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### WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, June 9th, 1902.

During the past week the inquiry being conducted by the Committee on Relations with Cuba elicited from Mr. Thurber, of New York, the statement that he had secured from Mr. Havemeyer a contribution of \$2,500 towards a fund used to influence public opinion in favor of reciprocal relations with Cuba and that General Wood, on behalf of the Cuban government, had contributed to the same fund \$2,880. This testimony was regarded as extremely sensational by the opponents of reciprocity and, partially as a result, thirteen republican senators who oppose a measure providing for straight reciprocity, held a meeting at which they agreed to stand firm for the bill as passed by the House, and which removed the differential from refined sugar, or for adjournment without action. In addition to the thirteen senators present it was stated by Senator Elkins, who is acting as leader of the "insurgents," that five others would consider themselves bound by the action of the conference. The total number of senators is 88, of which 32 are democrats. If all the democrats and 16 republicans voted against a straight reciprocity bill there would be left as an affirmative vote of but 38.

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The Secretary of Agriculture has adopted a new platform. He told me one day this week that in view of the magnificent possibilities he could foresee in the way of scientific development of the agricultural industries of the country he had determined to ask nothing further from congress in the way of protective duties but to preach to the farmers, early and late, the advantages to be derived from pursuing the most approved methods. The Secretary made this statement when I quoted to him the remarks of some congressmen who had expressed the fear that when Secretary Wilson had succeeded in establishing the silk industry he would raise of Congress a protective industry of raw silk. "They need not be apprehensive for I shall ask them for nothing," said the Secretary. "They said, when I first stated that we could raise our own tea, that it could be done only by means of an immense protective tariff but we are today raising tea and selling it at a profit and we are raising tea that, because of its superior qualities and the fact that it is cured without the use of chemicals, commands a better price than imported tea. The same will be true in time of the silk industry. We have reasonably cheap labor to the South, among the negroes, and I expect to secure the help of Tuskegee and similar institutions to train the reellers of raw silk. Meanwhile our scientists will direct their attention to decreasing the amount of labor and to finding methods that will compensate for the difference in wages. In the rice fields in this country there are instances of one man doing the work that it would require 400 cheap foreign coolies to accomplish. If we can do that with rice, why cannot we do it with other things?"

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When the prospects for an agreement on a reciprocity bill looked particularly blue, however, the President, alleging that such action he believed to be his "plain duty," sent to Congress a message urging that body to carry to its highest completion the policy inaugurated by the war undertaken to relieve Cuba of Spanish oppression, by so legislating as to insure to the new republic a modicum of prosperity. Mr. Roosevelt asserted that, in his belief, certain reciprocal concessions were essential to Cuba's prosperity and that such could be granted without injury to any American industry. He had been advised by many of his political friends that a message to Congress at this juncture would seriously injure his prospects of renomination but he refused to listen to any suggestion of personal profit or loss and sent to Congress a message which will command the respect of his friends and opponents, and even of those who hold that his reasoning is fallacious. It is too early to judge what effect the message will have upon the republicans who oppose Cuban reciprocity although immediately after they had heard it a number of them stated that they saw no reason to change their views. On Saturday Senator Elkins introduced a resolution to admit Cuba to the Union as a state.

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During the past week the Senate passed the Naval Appropriation bill instructing the Secretary of the Navy to secure the construction of two first-class battle-ships, two armored cruisers, two gun-boats and two submarine torpedo boats of the Holland type. The provision of the House that one vessel of each class should be built in a government navy yard was stricken out and I understand that the House will seriously oppose this elimination of one of its pet schemes when the bill is taken up in conference and also that it will object to the Senate amendment providing for so many torpedo boats of on board, it is claimed, insufficiently tested type. The Senate will vote on the canal bill on Thursday.

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The House of Representatives has disposed of a number of bills during the past week. On Monday the bill for the protection of the President was passed by a large majority and on Friday the Hansbrough-Noland irrigation bill was enacted, it having been already favorably acted on by the Senate. On Tuesday the House rejected the Lacey bill, providing for the transfer of the care of Forest Reserves from the department of the Interior to the department of Agriculture and it is frequently stated

that the bill which was favored by the President and was generally regarded as an excellent measure, was defeated because the members were loath to forfeit the nominations of their friends, to the number of 300, for positions as rangers, a privilege which they now have under the administration of Secretary Hitchcock.

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## "Ping-Pong," a Catchy New Comedy in Chicago

Opened June 9, at the Studebaker—Other Mention of the Plays and Players.

WITH the coming of summer days, and especially of summer nights, when a glistening room has fewer attractions than outside air, we cannot stand such heavy bills of fare at the theaters as we enjoyed back in the winter. Comic opera, comedy fare and vaudeville serve us better now, and we like to go where we can be amused with the least expenditure of our part.

"Ping-Pong" has nothing heavy or oppressive about it. It bounds as lightly as its name would suggest, and the action is correspondingly rapid. "Ping-Pong" is a clever farce-comedy, presented this evening for the first time on any metropolitan stage, at the Standard theater in Chicago. The play is in three acts. It deals with amusing complications arising from the beliefs and disbelief of the several characters in spiritualism, and these complications lead the characters from one difficulty to another"—hence the title "Ping-Pong."

It is a happy title, attracting the numerous lovers of the game, who are bound to compare all through the fare the bound and rebound on the stage with the movement of the little ball in its favorite sport. And as ping-pong, played on the veranda sunning, to hold its own in these warm days, we feel safe in prophesying that the farce-comedy "Ping-Pong," played to summer audiences, will gain in favor and rival its namesake.

The "Ping-Pong" company consists of a group of fine comedians as can be found together on the American stage. Mr. Clay Clements, the author of the play, has created several characters of strong, eccentric and individuality, and when in addition to the usual characterization there is a lively plot, brisk dialogue and many ridiculous situations, there could not help being "go" to "Ping-Pong." The

ten dances to the accompaniment of singing from the negro quartet. Singing and piano playing also entertain the evening, and permit the introduction of the simple and beautiful darkly melodic. And on this night given over to mystic rites, maidens, the time-honored fashion, seek to lift the curtain and reveal to them the form of future mates.

But to go on with the story. Let us think to save the family name, consents to marry the suitor that threatens to unlock the family skeleton. She again goes so far as to make the final sacrifice. This scene, where the bride refuses to take the



MRS. CLAY CLEMENTS.  
As Marjorie Polk in Ping-Pong.

vows, is a strong one and works the audience up to quite a respectable thrill. It is needless to say that Burleigh Mason, the lover, is proved by the girl, with feeling at the end.

The role of Lola is played by Miss Grace George, played very sweetly and acceptably. Miss George has lately made her debut as a star, and deserves the rags of Anatolia and Kurdistan is not due entirely to the quality of the wool employed. Two other factors favor the rug production of Persia in the markets of the west. The first is the more extensive and in Turkey of the Persian and fabrics.

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WILFRED CLARKE.  
Appears as Maxwell Goodloe in Ping-Pong.

dressing is elaborate, and attractive, though the scene remains the same throughout. The setting is a pretty one, with a pretty name and a pretty setting is "Under Southern Skies." The place is Louisiana, the time the year 1878. We are not treated in this play to north-and-south problems, but are given a charming glimpse of southern life.

Mr. Edward Crofton and his daughter Lelia live on an old plantation, the center of interest throughout the story. The hospitable old house, and its broad, pleasant porch, wreathed about with climbing roses and honeysuckles makes a very lovely picture. The rural charm is further increased by a blossoming orange tree in the foreground and a rustic bench nearby. In which to loiter and dream under the shade of the great tree, and beneath whose southern heart beat at sight of it, recalls fond old memories; and it makes a northerner wish he had in his possession some such rich memories, tells him journey southward and fears his eyes on such beauty in nature and such classic outline of architecture's art.

We are called upon to share, along with neighbors and friends, the joys of a birthday, the pleasure of the celebration of the tenth birthday of Miss Crofton. Gifts and congratulations are the order of the day, and for awhile all goes as merrily as a marriage bell. The scene is idyllic, full of flowers, the light, the merry, the jocund, and the handmaiden youth. But the shadow of inevitable evil and sorrow creeps over the bright landscape and threatens to drive out all sunshine. There are two loves, however, both born pure, Lelia, the one happy in her favor, the other razing over the rejection of his suit. The fathers of these young men are the typical southern colonels, not at all averse to defending their honor at the slightest challenge.

Matters become complicated for Lelia when there appears on the scene her mother, whom Lelia has believed long dead. Sixteen years, Quindine has been a widow, and she has died, however, she comes to life at a most inopportune time for the girl and the man of her choice. The rejected lover, who knowledge, and emerges upon it, to the girl, and into accepting him for her husband.

The second act shows a very interesting and characteristic southern scene, a Hallowe'en celebration, where the merrymakers indulge in a jester's



GRACE ORISWALD.  
Playing the Part of Mrs. Belinda Connor in Ping-Pong.

ment of the former quite eclipsed anything previously attempted in the history of shipbuilding. That Leviathan was permitted but a short supremacy, for 38 months later, in July of last year, the Celtic set forth on her maiden voyage, surpassing in every way her sister ship, in weight, her 14,000 horse-power, her nine decks, and accommodations for 2,850 passengers and over 300 crew. These two monsters opened a new chapter in the story of ship building, and their manufacturers, the famous Laird and Wolff, were justly proud of their work.

Among the other boats of the line may be mentioned the Teutonic. This vessel was immediately adopted at the naval review of 1898 with the consent of the admiralty, who expected her. That was her first year. She was one of the finest vessels at the Diamond Jubilee review in 1897, when, carrying 16 guns, she took her place in the line. The Majestic, which had been built a year younger than the last-named vessel, played a very important part in the transport of English troops to South Africa. The Cymric, built four years ago, was the first vessel to enter the Suez Canal, and the first to cross the Isthmus in 1874, and was the first to place the line ahead in the matter of speed, was the vessel to convey troops to Australia upon the inauguration of the new railway system.

The Oceania, which first left the stocks in 1874, and was the first to lay the cable across the Atlantic, was the vessel to lay the cable across the Pacific, and was the first to cross the Isthmus.

Such is a brief glance at the great English fleet of merchant vessels that have been organized, and in England Morganized means American.

—W. A. P.

**Decline in Value of Turkish Rugs.**

The manufacture and exportation of rugs form one of the most important features in the industry and commerce of the Ottoman empire. The annual exportation exceeds £1,450,000 and includes about 52,000 pieces.

Of late years, the demand in Europe for rugs of a purely Turkish origin has suffered a marked decline.

**THE ASTROLOGER.**

A Doctor of Divinity.

Hereafter we will call an old person grumbler we intend to refer to it as "Astrologer." —*Atchison Globe*

## Eye Abroad

World Are Most Greatly Just Now.

(It is to be noted that a considerable fraction of the rugs sold by Turkish dealers come originally from Persia.)

This slackening demand has led to an investigation of the causes of this, those chiefly being pointed out in the trade. The results of this inquiry are summarized in the Turkish journal, *Idem*. It is found that the decline is chiefly due to the marked inferiority of the wool now employed in the rug weaving districts. The best grade of wool for weaving comes from the northern half of the frontier between Turkey and Persia. Nearly all of the wool produced in this region is now exported into Persia, and but little of it finds its way westward into the industrial centers. It is thought that when the railroad connection of the Baghdad railway, the new transportation facilities will change the current of this important product and render it more accessible to the weavers of Anatolia.

From my own observations, I judge that the decline in the demand for the rugs of Anatolia and Kurdistan is not due entirely to the quality of the wool employed. Two other factors favor the rug production of Persia in the markets of the west.

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## RECENT ATHLETIC PERFORMANCES RESULT IN BROKEN RECORDS

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## News of the Week.

Chips Picked up Around Town and Vicinity.

### NOTICE

Hereafter all matter for publication and copy for advertisements must reach this office by Thursday morning.

Miss Marion Stone returned Thursday afternoon from St. Peter, where she has been visiting with relatives and friends.

The last Thursday of this month there will be a special meeting of the ladies of the Presbyterian church at Mrs. Payne's. All those interested in aid work are requested to be present.

Buy an Iowa Daley Cream Senator. It will facilitate your labors.

The traveling library which has been in J. D. Vaughan's store here-tofore has been transferred to Miss Susan Shearer's residence in the western part of the village, the library will be open every Monday and Friday evening.

Carl Boddy, of Minneapolis, has opened up a barbershop in the Commerce building. Mr. Boddy is recommended from the cities as a first class barber and all those wishing to have work done should not fail to call at his shop.

Lemons Oranges and Choctaw Candy at the Drug Store.

Miss Mary Baseline returned the latter part of last week from Minneapolis where she had been spending a couple of weeks. She was accompanied by Miss Mayme Flanagan who will visit for a couple of weeks.

Special sale all next week at the Big Store.

Owing to a rush of job work our readers will please excuse the lack of locals in this issue.

Miss Marie Kibler spent the fore part of the week in the twin cities visiting friends.

Buy your fruit jars at the Big Store.

If you want to have good bread, buy flour at Madden's.

Miss Anna Hart who has been attending school at St. Joseph's academy, at St. Paul, arrived home on Thursday's limited to spend the summer.

All the newest things in corsets just received at the Big Store.

On the last page of this issue will be found the corrected list of the local subscribers of the Minnesota Mutual Telephone Exchange. Those having phones will have the complete list by cutting out the same and placing it along side their phone.

Have you seen those new Dinner Sets. Everybody says, "how cheap" at the Big Store.

A man can't have courage if he has a wife or an empty stomach; therefore, have your dinner and supper at Hurley's hall on July 4th, to be served by the ladies of St. Mary's church.

Rev. T. L. Babineau former pastor of St. Mary's church, who has been pastor of the Catholic church at Dawson, N. D., for the past year, arrived here Wednesday morning and spent Wednesday and Thursday with friends in this place and Hurley. Father Babineau's many friends were pleased to see him.

Save money by buying your clothing for the Fourth, at the Big Store.

Mannie Hurley, who has been in St. Paul for the past few months, came home the fore part of the week to spend the summer.

Get your fishing tackle and bass boat goods at the Drug Store.

What is a man without brains? This was the cry in the days of old. What is man without a heart? This was the cry of the middle age. What is man without his stomach? Is the cry of modern times; therefore, take dinner and supper, served by the ladies of St. Mary's Parish, at Hurley's hall, July 4th.

Ladies' hats at half price at the Big Store.

Ladies, your attention is called to the new line of Collars, Sofa Pillows, and Table Covers, to be seen at Miss Susan Shearer's, dealer in materials for all kinds of fancy work; also machine needles and notions. A few Crocheted Capes, Embroidered and Battueberg Centerpieces on hand.

See the beautiful line of dress shirts at the Big Store.

### Dr. E. L. Irving, Dr. Dentist,

will be at his office in the Rybuk Block, June 20th, 21st, 23rd and 24th. One ministered for the extraction of teeth.

P. S. Murray spent a few days with his family last week. He has been up at Brimson on the Cloquet river trying to bring down O'Brien's drive, but there is a scarcity of water.

Ladies wrappers only 50cts at the Big Store.

Smoke Sandpaper 5¢ Cigar.

P. W. McAllan lost quite a lot of number at the Burger fire Thursday afternoon.

Ladies shirt waist worth 50¢ and 75cts, all you want at 39cts at the Big Store.

Carl Bodley and wife, of Minneapolis, who have been visiting at Glendale have decided to remain here and Mr. Bodley has rented the room in the rear of the Connor building and intends opening up a barber shop.

The finest line of paints in town at the Big Store.

The North Branch gun club came up Thursday to break clay pigeons with our home team, the score standing 104 to 117 in favor of Pine City. Our boys will go to North Branch this noon and give them a chance to redone themselves. Come again boys as it makes it more interesting when there is an out side team.

See the nobly line of walking skirts at the Big Store.

If it had not been for P. W. McAllan and Peter Engel at the Burger fire Thursday afternoon the boys fighting fire would have suffered from thirst. Thanks boys, call a gain.

Hurrah for the 4th of July! Get your fireworks, flags, bunting and lanterns at the Drug Store.

P. W. McAllan spent the latter part of last week and the fore part of this at Bristol S. D. on business.

When you buy seeds, buy the best. The best is the cheapest, and you get the best at Madden's.

S. Hetherington, who recently came from West Superior, has opened up a confectionery and fruit store in the Rybuk Annex recently occupied by Jos. Volmer as a butcher shop. Mr. Hetherington will have an ice cream parlor in connection.

Bargains in Wall Paper and a lot of 50c, 65c and 75c Curtains for Bed. Better see them at the Drug Store.

**Monthly Fair Day Next Tuesday.**

Don't forget that next Tuesday is Fair day. The following is a list of sports and the prizes offered by the committee:

Mens foot race, 1st prize \$2.00 and prize \$1.00.

Tug of war, prize \$3.00.

Men bicycle race, 1st prize \$1.00 and prize fifty cents.

Ladies bicycle race, 1st prize \$1.00 and prize fifty cents.

Musie will be furnished during the afternoon by the Pine City Cornet band.

**Burger's Saw Mill Burns.**

Thursday afternoon at about 2:45 the fire alarm was sounded, and upon investigation it was discovered that the Burger saw mill was in flames. The fire started near the smoke stack, and inside of three minutes the whole mill was a seething chasm of flame, spreading rapidly.

Frank Dixon, the engineer, had a very narrow escape, the fire singeing his hair and eye brows and burning his hands to a blister, the fire spreading so rapidly that it was impossible for him to stop the engine or blow the whistle.

The fire department responded but owing to the fact that the engine house was all torn up, it took some time for the boys to get the engine out, and when they did it took some time to get up steam on account of the engine being covered with plaster. When they commenced throwing water it was not long before the fire was subdued, thereby saving lumber and the surrounding property. The boys worked continuously until 9:30 when it was considered that the surrounding property was out of danger.

Mr. Burger has the sympathy of the entire community, there being not a

single cent of insurance on the mill.

### Harrer.

Tuesday morning by Rev. Father Buechler at St. Mary's church, Miss Francis Schuller, of this place, to Mr. Frank Baumchen, of Beroun.

Both the bride and groom are well known in this place. Miss Francis having run a dressmaking shop here for the past three years. She is a young lady beloved by her friends, and enemies she has none.

Mr. Baumchen has been acquainted in this place for the past ten or eleven years, having lived at Hinckley and Beroun all that time making frequent visits to this place.

After the wedding ceremony the bridal party and a few friends from this place went to Hinckley where a reception was held at the residence of Mrs. Erhart. In the evening a dance was given in the town hall.

The Pioneer joins with the many friends of the happy couple in wishing them joy.

### HUNTLTOWN.

Miss Florence Berkley has returned from Minneapolis, where she has been going to school the past winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Carrier visited with Henry Davis and family Sunday.

Eve Hollar has been working for Win. Becker for a couple weeks. Rev. J. C. Hartley, of Pine City, called on Hustletown people last week.

Ely Husted put in a well on Mr. Norton's farm.

J. L. Stutman is on the sick list. Dr. E. L. Stephan, of Hinckley has camping lower Snake for the benefit of his health.

A brother of Mr. Norton is here visiting.

There was services at the school house Sunday, quite a large number attending.

There will be preaching at the Meadow Lane school house next Sunday. All are cordially invited to attend.

The smiling face of Ely Husted was seen on the Hustletown road Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Furchman visited with Mr. and Mrs. Alfred over Sunday.

### List of Letters.

Remaining unsealed for in the post office at Pine City, Minn., for week ending June 14, 1902:

Gentlemen's List.

Mr. August Franke to Mr. Charley Murray.

Persons calling for the above, will please say "Advertised" and give the date of this list.

J. Y. BRECKENRIDGE,  
Postmaster.

### SEALED BIDS.

Sealed bids will be received up to noon, June 25th for the building of a school house in Dist. No. 9, Pine County.

Plans and specifications can be seen at the office of R. H. Blankenship, Pine City.

The right to reject any or all bids is reserved.

G. A. ROBINSON, Clerk Dist. No. 9,  
Pine County.

### Astray Notice.

On June 11th one dark gray horse strayed onto my place, and owner can have same by paying expenses.

Call on Frank Taylor, Nickerson, Minn.

For Sale—A house and four

lot about five minutes walk from the post office, will be sold cheap for cash or on time, or will be traded for farm land. Inquire at this office.

### FOR RENT.

For Rent—I have a 70 foot store building in good location which I will rent on easy terms. Call on or address Mrs. M. Connor, Pine City, Minnesota.

WANTED—Quarrymen and good laborers. Wages \$1.75 per day.

Kettle River Quarries Co.,

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## The Girl from Philadelphia.

BY W. R. ROSE.

THERE was a sudden jar and the car stopped. The lights paled and a cloud of dust filled the interior. The conductor hastily leaped from the rear platform and was joined by the motorman. There was some sharp blows struck at the ironwork beneath the car. Then silence followed.

Presently the conductor returned. His gloves were off and he was blowing on his fingers. "Rod snapped," he said to the solitary male passenger. "Have to lie here until we get a man to pull us up to Plymouth's crossing."

"And when will that be?" inquired the passenger.

"Dunn," replied the conductor. "It's begun snowing again, ain't it?"

"Well," said the conductor, philosophically, "I guess the best way to fight Mother Nature is to do what she does."

He reached for the telephone bell.

"I'll call up to Miggs. They'll do the best they can for us."

"Where are we?"

"About three miles from the Center, and a mile-n-half from Plymouth's crossing. We're on the east side of town, Regent Hall Hill. The long train isn't more than twenty rods ahead. Good place for a breakdown, too. The hill keeps the wind off."

The passenger looked at his watch.

"Nine o'clock," he muttered.

"Well," said the conductor, philosophically, "I guess the best way to fight Mother Nature is to do what she does."

The girl laughed softly.

"People who do not know us very well, get wrong impressions," she said.

"We are very anxious to know you better, and to make many friends," said that you want to know in better. Of course, it's all very different here. We are so rude and so lively. Why, our fire engine horses actually run when they go to fires. Yes, and we have our window shades up at the evening, and we have no ancient bars of steel for our heavy inside blinds, and our servant maids don't spend half the morning scrubbing our front steps."

The girl really laughed.

"That's dreadfully ridiculous," she said.

"It's a simple statement of fact, Arthur," said the girl. "There's nothing like the least bit ridiculous about us. We are breezy and unconventional, but we are neither envious nor untruthful. We may do things a little shocking, but then we have no long line of circumstances to look down upon us from their dignified positions. And you all you are looking backward, you know. Here we are looking forward!"

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## MINNESOTA NEWS.

**Crop Disaster.**  
Rains have caused a continuation of the vigorous growth of the small grains, grasses, corn, potatoes, oats and weeds, except that on the prairie land there is too much water, and the crops are suffering in consequence. Some of the small rivers in the southeastern part of the state have overflowed their banks. Wheat, oats and barley have suffered greatly, and there is more danger of their coming to a standstill that lodging will result. Winter wheat is in head, and early barley is coming into head. Corn is about all planted, and most of it is being cultivated, though the rains were heavy. Cultivation was stopped, and seeds are getting a start now. Potato planting is not quite finished; the earliest planted are beginning to show blossoms. Beans is making a fine growth, a little later still. Cabbage is in full flower, and is still being seeded on new beds. Timothy on old meadows is in its beginning to head. Clover is generally very fine, and it is showing a few blossoms. Sugar beets have a good stand, and trees are growing well. The plum trees are said to be in third year with fruit; apples are good in some sections and pears in others. A good strawberry crop is ripening.

### Starting Time.

Ten runaway teams rushing madly down Third street in St. Paul caused great excitement among pedestrians. The affair was started by a team of ponies, which had been driven from Third to Second Minnesota streets. They collided with other teams, started them all and finally the runaway procession was composed of ten teams of badly frightened horses. At the corner of Roselab streets one of the horses fell and in a few moments the street was filled with a mass of runaway horses, broken vehicles and excited men. Mrs. W. Schorstein, 688 Winslow way, was badly injured by being thrown from one of the rigs. Her head was cut, her right leg fractured, and it is thought she received internal injuries.

### Patched Holes.

As a result of a pitched battle between three men and a crowd of Italian laborers in St. Paul, A. Roberg of St. Paul is dead and N. Marocco of Minneapolis, Fred Wayman of St. Paul, and Joseph St. Dore, an Italian, are badly wounded.

The fight occurred at Concord and Page streets, where the Italian laborers were drinking beer. Roberg, Wayman and Marocco, with seven others, went past the place, and it is said that the Italians started the women. A gun was fired and the Italians opened fire, using shotguns and revolvers. Three men were wounded before the police arrived.

Eighteen Italians are under arrest and twelve more are held as witnesses.

### Gaming Fines.

The fame of the Minnesota state fair has gone abroad through the length and breadth of the land. The possibility of the attendance of the president of the United States has been a matter of newspaper discussion for weeks. This year there will be exhibitors from every part of the country. Another evidence of the reputation of the fair is the fact that there has been application for advertising space in the official program from New York city.

### Strike Statistics.

The state labor department issued interesting statistics relative to strikes in Minneapolis, appointed by Mayor A. A. Ames, has been convicted of accepting a bribe.

The specific charge against him was that in return for a monetary consideration he agreed to protect "big mitt" and other shrimpers from arrest by the police.

The maximum penalty under the law is ten years' imprisonment or a fine of \$5,000, or both.

### News in Brief.

Elsie Bouchette, 2 years old, bit a piece of her tongue off by falling down the stairs of her home at 1232 Grand Avenue, St. Paul.

Minnesota boys steal bicycles Saturday to take their girls riding Sunday and leave the wheels Monday where they can be found.

The synod has decided that the Red Wing seminary shall not be removed, but a new building has been made with regard to improvements.

The association of the Native Sons of Minnesota has been organized in Minneapolis, its object being to bring together persons born in this state before 1865.

Alexander Ramsey of St. Paul was re-elected president of the Minnesota Iron company. This is the pioneer iron company of Minnesota, as it was organized in 1875.

Cone's livery and brick building used for cold storage were burned at Madelia. Eight horses and several carriages and harness and a quantity of feed destroyed.

I. C. Jackson, a horse dealer from Winona, reported to Dele Sergeant Lee at police headquarters that he had been "runover" out of \$200 by a "confidence man" at the Minneapolis union station.

## ROUND ABOUT THE STATE.

**The Bushford wagon factory** was damaged by fire. D. Stewart was appointed postmaster at Chicago.

Dick Morrow of Minneapolis had his arm cut off by a bin from a stallion.

All the business houses in Remind-

er saloons, will close at 6:30 during the summer.

Five moose were seen two miles from Germantown in eastern Marshall county last Monday.

The State Bank of Milroy, Redwood county, has been admitted to do busi-

ness with \$15,000 capital.

John Ottison, a farmer at Branda-

ville, Polk county, Minn., was killed by lightning on Thursday.

The Crookston wheat farmers com-

pany will have a new 16-inch artesian

well from which to supply the city.

A company of Greenleaf farmers has

been formed for the purpose of build-

ing a telephone line from Litchfield to Greenleaf.

The corner stone of the new St. Vin-

cent hospital in Crookston was laid

in the presence of the

newly-impressive church.

Frank Bonville died at Duluth from injuries received by falling from a

sixty-foot telephone pole. He stood

upright and fractured his skull.

Mrs. Albert Spencer, better known

as Mrs. Della, was found

dead in a room in N.Y. of blood

poisoning. Her first name was Leon.

Mrs. Clara Larson, who lives with

her son on a farm two miles north of Hugo, was attacked by a cow and received injuries which may prove fatal.

It is reported that a boy has been

found in Mrs. J. A. Krug's farm at Castle Rock between Hampton and

Wheaton, and the prospects of

opening a mine are excellent.

Broadening over domestic troubles,

Louis Larson, a wealthy farmer living seven miles north of St. Paul, committed suicide by leaping into a well containing ten feet of water.

The head of the Minnehaha Thrush

sent out by the Minnesota Thrush

Association, died at Farmarworth

between Mankato and Wanamingo.

Rival business colleges in Crookston are arranging a stereographers' competition to merit the two colleges and the systems of stereo graphic has tracks taught in each.

For the first time in the history of

the Mississippi health office, Med-

ical Inspector W. H. Hansen, has

been diagnosed a case of diphtheria for three weeks.

May was a big month for lumber shipments from the head of the lake; the total that went forward was 80,-

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Col. E. T. Lee, of Minneapolis, has

received from his nephew, A. Morgan,

of New Orleans, a small tin tube con-

taining some of the dust and sand

thrown up by Mount Pelee during its

recent eruption.

A monument to soldiers of Black Hawk

was raised at Stillwater in 1861, in honor

of those never returned. A survivor of the battle attended.

Discourse on horrors in the country

and Indiana will result in an appeal

to the legislature for better treatment of the insane.

The amount of the Spanish war revenue tax will end July 1. The bear tax will return to one dollar a barrel. The tea tax stands at 25 cents a pound.

Judge N. M. Hubbard, chief counsel for the Northwestern railroad, of the state, died at Cedar Rapids.

President Mitchell of United Mine Work-

ers, after a strike of soft coal miners in Pennsylvania, Missouri, and Montana, 42,600 miners

were affected.

Mrs. Michael Hanna, eldest daughter of George S. Hanna, was married in Cleveland to Harry A. Parsons, her father's second secretary to the railroads.

Mr. MacArthur, a member of the

Baptist church, has declared that

the end of the millennium already

has been accomplished.

Negroes have been the objects of outraged persons

at night. One hundred negroes have

been warned to leave town.

George N. Smith, age 19, of Louisville, Ky., accidentally shot and killed himself in the Great Northern hotel, while joking with a friend about suicide.

John W. Gates says Americans will soon

control the world, with Germany, with

the Pomeranian having wonderful

plans in the way of conquest.

James H. Agar of West Superior, has

been elected department manager of the Wisconsin Dept. of the Michigan G. A. H. I.

The 75-year-old son of Martin Sten-

zil was run over by a special train on

the Omaha road at St. Peter.

The child was standing on the track and

the train struck him in the head and

crushed it. Death was instantaneous.

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The Spanish government has decided

to appoint a minister to the United States.

Two sharpshooters were killed

in a skirmish with Indians.

The president received the nomination

of Capt. C. C. Clark to be a

member of the navy.

The United States transport service

has been established from San Fran-

cisco to Manila with a total

of 1,000 vessels.

President Grover Cleveland will

attend the inauguration of the new

President of Cuba.

Robert J. Vance, a former congress-

man and editor of the New Minne-

sota Herald, has been appointed post-

master at Chicago.

G. M. Lamberton, a prominent Nebras-

ka lawyer, died suddenly of heart disease at his home in Lincoln.

Gonzales de Quesada, the Cuban minis-

ter to the United States, arrived in

Washington yesterday.

The Senate of American agricultural

machinery has almost reached the

summit of its power.

The Senate of the United States has

decided to make a bill to

protect the cattle industry.

"A quinine cough," I suppose,

wherever you are.

Shakespeare's "King Lear" is

now in the hands of the public.

Henry Salzer, the well-known La-

Crosse, Wis., soap manufacturer, has

been called to write on the debt on

the La Crosse Y. M. C. A. Mr. Salzer,

though an extremely long man, finds time to play golf, tennis, and golf and to manage his business.

He is a member of the Georgeton Club.

