

THE WORK  
COUNTY AUDITORS AND TREASURERS HOLD THEIR ANNUAL MEETINGS  
JOINT COMMITTEE APPOINTED  
Officers Elected for the ensuing Year and Scheme Mapped Out for Preventing Defalcations.

The state associations of county auditors and county treasurers were in session all day yesterday in the court house, first separately and in the evening jointly. It was in the end agreed to seek through the medium of a joint committee, nominated by the governor, legislation that would tend to simplify work of both positions and reduce the chances of any of them succeeding in making defalcations to the present amount.

The Association of County Auditors of the State of Minnesota was called to order by President John Gleason, of Polk county, at 10 o'clock in the morning. The roll call, by Secretary E. J. Miller, showed the following to be present: J. E. Campbell, Atkin; L. M. Stevens, Becker; J. H. Haner, Beltrami; A. E. Kasney, Benton; John F. Hynes, Carlton; Fred U. Spletzko, Carver; A. J. Kelly, Dakota; J. H. Norton, Dodge; J. F. Jones, Fillmore; Carl N. Lien, Goodhue; P. H. Clague, Elbow Lake; H. R. Scott, Hennepin; N. M. Kemmer, Hubbard; Theodore C. Blongren, Isanti; Henry Hines, Kanabec; G. A. Gunnarson, Kittson; H. H. Kattman, Jr., Le Sueur; Thomas McKinley, Lyon; F. D. Stocking, Marshall; J. M. Moser, Mower; H. N. Harding, Little Falls; R. L. Johnson, Mower; Charles Hensel, Nicollet; E. J. Herringer, Norman; Ed H. Walden, Olmsted; W. C. Lincoln, Fergus Falls; J. P. Peterson, Steele; I. Ronning, Pope; W. R. Johnson, Ramsey; Adam Zeh, Red Lake; I. N. Tompkins, Redwood; J. T. Brooks, Renneville; W. K. Adams, Rice; John G. Roseau, Roseau; Oden Halden, St. Louis; J. H. Moore, Scott; Philip J. Gruber, Stearns; H. P. McConnell, Swift; Walter Peltier, Todd; N. F. Schroeder, Traverse; E. P. McKim, Wabasha; S. Wing, Yellow Medicine.

The first business was the appointing of a committee of three to wait upon the county treasurers, who were in session in an adjoining room, and request a joint session in the evening. The committee returned in a few minutes and reported that such a session had been arranged.

Then the following resolution was offered and adopted unanimously: Whereas, following a custom established by precedent, the present public examiner is likely to be succeeded in the near future by an appointee chosen by the incoming state administration; and whereas, the county auditors of the state having, from the nature of their work, an intelligent appreciation of the exacting and important duties of the public examiner, as their county government are earnestly desirous of the most efficient service possible through that department; and whereas, E. J. Miller, present county auditor of Big Stone county and secretary of the Association of County Auditors of Minnesota, having at the solicitation of a large number of the bankers, county auditors and county treasurers of the state permitted himself to become a candidate for appointment to the position named; therefore be it

Resolved, by the Association of County Auditors of the State of Minnesota, assembled in annual session this 13th day of December, 1900, that, having absolute confidence in the upright and ability of Mr. Miller, and possessing ample knowledge of his fine educational attainments, and his standing as an expert accountant, largely the result of studied experience during a period of six years of county auditing in this county, and the preceding eight years as cashier of the state bank of Ortonville, earnestly and unreservedly request his appointment by Gov. S. R. Van Sant to the office of public examiner, sincerely believing that he combines in a marked degree the requisite qualifications to render to the state of Minnesota an acceptable discharge of the duties of the office.

County Auditor W. R. Johnson, of Ramsey, moved, and it was adopted, that "Resolution of the legislative committee of the association be, and it is hereby authorized, to confer with the governor and the public examiner on all matters of interest to be brought before them."

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The committee comprising Messrs. Gleason, Wright, Miller, Halden and W. R. Johnson, withdrew to wait upon the governor at the capitol, and the association took a recess until it returned, reporting that it had been decided to name eight members of the association from whom, and an equal number of the members of the association of county treasurers, the governor would select a committee of five or eight. The eight names selected were: J. T. Brooks, of Renneville; Oden Halden, of St. Louis; C. Browne, of Washington; P. J. Gruber, of Stearns; E. P. Wright, of Dodge; E. J. Marshall, of Itasca; H. N. Harding, of Morrison; and R. I. Romming, of Pope county.

The committee named out of the sixteen names selected will apply for legislation which will simplify the system of accounting and provide that all receipts originate in the office of the county auditors. At present there is very little check kept, and the receipts and the system of recording the disbursements admits of many improvements.

COUNTY TREASURERS.  
The County Treasurers' Association of Minnesota was called to order late yesterday morning, and the following answered to the roll call: C. A. Dahlquist, Benton; A. L. Skoog, Carver; V. L. Johnson, Chisago; D. T. Qualey, Dakota; D. C. Bell, Hennepin; W. S. Serling, Kanabec; C. Krentz, Le Sueur; Pat Casey, Meeker; J. L. Meyer, Morrison; G. Seebach, Mower; D. J. McNamara, Murray; J. Webster, Nicollet; A. R. Haggerty, Olmsted; S. Butler, Otter Tail; T. J. Metzger, Ramsey; W. P. Terry, Redwood; W. D. Griffith, Renneville; L. Whipple, St. Louis; Frank Huber, Scott; Q. A. S. Melgren, Watonwan; B. Kahala, Winona; F. H. Sorlien, Yellow Medicine.

Permanent officers were then elected as follows: President, Joseph L. Meyers, Morrison; vice president, L. H. Whipple, St. Louis; secretary, F. H. Metzger, Ramsey; treasurer, D. T. Qualey, Dakota.

In the afternoon matters of interest to the association were discussed, and at 6 o'clock an adjournment was taken until 7:30.

EVENING SESSION.  
In the evening the joint committee constituted by the governor was instructed to proceed with the work of framing the legislation mapped out by the two associations.

LOST HIS SUIT AND BOAT  
OTTO KUEFFNER, THE ATTORNEY, HAD A REALLY BAD DAY YESTERDAY

ANN MARIA WEBER GETS \$1,500  
While the Counsel for the Defendant Has to Acquiesce for Himself a New Overcoat.  
Fate and an apparently extremely irascible temper, seem to have conspired to give Carl Weber, a white haired patriarch, the worst of a litigation into which he may become involved. First his wife secured a divorce, then one of his daughters secured a verdict for years of service in his grocery store, and yesterday another daughter, Ann Maria Weber, was awarded \$1,500 as compensation for personal injuries sustained at the hands of her father, who used a brick bat, and brought the same down on his daughter's head with a violence that the jury estimated to be worth fully \$1,500 to the victim of the assault.

THREE CHILD ON FLOOR.  
Stories of Cruel Treatment Told by Applicants for Divorce.  
If the story told by Mrs. Jennie M. Kinsey in Judge Jagard's court yesterday morning is true, married life has been a complete failure for her and she is entitled to whatever relief may be found in divorce.

VERDICT FOR THE DEFENDANT.  
Eisenberger Loses His \$5,000 Suit Against Robert Matthews.  
Daniel Eisenberger's suit against Robert Matthews, for the recovery of \$5,000, which the latter was alleged to have impudently lent to an insolvent firm, has ended unfavorably for him. The jury was given the case for trial yesterday afternoon, and late in the evening returned with a sealed verdict. When this was opened yesterday morning, it was found to be in favor of the defendant.

THREE FINGERS CUT OFF.  
O'Hara Thinks They Should Be Worth at Least \$7,000.  
Before Judge Kelly and a jury the case of Edward O'Hara against H. L. Collins was tried yesterday. The plaintiff claimed \$7,000 damages for the loss of three fingers of his right hand, which were cut off while engaged in operating an embossing press for the defendant company. He claims that the machine was defective. The case will probably be finished today.

Recovered \$9.55.  
H. L. Strauch's suit against Mary E. H. Strauch, promissory note was decided yesterday in favor of the plaintiff, who was awarded \$9.55. The defense was that the note was cancelled.

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\$2.00 Hard Churchill Walking Sticks for \$1.00  
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\$3.95 for Check Worsted Suits, for All-wool Black and Blue Cheviot Suits, for Gray natural color Homespun stripes, for Melton Overcoats, for Oxford Gray Overcoats, for Black All-Beaver Overcoats.  
None of these are worth less than \$9.00, and some are worth \$10. Holiday Bargain Friday they go for... \$3.95  
\$6.50 for All-Worsted Black Clay Suits, for Fine Janesville Melton Suits, for All-Wool Cassimere Suits, for real Irish Frieze Ulsters, for real Irish Frieze Overcoats, for Covert Cloth Overcoats.  
\$10 for All-Wool Knee Pants, double seat and knees, 75c kind, Boys' Flannel Waists and Blouses, worth 75c. Planted front and back, Boys' All-Wool Underwear, also wool fleeced, sizes 22 to 34, Anzora Wool Tams and Toggles for boys and girls. Worth 75c, Boys' Laundered French Percale Shirts, with detached collars, Boys' Buckskin Gloves, extra well made, 75c quality, Boys' Fine All-Wool Kersey Caps, silk lined and pull down, Boys' Canvas Leggings, fleece lined, military lace, sizes 4 to 10, All-Wool Chinchilla, lambs' Skinners for boys and girls. Worth 85c, Fauntleroy Blouses, sizes three to eight, made of Outing Flannels, Worth 75c.

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\$1.50 for Boys' All-Wool Sweaters, college stripes and Plains--\$2.00 quality, Boys' Extra Good Quality 2-piece Suits, worth 19.00, Boys' All-Wool Old Long Pants, plain blue, black and colors, worth \$2.00 and \$2.50, Boys' Blue Chinchilla Reefers, Storm Collars, heavy lined, worth \$2.50, Choice of 200 Vestee Suits, worth up to \$4.00, big assortment, sizes 3 to 6.  
\$3.50 for Boys' Heavy North Star Mackinaw Toboggan Suits, sizes 4 to 15 years, Gentlemen's All-Wool, Trim Coat Suits, full lined, worth \$5.00, Boys' Strictly All-Wool 2-piece Suits, worth \$4.00, Sizes 6 to 15, Boys' Long Pant Suits, dark colors, 14 to 19 years, Worth \$6.00, Gentlemen's Turkish Toweling Bath Robes, fast colors, worth \$5.00.  
\$5.00 for Boys' All-Wool Chinchilla and Fleece Reefers, worth \$5.00, Sizes 3 to 15, Boys' 3-piece Suits, all-wool Cheviots, reduced from \$5.00 to 15c, Gentlemen's Smoking Jackets, in fancy Scotch effects, Boys' Blue Tricot 2-piece Suits, all-wool, fast colors, worth \$5.00, Gentlemen's Beddown Lounging Robes, cord and tassels, Young Men's All-Wool Suits, single and double-breasted, worth \$8, Gentlemen's Smoking Jacket, all-wool, worth \$4.00 and \$5.00, Choice of any 2-piece suit in the house, worth \$7, \$8, \$9 and \$10, Boys' genuine Warmth Chinchilla Storm Reefers, wool lined, Young Men's Blue Kersey Overcoats worth \$7.50, Sizes 14 to 19.

In Labor's Field.  
The Cigar Makers' union held a meeting last night with President John Lechard was admitted by traveling card. G. Gehrmann was granted sick benefits and John Reber was placed on the sick list. The secretary-treasurer presented his report showing the union's income for November \$26.45 and disbursements \$22.57. Blue label calendars for the coming year are ready for distribution. The next committee promise to report at the next meeting. The amendment to the international constitution submitted by Rev. St. Louis, Mo., union was indorsed. The following resolution was adopted: "That we heartily endorse the nomination of Valves for appointment to the position of labor commissioner at the hands of the incoming administration as we believe him to be eminently fitted for the place, and we recommend him to the favorable consideration of Gov.-elect S. R. Van Sant." The semi-annual election of officers will take place at next meeting, with all members of the union are requested to be present. Receipts, \$46.55; disbursements, \$39.29.

Stonemasons' New Scale.  
The Stonemasons' union met last night with President S. Morris in the chair. A committee composed of S. Morris, E. Isaacson and N. J. Nelson was appointed to meet the bosses to arrange a new wage scale. The union unanimously indorsed the application of George Meyer as labor commissioner. Business was reported better for the time of year than for many past years. The union is strong in numbers there being about 175 members in good standing. Receipts, \$38.55; disbursements, \$7.50. Nomination for officers will take place at next meeting, when a full attendance is requested.

Stonemasons' Entertain.  
The Stonemasons' union met last night, with President Brems in the chair, who was assisted by J. J. Sullivan. J. Sullivan was admitted by card. The union indorsed G. W. Meyer's application for the position of labor commissioner. The meeting was of a routine character, with receipts, \$21.20, and disbursements, \$9.70. The meeting was resolved into a social session, and a pleasant hour was spent. F. Paskley rendering several good songs to a banjo accompaniment. Broekwith's recitation of "The Man With the Hoe" and other selections were highly appreciated, and spirited addresses were given by Thomas Ward, ex-G. J. T. B. T. O'Neill and Henry Geisler, president Trades and Labor association.

Full Meeting is Requested.  
The Bricklayers' union held a meeting last night, with President Buelow in the chair. The communication was received from the Minneapolis union stating that they had appointed two delegates to the international convention. Nominations for officers will take place at next meeting. A full attendance is requested. Receipts, \$8.55; disbursements, \$2.50.

LABOR NOTE.  
The following unions held meetings tonight: Trades and Labor assembly, Painters and Steamfitters.  
Gas Company Gets It.  
The finishing touches to a nice fat contract were made today when Mayor Smith signed the contract awarding to the St. Paul Gas company the lighting and heating of the city hall and court house for the next three years.  
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