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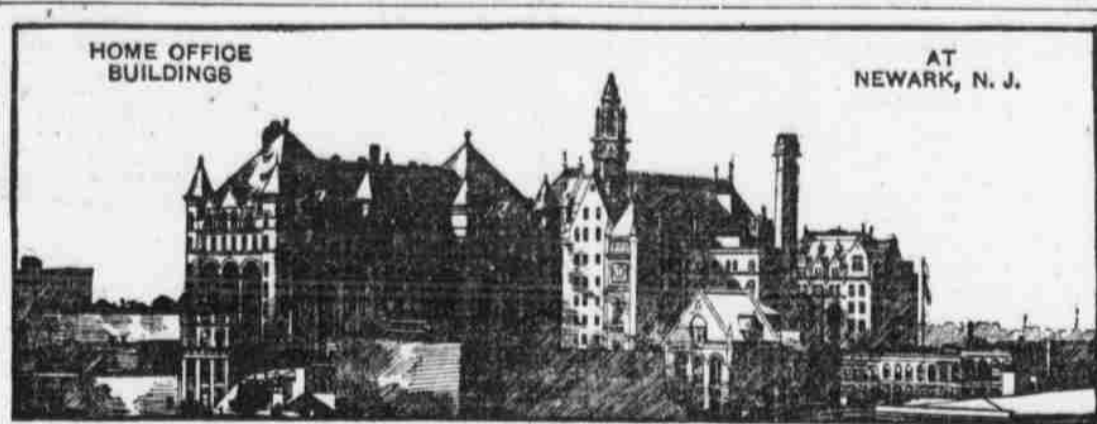
LIFE INSURANCE ISSUED AND PAID FOR, during 1903, including Ordinary Insurance (\$102,822,648), over **293 MILLIONS**  
ASSETS, end of 1903, over **72 MILLIONS**  
INCOME, during 1903, over **39 MILLIONS**  
PAID POLICYHOLDERS, during 1903, over **11 MILLIONS**  
SURPLUS, end of 1903, over **10 MILLIONS**  
NUMBER OF POLICIES IN FORCE (5,447,307), over **5 MILLIONS**  
INCREASE IN PAID-FOR INSURANCE IN FORCE, over **129 MILLIONS**  
MAKING THE GRAND TOTAL OF  
**Paid-for Insurance in Force over 931 MILLIONS**

Total Payments to Policyholders in Twenty-eight Years, over 79 Millions

## Twenty-Eighth Annual Statement, January 1, 1904.

ASSETS	
Bonds and Mortgages	\$18,128,251.40
Real Estate	12,951,757.29
R. R. Bonds and Stocks (Market Value)	20,862,367.50
Municipal Bonds (Market Value)	8,428,778.00
U. S. Gov. Bonds (Market Value)	109,500.00
Cash in Banks and Office	7,610,148.22
Interest and Rents, due and accrued	488,593.45
Loans on Collateral Securities	5,701,778.00
Loans on Policies	1,614,328.08
Premiums Deferred and in course of collection (net)	2,635,008.41
Total	\$72,712,438.44
LIABILITIES	
Reserve on Policies	\$61,410,965.00
All other Liabilities	1,167,473.51
SURPLUS TO POLICYHOLDERS	10,134,000.93
Total	\$72,712,438.44

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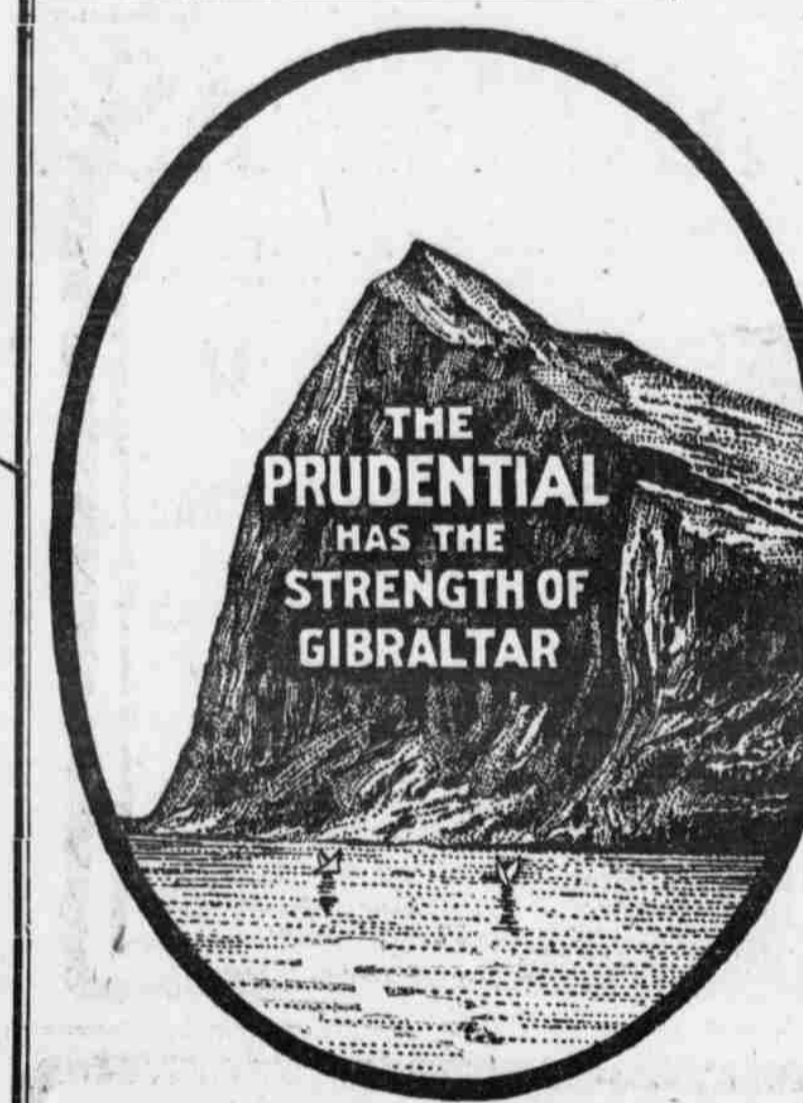
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THE PRUDENTIAL HAS THE STRENGTH OF GIBRALTAR

### AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

Specifications Approved for Paving and Curbing Railroad Avenue.

EXPECT TO LET THE CONTRACT MONDAY

Tax Collections Unusually Heavy During January and Money is on Hand to Pay City Salaries.

Plans and specifications for the grading, paving and curbing of Railroad avenue were submitted to the city council last night by City Engineer Beal. Mr. Beal estimates that the paving will amount to \$2,672 square yards and the curbing to 12,675 lineal feet. Including the grading, paving and curbing, the total cost of the work will amount to about \$76,000. City Clerk Shirgley was directed to advertise for bids for this work and the advertisement will most likely be inserted in the official paper of the city today. Bids will be received by the clerk up to 5 p. m. Monday, February 15. At the suggestion of Queenan, all bidders must enclose a certified check for not less than 10 per cent of the cost of the work bid on.

It is the intention of the council to let the bids for this paving as soon as possible so that the work can be completed early in the summer.

City Attorney Murdock was directed to start proceedings to condemn certain property on W street, from Twenty-seventh to Railroad avenue.

Bills amounting to \$162.50 for making repairs to the city jail and installing a woman's ward were ordered paid.

The city attorney was instructed to go against the Rock Island Railroad company to recover \$90, which the city spent in maintaining two arc lights at railroad crossings in Albright.

Notice was served on the railroad company to erect and maintain these lights, but no attention was paid to the notice. The city installed the lights and will now proceed to collect the money due.

A petition was read asking the council to open Thirty-fourth street, from Y to St. Mary's cemetery. The streets and alleys committee will consider the petition.

Another meeting of the council will be held on Monday night, when bids for the Railroad avenue paving and bids for laying permanent sidewalks will be opened.

Taxpayers' League Meeting. A meeting of the Taxpayers' league was held last night and a committee reported on candidates for members of the Board of Education. For the democratic ticket the committee favored Dan Hannon, W. H. Crossy, John Larkin and Stephen Vall. On the republican side it was suggested that J. C. Knight, C. M. Rich, P. S. Casey and Martin Teig be considered. A. L. Bergquist, the secretary of the league, was instructed to notify the chairman of the democratic and republican city central committees.

Humane Society Committee Meets. A meeting of the committee appointed last Thursday to arrange for the organization of a humane society in South Omaha met at the parlors of the South Omaha club yesterday afternoon. No effort was made to nominate officers for a permanent organization, the time of the committee being taken up in considering a constitution and by-laws. Another meeting of the committee on organization will be held at the club rooms on next Monday afternoon, when it is expected that the plans for a permanent organization will be perfected and officers nominated.

Tax Collections Heavy. During the month of January City Treasurer Howe collected \$37,216 in taxes. This is a record-breaker for January and goes to show that the people of South Omaha are in prosperous circumstances. By taking in this large amount of money Treasurer Howe said last night that he now had enough cash on hand to pay February salaries, claims, etc., without issuing warrants. By doing this the city will be saved quite a sum in interest that is drawn when warrants are issued. It will also do away with the issuing of the warrant call in March or April.

All the Ice Needed. Packers and others interested in the annual harvest of ice say that more ice has been put up this winter than in a number of years past. All of the ice houses are full to overflowing and ice at all of the lakes is now stacked on the ground. "It is hard to make an estimate of the crop," said a well known ice man last night. "All of the companies have ice to spare just now. We expect a big demand for ice this summer and it may be that another crop for immediate shipment south may be harvested yet. However, we do not intend to cut any more ice this year." So plentiful has been the crop that even the old Hammond ice house at Out-Off lake is filled. As for prices this summer the local dealers say that nothing has been done toward making rates to domestic consumers, but it is predicted that the prices will remain the same as last year.

Steel Trusses Arrive. Ten cars of steel for the new O street viaduct arrived in the railroad yards here yesterday. A portion of this steel comes from the big Union Pacific bridge at American Falls, Idaho. This steel has been worked over at the Union Pacific shops and is ready to be set on the new bridge just as soon as the weather will permit. Yesterday's weather put a stop to work on the west end abutment, but the pile driver kept pushing away. Union Pacific engineers, who are in charge of the construction work, appear to be in a hurry to get the bridge underway in order that it may be opened to traffic as soon as possible.

Magic City Ghosts. Miles E. Walsh is confined to his home with a severe cold. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cummins, 2801 T street. Fritz Sandwall is in Des Moines spending a couple of days with relatives at American Falls, Idaho. Thomas Fahy of Chicago, is here for a few days, the guest of his father, Michael Fahy.

Miss Rita Enright and Mrs. Welser of Chicago are in the city the guests of Mrs. F. J. Martin. Joe Mallander is spending about \$2,000 in improving his mill at Sarpy Mills. He is putting in another set of rollers and is enlarging the mill. This afternoon the Ladies auxiliary of the Young Men's Christian association will give a tea at the home of Mrs. VanDusen, Twenty-fifth and D street.

### WHEN TRAIN HIT DENVER

Famous Hustler Captures the Town and Makes the Men Do Something.

Denver had no railroad in 1867. The people were talking about it. Some said that a railroad would kill the town. William M. Byers, the most respected editor in Denver, sounded the alarm against the dangerous railway fever. He pointed out that his town, Massillon, O., was prosperous until it perished in getting on a railway line and the people gadded off elsewhere to buy goods.

About this time a Young Men's association was formed. It was not called the Young Men's Christian association because some Jewish gentlemen were taken in as members. And it happened that the association needed some money. And, one day, President B. F. Woodward of the association said to Secretary Henry C. Leach: "George Francis Train is at Cheyenne. Let's get him to lecture and raise that money."

Train was then one of the extraordinary international characters of the world. He glittered before the public eye in his tremendous role of building the Union Pacific railway. Train was one of the most magnificent and fascinating adventurers that ever lived. Many regarded him dubiously because of his connection with the Credit Mobilier that burst into a world scandal, as poor De Lesseps' brilliant Panama bubble, in after years, broke into the slime of evil.

Anyway, Train came to Denver and the whole town fell in love with him. He talked like an angel. He was a beautiful man, big, glowing, magnetic, a sublime egotist and magnificent in eye and voice and shoulders and generosity.

So enthusiastic was his reception the first night that he told the throng that feasted voraciously on his stories of travel and adventure. "I will talk to you again tomorrow night, if you want me!" Did they want him? The town could not let this go. The very reception committee at the Planters' hotel forgot time and food and business listening to that mighty man.

And the next night he thrilled the people at the Denver theater and electrified them at the close by saying that he wanted to talk to the men of Denver at 10 o'clock in the morning on very vital business. "Get a hall and bring a blackboard!" he told them.

Accordingly a group of the "leading citizens" met Train the next morning at 10 o'clock at Cole's hall on Larimer street, between Fifteenth and Sixteenth streets. Train took a piece of chalk and drew rapidly and boldly on the blackboard. With a few bold strokes and a few fiery words the hero of his time showed the group that the grand opportunity of Denver was to build a railway to Cheyenne to connect with the Union Pacific.

That turned Denver's railway thought to action. All opposition was crushed. The boosters ruled the town. Arapahoe county voted bonds and every man who had any money had to buy stock or become a person disliked by the town.

This was born and built the Denver Pacific railway, the first iron track in Colorado, and somewhere in the world are the old-fashioned natural gold certificates and bonds that the lecture committee presented to Mrs. Train as a token of its thanks to the man who talked like an angel and refused a cent in pay—Denver Post.

### CIVIC IMPROVEMENT LEAGUE

New Body Formally Organized at Meeting Held Last Night.

JUDGE SLABAUGH FOR ITS PRESIDENT

Constitution and Bylaws Adopted and Officers Elected Amid Much Enthusiasm and Expressions of Determination.

The adjourned meeting of the Civic Improvement League of Omaha met Monday at the committee room of the council chamber in the city hall for the purpose of hearing the report of the committee on constitution and bylaws and for permanent organization.

Judge W. W. Slabaugh presided and Miss E. F. McCartney acted as secretary. The committee, through its chairman, submitted the following report, which is a modification of the constitution and bylaws adopted by the Civic Improvement League of St. Louis:

The object of the league is designed to unite the efforts of all citizens who want to make Omaha a better place to live in. Its general purposes are to create a public sentiment in favor of better administration of public affairs without in any way invading the domain of politics; to cultivate a taste for municipal beauty and, in brief, to work up steadily a sentiment among the people in favor of a new, bright and better improved city.

Article I. This organization shall be called the Civic Improvement League of Omaha, and is designed to unite the efforts of all citizens who want to make Omaha a better place to live in and work in.

Article II. Any resident of Omaha shall be eligible to membership upon the payment of a fee of one dollar and one cent. A majority vote of those present at any regular or duly called meeting of the executive board of the league shall elect in the same manner, but their annual dues shall be \$1.00.

Article III. The general officers shall be president and nine vice presidents, a secretary and a treasurer. In the absence of the president he or the executive board may designate one of the vice presidents to act in his stead.

Article IV. There shall be a general committee of fifty members. This committee shall be appointed by the president as soon as possible after each annual meeting, and a committee shall have general control of the work and purposes of the league and shall meet from time to time when called together by the president. From the general committee of fifty the president shall select an executive board of seven members, whose duties shall be to carry on the work designated by the general committee, with all the powers of the league, and to report to the president.

Article V. The president shall appoint the chairman of the general committee and all members thereof. The president shall also appoint the executive board and all members thereof. The president shall also appoint the secretary and treasurer of the league and all members thereof. The president shall also appoint the chairman of the executive board and all members thereof. The president shall also appoint the chairman of the general committee and all members thereof.

Article VI. The constitution may be amended by a majority vote of the members present at a meeting called by the executive board for that special purpose, and upon the vote of two-thirds of the members present, twenty-five constituting a quorum.

Section 1. The first annual meeting shall be held on the first Monday of March, 1906, and annually thereafter on the same date.

Section 2. The officers of the league shall be elected by ballot at each annual meeting. The term of office shall be one year, or until successors are elected.

Section 3. In case of vacancy in any office the same may be filled by the executive board.

Section 4. All expenses of carrying on the work of the league shall be authorized or approved by the executive board, and all salaries shall be fixed by said board.

Section 5. The bylaws may be amended in the same manner as the constitution.

### AT THE PLAYHOUSES.

"The Fatal Wedding" at the Krug.

When Theodore Kremer can't think of anything else to do, he writes a play. To be written by him is as high an honor as the modern melodrama can wish. He is to the thriller what Pinero is to the problem play, or Pfitz to the frivolous society drama, and the name of Kremer insures a piece that is carpentered thoroughly, no matter what else may be said of it. "The Fatal Wedding" is one of his real masterpieces. It matters not that it is absurd and wildly improbable; it has the "heart interest," and its incidents flow into each other with true melodramatic facility, so that its action doesn't jar or jolt anybody. The company having it in hand at present is really better than those usually sent forth to exploit works of this kind, and as a result they almost obscure the dramatic unworthiness of the piece by their clever presentation of it.

The bulk of the work devolves on a little girl, who is two little girls in the cast, and each of them is worth the while. Cora Quinten acts the part of Jessie, the little mother in grown-up fashion, and charms everybody with her quaint ways, while "Baby" Zena Keefe sings and dances and whistles at a rate that is surprising in one so young. She was enthusiastically applauded last night. Scintillatingly put on last pretentiously, one feature being worthy of praise. In the last act, which is staged for a church interior, the realism is heightened by the introduction of Gertrude Haynes and her pipe organ and a vocal choir of twenty-five good voices. These render a processional, an anthem, an offertory and a recessional, and do it with good effect.

"The Fatal Wedding" will remain until after Wednesday night, with a matinee on Wednesday.

### FLYING MACHINE THAT FLIES

The Brothers Wright Succeed Where Langley Failed in Driving Airship that is Not a Balloon.

To sail three miles through the air at a speed of eight miles an hour against a breeze blowing twenty-one miles an hour is the most notable achievement in flying machine experiments. Three years ago two brothers named Wright of Dayton, O., went down among the sandhills of the North Carolina coast. They were expert mechanics and brought their own tools and machinery. They had studied the experiments of flying machine inventors here and abroad. They were going to put their study and ingenuity to practical use. They tried the "multiplying wing" machine with its large number of sails. Then they turned to the gliding machine invented by Octave Chanute and modified it to their purpose. Their first machine carried only one of 200 feet, and after another year a new apparatus sailed an eight of a mile. Last year they made changes and added a gasoline engine and propellers, with the final successful test late in December as a result.

The machine, in which the operator lies at full length, is in some ways like a box kite with a rudder instead of a tail. The framework is covered with cloth at top and bottom. It is buoyant enough of itself to float its own weight and that of one man. During their three years of experiments the brothers had added considerable to their knowledge of air currents and of the resistance of canvas. Keeping these things in view, they designed and built their propelling apparatus. One propeller, revolving horizontally, is placed underneath the center of the machine's body. The other is like the screw of a steamship, whirling vertically at the rear. The gasoline engine, with four-inch pistons and sixteen-brake horsepower, operates at will either or both of the propellers. The one beneath helps to hold up the machine; the one at the rear drives it in the direction toward which the operator points it—Collier's Weekly.

### Perfect Confidence in Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

Where there used to be a feeling of uneasiness and worry in the household when a child showed symptoms of croup, there is now perfect confidence. This is owing to the uniform success of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in the treatment of that disease. Mrs. M. I. Basford of Pooksville, Md., in speaking of her experience in the use of that remedy says: "I have a world of confidence in Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for I have used it with perfect success. My child Garland is subject to severe attacks of croup and it always gives him prompt relief."

### Heavy Damages for Imitating a Label.

In the suit of Saxlehner against Eisner & Mendelson Co. Judge Wallace, of the U. S. Circuit Court, recently signed a decree awarding Saxlehner \$11,000.30 together with \$2,365.65 costs, which the Eisner & Mendelson Co. must pay to Saxlehner as damages for their use of labels imitating Saxlehner's label of Hunyadi Janos Water on Hungarian Bitter Waters, such as Hunyadi Matyas and others.

### Good Joke on Wife, Dear.

"My angel," said the husband with a merry twinkle in his eye, "would you like me to read you a lot of your old letters to me?" "Why, dovey, where on earth did you find the foolish things?" asked the fond wife with an air of surprise. "Oh, I ran across them at an old bookshop this afternoon." "Impossible! I am sure they are all in the attic." "That so?" sarcastically asked the brutal brute. "Look here!" And he held a worn copy of "Everybody's Ready Letter Writer and Guide to Polite Correspondence, with Epistolary Forms." "Next day he doubled his order for hair tonic—Judge.

### GLOVER CONDUCTS OWN CASE

Court Overrules Motion to Dismiss Charges of Assault.

STATE RESTS AFTER GIVING EVIDENCE

Action Grows Out of the Shooting Following Attempt of Colorado National Guard to Disarm Attorney.

CRIPPLE CREEK, Colo., Feb. 9.—In the district court today Judge Lewis overruled the motion of ex-Congressman John M. Glover of Missouri for dismissal of the charges of assault with intent to murder, Sergeant Dittmore and Smith of the Colorado National Guard. Glover conducted his own case, having declined the proffer of assistance from fellow members of the bar of Teller county.

His argument was an arraignment of Governor Peabody and the military for their connection with the strike of miners in this district, but Judge Lewis, in passing upon the motion, held that it was not within the province of the court to judge the right or propriety of the governor to order out the troops in consequence of the strike and declare martial law. Once stationed here, he said, the troops had no alternative but to obey orders.

The state rested its case after giving evidence of the declaration of martial law, the order for registration of arms and the resistance of Glover when a detail of militiamen came to his office to secure his weapons. It was during this visit that Glover fired upon the soldiers and was himself wounded by them.

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### YOUNG MAN OF MUCH ENERGY

Lad of Tender Years and Genuine Ambition Calls at Police Station.

Arthur Hussie, a young lad hailing from Denver, and who looks about 13 years old, walked into the police station last night and asked Desk Sergeant Hovey if there were any vacancies on the police force, as he wished to be apprenticed to that profession. On being informed that he was too big to be a policeman the little fellow asked for shelter for the night. His bright, cheerful manner soon put him into the good graces of Hovey, to whom he told his story.

It appears that his parents had died when he was about 4 years old and since that time he has picked up a precarious living in the streets of Denver. Hearing that men were wanted in the United States navy, he came to Omaha to enlist, but was rejected, as he did not fill the requirements. Having no money to return to Denver, he went to the police and asked for a job. Some of the newspaper men got up a purse for the youngster and sent him to his bed in the matron's department, happy.

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