

BREAKING GROUND!! THE WORK COMMENCED! The B. & M. R. R. and July 4th!

A LOW BRIDGE Will be built across the Missouri river here—it being the only point on the upper Missouri where a low bridge can be built.

THE GREAT RIVER The great river now is for more fields. If the owners of lots in this city expect to retain one half the people that come here for the next six months they must commence to build houses right away.

THE DANCE Last Monday evening was a complete success. The two large halls in Masonic block were filled, and the dancers enjoyed themselves until the "wee sma' hours."

CONTRACTOR FITZGERALD informs us that he has sub-let about twenty-five miles of the grade work west from Plattsmouth.

THERE IS MONEY IN IT In what? In erecting buildings in this city for rent. Just think of Esp. O'Neill's building, one 400 west of the Herald's office, renting for \$50 per month.

TO FORT KEARNEY It is quite customary now-a-days for newspapers of this State to speak of different projected Railroads being built through "to Ft. Kearney."

A FITTING DAY The Fourth of July—a day upon which the Nation's Independence was declared—is an appropriate time for commencing work on the B. & M. R. R. in Nebraska.

JOHN FITZGERALD, ESQ. Has the reputation of being the most expeditious Railroad contractor in the United States.

OUR NEBRASKA CITY Neighbor, of the Press, jubiliates very much with a hefty display heading over the "good railroad news" for that city, etc., and says "at last" they "have light," etc.

According to previous notices, the people commenced to assemble early last Monday morning to witness the ceremony of breaking ground on the Burlington & Missouri River Railroad in Nebraska.

At 2 o'clock the procession formed in front of the Court House, in accordance with published programme, as follows: Plattsmouth Brass Band, County, City and Railroad officials in carriages.

Invited guests in carriages, Masonic Lodges on foot, Odd Fellows Lodges on foot, Good Templars Lodge on foot, Citizens on foot, Citizens in carriages and wagons.

The whole assembly moved off under the supervision of Sheriff Johnson, Capt. Bennett and Marshal Murphy, who were acting Marshals of the day.

Gen. R. W. Livingston was introduced, who spoke for the space of fifteen minutes, giving a kind of an outline history of Railroads in general, and of the B. & M. R. R. Co. and their interests in particular.

Mayor Wheeler then descended from the platform, and amid strains of music and deafening shouts from the multitude, turned the first shovel-full of earth on the Burlington & Missouri River Railroad in Nebraska.

Mr. Fitzgerald said speech making was not his forte, but that when there was work to be done, as was the case here, he knew how to do it.

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