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No doubt there are those who have been thinking of buying a piano, but on account of the hard times could not see their way clear to do so. Things have now changed and the good times are upon us again and so are the holidays. If you are inclined to consider the piano question this year, your attention is called to the STARR and its pure, sweet quality of tone. We are prepared to offer you at this time the greatest possible piano value. An instrument that will be as good in every respect in the next ten or twenty years as it is the day you buy it. The STARR PIANO has made people happy at Christmas time for the past thirty-six years.

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UNKNOWN MAN TAKEN FROM LAKE MICHIGAN

Much Room For Speculation As to His Manner of Death.

(Special to THE TIMES.)
Indiana Harbor, Ind., Dec. 12.—Well-dressed, and having apparently been in the water but a few hours, the body of an unknown man was found in about three feet of water on the lake front at Pine Station early yesterday morning. The gruesome find was made by Martin Friend, a teamster for the Indiana Harbor Lumber company, and Ray Stutz of Clark Station. They immediately reported the case to the Harbor police and the body was brought to the Krebs and Burns undertaking establishment yesterday afternoon. Coroner E. R. Gordon of Hobart held his autopsy at 5 o'clock last evening, returning a verdict of "death by drowning." He was unable to find any means of identifying the victim.

The body was found in a portion of the lake that is several miles distant from any pier, and the police believe that he either committed suicide by jumping from a small row boat, or overboard from one of the large Gary-bound ore steamers. In the pockets of his trousers were found four cents and a copy of yesterday morning's "Chicago Examiner."

May Be of Irish Parentage.
The unknown victim is a man about five feet six inches tall and weighs 160 pounds. He possessed a sandy beard and had a high forehead, with the hair slightly tinged with gray. A man of about 40 years of age, he was dressed in a brown suit of underwear, covered with a pair of brown trousers and a blue woolen shirt. One red and one black mitten, found in a top coat pocket will likely be the only means of finding the man's relatives, this being the only unusual feature of his attire. The man is evidently of Irish parentage his features being characteristic of that nation. While no one could positively identify him last evening, several persons who called at the morgue declared that they had seen the man about Indiana Harbor several days ago, looking for work. The police departments of Gary and South Chicago have been notified of the ghastly find and Chief of Police Higgins expects to see some of the man's relatives within the next two days.

GARY STEED KILLS RIDER YESTERDAY.

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Hartick declared that he would undertake to ride it from the steel town. He left Gary about 10 o'clock yesterday morning, remarking that if the horse "ever took it into its head to run away his life wouldn't be worth much." His words were apparently prophetic.

Hartick Was Good Rider.
More than one citizen remarked upon the beauty of the horse and the ease with which it handled the reins. When the corner of One Hundred and Forty-first street and Forsyth avenue was reached, car No. 502 of the Whiting line approached the animal from the rear, and its noise evidently frightened the beast. Swerving to one side, Hartick was thrown to the ground, immediately beneath the wheels of the car. The horse was struck on the haunches and will be of no use under the saddle for several weeks at least.

Motorman Cope and Conductor Montellus reported the accident to the police and were detained until brief statements could be taken from them concerning the details of the affair. They were then released with instructions to appear at the corner's inquest, which will be held in this city this afternoon. The remains of Hartick were then placed in a gunny-sack and carried to the undertaker's parlors. Here the ghastly results of the accident were exposed to the police, presenting one of the most gruesome sights ever witnessed by local morticians.

His Skull Was Crushed.
Hartick's skull was crushed, the features being distorted and torn apart until recognition was practically impossible. Every bone in the man's body was broken, while deep, wide gashes in various parts of his body exposed to view the victim's vital organs. To further complicate matters, no means of identification were found in the man's pockets. A gold watch and 65 cents in change were his only possessions, besides a November badge of General Teamsters' and Helpers' Union No. 742. It was by investigating the roll of this organization that Arnold was finally communicated with and the notification of Hartick's wife made possible.

Coroner Gordon will conduct the inquest, and has issued subpoenas for Charles Resnan, James J. Nedji and Frank Greenwald, all of Whiting, who were on the car at the time the accident occurred. A Whiting woman was also on board, but failed to give her name to the police making the investigation. The verdict will doubtless be one of "accidental death," thus clearing the street car men from any connection with the occurrence. The Arnold horse is being cared for in the city barns, but will be taken to a South Chicago veterinary tomorrow.

Identified By Employer.
Mr. Arnold visited the undertaking parlors late last night and made positive identification of his man, informing the police that the unfortunate victim was 30 years of age and married. The family is reported in rather straitened circumstances and the details in the case have excited much sympathy for the bereaved wife. Arrangements will be made by the Teamsters' union to take charge of the funeral, which will probably be held in South Chicago tomorrow afternoon. It is not known whether Hartick was a member of any other organization, although Mr. Arnold believes that he is a member of some Catholic fraternal and insurance society, who will doubtless care for the interests of the victim's wife.

GARY MERCHANTS TO HAVE A BLUE BOOK

Customers Will Be Rated in Order That Credit May Be Extended.

TO BE FINISHED BY JAN. 1ST

Storekeepers at Regular Meeting Yesterday Afternoon Decide to Close on Holidays.

The executive committee of the merchants' association met yesterday afternoon in the club rooms of the Gary hotel. After the transaction of the routine business, such as the allowance of bills, the great credit book system, which the merchants of Gary are about to establish was discussed. After the first of the year the merchants are planning to have every resident of Gary rated, so that they can be properly handled when they come to ask credit in purchasing goods.

It is planned to have this book ready for every merchant of the city by the first of the year. The work of compiling the data will fall upon the secretary who will be given reports from every merchant in the city on every person who trades at their store. This data will then be compiled and the average opinion as to the standing of persons in the community among the merchants will be taken.

The merchants of the city also announced yesterday that their stores would be closed on Christmas and New Year's at 12 o'clock for the purpose of giving their employees a holiday and in respect for the day.

ELECT UNION OFFICERS

W. H. Kliver Declines Third Terms as President For Carpenters.

The annual election of officers for the carpenters union of Gary was held on Thursday night at their regular meeting. The officers chosen for the ensuing year are: President W. W. Dicks; vice president, Elmer Reed; recording secretary, E. F. Fisher; financial secretary, William Wolf; treasurer, S. B. Stewart; conductor, Henry Farnau; warden, L. Anderson. Three officers, auditor, trustee and delegate to the district convention, are yet to be elected.

The new president, W. W. Dicks, succeeds William H. Kliver, representative-elect, who refused to run for a third term owing to his enforced absence from the city for two months during the sitting of the legislature. Mr. Dicks, however, is a capable young man and the union feels that its selection has been fortunate.

The annual election of officers of the carpenters local of Gary is one of the big events of the organization. The union itself, No. 985, is now the largest of any in the district and one of the largest unions of any kind in the county. The carpenters have a splendid organization in Gary and they are growing steadily.

IDENTITY IS ESTABLISHED

Man Killed at Hegewisch Yesterday Was John Larson.

The body of the man who was killed at Hegewisch yesterday forenoon by the north-bound Monon passenger, due in Hammond at 11:11, has been identified as that belonging to John Larson. Larson is a workman and is known to some extent in Hegewisch, where he has found employment occasionally. He is a middle-aged man, but was never married. His father lives in the stock yards district, Chicago, and will be out for the inquest, which has been set for today.

More facts, having been gathered about the man's death, the question as to whether his death was intentional is very doubtful. This is added to by the fact that a broken whiskey bottle was found on his person.

GARY BAR ASSOCIATION PASSES RESOLUTIONS.

The Gary Bar association met this morning and passed resolutions of respect for the memory of Gilbert R. Call, one of the members of the firm of Knapp, Haynie & Campbell, United States Steel company attorneys. The resolutions state that the death of Mr. Call is a great loss to the bench and bar in the states of Indiana and Illinois and others where he practiced. The members of the Gary Bar association expressed their tender heartfelt sympathy of the family of the deceased and asked that the resolution be printed by the newspapers of Gary and other cities where Mr. Call is known. The resolutions were signed by Attorneys E. G. Ballard, Hugh E. Corbitt and Ora L. Wildermuth.

SANTA CLAUS VISITS TWO CHURCHES EARLY

Whiting Congregations Get Money from the Baptists.

(Special to THE TIMES.)
Whiting, Ind., Dec. 12.—The Methodist and Congregational churches of Whiting have unexpectedly come into the possession of neat sums which can be used by them in any way they see fit.

About the first church to be organized when Whiting was in its infancy was the Baptist.

This church then had an enormous attendance and arrangements were made to raise money with which to erect a house of worship.

As the churches of other creeds were organized the attendance began to decrease, as the people naturally drifted back to the churches of their own denomination. Finally there were not enough Baptists in Whiting to keep up this church and it went out of existence in about 1895 and has never again been organized.

\$150 in Bank.
At this time there was \$150 in the building fund and which, owing to Whiting having no banks at that time, was deposited in a Chicago bank. The money has remained in the bank during these thirteen years.

The finance committee was composed of William Greathart, U. G. Swartz, S. S. Turner and John N. Gowa. The men have held a meeting to talk over the ways and means of putting the money to the best use and have decided to divide it equally between the Methodist and Congregational churches.

The affair was not yet generally known, but it is certain that all former members of this church will be well satisfied to learn of the wise disposition of the money by the committee.

LEADING MEN TALK ON QUESTION.

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fair and square in the matter with the rest of the county. I do not think that another court should be established in the county. The complications which would result on call day and in the handling of cases would be very undesirable to nearly everybody concerned."

JUDGE ALBERT C. HUBER, Justice of the Peace, "I think that the attempt to secure the superior court in Gary and the money which they propose to spend to secure it, is foolish. If Gary secured the court there would be no end of trouble, as Whiting, East Chicago and all of the large cities of the county would soon be asking for courts. Gary needs it all right, but the plan is impractical at the present time."

The above is the expressions of opinion of the superior court matter as many of the sober minded citizens of Gary are looking at it at the present time. There is no one here who questions the fact that Gary is in need of a court and that it is entitled to one, but there are many who are of the belief that the time is still premature and that the expenditure of money and the waste of time in attempting to get it is ridiculous.

Most of the members of the Gary Bar association, who have investigated the matter thoroughly have come to realize the impracticability of the project, but because of the clamor which has been stirred up in the city for a court (especially among the business men), several of them have, until recently, been reticent in expressing their views.

Several of the members of the central superior court committee have suggested that the members of the judicial committee of the legislature be brought to Gary and shown the existing conditions. If this is done, besides sending to the next session of the legislature a party of lobbyists, the expense to the business men will be enormous. Many in the city now think that there are ways in which this time and money could be expended for Gary which would be more profitable and practicable.

The question of a superior court in Gary at the present time has simmered down to the question of whether the proposition is practicable at this time.

CORN SPECIAL COMING TO HAMMOND MONDAY.

The Monon's corn special will be in Hammond again this year. It will be in this city some time Monday afternoon or evening on the way to Omaha, where the National Corn exposition is to be held.

A special train will leave Indianapolis at 3:15 p. m. Monday via the Monon route, stopping at Sheridan, Frankfort, Delphi, Monticello, Monon, Rensselaer, Lowell and Hammond. Parties east, south and west of Indianapolis are arranging to take the train at Indianapolis. Beyond Chicago a special train is run to Omaha and return over the Northwestern railway, the train leaving Chicago at 10:30 p. m. Monday.

REMAINS WILL BE CREMATED.

The funeral services of Attorney G. R. Call, of the United States Steel corporation will be held at the late home of the deceased, 1444 Winchester avenue, Chicago, at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon. The remains will be cremated in a Chicago crematory. Attorney Harry V. Call and wife, and Postmaster John W. Call and family of Gary, will attend the services.

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Spanking does not cure children of bed wetting. There is constitutional cause for this trouble. Mrs. M. Sumner, Box W, North Dakota, will send free to any mother her successful home treatment, with full instructions. Send no money, but write her today if your children trouble you in this way. Don't blame the child, the chances are it can't help it. This treatment also cures adults and aged people troubled with urine difficulties by day or night.

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BRADFORD'S CLUB ROOMS

JAMES BRADFORD has opened a billiard hall and bowling alleys in the building formerly occupied by the Brooks theater, corner State and Hohman streets. The nine billiard tables and the bowling alleys are busy night and day. Fifty people or so may generally be found there. A gallery for both men and women has been provided. The room is practically 100 feet deep and 50 feet wide. It is fitted, furnished and equipped in the best possible manner for the uses and purposes for which it is to be used.

Mr. Bradford is a former county official, and the fact that he has friends and acquaintances in every section is bound to make the place a big success.

FURNACES

Most persons are now making preparations for winter heat. It is a most important subject. In this connection it is proper and timely to call attention to this Furnace question. A good furnace is a great source of comfort, but it must be properly installed, otherwise it cannot be expected to do its work properly. Good Furnaces, in fact the best made and installed in a skillful manner, can be had of

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