

WRECK ON THE RIO GRANDE.

An Operator's Mistake results in a Terrible Catastrophe.

The Collision.

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo., Nov. 27.—One of the most awful railroad catastrophes in this state occurred at 11 o'clock yesterday morning on the Denver & Rio Grande road one mile below Husted, where the Salt Lake express on the Denver & Rio Grande collided with the north bound Rock Island passenger, killing two men instantly and seriously wounding several others.

The Denver & Rio Grande left the union depot at Denver at 8 a. m., and consisted of a baggage and mail, emigrant, two passenger and a Pullman car, all crowded with passengers. The train arrived at Palmer Lake eight minutes late, and started down the grade on this side, running about thirty miles an hour. One mile below Husted the road makes a sharp curve and cuts through a bank. Issuing from the cut, the engineer saw rapidly approaching, the Rock Island train not fifty feet distant, and too late to make any effort to stop. A moment more and the two engines came together with terrific force and fell over in a mass of inextricable confusion. The tender of the Rock Island train telescoped with the baggage car, and the tender and two baggage cars on the Denver & Rio Grande also telescoped. All the passengers were thrown from their seats, and a scene of confusion ensued. Men, women and children rushed for doors and windows. The shrieks of the wounded were appalling, and, above all, was heard the horrifying cry of "Fire!" Flames were seen leaping from the Denver & Rio Grande baggage car, in which, by telescoping, escape to the men inside was rendered impossible.

A dozen willing hands caught up axes and other tools and the men were soon freed. The flames spread rapidly and two Denver & Rio Grande baggage cars and one emigrant car were destroyed. With the aid of hand grenades the fire on the Rock Island train was extinguished.

In the Rock Island baggage car were found the dead bodies of the express messenger and baggage man, both with fractured skulls.

The killed are:
W. H. Phipps, express messenger on the Rock Island.

J. H. Flynn, baggageman on the Rock Island.

The wounded are:
Martin Monroe, engineer on the Denver & Rio Grande, slight fracture of the skull and badly hurt internally.

Peter Lunn, fireman of the Denver & Rio Grande, head and face cut and internal injuries; will probably die.

Joseph Berry, engineer, Rock Island; head cut and body badly bruised.

Harry Smith, fireman, scalded face and head cut.

The responsibility for the accident rests with the dispatcher. Conductor Tom Carence of the Rock Island train, received orders at Colorado Springs to go through to Denver, giving him the right of track to Colorado Springs. No blame can be attached to the crew of either train. Many passengers had severe bruises and cuts, but none were seriously injured, though their escape is miraculous.

Three Groves.

Nov. 27, 1888.

Very nice fall weather.
Corn husking has been nearly completed.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Kirkpatrick from Nehawka, made Three Groves a visit on Sunday last.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cole took their departure for Kansas on Sunday of this week.

Byron E. Young and Richard McBroom came in from the west (Keya Paha Co.), over a week ago. Mr. McBroom will soon go on to Ill.

Mrs. F. M. Young is slowly recovering from a severe spell of sickness of several weeks.

The Latter Day Saints from Salt Lake have been in the neighborhood preaching the last week, one or two nights down at Rock Creek and one night at the brick school house.

Mr. Daniel Crosser, lately from Iowa and a brother of Silas Crosser has moved on to his brother's place and will live there until spring, and then he will move onto his new place bought recently in this vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. Walston, of Rock Bluffs, have moved in with Uncle Jimmy Chalfant for the present. Uncle Jimmy has been keeping bachelors hall for some months on his old place.

Some complaints have already been made about a certain piece of road between this and Plattsmouth on the Telegraph road. Somebody, perhaps the supervisor, has been at work there and left it in a condition that would be impossible to travel it in freezing bad weather. Mr. Bruner who has charge of the road work this side has made wonderful improvements in the road, and deserves considerable credit from the traveling public.

REPORTER.
UNCLE SAM (to Dakota).—"Hello Dakota! is that you knocking? What's wanted? Dakota—I want to come into the union. Uncle Sam—Come in, come in Dakota, take off things and make yourself at home. Your patriotic citizens shall no longer be denied their rights.—Beatrice Republican.

News From Union.

* Mr. R. Sapp, of Kansas, is spending a few days here this week.

Corn is not as good as some have anticipated, but is an average crop.

We are glad to learn that Plattsmouth is still the county seat of Cass county.

Mr. A. M. Rose and son, constitute the firm of Union Photograph Company.

Mr. J. Eikenbary, jr., alumnus of the L. B. college Saturday and Sunday at home.

Dr. R. B. Wallace has taken possession of his new and handsome residence on Harrison Hill, I "guess."

The Presbyterian church is almost finished, and when completed will be as good a church building as there is in this community.

The Baptists are having meetings at their new church in Union, evenings. The church is a handsome one and an organ and bell are soon to be added to it.

One of our opulent citizens asked a Chinaman in a Nebraska City laundry why he was a republican, and the latter replied: "a republican gets his shirt washed once in one week, and a democrat gets his shirt washed once in two weeks so you see why I am a republican."

Corn husking is still prevailing throughout this section of the county and will for some time to come among some of the opulent class of farmers, although several are finishing that had a small crop. We have been blessed with a splendid fall for doing all kinds of work.

AUBREIN BON-AMI.

The Knights of Labor.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Nov. 26.—The delegates to the Knights of Labor general assembly took advantage of the pleasant weather to see the sights, the only business being a reception by General Master Workman Powderly. During the day he received the delegates in groups, each state's representatives calling on him in a body. He went over the ground of the work he wished them to take up, gave and received advice, and carried on a series of informal conferences looking to the strengthening of the order in all parts of the country.

A number of delegates have already secured mileage and started for home, and those still here are hoping for an early adjournment. The more hopeful think that this may be reached by Monday evening, while others think it impossible to complete the work of the convention before Tuesday noon. The installation of officers, the various appeal cases, the censure of Skeffington, and further matters from the law committee, will take up the remaining time.

George Schilling, of Chicago, and Martin Hanley, of New Jersey, addressed a socialistic meeting tonight. Barry left for Chicago tonight, and from there goes direct to his home at East Saginaw.

Barnum Retires.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Nov. 26.—P. T. Barnum, the showman, is a thing of the past. He has settled up his business, and last night announced that he had turned his whole circus over to Mr. Baily, who will own and conduct it, and that he himself had forever retired. Advancing years and a desire to enjoy his old age in quiet, are the causes which led Mr. Barnum to close out. Last week he gave a farewell dinner and is now about to occupy a plain little brick cottage overlooking Long Island Sound. Mr. Barnum is getting to be infirm. He shows his years, and he repeatedly announced that the cozy little brick cottage in which he intends to pass the evening of his life had been built expressly for his young wife. The deeds are in her name. Mr. Barnum has made his will, which is understood to be a "cast iron will." Beside the usual witnesses Mr. Barnum has secured the signatures of two leading physicians that he is in right mind. He is estimated to be worth \$10,000,000.

Man Killed at Pacific Junction.

From Monday's Daily.
Early this morning a man was found in the east end of the C. B. & Q. yards near what is known as the Chinese puzzle at Pacific Junction. He had been run over, the wheels passing over his chest, and he was badly mangled having been dragged along the track for some distance. His face was badly mashed and filled with cinders. He is supposed to belong to a company of bear trainers now at the junction. Four dollars and fifty cents was found in his pockets, but no papers can be found to identify him, and his name is unknown.

A Bare Knuckle Fight.

BROKEN BOW, Neb., Nov. 26.—Last night two of our local celebrities with the gloves, attempted to settle the championship with bare knuckles. The meeting took place in a deserted building at Merna. The parties were Elmer Webb and Tom Smith. Seven rounds were fought, when Webb was declared the winner and pocketed the \$100 and the gate receipts. Both men were severely punished. No arrests.

Newspaper Men after Postoffices.

FREMONT, Neb., Nov. 26.—Congressman Dorsey is very much sought after since election by aspirants for office, who appear to be very hungry and very thirsty, notwithstanding they have been away from the public crib but four years. A majority of the postoffices in the Third district are being sought by newspaper men.

From Friday's Daily.

—W. J. McGarigle, formerly chief of police of Chicago, but now a fugitive from American justice, attended the opening of the Legislative Assembly at Regina last week.—Petroleum, Ont., Topic.

—Mr. Mart Cushing, who went to Wymore to accept a run from there to Concord, has returned to this city. The position was not as satisfactory as the one awaiting him here, so he has returned to reside in Plattsmouth permanently.

—Keough, who was arrested several weeks ago with Charles Ellis and been confined in the jail ever since, for highway robbery, is standing his trial today at the district court, before Judge Chapman.

—This week new rules regarding working hours at the shops came into effect. The employees are only to work nine hours during the winter months. Work is suspended every evening at 5 o'clock.

—The following hint to wives who have brutes for husbands appeared in the Salem (Mass.) Observer of April 24, 1887: "A woman in New York who had been beaten by her husband finding him fast asleep sewed him up in the bedclothes, and in that situation thrashed him soundly."

—Mr. Mart Noble, an employe at the round house of the B. & M. shops, lost the index finger of his left hand while at work on Wednesday. While trying to wrench a nut on some machinery, the wrench slipped, and his hand struck a sharp piece of iron, severing the finger as though cut by a knife.

—Warren Wheeler, five year old son of traveling engineer Wheeler, of the B. & M., swallowed a buckshot last night, and has been very sick ever since from the effects. He was playing with some boys when one of his playmates gave him the shot, when he immediately put it in his mouth and accidentally swallowed it.

—Since Cleveland's defeat and the Mills bill has been thrown out, Mr. W. J. Warrick, an enterprising druggist and bookseller of the city, has concluded that to purchase wool is a paying investment, and purchased two large sheep from the Chicago market, which he has on exhibition at his store. They will produce a good crop of wool.

—The pavers succeeded last evening in making the connecting link, it were, between the two portions of pavement meeting at Fifth street. This has been the desire of many for some time, as the street has been in an impassable condition for a long time. It is hoped that the work of paving Sixth street will soon be commenced and pushed through before the frost lights upon the work and prevents its progress.

—An erroneous item appeared in the Omaha Herald this morning as a production from their Plattsmouth correspondent. We must certainly say it has done a great injustice to the school teachers whose names are brought forth, and only over a trivial matter which all right thinking people will consider their duty. Miss Safford, a teacher in the high school has a boy under her charge, known as Baby Woodson, son of Mr. Fred Woodson, proprietor of the Cottage House. It is said that the boy has been unruly for some time, and Tuesday afternoon, he was requested to write a few words on his slate after school hours, as a penalty for misconduct during school hours. After school he refused to write, as the teacher requested, and showed signs of contrariness, when Miss Safford called Prof. Chaburn to her aid. He also asked the boy to do the work, but the answer came: "I won't." Every means were used to persuade the boy to obey before he was whipped. When the principal whipped him only leniently, he then asked him if he would mind, but the boy exhibited as much stubbornness as at first. Mr. Chaburn then told him he would whip him until he would obey, but he still continued to act contrary and boldly told him he would not. He was then whipped until he was willing to do his work. If the child had been sent home as some people think he should have been, for punishment, the father would no doubt have gone to the teacher and informed her, as he did once before, that he sent his boy to school and left him for her to manage. We learned that he went to the school room shortly after the boy had been dismissed, finding Miss Safford there, but the principal absent. After he had questioned her concerning the matter, he endorsed her actions. Since then he has changed his mind and is bent on prosecuting the teachers, and from all appearances he has been urged into this procedure by some professional men who are short of funds and are endeavoring to secure a few dollars in this way. Prof. Chaburn was summoned to appear for trial yesterday afternoon, which he did, but the case has been continued until December 8. As for the boy being seriously hurt, as has been reported, it is untrue, for he has been on the streets as usual since.

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THE Burlington Hawkeye says that Senator Ingalls in his speech in Burlington just prior to the election, indicated pretty broadly what kind of a "civil service reformer" he is. An Atchison, Kas., dispatch reports him as saying: "If I could have my way on the 4th of next March I would remove every mother's son of them. That is my idea of advanced, refined civil service reform. I give notice now to the democratic office holders of Kansas that if my will shall prevail, not to stand on the order of their going, but go at once. In the same connection he uttered the challenge that if the democratic party has a worse opinion of him than he had of the democratic party, then God help the democratic party. Referring to pensions the senator said he was in favor of placing every soldier who fought for the American flag, either in the war for the union or in the Mexican war, on the pension list.

WHATEVER advantages may accrue to the republican party by the admission of Dakota and other territories is insignificant as compared with a vigorous dignified and protective administration to insure the continuance of republican supremacy in the affairs of the government. These things are promised in the president-elect. The election has already resulted in giving a new impetus to railroad development of the country and consequent encouragement to steel rail manufactures. It has also demonstrated a revival of confidence in every line of manufacturing industry and the incoming administration will witness such a business awakening all along the line that has not blessed the country for a decade.—Beatrice Express.

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