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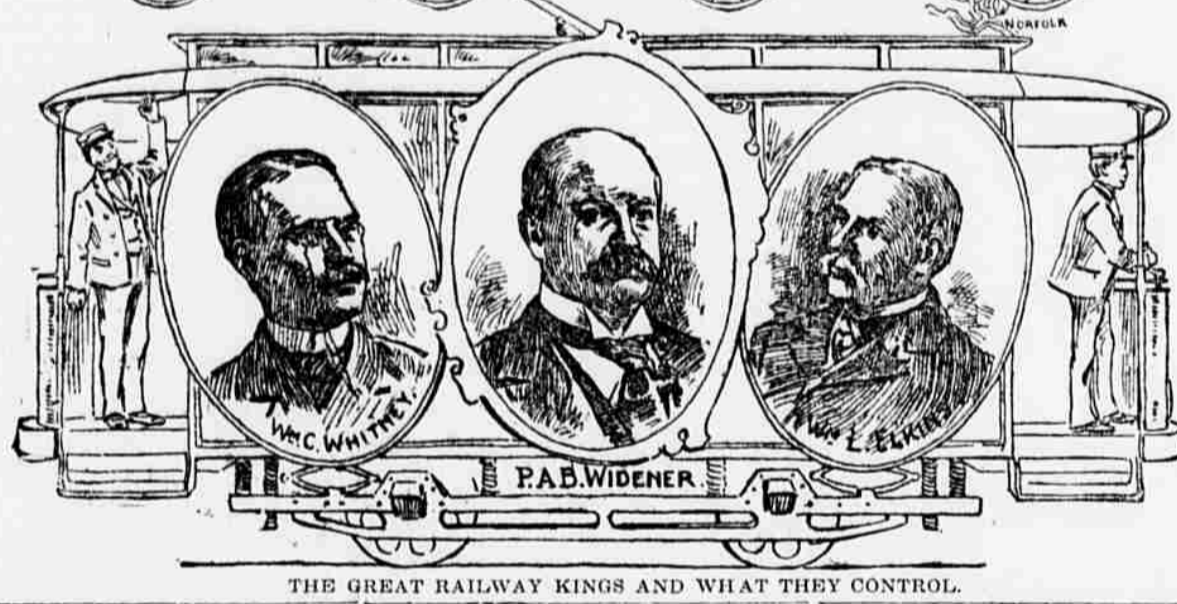
(Copyright, 1899, by E. W. Mayo.) Three men in this country control over 1,500 miles of street railways, on which 25,000 men are employed and 10,000 cars operated. They may justly be called the street railway kings of America, for they control the transportation facilities of the three largest cities in the country—New York, Chicago and Philadelphia—besides Pittsburgh, Baltimore, a half dozen smaller municipalities and hundreds of square miles of suburban territory.

It is a great convenience to the residents, but where it would hardly be profitable to operate an independent line. It provides in most cases a longer haul for single fares. On the Philadelphia, Chicago and New York lines today passengers are carried distances at which there is positively no profit to the companies. But the loss in this particular is counterbalanced by the profits from short hauls.

and practically meant the consolidation of all the lines in and about Philadelphia. The company has a capitalization of over \$30,000,000 and a bonded indebtedness of about the same amount. One hundred millions would not be an excessive valuation of these combined lines, which include over 400 miles of street railway. The formation of the Union company made Mr. Widener and Mr. Elkins supreme in Philadelphia traction affairs. By extension, reorganization and consolidation, the men who started out as stockholders in a company with a face capital of \$1,000,000, and only half of that paid in, had worked themselves to the head of an enterprise worth \$100,000,000. While doing so they had developed in Philadelphia an extensive and efficient system of street transportation.

New York to their dominion they were busy under cover of the name and through the person of their agent, Yerkes, in carrying out the same process in Chicago. The progress of the street railway trust and its combine in the western metropolis was so thoroughly discussed at the recent municipal election that it is tolerably familiar. At the present time Yerkes has retired from the nominal control of the Chicago systems and they are again under the direction of the Whitney-Widener-Elkins organization.

LENGTH OF LINES 1500 MILES - BOSTON TO OMAHA



THE GREAT RAILWAY KINGS AND WHAT THEY CONTROL.

disturbances that result from overproduction. They give the public the benefit of large sums which business men wasted under the old system in fighting each other.

Injures Only One Class. Only one class has been injured by the movement toward consolidation of interests that were formerly competing. These are the commercial travelers who are employed to race about the country and push the sale of competing goods. Some of them have lost their work because there is no longer the same necessity for their services. They will have to accustom themselves to the new order of things. If they are men of ability and enterprise they can do so without serious inconvenience.

growing wealth of these three, could financier undertakings so vast as they have carried through in rapid succession within the last few years. But a large part of the strength of this combination has lain in its ability to command the great resources of the country for the schemes that its members devised.

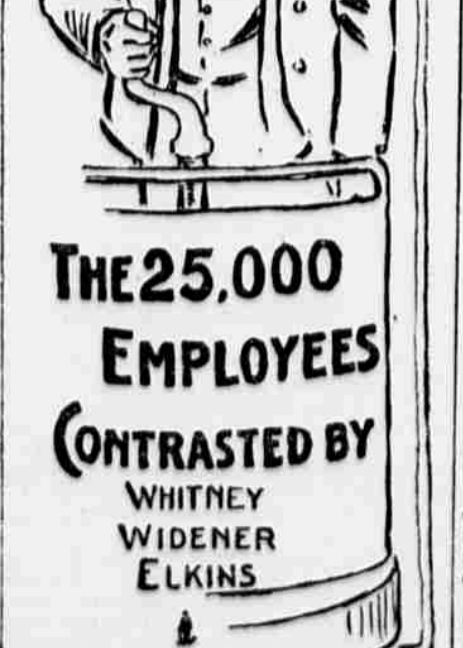
A KIND NEIGHBOR. The kindest and most neighborly thing one woman can do for another in case of sickness is to tell how she herself was brought out of trouble and distress; and urge her neighbor to seek the same remedy. Hundreds of thousands of mothers have caused to bless just this same kind, neighborly spirit which actuated Mrs. Wm. S. Vollmer, of Concord, Cabarrus Co., North Carolina.

cord, N. C., over a month ago," she says in her communication to Dr. R. V. Pierce, of Buffalo, N. Y. "A little girl of one year and a half we told her folks about Dr. Pierce's medicine. I knew what they had done for us. Her parents bought a bottle of his Golden Medical Discovery and of Favorite Prescription and were wonderfully cured. The patient improved wonderfully after taking these medicines. I wish everybody knew the great virtues of Dr. Pierce's medicines. I have been using them for a family for three years and always with success. I will be pleased to have my letter published, if persons wishing to know more of the great benefits we have received from using Dr. Pierce's medicines will write, enclosing stamp, I will gladly answer."

These are intelligent men. They are capable of deciding for themselves whether they are well off or not. Where such men have a chance to see for themselves whether combinations are to the advantage of laboring men as well as of the general community they are apt to decide that the advantages are quite identical.

Are They Public Benefactors? The opinion so forcibly expressed by Mr. Widener are shared by Mr. Whitney and Mr. Elkins. Doubtless they are sincere in believing that, while doing so nobly for themselves, they have conferred decided benefits upon the 10,000,000 Americans who contribute nickels to the revenues of their street railways. If their view of the case is correct they are public benefactors to a remarkable extent. Certainly never before has the control of so many street railways been lodged in the hands of a few individuals.

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THE 25,000 EMPLOYEES CONTRASTED BY WHITNEY WIDENER ELKINS

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SAMPLE FURNITURE

Selling Out All the Sample Pieces That Have Been On Our Floor for a Season.

Our Object is to Show From Season to Season a New Fresh Line of Furniture in Latest Shapes and Finishes, There is but One Way and That to Close Out at the End of the Season all Floor Pieces That Have Not Sold Well and Not to be Continued in Our Line.

We Have Offered These at Greatly Reduced Prices and Yet Some of Them Have Not Sold, so We Make Another Cut From the Low Figures, Some Price will Sell Them and We Shall Find the Price No Matter How Low.

- \$35.00 ladies' desk with four drawers, \$12.50. \$58.00 mahogany sideboard, \$25.00. \$117.00 bed room suit, French dresser, dressing table, chival glass on standard, 3 pieces, now at \$40.00. \$85.00 3-piece parlor suit, \$48.00. \$250.00 3-piece parlor suit, \$75.00. \$10.00 parlor chair, mahogany, \$6.50. \$58.00 2-piece parlor suit, very desirable, \$25.00. \$10.00 mahogany library chair, \$6.75. \$12.00 mahogany library chair, \$7.25. \$8.00 mahogany library chair, \$5.25. \$8.50 mahogany library chair, \$5.00. \$10.50 oak hall chair, sole leather seat and back, \$6.75. \$6.00 parlor chair, upholstered seat, \$3.00. \$90.00 oak sideboard goes at \$59.00. \$49.00 dining table goes at \$20.00. \$18.00 mahogany chair goes at \$7.50. \$22.00 mahogany chair goes at \$14.00. \$125.00 parlor suit, 3 pieces, goes at \$45.00. \$48.00 dining table, mahogany, round, highly polished, goes at \$33.00. \$54.00 mahogany sideboard, goes at \$36.00. \$22.50 flemish oak dining table, goes at \$16.50. \$39.00 flemish oak sideboard, goes at \$28.00. \$45.00 flemish oak sideboard, goes at \$31.50. \$23.75 set flemish oak dining chairs—6 dining chairs and 1 arm chair—goes at \$15.50. \$38.00 set—6 small and 1 arm—flemish, goes at \$26.50. All sample pieces of every class and kind of furniture at such enormous reductions from value that they are wonderful bargains—this week will close them all out.

Basket Sale Again. To close out every fancy basket, and there are but a few—waste baskets, baby baskets, etc.—we offer them at just half price—the 25c ones 12½c; 50c ones 25c, etc. We have a few very fine waste baskets and they all go at half price—50 per cent off.

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secured a contract to supply all the Union troops in and about Philadelphia, which was the great hospital headquarters during the war. Out of this contract they cleared several thousands and Mr. Widener proceeded to invest his share in street railway enterprises. He was appointed city treasurer in 1870 and was elected to two successive terms in that lucrative office. Since he retired from politics, in 1877, he has devoted himself continuously to his street railway and other enterprises.

DANDRUFF IS CONTAGIOUS

The Experiments of Dr. Fabrig, of Paris Conclusively Prove that Dandruff is Caused by a Microbe Which Can Be Transferred From One Person to Another.

DANGER OF RACE BECOMING BALD

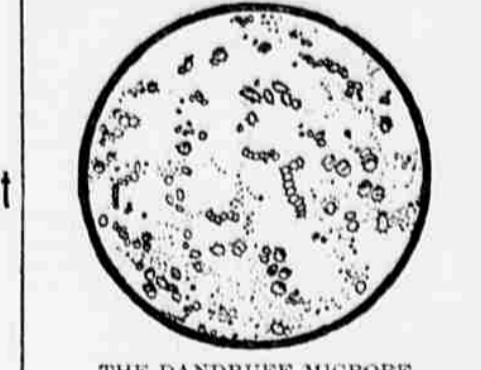
One or Two Generations of Dandruff-Weakened Follicles Will Cause Baldness to Become Hereditary in the Family.

THE MICROBICIDE AND HAIR FOOD

How to Destroy the Microbe of Dandruff, Stop Falling Hair, Prevent Baldness and Premature Gray Hair by Scientific Means.

FREE HAIR FOOD TO OUR READERS

It has been positively demonstrated that the disease known as "scurf" or "dandruff" is contagious. First by the experiments of Messrs. Lassar & Bishop, and these confirmed and perfected by the eminent Dr. Fabrig of Paris, who has succeeded in isolating the microbe, a photograph of which is here shown.



THE DANDRUFF MICROBE which causes Dandruff, followed by Falling Hair and Finally Baldness. From Photo-Micrograph by Dr. Fabrig. (Copyright, 1898.)

The importance of this discovery cannot be over-estimated.

Its results upon modern methods of hair treatment are little short of revolutionary.

It is an explanation of why ordinary tonics, pomades, oils, etc., are of absolutely no practical use in the cure of dandruff and prevention of baldness, because nothing but a scientific microbicide specific for the hair microbe will destroy the real cause of this dangerous disease.

Your hair derives nourishment from various blood vessels which end in a long sheath in which the hair grows. The real root of the hair is at the bottom of this sheath and the hair rests on it. The sheath surrounding the hair is the abode of the microbe.

Nearly all the different diseases of the human hair are caused by the microbes. It gradually mines away the vitality of the hair. When the root is destroyed the hair falls out, and when all the roots of your hair are dead you become bald.

It is just this microbe that we are now able to destroy with the aid of the formula originated by Dr. Fabrig, after an exhaustive study of the microbe discovered.

It not only destroys the microbe, but it furnishes food and nourishment to the hair root weakened by the attack of the microbe, and thus feeds the root back to perfect health.

Split hair, harsh hair, lustreless hair, brittle hair, falling hair, premature gray hair can all be cured with Crantonic Hair Food.

The scalp is cleansed from dandruff and made permanently clean and well by it. The itching and irritation can be instantly relieved and a bald spot positively cured. All by killing the microbe and with Crantonic Hair Food feeding the hair back to health. Unlike other preparations Crantonic Hair Food contains no oil, grease or heavy poisonous mineral ingredients. It is not sticky, will not clog the hair, does not soil the clothing, but is perfectly free from dye matter or any deleterious ingredients.

FREE HAIR FOOD.

All who wish to save their hair and grow more can get a bottle FREE by mail, postpaid, with full directions for use, and a free report on the condition of their hair, after scientific microscopic examination has been made, by enclosing 10 cents in stamps or silver, sending name, age and address, with small lock of hair, and full description of the present condition of the hair and scalp, to the Crantonic Hair Food Co., 388 Temple Court, New York.