A SITE IN PROSPECT.

Citizens Commune Upon a Location for the Harvester Works.

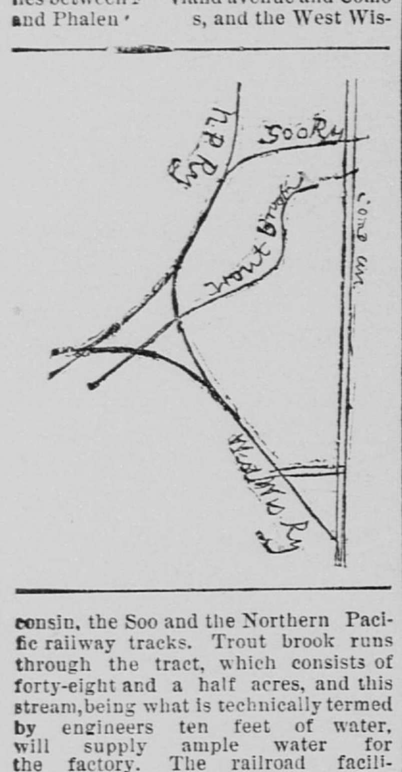
The Trout Brook Valley Stands in Very High Favor.

Over a Hundred Lots Donated, Aggregating Upwards of $50,000.

But Other Sites Promise to Become Active Rivals.

Affairs connected with the early establishment of the Walter A. Wood Harvester works in St. Paul are fast approaching a fixed conclusion. A meeting of interested property owners and taxpayers was held at the chamber of commerce last night, whereat these matters were discussed with a spirit that spoke eloquently for the zeal with which the task of determining upon a site is entered upon.

Trout brook valley seems to be in the lead at present as the favored site. This lies between M[illegible]yland avenue and Como and Phalen [illegible]s, and the West Wis-



consin, the Soo and the Northern Pacific railway tracks. Trout brook runs through the tract, which consists of forty-eight and a half acres, and this stream, being what is technically termed by engineers ten feet of water, will supply ample water for the factory. The railroad facilities are considered superb. The lines indicated above connect with every road entering St. Paul, and the Minneapolis & St. Louis trains all run over the Northern Pacific tracks. The idea expressed by the gentlemen interested in the project is that the site is best adopted to benefit the business interests of the city of any location that can be found. Over 100 lots have been donated, and the average value per lot exceeds $500, so that the landed gifts are over $50,000, while several thousands of dollars in cash have been raised by the canvassers who have been in the field the past week. Nor will the work be allowed to drop here. The committees are directed to prosecute the canvass until another hundreds lots have been given and a much larger cash fund raised.

Chairman D. D. Merrill, being authorized, announced the following gentlemen who are to serve as an executive committee and to whom the other committees are to report in the future:

J. C. Horrigan, John B. Sanborn, L. A. Bumgardner, H. I. McClung, J. J. Watson and A. L. Starkey.

But this is not the only site that is being urged by interested citizens, and a sharp and exciting rivalry is anticipated. The remarks of H. S. Fairchild at last night's meeting were a harbinger of interesting future events. He said he had come to the meeting to listen to the proposition to be supported by the zeolous advocates of the Trout brook district, and he hinted that a larger sum of money would be raised for some other site. Yet he felt constrained to admit that the Trout brook site presented many advantageous conditions, and thought that in some respects none better can be selected. The next meeting will be held at the United Workman hall, 702 Mississippi street, next Saturday evening.

IN SPECIAL TERM.

Legal Problems Passed Upon by District Judges.

All of the judges of the district court sat in special term yesterday. A resume of the business disposed of is as follows:

By Judge Brill—In the matter of the receivership of The Minnesota Carriage and Sleigh Company; referred to Howard L. Smith for disclosure. Powers Dry Goods Company against Boyleston Fire Insurance Company and American Fire Insurance Company; submitted on application for settlement. Blossom Bros. & Co. vs. W. G. Garlough, and George P. Evans as garnishee; referred to G. L. Bunn to take disclosure.

By Judge Kelly—In the matter of the assignment of John C. Highouse; Hibbard, Spencer, Bartlett & Co. were granted leave to share in proceeds without filing releases. In the matter of the receivership of Charles Faber; application to confirm sale of property denied and sale held open for higher bids. In the matter of the estate of Patrick Keogh; petition of trustee to sell certain property granted. William G. Whitacre vs. Paul Martin et al.; stay of ten days granted to allow the preparation of settled case.

By Judge Otis—Hallis M. Haslet vs. Emily B. Haslet; motion to amend findings denied. Charles L. Hurst vs. William Kohlsteide; ordered that defendant appear before referee and answer interrogatories.

By Judge Kerr—In the matter of the assignment of Robert Schreiner; hearing on final account had. In the matter of the petition for a receiver of John F. Burke; leave given to amend petition, and case continued one week.

By Judge Egan—In the matter of the assignment of Kasuta Tanaka; account of assignee submitted and taken under consideration. Alliance Trust Company vs. M. E. Church of West St. Paul; demurrer to complaint argued and submitted. Mens Nelson vs. Harry Jansen et al.; settled case submitted. Henry Vogt vs. D. C. Shepard et als.; demurrer to complaint argued and submitted.

By Judge Cornish—William S. and Mary Ellen Goldshuld were given permission to adopt Ida May Needham. Kingsley vs. Northern Pacific Railroad Company; motion to amend answer referred to the judge who shall try the case.

ADDITIONAL SOCIETY.

The Nushkas took possession of the Aberdeen rink on Virginia avenue last night. Every club man and women was dressed in the famous red suit of the club. After the skating party, supper was served at the club house on Western avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Porterfield are receiving on Thursdays in January at 417 Holly avenue. Mrs. Porterfield was assisted on last Thursday afternoon and evening by her sister, Miss Taylor, Miss Field and Miss Knox, of Minneapolis.

Mrs. Mark Flower and Miss Hawkins received Wednesday with Mrs. John Linton Snapp. Miss Mary Baldy and Miss Mable Austin presided at table, and were assisted by Miss Wanzer and Miss Julia McClellan.

A number of young people from town went out to attend the private theatricals given at the Garrison on Thursday evening. "Not Such a Fool as He Looks," was the play.

Mrs. Frederick Ingersoll received yesterday from 4 to 6.

PEOPLE ONE KNOWS.

The Misses Selma and Maud Rothschild entertained their little friends at a donkey party, in honor of their sixth and tenth birthdays respecitvely. The donkey created considerable amusement, first prize being taken by Nettie Hart, and foot prize by Selma Wirth. The children then marched to the dining room, where a dainty lunch was served. After luncheon there was music, dancing and recitations. Present were the Misses Pauline Bernheim, Marie Lavalle, Minnie and Stella Firestone, Mabel Mackin, Mabel Diment, Cora Bramblett, Lillie and Gessa Shreiber, Ilma Wirth, Nettie and Dora Hart, Tillie, Celia and Lottie Fishman, Celia and Irene Schwab, Lucretia Shroer, Edna Redlund, Daisy Wright, Florence and Elsa Dittenhoefer, Edith Rice, Louis and Harry Rothschild, Ruth Kahn.

A number of St. Paul young girls at school in the East went down to New Haven Friday evening to attend the "Senior Prom" at Yale. Among their number were Miss Nan Baker, Miss Florence Robbins, Miss Ruth Stickney, Miss Anna Griggs and Miss Emma Cochrane.

The many friends of Lieut. and Mrs. Avery will be pleased to learn that they will soon return to Fort Snelling, where Lieut. Avery was formerly stationed. Mrs. Avery is at present the guest of Mrs. G. W. Pearce.

Mrs. Park Ritchie, Mrs. J. C. Schadle, Mrs. Freeman Strong and Mrs. W. G. Kirk are going in company to Coronado Beach, and expect to leave St. Paul about Feb. 1. They will be absent some two months.

Mrs. D. F. Polk, of St. Anthony Park, is expected home about the middle of February, after a visit of several months with her daughter, Miss Helen, who is attending school in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Swenson and the Misses Emily and Olive Swenson, of Lindstrom, Chisago county, mother and sisters of J. A. Swenson, are visiting him at his residence, 443 Marshall avenue.

Frank S. Weidenborner leaves Tuesday evening for New York and Philadelphia on business, and for a pleasure trip through the South to be gone about a mouth.

Mrs. Henry Hutchinson has gone to Florida for the rest of the winter. Dr. Hutchinson has closed his house on Western avenue and taken rooms at the Aberdeen.

Miss Violet McLean has returned from a delightful Southern trip with her aunt, Mrs. N. A. McLean, of Hamilton, Ont.

Archbishop Ireland sailed for Havre last Saturday on the French steamer La Bretagne. He will be absent until May.

R. A. Easton, of Grand Forks, who has been the guest of Leonard Straight, left for Chicago Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Dries left this morning for a visit to their daughter, Mrs. F. W. Hauenstein, of New Ulm.

Myron Knapp, of Racine, Wis., is the guest of his sister, Mrs. Boyeson, of Farrington avenue.

A. M. Wilson, of Noblesvill, Ind., is visiting friends in St. Paul, and will probably locate here.

Miss Crosby, of Minneapolis, was a guest at the german given by Mrs. Noyes and Mrs. Winter.

Mrs. John D. Lawler, of Mitchell, S. D., is visiting her mother, Mrs. Sturgis, on Selby avenue.

Miss Grace Macdonald, of 804 Selby avenue, returned this morning from a six months' tour of Eastern, Southern and Canadian cities.

Miss Barry is spending the winter with her sister, Mrs. L. W. Rundlett, 607 Lincoln avenue.

Mrs. Charles Bovey, of Minneapolis, was at the Tuesday evening german at the Aberdeen.

Mrs. P. W. Nelson, of Selby avenue, is entertaining Miss Rose McCarthy, of Elmira, N. Y.

A. E. Boyesen returned yesterday from a visit to Montreal, New York and Washington.

Miss Barry is spending the winter with her sister, Mrs. R. W. Rundlett, of Lincoln avenue.

Mrs. Ed S. Bean and Miss Stella Murphy spent Wednesday with friends in Minneapolis.

Richard Camden, formerly a resident of St. Paul, now of West Virginia, is in the city.

Harvey Simpson has returned to Concord, N. H., where he will pursue his studies.

Mr. Justus has returned from Chicago, where he has been a few days on business.

The engagement of Miss Adah Roth to Herald M. Ward, of this city, is announced.

Miss Virginia Rugg has returned to school after spending the holidays at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Lemmen, of the Dacotah flats, are going to Winnipeg to live.

Mrs. Charles Wanzer is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Lewis.

Miss Lily Van Praag, of New York, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Adolph Kalman.

Miss Hubbard, of Red Wing, is the guest of Miss Castle, of Western avenue.

Crawford Livingston Jr. will continue his studies this year at Shattuck.

Frank Bancroft has gone back to Shattuck to pursue his studies.

Miss Lillian Forde, of Duluth, is visiting in the city.

W. G. Denney has returned from the East.

Sibley Young has returned to Shattuck.

Mrs. Henry Hutchinson is in the South.

W. G. Pearce is on the Pacific coast.

Miss Rugg has returned to school.

DAYTON'S BLUFF.

Friday evening St. Paul Chapter, O. E. S., held an open meeting, and the following officers were installed by Past Worthy Matron Sister Burke: Sister Densmore, worthy matron; Bro. George L. Weaver, worthy patron; Sister McIver, associate matron; Sister Brookins, secretary; Sister Starkey, treasurer; Sister Weaver, conductress; Sister Godfrey, associate conductress; Sister Farwell as Ada, Sister Spindler as Ruth, Sister Brink as Esther, Sister Martha Jagger as Martha and Sister Spink as Electa. After the installation ceremonies appropriate remarks were made by Grand Worthy Patron A. P. Swanstrom and Past Worthy Patron Brookens. The members of the chapter and their friends then adjourned to the Alcayde hall and amused themselves with dancing until midnight.

The ladies of St. Peter's parish are requested to meet at the residence of Mrs. Horst, 381 Bates avenue, Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The ladies' guild is to be reorganized. The meeting is called at the request of Bishop Gilbert.

Mrs. Thompson, of Reaney street, returned from Cedar Rapids, Io., Wednesday.

Miss Willson, of Margaret street, left Thursday for Washington, D. C.

Arthur Jackson, of Maple street, left for New York Tuesday.

COMO CULLINGS.

Mr. and Mrs. McMaster, Mr. and Mrs. Edgerton, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Gallagher, of Minneapolis, attended the annual hop and reception given by the B. of R. T., at Standard hall Thursday evening.

At the annual election of officers at the Immanuel Congregational Sunday school last Sunday Mrs. A. S. Kruster was elected superintendent and Miss Fannie Emerson secretary and treasurer.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Channel and family, of Western avenue, will be pleased to learn of their recovery from diphtheria.

J. F. McGrath and wife, of Barnesville, Minn., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Emerson, of Como avenue.

Mrs. Frank Pellat, accompanied by her mother, left yesterday for Hutchinson, Minn., for a two months' stay.

J. K. Emerson, better known as "Jerry," and Sydney Carris are both suffering from an attack of la grippe.

Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Stevens, of Edmund street, have returned from their trip to Devil's Lake.

Harry Graham, who has been visiting his relatives in Canada, returns next week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McCall visited Dayton's Bluff friends Wednesday.

Mrs. Hamilton, of the Bethel, visited Como friends Tuesday.

Mrs. George Bailey is entertaining Chicago friends.

Mrs. Fletch Bailey, of Warrendale, is seriously ill.

WEST SUPERIOR.

James Bardon, president of the Consolidated Land company, and an officer of the Belt Line and Terminal railway, in a recent interview, settled several railroad rumors that have been in the air. He said: "The Duluth & Winnipeg may seek and secure terminal facilities at Duluth; no railroad can ignore the fact that there are two great cities at the head of the lakes, but the Allouez bay terminals are a matter of contract, signed and sealed. Duluth cannot divide the business with us because of the superiority of natural advadtages in our favor. The D. & W. expects, during this year, to ship ore from the Allouez bay docks. Work on the St. Louis river bridge will commence in less than a week."

A teachers' institute was in session in this city Friday and Saturday. Over 110 teachers were in attendance. Profs. S. Y. Gillan and L. D. Harvey, state conductors, had the institute in charge.

Friday the Success Steel Range concern ran off the first successful cast. The concern manufactures steel ranges and cooking stoves, and will give employment to about fifty men.

The Jefferson club and the Jackson club are the names of two rival Democratic clubs in the city. The latter represents the '57ers, and the former the young Democracy.

St. Margaret's Guild of the St. Albans Episcopal church Friday gave a ball that was the social event of the year. About 200 of Superior's 400 were in attendance.

The W. C. T. U. ladies of this city have undertaken the work of rescuing fallen women. They have been very successful despite the hindrances of public opinion.

The Freeman roller mill is ready for the machinery. In ninety days it expects to turn out 1,000 barrels a day. Work on the barrel factory has begun.

Mrs. Clara Hoffman, National W. C. T. U. lecturer and vice president of the national organization, delivered two addresses in this city this week.

PLAYS AND PLAYERS.

Metropolitan This Week Presents a Big List of Attractions.

Herrmann, Thomas Orchestra and the Renowned Cleveland Minstrels.

The Creoles at Hilton's and "McCarthy's Mishaps" at the Grand.

Max O'Rell Will Figure at the People's Tuesday Evening.

The confirmed theater-goer who sees everything that's put on during the season, and looks at the stage world with a critical eye, has had no ground for real complaint this week. If he really wants to carp, he can say that the plaintiff's frock in "Trial by Jury" was entirely too abbreviated as to the skirts, and that the sewer in "The Struggle of Life" squeaked, but on the main he has been well satisfied. Pauline Hall and her company at the Metropolitan have not done a very large business, but the house has been comfortably filled each night. The prima donna herself, of course, was delightful. In "Madame Favart" she was especially charming. "La Belle Helene" was cut most unfortunately, but "Trial by Jury" was well given. At the Grand, "The Struggle of Life," a melodrama of the best sort, drew large houses. The scenic effects of the play, notably the moonlight park scene, were very beautiful indeed, and the company itself is far stronger than the average.

Herrmann.

Herrmann is to the art of magic what Booth is to tragedy and Bernhardt to the emotional drama, and no greater compliment than this could very well be paid him. The programme which Herrmann will present at the Metropolitan tonight is entirely new, and different from anything that he has presented in St. Paul. The first part will, as usual, consist of the numerous feats of sleight-of-hand and legerdemain, which have made him famous the country over. He will produce his original illusion of the "Vanishing Lady." In this act a handsome lady is seated in a chair on the middle of the stage, under which has been previously laid a newspaper, to show that there can be no connection with the trap. She is first covered with a light shawl, and in the brief space of thirty seconds the shawl is removed, the chair is found to be without an occupant, and the lady is discovered in the middle of the parquet. The second part is devoted to the reproduction of the incantatory talismanic sorcery, known and practiced by the ancients entitled "black art." In this act mirrors of gigantic proportions, and animate and inanimate objects, appear and vanish like lightning. In this act occurs the great decapitation scene in which a lady is beheaded in full view of the audience, and again restored to life. The chief illusion of the evening, however, will be the Russian mystery of "Strobeika." The story of this trick is highly covered with romance. It treats of the escape from the chains of a Russian torture chamber of Ivan Iyanhoff, a Russian officer of the guard, his escape being effected by the craftiness of his sweetheart. In this illusion the young officer will appear on the stage and be chained hands, feet and neck to a broad board, he being locked in by a committee of gentlemen from the audience, who retain the keys. The board will then be suspended from the top of the cabinet and inclosed by curtains which do not reach to the floor, so as to permit the audience to see that the feat is not executed by means of a trap door in the stage. In thirty seconds the curtains will be drawn aside, the officer will have disappeared, and in his place, locked and manacled, will be found his brave fiancee "Strobeika."

The engagement is for three nights, Sunday, Tuesday and Wednesday, and Wednesday matinee. For the matinee performance a special programme has been arranged for ladies and children. Herrmann will perform his great flag trick on producing from one tiny flag 1,000 flags of all nations and presenting them to the children attending.

The Ensign.

The supposition which existed a few years ago in theatrical circles that it was not possible to procure a good play from American dramatists is now laughed at by those managers who have been keen and shrewd enough to see that native talent would produce a play, if given an opportunity. Time was when managers were afraid to venture on a production of a play created by home dramatists. The fallacy of such a theory has been proven over and over again, and during the past five years the greatest successes in the theatrical arena have been the production of plays written by Americans.

Messrs. Litt and Davis, the young and energetic theatrical managers, will next week produce an "American" play in every respect. It is written by an American, produced by American artists, and, above all, deals with that period of American history which is bound up in the lives of millions of Americans. St. Paul play-goers had an opportunity of witnessing last summer the naval drama, "The Ensign," written by William Haworth. It received the stamp of success at the hands of the delighted audiences who filled the Grand during the week of its production. Life on board of a man-of-war, when depicted on the stage, is always interesting, but when the stirring scenes are heightened by suburb scenic and mechanical effects, and doubly increased by patriotic sentiment, the pulses are quickened and the emotions strung to a high degree. "The Ensign" will be produced in Washington, D. C., on Feb. 1, and it is claimed that the scenic effects will rival any of a similar kind ever put upon the stage. The players are all known as artists in their respective lines, and the sensation of the dramatic profession at the present time is the latest venture of Messrs. Litt and Davis. Harry Mainhall will again play Ensign Ben Baird, while Logan Paul has been specially re-engaged for the character of the President of the United States. The part of Boatswain Jack Dudley, so superbly rendered in St. Paul by that sterling actor Louis James, will be intrusted to the capable hands of George Fawcett, the cleverest of chatacter actors. The play has been strengthened by the introduction of a number of new characters, and among those who will be seen in the Eastern production of "The Eusign" are Messrs. T. J. Hawkins, Charles Sidney, Wilson Deal, Albert Lang, J. W. Pierson, George A. Wright, W. T. Hays, Charles T. Parsloe and Frazer Coulter; Misses Bessie Hunter, Bessie Stevens, Ruth Carpenter, Maribel Seymour, Mamie Moore.

In connection with Litt and Davis' new venture it is interesting to note that Arthur A. Lotto, of the GLOBE, will be the acting manager and treasurer of "The Ensign" company. Mr. Lotto leaves this evening for New York, where he will at once join the Litt forces and proceed to Washington for the opening. This is not Mr. Lotto's first venture in the theatrical field, for, prior to taking up journalism in the Twin Cities nearly two years ago, he was a capable member of various theatrical companies. He has made an excellent record during his connection with the press in the Northwest, and has demonstrated his ability to turn out "stuff" with the rest of the newspaper gang, by whom he is highly respected. Mr. Lotto was a valued member of the press club, and, in leaving for other fields, he carries with him the best wishes of his late associates.

Thomas' Orchestra.

Thomas' orchestra will come direct from Chicago, arriving early tomorrow morning, giving a grand concert at the Metropolitan in the evening. The following carefully selected programme will be presented:

Marche—"Solennelle" .... Tschaikowsky
Overture—Leonore No. 3 .... Beethoven
Invitation to the Dance .... Weber-Berlioz
Arir—"Samson and Delila" .... Saint-Saens
Mrs. Julie L. Wyman.
Symphonic Poem—"Les Preludes" ...... Liszt
Overture—"Melusine" .... Mendelssohn
Theme and variations from D minor, quartette .... Schubert
String Orchestra.
Fantasie—"Di Bravura" .... Schuecker
Ed Schuecker.
Songs (a) "At Twilight" .... Ethelbert Nevin
(b) "Ma Voisine" .... Goring Thomas
Mrs. Julie L. Wyman.
Vorspiel—"Meistersinger" .... Wagner

Mrs. Julie L. Wyman, mezzo soprano, and Ed Schuecker, harp, will appear as soloists. The sale has been very large and a packed house is assured.

"McCarthy's Mishaps."

The famous Ferguson and Mack company, which comprises an aggregation of talent seldom seen in farce comedy, will begin a week's engagement at the Grand tonight, presenting the farce, "McCarthy's Mishaps," a play that has created somewhat of a sensation in the way of laughter. Its funny situations and amusing incidents are based principally upon the mishaps of two Irishmen, McCarthy and Mulligan, who are continually getting mixed in complications of the most ridiculous kind. Barney Ferguson, whose drollery and peculiar dialect have placed him among the best of comedians, plays the title role, Dennis McCarthy, a typical Irishman, and as such he is inimitable. Charles Gorman is his first lieutenant, impersonating Michael Mulligan, and is sure to be, as he always is, clever and natural. George Crump, Edward Begley, James Callihan and George Gates are artists of ability and will be seen in prominent roles. Miss Gertrude Fort, who has been identified with many operas, Annie Irish, a clever delineator of the Celtic, and Carrie Behr are also in the cast. Incidental specialties are introduced, particularly Miss Marguerite Dora Ferguson's contortion dances, which have been extensively commented upon throughout the country. The Garden City quartette renders selections and the Ferguson and Mack acts are too well known as laugh provokers to need introduction.

Cleveland's Minstrels.

W. S. Cleveland's minstrels will appear at the Metropolitan the last three nights of this week. Not only in numerical strength, but in genuine artistic ability, this organization is promised to eclipse any previous minstrel efforts. Everybody and everything is said to be absolutely new and up to date. The more important features include Arthur Rigby, with his comicalities; John H. Blackford, delineator of old-time darky characters; John Queen, in his elaborate terpischorean divertisment; Deceptive Lyons, Mons. Giard Leon and his comical acting and singing donkeys, Jack and Jill, which is especially amusing to the little folks, and Manager Cleveland's latest sensational ærial importation, Ouda, called the incarnate spirit of the air, whose flights in mid-air are said to be more than marvelous. A great amount of care has been displayed in the selection of the vocal corps by Manager Cleveland, and numbers twelve soloists of exceptional ability. The staging and costumery will be on the same elaborate scale which has characterized all Cleveland's productions.

Hilton's.

The Adam and Eve company will conclude its week with two more entertainments this afternoon and tonight. For the next attraction Manager Hilton announces Sam T. Jack's new departure, the Creole Burlesque company, which will open Monday evening. Among the numerous artists who will appear are many specialty people and comedians known the world over. Every week finds some new and attractive addition with the Creole company, the only wonder to the unitiated being where in the world Sam Jack gets them all, and how on earth he finds out all the good ones. They only remain five nights, with Tuesday and Thursday matinees.

Max O'Rell.

Those suffering from overtaxed nerves will find a delightful restorative Tuesday night at the People's church in the person of Max O'Rell, who will deliver his latest and most successful lecture on "America as Seen Through French Spectacles." The virtues of contagious laughter and its salutary effects on the physical system will be better appreciated than ever before by those who will attend this lecture. It has been a rousing success whereever given.

Emerson on Thoreau.

Edward W. Emerson, son of the immortal Ralph Waldo Emerson, lectured last evening in Unity church to a fair-sized audience. His theme was "Henry Thoreau." He spoke of incidents in the life of the eminent naturalist and his ability as a scholar. He took the view that the man's character and work have much for commendation and that a fair criticism thereof would contain little condemnation.

Baldwin's Recital.

Samuel A. Baldwin will play the following programme at his free organ recital at the People's church this evening at 6:45 o'clock:

Introduction and Fugue in A minor .. Merkel
Andante in G .... Smart
Sonata No. 4, in D major .... De Lange
Prelude .... Dubois
Musical Moment (arranged by Best). Schubert
Grand Offertory in E flat .... Batiste

Stage and Rostrum.

Agnes Huntington's new opera, "Capt. Therese," has not won very great favor among people who care much about opera, though her personal success is as great as ever. She seems to have been a bit too generous, and in seeking to secure something to display her company to advantage has sacrificed other things of more value to herself. It is Miss Huntington's charming personality the public wishes to see and hear and admire, not her company, and the revival of "Paul Jones" is an indication of the public's preference rather than her own.

W. S. Cleveland has engaged the renowned singing and negro character comedian, Frank Cushman, to appear in conjunction with his consolidated minstrels at the Metropolitan the last three nights of this week. No comedian on the minstrel stage in this country is more widely or favorably known than Mr. Cushman, and his engagement by Mr. Cleveland will cause wide-spread satisfaction to the many local lovers of refined minstrelsy.

Rudolph Aronson is thinking of following "The Tyrolean," which will probably close its career at the New York Casino about the middle of this month, with a short season of revivals of conspicuously Casino successes, such as "Nanon," "The Gypsy Baron," "The Fledermaus" and "The Brigands," presenting each for a limited number of performances.

The support for the Madame Patti concert is the most elaborate with which she has ever made a tour of this country and includes Madame Fabbri, prima donna contralto; M. Guille, tenor; Signor Del Puente, baritone; Signor Novarra, basso; Signor Arditi, conductor, and a full orchestra.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Drew will be at the Metropolitan opera next week, when they will be seen in Archibald Gordon's farce, "That Girl From Mexico," in which they have achieved great fame. Mrs. Drew is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. McKee Rankin.

Manager Alfred Delisser, of the "Jim the Westerner" company, has brought suit against L. M. Crawford, manager of the Kansas circuit, to recover $8,000 as damages for breach of contract

Daisy Hall has made one of the big hits in "The Junior Partner" as a droll little maid of a unique type. It is only a small bit, but she excites sufficient attention to be praised by all the papers.

Frank Rich, of the "Irish Corporal" company, is busy getting ready for his new play, "A Prisoner of War," in which Nannie Sewell and C. W. Goodrich will play the leading roles.

Harry Connor, the hypochondriac of "A Trip to Chinatown," is quite a linguist. He speaks German and French fluently, and knows more about the language and history of old Ireland than any man in the profession.

Bartley Campbell's son Robert is preparing to rivive "Bulls and Bears," one of his father's earliest dramas, with James B. Radcliff, now at Harrington's, as the chief actor.

Ethel Langdon, a member of Rice's Evangeline company, has proved herself sufficiently competent as to be given the under studies of both Gabriel and Felician.

Charles A. Wing has been compelled to resign as business manager of "The Soudan" on account of ill-health. He is at Lakewood, N. J., under a physician's care.

Adele Estee retired from the "U and I" company at the close of the engagement at the Bush Street theater, San Francisco, and is now at the Tivoli, that city.

A new play by Oscar Wilde had been settled on for the Paris Vaudeville, when Jane Hading threw up her part and the production was abandoned.

M. Alphonse Daudet, the French novelist, has accorded permission for the dramatization of his "Tartarin de Tarascon" and "Evangeliste."

Miss Belle Botsford has been winning much favor in the Western concert tour of the Whitney Mockridge company.

Alexander Salvini is now called "the youngest of great actors, and the greatest of young actors."

The benefit of the St. Paul Press club will take place at the Grand Friday afternoon, Feb. 26.

Joseph Haworth is yet in Texas, where he is making both fame and fortune.

SUMMONED ABOVE.

Alexander McHattie, a Pioneer Settler, Passes Away.

Alexander McHattie died at his home in Woodbury, Washington county, yesterday at the advanced age of eighty-one years. Mr. McHattie came to what is now Minnesota in the year 1839 from Illinois, sick and expecting to die in a short time, but the exuberance of the climate and the hardihood of his Scotch ancestry regained him his health. He spent part of his time at the Falls of St. Croix and part with Robinson & Moore, Indian traders, on Grey Cloud island, just below Newport, for the first three years. Then he made a claim where the village of Afton now is. But he sold that in 1845 and moved on his claim in Woodbury, where he remained until his death. In 1848 he married Miss Margaret Middleton, who survives him, together with three sons and five daughters, who mourn his loss. Mr. McHattie was well known to all the old settlers of the state for his hospitality, generosity and words of cheer to all new comers; and, like most of the early settlers, he was quite a hunter and a crack shot. He was no speculator, but attended strictly to his farm, of which he had as good as any in the county, and he leaves a beautiful home in contrast to the log house he first built in early days. He was an old time Democrat and never missed attending a general election from the first one held in his township until the last election. He was a great reader and story teller, and was beloved by all who knew him. His funeral will occur from his late residence tomorrow at 1 o'clock p. m.

Clifton Hotel Deal.

The S. E. Hoopes Consolidated Hotel company yesterday surrendered possession of the Clifton hotel to Col. A. R. Capehart, the owner of the premises. The hotel is at present being looked after by Messrs. Hamlin and McGinmis, who were members of the hotel company.

ALIEN LAW VIOLATED.

Government Inspectors Report Their Findings.

NEW YORK, Jan. 25.—Contract Labor Inspectors Conkling and Osborne, who were sent from this city to the mining districts of Pennsylvania to investigate the working of the alien contract law, have sent their report to Secretary Foster, of the treasury department. Their report states that they discovered wholesale violation of the law which was framed to protect American laborers. In the mines surrounding Scranton it was found that nineteenths of the miners at present employed are Hungarians or Slavs. Five years ago the miners' there were nearly all Americans.

In the Arion mine, in Western Pennsylvania, Maj. Osborne learned that Hungarian and Italian immigrants come there in squads of 200 at a time, direct from the barge office in this city, under charge of padrones. In the mines near Carbondale, in 1886, there were nearly 600 miners, all American citizens. While the miners strike was on in 1889 and 1890, large numbers of Hungarians and Slavs were brought to the mines from Castle Garden, under the protection of Pinkerton detectives. At the last election, out of 787 miners employed there, just sixty-eight were entitled to vote. The inspectors found that immigrants were brought over from Europe in droves, passed through the barge office by an agent and taken to the mines to supersede American miners.

There are several men employed by the mine owners whose sole duty is to visit the barge office and get immigration contract laborers passed through. One man in particular was nicknamed the "Mush Cousin Man," as he would visit the barge office and secure the release of detained immigrants, claiming them as cousins, brothers, or other relatives. The inspectors recommend more stringent scrutiny of immigrants passing through the different landing places. At present, they say, the law is practically useless, as contract laborers pass through by thousands without detection.

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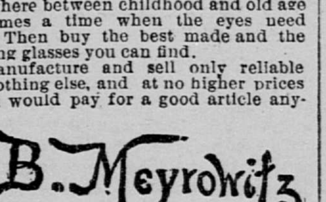

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