### RESPONSIBLE FOR THE WRECK

So the Coroner's Jury Declare Concerning Engineer Bowser.

ASTONISHING VERDICT.

The B. & M., However, Succeeds in Shifting the Blame on Its Servant -Experienced Railroaders Think Bowser Innocent

[FROM THE BEE'S LINCOLN BUREAU.] The coroner's jury investigating the B. & M. wreck at Havelock examined a number of witnesses of minor importance yesterday evening and afterward visited the scene of the wreck at Have lock accompanied by the railroad officials with two locomotives to illustrate the scene. At 2 o'clock yesterday morning they agreed to fasten the blame upon Engineer Bowser, and in the morning drew up the following verdict, which they left with the coroner. The verdict

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At an inquisition holden in the city of Lincoln, county of Lancaster, state of Nebraska, on the 17th, 18th and 19th day of July, A. D., 1897, before one T. G. Robers, coroner of said county, upon the body of Dr. Max Randall, lying dead, by the jurors whose names are hereunto subscribed, the said jurors upon their oath do say that he, the said Jurors upon their oath do say that he, the said Dr. Max Randall came to his death at 3 o'clock p. m., Saturday, July 16, 1887, from the effects of burns on his body and congestion of the lungs, the latter being caused, as shown by the evidence of attending physicians, by breathing hot air in a burning car on the Burlington and Missouri River railroad, near Havelock station on said railroad, on the morning of July 15, 1887, the burning of said car being caused by a collision of two freight trains on said railroad at the time and place aforesaid. That the said jurors further find that the aforesaid collision was the result of criminal carelessmess on the part of one J. Bowser, first name unknown, at the time engineer on engine No. 420, train No. 231 west bound.

[Signed]

AUSTIN HUMPHREY, C. C. GEROME, W. G. BOHANNON, W. C. LANE, C. C. PACE, C. B. BEACH.

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In the light of the testimony this verdict is fairly astonishing, but in the light of the fact that it places the blame where the company sought to attach it, it need not be at all astonishing. In their efforts to shirk responsibility and save a few dollars damages it was better to make it a personal responsibility on an engineer than to bring their system of train dispatching and \$35-a-month operators totally without experience into disrepute. The testimony remains that the engineer, fireman and head brakeman testified unequivocally that there was no red light displayed when the front of the train passed Havelock. The operator and a young man staying with him said the light was turned on and the conductor and brakeman on the way car said the light was turned when they passed the depot. On this testimony Engineer Bowser is held, excepting some of the jury have said in their opinion Bowser ought to have had his train under control regardless of signals so as to stop before colliding with the other train. One fact that is very promising is that no trainmen of experience or engineers are asked concerning it who do not express the belief that the engineer, fireman and brakeman, all who were separated from each other, were testifying to the truth when they said there was no red signal out when the front end of the train passed the depot. And those who listened to the testimony believe the light was changed by the inexperienced operator when the train was passing. It is understood Bowser is to be arrested, and he has secured Billingsly & Woodard for his defense. In the meantime the company has got the blame pretty well fixed upon the engineer and the dead company has got the blame pretty well fixed upon the engineer and the dead fixed upon the engineer and the dead man, Dr. Randall, himself, so that the damages will be light and the company left free to put in charge of signal stations men who never did any train work on the B. & M., or in any other place for that matter. The criminal prosecution, if it comes, will be watched with interest and especially by locomotive engages who are expects in such matters. gineers who are experts in such matters and believe Engineer Bowser to be inno-

CAUGHT BY THE ARM. About 11 a. m. yesterday a switchman an the B. & M. yards in this city named C. E. McFarland, while coupling cars was caught between a box car and a flat car loaded with iron, the ends of the iron rails projecting over the end of the car. The cars were moving slowly and he extracted himself so that the iron caught only one arm making an ugly flesh only one arm, making an ugly flesh wound, but fortunately breaking no bones. He was taken to the Peoria house and his wound dressed by Dr. Hart, the company's physician.

PERSONALS.
Senator J. K. Tan Demark of Saunders county was in Lincoln yesterday.
Captain Humphrey, the wild poet of the Pawnees, who was not appointed judge is in the city.
Hon. R. B. Windman of Plattsmouth,

one of the trustees selected for the methodist building at the Chatauqua grounds, Crete, was in the city yesterday at a committee meeting looking forward to build-Ing. G. W. Eggleson, one of the B. & M. faithful representatives in the last legis-

lature from Lancaster county, was an arrival yesterday from Bennett. M. A. Dougherty of Crete, the ex-memory of the company of the com in Lincoln between trains yesterday.

Arthur White and A. S. McKay, two prominent real estate men from Saline

county, were vesterday arranging for a public sale of a fine addition to the flourishing town of Friend.

R. S. Norval, Seward: John Collins, McCook; J. J. Blackwell, Grand Island;

J. Metcalf, Nebraska City; Henry Gibson, Orache, F. T. Burke, Blue Springs, J. F. Omaha: F. T. Burke, Blue Springs; J. E. Holman, F. L. Stetson, Greenwood; A. W. Miller, Seward; B. Rasen, Central City; W. W. Warren, Auburn; H. T. Clarke and Hugh Murphy, Omaha, were among the Nebraskant at the Capital hotel yesterday.

A Woman's Age. A woman, it is said, is no older than she looks. Many women, however, look double their actual age by reason of those functional disorders which wear upon the nerves and vitality, and which, if unchecked, are liable to change the most robust woman to a weak, broken-down invalid. Dr. Pierce's "Favorite Prescription" will positively cure every irregularity and weakness peculiar to the sex, and requires but a single trial to prove its surpassing merit. Price re-duced to one dollar. By druggists.

ATTACKED BY A SWORD FISH.

The Sea Monster's "Nose" Driven Through a Vessel's Bottom. Philadelphia Record: The "nose" of a sword-fish four feet long driven through sixteen inches of stout Norwegian pine and penetrating ten inches into the cargo of a sugar-laden bark, was one of the of a sugar-laden bark, was one of the nautical curiostics presented to a wondering throng of sailors and landsmen at the wharves of the E. C. Knight sugar refinery in this city yesterday. The vessel through the hull of which the sea monster's weapon had penetrated in the bark Ornen, which came to this port from Santos, Brazil, by way of the Barbadoes. The bark is a stauchly built Norwegian craft, and the planks in her hull are even barder than American oak. While her eargo of sugar was being unloaded at the

refinery wharf a long, black object, like the point of an enormous bayonet, was discovered thrust ten inches into one of the point of an enormous bayonet, was discovered thrust ten inches into one of the hogsheads of sugar, so firmly impaining it that some difficulty was experienced in getting the hogshead free from the vessel's bottom. The end of the sword looked like a large marlin spike, and all attempts to dislodge it were fruitless. A close examination, however, proved that the object was the "sword" of a swordlish which had been driven through the planking of the bark's huil. The point of the "sword" which projected into the vessel's hold was as hard as flint. The only weapon which made any impression upon it was an axe, with which the end was finally broken off and taken on deck, where it was exhibited to the sailors and the stevedores.

From the accounts of the crew and the bark's officers it seems that the fish must have struck the vessel near the region of the equatorial calm. The mate says that while the bark was moving along very slowly, with scarcely a ripple disturbing the surface of the ocean, one calm day in May, a terrific shock was experienced which almost threw the vessel aback and hurled some of the crew off their feet. The incident caused considerable excitement on board, and it was feared that a hidden rock had been struck until the captain looked over the starboard quarter, whence the shock ap-

was feared that a hidden rock had been struck until the captain looked over the starboard quarter, whence the shock appeared to have come, and saw an enormous fish just disappearing beneath the waves. Until the "sword" was discovered yesterday it was supposed that the bark had struck a dead or sleeping whale.

This instance of the force with which the sword fish can strike an object is one of the most remarkable ever reported.

the sword fish can strike an object is one of the most remarkable ever reported. A specimen of planking which has been deposited in the British museum in London as a great curiosity, shows the sword of one of these fish, three feet long, which had pierced ten inches of wood. The sword found in the Ornen had evidently been driven with almost twice the force with which the specimen in the British museum had been impelled.

Heroes and Heroines.

There are few people who endure bodily troubles without complaint. Did you
ever meet among the heroes or heroines
of your acquaintance—if any such there
have been—one with a yellowish cast of
countenance and that jaundiced aspect
generally, which the most unpractised
eye recognizes as the product of a disordered liver, who will not complain, and
peevishly too, of the soreness of the recalcitrant organ, of pains beneath the right
shoulder blade, of dyspeptic symptoms,
constipation and headache? Of course
you never did, and of course the individual was not using Hostetters Stomach
Bitters or he would not have looked so,
—so have complained. To purify the
blood when contaminated with bile, and
conduct the secretion into its proper
channel, to re-establish regularity of the
bowels, banish bilious headache, and remove impediments to complete digestion
nothing can approach to efficacy this
peerless alterative and tonic. Malarial
complaints, always involving the liver
and kidney and bladder inactivity, are
remedied by it. It is a capital appetizer.

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New York Commercial Advertiser: Colonel, the Honorable William F. Cody, as our English neighbors know Buffalo Bill, has an indiscreet friend in New Orleans; but we do not imagine that any one will think the less of the gallant chief of the Wild West show, because he honestly admits that he is England "for dust," and takes a natural pride in his social successes. "I have captured this country, from the queen down," writes Mr. Cody, "and am doing them to the tune of \$10,000 a day." He has captured the country, and we are glad to know he is "doing" it, though we can hardly hope that he will bring back enough English gold to balance the American dollars that the English showmen have carried away from this country. Buffalo Bill's Letter.

Buffalo Bill has proved his right to the position he helds in the affections and respect of the English people, and we sincerely trust that his expectation of doing tremendous business upon his 'European reputation' when he returns to the country of his birth may be realized. He writes to his friend: "I still wear the same sized hat, and when I make my pile I am coming back to visit all the old heavy

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C. E. Mayne and wife to Jerry Adams lot 12 bit 5, C E Mayne's first add to Valley, w d.

C E Mayne and wife to Jerry Adams, lot 14 bit 5, C E Mayne's first add to Valley, w d.

Francis I McKenna and wife to R C Patterson, lots 15 and 16, bik 1, Patterson's subdiv, w d.

Patrick McHugh and wife to John Fogarty, s 1513, ft of bik 249 Omaha, w d.

Thomas W Robinson and wife to Omaha Real Estate and Trust company, lot 30, bik 3, Saunders & Himeomans real Estate and Triss company, lot 30, bit 3, Saunders & Himebaugh add, q c d
South Omaha Land company to John
Burke, lot 10, blk 86, South Omaha,
deed

There are few people who endure bod-lly troubles without complaint. Did you

But the most pleasing thing about Buffalo Bill's letter is the fact that it shows, to use his own vigorous language, that he has "not got the big head worth a cent." That is just the secret of his success. Buffalo Bill went to London as a plain, honest showman, and he accepts the homage that is done him, just as all Americans should, but few do. Buffalo Bill is a sovereign in his own right, and when the prince of Wales and four or five kings came around to look at the show behind the scenes, their combined and concentrated majesty did not impress him in the least, and they found that there was a citizen of the great anti-

that there was a citizen of the great antimonarchy who knew he was just as much
a sovereign as they, and that their blood
was just as human as his.
Buffalo Bill brags modestly. "No man
—not even Grant—was received better
than your humble servant," he says.
"I have dined with every one of the royalty, from Albert, prince of Wales,
down." And, though he is not unduly
elated, still he does "sometimes wonder
if it is the same old Bill Cody, the bullwahcker." It is a strange metamorphosis from whacking the Texas buil to
"do the elegant" among the proudest
and most exclusive aristocrats in the and most exclusive aristocrats in the world; but it is a test of character and manhood to adapt one's self to new con-

We congratulate the old boys.

REAL ESTATE. Transfers Filed July 18, 1887.

Owego, Tioga Co., N.Y., Dec. 17, '85. In 1879 I was taken suddenly with lumbago, while running my train through to Buffalo. I was completely floored, and utterly incapacitated from attending to my duties as conductor. Shortly after I was taken, every passenger knew of it, and one gentleman, I can't remember his name now, came up with a box of ALLCOCK's PORUS PLASTERS and told me he would put two of them on. They had hardly been put on before I was relieved South Omaha Land company to John Burke, lot 10, blk 86, South Omaha, deed.

Joseph Kolar and wife to Fanny Karan, e 50 ft lots 7 and 8, Shield's add, wd.

John T Monroe and wife to Frank V Wasserman, lot 8 blk 11, Omaha View, wd.

Douglas adounty to George W Doane, et al. lots 16, 17, and 18, block 1, Douglas add, deed.

C E Mayne and wife to Dexter L Thomas, lots 1 to 10 and 31 to 40, blk 14, Orchard Hill, wd.

Lena Quick and husband to Charles Laren, lot 10 blk 484, Grandview, wd.

Bathes Jetter et al to school district No. 3, a frame building at southwest corner blk 11, Jetter's add.

J W Campbell to Emma Campbell, middle %, 9, 10 and 11, blk 10, Hanscom place, wd.

John A McShane to William A Templeton, lot 9, blk 6, 1st add to South Omaha, wd.

Edwin S Rood and wife to Herman Reddield, lot 12, blk 20, Albright's annex, wd.

Lewis P Hammond et al to Henry S Chamberlain, ny lot 6, W A Redick's add, wd.

City of Omaha to Union Pacific Railroad, a strip beginning at nw corlot 21, blk 208, qc.

Anton Berggren to Joseph Levi, wy of iot 11 blk 1, Improvement association, wd.

Martin T Murphy and wife to Gottleib Storz, lots 37 and 38, Murphy's add, wd. somewhat, and in fifteen or twenty min-utes at most I was able to sit up straight, and in an hour was enough better to attend to my official work, and I just kept on gaining and feeling better until I was entirely well. From that time to the present I have time and again used these Plasters, and have yet to find them fail in relieving cough, or pain, or ache. My wife says she has not known what it is to have a backache for more than a few hours since AllCock's Ponus Plasters

were kept in the house.
M. MURIENE,
Conductor Eric Railroad.

Mistress-Did you clean all the paint in this kitchen with that little basin?

She Sewed on Her Husband's Scalp. KANSAS CITY, Mo., July 15.—Andrew Meyer, a farmer living near Mexico, Mo., was attacked by a vicious horse and nearly scalped. His left cheek and a

Letter from a Conductor.

Girl-Certainly, Ma'am, for I use Sapolio, and you must admit that it is clean.

Mistress-Indeed, I do; but I was wondering whether such a thing was possible,

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An Old Story. St. Paul Pioneer-Press: In a real estate office the other day I heard a gentleman relating the experience of an eastern friend of his who, many years ago, for a bad debt (?) of \$20,000 was compelled to accept western land of the estimated value of \$15,000. He paid constantly invalue of \$15,000. He paid constantly increasing taxes upon the land for a number of years without going to see it. One day his agent telegraphed him, asking him what he would take for the land, which had finally come to be far within the corporate limits of Chicago. The owner ligured that, taxes and interest, the land had cost him \$30,000, and more in a joke than anything else, not dreaming that the offer would be accepted, wrote a telegram saying that he would take \$50,000 cash for the property. He

sent a message by his office boy, where the clerk insisted that the sum be spelled out in the message. The office boy re-wrote it, and by mistake wrote \$500,000 instead of \$50,000. In an hour back came the reply: "Offer of half a million dollars accepted. Make deed and come on and get certified check." The man nearly scalped. His left cheek and a portion of the upper lip were also torn away by the animal's teeth. A physician was sent for, but was slow in coming, and Mrs. Meyer, using a common needle and black thread, replaced the larcerated cheek and lip and sewed them in place. She then began on the scalp, which she sewed to the flesh on the head, and had nearly finished the work when the physician arrived. Her work was pronounced excellent by the doctor. made his office boy a handsome present for his clerical error, and gave his old-time debtor \$25,000 with which to re-establish himself in business.

Imperial Tips.

The most magnificent visitor ever known in the annals of the English court was the Emperor Nicholas, who, when he was here in 1884, left £2,000 to be distributed among the servents at Windsor tributed among the servants at Windsor castle, while the housekeeper there was given a parure of diamonds, worth £1,000. ing his visit each received a splen-did gold snuff-box, with the emperor's portrait set in diamonds; each equerry and the grooms-in-waiting got a similar snuff-box with his imperial majesty's cipher in diamonds, a bushel of ring's, watches and brooches were distributed among minor functionaries, £2,800 was given in charity, and £500 for the cup at Ascot, which was continued annually for ten years.



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