

# City News.

**Supt. Dan Neary's Present**—Supt. Dan Neary, of the fire alarm system, was presented with a sealskin cap by the members of the fire alarm crew.

**Will Furnish Light and Power**—The Mesaba Light and Power company, of Virginia, Minn., incorporated yesterday. The incorporators are John Cortigan, Jr., and John D. Lamont, of Virginia, and Daniel D. Crowley, of Duluth. The capital stock is \$25,000.

**Globe Investment Company Files Articles**—The Globe Investment company, of Duluth, which is to deal in realty, with a capital of \$50,000, filed articles yesterday. The incorporators are J. A. Wharton, L. A. Larsen and Ernest R. Grochow, all of Duluth.

**New Lumber Company Formed**—The W. O. Barnet Lumber company, of Minneapolis, with a capital stock of \$50,000, of which \$30,000 is to be paid in on or before Jan. 1, filed articles of incorporation yesterday. The incorporators are Leonard Lampert and Royal Buckman, of Minneapolis, and W. O. Barnet, of St. Paul.

## SELLS COAL THAT HE NEVER OWNED

Three Tons for \$21, a Bargain D. A. Coates Could Not Pass Up.

D. A. Coates, a South Wabasha street furniture dealer, is convinced that he has been made the victim of a confidence game, and yesterday swore out a warrant for the arrest of Charles H. Groth, whom he charged with obtaining money under false pretenses. Coates met Groth in a Jackson street restaurant Tuesday night, and the latter offered to sell him three tons of nut coal for \$21. Such an opportunity was too good to overlook, and the furniture dealer closed the contract at once, making an advance payment of \$12. Groth told him the coal was in the cellar at 126 Norris street, and under the terms of the contract Coates was to transfer the coal to his own empty bin. Bright and early yesterday Coates sent a teamster to get the coal, but no such house could be found, and an investigation convinced Coates that he had been buncoed. When he went to look for Groth the latter could not be found, and a warrant was issued for his arrest.

## GIVES GOVERNOR BIG PUNCH BOWL

His Excellency Is Recipient of a Christmas Gift From His Staff.

Gov. Van Sant was remembered by the members of his military staff with a Christmas gift yesterday. Adjutant General Libbey, Col. R. H. Seng and Maj. J. C. Jensen, representing the staff, marched into the governor's private office yesterday afternoon, followed by a porter carrying a large and bulky package. The general, colonel and major saluted their commander-in-chief in military style and then Maj. Jensen presented the astonished official with a magnificent gift. It was a photograph of each member of the staff, the thirty-five photos being enclosed in a silk case. With the words "May this gift protect you from all life's storms," Secretary Wall, of the state dairy and food commission, presented to the governor a commission, presented to Dairy Commissioner McConnell with a gold handled umbrella yesterday. The gift was from the employees of the department to their chief.

State Treasurer Block was presented with a cut glass punch bowl by the employees in his office and in return remembered each of his staff with an appropriate gift.

## STATE SCHOOL FUND SHORT OVER \$100,000

Supt. Olsen Will Call Attention of Legislature to a Deficiency.

Supt. Olsen, of the department of state instruction, will call the attention of the legislature to a deficiency of \$104,000 in the appropriation made for aid of the public schools of the state in 1901 and 1902.

The high schools of the state are allowed \$1,000 each per year. In 1901 the 136 high schools were each short \$150 of the amount, which totals \$18,900; in 1902 the schools had increased to 141 and each was short \$230, or \$32,430, making a total deficiency of \$49,330.

The semi-graded schools are allowed \$200 annually. In 1901 the 158 schools in this class were short \$74.88 each and in 1902 the number, which had increased to 244, were short \$89 each, or a total of \$38,982.

The appropriation for rural schools was sufficient to pay the \$100 allowed to each of this class in 1901, and all but \$20 of the allowance to 747 schools in 1902, leaving a total unpaid of \$14,940.

# YERXA

This Store Will Be Closed All Day To-day, Christmas

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F. R. YERXA & CO.  
SEVENTH AND CEDAR STS.

## SAINT BRIGHTENS ORPHANS' HOME

FIVE AND FORTY TOTS AT PROTESTANT ASYLUM SEE HIM IN THE FLESH

TOYS FOR THE BOYS AND A DOLL FOR THE GIRLS

Santa Claus Long in Coming, but His Appearance Dispel All Doubts as to There Being a Really, Truly Santa—A Christmas Tree Adds to the Occasion.

Every one of the five and forty children at the Protestant orphan asylum knows now that there is a really, truly Santa Claus. "Cause hasn't he come with our presents every year for years and years?" demanded one little tot at the asylum yesterday as she hugged to her bosom the dolly that Santa had just left her.

But for the space of five minutes, perhaps, there existed in the minds of the forty and five at the asylum yesterday the least little speck of a doubt about Santa Claus' appearance. For the newest boy had dared to whis-



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per unbelievably, "Hub, I never seed a Santa Claus an' I don't believe there's one!" The doubt had made all the little girls sad and all the little boys angry and the littlest girl, who had been dressed in spottish white for the occasion, had even wept softly, for she had counted so much on seeing a real Santa Claus. Of course there was the big tree in the reception room and there were scores and scores of mysterious packages heaped on a table and there was the smiling matron, Miss Weinzler, who assured the forty and five that the tree and the packages were a preparation for the expected guest and the children almost believed, but well, there was the doubt of that newest boy and truly Santa was a long time coming and—

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And many were the touching scenes—many were the profound looks of heartfelt gratitude that illumined the faces of parents who had spent so many long hours in planning to furnish more than one pair of little feet

## ELKS MAKE THE CHILDREN GLAD

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NOTABLE GATHERING OF YOUNGSTERS AT ELKS' HALL

Members of Antlered Fraternity Put in Busy Afternoon Distributing Santa Claus' Contribution of Caps, Mittens, Overshoes, Dolls and Other Toys to Great Delight of Children.

It was amid the glister of tinsel, the blaze of parti-colored tapers and electric lights, festoons of Christmas green, gay flowers and showy ribbons, merry music and hearty laughter, that 600 children gathered yesterday afternoon to have their hearts made glad at Elks' hall.

All the many conditions and articles that go to make the juveniles rejoice were there. Santa Claus, in all the glory of his picturesque, variegated raiment, sat in a handsome modern cutter, to which were hitched two



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large elks, harnessed in tinsel and shining brass bells. The venerable saint of childhood was personated by Al Flournoy in a manner that elicited the utmost approbation and applause from the juvenile portion of the house. As he made his appearance Santa made a speech that sparkled with wit-

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# CHRISTMAS GREETING!

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## MR. WEYERHAEUSER NOT SERIOUSLY ILL

False Report That Timber King Is in Critical Condition is Circulated.

A report was printed in an evening paper yesterday announcing that Frederick Weyerhaeuser, the lumber king, was lying seriously ill at his home on Summit avenue, and that because of his advanced age grave doubts were felt by his family as to his recovery.

The report stated that Mr. Weyerhaeuser's condition was so serious that all plans for celebrating Christmas according to the custom prevailing in the family had been abandoned.

The story was emphatically denied at his home, 266 Summit avenue, last night. A member of the family stated to a Globe reporter that Mr. Weyerhaeuser had been suffering from a cold for some days, but that he was not confined to his bed, that no fears were felt by the family because of his condition, and that no change of plans had been occasioned by it.

## ECZEMA, NO CURE, NO PAY

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

They Present Manager of Star Theater With Beautiful Locket.

Because of his friendly feeling toward the St. Paul firemen, M. H. Singer, manager of the Star theater, was surprised yesterday by a committee of seven from the department of this city, who presented him with a beautiful locket, diamond-studded and inscribed appropriately. This was in recognition of the aid Mr. Singer rendered the St. Paul families that have suffered through fires.

## TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets. This signature on every box. 25c.

## NO SKATING AT LAKE COMO THIS CHRISTMAS

Center of the Lake is Open for the First Time in Many Winters.

For the first time in many winters there will be no Christmas skating at Como. What little ice there is so frail that Supt. Nassbaumer will not permit it being used.

First came a heavy fall of snow, which so completely covered the surface that it did not harden. Next followed a thaw and this so disintegrated the ice, that the center was entirely open Monday. The late cold snap had the effect of again congealing the surface, but another fall of snow has since ruined it for skating.

Supt. Nassbaumer says it is the first time since he has been connected with the St. Paul park that there has not been skating at Lake Como on Christmas.

## CASTORIA

The Kind You Have Always Bought Bears the Signature of

The simplest remedy for indigestion, constipation, biliousness and the many ailments arising from a disordered stomach, liver or bowels is **Castoria**. They have accomplished wonders, and their use will remove the necessity of calling a physician for many little ills that best mankind is prone to neglect. The trouble relieves the bowels, cleanses the affected parts, and gives the system a general tonic. The little package is enough for an ordinary occasion. The family bottle, 25 cents, contains a supply for the year. All druggists sell this.

## SUPREME COURT TOOLS OVERTIME

Mistake of Clerk Prolongs Session Until Nearly 5 O'Clock.

Owing to a mistake made by a law clerk the chief justice of the supreme court and his associates on the bench put in a long and busy day yesterday.

When the calendar was called at the opening day of the term and the cases set, a clerk informed the court that the appeals in the cases of Frank E. Elmund and O. H. Arosin, former treasurers of Ramsey county, would be submitted on the 11th.

The attorneys for the appellants, however, desired to make oral arguments and after some explanation the court allowed them this privilege. This made a calendar of six cases to be heard by the court yesterday, and it was nearly 5 o'clock when Chief Justice Start and the associate judges left the bench.

Three cases involving the attempt to recover money paid through the peculations of Walter B. Bourne, former deputy auditor of Ramsey county, were argued. The appeals were all on demurrers to the complaints, which were overruled by the judges of the lower court.

The county is endeavoring to secure from D. M. Sullivan, county auditor, and his bondsmen, F. B. Kellogg, C. A. Severance and D. M. Robbins, \$5,398, which was the amount given to last during Sullivan's incumbency of the office by Bourne's transactions. F. B. Kellogg, who appeared for Sullivan and his bondsmen in the supreme court yesterday, argued that the lower court had erred in holding that the bond covered any liability for the acts of deputation, and that it was only given to insure the acts of the auditor himself, and therefore the bondsmen were not liable for the defalcation by Bourne.

In the case of Frank E. Elmund and his bondsmen, who are called upon to pay \$6,953, the principal point in the appeal is that as treasurer Elmund was not responsible for the acts of the auditor or his deputies.

In the case of C. H. Arosin and the United States Fidelity and Guaranty company, which furnished the surety bond for the treasurer, the point is made that the bond given ran to the state and not to the county, and suit should have been brought by the state, if at all.

E. P. Sanborn appeared for Elmund, and Harris Richardson for Arosin. County Attorney Kane appeared for the board of county commissioners.

D. F. Reese officiated as clerk of the supreme court for the last time at the session yesterday. His term does not expire until January 5, but when the court adjourned yesterday afternoon a recess was taken until January 5, on which date O. A. Fildes, the new clerk, will commence his duties.

## DEPOSIT YOUR SAVINGS WITH THE SECURITY TRUST COMPANY, NEW YORK LIFE BLDG.

Mr. Charles Wallblom, president of the Wallblom Furniture and Carpet company with his customary liberality presented each of his thirty-six employees with a turkey for their Christmas dinner which was greatly appreciated by them.

## THE WAY TO HEALTH

Free if you write for it. Sample treatment of Rea Bros' Cascara. The best remedy that medical science has been able to put forth. Cures biliousness, constipation and dyspepsia. Sold at druggists, 25c per box, or sample sent free to any address. You sleep at night when you use Cascara.

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