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Minnesota—Local showers Saturday; Sunday fair and warmer; light to fresh southerly winds. North Dakota—Fair and warmer Saturday; probably showers and cooler Sunday; southerly winds. South Dakota—Fair and warmer Saturday; probably showers and cooler Sunday; southerly winds.

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Yesterday's observations, taken by the United States weather bureau at St. Paul, Minn., from 7 o'clock last night to 7 o'clock this morning. Barometer corrected for temperature and elevation. Highest temperature 75 Lowest temperature 56 Average temperature 65 Daily range 19

RIVER BULLETIN.

Station. Danger Scale Change in Station. Line. A. M. 24 Hours. St. Paul 1.5 2.2 -0.9 Davenport 1.3 1.3 -0.1 Kansas City 1.3 1.3 -0.1 Memphis 1.3 1.3 -0.1 Omaha 1.3 1.3 -0.1 St. Louis 1.3 1.3 -0.1

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES.

St. Paul. 7 a. m. 62. 8 a. m. 62. 9 a. m. 62. 10 a. m. 62. 11 a. m. 62. 12 m. 62. 1 p. m. 62. 2 p. m. 62. 3 p. m. 62. 4 p. m. 62. 5 p. m. 62. 6 p. m. 62. 7 p. m. 62. 8 p. m. 62. 9 p. m. 62. 10 p. m. 62. 11 p. m. 62. 12 m. 62.

OCEAN LINERS.

NEW YORK—Arrived: Rotterdam, from Rotterdam; steamer Patricia, from Hamburg. HAMBURG—Arrived: Kaiser Friedrich, New York, via Plymouth and Cherbourg. NEW YORK—Arrived: Kaiser Wilhelm II, New York, and sailed for Genoa. GENOA—Arrived: Victoria, New York, via Marseilles. HAVRE—Arrived: La Bretagne, New York. NEW YORK—June 15—Arrived: Auguste, from Hamburg, etc. SO. ATLANTIC—Sailed: Fuerst Bismarck, from Hamburg, New York, via Cherbourg. GLASGOW—Sailed: State of Nebraska, New York. MONTREAL—Sailed: Tunisian (from Liverpool), Montreal. LIVERPOOL—Sailed: Celtic, New York. BISMARCK—Sailed: Steamer Fuerst Bismarck, from Hamburg and Southampton, New York.

TODAY IN ST. PAUL.

GRAND—Valentine stock company in new building, 2:30 and 8:15 p. m. Globe extension leaves foot of Jackson street, 2 p. m. Alumni of Humboldt high school meet, 8 p. m. Yacht races, White Bear, 2:30 p. m. Golf match, Town and Country club links.

SATURDAY, JUNE 16, 1900.

DEWEY'S GOOD SENSE.

A man talks best of what he knows most about. Admiral Dewey has done some talking publicly within the past few months; but it has not all displayed the good sense and breadth of view which the people have generally given the admiral credit for. That has been due entirely to the fact that he has at times undertaken to talk about what he did not know much, if anything, about, and what no man as capable in his own profession as he could be expected to know much, if anything, about. Politics is a much more difficult matter to handle than a good many men believe, a fact, no doubt, which has borne itself in on the consciousness of the hero of Manila with considerable force in the period mentioned.

Whenever Admiral Dewey has spoken on any subject which related directly or indirectly to naval matters he has spoken wisely and well. This is made additionally plain by his little talk recently on the situation in China. "I can only see one outcome," said the admiral, "as the result of the conflict between the progress of China, and that is the adoption of the American policy in favor of open ports for American commerce on equal terms with all other commercial nations of the world. It is fortunate that we are in a position to say to the nations of Europe: 'We're in this deal, gentlemen.' This is Europe's true policy of the United States. We want no foreign alliance to secure our interests in the Orient. We are in a situation to insist on the freedom of Chinese ports so far as the trade of the United States is concerned. It is not necessary that we shall take any part in the quelling of the present disturbances save as the protection of American interests requires and the general interests of humanity may dictate. It should not matter to us what the attitude of any other nation may be either absolutely or relatively as to others, so long as it is not irreconcilable with the

entire freedom of Chinese ports. We are in no worse position than Germany, so far as our tariff policy is involved. Every nation has, ostensibly at least, if the representations of the state department are of their face value, already declared its willingness that there should be free access to Chinese ports accorded to our shipping. But whatever the diplomatic significance may be of the statements recently published in this regard by the state department, we are in a position, as Admiral Dewey suggests, to make it plain to the European nations that, whatever political changes may be wrought in the affairs of the Chinese empire, they must conform to American rights and American interests. President McKinley is just at this time making a great deal about the determination of the United States not to interfere in any way with the situation in China. There have been a good many declarations of intention made by the president from time to time in the past three years which have not been strictly adhered to, as the event has shown. In this case, however, the country is very clear that nothing short of a diplomatic blunder, equivalent in operation to a crime, can cause this country to take any attitude in the present situation which will bind us to any course of conduct not consistent with the one demand, of absolute equality with all other nations whatever in the trade of the Chinese empire.

PICKING A BUBBLE.

Mr. Arthur Keen, of Birmingham, England, who, according to all reports, is a mighty man in English finance and industry, is quoted as having made a remarkable statement within a day or two. It must at least sound remarkable to most Americans who have of late been possessing themselves securely of the idea that we are about to take control of the trade of the world. He has characterized as "rot, rubbish, nonsense," all statements to the effect that American competition is going in anywise to injuriously affect the iron industries of the United Kingdom. Now, it is upon this sort of assurance that the people of the United States have been fed for some time past, and fed very liberally. Our manufacturers of iron have been able to get a few contracts for structural work in South Africa and one or two other out-of-the-way places. We have been able, too, by reason of advantageous geographical situation and the wide experience which American manufacturers have in the peculiar productions needed, to get a good share of the trade in material used in railroad building and equipment away out in Manchuria; but beyond these instances, of successful American operations, it would be hard to tell on what basis of fact rests the immense superstructure of political brag and puffery which Mr. Keen has so ruthlessly demolished. No doubt it will materially strengthen the hold which the protectionist scheme still has on the popular fancy to have it understood that we are not only able to shut out all foreign competition from our own markets, but are also able to force the hands of foreign manufacturers in their own markets. That is, no doubt, the motive of all the blatherskite statements that have been current; and it is gratifying, even at this late date, that something has been said by one fully qualified to speak which enables us to see what an exhibition we have been making of ourselves by our claims in this regard.

The people of the United States are paying a huge bounty to their iron and steel manufacturers. The recent revelations in the Erik-Carnegie lawsuit show just what that bounty means for the cost which has a virtual control over the iron and steel manufacturing industry of this country. They show the origin of Mr. Carnegie's philanthropy. They show that that commodity is a highly protected production. They help to make plain what the trusts will represent in the industrial and social life of the country after a time, and furnish an adequate reason for the strenuous opposition which has been made by the anti-trust Republican brethren of the administration against the proposal to take the tariff off trust commodities. Mr. Arthur Keen, of Birmingham, England, has at least done his share in the work, which is progressing quite satisfactorily, of bringing home to the American people the full significance of maintaining a prohibitive customs tariff under existing conditions.

THE REAL TROUBLE WITH THE SOUTH.

Some people in the Southern states are complaining that there is no tidal wave of immigration to the South nor any immediate prospect of an influx of immigrants. They seem to blame the people of the North for the failure of immigration, to a great extent, and think the Northerners misunderstand and misrepresent the South and the Southerners. The chief misrepresentations complained of are that the Southern white treats the negro unfairly, and even cruelly; that life is not respected in the South as it ought to be, and that the Southerners hate the people of the North. It is not improbable that many Northern people are under the impression that the life of a colored person in the South is not altogether a happy one; and that there is a too hasty resort to lethal weapons even by distinguished citizens in the settlement of disputes. Some Northern people may also believe that some Southerners are not partial to the people of the North. But these impressions, whether or not they have a good foundation, are not the real cause for the "aforesaid" of the immigrant to the Southern states. The real cause of the distaste of the homeseeker for the Southern states is really the racial troubles between the whites and the blacks. The negro question is at the root of all the troubles that have ever afflicted the Southern states and that afflict them today. When that question is settled finally, and settled in justice and equity both to white and black alike, then the South may expect to see the tide of immigration turn its way, but not until then. People who emigrate are not attracted to troubled communities. They seek peaceful and

AT THE THEATERS.

GRAND. A matinee today at 2:30 and a performance tonight at 8:15 will conclude the presentation in this city of "The Crust of Society" by the Valentine stock company. Miss Meta Maynard gives an excellent interpretation of the role of Lady Eastlake Chute and E. R. Maxwell is seen to excellent advantage as Oliver St. Aubyn.

The coming week at the Grand opera house the Valentine stock company will produce two great plays. For the first half of the week will be presented "Mam'zelle." For the last half of the week "Ingramar."

CONTRACTOR GETS NO MONEY.

Hasn't Fulfilled His Contract on Wabasha Bridge Substructure. Contractor Charles Stone, who is doing the substructure work on the Wabasha street bridge, has been refused money on his bill. City Engineer Clausen, holding that under the contract his part of the work should have been completed three months ago, and that a penalty of \$20 a day has since been piling up against him. The contractor has completed the pier, but is delayed on the rip-rapping by the operations of the iron men at work on the superstructure.

JABBED BY A HATPIN.

Charles Kruescher, forty-three years old and living at 417 Jackson street, was slightly injured yesterday morning about 11 o'clock, while working at the wood yard of C. W. Staehle, 200 Rice street. He found a hatpin while he was working and stuck it into his vest pocket. In some way the hat pin was stuck into his left side, and he fainted. The Rondo street station patrol wagon was called and conveyed him to the city hospital. The doctor at that place at a general examination of him, and finding that he was only slightly hurt, he was allowed to go home.

DRAMA IN GREEK.

It Will Be Played for Woman Suffrage Fund. The state executive committee of the Minnesota Woman Suffrage association will hold monthly meetings at headquarters at Masonic Temple, Minneapolis, all through the summer. Classes will be taken during the usual summer vacation. There are so many matters coming up relative to the great National American Woman Suffrage convention, to be held in Minneapolis in the spring, that the workers will be actively engaged through the summer. At the last meeting it was decided to discontinue the monthly bulletin to the local clubs till September. Miss Gracia L. Jenks, of Stillwater, was appointed chairman of the press committee. A new club was reported for this month in the Superior. Articles for the national suffrage bazaar, to be held in New York city this year in December will be sent to the state bazaar chairman, Miss E. C. Whedon, 519 Medical block, Minneapolis.

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SOUND DOCTRINE.

The public conduct of Comptroller Coler, of New York, has not commended itself to the general intelligence, any more than has that of our putative reformer, Comptroller McCurdy. Both have played altogether too freely to the galleries, and each will no doubt pay the penalty of such a line of conduct before long. McCurdy has had a narrow escape from paying it much earlier than he, or, indeed, anybody else expected; and Coler, no doubt, will pay it before he is much older.

For what men of this type do to promote the public welfare they should be thanked. No doubt they have at one time or other a well-defined purpose to accomplish good things, and until they learn to regard themselves as embodying all the virtues prevalent in their vicinity in their own persons, they no doubt fulfill a useful function. Their precepts are mostly of infinitely more value than their practices, and at least the example they set of apparently safeguarding the public interests is fruitful of excellent results.

The New York official has recently been making a speech in Illinois, and it must be said that it was an excellent speech, at least in part. It was on the failure of responsible citizens to discharge their public duties, and the corruption which results therefrom. The importance of the cities and their public life in determining the tone of political morals he treated with all the thoughtfulness and thoroughness of a man who had studied his subject out carefully.

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Committee Which Approves Department Supplies Organizes. The requisition committees of the board of aldermen and assembly met yesterday afternoon in the committee room of the council chamber, in the city hall. At the beginning of each administration these committees get together and elect a joint chairman, to whom is delegated the performance of the duties of the requisition committee. It is to pass upon requisitions for supplies from the various departments of the municipal government and then submit them to the council. The chairman held a session, and the requisition committee's action. Neither the members of the committee nor the chairman, who does