IN LABOR'S .....FIELD

The local union of St. Paul stonemasons, at Assembly hall, last night elected the following officers: President, N. I. Nelson; vice president, W. M. Aikin; recording secretary, E. Isaacson; financial secretary, W. H. Ottum; treasurer, James Reed; sergeant-at-arms, E. M. Anderson; delegates to the Building Trades council, Malcom Geddes, E. Isaacson, Thomas Wheeler; trustees, John Holm, C. Kendahl. One application for new membership was referred to committee of investigation. Owing to the season the state of trade was reported dull.

Social Labor Party Entertainment.

The Christmas and New Year's entertainment of St. Paul section of the social labor party will be given at Assembly hall. Sunday afternoon, Dec. 31, at 3 o'clock. Children will be admitted free and each child will receive a present. Dancing will be in order after the entertainment. Following is the programme:

Part First—Marseillaise, music by orchestra; welcome, chairman; "The Dawn of Ireland's Freedom," Barnes sisters and Mr. Strange; speech, W. B. Hammond; song, Wilson children; song, Vega Singing society; calisthenics, children.

Second Part—Overture, orchestra; recitation, Clayton Stadfield; selection, Socialist Drum corps; song for Skandinavin-Stunz, Scandinavian Singing society; recitation, H. Carling; selection on the drum, Norman Bergeson; Tricks versus Wit, Barnes sisters and Mr. Strange; Christmas cheer, children.

Machinists' Annual Ball.

St. Paul Lodge No. 112, International Association of Machinists, gave their twelfth annual ball last evening at Sherman hall, Sixth and Wabasha streets. One hundred and fifty couples participated, and at 11 o'clock supper was served at Groh's restaurant. Following were the committee: Arrangements—Philip O'Neill, chairman; James Gordon, J. S. Smith, N. C. Bettenburg. Floor—John L. Sullivan, chairman; Fred Spurr, A. Schultz, Thomas Goulding, E. C. Hilger, George Schindeldecker. Reception—D. F. Erskine, chairman; William Powles, John Gardner, Thomas Kennedy, Harry Garner, Charles A. Riach, John P. Utz.

Addressed to Woodworkers.

The Twin City Amalgamated Woodworkers held their meeting last evening in Hall No. 1, Assembly rooms. Business Agent Louis Hansen, who has recently returned from the funeral of his father, who died at Whitewater, Wis., was present and addressed the meeting. The applications for membership of John Rosenquist, Julius J. Enj and Christian Erickson were referred to a committee of investigation. Mr. Erickson being present was initiated. Receipts of the evening, $19.26; expenses, $5.85.

Retail Salesmen.

The St. Paul Retail Salesmen's association held its regular semi-monthly meeting last evening in Hall No. 2, Assembly rooms. There was a fair attendance and lively interest manifested by the members present. One new member was initiated. Working cards for the ensuing quarter were issued.

The Nome Gold Fields.

The first map folder or circular respecting the Klondike gold strike of 1898 was issued by the Northern Pacific Railway. It is more than a coincidence that the first map folder or pamphlet of the Nome mining district comes from the same source. The present folder not only contains a good map of the Nome district but is embellished with several cuts of views at Nome City and on the beach where the method of mining is clearly shown. All information obtainable regarding sailing dates from Seattle and Tacoma, through rates, etc., is given in this book and the public cautioned to go to the agents of the Northern Pacific Railway, who are supplied with diagrams of the Alaska steamers, and arrange in advance for their accommodations, rather than to put off this very important business until they reach Puget Sound. There is no doubt but what there will be a very considerable passenger business from the Middle and Eastern states and a very heavy business from the Pacific Coast states to the Nome district next spring.

For folders, rates, etc., call on O. Vanderbilt, C. T. A., corner Fifth and Robert streets, St. Paul, or send a two-cent stamp to Charles S. Fee, general passenger agent, St. Paul, Minn., and he will mail you the Nome folder.

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Flour, Our special brand "XXXX First Patent" is the identical flour you pay 25 cents a sack more for under other brands. It's made from the same wheat by the same processes, and we sell it at per 98-lb. sack. **$2.00**
(Try it once and you'll use no other.)

Apples, Per barrel **$2.00**

Baking Powder. We make the very "Highest Quality" Cream of Tartar Baking Powder in the land. We guarantee it, for we know everything that goes into it. Price per can is only... ..... **20c**
(This is the powder that is "best by every test." Test it yourself and see?)

Sauerkraut, Schoch's "Golden Thread," per gal.. **20c**

Pickles, New Dill, per gallon..... **25c**

Soap, "Schoch's Best" is identical with other brands you pay more money for. Always remember "Schoch's Best is Best," and the price is 8 bars **25c**

Washing Powder, 4-lb. package of our celebrated "Kion-dike" brand. **18c**

Mince Meat, Three packages... ..... **25c**

Sweet Potatoes, Eight pounds... **25c**

Potatoes, Afton, per bushel **33c**

Coffee, "Palmer House" Java and Mocha is the best coffee at the price anywhere in the Northwest. Price, per pound..... **25c**

Flour, 6 pounds Pure Buckwheat..... **25c**

Oysters, Fresh, per quart..... **25c**

Doughnuts, Home-Made, per dozen..... **8c**

Chestnuts, Italian, per pound..... **18c**

Grape Fruit, Each.. .. .. **5c**

FREE TRUMPETS.

With every 25 cents' worth of Schoch's Soap, at the regular low price (8 bars 25c), we give a souvenir in the shape of a trumpet—a GOOD trumpet.

Cheese, Full Cream, per pound	12½c
Honey, 3 tumblers, strained	25c
Smoked Mutton, by the shank, lb	25c
Butter, Good Butter, at, per pound, 18c, 20c, 22c and	25c
Cheese, Brick, per pound	15c
Lard, 3½ pounds, pure	25c
Ham, Sugar-Cured, per pound	11c
Herring, Marinirte, per dozen	60c
Prunes, 4 pounds, French	25c
Herring, New Holland, per keg	$1.00
Herring, New Holland Milchener, per keg	$1.25

The Andrew Schoch Grocery Co.,
"St. Paul's Greatest Grocery Stores."
7th & Broadway. 7th & St. Peter.

WITH FISH AND GAME

EXECUTIVE AGENT BEUTNER TRANSMITS HIS ANNUAL REPORT TO PRESIDENT WILLIAMS

TOTAL COST OF DEPARTMENT

Forty Arrests for Violation of Game Laws Were Made, Twenty-Seven of Which Resulted in Conviction—Report Indicates That the Commission Has Done Some Excellent Work in Protecting Game.

Executive Agent Beutner yesterday transmitted to President Williams, of the Minnesota game and fish commission, a resume of the work accomplished during the year, together with the receipts and disbursements, including the amount received from the confiscation of game. The total costs of all departments of the commission for the period between March 1 and Dec. 1, including the salary of executive agent, secretary and wardens, was $17,652.19, representing a reduction in the expenses of the commission compared with years past through economical administration.

The commission has employed during the year seventy-two people, including special and regular wardens appointed to serve during the fall and thirteen regular wardens who have stations in Northern Minnesota. Forty arrests were made during the period, twenty-seven of which resulted in convictions and ten were dismissed, with three cases still pending. The summary of the amounts paid to wardens is as follows: Salaries of deputy game wardens, $5,679.31; hotel and livery bills, $1,803.63; railway fare, $341.05; salary of special and commissioned wardens, $2,317.24. The state fish hatchery at Willow brook cost the state in the neighborhood of $3,000. Salaries of officers amounted to $1,900 and the other expenses of maintenance are given as follows: Expense of special help for gathering fry, $259; hatchery improvements, $138.97; food for fish, $552.11; rent of the Willow brook site, $400; railway fare in distribution of fish, $104.53. All told, the legal department cost in the neighborhood of $800, including traveling expenses, hotel bills, etc.

The board of game and fish commissioners serve without compensation, and only received actual expenses incurred. The amounts paid out by the board are given as follows: Treasurer's expenses, $226.20; hotel and livery, $156.98; board's expenses for stationery, postage and telephone, $416.60; special help for board of commissioners, $25.75.

The report indicates that the commission has done some excellent work in propagating the fish species and protecting feathered, finny and antlered game. The state received $1,538 from the sale of confiscated game and fish and collected in fines $695, all of which was turned over to the state treasurer. The commission paid out for drayage, express and storage on game seized about $393. The commission returned $401.25 for illegally seized game and fish. The licensing of pound nets in the international waters brought the state a revenue of $1,685; $80 was also received for pound nets and seines in interstate waters.

The commission also collected $368 for net and seine licenses for whitefish and trellpines in the interstate rivers and lakes for November and the first fifteen days in December.

During the period covered in the report the commission seized and destroyed 22 gill nets, 4,697 feet in length; 20 hoop nets, measuring 352 feet, and 18 seine nets, estimated at 3,000 feet, the total value being $1,080. There was also seized and destroyed, as provided by law, nets, boats, set lines and other public nuisances having an estimated value of $4,277.

The distribution of fry is given as follows: Trout, 2,101,000; bass, 28,600; croppies, 58,100; pike, 400,000; total, 2,587,700.

HANAN SELLS OUT.

Big Plymouth Clothing House Buys the Shoe Company's Stock.

The Plymouth Clothing house has just closed another mammoth shoe deal, and as a result will offer to the public the entire stock of Hannan's Minneapolis and St. Paul stores, at Plymouth prices. The following signed statement will explain the deal:

"We have sold out to the Plymouth our entire stock of shoes, both in our Minneapolis and St. Paul stores, and have also made the Plymouth sole agents for the sale of Hanan shoes in both cities "The shoe salesroom of the Plymouth Clothing house is one of the largest and most skillfully managed shoe stores in the United States.

"The extreme low rent and improved system under which this great shoe business is carried on must result in a saving to the public in both time and money.

(Signed) —"Hanan Shoe Company,
"John H. Hanan, President."

This is the second big purchase of shoes made by the Plymouth within the last few weeks. About a month ago the Plymouth bought out Heffelfinger Bros.' big stock and retail business in Minneapolis, and has since been closing out the stock.

It has been known for some time that the Hanan Shoe company was contemplating closing its retail stores in the Twin Cities. The company finally picked out the Plymouth as the most desirable agents, and Mr. Hanan came to this city some three or four weeks ago with the intention of selling to the Plymouth. As a result of this decision on the part of the Hanan Shoe company, the Plymouth was able to buy the stock at a rather low figure and make a very advantageous purchase.

The sale, which was consummated only a few days ago, was one of the biggest mercantile deals which has been closed in this city for a long time.

TO BURN ITS MORTGAGE.

Great Event in the History of the First Presbyterian Church.

The First Presbyterian church, Lincoln avenue and Grotto street, will hold a gala day Friday evening of this week. The church will then burn its mortgage and say to the public that it is practically free of debt. For several months past Rev. John Sinclair and his people have been figuring hard to raise a sum of $6,750, and they have succeeded. The mortgage, which is $5,000, has been subscribed for and will be paid in by Friday morning, and the remaining debt is securely pledged to be paid next year.

The church, which is the oldest Protestant organization in Minnesota, had its beginning in 1849, when St. Paul's population was only 500. The organization was begun on Nov. 26, of that year, and perfected in the end of December, so that the First church has now attained its golden jubilee. There are two members who were enrolled in the list of charter members who will be present on Friday evening. They are Mr. and Mrs. William Tinker, over eighty years of age, who, though they live several miles away, yet worship in the church every Sunday. Mr. Tinker will put the mortgage in the flames, and it will be handed to him by Mrs. Caroline White, who is ninety-two years of age, and was an early member of the church.

A number of ministers will offer congratulations to the First church. Bishop M. N. Gilbert, Rev. A. McGregor, Rev. F. B. Cowgill, Rev. H. F. Stillwell, Rev. C. L. Deven and Rev. A. D. Harmon, belonging to other churches, and a number of members of the presbytery, will also speak. Messrs. Cooper, McCulloch, Nattrass, Donahower, Pearce, Chapman and Story will speak for different organizations of the congregation. Each speaker will be allowed two minutes. After the speaking and burning of the mortgage the ladies of the church will serve tea.

IN THE SOCIAL WORLD.

Christmas Cantata to Be Repeated at Dayton's Bluff Church.

Miss Bowlin will give a dancing party this evening at her home on Summit avenue.

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The meeting of the Tabernacle society will take place Friday, Dec. 29, at 10:30 a. m., at the Ryan Annex.

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Holy Faith Episcopal mission, 1080 East Seventh street, will hold its Christmas tree and carol service this evening at 7:30. Rev. George H. Mueller, rector of St. Peter's church, will make an address. After the carol service recitations and songs will be given by the children of the mission, and Christmas gifts will be presented.

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The Schubert club chorus will this evening resume its regular rehearsals at the Y. M. C. A. assembly hall. The chorus is now rehearsing for the concerts to be given in February. The chorus is in need of more tenors and altos, and there is room for a few bassos. It is important that applicants for admission be present at this, the first rehearsal of the works to be presented in February. These works are Verdi's "Stabat Mater" and Mendelssohn's "Loreley."

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The Christmas cantata, "The Light of Life," which was given by the choir of Dayton's Bluff German M. E. church last Sunday evening, will be repeated this evening at the same place. The beautiful Christmas decorations will be shown, the same as on Christmas evening. This will give any one attending an opportunity to see and hear these both at the same time.

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A dancing party will be given by the White Flyer Cycle club at Sherman hall New Year's night.

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Miss Bassford and Miss Hannah Bassford gave a large euchre party last evening at their home on Iglehart street, in honor of Mrs. E. C. Rogerson and Miss Caswell, of Chicago. Cards were played at fourteen tables. The hostesses were assisted by Miss Foster and Miss Bock. After 10 o'clock there was dancing, for which Hilliard's orchestra played. A short musical programme was given. Miss Pace sang and Miss San Souci played.

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Judge and Mrs. George B. Young have cards out for a supper to be given Thursday evening, Jan. 4, at their home on Summit avenue.

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Miss Jeannette Conable will give a thimble bee tomorrow afternoon at her home on Grand avenue.

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The children of the Commons gave a Christmas entertainment in the court last evening. A large Christmas tree, lighted with candles and laden with toys and candy, stood at one end of the court, and near the tree, on an improvised stage, the children gave a pretty Christmas programme made up of songs and recitations. Among those taking part were: Meri Riddle, Mamie Golden, Edith La Pine, Jessie Baldwin, Irvine Farrell and Lyle La Pine.

The Commons Band of Mercy, under the supervision of Misss Nellie Hanson, trimmed the tree and arranged the programme. Each child received some candy and a gift.

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Mr. and Mrs. John Peterson, of 598 Holly avenue, entertained at dinner last evening, in honor of President and Mrs. Maotthias Wahlstrom, of Gustavus Adolphus college, St. Peter. Mrs. Peterson was assisted by Misses Agnes Peterson and Josephine Blom. The guests were Rev. and Mrs. C. J. Carlson, Rev. and Mrs. L. A. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. John M. Carlson, Dr. and Mrs. Olaf Sohlberg, Mr. and Mrs. John Blom, Mr. and Mrs. P. N. Lindquist, Mr. and Mrs. John Elmquist and Miss Lydia Lagerstrom, of Princeton.

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Mrs. Broadbent, Mrs. Arrol and daughter have gone South for the winter.

Mrs. Nippolt, of South Exchange street, is entertaining Mrs. Cordes, of Denver.

Mrs. Victor Watkins, of Holly avenue, is entertaining Miss Arnold, of Red Wing.

Mrs. J. L. Townley, of Iglehart street, is entertaining her father, C. C. Jenkins, of Berlin, Wis.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Hobe, of Dayton avenue, are in West Superior.

Miss Gertrude Gray, of Summit avenue, is home from Monticello seminary, Godfrey, Ill., for the holidays.

Victor M. Watkins, of Holly avenue, will sail for Porto Rico Jan 13, to visit his daughter, Mrs. Wilder.

CHOICEST SELECTION OF TOBACCO.

El Modelo and Tennyson cigars.

MASS MEETING JAN. 6.

Demonstration of Those Favoring the Independence of the Boers.

A meeting of the executive committee of the citizens' general committee for the proposed mass meeting in favor of the independence of the Boers, was held at 2 p. m. yesetrday, at which the following gentlemen were present:

F. W. Bergmeier, Dr. J. A. C. Markoe, C. D. O'Brien, W. Siwart Smit, H. Lohrbauer, R. A. Hoyt, Theodore F. Koch. Chairman Moses Clapp was absent on account of urgent business.

The subcommittee reported that the People's church could be had and that the armory was also offered by Gen. Bend for holding the mass meeting, free of charge, except the cost of heating, lighting and cleaning.

The executive committee unanimously determined to hald a mass meeting at the People's church on Saturday, Jan. 6, at 8 p. m. The following subcommittees were appointed:

Advertising and Decoration—F. W. Bergmeier, chairman; Dr. J. A. C. Markoe and Mr. H. Lohrbauer.

On Music—F. W. Bergmeier, W. Siwart Smit and Theodore F. Koch.

Invitations—R. A. Hoyt, chairman; Dr. J. A. C. Markoe and W. Siwart Smit.

Mr. Theodore F. Koch announced that he would personally contribute $50 to the amount raised for expenses.

It was unanimously adopted to hold a meeting of the general committee in favor of the independence of the Boers on Saturday, Dec. 30, at 8 p. m., at the Commercial club, for which the secretary was instructed to send out written invitations.

LAWYER WANTS HIS FEE.

Attorney Davis Says That Inspector Haas Owes Him Money.

Building Inspector Samuel Haas, in a complaint in a civil action filed in the municipal court yesterday afternoon, is accused of having been arrested in this city in 1896 and taken back to Austin, Minn., on the charge of violating the innkeepers' act. The suit is entered by Alfred B. Davis, an attorney, who demands $50 for services rendered to Haas in the case. The complainant sets forth that Haas was arrested here, and that at the defendant's request complainant went with the building inspector, and the officer alleged to have arrested him, to Austin. At Austin, Attorney Davis claims, he secured Haas' release on his own recognizance upon a $1,000 bond. For such service he charged $50, which he alleges Haas has never paid.

Another action was begun against Haas to recover $100 on a promissory note. The complainant is C. P. Wildung, who claims he loaned the building inspector $100 on a thirty-day note, and though payment has since been demanded no part of the obligation has been settled.

The Security Trust Company offers its patrons the advantages of an elegant safety deposit vault. Gilt-edged mortgages always on hand for sale. This company acts as assignee, receiver, guardian and trustee, and pays the highest interest on time deposits.

MAY LOSE MR. SOPER

PLYMOUTH CONGREGATIONAL PASTOR CONSIDERING A CALL TO DANBURY, CONN.

LIKES HIS PRESENT CHARGE

May Conclude to Remain, Although the New England Offer Is Said to Be a Good One—Plymouth Society Holds Its Annual Election and Receives Reports of the Year's Work.

Officers for the coming year were elected at a meeting of the Plymouth Congregational Church society, held last night. Reports were read covering the business year, and plans made for the work of the church during 1900. The close of the fiscal year found the church in better condition than for three years past.

The election of officers resulted in the choice of S. R. McGraw to succeed himself as president; H. P. Anderson, vice president, re-elected; Edward A. Reed, treasurer, succeeding G. G. Sanborn; Warren Upham, clerk, re-elected; Robert McLean, collector, re-elected. As trustees for a period of three years J. D. Humphrey, H. C. Osgood and S. S. Crooks were re-elected. C. L. Rumsey, F. H. Sickels, A. M. Stokes and F. Gaslin were chosen as ushers. The election of Mr. Reed as treasurer terminates the faithful services of Mr. Sanborn, who for more than ten years has attended to the duties of the office. His name was proposed for re-election, but, at his own request, a successor was chosen.

The treasurer's report showed that during the year the church has collected and expended for all purposes slightly more than $4,500. It has cleared up a number of outstanding liabilities and enters the new year with a mortgage of $3,500 and two outstanding notes, with excellent prospect of liquidating every liability in another twelve months. A plan was proposed giving the expenses of choir and music into the hands of the ladies' society, thus relieving the treasurer from liabilities of about $500 a year.

The church clerk reported increased membership, about 350 names standing on the rolls. Reports from the Sunday school showed a large growth during the year, with encouraging prospects. The church trustees reported that the expenses of the church for last year were set at a figure considerably higher than before, and that these, with such liabilities as held over from the preceding year, were successfully met.

Rev. George A. Soper, pastor of the church, made an address to the society, in which he pointed out many grounds for congratulation in the work accomplished. He considered the condition of the body excellent, and found cause to predict a still more successful record for 1900.

There is a possibility that the Plymouth church may loose Mr. Soper to an Eastern congregation. Reports are current that a tender has been made him by a committee from the First Congregational church, of Danbury, Conn., the oldest church in the state. Asked as to the truth of the report, Mr. Soper said:

"A committee has tendered me a call to the First Church of Danbury, but I have not given them an answer yet. I have not decided whether I shall accept their call or remain with the Plymouth church. There is a possibility that I may decide to go East, but it is as yet somewhat remote. I have been given a week more in which to consider the matter, and will not give them an answer until the expiration of that time. My relations with the Plymouth church have been most cordial and of a nature which prompts me to remain in St. Paul."

The First Congregational church, of Danbury, was founded 200 years ago, and is one of the oldest churches in New England. It has a membership of between 600 and 700, and owns a parsonage costing $11,000. It has long been considered one of the most influential churches of the denomination in the East, and the tender of its pastorate made Mr. Soper is a most flattering offer.

Rev. George A. Soper came to the Plymouth church from Alexandria, Minn. He is president of the State Christian Endeavor union, and ranks as one of the leading Congregational pastors of the state. He is highly esteemed in his own church, as well as in religious circles outside his own denomination.

PRIZES FOR CLUBS.

Carnival Association Directors Allow an Appropriation of $500.

The directors of the Carnival association yesterday made an appropriation of $500 to be used by the committee on clubs as prize money. The amount will be divided and used at the discretion of a committee, consisting of W. L. Perkins Jr., Hallberg, Selb and Finehout.

The committee appointed to select a uniform for the association reported through Chairman McCardy that their choice is a gray carnival suit, with red toque, red stockings and red sash. Estimates have been received from different manufacturers, and the uniform will be supplied at a reasonable cost.

The central feature of the carnival will be announced on Saturday. A meeting of the directors will be held in the afternoon at which a choice will be made. It is understood that the selection has practically been made, but nothing has been made public regarding its character. It was stated yesterday by a director that the feature will be one which will astonish St. Paulites, and will be a drawing attraction.

Chairman Feldhauser's committee on promotion and publicity met yesterday and decided to begin the work of advertising the carnival at once. Posters will be printed and spread throughout the state. One hundred thousand stickers will be purchased and distributed by traveling men. These will be plastered throughout the entire Northwest wherever an opportunity offers, and the idea seems to the committee one which will bring good results.

The committee on clubs has organized its work and has appointed sixty subcommitteemen, drawn from social, fraternal and other organizations and the business firms and interests of the city. Each will have charge of the work of organizing a club in his own particular field. Every large concern in St. Paul will have a special organizer, and the work has been thorough and complete.

Five thousand additional badges have been ordered by the directors. The sum of $100 has been granted to guarantee expenses for the Skating association races during the carnival. The commercial travelers have organized, and will have a large club in the field. A committee, consisting of C. Shadle, W. H. Capser, Theo. Barker, J. M. Dresser and Ben Hirschman, has been appointed to direct its affairs.

CARLETON GRADUATES.

Annual Reunion of the Association at the Commercial Club.

Two score Twin City Carletonites gathered at the Commercial club last evening and observed the annual reunion of the Twin City Carleton club. The musical entertainment was preceded by a banquet and speaking. Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. James F. Jackson, W. B. Clow, Mons S. Baker, J. W. Strong, Miss M. J. Evans, Prof. A. H. Pearson, Mr. and Mrs. Pierce Butler, Harriet A. Hale, A. C. Finney, William Robertson, Dr. J. J. Dow, Mr. and Mrs. Olds, Mr. and Mrs. George A. Stanton, Miss Fernald, J. K. McBroom, A. R. Bixby, H. E. Carleton, F. E. Lurton, William Sudduth, Miss Bailey, Katabel Chadbourne, Mrs. Nessly and Miss Cook.

Pierce Butler introduced James F. Jackson as toastmaster at the conclusion of the supper. Miss Evans was the first speaker. She referred to the advantages of students attending smaller colleges through the close personal association with the instructors. Prof. Freeman Lurton, of Monticello, and Dr. Louise B. Richardson, both spoke. The latter told of the $50,000 endowment which had been given the college contingent upon an additional $100,000 being raised for the college. A flattering start had been made and the faculty fostered large hopes that the full amount might be secured. The speaker stated that at Wesley college over 800 girls were enrolled and the faculty hardly knew what to do with them all. In calling upon the next speaker, Prof. J. K. McBroom, Toastmaster Jackson asked him to explain the best disposition of the surplus at the Wesley institution. Prof. McBroom pleaded for an extension of time, as he already had his hands full with one, and 800 was more than a quantum sufficiency.

Following the speechmaking a musical programme was given by a number of Carleton graduates.

QUALITY, NOT QUANTITY.

El Modelo and Tennyson cigars.

SEEKING TAX ABATEMENT.

St. Paul Real Estate Holders Make Offers of Compromise.

County Auditor Johnson and Clerk of Courts Rogers held a conference with Deputy Auditor Iverson yesterday regarding the application of a large number of local property owners for abatement of taxes. Next May, in compliance with a law passed by the last legislature, there will be a general clearing up of the tax rolls, and a great many St. Paul people, who own large blocks of real estate in various parts of the city, have made a compromise proposition to the board of abatement. In nearly all cases these propositions are for more than 50 per cent of the amount charged against the property. Before these propositions can be accepted they must be approved not only by the local board, but by the county auditor and state auditor.

There is a disposition on the part of the county officials to accept these cash offers for settlement, as in many cases they will exceed the amount that would be netted, afer final judgment was entered and the sale conducted. Mr. Johnson has expressed his intention of accepting these offers, and Mr. Iverson, while not stating what position his department would take, gave his official visitors to understand that the state auditor would approve of any plan that would bring the best results. The property in question for the most part is that upon which there are delinquent taxes for a number of years back, together with interest and penalties.

CHARGE IS SWINDLING.

Two Alleged Confidence Men Are Under Arrest.

Andrew Johnson and Martin Nelson, alleged confidence operators, are under arrest on the charge of swindling. They are alleged to be the men who got $40 from Simon Hegelson in a card game at Andersen's saloon, 215 East Seventh street, a week ago. Hegelson claimed to have lost $130 in the game, but made such a "roar" afterward that he says the alleged sharpers returned $90.

Wants Part of Property.

Mrs. B. F. Irvine has applied for her rights under the law to a share in her husband's will. She has renounced her rights under her husband's will which gave her $1. Mr. Irvine, who was for many years the postmaster at the state house, left an estate valued at $800 to be divided among his two daughters and his nephew, W. H. Irvine.

Christmas and New Year's Rates.

For the winter holidays the Chicago Great Western Railway will sell excursion tickets Dec. 23 to 25, and Dec. 30 to Jan. 1, inclusive, good to return Jan. 2, 1900, to all stations on its line within 200 miles from the selling station, for a fare and one-third for the round trip. For further information inquire of any Chicago Great Western Agent, or address F. H Lord, General Passenger and Ticket Agent, 113 Adams St., Chicago.

New Corporations Organized.

The secretary of state's office did a land office business yesterday. Six new companies filed articles of incorporation and were duly authorized to do business. They are as follows:

Highland Power and Canal Company, Minneapolis; capital stock, $50,000. The incorporators are: R. J. Powell, H. H. Steele, J. H. Kirk, J. A. Coleman and H. L. Whitteman, all of Minneapolis.

Homestake Gold Mining Company, Limited, of Ontario, capital $1,250,000, by N. C. Westerfield, Cyrus Wellington, W. H. Hill, John W. Nelson and F. J. Bowman, of St. Paul.

Malta Iron Company, capital $50,000, of Sparta, St. Louis county, by Homer A. Kelley and Frank J. Miller, of Cleveland, and A. C. Dustin, of Duluth.

Standard Brewing Company, of Mankato, capital $125,000, by Henry Himmelman, Nic Peterson, S. Wielhartz and others.

Duluth Zinc Company, capital $100,000, for mining and smelting, by A. B. Wolvin, Ward Ames, F. E. Searle and John Wolvin, all of Duluth.

Scandinavian Mutual Aid Association Siloah, of Holmes City, Douglas county, by H. L. Lewis, Peter J. Holm, R. Vallquist and Jens Backelin.

RIFLE CHAMPION SAFE

Captain A. H. Bogardus, the Champion Wing Shot of the World, Recovers From Bright's Disease.

Captain Had a Close Call—Bright's Disease Usually Considered Incurable—Dodd's Kidney Pills Cured Him.

ELKHART, Ill., Dec. 27.—Your correspondent has secured an interview with Capt. Bogardus, the wing shot champion of the world. The rifle champion is now in the best of health and condition and his hand acts as closely in touch with his eye as it ever did. It is a known fact that Capt. Bogardus had Bright's disease a short while ago, and as Bright's disease has always been incurable his present state of health is as gratifying as it is surprising.

When questioned about his case the wing shot champion grew warm in his praise for Dodd's Kidney Pills.

"Why everybody told me Bright's Disease was incurable," said he. "Doctors couldn't fix me, and I never had any hope of getting cured. I suffered from kidney trouble several years before I found I had Bright's Disease. Bright's Disease is the last stage of kidney disease, and once it sets in you are a dead man—that is it used to be that way. Now it seems all you've got to do is to take Dodd's Kidney Pills and get cured."

"Would you make a statement of your case for the press?" asked the correspondent.

"You can say I was a sufferer from kidney disease for several years, and it rapidly developed into Bright's Disease. I was persuaded to take Dodd's Kidney Pills, and must say that they completely restored my kidneys to a healthy condition, and I attribute my present good health to Dodd's Kidney Pills, and unhesitatingly recommend them to sufferers from Bright's Disease and other kidney troubles."

Capt. Bogardus is a veteran of the Civil War, where he served in an Illinois regiment with distinction and won promotion. His skill with firearms is of world-wide reputation. He has met and vanquished all comers in defense of the title of champion wing shot of the world, and has traveled the globe over giving exhibitions of his skill. It will reassure his many friends and admirers to know that Dodd's Kidney Pills have saved the champion's life.

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THEO. F. KOCH, Treasurer.

DEATHS.

RUSSELL—In St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 27, 1899, at 3 a. m., at the city hospital, E. A. Russell, aged thirty-one years, beloved husband of Mrs. Effie Russell. Notice of funeral later.

PIKE—In St. Paul, Dec. 27, at the family residence, 136 Western avenue, Charles Edward Pike, aged eighty-three years. Notice of funeral hereafter. Oshkosh and Boston papers please copy.

BOHRER—At St. Joseph's hospital, Dec. 27, 1899, of pneumonia, Mary E. Bohrer, widow of the late Zene C. Bohrer, of this city.

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VITAL STATISTICS.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Albert Schreiber, May Stowman.
Charles Larson, Anna Slupstad.
Hans Christ Johnson, Olive Anderson.
Gust Peterson, Emma C. Blomgren.
George C. Maahs, Martha Berger.
Wilder R. Nelson, Emily E. Mahon.
Adolph Trolben, Clara Loate.
Frank J. McAweeney, Cora F. Glaster.
Rexford Heimes, Katherine Schneider.
Carl Ellison, Louise Schultenover.

BIRTHS.

Mrs. F. A. Pike, Laurel and Western, girl.
Mrs. Peter Benson, 35 E. 9th st., boy.
Mrs. E. Brannig, 1109 Suburban av., boy.
Mrs. Pet Nilson, 626 Jenks, boy.
Mrs. Andrew Erickson, 915 Arcade, girl.
Mrs. Alfred Petterson, 746 Cook, boy.
Mrs. Charles Weed, 665 De Soto, boy.
Mrs. Nick Tempel, Rice st., boy.
Mrs. John Broze, 353 Von Minden, boy.
Mrs. William Plahm, 22 Douglas, girl.
Mrs. Nic Rueth, 1093 Reaney, girl.
Mrs. Fred J. Will, W. 9th st., boy.
Mrs. W. D. Ahl, 860 York, boy.
Mrs. John Anderson, 1199 Fauquier, girl.
Mrs. Patsy Kelly, 979 Margaret, girl.
Mrs. Henry Hanson, 505 Winslow, girl.
Mrs. C. H. Zachrison, 774 Wells, boy.
Mrs. Gust Nilson, 608 Case, girl.
Mrs. T. Peterson, 702 Bradley, girl.
Mrs. Charles Hanson, 669 Case, boy.
Mrs. Peter Kelly, 1064 Fauquier, girl.
Mrs. Otis Paden, 1173 Beech, boy.
Mrs. C. Ingleden, 98 W