

JOTTINGS.

[BY WILLIAM REED DUNROY.]

The word "cheap" is written all over Omaha at the present time in great big red letters. It can be seen from the broad prairies that lie thitherward, and from the tall bluffs yonward. Beyond preadventure there will be more men meet their Waterloo in that city this year than ever before in the history of the hustling metropolis of Nebraska. Men of large means may not be the losers so much as the men of moderate means. It is a notorious fact that many men bit off much more than they could masticate and have already disgorged and given up the deal. Everyone expected to reap a rich reward out of the big show. It was thought that the people who flocked into the city would be meat for everyone and every man who ever heard of a restaurant went to Omaha and opened one. The result is that the streets are lined with such places and the competition has been so great that nobody is making a cent. A good many of the men started out to give 15 cent meals. They put up a good bill of fare for that price, but they had not been running more than a month when they had to put the price down to 10 cents. A good many have given up in despair and returned without their little wads to take up their duties in quieter places.

The people as a general thing who come to the show don't have any too much money to blow in. They want to see all they can but they want to get it for just as little outlay as possible. Everything that is free is well patronized, but tack on a little admission fee and they fight shy of it, as shy of it as a tramp of a wood pile. I saw a wagon on the streets of Omaha in which was a mummy on exhibition. The exhibitors had to pay the city a big license for the privilege of showing and they barely eked out a living eating at ten-cent eating places and sleeping in the cheapest lodging houses. When they started out the wagon was painted in great shape and they put the price of admission at 50 cents per head. Now any old person can get in and see the mummy for 10 cents and a 50 cent piece looks as large to them as a victory to a Spanish fleet.

The places that seem to be doing a rushing business are the concert and beer halls. Their name is legion and they run night, day and Sunday and then some. In these places the people congregate and listen to cheap music. They don't have to pay for anything but the cheap beer that they drink and so they enjoy it. People will pay for beer. They will go without bread and go ragged but they must have beer. Bread has been called the staff of life, but that was coined a long time ago, the modern motto should be "Beer is the staff of life."

The people with rooms to rent have also taken a fall out of themselves and are ready to throw up their hands in despair. A good many people thought that there was a regular Klondike in store for them and they put money into rooms. They furnished rooms and built rooming houses to accommodate the great crowds that would come. Well the crowds have come to some extent, but not to the extent hoped and prayed for. The men and women who fixed up handsome rooms have had the lonely and expensive pleasure of living alone in their rooms this summer and are likely to live solus till the fair is over.

It is safe to say that more people are visiting relatives and friends in Omaha this year than ever before in

its history. Every one in the United States who could rake or scrape up any relation to an Omahan has done so and written post haste to acquaint the victim of the fact and of an intended visit. A good many people were driven to boarding houses owing to this fact, and when a letter came telling of a relative who wanted to visit, the reply was "Come right along, we are boarding and have such a nice boarding house. You can get board here too very reasonably."

Omaha people are vexed with the Spanish for acting up when they did. They claim that it was not fair to Omaha to bring in a big show like the war to buck up against the only big show and there is perhaps a deeper hatred of all things Spanish in Omaha than any other spot on the globe. It is said that the storekeepers can't sell Spanish lace to the women and anything that has a Spanish name on it has to go a begging. If a Spaniard should come pestivating around the fair he might expect as much mercy at the hands of the managers as a mouse in the paws of a cat.

There is excitement in Omaha. There is no question as to that. The people seem to be on one big red jamboree. The whirling eddying throngs of people come out on Saturday nights and take in the sights. They throng the beer and roof gardens and cheap theatres. They march up and down the streets, rubber at the city hall and court house, decked out in their trimmings of incandescent lights and have a good time. But the crowd is cheap and everything else is cheap. As I said before the word "cheap" is written in large letters all over the city.

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Land Office at Lincoln, Nebr., July 27, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register of the United States Land Office at Lincoln, Nebr., on September 5th, 1898, viz: Frank Juricek, for the ne 1-4 of the nw 1-4 and the nw 1-4 of the ne 1-4 of section 17, tp 8, range 5, e. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of, said land, viz: Felix Baumgart, John Keenan, Frank Kritzi, Frank Husi, all of Berks, Nebr.

Any person who desires to protest against the allowance of such proof, or who knows of any substantial reason, under the law and the regulations of the Interior Department, why such proof should not be allowed, will be given an opportunity at the above mentioned time and place to cross-examine the witnesses of said claimant, and to offer evidence in rebuttal of that submitted by claimant.

J. W. JOHNSON,
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NOTICE OF INCORPORATION.

Notice is hereby given of the formation of a corporation under the laws of Nebraska. The name of the corporation is Hedges Milling Company. The principal place of transacting the business of the corporation is Lincoln, Nebraska. The general nature of the business to be transacted by the corporation is the purchase and sale of and dealing in all kinds of personal property; the manufacture of flour, meal and feed and the transacting of a general milling business; the purchase, owning, improvement or leasing by the corporation of such real estate or personal property as in the judgment of its board of directors shall be necessary or advisable in the transaction of said business. The authorized capital stock of the corporation is \$10,000 of which 20 per cent shall be paid in cash on or before August 20th, 1898, and the balance shall be paid on call of the board of directors. The corporation shall commence on the 20th of August, 1898, and terminate on the 19th of August, 1948, unless sooner dissolved by the action of a majority in number and amount of its stockholders. The highest amount of indebtedness or liability to which the corporation is at any time to subject itself shall not exceed two-thirds of its authorized capital stock. The affairs of the corporation shall be conducted by a board of directors consisting of three stockholders. The officers of the corporation are president, vice president, secretary and treasurer.

Dated this 18th day of August, 1898.
W. V. HEDGES,
C. L. HEDGES,
M. E. HEDGES, } incorporators.

"De doctor says yo' mus' drink lots o' chicken broth, Ephram," said Mrs. Johnson, "an' stay in out o' de night air."

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NOTICE OF INCORPORATION.

Notice is hereby given of the incorporation under and pursuant to the laws of the state of Nebraska of a corporation to be known as Lincoln Traction Company Extension, the principal place of transacting the business of which will be at the City of Lincoln, Lancaster County, State of Nebraska. And the general nature of its business will be to construct, acquire, own and maintain a line of street railway as follows, viz: Having one terminus at the intersection of Baldwin avenue in University Place, in the County of Lancaster and State of Nebraska, with Thirty-third street in the City of Lincoln, in said county and state; and extending thence easterly along said Baldwin avenue to the intersection of said avenue with Archer street in said University Place; thence north along Archer street to its intersection with St. Paul avenue; thence east along St. Paul avenue to its intersection with Merrill avenue; thence north along Merrill avenue to its intersection with Adams avenue; thence east along Adams avenue to its intersection with Foss avenue; thence north along Foss avenue to its intersection with Wabash avenue; thence east on Wabash avenue to its intersection with Foster avenue; thence north along Foster avenue to its intersection with Clark street, which shall be the other terminus of said line of railway in said city of University Place.

Also to purchase, own, construct, maintain and operate a line or lines of street and interurban and suburban railway through and between the corporate limits of the City of Lincoln and the villages of Havelock and of Normal and College View, in said county, and through and between the corporate limits of said city and such other municipal corporations, parks, and public places as the Board of Directors shall from time to time determine.

Also to establish, construct, acquire, maintain, own, and operate the necessary buildings, works, machinery, poles, and structures for the purpose of generating and furnishing, supplying and distributing electricity for the purposes of illumination and for moving machinery and vehicles; and to erect, acquire, own and maintain wires and other conductors of electricity for conducting the same for the purposes aforesaid and distributing the same to the public and to individuals within said City of University Place and any of the said villages or municipalities.

And to have, own, hold, and enjoy all the rights, franchises, easements, hereditaments, appurtenances, fixtures, and property, both real and personal, necessary or convenient for the construction, maintenance and operation of the said lines of street railway.

The amount of the capital stock authorized in said corporation is fifty thousand dollars; ten per cent whereof is to be paid in cash at the time of subscription, and the residue at the expiration of ninety days from said date; but the corporation is to be

deemed complete upon the subscription of twenty thousand dollars of its capital stock in manner aforesaid, and the residue of said stock may be subsequently subscribed from time to time as the Board of Directors shall direct. The time of the commencement of said corporation is the date of the filing of its articles in the office of the Clerk of Lancaster County, to-wit, on the 9th day of August, 1898, and the time of its termination is at the expiration of fifty years from said last named date. The highest amount of indebtedness to which said corporation may at any time subject itself is thirteen thousand dollars, or such greater sum as shall not any time exceed two-thirds of the capital stock actually subscribed. Its affairs are to be conducted by a Board of five Directors, who will choose a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, and any two or more of said offices may be combined and conferred upon one person.

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