ONLY THREE PETTY THIEVES

Union Pacific Officials on the Capture of

DENY THE STORY OF A BIG ROBBER BAND

Central Traffic Association Meeting Mostly Talk-Railroad Men Admit General Rate Cutting-General Manager Holdrege Protects Employes.

Chief Detective W. T. Canada of the Union Pacific railways, arrived in Omaha over the Northwestern yesterday forengon with A. H. Baker, alias Walters, who was arrested in Chicage Saturday night while trying to dispose of some boxes of cigars that had been stolen while in transit over

the mountain division of the Union Pacific. In order to avoid being noticed by any one, especially employes of the company, Canada traveled with his prisoner in the chair car, and even the conductor of the train did not know that he was carrying a special agent of the road and a prisoner.

When the train stopped in Omaha Detective Canada took his man off on the north side, and with a close grip on his arm walked along under the Eleventh street viaduct and up to the Union Pacific general offices.

At the headquarters Baker was put through a course of questioning, but through the long siege he stood his ground. While admitting his own guilt to some extent he declined to give away his partners in crime.

After the examination was over Baker was
taken to the county jail for safe keeping,
and he will be taken back to Montana to-

In speaking about the matter last evening Judge Kelly, assistant general solicitor for the Union Pacific, said:

"The reports published in the morning pepers about this case were greatly exaggerated. In the first place this man Baker is only charged with stealing fourteen boxes of cigars, and we intend to take him back to Montana and make an example of him. Two other people, whom we know, assisted Baker in purioning the goods, and we will have them arrested before many hours. As for an organized gang robbing the road, that is all organized gang roboting the road, that is an innesense; nothing of the sort exists. Baker will merely be tried for the larceny of \$100 worth of cigars and his confederates will have to face the same charge."

Two Brakemen, One Outsider. The additional particulars developed yes-

The additional particulars developed yesterday indicate that the story published in yesterday's Bee. given by one of the railroad officers, was correct. But three men are implicated. Two are brakemen and the third an outsider. The value of the stolen goods given by the Chicago dispatches was a gross exaggeration. Mr. Charles J. Lane, division freight agent of the Union Pacific, said vesterday: said yesterday:
"Of course we knew that petty thieving

was going on, but not to the extent stated. That is absurd. The story that this arrest is the beginning of the breaking up of an organized gang of thieves is nonsense. There is no organized gang operating on the Union Pa cific system. There is not a trunk line in the United States that at some time or other is not made the victim of petty thieves. The railroads arrest a few and their operations are transferred to another road and another section of the country. Conducters, as a rule, are too sharp to go into a business they know in a short time will lead to their detec-tion. There is no organized movement among the conductors or brakemen, and you among the conductors or brakemen, and you can depend on it that, with the system of car scaling now in vogue, a leak can be found readily and the guilty parties caught. Speaking again of the Union Pacific conductors, I want to say that I don't believe that any railroad has a better set of employes than ours have proven."

P. J. Nichols, superintendent of the Nebraska division, made almost the same statement given by Mr. Lane:

"The stealings won't amount to anything

ment given by Mr. Lane:

"The stealings won't amount to anything near the sum given, and I am confident there is no organized gang working the road. If there is I vow I don't know anything of it. It will simmer down to three or four people, and I think they will prove other than Union Pacific employes. There is always some petty thieving gang on all lines, but there is rang on all lines, but there is none in Nebraska."

BARREN OF RESULT.

One of the Members Talks of the Meeting of the Central Traffic Association.
CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 12.—The managers of the lines in the Central Traffic association, who have been attending the joint committee meeting, returned yesterday. One of them. speaking of the conference, said: "It was entirely barren of results, just as I predicted it would be. Everything that came before the meeting was referred back to the board of presidents. The only question on which there was any considerable discussion was that relating to the abolition of commissions on passenger traffic. It was held that some on passenger traffic. It was held that some of the differential lines were paying commissions to secure business and a great pressure was brought to bear upon them to induce them to turn from their evil course and get into the band wagon of reform before it was too late. That sounded very well, but during the discussion it transmired that while the rates from New York to Chicago by the differential New York to Chicago by the differential lines varied only from \$17.50 to \$18.50, there was a rate in force by way of the New York Central and other trunk lines in connection with the Nickel Plate of 814, thus more than wiping out the differential. Of course nobody accused the trunk lines of participating in the reduction, but that they winked at it, was too evident to be denied. It was said the tickets from New York to Buffalo were benefit in and said in course. Buffalo were bought up and sold in connec-tion with tickets over the Nickel Plate from Buffalo to Chicago. Furthermore, it was said that the brokers were dealing in these tickets at a profit to themselves, which is an indication that the Nickel Plate rate is even less than so.

less than 86.
"On eastbound business the conditions are the same. The rate from Chicago to Buffalo over the Nickel Plate is \$6, which, added to the \$8-rate over the West Shore to New York, makes the through rate \$14. Some-times you can get a discount on this from scalpers. We are told that the Nickel Plate is taking this advantage because it has no through passenger service and cannot make good time. That is a mistake of those who are not aware that the company has recently

are not aware that the company has recently improved its passenger service. It is now running a through vestibuled train and making even better time than some roads that have been trying to be content with their authorized differential rate.

"Can you wender that there was a great row over the commission question, and that the matter was referred back to the presidents for further consideration?"

Next Tuesday a meeting of the general passenger agents of the Transcontinental lines will be held in this city for the purpose of agreeing on a schedule of World's fair rates from the Pacific coast and intermediate territory. General Passenger Agent Goodman of the Southern Pacific, who called the meeting, suggests that reduced rates be made effective on or before April 1 for the benefit of foreign visitors and exhibitors who will arrive early at San Francisco. He also thinks that the reduced rates should apply in both directions, and that they should be used in the sale of both single and round trip tickets, the single trip tickets to be closely timed and to be school to receive the round trip tickets, the single trip tickets to be closely timed and to be sold to accommodate those who would not expect to make the return trip within the limits fixed for the round trip tickets.

A Righteons Order.

Some three years ago the management of the Burlington issued a circular frowning upon the everlasting custom of giving presents to retiring officials and others connected with the road. The order has been more honored in the breach than in the observance, and Mr. G. W. Holdrege has just issued the following circular bearing upon the

suid the following circular bearing upon the subject:

"The receiving of presents from their subordinates, by offices and others in charge of
men, is very objectionable and is not permatted on this road. A little reflection will
convince any one of the evil of such a
practice. Too often men who cannot afford
to contribute toward such presents feel constrained to do so rather than run the
risk of mearring the displeasure of, or seeming
unfriendly to those having charge over them.
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ful obedience on the other side, and does not not call for recognition through the means of presents. Neither should employes be of presents. Neither should employes be solicited by these in charge to contribute toward any object—whether charitable, religious or of any other character. Every employe is entitled to dispose of the compensation he receives from the company as his inclination or necessities may dictate, and should not in any manner be influenced in so doing by his superior officers."

WILL REDUCE RATES.

New Transcontinental Tariff Sheet Shows a

Considerable Cut in Tariffs. St. Paul, Minn., Feb. 12.-The new west bound tariff, which after a month's session the transcontinental railroad conference formulated, was given out today and changes the entire complexion of transcontinental rates. The new rates will go into effect February 15. The tariff is issued jointly by the Union Pacific, the Northern Pacific and the Great Northern and covers the entire territory penetrated by these systems west from Chicago to the Pacific coast.

It has been the avowed purpose in making hese rates to build up the country through these rates to build up the country through which the roads run, and all classes of freight have been acted on and are included in the schedules. There is an average reduction of 20 per cent on all freight rates from St. Paul to Spokane, a reduction of from 12 to 10 per cent on const rates, and of from 2 to 7 on rates to Montana, while the only castbound reduction is 5 cents on lumber from duction is 5 cents on lumber from 55 to 50, and the eastbound lumber rate to Chicago and St. Louis remains at 60 and 57% respectively. Reductions to Spokane are the result of an appeal by that city to the Interstate Commerce commission, and the new rates are even better than ordered by the commission. The reductions to Montana are a concession to its commercial develop

One or two factors enter into the situation which give it an additional interest. The present agreement embraces only three roads instead of ten, the number subject to the old arrangement. The new tariff ex-tenus no farther east than Chicago, while tends no farther east than Chicago, while the one it supersedes provided for trans-continental business. It is a notable fact that while only three reads have joined in the new tariff, the transcontinental roads were represented during the carly days of the conference. Why they withdrew is not known, but no complications are expected from that operator.

The roads to the south will be compelled to reduce their rates to Pacific coast points if they intend to carry any transcontinental business at all. business at all.

It is understood that the Union Pacific, while not directly appearing in the agreement, will coincide in the result. The new tariff directly applies to the northwestern tier of states and the north Pacific coast points; its influence on other territory will be indirect.

CUTTING RATES.

Every Railroad Man Knows His Rival is Doing It.

Freight rates are in a state of chaos. Denoralization is everywhere noticeable, and tariffs are openly cut from the Missouri river both east and west. But as all the roads are engaged in the delectable pastime of carving rates, no one is quite willing to go on record as having enjoyed a change of heart. As an instance of what is being done, a factory located on the line of the Northwestern and consigning goods to Omaha parties, is shipping its product by another road, which has to make a longer haul by twenty-five miles than the Northwestern, the direct line. Of course to freight agents that is a clear indication that rates are being cut.

As for transcontinental rates, they have not been so demoralized in years, all the roads being engaged in meeting the "clipper" rates and the Panama steamship traffic with but little success, as their freight earnings for January will show. Mr. G. McFadden, secretary of the West of the Missouri River Freight Rate committee, when in Omaha

reight Rate committee, when in Omaha this week said:

"To say the least, the situation is one that does not promise much for the future. Rate cutting, I presume, is made necessary by the netien of the water lines, but I have, no official knowledge of the matter, as it does not come within the province of the freight rate committee. It means however that for nutual protection there will have to be a transcontinental association erected upon the ruins of the old one, and I look forward to the time when the Transmissouri will be reorganized with broader powers, more con-servative ideas than the old possessed. Nothing works to the good of railroads so much as rate wars, for through them the railways recognize their strength and their weakness, and naturally 'get together' in consequence. At best the freight rate situa-tion is precarious, and you can't tell what a day will bring forth."

Railway Notes. B. A. Branch, one of the best known and best liked traveling passenger agents, rep-resenting the Erle lines, is in the city. The commissioners from Hawaii represent-

ing Queen Liliuokalani will arrive in Omaha this evening by the Union Pacific on No. 2. They will go east by the Northwestern.

"The eating of meat" means the building up of fiesh, bone and tissue, if the meat be Cudahy's "Hex" Brand Extract of Beef,

UNDER SNOW.

New Weather Bureau Map Showing Local-ities Having the Beautiful.

The weather bureau at Washington has recently gotten out a map showing the snow line across the country from the Pacific to the Atlantic coast. It is of special interest to men engaged in wheat raising, for every Monday morning they can see exactly the territory covered by snow and can keep themselves pretty well posted upon the prospect for the wheat crop. The line of snow covered area of course is likely to change from week to week, but the territory far to the north is covered the greater part of the winter by several inches of the beau-

of the winter by several inches of the beautiful.

There are some peculiar features about the snow line as shown on the map issued last Monday morning. On the Pacific coast it is well up to the north of the state of California, and as it reaches the mountains it dips to the south, taking in Salt Lake City. Then turning to the north, it formed an immense loop in the state of Wyoming, passing to the north of Lander, and, making a sudden whiel to the south, it takes in Cheyenne and dips down around Denver. Coming north again, it passes eastward to North Platte and bearing to the south clips a slice out of Kansas, takes the north end of Missouri in its path and reaches the Mississippi river in the vicinity of Cairo. When the snow line reaches Indiana it bears again to the north and misses the greater part of the state, but swings back to the south again when it reaches Pennsylvania, passing on down below Washington and down to Lynchburg, from which point it again bears to the hown below Washington and down to Lynch-burg, from which point it again bears to the northeast and passes on to the Atlantic coast, reaching the ocean in the vicinity of New York.

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Exterprise of Omaha Ladies. The ladies of Omaha, in addition to furnishing the flag for the Nebraska building at Chicago, have decided to send a window for the woman's building. The window is to be

of opalescent glass, richly studded with jewels. It will be manufactured in Omaha. After it has served its mission at the exposition it will be returned to Omaha and placed in the public library building.

The window will cost \$45, and it is to be hoped that there are forty-five ladies who will contribute their \$1.

Remittances may be made to Miss Sadie Nash, 3802 Burt street; Mrs. Ashbel Patterson or Mrs. M. Allan Bock, president Woman's auxiliary.

THEATRICAL YARNS.

Curious Experiences of Managers as Told by Themselves.

Several well known theatrical men, who net by chance in Tom Mulvihill's office, were discussing the effect of cold weather on the show business and telling fairy yarns gen-

"How did you get through at Cheyenne? asked Ed Rowland, manager of "Fairies Well," and Billy Garen of the "My Jack" company, "I hear the manager there will not transact any business with agents." "He does not," said Garen, "and you must

be careful. He locks you up in a room, and you tell all your pusiness into a phonograph, giving the reasons you forgot to leave the house program copy and newspaper ads., all about the show, how strong the cast is, all about the elegant scenery you carry, and everything. You have to stay in there an hour. Then when the company arrives and the performance has been given, this foxy Cheyenne manager takes the show manager into the room and grinds out what the agent has said, and the difference between these sterling remarks and the performance causes him to deduct all the way from 10 to 20 per cent on your share.'

"That's a crazy manager at Grand Island," said Billy Lykens of "Puritania" fame. "When we arrived I asked him for the comthe mail until after the performance, as there might be something in it that would make some of them sick and they would not be able to act."

"At Fargo," said Fred Wright, "there is only one dressing room in the theater. I asked the manager if he expected twenty-three ladies and gentlemen to dress in one room. 'Why not," he answered, 'don't they smalt?'

speak! "I will tell you fellows something that is hard to beat," said Frank Martineau, agent for "Gloriana," "For evidence as to the truthfulness of this story I will leave it to Punch Wheeler and Bert Dasher. They have been there. But no, on second considoration I will ask you to take my word for it.
When I was up at Winnipeg it was so cold I had to wear a hot air stove in my plug hat. I distlike to speak of cold weather up there, for if you have never been there you have no idea of it and will be inclined to discredit my The crowd hastily assured him they would

"Well, at Winnipeg at noon on Christmas day it began to grow cold, and by 9 o'clock that night it was-

"Did you say 60 degrees below zero?" asked Garen, as the agent stopped short. "No, I did not mention now the thermom-eter stood. Gentlemen, I want to tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, and yet I am positive you won't be

"Oh, yes, we will. We know it gets awfully cold up there. Did it go to 70 on the night you refer to?" "Gentlemen, it was a cold night. It was a polar wave sweeping through from Hudson's

polar wave sweeping through from Hudson's Bay. Had a spirit thermometer by my door so there could be no mistake. At 9 o'clock I looked at it and my hair stood up."

"Good gracious! But maybe it showed 90 below," said the listener with the cob pipe.

"I hate to tell it, really I do," said Martineau. "I give you the honest figures; you will be disappointed even if you don't call me a linr." "No we won't," called three or four in a

"You want the honest truth?"
"We do. At 90'cleck you looked at your thermometer and your hair stood up. Now then, what degree of cold did it show? Don't be afraid to spit it right out."
"Well, gentlemen, as 1 am a living man and upon the honor of an American citizen,

it was 8 degrees below zero—nearly 9—and had a man tried to sleep out doors that night with only a piece of mosquito netting for cover, he would have caught a fearful cold There was a long, sad silence, and then everyhody mentally sized up the biggest

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FIGHTING FOR FEES.

County Clerks Want to Have the Issuing of Marriage Licenses.

The county judges of the state view the situation with alarm, declaring that the county clerks are after them and that they are about to lose the revenue now derived from the issuance of marriage licenses and the performing of marriage ceremonies The clerks have a bill pending before the legislature for the passage of a law to allow them to take charge of the machinery of the marriage mill in every county in the state, though the county judges did not discover the fact until a day or two ago. M. Newman of Wahoo, Saunders county, was the first man who learned of the measure and at once proceeded to notify his coworkers that the enemy was after them. In his notices which he has sent out he calls attention to the fact that the time to strike the iron is when it is hot, and that delays are the worst things with which the lays are the worst things with which the judges have to contend. Then he cites a few instances in which delays have played sad havoc, ending with this positive statement. "The county clerks have filed the bill, providing that they may issue marriage licenses, to rob our offices and enrich theirs. For the purpose of advancing our bill and preventing the clerks, sheriffs, clerks of the district court and others from fliching from us what is our own, we must have a man in the house and the senate, and with

Mr. Newman volunteers the information that the work already accomplished has required the expenditure of \$300 or \$300, and that more is needed to make the machinery run in the proper grooves. That the money may be forthcoming, he has levied an assessment upon every county judge in the state. County Judge Eller, who happens to be one

of the unfortunates, is asked to put up \$10 and ask no questions.

That there will be a fight when the judges That there will be a fight when the judges and clerks come together there is no longer any doubt, as each official is anxious to pull down the other's meat house.

Judge Eller says that the judges bill is a three-time winner, while County Clerk Sackett openly declares that the judge and all of his side partners are simply talking through their tiles. He says that the clerks bill is in the best of shape and that it will pass before the judges can form their battle lines. As a side remark he suggests that the judges had better keep their money in their pockets, as it is too late to place the long green in any locality where it will bring

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And Still They Come. Yesterday the police arrested John Waybright, Charles Burke and George Cooper. The trio confessed to having stolen \$50 worth of tools from Drexel & Foll's stone yard.

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Orators for a Banquet. The Nebraska Underwriters' association. which will give a banquet at the Murray

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The association is also preparing to publish a paper to becalled the Nebraska Life Underwriter. The first issue of the journalistic venture will appear on February 25.

He Worked a Scheme. W. J. McKenziewas locked up in the city jail yesterday on suspicion. McKenzie, it is said, went to the house of an acquaintance and upon producing a bogus order obtained a suit of clothes. The property is not worth much and the complainant, W. A. Ragsdale, is now serving a term in the county jail. The case may not come to trial for some time.

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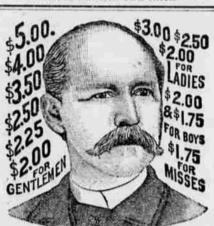
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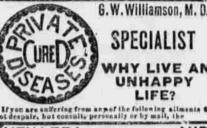


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