

THE LITTLE COBBLER.

What He is Doing with His New Possessions.

Reducing the Working Force of the Wabash and Exciting a Big Kick.

The Atchison and Santa Fe Road, However, Manages to Get Him Foul.

Miscellaneous Racket and Rattling on the Lines

National Associated Press.

CHICAGO, January 18.—Managers of Chicago railroads are concerned at the sweeping reduction of the operating force of the Wabash. Word has reached here that a romance was being played off for signatures of discharged employees on all divisions of the road. It is stated that this romance, which is addressed to Jay Gould, contains a threat of revenge if the discharged men are not immediately re-employed. A discharged employe admits that a threatening romance has been circulated, but as yet only a few signatures have been affixed. He says that a few of the vicious ones who aspired to a leadership of some kind were undoubtedly considering precipitating other labor output next spring, and were intending to utilize this reduction of the railway force as a pretext for the uprising. The officials of railways centering in Chicago think that a threat made by the officials of employees will only lessen their chances of ever securing work again on either the Wabash or any other railway. They do not believe, however, that any such conspiracy as is hinted at is in process of organization, but ascribe all the trouble to a few fellows who have a craving for vicious leadership. Another general officer said that the reduction in the working gangs on the Wabash would soon be followed by a chopping off of heads from the employment lists of all the principal roads in Illinois. His company is now engaged in the preliminaries of an intended reduction, though they may not begin discharging employes for some weeks to come. Another Chicago company is calculating to reduce its working force 15 per cent. The reduction in this instance would even extend to the locomotive drivers, the most valuable of all employes. This official concluded his interview by saying that if the recent reduction in help on the Wabash was to be made a pretext for popular disturbances, the provocation for another labor uprising would be greatly aggravated when the other railroads in Illinois shall be heard from.

CHICAGO, January 18.—A Philadelphia special says Jay Gould is making a business plan to prevent the President Strong, of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe road, had been negotiating with stockholders for the purchase of the St. Louis and San Francisco, and the Atlantic and Pacific roads. After sending an agent to St. Louis he was informed that nothing could be done without his presence. According to Mr. Gould's plan for that point. After his obtaining control of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas, the Missouri Pacific, and the Kansas, Cincinnati, St. Louis and Northern, the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe said that their Kansas City connection was taken away, and unless they could control the St. Louis and Pacific line they would have no eastern connection. It has been Gould's plan to prevent this and a number of agents have been sent to buy all the stock obtainable. But unfortunately there was but little to purchase and all that was sold the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe people obtained. When the St. Louis and San Francisco and the Atlantic and Pacific are completed there will be a direct air line route from St. Louis to the Pacific coast, shortening the distance 620 miles over any competitive line if taken possession of by the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe people. The route by the Southern Pacific will be abandoned, thus saving 331 miles through New Mexico, whereas, if Jay Gould gets these lines he will force the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe people to build an independent line from Kansas City to St. Louis, and he will also dictate what rates shall govern on the southern and coast trade.

New York, January 18. Several railroad managers have been interviewed regarding the reduction. One general manager said he had no doubt that the operating force on the Wabash would be increased by the re-employment of the lately discharged men before the middle of February. He thinks Gould has some temporary purpose to serve by the order for a reduction of the force. This official, however, did not believe that any persons suspected of inciting to an uprising could expect to be reinstated, no matter how badly the company may need their services.

HARTFORD, Conn., January 18.—The New York and New England railroad party were joined at Newburg, N. Y., at noon by the western railroad managers and agents to the number of thirty. They took dinner, and in the afternoon moved east, arriving here this evening, and quartering at the Allen House. In the morning they will start for South Manchester to inspect the silk manufacturing carried on there. In the afternoon they will stop at Williamstown to visit the thread manufacturers, and at Baltic to see the cotton factories. The party will arrive in Providence in the evening and remain overnight, and leave for Boston Friday evening.

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For Inciting the Weak Brains of the Murderer.

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WASHINGTON, January 17.—Judge Cox said he would announce his decision on Guitau's application to address the jury when Scoville concluded his argument. Scoville then resumed. He cited cases from Dr. Gray's reports of persons who had murdered under insane delusions, showing sorrow afterwards, arising from the fact that during the development of insanity certain faculties were suspended merely and might subsequently operate rationally. Dr. Gray was hired to help hang Guitau and was one of the conspirators of whom Corkhill was chief, but had left evidence that contradicted himself. Scoville insisted that Dr. Gray's definition of insane delusion as a false belief, proved Guitau labored under such a delusion, as he honestly believed that he was God's instrument in killing the president. No sane man would have written to Senator Cameron with a firm belief he would receive a loan of \$500. Guitau was honest and sincere in his belief that he would get the money and that was a false belief or insane delusion. Guitau, after committing the crime, went to the jail as to a place of rest and felt relieved and happy until the trial commenced. Guitau acted differently from what anybody would who should feign insanity. He did not pretend to have no memory. He did not pretend to be oblivious of occurrences and did not take time to consider questions before he answered them in order to form an answer consistent with the pretense. "Back of the prosecution of this prisoner," exclaims Scoville, "there is something that I feel the presence of. It is not merely the effort of the district attorney. Back of him is the government of the United States. I arraign before you, gentlemen, as those who are crowding this man to the gallows, persons high in authority. I say without favor that the movers in this prosecution are persons who try to hide their own infamy in the death of the insane man. I say that such men as Conkling and Grant and Arthur—those who made war without justification upon that dead president whom they have since lauded to the skies—instituted that degree of public excitement and popular feeling that preyed upon his insane mind until reason left its throne and he did that which he considered was in perfect accord with their course and their conduct. I should not, perhaps, have said this, gentlemen. He did not intend to do it. When I opened the case I expected then a fair and impartial trial. I believed that there would be no effort on the part of the prosecution, on the part of Corkhill, who represents the government, to prevent us from introducing all the proper evidence before you. I supposed at that time that I would have the bare pitance that I asked for, and which, as an American citizen, I was entitled to, and to which every criminal is entitled to until the jury pass a verdict upon him. I supposed that we would have that for which I came to Washington, to-wit: Simply a fair and impartial trial of the case. But since I have suppressed, I have come to the conclusion that I will not spare those men who fomented this strife and prompted these lawyers to make a scapegoat of this man, so that they shall still be revered and honored in the public estimation. What I have to say is this, and I say it without a feeling except regret, that men placed so high in honor, elevated so high by the suffrages and opinions of their fellow men as these persons I have named—I have a feeling of regret that they should neglect their high duties—that they should descend from the high positions in which they have been placed to the petty ignominious scramble for place and office which was exhibited in their warfare waged upon President Garfield. Now, gentlemen, you are upon your oaths. Do you believe that this crime would ever have been committed if Conkling and Platt had not resented the nomination by President Garfield of Judge Robertson to collector of the port of New York? But those men, who since his death have been so profuse in their admiration of Garfield, who have said so many things in laudation of his character and purposes, were ready before the 21 of July last to trample him to the earth if they had the opportunity. They were ready to degrade and disgrace him. They were perfectly willing to see him go down to the grave if it could be done without the aid of an assassin's hand. I admit, as was said here by Judge Porter, that Mr. Conkling is one of the first parliamentarians of the age, one of the greatest statesmen. Mr. Conkling, with these qualities, had no right to have had no business to engage in a petty quarrel about an office, and wage war on the chosen representative of the American people. Conkling shall not shirk, shall not avoid, shall not escape the condemnation of the American people if I can fasten it upon him at the present time for that disgraceful conduct on his part. Neither shall General Grant, honored as he has been by the suffrages of his fellow citizens, honored as he has been for twenty years in my own

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When reference was made to the prisoner going about in slippers and summer pantaloons, as General Logan testified, he shouted "Logan is a good fellow, but that's all both." In a case of ordinary murder, Scoville said, he would be perfectly safe in leaving the case to the jury on the evidence adduced by the prosecution. While that testimony might not absolutely convince the jury, yet it would be sufficient to bring them to that conclusion of mind where they would be obliged, if they had a reasonable doubt of the sanity of the accused on the 21 of July, to acquit.

"Some," continued Scoville, "might think a mistake was made by putting the prisoner on the stand, because he had shown so much brightness and smartness under cross-examination. Any one who understands the subject of insanity, however, knows that this apparent keenness was consistent with some form of mental disorder. It was well that some mental faculties were made sharper by the derangement of other faculties. It was so in Guitau. The smartness was only on the surface. He could not put two ideas consecutively, and if he had been allowed to deliver his speech he would have so jumbled it that his confusion of mind would have been apparent to every one in the court. These people would be shocked by his making his horrible confession from the floor of prayer. This was consistent with his belief in inspiration. The prisoner had to pray because of his weak mind. I prayed because I was right," said the prisoner.

AT 2:05 THE COURT ADJOURNED UNTIL TO-MORROW.

It is understood Scoville will occupy all day, and probably run into Friday.

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