DEATH OF AN AGED MINISTER.

The Rev. William Cooley Passes Away at the Asylum.

OPENING OF DISTRICT COURT.

Some of the Suits Recently Begun—Accidents On the B. & M. During January—State House Items—Personal Mention.

[FROM THE BEE'S LINCOLN BUREAU.]

Yesterday at the state hospital for the insane Rev. William Cooley quietly passed away after having been an inmate there for some eighteen months. Rev. Mr. Cooley was about seventy years of age, and a large part of his life had been spent in the ministry. A stroke of paralysis rendered him nearly helpless and so affected his mind that he was placed in the hospital. About two months since another light stroke came and he has gradually failed to the day of his death. His brother, Rev. R. Cooley, is a resident of this city.

The district court opened yesterday with Judge Fields on the bench and the 112 attorneys in the city in attendance. The judge handed down several opinions from the previous term and the call of the docket occupied the remainder of the morning hours. The interest taken in the cases presages a long and busy trial term. The jury will be called today and trials proceeded with.

Among the cases filed was a suit for damages brought by Mrs. Lizzie Staley against the city of Lincoln in which she sues for $5,000 damages received in a fall occasioned by a defective sidewalk. The time the accident occurred was in October last and the place on Thirteenth street between S and T, a defective walk there causing her to fall heavily forward, injuring her knee until she became a cripple for life and has been wholly unable to work and support her family since that time.

James H. Brinkerhoff sues for a divorce from his wife May Brinkerhoff, the grounds alleged being desertion. The parties were married February 28, 1883, in the city of New York and immediately after the marriage his wife left with her parents for New Jersey and has ever since failed to communicate with him or recognize him as her husband. On these grounds the court is asked to sever the marital bonds.

Benjamin F. Knight has commenced a suit against W. H. H. Dunn to recover $330 alleged to be due and has attached certain property to secure his debt.

B. & M. ACCIDENTS.

There were, according to the report filed with the board of transportation, twenty-four accidents on the B. & M. railway for the month of January, three of which were fatal, two of those killed being train men. Of the injured the large per cent of brakemen and switchmen was maintained, ten switchmen receiving injuries during the month and nine brakemen. Of the other accidents two were to passengers who jumped from moving trains and were seriously injured. A large proportion of the train men injured had their homes in Lincoln.

STATE HOUSE NOTES.

The Wyoming Improvement company of Geneva, Neb., filed articles of incorporation yesterday with the secretary of state. Capital stock, $150,000; incorporators, V. C. Shickley, Edward K. Cobb, Charles W. Shickley.

Deputy Land Commissioner Charles M. Carter is home from Nebraska City where he sold the Fulton tract of school land to Hon. J. Sterling Morton who donates the tract to Nebraska City for a public park.

Commissions yesterday were issued to the following notaries: Edward L. Baker, Wanneta, Chase county; Henry C. Boynton, Hastings, Adams county; J. W. Shahan, Kearney, Buffalo county; John Smith, Grant, Perkins county; J. Carnahan, York, York county; E. L. Sargeant, Cedar Rapids, Boone county; Allen G. Fisher, Chadron, Dawes county; Edward P. Cagney, Lincoln, Lancaster county; S. P. Buckmaster, York, York county; John G. Moore, Hastings, Adams county; Louis J. Kudena, Wahoo, Saunders county.

The force of men employed on the central part of the capitol building has been largely increased and the work from this on will be with the aim to have the building completed prior to the next session of the legislature. The dome will be placed in position in the early spring.

PERSONAL.

Judge Broady, of Beatrice, was in the city yesterday, and called at district court.

Captain Paine, deputy oil inspector, made an official visit to Weeping Water yesterday.

A. B. Smith, of Denver, who has in charge the surveying work of the Lincoln town site company, was in the city yesterday.

Sam D. Cox, who has been in Chicago the past week securing engravings illustrative of Lincoln, returned home Sunday evening.

Deputy Marshall Ed Allen, of the United States district court, is in the city on official business.

Major J. C. Birney, of the live stock commission, came in from Crete yesterday.

F. M. Hopwood, of the Holdrege Nugget, was a capital city visitor yesterday.

John M. Walters was an east-bound passenger through Lincoln yesterday, en route for Mount Vernon, Ill., the sad intelligence having been wired him of the death of his wife and child in the cyclone at that place.

CITY ITEMS.

A long controversy has been going on in the district court in regard to the title to a piece of land in this county in which the heirs of the original holder of the titles came on from Ireland and contested the disposition that the courts had made of the case. R. B. Graham, the present holder of the title, was shaking hands yesterday over the fact that the court at its opening session handed down a decision in his favor.

To-day the county commissioners will open the new plans submitted for the proposed Lancaster county court house and the wish is very generally expressed that hereafter the county may have clear sailing and that plans will allow the building to be built within the amount valid by the county. The crowded condition of the present county building shows the necessity for speedy work that the county may have a permanent home for business as soon as possible.

The Martha Washington branch of the Irish National League in America, whose membership is composed of ladies, arranged, at the Sunday afternoon meeting, to give an entertainment the 1st of March, the proceeds to be devoted to city charities. The ladies having the entertainment in charge hope for the cordial co-operation of the different religious denominations in the city in carrying out the meeting.

The secretary of the state board of pharmacy has called the attention of druggists to the fact that the examining board will hold a session at the capitol building in this city, on the 6th of March, to examine applicants for registration.

Don't Get Caught

This spring with your blood full of impurities, your digestion impared, your appetite poor, kidneys and liver torpid, and whole system liable to be prostrated by disease—but get yourself into good condition, and ready for the changing and warmer weather, by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla. It stands unequalled for purifying the blood, giving an appetite, and for a general spring medicine.

THE RULE OF THE REVOLVER.

A Man From Nevada Has Something to Say in Its Favor.

"When I went over to London first to place a mine," said Major Biles of Nevada, rocking himself in one of the rustic chairs of the Palace bar room, says the San Francisco Examiner, "it made me mad the way I was taken care of. It was a policeman here to tell you not to go there, and a policeman there to tell you not to go here, a guard to lock you up in the car for fear you'd fall out and get killed, and so on. Then the bars were closed on Sunday and you found the museums and every place but the churches padlocked. It was law, law, law everywhere till I was sick of the law, and I'd have turned anarchist if the anarchists had been invented then. I tell you I was mighty glad to get back to the Comstock, where everybody nearly carries his own law in his hip-pocket."

"That must have been a dreadful state of society," suggested a gentleman from New Haven.

"No, sir," said the major, "it wasn't. It was about the best state of society I know of. It made you look out for yourself and be careful of stepping on other fellows' toes. Somebody was shot every night almost."

"Good gracious!"

"And the man for breakfast generally deserved to be served up," added the major.

"I tell you it's a good thing to live in a community where men who ought to be killed get killed."

"But," objected the gentleman from New Haven, "were you not constantly in danger of your life?"

"Not at all. There's no place on earth where a man is so safe from harm as a pistol-ruled mining camp, so long as he minds his own business and does the square thing. The fighting you read so much about is confined pretty strictly to the toughs. They don't bother respectable people. The chance of a vigilance committee keeps them straight in that direction. The principal danger to men who are not toughs is from flying bullets, and there's a remedy for that. I remember I was standing in front of the Delta, on C street, one evening talking to Captain Lord, the inland revenue collector, when two fellows got to punching each other right near us, and one pulled what all hands thought was a gun. There was a unanimous scatter, I hopped into a doorway and peeped out. Captain Lord was standing in the middle of the street with his six-shooter in his hand, watching the two men who had clinched and were struggling. In a minute they went rolling over a peanut stand into the gutter. The one on top, who was known as Red Mike, jabbed away at the face and body of the under chap with the supposed pistol. It was really a knife, and he hacked his subject all to pieces. We tore him off. I helped to raise the cut chap to his feet. He walked with us a few steps and then raised his hand to his bleeding head and said:

"'Where's my hat?'

"'It was fished out of the gutter and he put it on. He went a step or two further and stopped.

"'Boys,' he said, 'it's no go. I'm Mike's meat.' Then he sighed, murmured faintly, '——him!' and fainted. He died next day.

"'What were you doing out there in the street with your gun?' I asked Captain Lord.

"'Well' he said, 'I've come near being hit half a dozen times when fellows were engaged in fights in which I had no concern, and I've made up my mind that hereafter I'm going to have my share of the shooting as well as of the danger. I'm going to take a hand from this out, and these fellows, when they begin a muss, will look around and enquire where I am.'"

"And a good plan, too," declared the major. "If good citizens on the frontier would follow Captain Lord's plan, the toughs would be even more careful than they are about wild shooting. Yet, after all, there's not as much danger from this source as there is of being run over here by your cable cars."

"And this Red Mike, this murderer, he was hanged?" inquired the gentleman from New Haven.

"Lord, no," laughed the major. "Mike, when he wasn't drunk, was a bricklayer, and he assisted in building the county jail. Having an eye to the future, he thoughtfully left a weak spot low down in the wall, and one night shortly after his arrest, he opened it and walked off, generously taking all the other prisoners with him. The last I heard of Mike was that he'd had an arm shot off by a gambler down in Tombstone."

The Man Up a Tree.

Atlanta Constitution: No mere nest, but five or six large rooms up a tall oak, is the way quiet John Haywood, the one-armed veteran soldier, clerk in the treasury department, credited from Vermont, hit a new thing and made himself famous. There is no mistake about it, that his name is forever linked in the galaxy of distinguished people of history, and, too, quite as accidental as they.

He has two houses up in the trees, the one he first built consisting of three large rooms and a balcony as large as a room, and in another clump of trees a new and larger house higher up in the trees, contain three stories, a dancing pavillion, a well furnished kitchen, bedroom, balcony, library, all well furnished, and even an upright piano. These houses are not built upon or attached to the trees; they stand on high trestles, so that the topmost branches of the tall trees pierce in their natural directions through all the rooms, giving, in all the different seasons within the compartments, the exact flora of nature. Canvas is closely fitted around the limbs of these trees where they pierce the roof and floors and walls of the room to make them water-tight and prevent the sounds of abrasion.

One can sit in his library or kitchen and pluck green leaves or acorns where his pet squirrels have left them. In the dead of winter, while the limbs are bare without and the snows are flying, Haywood can sit in his carpeted room with his books, and feet at his oil stove, and rest his head and arms upon a limb sprouting with verdure, while without the same tree is denuded in the coma of winter. These houses are approached by an inclined plane of plank from the higher portions of the hill up to the lower story, where there is a door securely locked and bolted and whence he mounts by regular enclosed stairways to the apartments. There were several visitors, ladies and gentlemen, who had come into the inclosure to see the "monster," and they regarded him distantly, with curiosity and awe. He politely waved them away, saying he was not "receiving to-day."

LIBERALITY OF THE PEOPLE.

The "Bee's" Heroine Fund Reaches Over $10,400.

AND THE GOOD WORK GOES ON

The Roll of Honor Steadily Increasing—The Latest Contributors to the Heroines From Various Parts of Nebraska.

The Roll of Honor.

LOIE ROYCE FUND.	
Amount previously reported	$3,492 87
Ladies' afternoon coffee	20 00
Citizens of Shelton, Neb	23 57
Edna Hoban and Minnie Hansen list	6 88
Leap-year party, Blair, Neb	7 30
Citizens Norfolk, Neb	179 62
A. C.	1 00
Employes Canfield Mfg. Co	5 00
Pupils Fremont public schools	15 00
George Foster, Foster, Neb	1 00
Hooper, Neb., list	37 50
North Bend fire department	10 00
J. S. Robison, Humphrey, Neb	1 00
County school teacher	1 00
Pomegranite lodge 110 A. F. & A. M., Ashland, Neb	10 00
Total	$3,811 74
LENA WOEBBECKE FUND.	
Previously reported	$1,065 79
Ladies afternoon coffee	10 00
Edna Hoban and Minnie Hansen list	5 89
Citizens of Shelton, Neb	11 78
Citizens of Norfolk	3 00
A. C.	1 00
Employes Canfield Mfg. Co	6 00
Mrs. Albert Noe	50
Total	$1,103 96
MINNIE FREEMAN FUND.	
Amount previously reported	$ 686 81
North Bend fire dept	5 00
Total	$ 691 81
THE CHILDREN'S FUND.	
Previously reported	$ 100 38
North Bend fire dept	2 50
Total	$ 102 88

The Etta Shattuck Fund.

The present condition of the Etta Shattuck fund is as follows:

Previously reported	$4,703 11
Edna Hoban and Minnie Hansen's list	4 88
Norfolk list	2 65
A. J. Simpson	5 00
County school teacher	1 00
Total	$4,715 99

The "Bee" Fund.

The present condition of the funds opened by the BEE is as follows:

Loie Royce	3,811 74
Lena Woebbecke fund	1,103 96
Minnie Freeman	691 81
Westphalen monument fund	102 88
Etta Shattuck	4,715 99
Grand total	$10,426.38

Lists of Contributors.

The BEE will acknowledge all contributions through these columns. All lists received, unless otherwise directed, will be published in full with the name of every contributor. These lists will be published as soon after their receipt as space will permit.

CITIZENS OF OAKLAND, NEB.

Lillie Dale	$ 1 00	Ida Samson	$ 1 00
A. T. Withers	1 00	Ed Haugh	1 00
H. A. Harding	1 00	Ira Thomas	1 00
A. E. Snygg	1 00	Otto Swanson	50
P. G. Crentz	1 00	C. C. Calkins	1 00
John Merkle	1 00	Mrs. Ruth Smith	1 00
J. C. Moore	1 00	A. S. Smith	1 00
Etta Meinhart	1 00	A. E. Wells	1 00
Ed Benard	50	Geo. Swengee	25
Rudolph Klaiber	1 00	Earl Grign	1 00
A. G. Sears	50	Mrs. C. C. Griffen	1 00
W. I. Conn	50	Fred Wiggers	25
M. Smanson	50	H. A. Obey	50
A. Lundtrall	1 00	A. Touseller	1 00
Gus Sallandar	50	C. A. Mogol	50
Laneuia Nelson	1 00	J. Ring, jr	50
W. F. Heyl	50	J. W. Holmquist	25
Peter Young	75	Hilda Carlson	1 00
R. S. Harington	25	H. Steen	25
Olanders & Sons	1 00	Peter Anderson	25
F. A. Wallustead	1 00	Ed Wallustead	50
C. Astor	50	C. L. Stockman	25
W. W. Hopkins	1 00	Dr. L. M. Leaper	1 00
Fred Vehling	50	S. Lundstrom	25
Henry Neumann	50	W. A. Harding	50
C. J. Simanson	1 00	Mary E. Cull	25
Altha Norton*	25	Mamie Holmquist	75
C. K. Cull	1 00	Peter Wangberg	25
S. W. Stouffer	25		
E. E. Oberg	25	Total	$40 00

*School teachers.

CHILDREN'S LIST.

Clay Mussenwhite	$ 25	Bert Williams	$ 25
Frank Perry	25	Jas. J. Hayes	25
Frank Crenshaw	50		
Irene A. Templar	25	Total	$ 1 75

CITIZENS OF WAVARLY, NEB.

Edwin M. Butler	$ 1 00	Willis Ivers	1 00
H. V. Hoagland	1 00	C. D. Jewett	1 00
T. A. S. Pennington	1 00	John Burg	1 00
E. H. Dove	1 00	J. W. Dickinson	1 00
A. Heilmer	50	J. J. Armstrong	1 00
J. A. Fisher	50	Geo. E. Bragg	1 00
J. Q. Lansing	50	C. W. Pierce	1 00
J. E. England	50	N. J. Mortz	50
H. Wills	50	F. M. Chapman	50
Bank of Waverly	1 00	Jas. Walker	50
Dick Cooley	1 00	Frank Rogers	50
C. R Kitchwell	50	David Hedges	50
John C. Burg	25	M. C. Shaw	50
Wm. J. Berghouser	25	John Jeffery	25
		J. P. Loder	50
J. Wilkinson	25	Total	$20 50

A FORT OMAHA LIST.

Inclosed please find postal note for $1.68 (one dollar and sixty-eight cents) to be applied as follows:

Cash	$ 50
Cash	50
Total	$ 1 00

To the Westphalen monument fund four little girls contribute as follows:

Georgeinca F. Magee	13	Isabella Magee	13
Florence Magee	10	Maggie Magee	25
By cash	10		
		Total	68c

Forwarded by A "Friend."

RISING CITY, NEB.

S. S. and J. A. Reichenbach	$ 5 00	E. Grubb	50
P. Reinheimer	3 00	F. Jouvenat	50
W. J. C. Koon	1 00	Hion Shepard	25
F. F. Freiday	1 00	I. L. Wolf	25
Frank Wolfe	1 00	J. H. Holwig	50
Miles Lumby	1 00	O. C. Stafford	50
W. N. Williamson	1 00	John Kugon	50
		Brunning & Hartson	5 00
E. W. Howes	1 00	Sam Pool	25
Paul Anderson	50	Chas. Lang	25
W. S. McCoy	1 00	J. A. Crane	2 00
A. P. Day	1 00	J. T. Taylor	50
N. R. Welch	50	J. H. Rising	50
I. J. Russell	50	Geo. C. Buck	25
E. L. Call	50	W. Dillon	10
East & Ware	1 00	Geo. Ingalls	50
J. A. Steel	50	D. W. Rising	50
A. W. Rising	50	D. H. Wilson	25
A. J. Martin	50	George A. Hummer	2 00
H. S. Styer	25		
D. R. Neville	1 00	John Kavanaugh	25
John McEvenny	50	J. A. Cole	50
Combs & Leard	1 00	Patrick Garnhern	25
L. A. Warren	1 00	George Selden	50
A. Cash	1 00	C. E. Selden	25
F. E. Freiday	50	W. B. Miur	1 00
W. H. Shepard	50	D. P. Kilgore	50
H. S. Ladd	50	H. P. Gibson	50
W. A. Baldwin	50	E. Jennings	50
A. Roberts	50	F. Engelhard, M. D	1 50
A. R. Quick	50		
Whitman & Lad	1 00	L. D. Lemon	50
George C. Wilson	50	M. Eagan	1 00
H. Reinheimer	1 00	J. D. Wallace	50
J. L. Walter	50	Cash	50
L. B. Mack	1 00	John Paul	50
A. T. Mack	50	George Nycum	50
G. H. Moulton	50	J. F. Adams	1 00
Ben O. Verity	50	Samuel Frey	50
J. B. Herrington	50	George Moser	50
W. F. York	25	Alfred Arnagost	50
C. E. Strout	25	P. B. Gainer	25
T. W. Day	25	D. J. Smith	50
J. S. Grier	1 00	J. E. Gifford	25
G. N. Chambers	25	Wm. Lunby	50
Squire Rawles	25	De Ritchey	50
B. F. Noddings	50	D. O. Verity	1 00
W. A. Noddings	25		
H. Harrold	50	Total	$79 00
G. W. Stafford	50		

MAGGIE AND KATIE SULLIVAN'S LIST.

Maggie Sullivan	$ 25	Cash	30
Mrs. Metzgar	25	Mable Sexton	25
Thomas T. Tuttle	50	Cash	50
Cash	50	Cash	25
Katie Sullivan	15		
Cash	25	Total	$ 3 20

BOUND OVER FOR BURGLARY.

"Smith" and "Hawkins" Change Their Plea to Not Guilty.

The arrest and accumulation of evidence against Fred Smith and Pete Hawkins, the burglars who plundered Husse's hardware store last Wednesday night, was so skillfully worked up by Officer Burr and Captain Green as to extort a confession from the culprits. The thieves had disposed of part of their booty at three different pawnshops, and the rest had been sold or given away to a number of private parties. Carpenters, waiters and other people had bought the stolen goods. For being allowed to sleep in the Republican press room one night, Smith gave Ben Flood, the foreman, a fine safety razor, besides distributing a number of pocket knives among the other employes. At the time of their arrests both Smith and Hawkins had some of the stolen knives and revolvers on their persons. When some hours later Captain Green confronted them with the string of evidence he had accumulated against them, they were astonished and admitted their guilt. On being arraigned they first plead guilty, but next waived examination, and were put under $1,000 to appear before the district court. Smith was greatly overcome and shed tears. It is hinted by the police, however, that this is not their first offense. Although both boys are from respectable families in this city, they have cut loose from home and have been leading lives of vice and sin under assumed names. Smith's correct name is Fred Nelson and his parents live on Eighteenth street, below Vinton. Hawkins' real name is said to be Hokanson, and his father is said to be John Hokanson, the constable, a most affable and estimable man. Both boys are in their twentieth year. Some of the stolen goods had been sold at ridiculously low figures. At John Nestnor's, a Tenth street pawnbroker, they sold some Smith & Wesson revolvers that usually retail on an average at $10 each for only 25 cents. The officers have reason to believe from the price offered that the pawnbroker knew the goods were stolen, and Nestor was arrested yesterday for receiving stolen goods. Warrants are also out for the arrest of Schlank and Sonnenberg, the proprietors of two other pawnshops where the thieves had been robbed of their booty.

The Ice Bridge at Niagara

has formed and many people have already crossed the river upon it below the falls. The scene from Falls View, where the Michigan Central train stop is one of remarkable beauty and grandeur. The emerald waters of the falls, with the angry rapids above and the rain bow tinted spray below, with gigantic icicles hanging from the cliffs and the trees and shrubs on the shores and Goat island covered with curious ice formations, with the wild mass of icebergs stretching over the turbulent waters where the Maid of the Mist sails in summer, all combine to form a spectacle seldom to be seen and worthy of a lengthy journey.

TURNER DIDN'T TURN UP.

Action on the Omaha, Yankton & Northwestern Railway Postponed.

Two o'clock yesterday afternoon was the hour appointed by the county commissioners for hearing from the committee on judiciary in reference to the calling of a special election to vote $300,000 in county bonds in aid of the proposed Omaha, Yankton & Northwestern railway, in accord with the proposition submitted by the promoters on Saturday and printed in full in the BEE of Sunday. At the stipulated time a large delegation of citizens and taxpayers, generated by Hon. James Creighton on one side, and N. Shelton and D. C. Patterson on the other, put in appearance and jumped on the commissioners, so to speak, with hands and feet. Loud talk was indulged in by the respective factions, and when individuals could not succeed in being hear they wildly waved their arms in space and stamped their feet upon the floor in a noisy and vigorous fashion. This kind of amusement lasted until long after 3 o'clock, and calm being restored Cairman O'Keiffe condescended to call the board to order.

Commissioner Mount, of the judiciary committee, reported that owing to the absence of one of the members, Mr. Turner, they were not ready to make their report and asked for further time until next Thursday at 2 p. m. The request was granted.

The chairman, Mr. O'Keeffe, then invited the respective factions to talk as much as they pleased.

Hon. James Creighton said that it would be foolish for any one to discuss the railroad proposition until it was known what the committee on judiciary was to report. He didn't propose to exhaust his ammunition on a blank, and begged of his adherents to spare their talk until the committee made their report.

Mr. Patterson asked if any amendments had been made to the proposition sent in by the incorporators last Saturday.

Commissioner Mount replied that there had been a few changes made.

Mr. Creighton asked Mr. Mount if he, as one of the judiciary committee, was willing to submit their report to the citizens before formally turning it over to the full board. Mr. Mount replied that he was.

Chairman O'Keefe informed the gentlemen present that the board would be happy to receive any suggestions they might be prepared to make in reference to the building of the road, and there being no one willing to the board adjourned.

The judiciary committee propose to make amendments to the proposition of Saturday as follows:

"The said railway company shall, within ninety days after said election, commence the construction of said road, and continue such construction with reasonable expedition, and have graded and ready for running at least fifty miles within twelve months after said time of commencement, and shall have graded and ready for running 100 miles eighteen months after said time of commencement.

"The said roadbed from the point of beginning to be the property of the said Yankton & Northwestern railway company, acquired by purchase or condemnation proceedings, and not by any inferior title."

Colgate's Sachet Powders,

Heliotrope, Jockey Club, and Cashmer Bouquet retain their delicate fragrance longer than others.

Run the Train too Fast.

Considerable complaint has been expressed of late by residents of South Omaha at the rate of speed at which the Union Pacific "flyer" is run through the city limits. No reduction whatever is made and the train tears through at the rate of thirty-five or forty miles an hour. In view of the fact that there are several crossings in the city it has been suggested that the council take the matter in hand and by ordinance fix the rate of speed at not more than ten miles per hour.

Charles Woodworth and his bride have returned after a two months' tour in California and Old Mexico.

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STARTLING STATISTICS

More Men Employed by the Railroad Companies in the United States.

A NEW YORK NEWSPAPER WRITER.

Compiling Statistics Which Will Startle the Best Informed Citizens.

Some writer in New York—presumably more ingenious than ambitious—is preparing estimates on the number of railroad men at work in the United States. His work was prompted by the remark of Chauncy Depew, at a recent banquet of locomotive engineers, that the New York Central road alone had more than ten regiments of men in its employ. According to the work of the statistician referred to the railroad men, or the men at work in all the different branches connected with the railroads in the United States, if gathered together, would make an army greater than that of Xerxes when he marched eastward to the conquest of Greece.

According to his figures no European nation has a standing army one-half the numerical strength of the American railroad men, and, if he is right, the railroad men in this country, taken together, exceed in number the rolls of both the union and confedearte troops of our late war added together.

If this is true it is indeed wonderful. But when one stops to think that there is not a city of any size in the country that does not employ its host of railroaders, these figures do not seem so very strange.

Omaha and Council Bluffs, with their network of railroads that stretch out like innumerable radail from the center of a circle towards the circumference, have a small army of railroad men and employes living within their bounds. The writer was never more impressed with their numerical importance as a component part of the population of both cities than in the course of a conversation recently with Mr. William Connor, who was in the employ of the Union Pacific for nineteen consecutive years. A machinist by trade, but for some time past has been taking life easy, being now in his 66th year. He is well and favorably known, residing in Omaha for the past 32 years. During the conversation serious subjects were talked about, among which was the health of Mr. Connors, who said: "I have been troubled for years with what several physicians termed malarial fever. My trouble began with a cold, and I had a high fever which continued unabated for about three weeks, which was attended with more or less of a cough and the rising of mucus of a tough kind, and which seemed to hold on with the tenacity of a fighting bulldog. I called in to assist nature a leading physician, took his medicine, but got no relief. Wanting help I consulted another and still another, among them being the so-called best doctors in the city. They doped me with

QUININE COD LIVER OIL ARSENIC

and other drugs, and in place of getting better I grew worse. I actually believe I have bottles and boxes enough at home to start two apothecary shops. I am not exaggerating a particle when I say I had at least thirty-five or forty fly blisters on me. I had pain in the front part of my head, and through my chest and in my shoulders. My nose would stop up and made my breathing difficult."

"You were certainly in a bad way."

"Yes, but that was not all my trouble. While lying down at night the mucous or phleghm would gather in my throat and I would swallow it, which, I think, poisoned my stomach and formed a gas, and after a while nothing that I ate would want to remain on my stomach,

which, in addition to my liver, seemed to be always out of order. My eyes were weak and inflammed, and emitted considerable water at times. I had a buzzing and roaring noise in my head and ears, which put me in mind of a train of cars passing through a covered bridge. I would hawk and spit almost continually, and in the morning after rising would have to gag and vomit for sometimes an hour before I would get my throat clear."

"But you seem all right now?" Do you feel as well as you look?" queried the scribe.

"Well, I should say. I am all right now, and think I feel even better than I look."

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A very little study of anatomy will show the reader that the junction of the back passage of the nose and the upper part of the throat is connected with the ear by a minute and delicate passage known as the Eustachian tube. Along this tube the catarrhal process extends, producing congestion and inflammation. By the further extension of this process to the mucus lining of the tympanum of the ear is caused, in some cases, slight forms of catarrh of the middle ear, and in this way partial or complete deafness may in like manner result from the thickened tissue encroaching upon the mouth of the Eustachian tube.

Partial or complete deafness may also result from catarrhal interference with the nasal breathing, depriving the ear of a proper supply of pure air or from the effects of obstruction in the nasal passages, causing undue rarefaction or condensation of the air in the middle ear.

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