

THE DAILY BEE

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The Omaha Daily Bee has by the largest circulation both in Omaha and abroad, and is therefore the best and cheapest advertising medium.

Just received, a car load of Eagle Mills Flour. Will fill orders to-morrow. WILLIS M. YATES.

Go to Frederick, leading hat for the most stylish hats—lowest prices.

BREVITIES.

- Paterson sells coal.
-Ladies will find the cheapest straw hats for children at Frederick's.
-Saxe's for fine soda.
-Try the splendid soda at Tizard's Ice Cream Palace.
-Belfast ginger ale, at Saxe's.
-Lawrence Barrett as Richelieu to-night.
-Nicely furnished, pleasant and airy rooms for rent. S. E. corner of 14th and Chicago streets.
-Try Saxe's new 5-Cigar.
-Go to C. B. DeGroot & Co.'s for Derby Hats. "Nobby." s-m-w-f
-Try Saxe's little Key West Cigar, 10c.
-Good news! A reduction in the price of lumber from \$2.00 to \$2.50 per M. feet. See Mr. Wakefield's ad. in the local columns to-day.
-A few desirable seats remain for Lawrence Barrett this evening. No extra charge for securing reserved seats.
-J. C. Gault, general manager of the great Washburn system of roads, and Col. T. McKelock, general superintendent, and other officials, arrived yesterday morning from St. Louis over the Kansas City, St. Joe and Council Bluffs road, and in the afternoon returned over their own road.
-The sharp report of a revolver Thursday night brought another and a crowd to the door of one of the respectable houses on Dodge street near Twelfth, but it happily turned out to be but the caprice of some drunkard roisterer who had no evident motive in discharging his revolver. He made a hasty retreat, and the crowd which had collected were spared the pleasure of a tragedy.
-Go to C. B. DeGroot & Co.'s Finest Mackinac ever brought to Omaha.
-Important change of time by the Ohio & Mississippi Railway, in effect May 23rd 1880.
-Two Daily Express trains from St. Louis, Sundays included. Passengers by this line to LOUISVILLE have THREE HOURS; to CINCINNATI, FIVE HOURS; to WASHINGTON, EIGHT HOURS; and to BALTIMORE, FIVE HOURS; time to Philadelphia and New York, as fast as ANY OTHER ROUTE. m1212

THE AFRICAN INVASION

Omaha Workmen Temporarily Eclipsed by a Dark Shadow.

In the Shape of a Horde of Hungry Darkies Run in From Kansas.

Armed and Equipped for Work or War in the Smelting Works.

They Soon Surrender to the Strikers, Who Sent Them to Their Homes.

Hundreds of Excited People Gathered on the Bottom.

The U. P. Shops Men Rally Around the Standard of the Strikers.

Speeches by Mayor Chase and Others.

The latest phase of the Smelting Works strike exhibited Friday morning when the managers in accordance with their threats, landed at the works over one hundred negroes from Kansas.

On Sunday last the managers of the works decided that all chances of the strikers resuming work at the schedule rates were vain, and accordingly completed arrangements to procure operatives elsewhere. The plan was kept a profound secret from all except a few parties in the city.

An agent was hired in Kansas to select the men from the vast quantities of unemployed labor floating in the state, and two days ago he reported himself in readiness, and Mr. Mead left the city to accompany the recruits and land them safely within the works.

The police were informed of the coming detachment in order that all protection should be given them, while to guard against contingencies it was decided to arm the men with loaded rifles.

Thursday night at 10:15 the regular St. Joe, Kansas City and Northern train drew up at the platform at Kansas City and twelve negroes stepped on board and were received by Mr. Graham and provided with arms. At Leavenworth eighty-two more were landed on board, and when the train reached St. Joe the platform was crowded with 200 unemployed negroes clamoring to be taken on board. Fifty were selected, and the train moved on, two cars being filled with the laborers under charge of W. A. Graham and J. Hollingsworth as agents for the smelting works. The train was a

MARITAL APPEARANCE.

The motley mob were armed with rifles, shot-guns and revolvers, and the light of the lamps glancing fitfully from the gleaming barrels of the muskets. Songs were sung and general jollity prevailed, not at all in accordance with the dangerous mission on which those present were engaged.

Most of the men knew very well where they were going and what was the condition of affairs in Omaha, but quite a number were in ignorance of the state of affairs, and were very ignorant at the prospect of work. Mr. Mead himself was present, superintending and supervising the matter, and held frequent conferences with his deputies over the probable outcome of the expedition.

Shortly after six o'clock Friday morning the train drew up at the transfer, and the

INVASION OF NEBRASKA,

by an armed force, began. The two cars, containing the Kansas refugees, were switched on the Union Pacific track, and a locomotive drew them swiftly over the bridge, through the depot to the junction, and then down the lower track toward the smelting works. As the train, with its two cars, came down across the bottom, groups of men were seen standing around the works, unconscious of the coming reinforcements. The cars quickly glided up in front of the smelting works office. Mr. Mead jumped out, fifty men with rifles disembarked, grasped their guns, and covered their unarmed fellows as they dropped one by one from the train, and, carrying their traps, entered the gates of the inclosure and disappeared from view.

The guards posted by the strikers took in the situation at a glance, and in a moment two hundred men were gathered on the bottom.

INTENSE EXCITEMENT

was exhibited by all, but the leaders quickly determined upon a plan of attack. Messengers were sent post haste to rally the Union Pacific shop men and inform the nail works. The news spread like wild fire. Groups of workmen came running down the bluffs and in less than ten minutes heavy detachments arrived from the shops, where the maulers and blacksmiths, almost in a body, quit work and hastened to offer their assistance.

At half-past 8 o'clock fully four hundred men were gathered all burning with excitement and indignation. Cries of "Take them out!"

"SHOOT THE NEGROES!"

were heard from the crowd, but with that deliberation and consideration which has been such a marked feature of this remarkable strike, it was instantly determined to hold a conference, and the crowd moved in a body to the lumber pile on the west of the U. P. track, where Robert Thompson addressed the assembly. Mr. Thompson said that this was a crisis; that the state had been invaded by armed men come to take the bread out of the mouths of Omaha workmen. It was an outrage which must not be tolerated, which could not be tolerated. Arms were a last resort, but if necessary it would be the duty of the strikers to meet arms with arms. Mr. O'Connell and Mr. Mullery followed in

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Mr. Will R. King, formerly one of Omaha's leading wholesale grocers, but who now owns and operates a large and valuable stock farm