

CITY NEWS

For stove repairs of all kinds, Tel. 101, Am. Stove Rep. Works.

Dr. Ohage is making a collection of pictures which he will use in connection with his illustrated lecture to be held at Philadelphia in the spring. About 300 views will be given.

Buy your office and household furnishings from us and save money. Kavanaugh Bros., 173 East Sixth street.

Herman Sternberg, of "The Hub," yesterday distributed \$90 in gold to his dozen assistants. The porters, as well as the managers of the different departments, each received \$5.

A United States deputy marshal will probably start tomorrow for Seattle, Wash., with Frank Goodson, who is held to answer to the charge of embezzling postoffice funds.

The board of abatement will meet tomorrow at 2 p. m. to act on real estate applications. Quite a number of such applications have accumulated and a busy afternoon is promised.

The artificial arm which is annually given away by John McGuire, principal in the manufacture of artificial arms, presented to Michael Kelly, who lost his arm at the battle of Bull Run.

S. Fox, manager of the dress goods department at Mannheimer's, was pleasantly surprised yesterday by the boys in his department, who presented him with a handsome set of decorated china plates.

Street car accidents of late. Supt. Dow Smith contends, have been due to carelessness on the part of drivers. In a number of instances wagons and teams which have suffered have run into the cars while they were standing still.

A slight blaze in the basement of a vacant store at 884 Minnehaha street owned by Charles Brown gave the fire department a run at 2:45 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The fire was caused by thawing out a frozen water pipe and did no damage.

The condition of Frank Lincoln, the boy who was injured in a coasting accident on Westminster street hill Monday afternoon, is in about the same condition at his home, 385 1/2 Westminster street. He is internally injured and will be confined to his home for some time.

The Hamm Brewing company has purchased lot 7, block 18, of Robert & Randall's addition to St. Paul, paying \$2,000. This lot has a frontage of 150 feet on Robert street, between Seventh and Eighth streets, and is directly in the rear of the Plymouth Clothing company's building.

William Cartney was taken to Stillwater to commence serving his two years' sentence on Monday. Cartney was sentenced several weeks ago for engaging in a "con" game, and has been the guest of the sheriff ever since. The delay was caused by the attempt to get a pardon for him by former Mayor Doran.

The postoffice at Buffalo, Minn., was destroyed by fire yesterday. The office is of the third class order and was completely consumed by the flames. F. B. Laman, the postmaster at Buffalo, had a long conversation with Chief Inspector Kimball as to the proper mode of procedure.

Henry Hicks, the colored youth who was arrested by the police Monday evening for the alleged larceny of a wallet containing \$50 from the overcoat of a customer in the barber shop in the Germania bank building, was before Judge Hine in the police court yesterday. His case was continued until tomorrow to give the prosecution time to file a complaint.

E. A. Brown's jewelry store, 110 East Sixth street, is filled with the most beautiful productions of the gold and silversmiths. Exclusive novelties that cannot be duplicated in St. Paul, sparkling cut glass and rich things for holiday gifts.

ALMOST LOST A HAND
PETER ROSS PAINFULLY INJURED AT SOUTH ST. PAUL.

Peter Ross, seventeen years of age, living with his parents at 230 East Annapolis street, has a broken arm from a fall from the Swift-packing house, South St. Paul, Monday afternoon. He has been employed in the hog cutting room, pushing hogs upon the cutting table, and he happened to push one too far and the cleaver descended upon his left hand. The blade cut six arteries, and he fainted from the loss of blood, but his robust youth saved his life. He is now at St. Joseph's hospital, where his arteries were closed, and he will recover.

MERRY CHRISTMAS FOR LITTLE ONES.
For the past four years, the enterprising firm of Evans, Munzer, Pickering & Co., Minneapolis, has turned Santa Claus on a colossal scale and has gladdened the hearts of thousands of big boys and girls whose parents are unable to give them a Merry Christmas. The indiscriminate distribution of Christmas presents from the store has become a regular annual feature of the New Store's observance of Christmas day.

The distribution has increased to such an extent with each year since the late event, that the management has been forced to seek larger quarters for the affair this year than are available in the Great Store.

To facilitate just apportionment of presents this year, the store has secured the use of the life size tree which will accommodate thousands of children. The presents will consist of thousands of toys suited to the wants of all the boys who will seek recognition, dolls for all the little meek who have no new concert about which to brag, and a host of other kinds of wearing apparel, cloaks, underwear, hosiery, coats, scarfs, hats, and enough candy to satisfy the appetite of the store's generosity for a week to come.

The doors to the armory will be opened for the event at 10 a. m. Christmas morning, and the distribution will commence at 11 a. m.

We call the attention of our readers to the notice of The State Savings Bank under announcements.

POPE APPOINTS GUNDER
WILL FILL THE POSITION FORMERLY HELD BY ECKMAN.

P. A. Gunder, of the clerical force in the office of the public examiner, was yesterday appointed to serve as second assistant bank examiner during the remainder of Gen. Pope's term, in place of Edward Eckman, who suddenly resigned his position Monday rather than spend Christmas day away from home. Mr. Gunder has been connected with the office for some time past, and has participated quite extensively in important official examinations, and he is therefore thoroughly familiar with the duties which he will be called upon to perform.

Egan Jewelry Co.
350 Wabasha street. Open Christmas day till 12.

Opportunity for Card Clubs.
Artistic and useful table cards obtained every space of 50c. Line cards obtained at the Ticket Office, 23 Robert street.

Swift and Sure
Are the terms applicable to the Northern Pacific's "Luxe Superior Limited" electric lighted and heated Pullman dining parlor cars and café-observation cars.

ELKS AS REINDEERS

GAVE HALF THOUSAND CHILDREN OVERSHOES, MITTENS AND CAPS YESTERDAY AFTERNOON

LODGE ROOM WAS PACKED

Members Doff Their Coats and, With Their Wives, Became Amateur Clerks, Fitting on Clothing.

"Charity," the corner stone upon which has been built the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, was the catch word yesterday afternoon at their hall, and never was this virtue better exemplified in a tangible manner, than by the way in which over half a thousand poor children were taken care of, and made happy for the Christmas holidays.

Yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock there were some 525 children gathered in the lodge room of the Elks, at the special invitation of this society, and each one of this number wore upon his or her face an expectant look of great pleasure and comfort to follow. And in this the children were not disappointed, for the Elks, with their proverbial generosity had provided for them in a manner that was to be effective.

Perhaps in all the history of the Elks' hall there has never been a gathering of so many various conditions of life as there was yesterday afternoon. They were there from all portions of the city, from the ranks of the lowly and poor to the well-to-do and the rich. The glad tidings of the Yuletide might be brought to them in a realistic manner, boys and girls, some untidy, some tidy, some possessed with the ordinary and confidence of youth, and others imbued with the retiring disposition of few years presented their cards for admission to the fête.

Outside of the doors of the lodge room stood a big sergeant and a big patrolman, and their hearts were proportionately large. Their orders were not to allow any one to enter who did not have cards, as was a necessary precaution, but as one by one the poor and shivering appeared saying they had no cards they were sent up stairs to stand their chances above, and their chances there were more than good, for the whole soiled men who were devoting their time and energy to brightening the darkened lives of the poor permitted no one to be turned away.

Hall Was Soon Filled.
Long before the time set down for the arrival of Santa Claus all the seats that had been arranged in the lodge room of the hall were filled by boys and girls, who came from 204 families, whose names had been taken from the roll of the Relief society and the Associated Charities. The joyous gathering was by no means confined to children, as many of the poor handworking mothers were present to greet with a wan smile the exciting joy of their offspring.

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FORBIDDEN WAREHOUSES

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS WILL ASK FOR BIDS IN THE SPRING

WILL BE LARGELY ASPHALT

Selby, South Wabasha, Tenth, Lafayette, Robert and Several Other Thoroughfares Are on the List.

Next week the board of public works will authorize a call for bids on street paving aggregating \$100,000. This will be followed by improvements of a similar nature that will swell the total to half a million dollars.

The principal improvement will be Selby street, from Summit avenue to Victoria street, which will cost for an expenditure of \$22,500. Of this amount the street car company will have to pay a trifle in excess of \$25,000.

The next in importance will be South Wabasha, which will cost the property owners \$37,500. The street car company will own in this improvement to the extent of \$5,000. Not as large as the others, but fully as important, is Tenth street from Locust to George, which will also include Lafayette avenue, besides several other minor thoroughfares. The paving will necessitate an expenditure of \$20,000, but this expense will be somewhat reduced by the fact that the street car company has to pay one-third of the cost.

Bids for these three improvements will be called for on the 6th of January, but they will be immediately followed by advertisements for business streets equally as important. These will include South Robert street, from the Great Western bridge to Congress street; Eighth street, from Wabasha to Broadway; Rosabel, from Eighth street to Third; Laurel avenue and Central Park place, east and west.

Most of the specifications call for superior Trinidad asphalt, but in order to induce the widest competition possible, owners of rock asphalt mines will be allowed to tender their material.

Hearings will be held on the latter improvements next week, property owners interested having already been notified.

GOOD WEATHER TO-DAY
ATMOSPHERE WILL BE JUST COOL ENOUGH FOR OUTSIDE PLEASURE

No Extra Inducements for Sleight Bells, as There is No Snow on the Market.

Official Forecaster Lyons yesterday had a consultation with Santa Claus relative to the particular brand of weather that was to be turned on today. The net result of the interview is that the O. P. has decided to open the cold air spigot slightly and mix it with the present temperature.

There was considerable discussion as to whether there should be any snow or not, and although the matter was not definitely settled, it may be taken for granted that very little, if any, snow will fall. There is a slight possibility that there may be a few flakes merely for the sake of a peaceful compromise, but the official forecaster says that today will be exactly the right temperature for an orthodox Christmas. The present composition of snow, dirt and various other matters which comprise the outer surface of the earth is to become slightly solidified, in which condition it will remain several days.

The weather map is quite propitious to St. Paul. There is a "low" north-west across the line and one southeast of this city, with the chances of a slight fall of snow in some parts of Iowa. St. Paul is situated in the zone where it will be free from all extremes of atmospheric changes of Yuletide, and as far as the weather man and his particular charges are concerned, every one is perfectly welcome to a good time.

TO BE OPEN TO ALL
FREE DISCUSSION INVITED AT COMING SANITARY CONFERENCE

Dr. H. M. Bracken, secretary of the state board of health, under whose auspices will be held the state sanitary conference to take place at the state capitol Jan. 14, is earnestly endeavoring to counteract the impression which appears to have gone abroad that the gathering is intended only for health officers and members of the medical profession. He says the invitation to attend the conference is general to all who are interested in sanitary improvement. The set program of the conference has already been published, and beside these subjects upon which papers will be read there will be discussion of the questions of sanitary care of street cars and other public conveyances, sanitary precautions applicable to public schools and other public buildings and many other practical topics of general importance.

Funeral of James Lynch.
The funeral of James Lynch was held yesterday morning from the family residence, on Lexington avenue, at the state church, Rev. P. O'Neill officiated. Miss Edith Blanchard sang "We Shall Meet Face to Face," and at the close of the mass, "Nearer by God to Thee." The interment was at the family lot in Calvary cemetery. The survivors were Dr. J. J. Casey, John Winer and R. Wacker.

Harp Recital.
For the benefit of the Catholic Orphan Asylum, Harp Recital, by Miss Josephine Sullivan, of the "Harp" quartet, assisted by Miss Frances Vincent, contralto, and Miss Louisa Taylor, violinist, Raudenbush hall, 1000 Broadway, 7 o'clock. Tickets in advance at Mr. O'Halloran's book store. Reserved seats, 50 cents; general admission, 20 cents.

CONTRACT LET FOR WELL

COUNTY ATTORNEY SEES NO OBJECTION TO SINKING ONE.

A contract has been drawn up between the board of county commissioners and J. P. McCarthy, for the sinking of an artesian well at Wildwood in an attempt to restore the water of White Bear lake to their old level. The contract was drawn up by County Attorney Kane, and in addition to it Mr. Kane submits an opinion on the question of the legality of the board's sinking a well on the property of Ramsey county on the other side of the lake in Washington county. In this opinion the county attorney finds no objection to a special committee to investigate and report.

The contractor for this work, E. J. Donohue, strongly denied this statement, and said that the spots complained of by Mr. Noyes would, when the building was completed, be covered up by window sashes, etc. The entire matter was referred to a special committee to investigate and report.

LOUIS NASH, Manager.
Nicollet Tailor
Cor. Seventh and Robert Sts.

M'GILL GOING EAST
HE IS TO CONFER WITH POSTAL OFFICIALS IN REGARD TO NEW BUILDING

MORE HELP MAY BE NEEDED
Local Christmas Business Has Been Heavier This Season Than Any in the History of the Office.

Postmaster A. R. McGill said yesterday that he would answer the call to Washington, D. C., on or about the first of the year. The principal business to be considered by the postoffice officials and Mr. McGill is the location of a substoffice at the union depot in St. Paul. In addition to this matter various things pertaining to changes, etc., in the clerical force of the local office will be considered. Some changes incident to the removal of the office to the new building will be necessary, such as additional janitors and more help in several other departments, and it is with this end in view that Postmaster McGill will work while in Washington.

In speaking of the holiday rush of postal business Mr. McGill said that it was by far the busiest season St. Paul has ever had from the standpoint of the postoffice business. In the registry department alone six extra clerks have been employed right along, and at that it is a great problem to get the work caught up. The entire force is working in two shifts, keeping going night and day, and even then everyone is behind.

Supt. H. J. Hadlich, of the city delivery department, estimates that there has been at least an increase of 20 per cent in mail business during the past two weeks over the business of corresponding weeks last year. Figures, however, will not be obtainable until the first of the year, for, as Mr. Hadlich expressed it, the postoffice people have been too busy weighing and making total figures of the mail handled, preferring to get the mail out rather than compile statistics concerning it.

HOPE TO BE TEACHERS
EXAMINATIONS IN ABSTRACT SUBJECTS HELD YESTERDAY.

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BIDS FOR STATE FUNDS
BOARD OF INVESTMENT PLACES \$200,000 OF HARD COIN.

The state board of investment, at a meeting held in the governor's office yesterday, received competitive bids for the investment of \$200,000 of the permanent fund in Louisiana 4 per cent bonds maturing in 1941, which were purchased at a price which will net the state 3.15 per cent.

DITCH IS NEARLY DONE
DRAIN WILL, IT IS THOUGHT, PROVE QUITE SATISFACTORY.

Marsden ditch is now nearly completed and the county surveyor says that the end of the week should see the work completed. The ditch was started by the state department of public instruction, and it is thought that it will be a success.

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J Sale! J Sale! MY KINGDOM FOR J Sale! J Sale!

Seems to be the controlling idea in the conduct of some establishments. Any old excuse will go so long as they can put out

A SALE SIGN!

It is not so here. We are actuated solely with a desire to clean up our season's stock.

THE DEAR PUBLIC (about which others profess so much solicitude) is a secondary consideration with us. While we willingly suffer a loss, it is for our own good as much as yours. Our loss would be doubled if we allowed our stock to get antiquated. Hence these

REASONABLE REDUCTIONS

\$20.00 Suits and Overcoats, to order	=	\$15.00
\$25.00 " " " " " "	=	\$19.00, \$20.00
\$30.00 " " " " " "	=	\$25.00
\$35.00 " " " " " "	=	\$30.00
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\$5.00 and \$6.00 Trousers, to order,	=	\$4.00 and \$5.00
\$7.00 and \$8.00 " " " "	=	\$6.00 and \$7.00
\$9.00 and \$10.00 " " " "	=	\$8.00
\$11.00 and \$12.00 " " " "	=	\$9.00

Of course, you've been waiting for this. So have hundreds of others. Well, we won't disappoint you. Never mind the frost on our windows. Drop in and examine quality of the fabrics. They will stand the closest inspection.

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PLANS FOR PUBLIC BUILDINGS
Additions to Various State Institutions Are Fully Occupying the Time of the Board of Control.

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