CITY NEWS.

The Wanless Iron company of Duluth was incorporated yesterday with a capital stock of $50,000.

The monthly meeting of the Anti-vaccination society, of St. Paul, will be held this evening at Central hall.

Mayor Smith says that he will in all probability sign the paving guarantee resolution passed by both bodies of the council.

John Weiner, better known as "Hot Tamale Jack," was yesterday arraigned in police court on a charge of assault and battery, preferred by J. M. Cooley.

At 9:40 o'clock last night the department was called to Sixth and Washington streets. A small fire was discovered in Murphy's laundry. There was no loss.

Dr. Ohage yesterday purchased 250 dozen bath towels for the public baths, and is placing them in shape for the grand opening which will take place on the 26th.

The funeral of Charles S Phelps, who died of heart trouble Wednesday evening, will be held from the family residence at Highwood, at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

James Stewart, charged by Mrs. Mathilda Swanson, 1306 Thomas street, with assault and battery, was given a continuance until tomorrow in police court yesterday.

Miss Jeanette Morey, daughter of C. A. Morey, of Winona, who is confined to the city hospital with a mild case of diphtheria, was reported last evening as improving rapidly.

The mad dog scare has been eliminated from the troubles that daily confront the officials of the health department. Not a case of supposed rabies has been reported to the department for a week.

Oscar Bean, the Minneapolis man who fell down a flight of stairs at Fort Snelling bridge two weeks ago, is rapidly recovering, and will be removed from St. Luke's hospital to his home in several days.

Plans for the paving of Minnesota street from Eighth to Eleventh streets with brick, and from Eleventh to Summit avenue with asphalt, have been filed with the board of public works by the city engineering department.

William Orville Zimmerman died at midnight, Wednesday, aged 35. The funeral will be held from his late residence, 448 Virginia avenue, this afternoon at 4 o'clock. The remains will be sent to Cedar Rapids, Io., for interment.

The state board of prison managers has on hand 3,000,000 pounds of binder twine and has decided not to sell all this amount except 500,000 pounds as the new law permits them to do. They will hold it subject to the orders of farmers.

The first company of engineers organized under the new law has been formed with a membership of thirty-seven. Its Officers are: Captain, Max Toltz; first lieutenant, Gates A. Johnson; second lieutenant, Jay Rudd. Drill is to be held every Monday evening.

An inquest over the remains of Ole J. Lystad, the aged man who was killed at the Como avenue crossing of the Minneapolis & St. Louis road Monday morning, was held at the county morgue last evening. The jury decided that deceased met death by his own negligence.

Report was received yesterday that J. B. Cook, of the Cook Bus and Hack company, this city, was injured in a railroad collision at Clinton, Ind., Wednesday afternoon. He continued his journey to Chicago and will remain there for several days under the care of a physician.

Inspector Lavalle has located the rest of the jewelry stolen from F. Kron, the Mankato merchant who was robbed April 6, in the pawnshop of L. Michinsky, 139 East Third street. Joe St. Pierre, alias Peters, who was a rested in this city a week ago, has confessed to the burglary, and is at present awaiting trial at Mankato.

The funeral of Ned Newman, son of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Newman, of South St. Paul, will be held from the family residence this afternoon. The Newman boy was accidentally shot over a month ago, and was taken to St. Luke's hospital. He rapidly improved in condition, and it was thought that he would recover. Vitality gave out and the boy succumbed.

William O. Zimmerman, 448 Virginia avenue, died after a short illness early yesterday morning. Mr. Zimmerman was thirty-five years old, and is survived by a widow and a twelve-year-old daughter. He has lived in St. Paul for the past eight years, and has been connected with the Guitterman Brothers' Manufacturing company. The remains will be taken to Cedar Rapids, Io., Mr. Zimmerman's former home, for burial.

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Fancy Table Butter, in jar ... 20c
Steamboat Mops on stick, each, only. 19c
Pure Fruit Jellies, per tumbler ... 10c
1-lb. cans Preserved Raspberries, only 7c
Good Swiss Cheese, per lb ... 10c
Good Brick Cheese, per lb ... 10c
Full Cream Cheese, per lb ... 10c
3½-lb. boxes pure Borax, each ... 7c
Nelson's Gelatine, per package ... 8c
New Prunelles, per lb ... 20c
Fancy Maine Succotash (worth 15c).. 10c
Fairy Soap, per box, only ... 3½c
Snider's Catsup (25c size) ... 19c

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DUNN SCORES JOHNSON

STATE AUDITOR WRITES SCATHING LETTER TO RAMSEY COUNTY AUDITOR

GEN. POPE TAKES UP MATTER

Applications for Refundments and Abatements Said to Have Been Loosely Handled.

"I am disgusted with the action of your office in recommending refundments to this office of a questionable character. * * * We have had more trouble with the applications for refundments and rebatements from Ramsey county than all the other counties combined."—State Auditor R. C. Dunn to County Auditor W. R. Johnson.

Public Examiner Pope has instituted proceedings to bring to light the exact facts involved in the transactions at the office of County Auditor W. R. Johnson, wherein warrants for rebatement of taxes were issued without the legal tax certificates. All day yesterday the state examiner and his deputies were engaged in ferreting into the case and it is expected that by today matters will have become so shaped as to enable Gen. Pope to arrive at conclusive results. He will then make a complete report of his findings, which will be filed with Gov. Van Sant. So far as can be gathered now, this report will charge that tax refundment warrants were issued by the county auditor without the certificates upon which they were based being in his office at the time.

The case under the immediate scrutiny of Examiner Pope is that in which according to Gen. Pope's statement, Carl Duclus and Walter D. Davis swore to the proprietorship of certain tax certificates held by the county auditor and also made a sworn application for their refundment. The facts proved that the certificates were not at this time held by the men claiming them, but by W. H. Lightner, receiver for the Bank of Minnesota. These certificates amounted to $1,872.06 and represented the principal and interest of the returns for the old Dennis Ryan homestead. The warrants were made out and presented to James Schoonmaker, as attorney, and later the certificates, according to the statement of Gen. Pope, were purchased at a cost of $3,750, which gave the operators of the deal a clear margin of $1,122.06. These certificates were obtained from Mr. Lightner as receiver and mortgagee. Mr. Schoonmaker made no application himself, according to his statement, but merely accepted the warrants as attorney for the other parties, had these warrants cashed and turned the money over to his clients.

REFLECTION ON COUNTY AUDITOR.

The discrepancy in the manner in which the deal was carried out and that prescribed by law reflects very discreditably upon County Auditor Johnson, who, notwithstanding the fact that he was personally absent from his office the day upon which the transaction was made, is responsible for business of this kind in connection with his office. The applications made for the refundment of taxes according to law, must be made by the parties owning the certificates; the county board of commissioners, of which the county auditor is clerk, must certify in cases of this character, that the law has been fully complied with; the matter then goes to the state auditor and he, after consulting the attorney general for his opinion as to validity of the certificates in question, indorses the applications when the money is finally paid over.

Examiner Pope alleges that none of these requirements was obeyed. In the first place the county commissioner's official signatures appear on a document in the possession of Public Examiner Pope, under the statement that the board has made full investigation and found the conditions of the refundment correct and lawful in every detail. The commissioners, like other similar boards, depend upon the advice of their clerk in such matters. It would seem, therefore, that Auditor Johnson had been exceedingly derelict, to say the least, in thus neglecting to correctly advise the board and in turn the commissioners have placed themselves in a bad light in certifying to something which is not sustained by facts. County Auditor Johnson's statement that these certificates are handed to him simply because he is clerk of the board of county commissioners and not as county auditor, does not seem sufficient grounds for excuse in the minds of those who are conducting the investigation. In fact, it would appear all the more reason why he should have had his board correctly informed in the matter.

Public Examiner Pope had his attention called to matters of this character on May 2, when the balance sheets of the county auditor's office were presented to him. In April the amount of the tax redemption warrants presented to County Treasurer Metzdorf were unusually large and they at once attracted the attention of certain officials who have carefully watched the proceedings since that time. The tax redemption in April aggregated some $13,000, composed largely of certificates sold in 1891 and 1892 and since invalidated by the courts, of such items was that which is now under discussion.

BIG INTEREST RATE PAID.

Another feature of the deal to which Examiner Pope calls attention is, that in making these refundments the county allows interest at the rate of 10 per cent. This has been carried on indefinitely and the law, prior to this year, has been construed by State Auditor Dunn, Examiner Pope and other officials, to warrant no more than 7 per cent. As to this particular case they hold that but 6 per cent is legal, since that rate was fixed by the last legislature.

State Auditor Dunn was wroth when he discovered that he had been mislead in giving his O. K. to a document that had not been investigated and correctly certified to by the proper officials, and yesterday sent the following communication to County Auditor Johnson:

"W. R. Johnson, Auditor Ramsey County.—Herewith I return application No. 2176 and 2178 with my disapproval endorsed thereon. Now I wish you to return to this office applications No. 2177, 2179 and 2180, 2182 for further consideration. I am disgusted with the action of your office in recommending refundments to this office of a questionable character and hereafter with all due regard to you, I want to say, and say it most emphatically, that any application for refundment that comes to this office from Ramsey county will be treated with scant courtesy as long as I am auditor. We have had more trouble with applications for refundments and abatements from Ramsey county than all other counties in the state combined, and hereafter if any applications for refundment or abatement of taxes is approved in this office we will be dead certain that there is some merit in the application."

To a reporter for the Globe Mr. Dunn afterward, reiterated his emphatic statement that he had had more trouble with matters from the Ramsey county auditor's office than from all other offices in the state combined. He is very poorly impressed with the methods by which the men of that office conduct their business.

It is held that the transactions carried through by Duclus and Davis, were directed by James Burns, former county auditor.

AUTO AND STAGE COACH.

Object Lesson in Connection With the Territorial Pioneers' Reunion.

Judge D. A. Baker, of Midway, taught the first district school in St. Paul, over fifty years ago. Eight of the "Ayt family, who settled here in the "Arcadian days" of Minnesota, were pupils of his over half a hundred years ago. Five are here now, and these, with the genial judge, will leave the Ryan hotel tomorrow morning, at 10 o'clock sharp, in automobiles, for the annual meeting of the Minnesota Territorial Pioneers, at their "log cabin" on the state fair grounds. They will there greet the old stage coachful of pioneers from Minneapolis.

WELCOME TO DELEGATES

WOODMEN INVITE FRATERNAL SOCIETIES TO KEEP OPEN HOUSE.

The executive committee of the Modern Woodmen has voted to invite all fraternal orders of the city to keep open house during convention week, and welcome Woodmen who belong to their respective orders. A reception to the officers of the head camp to be given by the Commercial club, an Elks' social, and a smoke social to which the editors of the Woodmen press, visiting press representatives and local newspaper men are to be invited, are among the social features of the week projected. Invitations to be present and review the parade on Thursday are to be extended to President McKinley and the party accompanying him upon his California trip, and to the governors of Minnesota, North and South Dakota, Illinois, Kansas, Michigan and Connecticut. The mayors of St. Paul and Minneapolis are also to be invited.

Gov. Van Sant for the state and Mayor Smith for the city will be requested to make Thursday, the day of the parade, a holiday so far as practicable, and business houses will be asked to give their employes a holiday.

The plan of electric illumination of Sixth street, and of Cedar street from Sixth to the auditorium, is to be carried out with the assistance of business houses on these streets. The business firms and residents of the city generally are to be invited to decorate with the colors, banners and devices emblematic of the order.

Benjamin K. Smith, of Mankato, the Minnesota member of the national board of directors, says:

"The St. Paul convention has a chance to outdo all its predecessors in the features in which the general public will be most interested. The uniformed drill teams of Foresters this year will be encamped by themselves and not attached to the camps as heretofore. With their parades and drills they will receive the major portion of the public's attention. The convention itself will be in session behind closed doors with the exception of but one day, when work will be laid aside that the Woodmen may participate in the annual parade and programme of sports.

PAVING BIDS OPENED.

PRICES FOR BRICK SHOW SLIGHT INCREASE OVER PREVIOUS QUOTATIONS.

The indemnifying features proposed for all paving contracts hereafter drawn were partially brought into effect yesterday when bids for brick paving were opened by the board of public works. They provided for a five-year guarantee and a 25 per cent security company bond.

While there was a perceptible raise in the price, the lowest showing, $1.88 per square yard over $1.56 received on a previous contract, yet it was trifling and not in line with the argument that the guarantee provisions would tend to make brick paving prohibitive. The bids opened were as follows:

Paving Bradley, North and Bedford Streets—Fielding and Shepley, $17,672; James Forrestal Co., $20,900. The engineer's estimate was $17,500.

Paving Locust Street, Tenth to Seventh Fielding & Shepley, $5,675; James Forrestal Co., $6,100; the engineer's estimate was $5,826.

For grading an alley in the block, bounded by Seventh, Ros, Duluth avenue and Atlantic, Thomas Linnan was the lowest bidder, at $238; for grading Prior avenue, from Minnehaha to Chelton, Dan Baker was the lowest, at $224.

All the bids were taken under consideration. The board has decided on an adverse report for a sewer on Van Buren street. A favorable report will be made on a sewer from Forest to Cypress street.

HAS CLAIMS ON OLSEN

PRETTY MISS WHO HUSTLED FOR VOTES WANTS AN APPOINTMENT.

Superintendent of Public Instruction Olsen is having all kinds of pressure brought to bear on him these days by applicants for positions as summer school teachers. A demure miss, of Minneapolis, has, however, eclipsed all her competitors in this line and Supt. Olsen has about come to the conclusion that she is entitled to the best position within his gift.

The young lady yesterday addressed a letter to the superintendent, applying for a position. She wants to instruct the summer pupils in a long list of techniques, most of which are not included in the curriculum. Then, as an inducement for her being employed, she assures the superintendent that when he was running for office last fall she worked faithfully for his election and was the instrument in swaying fifty votes in line for him. She said she doubted her word she could readily furnish Mr. Olsen with unmistakable evidence that what she said was true.

NEW BLUE BOOK IS OUT.

Capt. Whitney's Publication Makes Neat Appearing Volume.

Capt. C. C. Whitney distributed the new blue book, or legislature manual, yesterday, they having been taken from the publishers the day before. The books were delayed in being compiled this year on account of the increased amount of work on them, both in the matter of preparation and publication.

The volume is a neat one, in most respects the same as its many predecessors. It contains a map of the state, showing the reapportionment, however, and other maps which have appeared in former blue books. There are also handsome cuts of various state institutions in the book, with summary outlines of each.

The book is larger than former ones and contains 780 pages.

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EXCITEMENT IN ST. PAUL

NORTHERN PACIFIC'S DIZZY SOAR FRIGHTENED THE LOCAL BROKERS

DEALING WAS VERY LIGHT

In Minneapolis Trading Was Somewhat Heavier—St. Paul Holdings Mostly Sold Out at Lower Figures.

Though Northern Pacific common yesterday soared to the dizzy height of 1,000, not one speculator in the city can be cited who profited by selling out at that figure. Brokers were afraid of the market, and let it severely alone for the most part. Around their railway offices and on the street, scarcely anything else was talked of but the wonderful jump in this once despised stock. As to explanations for the sudden and unprecedented rise, the wisest operators were as much at sea as the smallest "piker." President Kelm declared that he had not the smallest idea as to what could be the cause and his ignorance was shared by every person in this city who knows, or pretends to know anything about the situation.

It is stated on good authority that there is little or no stock held in this city at the present time; all of the heavy holders got out at prices varying from 75 to 125 and only a few of the smaller holders held on until the price rose above 50. In the bucketshops there was no trading at all in Northern Pacific common. The stock could not be bought or sold at any margin; firms of a hundred points at a time were too strong to take chances on either way.

As a matter of fact the feverish state of the market was treated more in a jocular spirit than anything else, and "joshes" were handed around by scores all the afternoon. One man of wealth is reported to have stopped a friend on the street with the remark: "Shake hands with the president of the richest corporation in the world. Our stock is worth 1,000 at the present minute, I am told, and at that figure the Northern Pacific is the richest corporation in this or any other country."

Another head of department was jubilant although he looked at the matter in a different light. "Why," said he, "the Northern Pacific has today received more free advertising than any other road has ever been given since railroading began. It is a great thing for the road, in this way."

As is always the case when there is a sensational movement of stocks, there were numberless rumors floating around the city yesterday, of fortunes made and lost in a day, but none of them could be confirmed.

THE DAY IN MINNEAPOLIS.

In Minneapolis the same fierce excitement was in evidence at all of the brokers, but in that city there was more trading. One well-known business man is said to have strolled into an office and upon looking at the board saw to his amazement that Northern Pacific common was quoted at 1,000. He had a nice block which he had been holding for investment, and could not give his selling order quick enough. He is said to have been lucky enough to unload at the top figure. But it was not to Northern Pacific stock alone that attention was directed for a big railroad man, and a close follower of the market pulled off a good coup on Missouri Pacific. He was on the bear side, and when the price was marked up at 102 he gave his order to sell 1,000 shares. The broker immediately asked $10 a share margin.

"I may change my views directly," he said, "but as I feel at the moment, I do not want to make the trade unless you can put up $60,000 for protection. The market is crazy, and no one can foretell what a moment may bring forth."

The trader asked for a blank check and began to fill it out for $60,000, while the broker hastened to wire the order. By the time the order was executed, the price had broken to 90, and at this figure the stock was sold.

In a few minutes Missouri Pacific struck 76, the trader gave an order to buy, got it filled at 79, cleared $11,000 and quit.

"This is too swift a pace for me," he said. "One might make an everlasting fortune in short order, but the strain is pretty severe."

A well known railroad man who has been short of St. Paul, on a range of 176 to 170 went down town yesterday morning and in addition to his already heavy line put out close to 3,000 shares, in the neighborhood of 165. When the stock struck 138 he gave orders to buy in, and while he did not get all his orders filled at the low figure he cleared up handsomely, making the biggest individual winnings earned so far.

SHEVLIN IS SORE.

One of the sorest men in Minneapolis is said to be Thomas H. Shevlin, Minnesota's national Republican committeeman. He had been holding 250 shares of Northern Pacific common for an investment, and when the bulge began last week he did not wait for the market to drop off, but closed out the entire line at 115. He made a good profit, but when it went kiting Tuesday and yesterday, Shevlin did not feel satisfied.

Shevlin has great faith in Soo stock. He has put away 500 shares of the preferred and will hold it for a steady rise.

A Minneapolis printer was said to have cleaned up some $75,000 as a result of pyramiding on Northern Pacific and "Q" stocks since the elections and to supply the requisite flavor of romance, it was stated that he was "on all papers" before he began to deal in stocks.

WHAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN.

Although there was no trading in the stock in this city, all the boards in the city were crowded with eager spectators, who watched breathlessly the marvelous fluctuations of a stock which less than a year ago could have been bought in almost unlimited quantities for a song. About the keenest and most wistful men around the board were those who had sold out early in the game with interest was confined chiefly to calculating the profits they might have made could they have foreseen the mighty jump which was to come. One witty freight official remarked to a friend: "I have lost a fortune, and in reply to the anxious interrogation which followed, he explained that he was not on the short side, but had neglected to buy when the stock was at an approachable figure.

As to what will happen today, no one is foolish enough to predict. According to several private telegrams received here after the market had closed, an offer of 168 was made in New York yesterday after the stock exchange had closed. This was for immediate cash delivery. The falling away in the quotations yesterday was due chiefly to the fact that the large firms to which delivery of stock was due did not insist upon the goods being handed over, and if the screws are applied today something extraordinary is sure to add to the nerve-racking strain.

Following are the quotations from the opening to the close as recorded on the boards of local brokers:

Close Wednesday and yesterday's quotations: 170, 171, 172, 171, 174, 175, 170, 165, 160, 170, 265, 160, 150, 205, 120, 180, 300, 230, 300, 400, 320, 400, 400, 650, 550, 650, 700, 1000, 600, 400, 500, 700, 500, 400, 300, 350, 400, 320, 320, 325, 360, 350, 320, 400.

Jadam to Lecture.

J. Adam Bede will give a lecture entitled, "This Yankee Nation," at the First Swedish Lutheran church, John street and Woodward avenue, Thursday evening next. The proceeds will go toward building up a new auditorium at Gustavus Adolphus college, St. Peter. There will also be a musical programme by Peter Johnson, John Dahl, William Nelson and a male quartette.

MANHATTAN MUST QUIT

STATE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER REVOKES NEW YORK COMPANY'S LICENSE

DID BIG BUSINESS IN STATE

Impairment of Its Capital Given as the Reason for Ordering the Company to Stop Doing Business.

State Insurance Commissioner Dearth yesterday revoked the license of the Manhattan Fire Insurance company, of New York, which has a general office in this city. The action is the outgrowth of an investigation begun a couple of weeks ago, when it became known that the Manhattan had allowed its capital to become impaired.

Mr. Dearth has been in communication with State Insurance Superintendent Hendricks, of New York, regarding the case of the company for over a week. Upon his first application for advice as to the company's condition and plans for making good their failure, Mr. Dearth was informed that in all probability the Manhattan would come to terms and make good all impairments. Upon this statement he deferred action in revoking the company's license and allowed it to continue in business in this state. Yesterday word came from the state insurance department of New York to Mr. Dearth, saying that the Manhattan had concluded not to attempt the repairment of its losses and forfeit with the license was revoked.

This puts one of the large companies out of business. Its capital stock was $300,000 and its impairment was $490,000. The losses had been going on for a long period and the company decided it would be impracticable to undertake, with any hope of success, the rebuilding of its capital. Mr. Dearth states that the Manhattan had done an extensive business in this state.

QUESTION OF JUSTICE.

SHOULD STREET CARS BE PROVIDED WITH CUSPIDORS?

In New York and several other large Eastern cities, the same ordinance relative to expectorating in the street cars, which is in force in St. Paul, adorns the statute books and, in a number of instances, offenders have suffered in consequence.

St. Paul admirers of the ordinance are just now interested in a decision handed down by a New York city magistrate, bearing on the question, in which a rather odd feature is involved. This magistrate holds that the law is all right and proper, but discharged the offender because the company failed to provide cuspidors.

The question now arises, was the decision of the New York justice sound, and must the owners of the St. Paul line comply if they would stop the befouling of their cars?

IN MARKHAM'S HANDS.

Will Try to Settle Dispute Between Telephone Co. and Fire Board.

The corporation attorney has taken under advisement the controversy now on between the Northwestern Telephone company and the fire board, in which the latter demands remuneration for the use of the fire alarm poles.

By the recent compromise between the city and the telephone company, the fire board was taxed an amount to pay the deficit. It refused to pay, holding that the telephone company is really indebted to the board for the use of the poles. The fire board also uses the poles belonging to the telephone company, but in this instance its right is protected by ordinance. The fire board also contends that for the use of the poles it should be entitled to more than one free 'phone.

COMMENCEMENT DATES SET.

Youngsters Will Get Sheepskins Second Week in June.

The various high schools of the city have about completed arrangements for their commencement exercises. The Mechanic Arts high school will hold its graduation exercises Tuesday evening, June 11, and the following dates have been designated for the other schools: Central high, Thursday, June 13; Cleveland high, Wednesday, June 12; Humboldt high, Friday, June 14.

STUDENTS GIVEN VACATION.

Buildings at St. Thomas' Seminary to Be Thoroughly Disinfected.

That the buildings may be thoroughly disinfected and the pupils given a chance to refresh themselves, after undergoing the quarantine incident to a trifling outbreak of diphtheria, the faculty of St. Thomas' seminary have given orders that recitations and studies be discontinued until Monday.

The disease, which received its inception through a domestic employed at the seminary, never reached a stage considered dangerous, and the greater number of those taken to the detention hospital have been released as cured.

MOREY ABOUT CONVALESCENT.

Member of the Board of Control May Be About in Three Weeks.

S. W. Leavitt and W. E. Lee, of the state board of control, are exultant over the belief that their associate, C. A. Morey will be able to resume his duties as a member of the board within three weeks. They have decided to employ no more assistance during Mr. Morey's absence.

Word came yesterday from Winona, Mr. Morey's home, that the injured man was greatly improved, but still suffered keenly with pains over the eyes.

ANOTHER BODY IN THE RIVER.

Corpse of Unknown Man Found Floating Near Snelling Bridge.

Prior avenue police were notified late last night that a man's body was found floating in the Mississippi river, about a mile and a half above Fort Snelling bridge. The body was discovered by Chas. and Walter Bohland, 1597 Montreal avenue. They tied the body to a tree and hurrying to Fort Snelling informed Officer Gavin of their discovery. They said that the man had but one arm, was attired in a dark suit of clothes and apparently had been in the water some time. Coroner Miller was notified and early this morning proceeded to the scene.

AGREEMENT IS ARRANGED.

Carpenters' Union and Contractors Have Come to Terms.

The trouble between the Carpenters' union and the carpenter contractors of the city is now over, a compromise having been agreed upon at the meeting of committees last night. The agreement signed by the carpenters and the carpenter contractors is practically to the effect that the Carpenters' union shall not be considered a part of the Building Trades council in so far as the Builders' Exchange is concerned.

The agreement signed, is a lengthy one and only a few parts of it are in point.

Conlin Had No License.

Charles Conlin, a barber working in North St. Paul, was yesterday convicted of violating the barber's license law and fined $20 by Judge Moore. He as arrested on complaint of the secretary of the barbers' state board of examiners.

Some Big Engines.

The Minneapolis & St. Louis R. R. now uses the finest type of passenger locomotive on its through trains to Omaha, Des Moines, St. Louis and Chicago.

Buy your clothes at "THE" clothing store.

KNOX HATS. THE PLYMOUTH HANAN SHOES.

Correct fashionable clothes from head to foot.

Bargain Friday

When the scorching bicyclist meets the racing automobile, naturally something drops.

It's the same when a big week's sales at "THE" Clothing Store leaves several lots of small quantities on hand, smash go the prices.

Thrifty buyers will find an uncommon good bargain opportunity today.

Men's $3 Trousers, $1.95.

150 pairs of fine worsteds and fancy cheviot pants—choice regular patterns in wide and narrow stripes—small choice lots remaining from good sellers. Bargain Friday ... $1.95

Men's $12 Sack Suits, $4.50.

Just think of this for a Bargain Friday! Mostly fancy worsteds, desirable styles—the last small quantities remaining unsold of large lots complete matched Suits, Coats, Pants and Vests, worth $12. Only one to each customer, none at wholesale ... $4.50

Boys' Clothing.

Broken Lots for Bargain Friday.

Boys' Wool Sweaters, all sizes to 34; blues, maroons, yellow and black, a few white ones, odds and ends. Regular price $1.00 and $1.25. Bargain Friday, only ... 50c

Boys' and Children's Long Hose, worth 10c. 2 pair to a customer. Bargain Friday, only ... 5c

Children's Vestee Suits, $3.00 values. Bargain Friday, only ... $1.95

Boys' 2 piece and Blouse Suits, regular price $2.00. Half price for Bargain Friday, only ... $1

Boys' Long-Pant Suits in blue serge, browns and grays, worth $8.00 and $10.00. Bargain Friday ... $6

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50c Balbriggan Underwear, 37½c.

Drawers have extra double spliced seats, trimmed with pearl buttons and heavy suspender tapes. Our special Friday price ... 37½c

25c light-weight Summer Suspenders with elastic cord ends, made with patent cast-offs; actual value 25c. Our special Friday price ... 15c

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Everybody goes to the Plymouth this year.

REPUBLIC OF YOUNG BOYS

MINIATURE COMMONWEALTH TO BE STARTED NEAR DODGE CENTER THIS SUMMER

TO HAVE SELF-GOVERNMENT

Mayor, Council and Chief of Police Will Be Elected and Contracts Let for Improvements.

About the middle of June a miniature republic will be started up on a little stream near Dodge Center and the operations of those in the new undertaking will be watched with more than ordinary interest. The republic will be organized on lines similar to the "George Junior Republic" which, in times past, has been mentioned all over the country in Associated Press reports. There will be about thirty boys in the republic taken from the best families in St. Paul, and they will make their own money, have their own council, mayor and other officers, and do all work and make all contracts the same as is done in any city. The idea is to inculcate in Young America American methods.

An old Baptist school will be the city hall, and near this are eight or ten cottages which will house the little men. It is expected that the boys will be taken out the middle of June, and will be allowed to stay until the end of the vacation. Chas. L. Lingham will have charge of the colony and besides him there will be a botanist who has not, as yet, been selected; a naturalist, a geologist and, perhaps, one or two university professors.

ELECTION FIRST THING.

On arriving at the scene of operations the first thing to be done will be to elect a council, a mayor, a chief of police, a treasurer, and all the other officers who have to do with city government. This done, the real work will commence. Contracts for drainage, the building of pathways and improvements of all kinds (these must necessarily be limited for lack of material), will be let to the lowest bidder and the man who bids must first draw up his plans and make his estimates as any real contractor would do.

All work must be paid for as ordered by the council in the coin of the republic which will probably be scaled the same as the real money of this country. Every deal in hand must involve judgment, and woe to the luckless man who introduces politics in matters which should be decided regardless of party. It is now a matter of great speculation as to whether or not any of the youngsters in the party will develop shrewdness when the first and only election comes off. If they do they will be allowed to follow their bent and win out if they can, but they will be made to understand from the first that any gross errors or underhanded trickery will not be tolerated.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

One of the great features of the republic will be the police department. The chief will be selected, it can safely be assumed, through sheer force of personality, and his bossy qualities will have plenty chance for exercise if any man shirks the work that is set out for him to do, he will be looked upon as a shirk at hard labor for a certain time; if he doesn't work then the matter will be presented to those higher in authority. The republic will not be a mockery. It will be a real thing only those features which make life worth living for many one would be even the sign of a settlement neighborhood, but this, in days of boyhood, makes life more pleasant at times, and the restraint that will be put on the young citizens of the miniature republic near Dodge Center will be tolerated with ease, because it is self-imposed.

Fire in Court House.

Considerable excitement was caused shortly after 9 o'clock last evening, by the discovery of fire in the court house building. Smoke was seen coming up from the basement on the East Fifth street side of the building and an alarm was turned in. On investigation it was found that a pile of old tar paper at the end of the tunnel leading from the court house to the old jail, had caught fire. The blaze was quickly extinguished without loss.

Fire in Clow's Billiard Rooms.

Fire originating in the ceiling of Clow's billiard room, in the rear of the Aquarium cafe, caused a loss of $200 at an early hour this morning. The blaze was caused by a defective electric light wire.

Bridge at the Sault.

OTTAWA, Ont., May 9.—The bill authorizing the construction of a bridge from Sault Ste. Marie to the American side was passed by the railway committee today.

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