

THE DAILY BEE. OMAHA. Wednesday Morning, Jan. 30.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

The noon train west yesterday on the Union Pacific was well filled. The sleeping cars both had a number of passengers, most of whom were ladies.

Another meeting of the property holders interested in the improvement of Leavenworth street, is to be held at Shriver & Bell's office, Thursday evening at 7:30.

Gen. O. O. Howard, United States army, will leave for Europe in March, to be absent for four months.

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RAILWAY MATTERS.

C., B. & Q. Officials in the City Yesterday on Their Way West.

Pool Talk, Local Changes, and Other Railway Doings.

The consummation of the tripartite pool will make numerous changes in the local ticket offices in this city.

Mr. James Chambers, an old employe of the Union Pacific, has been appointed the tripartite ticket agent in Omaha.

A new deal will be made in the ticket offices of the city. Harry Deuer will remain at his old office, corner of Fourteenth and Farnam streets.

What will become of all the ticket agents is not yet known, but as they are all old and trusty employes of the companies which they represent, they will undoubtedly be retained in the city in some capacity.

An special train over the B. & M. yesterday morning brought to this city Mr. C. E. Perkins, president, Mr. F. J. Potter, general manager, and Mr. W. J. Daver, general passenger agent of the C., B. & Q. railroad.

A BEE reporter called at the headquarters of the C., B. & Q. railroad, and was informed that the visit meant nothing, and that they were simply going over the lines as they do once or twice a year.

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but these were only a few. While our city fathers are giving their attentions in other directions to secure for Omaha metropolitan air why not take into consideration the much needed cleaner.

A QUEER STORY.

An Old Lady Resident of Omaha Gives a Bee Reporter a Sketch of Her Life.

Some few days since we had the pleasure of an introduction to an aged lady residing upon Sixth street, away down along the B. & M. railway track.

There was something about the presence of that old lady which, while she seemed somewhat weird-like to us, impressed us with the idea that if we again called and treated her in the same kindly manner that something of interest not only to ourselves, but to the general public, might be elicited from her.

Yesterday while upon our accustomed rounds for news, and when near the depot, we bethought ourselves of this old lady, and having some spare time, carelessly wandered our way to her home.

"Well, madam, you have lived here quite a while, I presume?" "Yes, sir. I was here when there were only thirteen houses in Omaha."

"And you did not come here alone, and live alone these many years?" "No, sir. My old man, myself, and our daughter came here from New Jersey together in an early day."

"Well, madam, where are they now, please?" "You see that town across the river? Well, that is now called Council Bluffs--it was then known as Kanewisee. There was an old man named Joe Johnson over there, in the merchandise business, and we could buy anything from a great deal cheaper than we could get it this side of the river, and my husband often went over in a boat he made himself to buy things."

"And you yourself seen her?" "No, sir. I never saw her since, and I don't know where she is now."

CITY COUNCIL.

Regular Meeting in the Council Chamber Last Night.

An Ordinance Authorizing the Sperry Electric Light Company to Erect Poles and Wires Passed.

A regular meeting of the city council was held last evening, at which there were present Messrs. Anderson, Baker, Dunham, Hassall, Kaufmann, Leeder, McGuckin, Murphy and Woodworth.

From the mayor: Approving various ordinances recently passed. From Omaha National bank: Asking that William J. Crozier be appointed as special policeman for their premises without pay.

By Leeder: That the city poundmaster be instructed to adhere to the provisions of the ordinance provided for his appointment and specify his duties.

Mr. Anderson thought that the poundmaster had men in his employ in looking up stray animals and running them in, and favored the resolution.

On police: Recommending payment of a bill due Charles Sperry. Mr. Anderson said that this was a case similar to that of poundmaster, but it would be corrected.

An ordinance authorizing the Sperry Electric Light and Motor company to erect and maintain poles and wires along the public streets and highways of the city, for the purposes of their business under certain restrictions, this right to be surrendered when the system of laying underground wires is perfected.

Mr. Anderson was not in favor of abandoning the works, but thought the proprietors should be compelled to consume the gas in their furnaces as is done elsewhere.

The monthly entertainment of the Union Catholic Library association will be given at Masonic hall to-morrow evening. Following is the programme:

1. Eureka Overture, M. U. O. W. Guard 2. Lecture "Books" by Miss Slacia Crowley

Robinson, Sioux county, Wm. E. Annin; Oak Valley county, Chas. C. Wolf; Resaca, Saunders county, John S. Williams; Sett, Furnas county, Mrs. Emma J. Morrill; Verdun, Richardson county, T. J. Floyd; Western, Saline county; Wm. Bonch.

Established--Wichita, Guthrie county, Jesse Johnson, postmaster.

Discontinued--Swing Spring, Pottawattomie county.

Postmasters appointed--Bagley, Guthrie county, James B. Wright; Kasson, Madison county, Wm. E. Barry; Peiro, Woodbury county, Charles Sykes; Valley View, St. Clair county, Leonard Griffin; Western College, Linn county, Jacob Bock.

THOMAS PAINE.

The 147th Anniversary of His Birth Appropriately Observed by His Followers in this City.

About one hundred and fifty people, many of them ladies, assembled in the auditorium of Masonic temple last evening to listen to addresses, or eulogies, upon the life, character, etc., of Thomas Paine, the great free-thinker of his day and time, and the first to espouse the cause of free religious thought in his native country, and also in America.

The exercises were opened by Judge Edmund Bartlett in a few happy and well-timed remarks, in which he pronounced a most beautiful eulogy upon the author of the "Age of Reason."

Mr. Copeland commenced his remarks in a most earnest and eloquent style of delivery, and which was continued through the entire lecture. It was not one of those dry affairs which are so frequently produced by speakers on occasions of this kind, but was interspersed with an occasional witicism, which invoked loud laughter from the hearers.

He commenced his lecture by stating that 147 years ago Thomas Paine was born in Bedford, England, of humble parentage. That he received such an education as the then lower schools of England afforded to children of the poorer classes.

Mr. Copeland concluded his remarks with eloquent words beautifully expressed. The quartette club of the Turnverein association at this juncture filed into the hall by invitation and sang a beautiful anthem in the German language, at the conclusion of which they were loudly cheered by the audience.

The ceremonies were brief and spicy, at the conclusion of which all went away feeling as though the evening was well and profitably spent.

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