

PICKED UP ABOUT THE CITY.

The Transfer Scheme—Another Case of Quis-son Fever—General Jettings. THE STATE CIVIL ENGINEERS. Changes of School Districts—Moving the Fences—The Cold Wave—General Court and Police News.

Railway Notes. Mr. Oursler, the local freight agent of the Union Pacific, who was to act, after January 1, as the local agent of all the transfer roads, has as yet received his "commission" from the Milwaukee alone.

Why the Milwaukee is the only road that acts upon this glorious scheme was asked indignantly of representatives of the Northwestern and Rock Island yesterday and a vague "dunno" was the sole reply. It may be that the others intend to go in on their own account in the matter but it is the intention of the cause is not apparent nor are their local agents informed.

WHY THE WIRES SNAP. "The wires work hard to-day," said an operator to a reporter as the latter walked into one of the railway telegraph offices of the city yesterday.

"You see," resumed the brass pounder, as he was questioned as to the reason of the bad order of affairs. "It does not require ice and wind alone to down the wires. The air can do it under a clear sky and with not a breath of breeze stirring. It is of course required to hold air, and when the atmosphere touches a temperature several teens below zero it is almost as destructive on the lines as a cyclone. You see that cold contracts the wires and when they draw up their slack they begin to pull. They can hardly pull the poles down and as something must give way the wires usually do so themselves and snap off. It is easier to let a wire break, delay and expense, to be sure, but so far there has been no remedy for it found. Probably when the vexed problem of heating the street cars is solved the genius who does it will be hired by the city to work up a scheme to keep telegraph wires comfortable in winter."

NOTES AND PERSONALS. A rail on the Tenth street crossing last night, snapped in two, but the cause was discovered before any damage resulted. It is supposed that it broke from the cold. The trains are all running fairly on time, although the intensely cold weather makes everything drag.

The Union Pacific issues a circular announcing \$50 rates to and return from San Francisco on the occasion of the Grand Army reunion this year. Another case of the quisson fever occurred among the bridge workmen on the other side. The victim was brought over to St. Joseph's hospital and attended by Dr. Galbraith. This last case is not very serious. The two former patients have so far recovered, but one of them was discharged and went back to work this morning while the other is rapidly improving. On the suggestion of Dr. Galbraith, the slits have been changed as the death increases, from three hours on and three off, to two on and four off.

A circular issued by Albert Keop, president of the Chicago & Northwestern railroad, announces that the latter has purchased the title of general solicitor has been changed to general counsel, and of assistant general solicitor to general attorney. Mr. William C. Gouldy is general counsel, and Mr. William B. Keop is general attorney.

CIVIL ENGINEERS. Meeting of the State Association in this City. The third annual convention of the Nebraska association of civil engineers convened in the office of County Surveyor Smith two days ago. The attendance has been rather small on account of the severe weather and the difficulty of traveling, but the session has been an interesting and profitable one.

The following members are in attendance: A. Dobson and J. P. Walton, Lincoln; G. Tilton, A. J. Grover, George Smith, C. H. Hoves and A. Rosewater, Omaha; L. H. Spencer, Wilbur; W. H. Hill, Blair; A. B. Coddling, York; Jesse Beard, Stanton; J. C. W. Kline, Blair; A. Schlegel, Long Pine.

J. P. Walton, of Lincoln, president of the association, has presided during the session. When called to order Monday evening it was decided to dispense with the minutes of the last meeting, as they had been printed and furnished to each member. The reports of the secretary, treasurer and executive committee were read, showing the association to be in a flourishing condition. The following were then presented: A report of the association and elected: Jesse Beard, William F. Paine, E. A. D. Parker, Winfield S. Collins, Alexander Schlegel and J. C. W. Kline.

George Smith, chairman of the committee on legislation, read an interesting paper on statutes affecting surveyors and civil engineers. Mr. A. J. Grover, chairman of the committee on public highways and bridges, reported in the form of a pamphlet of experiments on the subject of friction occurring from travel on different roads. Mr. Blair, of the committee on instruments, blanks and records, reported that he had had correspondence with different parties in Kansas, and presented to the association the reports received.

The chairman of the various committees were by vote instructed to prepare written reports and file the same with the secretary of the association by March 1.

At the session last evening, owing to the absence of the president, George Smith presided, who, after making a few remarks, called on Mr. A. J. Grover to open the evening's work. The two met in a respectable crib on Ninth street, had a few words, and the result is that Brooks' eyes are closed, and he wears a delicate assortment of black and blue spots on his face. In fact his face bore only a slight resemblance to that of a human being as he stood up before Judge Stenberg to testify against his assailant. After hearing the testimony the jury sentenced O'Brien to sixty days in the county jail. Tom was only recently released from the same institution, where he had been serving a sentence for the robbery of W. B. Archer, a St. Louis traveling man, last summer.

A Painful Accident. Geo. M. Alford, a brakeman employed on the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha road, while coupling cars near Florence yesterday met with a painful accident which cost him three of his fingers. He was coupling cars when his glove, which was slightly wet, froze to the coupler. Before he could pull his hand away two cars came together and crushed his fingers. Dr. Peabody amputated them.

systems," into the discussion of which went with vigor. It was purely technical, and from his deductions he summed up many practical and useful principles and formulae which are utilized in the designing and construction of complete, elaborate and economical systems. He went over the general ground thoroughly, gathering data from prominent works in Europe and adapting it to cities of the country.

After the reading of this paper an informal and general discussion ensued upon the articles of the evening, and finally after the transaction of some private business the society adjourned.

CHANGING DISTRICTS. County Superintendent Bruner Ministering to Public Convenience. In response to petitions filed with him, County Superintendent Bruner yesterday morning made the following changes in the school districts of the county.

Detached from school district No. 40, the n. w. 1/4 of section 38 and n. e. 1/4 of section 27 township 16, range 11 east, and annexed the same to school district No. 44. Detached from school district No. 44, the s. e. 1/4 and e. 1/4 of the s. w. 1/4 of section 13, township 16, range 11 east, and annexed the same to school district No. 52. He sent notification of these changes to the district and county officers who must make proper revision of the public ledgers accordingly.

What is the purpose of the change in the form of districts? asked a reporter yesterday of Mr. Bruner, who is no secret that the speculators lost considerable money here last summer and fall, and I could mention the names of several whose pockets are lighter by reason of their operations on the Omaha live stock market.

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The Reason Why it Does Not Pay to Speculate in Cattle in Omaha.

FACTS ABOUT THE STOCK YARDS

How Omaha Base Ballists Stand on the League Question—Social Events Soon to Transpire—Other City News.

Omaha Stock Yards. "By the way," remarked a live stock dealer to a Bee reporter, "have you noticed that we have no active speculators in live stock on the Omaha market? It is a fact, however, and the very thing goes to prove that Omaha is a good market. All other markets of any importance have speculators who buy up stock of all kinds, which they ship to other markets, where they expect to realize better prices than they paid. The same thing was tried here by men of experience, and first-class buyers, but they all made a failure of it and had to give it up. Some of them went back to Chicago where they came from, others sought new fields for speculation and others still remain here, buying for packing houses or following some other line of business. None of them, however, are speculating in live stock here. It is no secret that the speculators lost considerable money here last summer and fall, and I could mention the names of several whose pockets are lighter by reason of their operations on the Omaha live stock market."

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TALKS WITH TRAVELERS.

Short Interviews Gathered in the Hotel Rotundas. [Mr. Brown is traveling agent of the C. B. & Q., with headquarters in Montana.] "Butte is a bustling, progressive town of at least 20,000 inhabitants. Its growth which has taken place almost entirely during the last two years has been simply phenomenal. The principal resources of the town are the copper and silver mines which are located in the heart of the city. Heavy shipments? Well, I should smile. The copper mines on an average send out twenty-six cars every day. This metal is shipped to New York and thence to Liverpool, England, and Swansea, Wales, where it is put through the refiner's and is then reshipped to this country. The silver mines ship in bullion about \$300,000 every week. These mines are situated in the very center of the city. There is considerable indignation in Montana over Commissioner Spark's recent ruling in regard to proving up land entries. A committee of Montana men headed by the governor, will shortly leave for Washington to lay before the secretary of the interior, urgent reasons why this ruling should be set aside. It will certainly work a great deal of harm in Montana. The sentiment in favor of the admission of our territory as a state is growing. So far as population is concerned, the territory could be admitted, as it has already about 150,000 inhabitants."

Charles H. Randle, Alton, Ill.: [Mr. Randle is the secretary and treasurer of the Drummond-Randle Tobacco company of Alton, one of the largest manufacturing concerns in America.] "The tobacco crop last year was one of the largest ever known in this country. It was, however, of an inferior quality. Nearly all the tobacco now coming by American factories is grown in Kentucky with the exception of the wrapper leaf which is taken from the fields of South Carolina. Plug tobacco is becoming more and more popular every year, and is altogether displacing the leaf and pipe article."

Low May, Fremont, Neb.: [Mr. May is member of the state fish commission.] "I am on the way to Lincoln, with my colleague, Mr. Grinnell, to confer with the state board of agriculture, with regard to the fish exhibit at the coming state fair. If we can have a suitable building provided, we send will select our fish from our territory. We have organized here to-day, with St. Joseph, Leavenworth, Topeka, Omaha, Lincoln, Denver and Pueblo. E. E. Murphy of Leavenworth, was elected president. It is expected it will be self-sustaining, as the members will pay the visiting clubs a stipulated guarantee, and the home club will take all gate receipts. The next meeting will be held in Omaha in March."

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OUT OF THE OLD.

The First Congregational Church Leaves Its Old Sanctuary.

The First Congregational church bade farewell to their old building last Sunday to enter upon a temporary occupancy of the skating rink while a new \$40,000 edifice is being erected on the site of the old. On the occasion of the closing services the pastor, Rev. Sherrill, said the following, from the text, "Take heed now for the Lord hath chosen thee to build an altar for the sanctuary; be strong and he shall be thy God."

DETECTIVES IN PURSUIT.

What Col. Wilson Says About the Stage Robbery.

Col. Wilson returned Monday night from Fort Robinson where he has been engaged in the search for the robber who "held up" the coach near Dawes (City) a week ago Monday and carried off \$6,300. Col. Wilson, after it was found that the search for the robber and the money would occupy some time, telegraphed for more money and paid off the soldiers and officers at Fort Robinson before his return.

"The soldiers have given up the chase for the robber," said Col. Wilson to a reporter for the Bee, "and the pursuit is entirely in the hands of the company's detectives. They have what they claim to be a very good clue, though they keep their movements very quiet. How far they have progressed, no one knows, except themselves. All their correspondence is done in cipher. I believe that they will recover the money eventually, though it will probably be some time before they do. The story of the driver of the coach is generally accepted as true, although there are a few who prefer to believe that he is not an honest man. Yes, the express company will make good the loss of the money. They have already notified me to draw on them, and that they would honor the draft at once."

Col. Wilson, who has just returned from a tour of inspection to Fort Robinson, says that he found everything in satisfactory order at that post. The new set of officers' and cavalry barracks have been nearly completed. They will be ready for occupancy by early spring.

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