

THE STRIKING SWITCHMEN.

Forty B. & M. Men Go Out on Account of a Non-Union Man.

GRAIN DEALERS IN SESSION.

They Consider the Laws Governing Them Passed by the Late Legislature—Doings in Supreme Court—Lincoln News.

[FROM THE BEE'S LINCOLN BUREAU.]

The strike made by the switch and yardmen of the B. & M. does not promise great results for the strikers. The claim is made that they quit work because one Sheridan was promoted to be night yard master out of the line of promotion; that he had been a conductor and should have been promoted in another direction. This is the ostensible excuse for the strike, but the real one is understood to be that Sheridan is not a union man, such as they desire in places of authority. About forty-eight went out. As fast as they apply they are given time checks and neglect that their services are no longer in demand. While the strike may be said to be still on it has given the company very little inconvenience and traffic has not been intercepted.

GRAIN DEALERS. The grain dealers of Nebraska have just concluded a meeting at Lincoln. One hundred and fifty delegates were present, representing over 500 elevators. The bills passed by the legislature at its last session received attention. It will be remembered that the law forbids pooling, and the association perfected an organization in conformity to the provisions of the new law. The grain dealers have a mutual insurance company for their own protection. The high rates charged by insurance companies led to its organization. The report of the officers indicates that it is in a satisfactory condition and that insurance has been secured up to date at a much lower rate than heretofore. The organization has been made permanent.

LINCOLNITES AT CRETE.

The number of Lincoln people sojourning at the Crete resort is larger than might have been expected. Being a cheap and very convenient place many go there who have no other vacation. Trains run so frequently that business men can take the excursion and return and not lose a great deal of time from their usual affairs. Among others there have been there a part or all of the time Lewis Gregory and family, Rev. E. H. Currier, Rev. E. H. Currier, Mrs. C. W. Currier and family, T. H. Hardenbergh and family, M. D. Welch and family, Mrs. T. E. Calvert, Miss Cora Hardy, M. B. Cheney and family, T. H. Leavitt, H. M. Bushnell, Mrs. C. C. Clason and family, Mrs. Roberts, Mrs. F. E. Newton and daughter, H. C. Eddy, and many others who sojourn for a day.

TESTING THE INSITUATED.

Raymond Brock has instituted proceedings intended to test the "long and short haul clause." The B. & M. charged them more for sugar from California to Lincoln than to Omaha. They have retained the eminent freight and express attorney to bring a relinquin for the sugar, thus expecting to test the law.

SUPREME COURT DOINGS.

Doughterty vs Groff rehearing ordered. Nebraska & Colorado railroad company vs Stone submitted.

Rehearing was denied in Sells vs Huggart, Necker vs Koehn. New rules were adopted.

Stops ex parte James vs Babcock. Mandamus writ denied. Opinion by Heese, J.

1. The constitution of the state requires that all claims upon the state treasury must be examined and approved by the auditor and has been approved by the auditor of the state, before any warrant can be drawn therefor. This provision applies to all claims whether claimed by virtue of a specific appropriation or not.

2. The making of a specific appropriation by the legislature is not a condition of paying a demand against the state, in no sense, the auditing of such claim, and the duties and responsibilities of the auditor and secretary of state with reference to the payment thereof are not diminished thereby.

3. The legislature has no authority under the constitution to audit or adjust a claim against the state, and if money is appropriated to pay an alleged claim, or one which the state does not owe, and the auditor so finds on examination and adjustment, it is his duty to issue a warrant, notwithstanding such appropriation.

4. The law furnishes an adequate remedy by appeal from the decision of the auditor, in the examination and adjustment of claims against the state. Therefore, a mandamus will not issue to compel him to issue a warrant for the payment of a claim which has been disallowed by him upon such examination and adjustment.

Court adjourned until Tuesday, September 20, at 9:30 a. m.

BRIEF ITEMS.

The board of public lands and buildings, composed of the Secretary of State, Laws, Land Commissioner, State Attorney General Leese and Treasurer Willard, have gone to Kearney to locate the additional buildings provided for by act of the legislature in connection with the industrial reform school. The new home for fallen women has not yet been located.

The governor has appointed the following notary public: Charles J. Hastings; William S. Shaib, Engin, Antelope county; Freeman Morningstar, Lartoria, Buffalo county; Herman Franse, Fender, Dakota county; William H. Dingson, Omaha; Aaron Hayador, Curtis, Frontier county; Hugh J. Dobles, Beatrice; Charles O. Lewis, Auburn, Nemaha county; H. W. Cowan, Bertrand, Phelps county; A. B. Kenyon, De Smet, Deuel county; Governor Thayer and Chief Hill are both absent at the Crete assembly.

Alonzo Mead, sent to the pen from Hastings, was released yesterday on a supersedeas.

The state board of pharmacy has been organized under the new law and is now in session at the state house. The object of this board is to secure proper and experienced druggists and clerks in various drug stores of the state, and thus as far as possible prevent accidents through the distribution of poisons for innocent remedies. Clerks are required to show a certain degree of efficiency or pass a satisfactory examination. A large number of applicants were examined yesterday.

Two Millions Restored.

Brandreth's pills are a certain cure for every disease; they purify the blood, which in its turn makes a pure, healthy body. In the last fifty years they have restored to perfect health and enjoyment two millions of persons. The secret of their success is their three-fold effects, invigorating the digestion, stimulating the liver, and purifying the body and all sorts of disease. One or two pills taken every night for a week or two will always cure.

BURLINGTON ROUTE.

Excursion to Chicago and Return. Tickets to Chicago and return, account of the National Educational association, for the round trip, 15th to 15th, single fare for the round trip, \$2.00. All may go who wish. Apply to any agent of the B. & M. R. or at 1324 Farnam St., Omaha.

HE WAS VERY CALM.

Herod Democor of a Dakota Man Under Trying Circumstances.

A well known resident of Sioux Falls was out driving in the country one day last week, says the Dakota Bell. While coming back and about four miles from the city, a heavy wind came up. To the well known resident it looked cyclonic, and he drove up to the first house. He went in and found three or four ladies, who were alone in the house and somewhat frightened.

"There is no danger, ladies, no danger, I assure you. Simply a straight wind—no cyclone. Keep cool by the way—there is a cellar under the house?"

"Yes, sir."

"That is good. No danger, though as I said, pray keep calm and it will be over directly. Where—where did you say the cellar door was?"

"Over there in the corner."

"As you say, ladies, yes. I'll open it—might well be open as shut, you know. There will be no need of going down, however. Simply a little thunder shower accompanied by wind."

"Oh, not very much frightened, either."

"Of course, ladies, it is not very much of a shock. Just then the house began to shake and the limb of a tree scratched against the window. 'Don't be at all alarmed, ladies, you know right still, good cellar, I suppose,' he added, peeping down."

"Yes."

Here a board flew off the fence and slapped against the side of the house, and he went on in a moment, ladies, don't be frightened; the house is safe, and he shot down the stairs, slipped off a broken step toward the bottom, and landed in a box of eggs.

"Where were you?" he shouted from the cellar, "it is about all over now."

Just then the wind blew open the outside cellar door and an empty barrel rolled down.

"Great oh, nothing at all!" howled the man as he leaped over into the other side of the cellar, "try and be calm, ladies. This wind will purify the atmosphere. Oh, not much."

"That's right; keep up your courage—ladies are usually so easily frightened. Say," as he tried to dig the sand, which was blowing in, out of his eyes, and stepped in a crack of "You would think one of you mind going around and shutting that outside door."

"We will when it stops blowing a little."

Then an empty barrel rolled over and rolled down the stairway, the wind roared louder than ever, and there was a sharp clap of thunder.

"Be calm, ladies; try and be calm for your own sake. Oh, yes, ladies, it is going to be a long one. I'm crouching in one corner in a box of glass fruit cans and thought he saw one corner of the house raise a little. "Oh, good Lord! I'm lost! It's going sure. Keep cool, ladies, there's no danger! For heaven's sake see that corner lorry! Be calm, ladies; simply a little lorry of the wind! Oh, I'd give a thousand dollars to be out of this!" and he hung his head into the box and broke a couple of strawberries.

"Try and be up, ladies! It will soon be over. Oh, if I ever got out alive I'll leave this blasted country! Good gracious, ladies, when are you going to shut that door?" Be calm! Be calm! but shut that door!"

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DR. DE BAUSSET'S BALLOON.