

TO DISFRANCHISE CITIZENS

What Judge Baxter's Ruling in Unitt-Miller Case Will Do.

CLERK'S LAWYERS MAKE SWEEPING MOVE

Propose to Make Prominent Men Whom Votes Are Declared Illegal Tell in Court for Whom They Voted.

"Since Charley Unitt has seen fit to resort to the merest technicalities in his effort to get Harry Miller's county clerkship away from him, and since Judge Baxter has seen fit to hold to the most exacting interpretation of the law, we have decided to lead and split hairs so fine in this contest that it will prolong the proceedings for at least a month, possibly six weeks; pile up the court costs along to \$2,500 or \$3,000, result in the disfranchisement of pretty nearly one-half the voters of Douglas county and be a source of endless annoyance to those who are so forgetful of friends who neglected to register by filing affidavits for them."

This was the declaration of Lyle L. Abbott and Louis J. Platt, attorneys for Mr. Miller, yesterday. Scattered around were papers that portend much loss of time from business and much embarrassment for many men. Mr. Abbott further explained: "I confess that my dander is up a little over this contest. The canvassing board gave Miller a majority of 23, the first recount in county court gave him a majority of 24, and this last recount gave him a majority of 24, yet Unitt will not accept the evident desire of the voters, but must continue the fight and incidentally the costs on purely technical grounds."

First Hair Splitting.

"Never before has there been any dispute here of the sufficiency of affidavits filed by residents of the same ward and an unregistered voter, but Judge Baxter sustained their contention that such affidavits must be by residents of the same precinct and there are left but two things we can do. One is to raise the illegal voters, which is manifestly unfair to us now, as Unitt attacked only the strong democratic precincts, and the other is to bring each of the illegal voters into court and find out how he voted. We can do this, because the law will compel any man who voted illegally to tell how he voted, as it will be an embarrassing ordeal for some of them, but we intend to take that course."

"Unitt attacked the First, Second and Third wards of Omaha and all of South Omaha except one precinct of the First ward and another of the Sixth, which were known to be republicans. As nearly as I can remember, he challenges 325 affidavit voters. We shall retaliate by attacking every precinct in Omaha and South Omaha that he didn't attack, and we already have a list of 299 names that will be swelled before we finish our work on the books, to a number that will be nearly as many as pretty nearly one-half the voters of each of the two cities. Judge Baxter seems to demand the strictest compliance with the balloting law, and this opens the way for a sweeping disfranchisement. If a voter's name, for instance, be entered in the poll book erroneously to the extent of even a wrong initial or incorrect spelling, we shall demand that the vote be thrown out, as that is what his ruling requires."

Some Illegal Voters.

"To show you the effect I'll name some of the men who are shown to have been illegal voters, although they have been prominent here for many years. The list includes lawyers, doctors, real estate men and business men of whose good intention there could be no doubt. Among them are: W. A. Paxton, J. R. Buchanan of the Elk-horn road, H. W. Webster, John H. Du-mont, Chester B. Sumner, A. G. Ellick (one of Unitt's attorneys), J. C. Birney, W. C. Green, J. J. Riley, Joel W. West, another attorney; Charles W. Robertson, Charles O. Pickett, G. F. Voss, Counselman D. T. Mount, G. S. Ambler, F. McCoy, J. O. Llewellyn, J. B. Rahm, Frank Deholl, W. T. Denny, Harry O'Neill, A. W. Barnard, H. L. Hayward, J. J. Gibson, O. C. Redick, E. C. Page, another attorney; P. J. Tass and Charles Mack. There seems small justice in throwing the votes of such men as those, but that is precisely what we can do under the Baxter ruling, and it's what we will do. And every one of them will have to appear in court and tell how he voted."

Prominent Men Subpoenaed.

"Another interesting feature of the litigation which is ahead will be the presence in court of men who signed affidavits for Unitt. Our list isn't complete, but we have already placed in the sheriff's hands subpoenas for the following, whose first appearance in court is to be Friday morning at 9:30 o'clock: William Coburn, H. C. Sharp, William Whitehorn, Frank E. Moore, W. J. Connell, R. C. Hallet, J. C. Holtorf, James H. Adams, Morris Meyer, M. H. Laeblich, A. F. Conant, H. J. Cousman, Otto Bauman, A. H. Briggs, Frank B. Johnson, Frank B. Kennard, C. E. Elgutter, P. L. Perrine, W. H. Elbourn, John N. Westberg, M. E. Muxen, George Ostrom, E. J. Harp, O. C. Redick, J. G. Sherry, T. Mahanmitt, Myron D. Karr, Henry Hardy, G. S. Ambler, F. McCoy, J. O. Detwiler, John D. Ware, C. E. Llewellyn, M. F. Sears, C. O. Lobeck, Martin Tighe, G. M. Nattlinger, T. S. Crocker, E. C. Hod-ger, Peter O'Malley, F. B. Bryant, P. A. Edquist, J. G. Brunger, Van B. Ledy, C. H. Klapp, E. J. Redwell, H. W. Goodbury, W. E. Ives, Charles Malm, C. D. Hutchinson."

City Hall Aspect.

"This will make the court room look like a wing of the city hall and when the gentlemen are repeatedly called to testify perfunctorily I anticipate that they will feel far from pleased, but I'll simply bow and refer them to Mr. Unitt's attorney. He is the one who started this thing. We're merely following a lead that he has com-pelled us to. City Clerk Elbourn will have to go to the trouble, too, of bringing over all the poll books and all the registration books that we may make our comparisons."

WILL TAP BIG IOWA TRADE

Proposed New Local Train Service Between Omaha and Sioux City.

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Present Service So Timed that Merchants of Iowa Towns Require Two Days for Trip to Omaha.

It now seems certain that the Chicago & Northwestern railway is finally to take heed of the earnest and long-continued exhortations of Omaha commercial interests and will shortly inaugurate between this point and Sioux City a local train service, which will operate daily to Omaha and return from practically every portion of the valuable commercial territory in Iowa tapped by the Sioux City division of this railroad. These trains will be the most valuable ones in proportion to the length of the carry that have ever run in here. For a year past local business interests have been exerting every influence to get this service, and General Agent Cheyney of the Northwestern is now enlisted on their side. Manufacturers and jobbers have been greatly dissatisfied because the railway has failed to respond to the sentiment here, thinking Omaha was not receiving proper treatment. Commercial men cannot say enough in favor of the proposed new service. "Its value to Omaha is simply inestimable," said one of the shrewd Anglers. "It would mean thousands of dollars a year at once and would build to more than that with time. This can easily be understood when it is known that all the merchants from that old and rich and established section of Iowa can actually go into Chicago as easily as into Omaha now, as far as the expenditure of time is concerned."

TEARING DOWN THE FENCES

City Engineering Department Begins Crusade Against Fences on City Property.

A squad of four men from the city engineer's department, with a policeman for a bodyguard, began a crusade yesterday against fences that are located on city property. At noon twelve such fences, between Sixteenth and Twentieth streets, on Miami and Locust, had been torn down, and in no instance had the property owner made any objection. This action is taken pursuant to an order from the city council issued two weeks ago. Four hundred notices have been sent to property owners, informing them that unless they remove their fences from city property the work will be done by the city.

Notes from Army Headquarters.

Major S. S. Leach, chief engineer officer of the department, after having been relieved from service as chief surgeon of the department. He will go to Baltimore, where he will await retirement on account of age. Pending the arrival of Major Turrill, who has been assigned as chief surgeon of the Department of the Missouri, arrived Thursday morning from the Philippines and will immediately take charge of the department of inspection. He was relieved of service in the Philippines March 18 and started for Omaha by first transport. Lieutenant Colonel Winne left for Baltimore Wednesday, after having been relieved from service as chief surgeon of the department. He will go to Baltimore, where he will await retirement on account of age. Pending the arrival of Major Turrill, who has been assigned as chief surgeon of the Department of the Missouri, arrived Thursday morning from the Philippines and will immediately take charge of the department of inspection. He was relieved of service in the Philippines March 18 and started for Omaha by first transport.

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Her Son's Life Saved by Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy.

"A neighbor ran in with a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy when my son was suffering with severe cramps and was given up as beyond hope by my regular physician, who stands high in his profession. After administering three doses of it my son regained consciousness and recovered entirely within twenty-four hours," says Mrs. Mary Haller of Mount Crawford, Va.

Announcements of the Theaters.

Dick Ferris will present the Grace Hayward company in "Carmen" tonight and Saturday matinee at the Boyd. Miss Hayward will enact the role of Carmen and Mr. Ferris that of Don Juan. This is the role in which Miss Hayward will be seen to the best advantage. At 11 o'clock she will wear some handsome costumes.

General Conference M. E. Church, South Dallas, Tex., May 7.

For this annual meeting the Chicago Great Western railway will on May 4 sell through excursion tickets to Dallas, good to return June 1, at one fare plus 12 for the round trip. For further information apply to any Great Western agent, or J. P. Elmer, G. P. A., Chicago.

Graphophone at a Bargain.

FOR SALE—Latest model type, A. G. combination graphophone, which plays both large and small records, list price, \$20.00. This is especially designed for concert purposes, having a thirty-six-inch horn and stand. It also includes twenty large Edison records and carrying case of twenty, and has never been used. Will sell at a bargain. Address X 34, in care of The Bee.

Mrs. J. Benson. Closing out our stock of— DRESS LININGS AT HALF PRICE

Gilbert's best linings; Silesia, 25c quality for 12 1/2c. Silesia, 15c quality for 7 1/2c. Percaline, 12 1/2c quality at 6 1/2c. Hair cloth, 35c quality for 17 1/2c. Tailor's Canvas, 20c quality for 10c; 5c Cambrie for 2 1/2c. Best Brush Braid, with velvet top, 4c a yard. Special Sale of Silk Skirts. \$10.50 Skirts for \$7.50—in black or colors.

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