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## About the Division.

The chances for Falls City to get the division was never so good as now. That this is true is the result of what seems at first sight to be a very foreign cause. Some time since Omaha secured what is known as a proportionate freight rate. The result was that all the grain in the northwest has been divided from the Chicago and St. Louis markets and is carried direct to the gulf for export demand. To reach the gulf it is necessary for shippers in that territory to use the Missouri Pacific from Omaha south and to the gulf via the Texas Pacific (same management as the M. P.) Even now the freight trains on this road are running in five to twelve sections to accommodate the grain shipments. General Manager Sullivan was in Omaha last week and told some of the Omaha officials, so the writer was told by one who heard the remark, that this immense freight business made it imperative that the division be moved to Falls City as its present location was costing the railroad thousands of dollars a year unnecessarily.

The writer has never believed until now that the division was more than a remote possibility. We have reached the conclusion that we are "it" and that an announcement of great interest to all of our people will shortly be forth coming.

## One Man's Sport.

A rosy cheeked little lad and his still smaller sister were having all kinds of fun "hooking" their sled onto the different conveyances passing up and down stone street Saturday. One brute waited until the boy had secured the rope of his sled to the conveyance and then reaching back struck the child in the face with his hand knocking him into the snow. The little fellow picked himself up and went limping and crying home with little sister tagging on behind, their fun ruined for the day. The instincts of some men are unspeakable.

## Girl's Sad Plight.

Bettie Rhodes, a young woman of Salem, Neb., who came to St. Joe Monday in search of house work, tottered into the union passenger station early this morning-weary from her unsuccessful quest and half frozen and half starved. Her plight might not have been discovered had she not succumb-

ed to weariness and hunger. The girl fainted shortly after she entered the waiting room, and was revived by passengers. Women noticed her scanty attire and after much questioning the girl broke into tears and told the story of her attempts to get work in St. Joseph. She is an orphan and came to the city Monday and since then has endeavored to obtain employment. She was unsuccessful and when her money was exhausted she entered the union station where she intended to spend the night. Work in a private family will be secured for her.—St. Joseph Gazette Jan. 12.

## Man Frozen.

Charles F. Bray who claims to have been an employee in the Union Pacific shops in Omaha until quite recently, and who is undoubtedly demented, was badly frozen Thursday night of last week. He came into town from Rulo Thursday afternoon and stated that he was on his way to Kansas City from Denver, but had determined not to go to Kansas City because of eight men down there who were going to kill him because he was a "scab."

After drinking to excess he walked out to Strausville and notwithstanding the thermometer registered ten degrees below zero, he slept all night in the buggy shed of Jacob Strauss where he was found in the morning. Mr. Strauss gave him his breakfast, after eating which the unfortunate man went to the granary and barricaded himself from Strauss. He appeared to fear harm from some source. On the advice of Mr. James the county attorney, the sheriff drove out and got him. His feet are badly frozen and the probabilities are he will lose one of them. There was nothing about him to identify him. He had twenty-five dollars in money and an empty whiskey bottle. He gives his name as Chas. Bray and that his home is somewhere in New Jersey. He is being cared for in the Mercy hospital.

## Printing Contracts.

The contract for furnishing the supplies for the county next year was given to H. P. Custer he being the lowest bidder therefor. The printing of the supervisors proceedings was given the News and Humboldt Standard.

## Petty Spite.

Johnny Martin has appealed from the allowance of The Tribune claim for printing the ballots for the last general election, and the matter will be heard at the next term of the district court. Notwithstanding the bill allowed is less than the claims heretofore paid for the same work. Johnny is so impotently angry at us that he has held it up for a short time. Johnny wanted the work himself and asked for it, but The Tribune was successful in securing the employment. "The dog in the manger" is one of Johnny's chief characteristics. "If I can't have it, the other fellow can't" has been the policy of the little man for several years. So notwithstanding The Tribune was to receive less than The Journal received in 1896, considering the work done, Johnny files his little appeal and says to himself "see what a big boy am I." The straits in which he found himself is indicated by the bond he offers signed by himself, his brother F. E. Martin and W. S. Leyda. In the meantime The Tribune goes peacefully on its way of taking the subscribers of the poor old Journal, and fretting the timid soul of little Johnny.

## Woodmen Circle Installation.

The Woodmen Circle met in regular session Saturday, January, 14 1905. For purpose of installing the officers. Those elected as follows: Mrs. Della Stumbo, guardian; Mrs. Emma Leitzke, adviser; Miss Violet Lippold, clerk; Mrs. Lettie Jobe, banker; Mrs. Ida Stumbo, attendant; Miss Ruth Finley, magician; Dr. H. R. Miner, physician; Frank Stumbo, inner sentinel, Ed Hannah, outer sentinel; G. J. Crook, G. W. Stumbo, J. Richards, managers; J. G. Crook acted as installing officers, and did credit to himself and the order.

After the session was over the lodge enjoyed an oyster supper.

## Will Veach Wins.

Richardson county leads again at a shoot held in Kansas City Sunday, Will Veach, of Verdon won the Elliott target trophy. At 100 targets, Veach broke 86. The score nearest his was 75 made by one Clayton. After the match Clayton challenged Veach and a return match will be held, probably in St. Joe. In addition to the target shoot Sunday Veach

made a straight kill of live birds, winning 60 per cent of the prize money. Veach is rapidly getting a national reputation. It has been rumored that he will devote his entire attention to this field and he certainly will land at the top.

## Humboldt's Park.

A case was instituted in the district court this week against the heirs of O. J. Tinker to quiet the title to the city block in Humboldt. There seems to be some question concerning the dedication of the block and the city council has determined to settle the entire matter without further delay.

## Ogden's Trial.

The preliminary trial of Burt Ogden, the young man who shot John McClellan at Rulo on New Years day was set for trial before Judge Wilhite on Thursday. E. Falloon and the county attorney appeared for the state and Sample Newton of Hiawatha and C. F. Reavis for the defendant. We go to press too early to announce the result of the trial though it is presumed that the defendant will be bound over as he intends to make no defense at this hearing.

R. E. Grinstead was a B. & M. passenger for Salem Saturday.

The appeal from The Tribune's bill for printing ballots was taken Friday, Jan. 13th. If the fellows who took the appeal don't prove a Jonah, the date will.

The great shipments of grain have about convinced the Mo. Pa., people that this should be the main line. It will probably result in material improvement to the road bed and equipment.

From the assortment of shapely legs seen in the muslin advertisements of the great dry goods stores, one would think the advertiser were trying to attract the attention of the men instead of the women.

Wouldn't you like to be a boy again? We know one who came home from skating Saturday evening after being out all day. He ate a plate full of inch thick porterhouse, two baked potatoes, two apples, two dishes of corn, about a half a loaf of bread and drank three glasses of milk. He went to bed at seven o'clock and was asleep before his mother finished "tucking him in" and didn't awaken until eight the next morning.