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MINOR MENTION.

F. Y. Plumbing Co. Boston store for dry goods. Council Bluffs Lumber Co. Regular meeting of Council Bluffs Lodge of Perfection A. S. R., this evening.

A meeting of fidelity council No. 156, Royal Arcanum, will be held this evening. Unity guild will meet in regular session with Mrs. E. M. Shepherd tomorrow afternoon at 2:30. Large attendance requested. Important business.

James Palmer, who was arrested Wednesday charged with assault and battery on Zephaniah Hughes, was discharged by Justice Swearingen yesterday on account of the failure of the prosecuting witness to appear. A double wedding was performed last evening by Rev. T. F. Thielke at his residence on Willow avenue. The parties were Mortimer Courtney and Edith Swearingen and Joseph Bustee and Mattie Russell, all of Omaha.

The following officers have been elected by the Improved Order of Red Men, No. 1246, J. G. Bradley, senior w. g. A. D. Van Horn, junior w. g. C. L. Gillette, chief of records, M. Delmont, keeper of wampum, S. Dawson.

Marriage licenses were issued yesterday to George Lebourveau of Cherokee, Ia., and Mrs. Fannie Hanks of Council Bluffs and to Thomas V. Gaudier and Nellie A. Russell, both of Council Bluffs. The last named couple were married by Justice Hamner.

An informal reception was tendered Rev. D. H. Cooney Tuesday evening at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. C. J. McNitt, 808 Avenue C. A large number of the members of the church of which Mr. Cooney is pastor were present.

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NEWS FROM COUNCIL BLUFFS

Hot Weather Has a Marked Effect on the Tent Dwellers at Chaotauqua.

SWELTERING IN THE SYLVAN SHADES

No Place Offers a Retreat from the Sultry Oppressiveness of the Day—Program Carried Out Faithfully—Beginning of the End.

Hot, hotter, hottest. Even cool Silliman's shady hill would have been a hot place yesterday, and Chaotauqua is not a shady hill by any means. There was throughout the camp an utter stoniness of all the conventionalities of starch and frills. Sufficient to the day was the perspiration thereof. For once at least the talkers on the platform earned their money by the sweat of their brows, with sweltering audiences gave them the warmest sort of greetings.

Despite the weather there was a goodly sized audience, especially in the afternoon. The amphitheater was cooler than the tents, in fact, it was the coolest spot on the grounds, so folks rushed there to get pleasure for body and mind together.

The forenoon lecture was by Rev. J. W. Geiger, it being more of his admirable character sketches of American life and habits.

Bringing on the Band. The afternoon entertainment opened with a half hour's musical by the assembly band. This excellent musical organization, under the direction of Mr. H. Schunke, won favor early in the assembly, and has added to the pleasure of the evening.

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IGNORED THE COMMISSION

Interstate Commerce Authorities Unable to Manage the Railroads.

OFFICIALS REFUSE TO TESTIFY

They Are Warned That the Assistance of the Courts Will Be Invoked to Compel Them to Answer All Material Questions.

Chicago, Ill., July 14.—Evidently the Interstate Commerce commission determined to find out, if possible, the exact relation existing between the Illinois Steel company and the five incorporated side tracks, known as railroad companies. Yesterday they were baffled in their attempt to obtain this information, by the refusal of the principal witnesses to answer important questions.

Today they made a formal demand on the Illinois Steel company, the Illinois Steel company for the stock book of that concern. Mr. Sterling's counsel, Lawyer Whitrow, remonstrated and finally declined to produce the book.

"Then," said Commissioner Veasey, "I will subpoena you, Mr. Sterling, to produce the stock book."

It caused something of a sensation and right away it came as order from the commissioners making it imperative upon the auditor of the five railroad companies, J. S. O'Keefe, to yield the secretary's books for inspection.

Did Not Have the Book. Mr. Sterling explained that the book was in possession of the executive committee. He said, however, that he would accept service of the subpoena for the company and endeavor to call a meeting of the executive committee so as to get the stock book.

There seems to be nothing for the commissioners to do but await the pleasure of the executive committee. Mr. Sterling, president of the defendant railroad companies, and F. S. Chase, the assistant general manager of the Lake Shore, were examined. No important information was elicited from either witness and the commissioners temporarily abandoned the investigation of the case.

At the afternoon session the first case called was the complaint against the Grand Western, East Saginaw & Michigan and the Wabash, which had a lower rate than the tariff sheets for foreign and domestic points. The railroad was held to the tariff rate.

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Why He Refused to Answer. "Why do you decline?" asked Chairman Veasey. "Because I might become a party to a prosecution in connection with a violation of the interstate commerce act," replied the witness.

Mr. Brown seemed to realize the inference which his reply suggested and withdrew it, saying he would answer the subpoena before being taken for his refusal.

Summer Hopkins, freight agent of the Wabash, was called to the stand. His attorney stated that he advised his client to refuse to answer the commission's questions, because he believed the commission had no jurisdiction to inquire into the matter. Mr. Hopkins declined to answer every one of the questions put to Mr. Brown.

H. H. Walker, agent of the Lehigh Valley, was also called to the stand. He was examined and his testimony was taken. After Chairman Veasey had finished his unsuccessful examination and he and his fellow witnesses consulted District Attorney Mitchell, it was determined that the three railroads may be considered in contempt. "We will endeavor to compel these witnesses to answer our questions and will invoke the aid of the courts, if they decline they will be in contempt of the court and may be punished accordingly," these are the words of the commissioners.

Those Indicted Brokers. There seems to be no truth in the report that the Chicago ticket brokers have secured immunity from further prosecution by entering into a conspiracy with the railroad companies. "The world's fair officials are behind the prosecution and they have no intention of abandoning it. The committee is authorized to proceed with the case to trial, and the prosecution will go on."

Illinois Central Earnings. A statement just issued by the Illinois Central shows that during the eleven months ending June 30, 1892, the net operating income was \$17,985,935, an increase of \$1,237,707 over the corresponding period of the preceding year. Operating expenses were \$12,321,144, leaving net earnings of \$5,664,791, a decrease of \$5,473.

Sales and Receivables. In this net issue the Railway Age and the Western Railway World give a review of the railway financial sales and receivables during the first six months of 1892. During the period between January 1 and June 30, 1892, the total amount of 1,138 miles of road and \$60,000,000 bonded debt and capital stock, were sold for the purpose of reorganization. Twenty-four road companies with a total of \$17,000,000 in capital stock, were sold for the purpose of reorganization.

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