

Gossip and Stories About Prominent People

President of the Illinois Central Railroad Company

Recent Progress in the Field of Electricity

Reputed Head of Beef Trust. His most conspicuous and striking figure in the packing industry is Jonathan Ogden Armour, head of the great packing house and grain firm of Armour & Co., and reputed head of the Beef Trust.

Low Wallace and Lincoln. The few uneventful years General Wallace spent in Covington were distinguished by one important event, says Harper's Weekly. It was there that he saw Abraham Lincoln for the first time.

Governor Russell's Punishment. The Governor William E. Russell of Massachusetts had a hobby for horseback riding from his home in Cambridge to the state house.

A Woman Astronomer. By continuing the work of the celebrated English astronomer, R. A. Proctor, his daughter, Miss Mary Proctor, is doing much to make the study of astronomy popular.

Lord Kelvin, Scientist. "I am a child of the University of Glasgow," writes Lord Kelvin, the scientist. "I lived in it sixty-seven years, from 1822 to 1893.

Congress Is Co-Operating. If one had said five years ago that the congress of the United States would pass an act permitting the construction of a thirty-foot dam across the Mississippi river at Keokuk, Ia., or, in fact, across any other navigable river of this magnitude and importance, he would have been considered a "dreamer" or a "crank."



STUYVESANT FISH—Photo for The Bee by a Staff Photographer

What the Electricians are Earning. The scope and development of the electrical industries in the United States during 1904, particularly the financial returns, form the subject of an abridged review in Electricity.

Wireless Station Built by a Boy. The only wireless telegraph station in Brooklyn, N. Y., except that maintained by the United States government at the navy yard to keep track of war vessels, is located in a private house in the Borough Park section, and is operated by a 15-year-old boy.

Telephone on the Congo. The telegraph and telephone lines of the Belgian Congo region show peculiarities both in the construction of the lines and their operation, owing to the climate and the character of the country.

Power for Omaha---Why Not Dam the Missouri?

The struggle by cities in the west for commercial supremacy is resolving itself into a question of cheap fuel and power, as well as shipping facilities by rail and river. Omaha, a city on the Missouri river, lacks in cheap fuel and power for manufacturing purposes.

Estimates of Cost. The proposed dam will be built at the foot of the rapids, directly opposite Keokuk and Hamilton. The estimated cost for the dam, buildings, machinery, towers, turbines, generators, etc., is \$4,000,000.

Let Omaha Do Like Keokuk. Omaha should awaken to utilizing its natural resources. Much has been said and written about the Platte River canal.

Will Enter a New World. For forty-five years John Warren, wife murderer, has been immured in the Connecticut state prison, and he is about to seek clemency on the board of pardons.

Electric Railways in England. The march of electricity as applied to transport and railway systems in a British board of trade return just issued, giving the figures for street and road tramways for 1904-5, with comparative statistics for past years.

Head of Nebraska State Historical Society

The last meeting of the Nebraska State Historical society Henry T. Clarke of this city was elected the president of this association, as well as of the Nebraska Territorial Pioneers' association.



HENRY T. CLARKE OF OMAHA.

Warren had been in the hospital for nearly two years when the first shot of the rebellion was fired, nearly four years when the awful carnage at Gettysburg was moving down the flower of both the northern and the southern armies and nearly six years when the historic meeting between Lee and Grant at Appomattox courthouse took place.