

DURKEE'S RAILROAD BONDS Claim Made by Administrator of a Dead Man's Estate. LOOKED UPON AS SCHEME TO GULL UNWARY

Union Pacific Officials Not Averse that Any Large Block of These Securities Was Ever Owned by the Claimant. A man claiming to be the administrator of the estate of the late Charles Durkee is reported to be soliciting \$10 subscriptions among the working classes in Indiana for the purpose of raising sufficient funds to enable him to collect a large indebtedness which he says he holds against several railroads.

Although Durkee was in Salt Lake City during the construction of the Pacific railroad it is not known that he had anything to do with the financing, the contracts, or was interested in the Credit Mobbler. Inquiry was made in Union Pacific circles concerning the existence of the bonds mentioned by the estate's administrator, but one appeared to have any knowledge of them.

MONTANA MAN GETS THE MAP. Burlington Officials Comply with the Request of a Convict. The passenger department of a great railroad receives thousands of unique letters annually and the queries propounded often require a man with a fund of knowledge equal to an encyclopedia to answer them.

At first glance the letter was considered the customary form of request, but when it was observed more closely the Burlington men came to the conclusion that the writer was a pretty bright fellow after all. They made up their minds that if he spent all his spare time in studying a map of the United States there would be little upon it he did not know when he emerged from his prison.

Denver & Gulf Shakes the Receiver. DENVER, Jan. 12.—At midnight last night the Union Pacific, Denver & Gulf and the South Park lines passed out of the receiver's hands and became "The Colorado road," being officially designated as the Colorado & Southern railway. The company will operate 1,537 miles of road in Colorado, Wyoming, New Mexico and Texas.

Given to Booming Nebraska. The January number of the Corn Belt gives Nebraska most flattering notice in illustration and comment. The front page contains a large cut showing a score of cornucopias in Holdrege. Research is an estimate of the state's products during 1897, a total value of \$140,772,494.24.

Cash from Liqueur Licenses. The school district has received a total of \$231,000 from liquor licenses so far, and several thousands more are expected. Of this amount \$126,000 has been transferred to the school fund, but \$101,129 of this has been paid out in taking up registered warrants that were outstanding and drawing 7 per cent interest on January 1.

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THINKS UNION LABEL LEGAL. City Attorney Council Expresses Opinion that Council Acted with Authority in Printing Matter.

CITY ATTORNEY COUNCIL. City Attorney Council is of the opinion that the resolution recently passed by the city council that the union label shall be stamped upon all city job printing is perfectly legal. Regarding the matter he says: "The charter does not provide that the contract for city printing shall be let to the 'lowest bidder,' but to the 'lowest responsible bidder.' The whole matter hinges upon the interpretation of the term 'lowest responsible bidder,' and I do not believe that the courts will question the judgment of the council in deciding that a responsible bidder is one who, in connection with other qualifications, pays living wages for union hours of labor."

CAPTURE OF A NOTED CRIMINAL. Has a Long Record of Robberies and Successful Jail Breaks to His Credit.

MERIDIAN, Miss., Jan. 12.—The post-office at Enterprise, Miss., was blown open with dynamite Monday night and the perpetrator escaped after obtaining a considerable sum of stamps, money orders and cash. It is now supposed that the robbery was committed by Trasher Meade, one of the most desperate criminals in the country. Meade was arrested in Mobile and brought back to Enterprise, but not until after a desperate fight with the officer. A large quantity of postage stamps, blank money orders and \$1,128 in cash stolen from the safe at the Enterprise postoffice were recovered. Meade has a criminal record that is hardly second to that of Rube Burrows.

GOES TO THE PEST HOUSE. Tom Linton, the Smallpox Patient, Removed from the Crowded Flat in Which He is Found.

Arrangements have been made whereby Tom Linton, the man who has smallpox and who resides in a flat at 1231 South Thirteenth street, is to be removed from the crowded tenement and placed in a pest house. This building is quite isolated, according to the statement of City Physician C. H. Johnson, in fact, it is said to be farther away from any habitations than any of the cases of the disease so far reported are or have been.

Opposes Uniform Text Book Bill. "I hope the uniform school text book bill introduced by Senator Talbot will be knocked out," said County Superintendent Bodwell, "as otherwise it will cost the people of this state many thousands of dollars and we will have the same trouble over as they have had in Kansas. It will result in giving some book company a monopoly and in leaving the whole matter to a commission may have the effect of necessitating a complete change in the text books, parents and guardians could not stand anything like this if they had to purchase the books, and certainly the state is not in a position to make a wholesale change. We expect to see the Kansas law repealed this winter, as it has not given satisfaction there at all. Some such move in the interests of the school book companies we have been anticipating for some time."

Suits for \$5,000 Damages from Weymuller. Suit for \$5,000 damages has been brought by Charles A. Shabeta against Charles P. Weymuller, a saloon keeper at 1232 South Thirteenth street, in account of personal injuries. The plaintiff alleges that on August 29, last, while he was employed by Weymuller as a night watchman he fell part way down a flight of stairs leading to the basement and hurt one of his legs.

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ESKILDSON—Henry Samuel, son of Dr. B. E. and Mary B. Eskildson, aged 25 years, 2 months and 15 days. Interment, Gweno, N. Y. Funeral notice hereafter.

BOSTON STORE REMNANT SALE. In Connection with Our Great Clearing Sale We Close Out Today AT LESS THAN HALF THEIR REGULAR PRICE

1 1/2 YARD WIDE CLOAKING, 15C. All the remnants of cloakings, suitings and all wool novelty dress goods in plain colors, stripes and plaids, that have been selling up to \$1.00 yard, in remnants from 1/2 to 5 yards, on front bargain square at 15c yard.

REMNANTS OF CASSIMERE IN BASEMENT. All the short lengths of cassimere boys' wear. These goods are strictly all wool, but short lengths to close them out quick, 5c for every remnant.

REMNANTS OF WHITE GOODS. Thousands of new mill ends of India linens and muslins in a great variety of styles and qualities, worth up to 15c yard, in lengths from 2 to 10 yards. Many pieces to match, on sale in basement at 2 1/2c and 5c yard.

MAGNIFICENT TRAINS. Omaha to Chicago. The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway has just placed two magnificent electric lighted trains between Omaha and Chicago, leaving Omaha daily at 8:45 p. m. arriving Chicago at 8:25 a. m. and leaving Chicago at 8:15 p. m. Each train is lighted thoroughly by electricity, has buffet smoking cars, dining cars, and reclining chairs and runs over the shortest line and smoothest road between the two cities.

Cost of Fire Department. Chief of the Fire Department Redell has made an estimate that it will cost \$134,965 to run his department during the present year. This is nearly \$14,000 more than the department cost last year, the total expenditures of the department for 1898 being \$119,916. Chief Redell says he has estimated, however, provides for the purchase of a new hook and ladder truck at a cost of \$2,500 and for the erection of an engine house to house the new truck, deducting these items, the chief figures that the department will cost the city about the same as in 1898.

Money for Political Purposes. In the clash that took place between the city council and himself Tuesday night City Engineer Rosewater made the statement that certain councilmen in the past have spent hundreds and thousands of dollars for political purposes and not "hundreds of thousands of dollars."

Burlington Route. You pay for what you order on Burlington Route Dining Cars. If you want a six course dinner you can have it. If you want a cup of coffee, an omelette and a couple slices of toast, you can have them. The pay-for-that-you-order way is the only right way to run a dining car. It is in operation all over the Burlington System—Omaha to Chicago—Omaha to Denver—Omaha to Kansas City—St. Paul to Chicago—Kansas City to Chicago.

Regent Shoes. A shoe made by us especially for this damp, muddy weather—a shoe that will keep your feet dry and warm without rubbers—and at the prices—\$2.50 and \$3.50

HAIDEN'S BARGAIN COUNTER. The Biggest Bargains Yet Go on Sale on the Basement Bargain Counter FRIDAY.

On basement bargain counter: Full 200 yards machine thread, 1c; 48 yards embroidery silk, 1c; full sized crocheted silk, 3c; 40, 40 and 50 pure silk rayon ribbons, 7c yard; laces, 1c yard; laces, 3c yard; embroideries, 3c yard; embroideries, 5c yard; dress braids, 1c yard.

BURGULARS ARE KEEPING BUSY. Make a Rich Haul at Home of Edward Reed, Securing Money and Two Valuable Gold Watches.

Burglars made a good haul early Wednesday morning at the home of Edward Reed, 2417 Pierce street. A front window was pried open with a jimmy and in ransacking the house the burglars found \$100 in money and two valuable gold watches. One was worth \$180. The burglars did not stop to take anything else, but made their escape, leaving no clue to their identity.

Light Beverages in England. All habitual diners out must have been struck with the matter of beverages. Champagne is the popular drink, light hocks are preferred, but the police are not persons freely diluted with Apollinaris water. At the table d'hote of any first-class hotel it is remarkable how many of the male guests may be seen drinking from a bottle of Apollinaris, while the ladies often drink Apollinaris only. At public dinners the same is noticed, but the habits of the service is even more marked. There was a time, not so long ago, when at public banquets no such thing as water was to be seen on the table, and one of the first things the intelligent and careful guest looks for when he sits down to dinner is a bottle of Apollinaris.

Prepare to Start the Troops. The officials and clerks at the army headquarters are busily engaged in getting the troops to the Philippines. The arrangements for starting off the regiment have been selected for the service and for installing the new regiments involve a vast amount of routine work and extra hours of the men in the department. It is now expected that the Twentieth Infantry will leave Fort Leavenworth January 15, and the first to go and the exact date on which the Twenty-second will follow is not fully settled. The boys at Fort Crook are all ready to get on the cars at 11 o'clock and wherever they are to go.

Horrible agony is caused by piles, burns and skin diseases. These are immediately relieved and quickly cured by De Witt's Witch-Hazel Salve. Beware of worthless imitations.

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There are no less than fifteen pretty girls in the company to present "At Gay Cony Island" at the Boyd Saturday afternoon and night and an even dozen of them turn somersaults and indulge in other acrobatic feats which belong to the male portion of the profession.

Notice. The members of Capital Lodge, No. 3, A. F. and A. M., are hereby requested to assemble at Free Masons' hall at 1 o'clock Friday afternoon, January 13, for the purpose of attending the funeral of Brother Robert C. Jordan, the first grand master of Masons in Nebraska. Solemnizing master Mason are requested to attend. By order of the master, JOHN BARNFIELD, Secy.

see your husband. FRED KRUG BREWING CO. Telephone 420. 1607 Jackson St. Drug Catalogue Free.

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BROWNELL HALL. Second Term Commences Feb. 1st. Colligate and Preparatory Courses. Every advantage offered. Visitors welcome and applying for information corner 19th and Worthington streets, Omaha.

Neckwear Carnival. On Saturday, January 14th. We give a regular neckwear matinee, commencing at 9 o'clock (and continuing as they last.) Every Neck Tie in the house goes—all the Puffs, all the Tecks, all the Imperials, and all the Four-in-hands will go on sale—your choice any Necktie in the house

25 Cents. There isn't a tie in the lot worth less than fifty cents—most of them worth seventy-five—many worth one dollar. They all go—no reserve. Twenty-five cents for choice—such values haven't been seen in Omaha for many a day—they are displayed in one of our Fifteenth street windows—one glance tells you of the styles and values. There isn't a poor choice in the lot of three hundred dozen. It's the neckwear event of the season—don't pass it by—no old stock, but every tie new and chic this season. The shrewd buyers get first choice.

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Couch like cut—made of best springs and nicely finished—a couch that is built like the average \$22.00 kind—30 inches wide, 6 ft. 6 in. long—one of the best couches made—at our price \$15 We show four styles of frames—20 patterns of cover. Couches at all prices up from \$5.00 Solid Oak Leather Seat Rockers, with arms, nicely finished and carved \$1.50

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Grip Cured—No Fooling—Turkish Grip Cure—25c box—will save you doctor bills as it will positively cure GRIP or a BAD COLD—will, if taken in time, prevent Pneumonia, Bronchitis. Take nothing else as this is the remedy. Ask your druggist for it. HAHN, 18th and Farnam St. BY MAIL ON RECEIPT OF PRICE. OMAHA.

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