CITY NEWS.

The water board meets this morning.

The board of aldermen meet tonight.

About 100 cases have been filed for the October term of the supreme court.

The wills of Julius Rhode and Christine Beckham were admitted to probate yesterday by Judge Bazille.

The state headquarters of the Ancient Order of United Workmen have been removed from Willmar to St. Paul.

Today the water on the high service and the meters will be cut down, owing to the cessation of summer weather.

Guy L. Thomas, the son of Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Thomas, of the Metropolitan, is ill with typhoid fever at St. Joseph's hospital.

Bessie McDonald, who was in the probate court yesterday, was sent to the city hospital for treatment. Her nerves are in bad shape.

Receivers of the Wood Harvester works yesterday filed an accounting in the probate court as follows: Disbursements, $7,658; receipts, $24,534.

The First battalion of the Modern Woodmen Foresters will meet this evening at Central hall, at 8 o'clock sharp. Battalion drill will follow at Smith park.

The monthly meeting of the Junior Pioneers' association will be held tomorrow evening at Elks' hall. Nominations for officers for the coming year will be made.

The opening of the season of the West Side Turnverein and ice cream social will take place at their hall Saturday evening, Sept. 15. Music will be provided by the Citizens' band.

Miss Caroline Austin has returned from her European trip and has now assumed her duties in the Central high school. She was warmly greeted by all her friends on her return.

Pawnshop Inspector Lavalle yesterday recovered tools valued at $5 that were stolen from H. Oberg and Charles Nelson Saturday evening. The tools were found in a Third street junk shop.

Building permits were issued yesterday to Constant Baly for a barn to cost $50 on Indiana avenue, and to W. I. Maher for a frame dwelling to cost $300 between Griggs and Syndicate streets.

The central committee of the St. Paul Christian Endeavor union will meet in the St. Anthony Park Congregational church Friday evening. Supper will be served to the members at 6:45 o'clock.

Henry Brement, Company G, Thirteenth Minnesota, has been admitted to the Soldiers' home from Goodhue county. John McDonald, a veteran of Company F, Third New Jersey, was also admitted from Crow Wing county.

Rev. Charles D. Andrews, of Christ church, has decided to postpone the celebration of the semi-centennial and the payment of the church debt until November 1. It is hoped that Bishop Whipple will be in the city at that time.

Certificates of incorporation authorizing the companies to do business in Minnesota were filed yesterday with the secretary of state by the United Fire Insurance company of Baltimore and the Colonial Assurance company of New York city.

ECZEMA; NO CURE, NO PAY.

Your druggist will refund your money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure Ringworm, Tetter, Old Ulcers and Sores, Pimples and Blackheads on the face, and all skin diseases. 50 cents.

She Claims $10,000.

Bridget Peffard has filed a claim against the city for $10,000 damages. Claim is based upon injuries alleged to have been the result of a fall, owing to a defective sidewalk on the West side.

Sheriff Attached the Lumber.

Sheriff Wagner has attached 131,320 feet of logs lying in a boom near Fort Snelling. They are the property of Irving & Zimmermann. The seizure was made to satisfy a claim of $4,500 owing to John W. McAlpine, of Grand Rapids.

Savings Bank of St. Paul.

Will cash your claim against this bank or most any other insolvent bank, building association or estate. N. R. Frost.

Washouts Have Been Numerous.

Owing to the recent heavy rains there have been several washouts about the city. City Engineer Clausen yesterday stated that the most severe ones were in the First, Second, Sixth and Seventh wards.

Today

We sell the famous Rocky Ford Melons for 25 cents per half bushel.

L. L. MAY & CO.,
64 East Sixth Street.

To Try Them Is to Like Them!

The success of Cascarets Candy Cathartic is so great, because those who buy them and try them always buy them again. All druggists, 10c, 25c, 50c.

YERXA

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

13 pounds
best Granulated Sugar for..... **50c**
to all customers ordering the following bill of Groceries:
1 sack Yerxa's Extra Flour.....$2.30
2 pounds any variety Tea.....$1.00
3 pounds Hoffman House Coffee..... 90
$4.70

The above are our regular low prices, except the sugar, which is just one-half price with this bill.

57c
Per ½-bushel boxes fancy Cox cling Peaches. Now is the time to preserve them.

Blood Peaches—90c
Per crate for a very fancy lot of India Blood Peaches; there are but few of these grown; they are delicious and a novelty as well, especially good for pickling; also a delicious, juicy, sweet Peach.

Damson Plums—22c
For one-fifth bushel baskets of fancy Michigan Damson Plums; lots of them for everybody (fine for preserving).

18 cents
A bottle for Snider's pint bottles Tomato Catsup (regular 25c size) for a few days.

Watermelons 5c.
We have several thousand fresh, ripe, crisp Watermelons to close out. We offer the ordinary sizes at 5c each, and fancy large Jumbos at 10 to 15c each.

Durkee's Salad Dress'g, 9c
Per bottle for the famous Durkee's Salad Dressing in the small sized bottles.

Salway Peaches—These are California's best product and the best peach to preserve; half-bushel crates, only 83c
Plums, only a few left, per ½-bushel crates 60c
Potatoes, Jersey Sweet. These are genuine Jersey Sweets and fancy quality; 7 pounds for..... 25c
Butter, fancy Creamery, per pound.. 24c
Matches, good Parlor, per dozen boxes 10c
Vinegar, pure Cider, per gallon..... 15c
Cantaloupes and Melons—They are prime now, and we are selling them at, per bushel basket..... 25c
Cocoanut, fresh shredded, per package 5c
Garden Vegetables of year-by cultivation; plucked fresh every morning, and on sale at lowest prices.
Sugar-Cured Hams, fresh smoked, per lb 11c
Picnic Hams, fresh smoked, per lb.. 8c

HE WAS A PILLAR OF FIRE

LEO LUX HAD AN EXCITING TIME WITH BURNING GASOLINE

HIS BURNS WERE NOT FATAL

Carelessness Caused the Accident, and He Ran Away Enveloped in Flames—Scene Caused Old Lady to Faint.

Leo Lux, a brother of John W. Lux, the grocer at Rice and Wabasha streets, had a very narrow escape from being burnt to death yesterday. Young Lux, who is nineteen years old, and works for his brother, was delivering a gallon of gasoline to Mrs. J. J. Herschfield, 760 Wabasha street, about 5:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon. In pouring the gasoline out of the can into the tank on the gasoline stove he poured it too full, and in pulling the funnel out the gasoline spattered all over. A cook stove was standing close by with a fire in it, and in a moment young Lux was all ablaze. Without stopping to think, he started for the stairway leading to the street, and as he ran down the stairs he represented a fast-moving mass of flames. Mrs. Wine, who lives next door in the flat, had the presence of mind to pick up a gown and follow the boy. When he got into the street he ran against a wagon and fell down, so that Mrs. Wine was able to catch him and smother the flames with the gown. In the meantime a fire alarm had been turned in by Walter Clark, a young boy, and the occupants of the flat upstairs were in a fit of excitement. The fire department arrived and the fire was put out without doing much damage. Young Lux was taken to Dr. Eshelby's office, after which he was removed to St. Joseph's hospital. Both of his hands, his back and his right leg are severely burned, but he will get over it all right.

A Mrs. Martin, who lives in the flat, and who is eighty years old, happened to come out on the rear porch while it was ablaze and she fainted. She was, however, brought around all right without the aid of a doctor.

TO CLOSE THE SALOONS

MINISTERS' ASSOCIATION OPPOSED TO DRINKING ON SUNDAYS.

At the regular weekly meeting of the Ministers' association, held yesterday afternoon at the Y. M. C. A., Rev. David Morgan read a paper on "The Cause and Cure of the Tramp." The paper was followed by a general discussion. Rev. H. C. Ashcraft, of Grace M. E. church, presented the question of saloon closing on Sunday. Mr. Ashcraft stated that he thought the time was ripe for a concerted action on the part of all of the churches in the city to see that the Sunday closing law was enforced. He also suggested that an effort be made to pass a wine room ordinance similar to the one in force in Minneapolis. E. G. Sanderson, president of the anti-saloon league, and Rev. W. M. Jamieson, of Owatonna, also spoke along the same lines.

The street meetings that have been held by the Methodist churches of the city at the corner of Cedar and Seventh streets will be continued until Sept. 23. Those in charge of the meetings already held state that two dozen known converts have been received into the church. The following churches will be in charge during the coming week: Monday, Grace church; Tuesday, First M. E. church; Wednesday, there will be no meeting; Thursday, King Street church; Friday, Asbury church; Saturday, Clinton Avenue church; Sunday, Central Park church. The pastors of these churches will speak on their respective nights.

THEY WANT LARGER ROOMS.

Chamber of Commerce After Better Accommodations.

The Chamber of Commerce is in need of a suitable auditorium. The matter came up at the session yesterday, but no action was taken, although the availability of the large front room on the second story of the new library building was considered. It is understood, however, that Messrs. Lennon & Gibbons are contemplating securing a lease on that place. The discussion will be resumed at next Monday's meeting. The successful management of the recent state fair was commented upon and resolutions of congratulation to the officers of the association was moved and, when drafted, will be adopted. The city's crying need for cold storage facilities was the subject of the addresses of several members of the body.

The attendance was the largest since the June session. On Monday forenoon next the board of directors for the ensuing year will be elected.

WOOLLEY WILL BE HERE.

Committees Appointed to Make Arrangements for Campaign Speech.

A meeting of representatives of different temperance and church societies was held last evening to make arrangements for the Woolley-Metcalf Prohibition special meeting, to be held at the Auditorium on Thursday, Sept. 27. Martin Bacon was chosen chairman of the committee, and the following sub committees were appointed: Alexander G. F. Wells, H. G. Neal, F. R. McManigal, E. A. Oakey, M. Bacon; finance, N. R. Frost, A. W. Gutridge, D. T. Wellington, Mrs. M. F. Kelley, C. A. Fowble.

F. W. GOSEWISCH PROMOTED.

He Is Now Clerk of the Probate Court—Another Promotion.

Fred W. Gosewisch was formally appointed clerk of the probate court yesterday. Judge Bazille selected James B. Pearson to fill the vacancy caused by the promotion of Gosewisch upon the recommendation of citizens of the first ward.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT RUSHED.

Many Children Are Now Being Vaccinated Every Day.

The last few days the health department of the city has been considerably rushed owing to the numerous applications for free vaccination. Dr. Ohage's assistants have treated 400 children with vaccine since the first of the month. Nearly a hundred visited the office yesterday. The unusual activity is due to opening of the public schools and the requirement of vaccination there.

Waiting for the Shelves.

Librarian Mahan, of the United States circuit court of appeals, has shelved his books, for the present, in the corridors of the top floor of the new federal building. The expected book cases will not be ready for use for several weeks.

Enjoyed a Jolly Time.

The delegates to the National Mail Carriers' association at Detroit, and the National Association of Postoffice Clerks at Atlanta City, have returned. All report a royal reception and a jolly good time. Important business was transacted. Official statements will be forthcoming in a few days.

Appointed an Administrator.

Jesse Pomroy has been appointed administrator in the case of the estate of Owen Morris, valued at $25,000.

Bank of Minnesota.

Will cash your claim against this bank or most any other insolvent bank, building association or estate. N. R. Frost.

MONEY SEEMS NO OBJECT

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HESITATE OVER SPENDING $4,000 ON THE JAIL

SEEK MORE LEGAL ADVICE

More Than Anxious to Get the Power to Issue Thousands of Dollars of Bonds.

The county commissioners met last night and sought to find some way out of the new jail tangle. Scarcely anything was accomplished.

A communication from County Attorney Bigelow, in reply to a request, was received and placed on file. In his opinion, the counsel stated that the county commission was not authorized to issue bonds for the purpose of buying real estate. In the case of the several thousand dollars overdraft on the road and bridge fund, he stated that any improper charges made against that fund might be charged to other funds, and that the board was the judge of the propriety of the different charges that have been made from time to time.

Commissioner Quehl, who was under the impression that Assistant County Attorney Zollman had rendered an opinion to the effect that the board had a right to issue bonds for a jail site, closely questioned that gentleman, without much success. He denied having made any such statement.

Commissioner Hardick said that somehow or other they had got the erroneous idea that they had the power to go ahead as they were doing and erect the jail, and buy the site, too, if they wished. But the attorney stated that the board had no general authority to issue bonds.

Commissioner Hardick introduced a motion instructing the county auditor to ascertain from the state investment board whether it would be possible for the county to borrow money for a jail site from the state of Minnesota. The motion carried.

The commissioners, hoping that some way might be found out of the limitations in regard to the issuance of bonds as set down by the county attorney, voted to request Bigelow to ask an opinion of the state attorney general.

The proposition to repair the old jail instead of building a new one was brought up by the reading of the following communication:

Hon. Rudolph Schiffman, Acting Mayor of St. Paul:

At your request, we examined the jail building, Fifth and Cedar streets, and find the following conditions:

The south wall we consider unsafe, as it is very badly buckled. There is ninety-five feet in length of this wall and thirty feet in height that ought to be taken down and rebuilt and thoroughly anchored to the front wall, putting in large windows in the new wall to give more light and air to the cells.

Stone tables on north and south wall, west end, should be braced from inside.

We find the plumbing in very bad condition. The main supply from street is too small to flush the closets. It requires new plumbing throughout, also ventilation to cells.

All old hot air pipes throughout to be removed.

The wooden stairs, south side of building, to be repaired.

The above repairs, we estimate, will cost $4,000.

We were unable to examine the condition of the joists without taking off the plaster or taking up the main floor.

A. F. Gauger, Clarence H. Johnston, George H. Grant, John H. Shea and William Foelison signed the report.

After the reading of the report Ald. Schiffmann laid the case before the commission. He said that the jail was not a fit place for the confinement of any human being. He mentioned the sewage gas there and the censure that the board would be subject to in case some of the predictions of the past grand juries should come to pass. Four thousand dollars would put it in shape for the next five years, according to the report of the committee appointed to investigate.

Commissioner Powers said that only $2,000 had been appropriated for jail maintenance and the repairs could not come out of that fund.

The report was laid over to be considered at a future meeting.

Commsisioner Powers moved that the county auditor be requested to furnish an itemized statement of all bills and estimates for roads and bridges charged against the road and bridge fund from April 1 to date, also the balance of money to the credit at present. It was carried unanimously.

Some complaints against the estimates furnished by the county surveyor were brought up. The county auditor at the next meeting will furnish an accounting of expenses of the surveyor's office during the last two years.

Bids on the under grade crossing of Rice street, at its junction with the Soo road, were received. The bids ranged from $6,500 to $3,595, as follows:

Joseph P. Lange, $4,325; John Boldthen, $3,595; Dougherty & Dempsey, $6,500; Patrick H. Thornton, $5,500; Charles E. Sandeen, $5,400; Thomas Linman, $4,850.

DITCHES FOR WHITE BEAR.

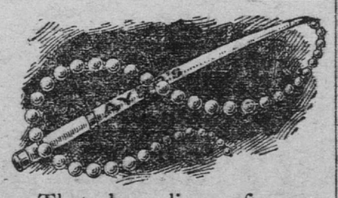
Ross Clark appeared for the White Bear Improvement association with the request that the county vote money from the $3,000 allowed for lake improvement by the legislature for the construction of a system of ditches to drain the several thousand acres lying near White Bear, which at present is tributary to the swampy land to the west of the lake. There seems to be no other way to keep the level of the lake up to the point where it was twelve years ago. The board will take action at their next meeting when Mr. Clark will be able to give an exact estimate of the cost, which will be about $1,500.

Any boy with a head on his shoulders will want a Rob Roy plaid cloth hat when he sees it. Fifty cents.

HE TALKED TOO MUCH.

Joseph Webber Insane Through Sleeplessness and Conversation.

Joseph Webber, of 777 Butternut street, was committed to Rochester by the probate court yesterday. He became insane through "sleeplessness and a desire to work both night and day and constant talking."



That lazy liver of yours needs a whip. Ayer's Pills will stir it without stinging.

All druggists. 25 cents a box.

J. C. AYER COMPANY,
Practical Chemists, Lowell, Mass.

Ayer's Sarsaparilla | Ayer's Hair Vigor
Ayer's Pills | Ayer's Cherry Pectoral
Ayer's Ague Cure | Ayer's Comatone

DROPPED DEAD IN A BATH

CARL KNITTER EXPIRED WHILE CLEANING OUT A BATH TUB

LEAVES A WIFE AND FAMILY

His Children Discovered Him and Raised an Alarm—Had Suffered From Heart Disease for a Year Past.

Carl Knitter, a porter in Krumick Bros.' barber shop, 245 East Seventh street, died suddenly about 8 o'clock last night in one of the bath rooms of the barber shop, while he was cleaning the bath tub. Coroner Nelson was immediately notified, and when he arrived he decided that no autopsy will be necessary, as the facts go to show that Knitter has been subject to heart failure for some time past.

Mr. Knitter was forty year old, married, and had three children, a girl sixteen years old, a boy thirteen years, and another boy two years old. He lived at 448 South Robert street, and has always been a sober and industrious man. For the past year he had complained almost daily of feeling bad, and in a way had expected to be taken away suddenly.

T. F. Sullivan, who was using the bath room adjoining, said that he heard a thump, as if something dropped, and looked over into the other bath room to see what it was and saw Mr. Knitter sitting in a chair leaning over the bath tub. The position seemed so natural that he did not think the man was dead until a few minutes after, when the dead man's own children, two of whom were in the barber shop, raised the alarm.

Mr. Knitter belonged to Camp No. 6, Modern Woodmen, had many friends, and his death will be mourned by many. The body was taken to the county morgue and his wife notified. He had been subject to fainting spells quite frequently lately.

TO BE LOCKED INTO.

Child Labor Investigation Will Begin When Schools Get Started.

It was given out in the office of the labor commissioner at the capitol yesterday that the matter of child labor will not be looked into until the public schools of the state have gotten well under way in their work. Very little trouble is expected this year. The last school year the percentage of child labor in the Twin Cities and Duluth was 1 26-100. Outside of the cities it was 66-100 of 1 per cent.

The law is to the effect that no child between the ages of eight and sixteen can be kept out of school. There are exceptions which are made only in cases of absolute necessity. It is the intention to let the enforcement of the law rest until the school superintendents of the state have had time to give permits to all those who must, of necessity, stay out of school. The matter will then be taken up by the labor commissioner.

THEY WERE TOO SLOW.

Two Men Arrested While Selling Stolen Goods.

George Grandelmeyer and Sam Laff were arrested in Minneapolis by Detectives Murname and Lavalle while in the act of disposing of some goods that had been stolen from Gaertner & Melchoir's tailoring shop on Tenth street, last Friday night. The men were brought to St. Paul and lodged in the central station, and charged with larceny.

The robbery for which the men were arrested took place before four o'clock last Saturday morning, and when one of the proprietors came there at that hour he found a pool of blood in front of the door, and the cloth floor of the shop and the sidewalk was also covered with blood. On examination of the stock, six suit patterns, valued at $50, were found to be missing.

The proprietor also found the cloth and clothes of the shop in front of the door. The chief of police was at once notified, and Detectives Murname and Lavalle detailed on the case, with the above results.

FELL FROM A ROOF.

H. Schumacher Sustains Painful Injuries, but Will Survive.

While Henry Schumacher, living at 299 Charles street, was working on the roof of the engine house of the Jefferson school yesterday afternoon, something gave way, and Mr. Schumacher fell two stories to the ground. He struck on his face and head, but no bones were broken.

Dr. Vieregge was called and dressed the bruises, after which Mr. Schumacher was taken to his home.

TWO COMPANIES INCORPORATE.

United Fire and Colonial Insurance Companies Took Out Articles.

Articles of incorporation were filed with State Secretary Berg yesterday by the United Fire Insurance company, of Baltimore city.

The company will have its headquarters in the New York Life building, at Minneapolis. The company has been in existence forty years and has a capital stock of $250,000.

George E. Leach has been appointed the Minneapolis agent.

The Colonial Assurance company, of New York, a foreign corporation, filed articles with Secretary Berg yesterday. The headquarters of the company will be at Minneapolis.

A certificate of incorporation was also filed by the Fergus Flour Mills company. Capital stock $60,000.

TO STRAIGHTEN BATES AVENUE

Board of Works Yesterday Considered a Much-Needed Improvement.

The board of public works met yesterday afternoon. Protests were entered against the proposed improvement of Hall and Bates avenues. Both matters were taken under consideration by the board. It is hoped that Bates avenue may be straightened out by condemning the 100-foot triangle at the intersection of Seventh, Bates and North. The owner, however, wishes $18,000 for the property, which others value at $700.

Chamber of Commerce Begins.

The Chamber of Commerce held its first meeting yesterday since June. There was some talk about the use of part of the new library building as an auditorium. The matter will be taken under further consideration next Monday.

Several of the members were strongly in favor of having something done to secure a new cold storage plant. The burning of the old plant has seriously discommoded a large number of the local merchants.

At the next meeting resolutions will be adopted congratulating the State Agricultural society on the success of the fair.

It is economy to wear the Gordon Hat—it outwears other hats.

Was Drunk or Insane.

Herman Barman was lodged in the county jail yesterday afternoon. It is doubtful whether he will be sent up before the probate or police court, as he may not be insane, but intoxicated.

Stops the Cough
And Works Off the Cold.
Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets cure a cold in one day. No Cure, No Pay. Price, 25 cents.

Field, Schlick & Co.

GREAT CURTAIN SALE

Over 800 pairs bought from a New York importer at a straight discount of 35 per cent. He took stock in July and all patterns of which but 25 pairs or less remained were sorted out to be sold in a lump, that stocks might be quickly adjusted. Close trade relations with this importer gave us the preference. We secured the lot. There is not an old pattern or a soiled curtain among them all, though upwards of a hundred different patterns are represented. The purchase has no connection with our plans for the season's regular curtain business. It's a special purchase and must be sold quickly on special sale. The importer's reasons for selling them under value are our reasons for selling them under value. He must keep his stocks clean and well balanced for regular business. We must do the same. Hence these surprising curtain bargains.

$6.50 for $15.00 curtains.

$5.00 for $10.00 curtains.

$4.00 for $7.50 curtains.

230 pairs—none worth less than $12, many worth $15.00..... **$6.50**

190 pairs—none worth less than $8, many worth $10.00..... **$5.00**

370 pairs—none worth less than $6, many worth $7.50..... **$4.00**

NAPOLEON GAVE IT AWAY

INTERESTING PAPER READ AT HISTORICAL SOCIETY'S MEETING ABOUT LOUISIANA PURCHASE

DID NOT KNOW ITS WORTH

The Great French Warrior Was Afraid Great Britain Would Steal It From Him, and Therefore Sold It.

The executive council of the Minnesota Historical society was entertained last night at the capitol building with an interesting and instructive paper read by Dr. James K. Hosmer, Minneapolis, entitled "How Napoleon Sold Louisiana and Fought a Great Battle About It which History Has Neglected."

This subject was in continuation of previous papers read before the society by Hon. N. P. Langford, of St. Paul, and Samuel M. Davis, of Minneapolis, who had treated quite freely the American side of the negotiation of the Louisiana purchase in 1803. Additional information concerning this most important event in the development of the United States has been obtained by Dr. Hosmer from memoirs published in France and little known by American historians.

It was shown that Louisiana was really bestowed on the United States by Napoleon, who, on the brink of renewal of war with England, preferred that this vast fertile province, with all its grand possibilities, should be ceded to our republic rather than that it should be wrested from France by the powerful navy of England. Monroe and Livingston had endeavored to purchase New Orleans and the mouth of the Mississippi, but during long and tedious negotiations had received little encouragement of success. Suddenly, and unexpectedly to the American negotiators, Napoleon decided that we must purchase the whole province, stretching from the Gulf of Mexico to the British boundary at the forty-ninth parallel, and from the west bank of the Mississippi to the Rocky mountains. Jefferson and his envoys were at first greatly embarrassed, not feeling sure that the purchase of this vast region would receive the approval of congress.

Why Napoleon, after being very anxious to obtain and keep Louisiana, thus suddenly changed his mind and became anxious instead to sell it to the United States, was narrated and clearly accounted for by Dr. Hosmer, who stated that the first consul of France encountered great opposition against his decision to sell Louisiana, and how he met that opposition. Public sentiment in France and the feelings of his own family were strongly against the alienation of so fine a province. His brothers then possessed great influence, and they withstood him stoutly. Napoleon, however, insisted upon having his own way, for the first time assuming autocratic power; and it is impossible to adequately estimate the effect of this decision upon the destiny of our country. This was the first accession of new territory to the United States. It met, indeed, with strenuous opposition by patriotic statesmen in congress; but a majority approved and ratified the treaty.

The New York Independent, said Dr. Hosmer, suggests that a statue of Napoleon be inaugurated in St. Louis, in connection with the centennial celebration of the Louisiana purchase in 1903. Such a statue in that central city of our country, the largest city in the vast tract that was called Louisiana, would be appropriate, the speaker thought, in view of the grand benefits accruing to the United States from territorial expansion by the Louisiana purchase, which came to us from Napoleon, unexpected and unsought.

After the reading of the paper by Dr. Hosmer, business of a routine nature was transacted. The severe illness of D. L. Kingsbury, announced at the meeting, who had been librarian of the society for seven years, was the occasion of expressions of hope for a quick recovery, and resolutions were drawn up expressing sympathy for him in his illness.

The following people, all of Minneapolis, were made life members of the society: S. A. Martin, C. J. Martin, A. T. Rand, F. H. Peavey, F. B. Sample; Ross Clark, of St. Paul, was also made a life member. The three following were given annual membership: Hon. E. T. Wilder, Red Wing; Wilbur F. Decker, Minneapolis, and William B. Darr, St. Paul.

One of John Catlin's famous Indian pictures was presented to the society last night by Fred Catlin, a nephew of the painter. Fred Catlin will seon be in St. Paul, and will be able to give considerable interesting information about the pictures painted by his uncle.

The society has recently loaned, through Maj. John Espy, who has been corresponding with a daughter, now at Paris, of the dead painter, that all of his paintings are not in the Smithsonian institute, some twenty being in Albany. The members of the society think some effort ought to be made to secure some of these pictures. It is expected that four can be obtained from Fred Catlin. They are pictures of much local historical interest. One of them is of Fort Snelling and another of St. Anthony Falls.

DRESSE AT THE RACES.

The Globe's weekly fashion letter from Felix Fournery, Paris, next Sunday will contain a description of the dresses seen at the Deauville races, illustrated with a costume created by Callot for that event.

SOCIAL LIFE IN ST. PAUL

The Somerset W. C. T. U. met yesterday afternoon at the Y. M. C. A. The programme for the year's work was discussed. Mrs. Lamphear, superintendent of narcotics, will have charge of the October meeting. Mrs. Porter will lead in the devotional. Ten printed copies of the state minutes were ordered.

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The Ladies' Social Circle of the Plymouth will meet Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the chapel.

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The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Plymouth Congregational Church will hold its annual meeting today with Mrs. George M. Morrison, on Twelfth street.

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Mrs. Herman W. Phillips, president of Ramsey County W. C. T. U., has called a meeting of the executive committe for Friday afternoon at the Y. M. C. A.

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Miss Saunders, of Summit avenue, gave a luncheon yesterday at the Town and Country club house for Miss Emily Stickney, whose marriage to Paul Weed takes place tomorrow at the Stickney residence.

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Mrs. C. T. Hutchins was guest of honor at a breakfast given yesterday at 12 o'clock at the Town and Country club house by Mrs. E. J. Abbott, of Dayton avenue.

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Mrs. J. H. Simpson, of Monroe place, will give a tea Thursday afternoon in honor of her sister, Mrs. Hutchins, of Annapolis, Md.

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Mrs. Gates A. Johnson Jr., of Sherburne avenue, entertained at dinner Friday in honor of Mrs. Anthony Marshall, of Cresco, Io., and Mrs. Charles McKown, of St. Paul Park.

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An ice cream social for the benefit of the Church Home for Aged Women will be given Thursday evening at the residence of Mrs. W. R. Sachse, of Smith avenue.

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The Ladies' Aid Society of the Dayton Avenue Presbyterian Church will give an anniversary reception Wednesday evening, Oct. 24, for Rev. and Mrs. M. D. Edwards.

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The first meeting of the Ladies' Social Circle of the People's Church will be held today in the church parlors.

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Mrs. Frederick E. Foster and Miss Foster, Grand avenue, who have been spending the summer at Narragansett Pier, Newport, Boston, and other New England cities, have returned to St. Paul.

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Mrs. Ed Johnson, of Red Wing, is the guest of Mrs. Charles Johnson, of Summit avenue.

Miss Grace Brown, of Portland avenue, is entertaining Miss Florence Glover, of Hudson.

Mrs. A. Wilder Merriam, of Summit avenue, has returned from the East.

Mrs. Mary A. Johnson, of St. Louis, is the guest of Mrs. Rudolph Shiffmann, of Summit avenue.

Dr. and Mrs. Archibald McLaren, of Holl avenue, will return this week from Europe.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlyle Barrer and family, of Los Angeles, Cal., who have been the guests of Capt. I. L. Mahan, of Dayton avenue, have gone East.

Miss Katherine Bell, of Kentucky, is the guest of her cousin, Miss Mahan, of Dayton avenue.

Miss Ora Perfect, of Anamosa, Io., will be the guest this week of Miss Perfect, of Ashland avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Bigelow, of Irvine Park, have returned from Clearwater, where they spent the summer.

Mrs. Wilson and Miss Nichols, of Nelson avenue, are taking a trip over the great lakes.

Mrs. E. C. Starkey, of California, is the guest of Mrs. E. McCauley, of Laurel avenue.

Miss Marion Lanpher, of Portland avenue, will return this week from the East.

Mrs. C. E. Billings, Miss Vera Billings and Lee Billings, of Holly avenue, are expected home this week from San Francisco, where they have spent the summer.

Mrs. Wetherston, who has been the guest of Mrs. Andrew Cattanach, of Cedar street, has returned to Menomonie, Wis.

Mrs. Charles Lord and Miss Blanch Lord, who have been the guests of Mrs. W. F. Lord, of Portland avenue, have returned from Chicago.

Mrs. B. F. Wright, of Dayton avenue, has returned from the East.

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GENERAL JUMP IN RATES

STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION ADOPTS SOME IMPORTANT AMENDMENTS

GO BY LAST YEAR'S AVERAGE

Assessments Falling Short of Last Year's Average Will Be Raised—Assessments Raised in Several Counties.

The state board of equalization met yesterday, and in the matter of equalization of the assessments of state and national banks, the following, which has been the rule of the board for several years past, was adopted:

"From the sum of the capital stock surplus and undivided profits of the bank, deduct the amount of the legally authorized investments in real estate, etc., and take 50 per cent of the remainder as the assessable value of the shares of the bank stock."

A motion to raise such assessments, as do not equal these of last year, to last year's average, was carried.

One year old stock assessments were raised 10 per cent in the following counties: Carlton, Dakota, Freeborn, Jackson, Lincoln, Pipestone, Redwood, Rice, Aitkin, Swift, Wabasha and Wright; 15 per cent in Benton, Kenebec and Red Lake; 5 per cent in Renville and 20 per cent in Polk. Later a 10 per cent reduction was made in Itasca, Morris and Wadena counties.

A basis of value for the equalization of the assessments on horses was then adopted as follows: One year old, $9 to $11 each; two years old, $15 to $17; three years old, $25 to $35; one year old cattle, $67 each.

Following were the committees appointed:

Goods and Merchandise—Meighen, King, Marr, Leick.

Banks—Lawrence, Hendrickson, Glavin, King.

Logs and Lumber—Nachbar, Daley, Loe.

Freight Line and Equipment Companies and Telegraph Companies—Glavin, Judkins, Diepolder.

Real Estate—McKibbin, Lawrence, Peterson, Betcher.

Mining Lands and Mines—Mischler, Betcher, Beck, Marr.

TAN SHOES ARE PASSING.

Fashionable Women No Longer Wear the Absurd Fad.

The tan shoe for women will soon be numbered among the things of the past, says the Chicago Chronicle. Without a single exception the makers report a marked falling off in the demand for them and some concerns have not sent out any samples of them for this season.

Tan shoes for women were always regarded by shrewd men in the shoe business as more or less of a fad and were not expected to become an established feature of the business. One of the chief causes for the loss of popularity which the tan shoe has sustained is the fact that a tan shoe, size for size, looks larger than the black shoe. That alone was enough to bring it into disfavor, and when, in addition, it is considered that the tan shoe, no matter how tastefully made, could never compare with black shoes of standard makes in style or neatness of appearance, its speedy decline in public favor, as soon as the novelty of the innovation had worn off, followed as a matter of course.

This does not apply, however, to the more elaborate articles got up in fancy colors, such as red, blue, pink, etc., which are meeting with more and more favor. The fancy slippers and shoes made of these shades of leather, and furnished with the French or Louis XV. wood heel, are being made in great numbers this season by Lynn manufacturers, who report most gratifying results in the demand.

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