

WANT THE FARE REDUCED

Many Lincoln Citizens Fighting the Street Railway Company.

DEMAND SIX TICKETS FOR A QUARTER

Managers of the System Claim that It is Not Paying Fixed Charges at Present and Further Expenses Mean Ruin.

LINCOLN, May 22.—(Special to The Bee.)—Citizens being circulated in each of the seven wards of Lincoln in connection with the city council to defeat the proposed street railway ordinance introduced at the last session. Inasmuch as public feeling is running high, the petitions are being numerous signed. The ordinance to which the citizens of Lincoln are objecting provides for the repeal of two laws, one of which compels the street railway company to sell six tickets for 25 cents and the other which compels them to place a conductor and a motor on each car.

President Little of the street railway company is out in a public letter in which he shows that the business of the company has been steadily decreasing during the past two years. He shows that it is absolutely necessary that the company not only increase its revenue, but decrease its expenses. He claims that the six for a quarter tickets are costing the company too much and that it is unnecessary for two men to be placed on each car. He claims that the company is being run at a loss of \$1,000,000 annually, and that it is entitled to consideration from the people of the city.

On the other hand, the men who are opposing the passage of the ordinance attack Mr. Little's statements with considerable vigor. They claim that the street railway company has received \$2,000,000 in the past year, and that it is entitled to a total of \$3,000,000, which the company is required to pay dividends and interest. They are asking President Little with considerable pertinency what he and his associates have done with all the money if they invested but \$1,000,000 in Lincoln. They also deny that the company has invested \$1,200,000 in its system in this city. The company has forty miles of road. An investment of \$1,200,000 would make a cost per mile \$30,000, which includes, of course, power house and equipment. It is claimed that the street railway system cost no such amount of money.

The council chamber was crowded with citizens who gathered to protest against a suspension of the rules and the passage of the ordinance. No attempt was made, however, to suspend the rules, and the ordinance was read the second time and referred to a committee, composed of Mayor Little, members of the finance committee and City Attorney Abbott.

MARSHAL KROESNER'S EXAMINATION. The preliminary hearing of village Marshal Kroesner of Waverly, who last week shot and killed Billy Holt, commenced before Justice Spencer this afternoon, and will probably continue during tomorrow. At the examination of witnesses this afternoon no facts materially altering the story of the shooting, as published in The Bee at the time, were brought out.

MADE HIM EAT THE SOUP. Charles Tucker was this morning fined \$1 and costs by Justice Judge Stora for demerit and bad conduct. Tucker is something of a wild Texan, in his mind, and he has an old revolver which he flourishes whenever he gets particularly excited. Yesterday afternoon he was invited into the restaurant, where he found David W. Dean just about to swallow a bowl of steaming hot soup. Dean became frightened at the reckless man who was waving his revolver around and threatening to wipe the inhabitants off the face of the earth. Consequently the soup was left untasted and its purchaser quietly slid for the door. Tucker saw the move and ordered Dean to return to his seat and eat the soup. Dean did so, and Tucker was left with the impression that he did not particularly relish the article. He was badly frightened.

LINCOLN IN BRIEF. Nancy Webster had her husband arrested again today on the charge of using language tending to provoke an assault. The language was directed at her brother, who came so near hitting Webster with buckshot one early morning a couple of weeks ago.

Twenty vagrants were left in Lincoln as menaces of yesterday's circus. Thirteen of them were discharged in police court upon their promise to go to work on the Burlington extension in Montana and five were sent to the county jail.

Mayor West last night received a telegram from General Manager Holdridge stating that the B. & M. would pay its proportion of the \$10,000 necessary to finish the viaduct. Nothing has been heard from the Union Pacific as yet.

Word has been received in Lincoln that Frank Huber, the half-witted young man recently pardoned out of the penitentiary by Governor Crook, was drowned in a river in Missouri a few days ago.

James Everett, a farmer living near Lincoln, was arrested on the charge of using indecent and profane language in his presence. He was discharged by the police judge this morning.

Nebraska Editors Meet. NORFOLK, Neb., May 22.—(Special to The Bee.)—The sixth semi-annual meeting of the Northeast Nebraska Press association was held last night in the editorial rooms of the Norfolk Daily News.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: W. N. Huse, Norfolk Daily News, president; H. M. McNeal, Wayne Herald, vice president; S. J. Young, Hartington Herald, secretary; A. J. Langer, West Point Reporter, treasurer; M. M. Warner, Lyons Mirror, historian.

S. J. Young submitted a paper on "Foreign Advertising." P. Sprocher made an address on the topic, "Should Subscriptions Be Made Payable in Advance?" which was followed by a paper read by J. H. Mackay of the Madison Reporter on "How to Treat Competitors."

Resolutions were passed, thanking the management of the Norfolk Beet Sugar company and the Norfolk Hospital for its complimentary serenade, and W. N. Huse for his kindness in placing his handsome and comfortable editorial office at the disposal of the members of the association.

The next meeting of the association will be held at Norfolk on September 21, 1894. Mr. George H. Spear, late manager of the Thurston hotel at Columbus, Neb., has today purchased the lease, furniture and fixtures of the popular Oxnard hotel of this city. Mr. Fred W. Richards, who has been book-keeper of the Hotel Lincoln since its opening, has arrived from Lincoln and taken the position of chief clerk of the Oxnard under Mr. Spear. These two well known hotel men will conduct the hotel in a most agreeable and popular manner.

Increased the County's Revenue. DECATUR, Neb., May 22.—(Special to The Bee.)—The Missouri river land survey has just been completed, which covers 2,000 acres of land which will be assessed on Hobman's island, six miles southeast of this place. For some years past taxes have been paid on only 500 acres. This land consists of a titable land and a portion of the cottonwood, an acquisition which will help the treasury of Monona county, Iowa.

A careful examination of the fruit lands show slight damage in this vicinity as a result of the frost of last Friday. The dry spell still continues, and unless rain follows soon Burt county may lose her reputation as the banner county of the state.

Fractured His Skull with a Hoe. GERING, Neb., May 22.—(Special to The Bee.)—An altercation occurred yesterday between two farmers living twenty miles northwest of here named Harris and Conkling, in the course of which the latter was struck on the head with the back of a heavy hoe, fracturing the skull. The injured man was brought to this city, and is still in an unconscious state, although it is forty-eight hours since he received the blow, and his condition is doubtful. Harris has not been apprehended.

SUGAR BEET CROP NOT DAMAGED. Reports to the Contrary Not Founded. NORFOLK, Neb., May 22.—(Special to The Bee.)—The reported damage to the beet crop in and around Norfolk on account of frost has been greatly exaggerated. The damage is but slight, and there is plenty of seed on hand to replace any of the plants which may be injured. It is the opinion of many farmers that warm weather and sunshine will bring them all out all right without further loss.

GRAND ISLAND, May 22.—(Special to The Bee.)—The sensational reports in Sunday's World-Herald to the effect that the sugar beet crop of the state had been ruined and that there was not sufficient seed in the state to replant are entirely unfounded. Authoritative information has been received here that the damage from frost is not over 1 per cent, if any at all, and that aside from retarding the maturity of the crop no loss whatever will be sustained by the beet raisers. This report is made by the factory folks here and at Norfolk after a complete and thorough examination, and can be accepted as reliable.

KNOCKING OUT THE FAT FEES

Emoluments of United States Attorneys and Marshals to Be Reduced.

HAVE BEEN WORKING THE GOVERNMENT

Over Half the Prosecutions Begun Have Ended in Failure, Which Leads the Committee to Conclude Fees Were the Object Sought.

WASHINGTON, May 22.—The incomes of United States district attorneys and marshals and clerks of the United States courts will be materially reduced if the bill recommended by the house committee on judiciary shall be favorably acted upon. Under the present system of graded fees, says the report prepared by Representative W. A. Stone of Pennsylvania, a premium is placed upon prosecution. During the fiscal year 1893 10,887 prosecutions were instituted for violation of United States laws, which resulted in 5,262 convictions and 1,660 acquittals, while 3,945 of the cases were nolle prossed. The report says: "We are justified in presuming that where the defendant is acquitted or the case against him nolle prossed the United States had not sufficient evidence to convict. We are led to conclude, therefore, that more than half of the cases terminating during that fiscal year were improperly brought. Of course, there are many criminal cases properly brought which result in acquittals or nolle prosses, but in the above showing the percentage of acquittals and nolle prosses is too large, and we think justifies the belief that many of them were instituted more for the purpose of making fees than in the interest of justice."

"And when we come to consider that it costs the government as much for jurors and witnesses in cases of criminal conviction, we naturally conclude that if we can diminish the number of cases in the courts that are not sufficiently supported by evidence, we save a great deal of expense to the United States. In the fiscal year ending June 30, 1891, it cost the United States for jurors \$678,743.85 and for witnesses \$1,157,230.55. The salaries proposed by the bill are \$4,000 to district attorneys, \$4,000 to marshals and graded salaries for clerks. Attorney General Olney has written the committee that the proposed plan will save \$70,000 on the salaries of attorneys and marshals. The maximum compensation which district attorneys and marshals are now allowed by law is \$6,000 and United States circuit and district clerks \$3,500 per annum, and yet, owing to the number of statutes and decisions of the court controllers, running over many years, these officers frequently receive much larger annual compensation. An instance is cited of a district attorney who has for years realized \$20,000 and another where a district attorney received for a year and a half \$7,000, although his returns showed but little over \$1,000, the balance being for mileage and from court. Clerks of courts have received as high as \$14,000, the courts having held that naturalization fees need not be included in the emolument returns. While the expenses of attorneys and marshals are much greater in some districts than others, the committee has adopted a reliable standard for rating salaries, and concludes by an unanimous vote to adopt the system of a uniform salary, which has been found satisfactory in the case of federal judges, to whom the same arguments apply. It has been left to the attorney general to fix the salaries of the clerks of courts with salary at \$4,000. At present it costs the government annually a large amount unnecessarily expended by the marshal in fees for guards for prisoners. This bill directs that prisoners shall be confined in default of bail to the nearest jail and to be tried at the nearest point where the court is held. It directs that writs shall be sent by mail and does away with the large mileage charges for travel. It provides a uniform system for keeping of accounts and making returns.

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Mr. Hays tried to use it as a text for taunting the democrats, and Mr. Teller read him a very plain lecture on the duty of the republicans to accept such increase as the democrats were willing to grant, without continually chiding their adversaries with inconsistency. When the vote was taken, six democrats and two populists refused to support the Jones substitute, namely: Ailsen, Berry, Blackburn, Jarvis, Kyle, Mills, Pascoe and Peffer.

The rates fixed today were as follows: Pig iron, scrap iron, etc., \$4 per ton. Round iron in coils, \$19 per pound. Slabs, blooms, less finished than bars, 5 cent per pound. Charcoal blooms, \$12 per ton. Beans, girders and other structural iron or steel, 6-10 cent per pound. Boiler plate, from 5-10 to 25 per cent ad valorem. Forgings of iron or steel, 15 cents. Hoop or band iron or steel (cotton ties), 30 per cent ad valorem.

The senate went into executive session and shortly afterward adjourned.

WILL ABOLISH THE COMMISSION. Civil Service Reform Given Full Swing in the House. WASHINGTON, May 22.—The question of civil service reform was given full swing in the house today, the occasion being the amendment to strike out the paragraph in the legislative appropriation bill providing for the civil service commission. It gave opportunity for some stirring and not a few amusing speeches. The amendment was adopted by a vote of 199 to 71, amid great democratic applause and republican cries of "Spoils." No other amendments of any importance were made to the bill, the only one adopted being to correct the totals of a few amendments, to which amendments were made yesterday.

Several democrats opposed the amendment virtually abolishing the commission, but it was adopted by nearly a strict party vote. Among the democrats who voted with the republicans in favor of the civil service reform were: Wilson, Tracey, Hendrix, Dockery, Warner, Springer, Savers, Crain, Martin, Kilgore, Linn and Everett.

The vote on quorum and demands for tellers were made, the vote by tellers being 199 to 71. Mr. Dingley gave notice that he would demand year and nays in the house. It being then after 5 o'clock the committee rose and the house, at 5:34 p. m., adjourned.

Some Local Legislation. Bills Introduced and Pushed by Members from Nebraska and South Dakota. WASHINGTON, May 22.—(Special Telegram to The Bee.)—Senator Allen today introduced a bill authorizing the president to nominate, and with the advice and consent of the senate to appoint, John H. Howell of Almena, Kan., late captain of the Third artillery, and to rank of second lieutenant of artillery, and to place him on the retired list of the army at the grade of major, being his rank at the date of his resignation.

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September 3, 1866, provided that no passage is paid to him after the date of the passage of this act. Representative Lucius of South Dakota today called up and secured the passage of his bill for the construction of a bridge over the Missouri river at Yankton. The total appropriation in the Indian appropriation bill for the Indian school at Genoa this year is \$49,500. The only reduction made from the amount of last year is in the pay of the superintendent. Heretofore the salary has been \$2,000 and this year \$1,500. Mr. McKeljohn had intended to introduce an amendment in the house making it \$2,000, but he has recently learned that the committee has decided to make the salary of all superintendents \$1,500, and that the school at Genoa was not the only one which had been reduced. He has therefore concluded to let the appropriation stand as it is. K. G. Foster of Armour, S. D., is here to induce Senators Pettigrew and Kyle to oppose the nomination of Matthews for postmaster at Armour. Matthews is a democrat, and in the judgment of the senators is entitled to the place, while Foster is a republican. Colonel D. B. Henderson of Iowa, senior republican member of congress from his state, today asked the correspondent of The Bee to deny sensational reports concerning his physical condition and his inability to perform his duties. He is rapidly healing, and he hopes to be out of bed, out of his room and in the house of representatives inside of three weeks. His surgeon confirms his hopes.

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