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OUR BRAIN AND MUSCLE.

PLUMBER'S STRIKE STATUS.

Agitation of the Question as to Whether Working Women Should Band Themselves in Trade Organizations.

The Five O'Clock Whistle, Journal of United Labor. Oh, that whistle in the morning! With its blatant blast of warning Blowing all my thoughts alive; Bidding every slumbering ember Its peculiar pain remember; Like a breath of bleak December Is that whistle just at five.

All the fine and fertile fancies Woven into wild romances Through the black but blessed night, Like the down of ripened thistle Scattered by a flying missil, At the screeching of the whistle Into chaos take their flight.

As a band of soldiers waken From deep sleep all rudely shaken, Not by drum to dress parade, But to face the front of battle Move to rythm of bullets' rattle, Ever "like dumb, driven cattle" Moves our dinner pail brigade.

Through the gray mist swiftly marching, With a blue sky over-arching, And the tender flush of dawn On our haggard faces smiling With an air of gay beguiling. With an air of gay beguiling, As through noisome alleys filing To our post we hasten on.

Then, like tools, our hands are wielding, Each his mind and body yielding To a life devouring task : Turning all our rightful leisure Into tyrants' boasted treasure, Into idlers' harmful pleasure, While they scorn our grimy mask,

Not for us the hope of glory, Thriling song and living story, Moving all the world to tears; Not for us-the brawny toilers-in foul mines, by threatening boilers, But for our white handed spoilers, Wait the world's applauding cheers,

Why should we, O patient brothers, Longer shame our very mothers With our marred, misshapen frames Every thought some fetter wearing, hope through darkness faring, And at last our children bearing All our thraldom with our names.

Heed not priest or politician, With smooth words of admonition For the class by which they thrive; Till they plow the land they cumber, Till they meekly join the number Startled from half finished slumber By the whistle blown at five.

# The Plumbers.

The status of the plumbers' strike remains practically unchanged. Many of the men seem to have drifted away to other cities, and only a comparative few are to be found about the rendezvous these days. Clarence Clancy has gone to work for Williams, leaving the management of the strike practically in the hands of McDonald. The latter is food, steady man, but it is doubtful if he has the influence possessed by Clancy. Well advised, unintercated parties express the opinion that the difficulties now existing will never be settled, as far as these men are concerned; the feeling between them and the employing plumbers is too bit-

tor. Two non-union men arrived in the city about the middle of the week from Balti-more and went to work, but two days after-wards they were won over to the side of the jongaeymen, and quit work. Friday they took the train for Buffalo. The men have now been idle five weeks

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and the drain upon their pockets has been severe. How long it can be continued is not known. Will the Woman Organiza? Will the Women Organize? There is a movement on foot to organize the workingwomen of Omaha into unions for mutual protection. The work, if done, will be performed by Miss Barry, the female agitator. In Denver, and other places where Miss Barry has organized the wom results are said to be most gratifying. women the "There is really more reason," said a mem-ber of the central labor union, yesterday, "why women should organize than for men doing so. Workingwomen are now paid ridiculously small wages, even when they do the same work as men, and this will always be the case until they protect them-seives by organization. I hope they will succeed in forming a union here, and if they do they can be assured of our hearty co-

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operation. It Wont Work.

The intelligence that the Pinkerton Detec tive agency contemplates furnishing men to report any attempt to combine among workmen for the advance of wages or other benefits, together with the names of the ring leaders, has been received with a feeling of "What will they want to do next?" asked a rairoad man. "The idea that we are to be watched and spotted whenever employers take it into their heads that we may be doing something to guard our own interests, is scarcely in keeping with the boasted freedom of speech and thought in this country. The idea of putting a lot of fellows of such cal-ibre as these detectives are made of or watching honest workingmen. "That scheme of Mr. Pinkerton's will never work. Work. ingmen wont stand it," said a son of tol yesterday.

Supreme Council of Carpenters. All the preliminary steps necessary for the organization of a supreme council of all the carpenters' unions in the city. have been taken; and the various committees appointed by the different unions to do this work, will make their reports at the meetings to be held this week, and the different organizations will select their representatives in the council. The following appointment of delegates has been made: South Omaha naion. 8; Union No. 271, (German) 2; Union No. 58, 5; Union No. 71, 4. This apportioument is based upon the membership of the unions. The duties of the council will be to promote feelings of brotherhood among the dif-ferent organizations and to settle all questions of dispute. The council is granted a charter by the National union and under this is empowered to settle all strikes without appeal to higher authority.

# An Engineer's Sorrow

Annie Norris, the young wife of Engineer Con Norris, of the Union Pacific, died on Wednesday of typhoid fever, and was laid at rest in the cemetery of the Holy Sepul-chre, yesterday, the remains being followed to the grave by a large number of Mr. Norris' fellow-engineers and many others whi knew and loved Mrs. Norris. Prior to the funeral high mass was celebrated at St. Pat-rick's church, to which the deceased be-longed. Mrs. Norris was a sister of Mrs. John Magert, and had a large circle of ac-quaintances in the city. She had been married scarcely a year.

Won't Stand a Reduction. The griavance committee of the local Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers has been in conference all the week with the offi cisis of the Union Pacific, the controversy being due to a movement on the part of the latter to reduce the scale of wages in certain instances. The proposed reduction is on the Kansas Central and the Leavenworth, To-

Kansas Central and the Leavenworth, To-peka & Southwestern, both of which are a part of the Union Pacific system, now under the management of W. H. Baldwin. Another point in the controversy is the proposed reduction of the pay of engineers employed in the transfer yards at Council Biuffs. The scale at the transfer is \$3.85, but it is proposed to cut this to \$3.50. The brotherhood engineers at the transfer draw their pay under a scale provided in a contract entered into with G. M. Cumming, of the

Assistant General Manager Dickinson was absent when the first meeting of the officials and the committee was held last Monday, and, owing to this, an adjournment was taken until Wednesday afternoon. At that time General Manager Kimball informed the committee that authority in the matter rested with Vice President Baldwin, who is in Portland, and since that time dispatches have been flying back and forth between the officials here and the vice president regard

ing the matter. Both sides are anxious to avoid a strike and it is only the remotest possibility that one will enaue. A Plumber Aggrieved.

Clarence Clancy, vice-president of the Plumbers' union, threatens the employing plumbers of the masters' association with a libel suit.

A few days ago Clancy went to work at Welshans' shop, and, so he asserts, a day or so afterwards a committee from the masters' association called upon Mr. Welshans and urged him to discharge Clancy, making sundry charges against him. Mr. Welshans re fused to listen to them, but reported the epi sode to Clancy, who immediately took steps to lay the foundation for a libel suit. He asserts that John Rowe was the principal de-famer, and he will make him the principal respondent. Clancy, in his connect n with the strike, has always been in favor of peace ble methods.

One Day in Seven. Rev. Wilbur F. Crafts, field secretary of the American Sunday Union, will make three addresses to-day in favor of the object of his

crusade, as follows: In the morning at the St. Mary's Avenue Congragational church : at 3 o'clock in the afternoon at Y. M. C. A hall, and in the evening at the First Presby terian church, corner of Douglas and Seven-teenth streets. To these services all work-ingmen are especially invited as the subject matter of the addresses will be such as to interest them, and will be, in fact, practicalty in their behalf. A Pienic in June.

Committees from the plasterers' plumbers and bricklayers' unions are now making arrangements for a grand joint picnic, to be given some time this month. The place has not yet been chosen, but S. Eddleman, of the plasterers' union, will go to Fremont to day to see what arrangements can be made for securing the grounds there. It is intended to make this one of the biggest affairs of the kind which has ever occurred in this section of the country. Labor Notes.

One hundred and eighty-five Italian laborers were shipped from here, last week, to Washington Territory. Carpenters' union No. 71 initiated twalve new members last Tuesday night. If the million dollar hotel project is carried forwards, as there is every indication that it will be, it will be necessary to import additional men of the various building trades, as there is scarcely a sufficient number here now to supply present demands. "I see," said a Union Pacific cogineer the other day, "that Ed Dickinson is liable to be promoted, and I am glad of it and so are all the boys. Dickinson is square and a good friend of the brotherhood, and we will all

rejoice at any good fortune that may befall A knot of workingmen was heard discuss A knot of working near way near a days ing the great Sioux reservation a few days ago, and it is not at all improbable that a colony of them will go there if the land is opened to settlement. The carpentors, es-pecially, are figuring on the fact that work will be plenty there and prices high for a

time. Cheaper rents are expected and the work-ingmen are not sorry, as a good-sized hole is eaten into the salaries now by exorbitant rates paid for houses. A number of carpenters, plasterers, brick-layers and others are temporarily out of work on account of the suspension of work at the county bospital.

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He Never Did Anything Naughty At All.

HOW BILLINGS WAS INDORSED.

He Gets the "Unanimous" Vote of One Regent-The Burns Case-Stout & Buckstaff's Contract -News and Notes.

LINCOLN BUREAU OF THE OMAHA BES. ] 1029 P STREET, LINCOLN, June 16.

The council investigating committee resumed the inquiry into the affairs of the city this morning.

Scott testified that the records show \$1,250 fees and expenses of the city attorney in the council contempt case.

Fullerton, a member of the citizens' com mittee to settle with the city in the matter of the third paving district, testified that the cost for engineering and inspection was outrageous. Reports said that inspectors were paid \$4 per day. The committee asked for : statement but could get none. On a compromise, witness stated, it was agreed to pay \$63,000 for the work. The city claimed \$67,000. It was understood that the settlement was to be kept private,

as it might prejudice other districts, as they had the full price without a kick. Councilman Meyer testified regarding the bond transaction. He said that Lewis claimed that they expected to give up their claimed that they expected to give up their commission on some of the bonds. They only expected par on the deal. Lawis after-wards stated to him that they expected to make something over par on the district pay-ing bonds. On cross-examination Meyer re-peated that he had never received a dollar from anyone for his acts, and was never of-fored anything. He failed to answer Strode's quastion as to why if the accents of the city

fered anything. He failed to answer Strode's question as to why, if the agents of the city were to receive the premium, the fact was incorporated in the contract. Witness would not admit that the matter was questionable. He stuck to bis story well. Mayor Sawyer was called and testified in the bond matter. He stated that the written propositions would speak for themselves. Leading up to that the city had experienced difficulty in placing bonds. "I think Lincoln bonds were depreciated by the efforts of H. T. Clarke to sell the first

by the efforts of H. T. Clarke to sell the firs was close. I went to John R. Clark. Mr. Clark said he did not care to negotiate the city bonds, for he had negotiated some at one time and had been accused of fraud in the transaction. Afterwird Clark and Lewis mades written promisition They also admade a written proposition. They also ad-dressed the council oraliy on the same ques-tion. As I remember it, they said they would undertake to place the bonds at 3 and 15, per cent commission. Mr. Henry E. Lewis said they would not make apything on the inter-section hands that they have to average section bonds—that they noped to average it to make 2 per cent commission. So far as I know they have carried out their part.

think the citizens generally thought the con-tract a good one. I did not expect the city to receive a premium. T understood that the city was to receive par and give 2 per cent

commission." Mr. Sawyor further testified in response to questions that the council and himself considered 2 per cent commission a fair com-pensation for the agents' work.

# "They" Indorse Billings.

The word has gone abroad that the board of university regents passed resolutions com mendatory of Dr. Billings and his work as the head of the patho-biological laboratory Indeed, such resolutions have been published. and in view of the fact that the doctor has had creater success in inoculating cholers into hogs than out of them, the announ ment created no little mirth in Lincoln, and considerable surprise as well. It seems that during the recent session of the board Mr. Gere prepared the resolutions in question and handed them to Mr. Roberts to be pre-sented for the reason that he was chairman of the board and could not do is without call-

but there was no second. The chairman waited a sufficient time for the indorsement waited a sufficient time for the indorsement of the motion, and failing to get it, put the motion and it secured one of the five votes. Dr. Rob-erts voted ave. The rest of the board kept a dignified silence, voting neither for or against, but the word goes that Billings re-ceived the unanimous indorsement of the board of regents and the resolutions pub-lished would indicate that this was true without explanation. "I for one," said a member of the board to This BEE representa-tive. "could not stultify myself by voting to tive, "could not stultify myself by voting to indorse Billings, and so held my peace, and I believe that this was the feeling of my asso ciates who kept still. If this kind of inderse-ment is food for Billings, he is welcome to it so far as I am concerned."

**Corner 13th and Farnam** 

# Joe Burns vs the City.

The case of Joseph Burns vs the City of Lincoln, which has been on trial in the district court for the past three days, has been given to the jury. The cause was submitted to-day at 12 o'clock, and whichever way it goes the case will be carried to the supreme court. Some of the members of the council are going upon the principle that it is an ill wind that blows nobody good. Mr. Burns' exposition of the doings of certain members of the city council has not been conciliatory in any sense, and if he wins it is said that who wear the shoe that pinches will see they who wear the shoe that pinches will see that the case goes a step higher. Burns will go because he believes he is right, and that he has the law and evidence to sustain him. The first round in the case has been fought, and it has awakened a deal of interest throughout the city, largely, perhaps, cause of the investigation in be cause of the investigation in the council that is dragging its weary length along. The jury and the public are now weighing the facts, the former as gleaned through the lawyers, and the latter through the press. Many, if not all of them, have sampled the water the Bun's weils produced, and the last scene in the drama will occur when the members of the supreme bench sample it from the bottles preserved for them by the first court of jurisdiction.

# Will Create a Stir. A resolution will be introduced in the city

council on next Monday evening to revoke Stout & Buckstaff's paving contract. The contract does not expire until next November, but it is said that they cannot complete it. There are three paving districts in which there has not been any work done, and two others with but little showing. It will be urged that the contractors have been dillydallying from the first and furnish no assurance that they will make an effort to get there on time: that the streets of the city have been up long enough under this status of affairs. Some of the members of the city council openly state that it is time to quit monkeying, and they emphasize it very emphatic ally. There is a little music in the air.

THE BEE is authorized by the Lincoln Fraveling Men's "Outing" committee, to be held at Cushman park, Lincoln, June 24 to 30, inclusive, that tents will be furnished to traveling men and their families, free of charge. The state tents have been kindly donated by Governor Thayer, who will open the meeting Thursday. Lieutenant-Gover-nor Mikeljohn will also deliver an address of welcome Thursday; speakers for every day thereafter, closing by a sermon by Rev. Savage on Sunday. This is to be a general invitation, no specials being sent to any one. All are welcome.

# City News and Notes.

Governor Thayer, to-day, appointed Smith r. Caldwell, of Edgar, oil inspector for another term, commencing July 1. This was expected, but the query in Lincoln is "will Smith continue Blinkey Paynel"

Ouite a large number of Lincoln people went down to Wabash, to-day, for a picnic. The ladies' cornet band of Weeping Water. and other musical features, were the attrac-tions. A happy time is reported. Children's day will generally be observed

people, candidates will be received into the

church, and children will be baptized. On the evening of July 2, Miss Ida Clothier will address the united societies of Christian Endeavor. The event promises to b considerable interest in religious circles. The event promises to be of Mr, and Mrs. Walter Caldwell and daugh ter, Miss Clara, will start for

ter, Miss Ciara, will start for the Pacine coast on next Tuesday. They will spend the summer in California and Oregon. Tartarax and Coronado will be in Lincoln July 4. The railroads are advertising their intended arrival, and as they never lie they will un-questionably be here. It will be a great day for the Capital City, and these historical relics will certainly be on exhibition. The citizens of Stromsburg, through W. J.

The citizens of Stromsburg, through W. J. Frawley, have made Bishop Bonacum an offer of property valued at \$20,000, condi-tioned upon the establishment of a provincial school at that place, and a guarantee to maintain it for six years. Bishop Bonacum will accept the proposition providing he can find some society of the church ready to take bold of the school and run it. The executive committee of the Nebraska

non-partisan prohibitory amendment league will meet in Lincoln on the 27th, and con-tinue in session several days, providing it s given out that the new party will organiz

for the fray. County Cierk O. C. Bell has prepared an estimate of the railroad valuations in Lan-caster county. The following interesting figures are taken therefrom: B. &. M. track, 32.54 miles. Assessment at the rate of \$11,800 per mile, \$383,972; Nebraska railway. 82.80 miles, at \$5,790 per mile, \$189,912; A. & N., 19.40 miles, at \$5,775, \$112,035; L. & N. W., 11.39 miles, at \$4,800 per mile, \$56,672; F. W., 11.35 miles, at \$4,500 per mile, \$50,602 per mile,
E. & M. V., 17.08 miles, at \$5,600 per mile,
\$85,400; O. & R. V., 38,50 miles, at \$5,000 per mile,
\$192,950; M. P., Crete branch, 25,633 miles, at \$4,000 per mile,
\$105,500; M. P., main line, 14,16 miles, at \$5,650 per mile, \$80,004; total number of miles of road in the county, 192.59, which is assessed at \$1,205.465 an increase of \$105,430 over last year. De-ducting the 26.63 miles of the Crote branch, and the assessment is \$1,100 less than last year. The returns show a reduction in the assessed valuation of the Burlington, while the F. E. & M. V. stand a raise.

All Omaha people are commanded to pre-sent themselves before King Tartarrax, in the city of Lincoln, at 11 o'clock, July 4.

NEBRASKA LAND DECISIONS.

Assistant Secretary Chandler Settles Three Important Contests.

WASHINGTON, June 15 .- | Special Telegram o THE BEE. ]-The case of Charles Hoffman vs Hiram Tomliason and Theodore F. Barnes, on appeal by Hoffman and Tomlinson from the decisions of the general land office, has been decided by Assistant Secratary Chandler. On October 9, 1883, Barnes made homestead entry for the southwest quarter of section 8, township 13, north range 38, west sixth P. M., North Platte, Nebraska, land district. On September 11, 1884, Charles E. Collier filed affidavit of con

test against the entry of Barnes, alleging abandonment. The hearing of this contest was continued at various times, and finally was fixed for May 4, 1885, the contestant having in the man time procured by way of depositions the testimony of a part of his witnesses. On May 2, 1855, the entry man presented at the local office Collier's dismissal of his contest. Barnes was notified that day that no action would be taken in the contest until the day to which the contest had actions and Ba Harnes was notified that day that no action would be taken in the contest until the day to which the contest had adjourned. He thereupon executed the relinquishment of the entry and presented it, together with two applications to make soldiers' additional homestead entries, one upon certifi-cate issued to Hiram Tomlinson February 10, 1885, and the other on certificate issued to Daniel L. Emerson, March, 1884, when he was informed that his relinquishmert would be received and acted upon at once, but that he would not be al-lowed to locate the soldiers' additional until lowed to locate the soldiers' additional until the contest was disposed of, and upon examination of the soldiers' additionals he was in

formed that they would not be acted on until they were submitted with his appeal to be filed on May 4, 1885. Barnes ap-pears to have signed the appeal as agent on May 4, 1885. Churles Hoff-

man presented his contest affidavit against the entry of Barnes, which was rejected by the local officers because of the relinquish-ment of Barnes. Hofman then made appli-cation face here another for the hord cation for a homestead entry for the lands but the application was refused because of the pendency of the soldier's additional application of Emerson and Tomlinson. On appeal by Hoffman the general land office al-lowed Barnes to locate the additional application of Emerson for 120 acres and rejected the additional application of 'Tomlinson cause it was not signed by the latter. By this decision Hoffman's application to contest was rejected, but it was held that his application to enter should have been allowed as to that portion of the land left unappropriated after Barnes had made his selection. Barnes, on Novem-ber 12, 1888, asked for a reversal of the de-cision of the general land office in relation to the rejection of Tomlinson's additional homo-stead entry. This motion was denied Janu-ary 14, 1887. From this decision the appeal is taken. Assistant Secretary Chandler re-views the case at length and orders a hearing before the local land officers, when the facts in relation to the various applications-of the parties can be fully inquired into and their rights regarding the lands in contro-

In the case of James McCampbell vs the heirs of John Welsh, involving the timber culture entry of John Welch, involving the northwest 4 section 8, township 20, north range 14 west, Niobrara land district, Nebrasks, appealed from the decision of the general land office holding lands for cancella-tion taken by the hoirs of the entryman, Welch, Assistant Secretary Chandler finds that the testimony in support of the allegation of contest comprised that of Campbell and two witnesses, and was to the effect that the breaking done on the land did not amount to ten acres, while in support of the entry the widow of the countryman testified that her husband, during 1876, had proken the tract for ten acres and cropped it to wheat. This is cor-roborated by another witness. The evidence shows that about a year before the con-testant filed his affidavit the countryman's sons had planted the requisite number of cuttings upon ten acres, and that part of the same had continued to grow until the contestant bad ploughed them under. The de-cision appealed from is reversed. The entry' still remains uncancelled of record.

still remains uncancelled of record. In the appeal of John Austin from the de-cision of the general land office, holding for cancellation his homestead entry of the east by of the northwest by and lots 1 and 2, sec-tion 18, township 12, north range 43, West North Platte, Neb., and for which Austin made homestead entry on July 7, 1884, for which Florence H. Kendall initiated contest which Fibrence H. Kendah Initiated concess-against the same on Narch 18, 1855, and in-which, in corroboration affidavit, the con-testant alleges that Austin has wholly abandoned said tract, that said tract is not settled upon and cultivated, as required by law, and that he has never established a res-idence on the tract. Assistant Secretary Chandler finds that the entryman did not comply with the provisions of the homestead fore affirms the decision of the commission of the general land office.

# Captured a Confidence Shark.

A clover capture was made yesterday in the arrest of James Howard, a coaffdence man who was trying to work a country mer-chant named L. W. Weisman, from Water-loo, Lawrence county, Ohio. Before he had succeeded in robbing Weisman, the confisucceeded in robbing Weisman, the confi-dence man found himself under arrest. Int his possession were found bogus checks and silver and gold cartificates with which hose works victures. When cross-questioned int the chief's office, he told a great many con-flicting stories, and when asked by the chief why he carried suchs bogus papers, he pretended that hose had been victurized himself. Howard wass considerably disconfited when he was sud-denly confronted by John Gall, whe identidenly confronted by John Gall, who identi-fied him as the man who played a confidences game on him about a week ago and secured \$50. Howard is a short heavy-set man off about forty-two. He has a thin, brown moustache elipped at the end, heavy feat-ures, receding forehead and has the sir of at shrowd criminal.

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