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SUPREME COURT WILL NOT REHEAR CASE

Commitment of Henry Krebs for Giving Farmer Drink of Brandy Stands.

The supreme court yesterday denied the application for a rehearing in the case of Henry Krebs, appellant vs. Frank Jones, village marshal of Perham, respondent.

Krebs was arrested at Perham last July for giving a farmer a sample of brandy, which he was selling for the California Wine House, of St. Paul. After a hearing Krebs was held to await the action of the grand jury and ordered committed to jail in default of \$200 bail. His committal has been corpus proceedings and the case was taken to the supreme court, which decided that he had violated the law in giving away liquor without having a license.

The attorneys for Krebs made an application for a rehearing, but this was yesterday denied, and Krebs will either have to give bail or remain in the custody of the marshal of Perham until the grand jury has disposed of his case.

TYPHOID MENACE IS IN THE WATER

SANITARY ASSOCIATION DISCUSSES WATER SUPPLY OF CITIES OF MINNESOTA

CAPPELEN SOUNDS NOTE OF WARNING

Engineers of Minneapolis, St. Paul, Winnipeg and Duluth Tell the Story of Their Experience in Dealing With the Problem of Purifying Systems of Germs.

"Unless Minneapolis finds some other means of obtaining a water supply for her residents no one need look for the lowering of its death rate by typhoid, which is at the present time the largest in the state, was read yesterday from the highly interesting paper by ex-City Engineer F. W. Cappelen, of Minneapolis, at the annual meeting of the Minnesota State Sanitary association, now in session at Elks' hall, this city.

Two sessions, bounded by no hours, were held during the course of the day, and one in the evening. Dr. H. M. Bracken, Minneapolis, president of the association, occupied the chair.

The forenoon gathering was devoted to routine business and the reading of reports etc., and in the afternoon the different engineers of the various towns and cities represented gave most interesting and enlightening talks on the great question at issue—sanitation.

The first name on the programme was that of George W. Fuller, sanitary engineer of New York city. Mr. Fuller was unable to be present, and his very instructive paper was read by a representative of the city.

Chief among the matters of which Mr. Fuller spoke was the plant now in operation in the city of Winnipeg, Manitoba, by which the entire city is supplied with soft as well as hard water. He proved, indubitably, that when operations of this kind were carried on upon a large scale, the expense was not so enormous as might be expected. He also referred to West Superior, Wis., as one place where he had tried but with indifferent success.

This was followed by a paper from L. W. Rundlett, city engineer of St. Paul. He gave a very detailed and comprehensive history of the city's water works system, from the time of the installation thereof up to the present day.

Beginning of St. Paul's Supply.

"The city of St. Paul derives her public water supply principally from the system of lakes that lie to the northward. These lakes depend upon the annual precipitation over a large area of drainage for their supply. The topography of St. Paul shows very considerable difference in elevation as one goes back from the river. Zero of the city level is level in the mean between the high and low water in the Mississippi basin. The city is built on three plateaus. The business district is mostly at an elevation of from 15 to 40 feet above the city base. Wabasha street represents the second level, which is from 90 to 100 feet above the base, and Summit avenue is the third

level, from 220 to 230 feet above the base. The St. Paul water works were first started as a private corporation, and the first charter was granted in 1857, but no work was done.

"In 1868 the charter was revised and the time extended, but until 1869 no ground was broken through the efforts of C. D. Gilliland, who acted as president, engineer, superintendent and foreman, as well as financial manager; with the result that in the year 1870 ten miles of pipe was laid within the city limits. The supply was taken from Lake Pitkan and the cement used in the work was brought at great expense from Louisville by steamboat via the Ohio and Mississippi rivers.

In 1882 the city obtained possession of the system for the sum of \$510,000, and since that time the improvements have been frequently marked and attended with eminent success.

After a lengthy dissertation upon the facilities for measuring the water supply of the reservoir, and the machinery used, the reservoir and the distribution system of St. Paul's waterworks, the speaker extended his very strongly on the "waste" proposition, which confronts every engineer. He said in part:

"Personally I am a strong advocate for paying for water like any other commodity, in accordance with what you receive. There is nothing that appeals to consumers to look after their fixtures like the size of the water bill. The relentless hand of the meter tells the tale, and habits of economy are taught. A large per capita use of water does not imply greater cleanliness—it simply means waste."

Mr. Rundlett concluded with a report from Dr. Renz, the city bacteriologist, showing the marvelous purity of St. Paul's water supply.

Duluth's Attitude is Appealing.

The next paper was read by W. B. Patten, city engineer of Duluth. Many of Mr. Patten's remarks were of an exceedingly amusing character, as con-

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Sixth and Wabasha, St. Paul.

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Men's fine Vic Kid Opera cut hand-turned Slippers, per pair \$1.25

Men's fine Kid hand-turned "Faust" Slippers, per pair \$1.50

Men's felt hand-turned "Faust" Slippers, per pair \$1.35

Ladies' \$1.25 felt, turned soles, fur-trimmed Slippers, like cut 98c

Ladies' \$1.50 Fine Felt Slippers, with hand-turned soles and fur trimmings, all sizes, at \$1.19

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We have a large assortment of Magnifying and Reading Glasses with handles in gold, silver, pearl, shell and ebony.

Lorgnettes in gold, silver and shell—Opera glass handles, and all kinds of

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Special Thursday evening from 6 to 10.

1000 Boxes Colored Crayons—23 crayons in each box, all different colors—considered a bargain at 12c a box—used for drawing maps, pictures, maps, charts, sketches, and all kinds of school drawing—also

1000 Boxes Combination Picture Book and Crayons—14 colored crayons and one picture book containing 16 pictures and sells for 15c

This entire lot on sale Thursday night from 6 to 10 o'clock at, choice, per box 5c

Only one box to a customer.

Until 10:00 o'clock. For the accommodation of the large number of holiday shoppers who cannot get to the store during the day, the store will remain open every evening till 10 o'clock from now until Christmas.

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Up-to-date Furnishings are always acceptable presents for men.

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Special for Thursday—A magnificent line of four-in-hand, neckties, puffs, imperials, ascots and English squares; all excellent value, many of them worth \$1.00. Extra special Thursday 39c

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Suspenders Silk and lisle thread patent suspenders, all with kind ends and patent cast-off, put up in a nicely decorated box. A useful present, pair 50c

Silk Net Suspenders—One pair in a box, always acceptable for men. We show a most complete line at 25c, \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.00.

Gloves Men's Scotch wool knit Gloves, in black, plain colors and fancy mixtures, pair 50c

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Others up to 2.50

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Do not fail to inspect our line of Music Rolls and Bags, Card Cases, Pinhole Sets, Toilet Roll-ups, Traveling Companions, Razor Cases, Cigarette Cases, Flasks, Work Boxes, Sewing Cases, etc.

City News.

Fines for Selling Impure Lard—The amount of fines collected by the dairy and food department from convictions of persons selling impure lard aggregates \$1,475 since Oct. 11.

Lieut. Barnes Resigns—The resignation of Albert E. Barnes, second lieutenant of Company B, Third regiment, stationed at Anoka, has been accepted by Adj. Gen. Libby.

Rev. Thomas Hamby Will Lecture—Rev. Thomas Hamby, for years pastor of the Clinton Avenue M. E. church, will deliver a lecture in that church tonight under the auspices of Twentieth Century Lodge No. 7, L. O. G. T. Dr. Hamby was a charter member and first chaplain of this lodge.

"A wedding invitation? Get a cut glass piece." Details, 25 East Seventh street.

LABORER IS INJURED BY A RUNAWAY HORSE

Hans Larson Emerges From Sewer Ditch Just in Time to Be Run Down. While emerging from a sewer ditch on Stryker avenue yesterday morning, Hans Larson, a laborer, was run down by a horse which had broken away from Owen McEman, an agent living at 410 Carroll street. Larson was thrown against a pile of stone, sustaining a fracture of the left leg and a bad bruise at the base of his skull.

McEman was thrown from the cutter, but escaped without injury. Larson was taken to Bethesda hospital in the Ducas street patrol wagon. The horse and cutter belonged to J. H. Dubord, a liveryman at 418 Carroll street.

Was Sacrificed to Art Preservation. John Behr, in behalf of his minor son, Henry Behr, has commenced suit against Zimmerman Bros., painters, to recover for injuries alleged to have been sustained by his son while in the employ of the defendant company. It is alleged that young Behr had one of his hands permanently injured in printing press, and \$5,000 damages are asked.

"Not One Mouthful of table food should be given a child before it is one year old," says Dr. Holt. What substitute then? Borden's Eagle Brand Condensed milk is absolutely the safest and best infant food obtainable. Avoid unknown brands. Send for "Baby's Diary."

Receipts for Foreign Missions. BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 17.—The annual report of the American Board of Foreign Missions shows receipts for the year of \$816,106.

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Is the fit GOOD?
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We have a full line of Christmas Candies.

Grapes Very fancy Catawbas, per basket 18c
Oranges California Seedling 15c
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Bananas Good 5c and 10c
Apples Good Northern Spys and Greenings, per bushel 65c

Fancy Baldwin Apples, per bbl. \$2.75
Fancy Greening \$2.75, \$3.00, \$3.25
Fancy Duchess Peas, per peck 30c

Corned Beef And Cabbage, 5 pounds corned beef and 1 solid cabbage 25c
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FIVE-YEAR-OLD URCHIN PICKED UP BY POLICE SINGS THEM CHRISTMAS SONGS

"I wanted to find Santy Claus and tell him what to bring me Christmas." This is what five-year-old Charlie Martin told Capt. Hunt last night at the central police station. The little fellow, suffering from cold and hunger, was found wandering the streets at Broadway and East Seventh street shortly before 8 o'clock, and was sent to the police station for shelter.

"Gee, but this place is just like the kindergarten, so warm and nice," exclaimed the infant wanderer. "Do you want me to sing a song?"

Of course the officers did and in clear, childish tones the little fellow sang several of the selections he had learned at school. Not one was a song of the street, but all about Christmas.

Encouraged by the appreciation of his auditors, Charlie repeated the story of the first Christmas, told to him yesterday by his kindergarten teachers. His was a disconnected tale, and it had a childish charm so that the officers did not one of the big policemen at the station interrupted the story.

"And do you know," concluded Charlie, "that the Santy Claus who came so long ago, comes back every year. And he comes to the poor just the same as he does to the rich, so I get Christmas presents, too. Mamma let me go down town yesterday to see 'Santy,' but I couldn't find him and then it got dark and I couldn't find my way home."

Then the heavy drooping eyes of the child closed fast in sleep. He was carried to the women's ward, and up to midnight no one called for the little urchin who hunted St. Paul for Santa Claus unsuccessfully.

Charlie told Capt. Hunt that he lived on Summit place and attended the kindergarten at the new McKinley school. He said that his father's name is Fred Martin, but was unable to tell where he was employed.

The little boy's clothes were ragged and torn. He said that his mother was a washerwoman.

MR. JACKSON WAS OUT OF FUEL

Janitor at Court House Is Caught Carrying Away a Bucket of Coal.

"I tells you I ze 'onest man, boss. I took that coal but I tended to bring it back. For de Lawd I did, boss. I ze mighty scarce now and I couldn't help it."

This was the explanation Edward Jackson, a colored janitor on the main floor of the city hall and court house, made to Custodian Cramsie yesterday when he was detected carrying away a bucket full of coal, but it did not save him. He was suspended.

Custodian Cramsie became suspicious of Jackson several days ago. The coal pile was diminishing and as the colored janitor's residence was at a convenient distance, being directly opposite on Cedar street, a watch was established.

For the purpose of making a fire, the police station for Jackson placed a bucket of coal in Comptroller Betz's office Tuesday evening. Arriving early yesterday morning he proceeded to "tote" it over to his home, and was suddenly pounced upon by the watchman, who was hidden in the sheriff's office. Jackson wilted and the black diamonds were returned to the coal pile in the basement.

Jackson acknowledged to Custodian Cramsie yesterday that he had taken a few buckets of coal, but denied any wholesale raid. He was out of fuel and had simply borrowed some. As a proof of his honesty he turned the custodian that in his evening rounds he had frequently come across money left on the desk by officials, but had never touched it. Jackson's case will be considered by the commission when it meets.

SAYS STEPFATHER ABUSED HIS MOTHER

Boy Charged With Assaulting Parent Pleads Guilty, but Claims He Was Justified.

Thomas Cushie, an eighteen-year-old boy, was in police court yesterday as the result of an altercation he had with his stepfather, Joseph Diehlner, in which the latter had one of his eyes badly discolored.

The stepfather insisted that the boy would not work, and that he was an expense about the house. He had reprimanded him, and then the boy assaulted him. The boy tells a different story.

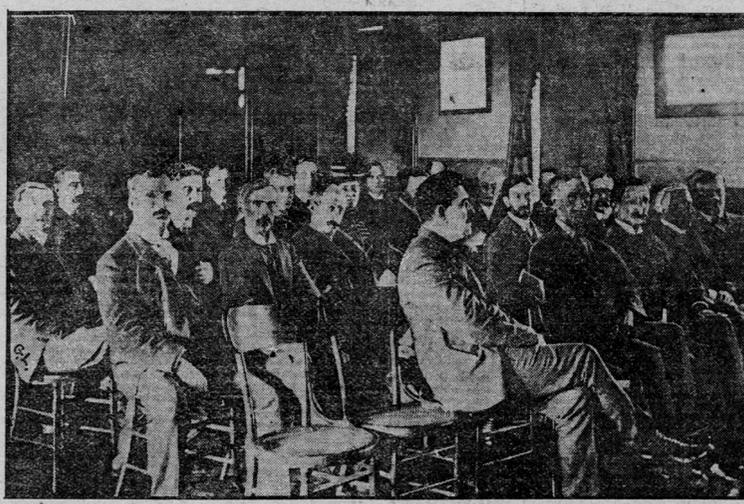
He says his stepfather, in the habit of coming home in a drunken condition, abusing the boy's mother and the entire family. He had stood this as long as he cared to, and in a quarrel he struck his stepfather. The boy was placed in charge of the probation officer.

ARCADÉ TO BE BUILT THROUGH TO FIFTH

Enclosed Building Will Have One More Outlet, According to Present Plans.

If plans now being prepared by Architect Cass Gilbert are carried out in the spring, the Enclosed Arcade will be extended to Fifth street. There are now entrances on Fourth and Robert streets. The extension for the present will be one story in height, with two store rooms in front and offices opening off the arcade at their rear. An office building will eventually take its place. The cost will be about \$30,000.

SEEK TO IMPROVE CITY WATER



The Picture Shows in the Foreground Dr. H. M. Bracken, Minneapolis; Dr. H. Grundy, Thief River Falls; Dr. J. H. Bong, Jasper, Minn.; G. W. Fuller, New York City; F. W. Cappelen, Minneapolis.

BIG CARS PROMISED FOR ALL THE LINES

Mississippi and Stryker Avenue Roads Will Have Better Transportation Shortly.

Patrons of the Mississippi and West St. Paul car lines are promised big cars not later than Feb. 1. Even the Stryker avenue line is to be provided with the big fellows. When the latter line is equipped the cars will be run around the Robert street loop, instead of stepping at Fifth and Wabasha streets, as is now done.

With these two lines provided for every line in the city will be equipped with the large cars. The small cars will be retained by the company and used during rush hours.

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great, grand and gloomy lake—the largest body of fresh water on the map; that to which Proctor Knott gave world-wide fame when he described it as "the great unsalted sea."

He told of the gigantic difficulties overcome by those who installed the system in the Zenith City—of the numberless schemes and projects that were broached and abandoned almost as soon as thought of; of the early difficulties met with by the residents of the Hill City in obtaining water up to and including the year 1883, when they pumped by hand all that was needed from the shore of the lake immediately in front of the business portion of the city.

After the system was installed the city grew at such a rapid rate that the danger from the inadequacy of the sewerage system began to make itself known in the increase of the death rate from typhoid fever. This began in the fall of '88, and in '94 the climax was reached when the rate went up to 1.2 per 1,000 population. Upon investigation a most alarming and startling condition of affairs in regard to the infection of the sewage and such a high feeling was apparent that the city

trasted with the general prosy nature of the meeting. In his description of the city in which he lived he said that Duluth was twenty-seven miles long, two and one-half miles wide and one mile high. He eulogized in glowing terms the purity of the water of Lake Superior—the water, he said, "drunk by 70,000 of the best people on earth—and who would not exchange it for the nectar that Jupiter sipped." In conjunction with his description of the waterworks system of Duluth he also gave a remarkably clever story of the

council took the necessary steps to annul the franchise of the corporation that operated the system. In 1896 the necessary amount was raised to purchase it and from that time Duluth has owned her own water privileges. Mr. Patten took particular care to lay great stress upon the fact that since the taking over of the water works by the city there has been better service, lower rates, more money in the city treasury from that source, and a lower death rate than ever before in the history of the city.

Minneapolis Water Supply.

The next paper read was "Minneapolis Water Supply," by ex-City Engineer F. W. Cappelen, of that place. He gave a detailed resume of the history of Minneapolis' waterworks from the date of its inception—telling of the general dissatisfaction felt by all alike with the nature of the drinking fluid furnished by the Mississippi. He unmercifully scored the actions of the average alderman in engaging an engineer to do a certain piece of work and then invariably restricting his operations by adverse conditions. There were that until the day came when different means were taken by which to obtain water of the best quality. The present water, the present high death rate that city, 25 per cent, need not be expected to lower in the least degree.

H. C. Carrel, of the State Board of Sanitation, was the next to deliver a paper on this subject of "Rural Supply," with the condition of which, on account of his position, he is very closely acquainted.

He cited several instances where the short-sightedness of the people concerned the closest and most vitally was something deplorable. For instance the town of Eveleth, Minn., in the iron country of the north, where the place drew its supply from a mine wherein scores of men were working every hour in the day within a few feet of the base of supply. And then the residents wondered that an epidemic of typhoid should be visited upon them. Another instance was the town of Ely, in the extreme north of the state. There is almost within a stone's throw of the town a most beautiful lake lying in a bottom of the water, and the water of the town is, as yet, but very small, but growing rapidly, being in the center of the famous Vermillion range of iron mines, and that such a lake should be so close to the town goes into the lake. It is only a short time till the present source of supply will prove inadequate and then the lake will need to be tapped and all the sewage will come back as a scourge.

He believed that it would be a wise plan for the association to draft a resolution to the effect that it, as a body, believed that legislation should take such steps as would prevent the installation, or changing, of any water works until the plans and changes were approved of by the state board of health, and that such law should be enforced most rigidly by a heavy fine or imprisonment.

Upon the conclusion of his paper the meeting was declared open for the discussion of such points as were not fully comprehended.

After some short explanations the meeting was adjourned till last evening at 8 o'clock, when the physicians held the floor.

Gov. Van Sant delivered the address of welcome.

ANTI-VACCINATIONISTS PROTEST Evening Meeting of the Sanitation People is Diversified.

The anti-vaccinationists of St. Paul made an invasion of a stronghold of orthodox practitioners last night, when J. W. Griggs, Mrs. L. C. Little and Dr. C. W. Young, prominent advocates of their cause, questioned in open meeting the assertions made by Dr. Burnside Foster, of St. Paul, on vaccination. Dr. Foster, speaking of preventable diseases, pointed out the efficacy of vaccination as a preventive or ameliorative of smallpox.

Mrs. L. C. Little took issue with the doctor. She pointed out that the community was well rid of a state church, and should not create a state medical tyranny by compulsory vaccination. J. W. Griggs, president of the society, supplemented her remarks with statistics purporting to show that vaccination did not prevent smallpox, according to the "supposition" of medical men. He repeated "supposition" as he closed with some acidity. Dr. W. M. Beck, of Hanley Falls, replied with some emphasis to their remarks, but Dr. Foster was by far the most acrid, saying:

"I was surprised to hear in so intel-

ligent a body remarks such as these, but when I learn the sources, I am so much surprised except in this, that persons utterly ignorant of medicine should utter the opinions of medical men. It repeated "supposition" as he the question, and have had the assistance of a hundred years' experience."

Prof. Frankforter, of the university of Minnesota, read a paper on school sanitation in which he advocated the establishment of bath rooms in school houses for compulsory bathing. Dr. F. C. Todd, of Minneapolis, spoke upon "Special Senses—Sight and Hearing," and Dr. A. L. Gillette, of St. Paul, upon deformities. He asserted that three-fourths of the deformities in children were not congenital, but caused by disease, generally by tuberculosis.

Milwaukee Will Have Meet. MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 17.—W. H. Liginger, president of the Central association of the A. A. U., and also the head of the national body, announced that the Central association championships would be held either in Milwaukee or Chicago and not in Cincinnati as reported. There are only the Ohio championships, which will take place shortly before the association fixture.

For Milwaukee first and all the time," said he, "and shall do all in my power to bring the meet here. If, however, it cannot be brought to Milwaukee, Chicago will get it. This will be decided at a meeting of the board of managers in Chicago Dec. 22."

PING PONG PLAYERS And those subject to violent exercise often need a mild, liquid laxative treatment for the stomach and bowels. Nothing better than Lea Bros' Cascara. It assimilates the food, acts pleasantly on the bow