

THE DAILY BEE. COUNCIL BLUFFS.

Republican County Convention. The republicans of Pottawattamie county will meet in delegate convention at the court house in Council Bluffs, Thursday, September 13, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of placing in nomination candidates for the following offices: to wit: One state senator, two representatives, sheriff, treasurer, auditor, surveyor, superintendent of public schools, coroner, and members of the board of supervisors. Each township will be entitled to the following representation:

Table with 2 columns: Township Name and Number of Representatives. Includes Kane, Lincoln, Lewis, Macdonald, Menden, Belmont, Crescent, Carson, Center, Grove, Gardner, Hardin, Hazel Dell, James, Knox, and Keg Creek.

WICKED WRECK.

The Details of the Fatal Railway Smash-up at Crescent.

The Bodies of the Conductor and Engineer Found in the Wreck.

Ths Miraculous Escape of Others. The news of the railway accident at Crescent, about six miles from this city, caused not little excitement here, and a number of our citizens, besides Coroner Paul, Undertaker Connell, the jury, etc., visited the scene. It was a horrible looking wreck. The engine lay in the ditch bottom side up, and badly demolished, while twelve freight cars were likewise piled up and smashed and splintered, some being thrown over the ditch on one side of the track, and others on the other side. Next to the engine were two flat cars loaded with bridge timbers, 16 inches square. These timbers were thrown into a pile 12 feet or more in height. Then two car loads of fence-posts were scattered about promiscuously. Next came a refrigerator car containing butter; this was loaded on top of another car, but its contents were not damaged. The next car was loaded with barrels of dried currants. This car had struck the telegraph pole, knocking it down and burying the wires under the debris, thus cutting off telegraphic communication. A car load of stoves consigned to Council Bluffs were badly wrecked, while standing crossways of the track was a car loaded mostly with glass. Then came one of buggies, not badly damaged, and several cars of general merchandise.

The force with which the engine struck the marshy ditch where it lay almost a complete wreck, was shown somewhat by the fact that mud was thrown on to the very top of telegraph poles, while the tops of the cars still standing on the track were covered with debris.

The wreck of property, bad as it seemed, is of course not to be compared with the loss of life. The conductor of this freight train, Wesley Mann, and the engineer, John Mahon, were killed outright, and their bodies horribly mangled in the wreck. Both were on the engine at the time, as was also the fireman, F. M. Bolinger. As the engine left the track at the switch, both jumped, one after the other, and the cars came piling upon them, burying them so that it was some time before the bodies of either could be found. That of the engineer was found first, but that of the conductor was not found until late Saturday night. The fireman was delayed in jumping off by another being in his way, but just as the engine was going over its side he jumped from the cab window, the others having jumped from the gangway. He by some strange freak of good fortune escaped death or very serious injury, but received some bruises and cuts, being thrown with some force against the barbed wire fence along the track.

An old man named William Johnson was riding between the two flat cars loaded with the heavy bridge tenders. He was buried in the debris, but soon recovered consciousness and crawled out himself, the blood flowing from a wound in the head, but apparently not seriously injured. He is a man over sixty years old, and was roaming around the country without means looking for work. On crawling out he had his satchel firmly grasped in his hand, but bemoaned the loss of his hat and coat, for which he began diligent search. He was afterward brought to the city and sent out to the county house for treatment.

A. P. Gring, a brakeman, was on top of the train at the time of the accident, and was walking along the top of the cars, toward the rear, as he felt the shock he looked about, and seeing the cars tumbling into the ditch, he jumped off. In doing so he was badly shaken up, and it is feared that the shock to his spine may prove a serious and perhaps permanent injury. He was in an accident some two years ago, and got his knee twisted so badly that he has not been able to railroad any until very lately. This is said, in fact, to have been only his third trip after having been laid up for two years.

The head brakeman, David Johnson, was at the rear of the train and escaped injury. It was a great nervous shock to him, however, and he was untiring in his work on the wreck, not allowing himself a moment's rest until the bodies of the unfortunate engineer and conductor were found.

The body of the engineer, John Mabin, was first found, and that was not until after several hours' work. It was brought to this city, and after being cared for by the undertaker was sent by special train to Boone, where his home was. He was a man between 35 and 40 years of age, and leaves a wife and two children. He is said to be pretty comfortably fixed financially, and that he intended very soon to leave the road and settle down upon a farm which he bought some time ago.

It was late at night before the body of Conductor Munn was found, and it was terribly crushed by its being under the wreck. It was yesterday found here, and then sent to Boone, where his home was also. He leaves a wife and a daughter, aged about 16. Both men were highly thought of by the company, very popular among their co-employees, and had many friends outside of railway circles.

There is much difficulty in getting at just who was to blame for the accident, but it appears that the switch was not locked. The train which was thus wrecked was due here shortly before noon. It reached Crescent on time, and was moving out at only 12 miles an hour when it reached the fatal switch, in the south end of the yard, and suddenly and without warning the engine dashed from the track and the cars came piling, tumbling after.

Mr. P. S. Palmer, the Chicago & Northwestern agent at Crescent, says that he noticed the switch after No. 6 passed at 10:15 a. m., and it was then all right, and lock'd. After the accident he found the switch open, and the pin and lock lying on the head block, and this could not have been done by the train. He also states that before the accident the section foreman opened the switch to run a hand car of ties out on the main track, and this was the last that passed over the switch before the accident.

The section foreman, G. Larson, states that after the hand car passed he locked the switch himself. A man named Gus Johnson says that he saw Larson close the switch, but cannot say whether he locked it or not. A man named Pete Hansen also saw Larson close the switch, but did not see him put the pin in or

lock it. Larson himself is positive that he locked it, but it seems that he must have been mistaken in this, or else some one else unlocked it afterwards.

Dr. West, dentist, 14 Pearl street. Back From Lincoln. Chief Templeton, of the fire department, has returned from the tournament at Lincoln, and cannot say too much of the hospitable manner in which he was treated. By the published reports of the tournament, it appears that the chief was quite prominent in the judging and managing the races and being a good deal of a veteran in such matters, though not in years, his assistance there was valuable, and seems to have been greatly appreciated. The Council Bluffs department was not in the races of course, but yet some of the individuals from here won in some of the special contests. In the 300 yard foot race Sidney Pete, of Council Bluffs, won first money, and C. W. Mitchell third. Charles Nicholson and Jesse Walters won the second prize for couples. Time 4 1/2 seconds, and that was doing pretty well, when they had to compete with the two Deere couples from Moline, who sweep the world, and who at Lincoln in taking first prize cut the record down to 2 1/2 seconds.

Prairie chickens and A. Booth's select oysters received daily at W. T. Braun's. Real Estate Transfers. The following deeds were filed for record in the recorder's office, September 1, reported for the Bix by P. J. McMahon, real estate agent:

T. C. Stoddard et al. to Thomas Scott, n/w 1/4, s 1/2, 35, 78, 42; \$480. M. T. Baker to H. L. Henry, part of sec. 14, s 1/2, 1, 74, 44; \$1,500. H. L. Henry to J. N. Casady, part of lots 16 and 17, block 17, Mill add; \$700. Charles H. Ferson to G. E. Ferson, lot 8, block 11, Galesburg add; \$50. James P. Goudin to City of Council Bluffs, part of lots 190 and 191, original plat; \$3,000.

Total sales, \$5,710. Mr. Gos, the letter carrier, who says he was dropped from the service without any reason being assigned, is contradicted in this by Postmaster Armour, who says that the reason was that Gos was everlastingly grumbling until he couldn't stand it any longer, and that Mr. Gos was informed that this was the reason.

Some of the waterworks men are raising a purse to buy a horse for a boy employed by the company, and whose horse died a few days ago. The boy is only 16 years old, and is working faithfully to support a widowed mother and several younger brothers and sisters. It is evidently a worthy case for showing such generosity.

Congressman Phay received a telegram Saturday announcing the death of Hon. M. E. Cutts, member of congress from the Seventh district, and whose home is at Okaloosa. The funeral services take place this afternoon. Mr. Cutts has been in ill health for several years, and only returned a week ago from Mexico, where he had been in the hope of improvement.

W. A. Linton and Charles Beardsley had a bloody fight near the Revere house Saturday, in which both got somewhat punished, though Linton got the most, and appears to have deserved the most. The difficulty arose over a woman, Linton being jealous of the attention being paid her by some man, and thinking that Beardsley was the man. Both men were arrested, but Beardsley was discharged and Linton locked up.

One of Council Bluffs' business men had the police hunting Saturday for a \$90 check and two \$20 bills, which he thought had been snatched from his desk as he stepped out of the office for a minute. He afterwards found the missing property, a gust of wind having blown it on to the floor, together with a blotting pad, which lay on top, hiding the check and money, so that in the search for it in the office, it was not noticed. The police smoke off cigars now, or ought to.

Rev. A. Rogers, who has filled the position of Superintendent of the institution for the deaf and dumb, has been called to the pastorate of the Congregational church at Dunlap, and will enter upon the duties of the new position soon as his successor here gets well at work. Mr. Rogers, as a pulpitist, is above the average, and as a man and pastor, cannot but prove a welcome addition to Dunlap. He has scores of warm friends here whose best wishes will accompany him in the new field of labor.

Mayor Bowman, in his message to the council last spring, recommended that some arrangement be made with Mr. Carpenter, a landscape gardener of Galesburg, to make sanitary improvements in Fairmount park, he having done some excellent work in that line at Garrettsburg. A letter from that gentleman states that he will be here at the fair, with views of work done by him and other exhibits, in which the citizens concerned in beautifying Fairmount park will be interested.

W. R. Vaughan spent Sunday at home and returned to Des Moines last evening to finish up his Herdic business there. The Herdics were put on the streets there yesterday, they being introduced, according to The Register, "with a flourish and a trumpet by a procession of ten coaches, headed by the mayor, and proprietor in a buggy and sixteen-seat Herdic in which a brass band played its merry melodies to attract and distract public attention." Mr. Vaughan, while at Des Moines, purchased Judge Cole's fine family carriage and team as a surprise birthday present for his wife, the price being \$1,250.

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