotans, is a complete official history of the operations of the Thirteenth Minnesota regiment in the campaign in the Philippines, written by Lieut. Martin E. Tew, who was in all the engagements in which the regiment participated. Through the courtesy of Gen. Reeve, Col. Ames and Maj. Bean, Lieut. Tew was permitted access to all official records.

The work is handsomely bound in morocco and handsomely illustrated.

NOT AS BAD AS FEARED.

Henry O'Connor's Wound Not a Probably Fatal One.

J. M. Ryan, John Costello and Jim McDonough, arrested in connection with the stabbing of Henry O'Connor, the saloonkeeper at Third and Commercial streets, who was assaulted in his place of business Wednesday afternoon, were arraigned in the police court yesterday. The case was continued until O'Connor recovers from his injuries.

O'Connor received a knife thrust back of the left ear. It was at first feared the blade had touched the brain, but Dr. Borchardt, who is attending O'Connor, thinks now his patient is not dangerously hurt.

A Perfect Wonderland.

One of the most unique places in the Northwest is Holtzermann's Chicago Store Co., 417-423 Cedar avenue (only three blocks from the Interurban line). They have four large stores full of the genuine imported German toys, making a veritable wonderland of new novelties and creations that delight both young and old. They have an enormous selection of the famous toys of Nurenberg and other noted makes. They lay goods aside and send them to your address at any time you may wish.

Found for the Plaintiff.

In district court yesterday Judge Otis found for the plaintiff in the case of Krenik & Rachac against Schon & O'Leary. The action was brought to recover $186.99 for goods sold and delivered.

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NOT A COURT-MARTIAL

GOV. LIND DENIES APPLICATION FOR ONE TO TRY MAJ. LIBBEY

HE DID NOT KICK WURZINGER

Gens. Bend and Lambert Make an Extended Report Upon the Charges and Recommend the Exculpation of Maj. Libbey—Private Wurzinger Comes Forward With an Important Statement.

Gov. Lind yesterday denied the application filed by former members of Battery A for a court-martial of Maj. Libbey, of the artillery, based upon charges of drunkenness and brutality filed with the governor a short time ago. The action was taken by Gov. Lind, upon the recommendation of Brig. Gen. W. B. Bend, concurred in by Adjt. Gen. Lambert, who reported an extended inquiry into the affair of the "last night in camp" and transmitted a large number of letters and statements to substantiate their suggestions.

The original charges filed with Gov. Lind were in the form of affidavits claiming that Maj. Libbey kicked one private, Wurzinger, and maimed him, while sleeping; that Maj. Libbey was in a state of intoxication, and that he ordered Capt. Larson, of the battery, under arrest without just cause.

Gov. Lind referred the charges to Adjt. Gen. Lambert, who in turn transmitted the charges to Gen. Bend. Maj. Libbey's statement was received by Gen. Bend, which branded the charges as false and malicious, and stated that the truth could best be secured through communication with the officers of the battery and those of the Fourth regiment, which was in camp at Lake City at the same time.

Gen. Bend then secured a statement from Private Wurzinger, which in substance is as follows:

"Referring to the charge that at the last encampment of artillery that Maj. E. D. Libbey did brutally kick and maim me while I was asleep on the ground, I desire to state that the recent charge was the first intimation I had of the matter. If I was kicked at all, I was not sufficiently disturbed to wake up and witness the accident. I therefore have no knowledge of it. I was certainly not maimed, or brutally treated, for I would have been aware of it. I have no grievance against Maj. Libbey and therefore no charge to offer."

Gen. Bend communicated with Capt. Larson, of Battery A, and in a letter to the general he states that his name has been wrongfully connected with the affair, and that he has no grievance or complaint to enter concerning the cause or manner of his arrest at the camp on the last night of the encampment.

A petition is also presented, followed by a resolution passed by Battery B, of Minneapolis, and signed by Capt. Bennett, disputing the charges of drunkenness filed against Maj. Libbey and expressing a very emphatic belief that the matter was merely brought to vent the spite of certain members of the artillery and of an entirely malicious character.

The resolution closes with the following:

"While our action is possibly dignifying the charge can only meet with the contempt of those who know Maj. Libbey, or who have served with him, yet we deem it our duty to refute this base slander which, if disregarded, as it deserves to be, might injure our faithful commander in the eyes of others and thus accomplish the only object of its authors. A letter from Col. C. H. March, of the Fourth regiment, states that he met Maj. Libbey frequently while at camp and had not seen him in the least under the influence of intoxicants. Similar statements are attached from W. J. Murphy, adjutant, and First Lieutenant F. P. Bruce, of Battery B, of Minneapolis.

Gen. Bend's statement is as follows:

"My conclusion is that the last night of the encampment many of Battery A men had been drinking, and they did not go to their quarters when ordered to do so. Maj. Libbey placed some of these under arrest, and when Capt. Larson interfered he was placed under arrest also. Wurzinger was found on the ground drunk and was kicked, or more exactly, spurned by Maj. Libbey. This caused ill feeling on the part of some of the men who were among the worst of the brawlers, and the charges followed. It is evident that at the time there was a great deal of bad blood, which has now quieted down, but that feeling remains which causes reticence on the part of the officers of Battery A. The best men of the battery realize that Maj. Libbey was right in suppressing the disorder, but they do not want to take sides too strongly against their comrades."

ACCEPTABLE XMAS GIFTS.

El Modelo or Tennyson Cigars.

BRACE OF DIVORCES.

One of the Defendants Wrote Home for His Clothes.

In district court yesterday Judge Kelly granted a divorce in the case of Margaret Fleming against Adelbert Fleming. The action was brought on the ground of desertion. The Flemings were married in August, 1888, and have one child. The desertion occurred in July, 1898, when, Mrs. Fleming says, her husband left her. She had heard a few days ago from her truant spouse, at Seattle, asking her to forward his clothes.

Findings were ordered for the plaintiff in the case of Tillie Bennett against Horace L. Bennett. The plaintiff alleged misconduct on the part of her husband, and witnesses were introduced to show that he had been seen going into a down town hotel, accompanying other ladies than his wife.

"A SOCIAL GLASS."

Colored People Will Join to Produce a Temperance Play.

The St. Peter Choral society will present at Cretin hall on next Tuesday evening the realistic temperance drama, "A Social Glass." All the dramatic and musical talent among the colored people of the city has been enlisted in the event, for which great preparations are being made. Among those who will take part are: Miss Mayme D. Weir, Mrs. F. L. McGhee, Mrs. William Alexander, Frederick L. McGhee, Allan French, J. S. Harris, William French and Charles Miller.

The work is right, the attention is right, and the price is right at Haynes' Studio.

THIEVES IN BALL ROOM.

Two Coats Stolen at the Good Templars' Ball.

If Anthony Spitzman, living at 37 Sycamore street, had not stopped to enjoy the "Home, Sweet Home" waltz at a dance given at Central hall, Sixth and Seventh streets, Wednesday night, by Liberty lodge, I. O. G. T., he would not have had to walk home without an overcoat and with a handkerchief tied over his head in place of a hat. O. M. Smith, living at 188 East Tenth street, also lost an overcoat at the dance.

Mr. Spitzman had started home, but laid his coat and hat on a chair in the hall to take a final whirl around the ball room. When he came out his coat and hat, valued at $25, had been stolen. Shortly after Mr. Spitzman reported his loss to the central station, Mr. Smith came in to tell about losing his coat. He had a pair of gloves and a muffler in the pockets, placing the value of his property at $15.

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The Best Christmas Stocks.

If we hear it once we hear it said a thousand times a day that there isn't another stock of Christmas Goods in town that can compare with ours. Not only is our stock largest, but it's carefully selected—full of choice, dainty things that are delightful to give and delightful to receive. And prices are delightfully low in every particular.

French and Austrian Decorated China,
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Sterling Silver,
Paris and Vienna Fans,
Photograph Frames,
Leather Goods,
Tortoise Shell Goods,
Triplicate Mirrors,
Bohemian Glass,
Bisque Figures,
Art Calendars and Framed Pictures.

Great Sale of Christmas Dresses.

A thousand Dress Lengths of fine all-wool Dress Goods of all kinds at prices that represent real and generous reductions in every instance.

The special attraction for Friday will consist of nearly 400 full Dress Lengths—all clean, fresh, worthy goods cut from regular stock, which will be sold at the uniform price of

$2.50 — $2.50 — $2.50

each. Some are worth $5.00, and all are worth considerably more than our special selling price.

Another lot at $3.50 are equally good bargains.

Christmas Goods.

Real Ebony Hair Brushes, decidedly the best value ever offered in St. Paul.

Ebony Hair Brushes, 48 cents each.
Ebony Hair Brushes, 65 cents each.
Ebony Hair Brushes, 75 cents each.
Ebony Hair Brushes, $1.00 each.
Ebony Hair Brushes, $1.50, up to $3.75.

Military Hair Brushes.

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IN SAD STRAITS.

Formerly Prosperous Druggist in Face of Starvation.

A confusion of names in sending for a physician yesterday led to prompt measures being taken for the relief of the family of Harry Schott, living at 821 Van Buren street. Mrs. Schott was found ill in bed, suffering with tonsilitis and threatened with pneumonia, while four young children, pinched and wan from lack of warmth and food, hovered about her bedside. The husband has been unable to support his family for some time.

Harry Schott was, some years ago, one of the prominent retail druggists of the city. He was an adept pharmacist, and after being employed by many first-class druggists entered business for himself. He prospered and married. In the course of time reverses came upon him and he lost his business. Lately abject poverty had beset the family. When Mrs. Schott was taken ill a telephone message was sent to City Physician Ancker. By mistake central called up Dr. Xanten, who visited the Schott home. When the physician reached the house he was startled to recognize in Mr. Schott the formerly successful druggist. The family was in a deplorable plight. There was no food in the house and scarcely a spark of fire in the stove, while there was no fuel about the place. One of the younger children was propped up close to the stove trying to keep warm, but blue and shivering with cold. This was at noon and the family had had no breakfast. Dr. Xanten prescribed for Mrs. Schott, and provided a substantial meal for the family, afterward reporting the case to the board of control for immediate attention. A load of wood was sent to the family, and unless Mrs. Schott recovers soon an effort will be made to have her taken to the city hospital, where she can receive proper care. In this case the children will have to be provided with a home, as the father is said to be irresponsible and unable to take care of them.

Xmas Novelties.

Schroeder & Dickinson, 16 E. 6th.

Verdict for Defendant.

The sealed verdict rendered Wednesday evening in the case of Annie Santalasci against John Wagener, as sheriff, was opened yesterday morning, and proved to be for the defendant. Judge Bunn granted a stay of thirty days.

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Jury Awards Albert Saxton Damages of $4,500.

The jury in the case of Albert D. Saxton against the Northwestern Telephone company yesterday returned a verdict awarding the plaintiff $4,500 as damages. The jury was out only four hours.

The action was tried before Judge Otis. Saxton sued to recover $5,000 for personal injuries. While employed as a lineman by the defendant he claimed to have been obliged to climb a pole at Carroll street and Farrington avenue. The pole was decayed and fell under his weight, and he was badly injured. The accident occurred last July.

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