

ALL HAD THEIR SAY

CITIZENS MEET TO TALK ABOUT RETRENCHMENT.

Bars Put Up Against Politics But Colonel Bird Breaks Over and All the Best Follow - Meeting Large and Representative in Character - Wilson Cook After Rorbaugh and Kufe Come on the Trial of Stanley - Vindication was the Order of the Evening - Mayor Cox was Highly Praised.

There were all kinds of people at the citizens' meeting last night. It was a pretty grievous charge to make but it is nevertheless a fact that it reminded one of the recent legislature while in session.

The board of trade hall was crowded and the faces of many prominent citizens and heavy taxpayers could be seen in the audience.

The object of the meeting as stated clearly only in the Eagle last Sunday was to devise some plan or policy for municipal retrenchment. It turned out to be a vindication meeting and nothing else. Few men left the hall wiser than they entered it with reference to how the burden of direct taxation can be lifted from the shoulders of the people.

NO POLITICS IN IT. At 8 o'clock the hall was full but there seemed to be no leader and the people were getting a little nervous when A. T. Carpenter arose and called the meeting to order.

AN IRISHMAN BREAKS IN. After Judge Jewett said he would not preside unless the meeting was strictly non-partisan a call was made for speakers in order to have a proper idea of the motive of the gathering.

EX-CHIEF POLICE RUFUS COE was then invited to express himself but Mr. Carey came there to listen and not to speak.

Things were getting very monotonous when some inspired voice shouted the name of that distinguished Corkonian, Colonel Nicholas Bird.

WILSON SPRINGS A SENSATION. A strong demand was made for a speech by W. J. Wilson and in his usual energetic manner he responded.

EX-CHIEF COE HOT. When Mr. Wilson got through speaking ex-Chief of Police Rufus Coe arose and expressed a desire to talk for just two minutes.

MR. CLAPP TALKS. I. W. Clapp was the next speaker. After some preliminary remarks about the object of the meeting he thanked Colonel Bird for putting the audience in good humor for him.

DR. MINCK WAS CALLED. A hearty call was made for Dr. Minck, chairman of the Fourth ward.

COMING LOCAL EVENTS. Regular communication of Albert Pike lodge No. 283 A. F. and A. M. will be held at 8 o'clock in the 2nd degree.

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GONE TO THE JURY

DID MISSOURI PACIFIC DISCRIMINATE AGAINST WICHITA.

Verdict of the Jury Returned - Lawyers Think the Railroad will Gain the Case - Judge Reed Decides that the Commissioners Did Not Fix Rates but Intended to Prohibit Discrimination - Relative of Honest Abe Lincoln Filled Seats for Wichita.

The railroad case commenced in the district court, an account of which was given in yesterday morning's Eagle, occupied the court all day yesterday and was given to the jury in the evening with instructions to deliver a sealed verdict.

The verdict was returned last night but the result will not be known until court convenes today.

Lawyers who heard the arguments in the case as well as the court's instructions were of the opinion that the Missouri Pacific would gain the case.

Mr. Keach of Keach & DuBois managed the case pretty well and made a strong fight for his clients, but Mr. Richards is thoroughly posted on the laws as they relate to railroads and he made an equally strong defense.

Mr. Keach made his strong fight to show that the railroad commissioners had made a fixed rate for Wichita, while Mr. Richards claimed that the ruling in the Wichita case was only intended to prevent discriminations against Wichita and the point decided by the commissioners was that parties shipping live stock into Wichita were entitled to the same rate as shippers a like distance to Missouri river points.

Mr. Keach made a vigorous fight to get the following from the commissioners decision in the Wichita case submitted to the jury: "The rates on live stock or cattle and hogs shipped to the Missouri river from stations in Kansas and to Wichita were as follows: To Wichita for a distance of twenty miles per car.....\$ 12

To Missouri river for a distance of twenty miles per car..... 10 To Wichita for a distance of forty miles per car..... 20 To Missouri river for a distance of forty miles per car..... 18 To Wichita for a distance of fifty miles per car..... 28 To Missouri river for a distance of fifty miles per car..... 26 To Wichita for a distance of seventy miles per car..... 38 To Missouri river for a distance of seventy miles per car..... 36

Mr. Keach very ably claimed that by naming the rates the railroad commissioners had fixed what the Missouri river rates were and that time and by implication had reduced the rates into Wichita.

Mr. Richards saw if the case went to the jury that way his case was lost and he claimed that the portion of the decision which Mr. Keach wanted to submit to the jury was not the decision at all but only a statement of what the commissioners concluded to be facts as a basis for their decision.

Then under that ruling the real point at issue was narrowed down to whether the Missouri Pacific had charged the Andale shippers more on stock from Andale to Wichita than it charged for a like distance into Missouri river points from Kansas points.

The defense put J. C. Lincoln on the stand. Mr. Lincoln held a map up before the jury and explained how their road ran for a long distance along the Missouri river and did not run directly to the river and cross as did some of the other roads.

"My name is J. C. Lincoln. I am assistant general freight agent of the Missouri Pacific railroad. The map which I showed to the jury is the official railroad map of this state sent us by the railroad commissioners.

"I have had a number of years experience as freight agent and attended several meetings with agents of other roads at which the railroad commissioners of Kansas were present. We were asked to fix rates on wheat and other commodities when the Missouri Pacific was first organized. The commissioners offered no objection to the rate. I have been with the Missouri Pacific since 1888.

"I am familiar with our road and this map of the commissioners is correct as to location of road and stations. We use it making rates. As such assistant general freight agent I am familiar with the order of the Kansas railroad commissioners in question. I was present in Topeka when the case was argued before the commissioners.

"I issued the tariff sheet making rates into Wichita and aimed to make it the same as rates from Kansas to the Missouri river.

"These tariff sheets show that the rate on cattle and hogs from Andale to Wichita per standard car is \$12. The rate is 8 cents per 100 pounds on cattle and 8 cents per hundred pounds on hogs. This makes the rate on a standard car from Andale to Wichita 20 cents more than the rate on a standard car from Kansas to the Missouri river.

"There are no other points on our road coming near the Andale station from the Missouri river. The way we figure rates, the rate from Muscota to Atchison, which is 21, is the same as \$12 from Andale to Wichita.

In his cross examination Mr. Lincoln said: "The rate on live stock was \$12 per standard car from Andale to Wichita before this order in question was made by the railroad commissioners. We did not change it after the decision.

"The controlling factor in fixing rates in Kansas is the order of the railroad commissioners. We think that this order of the commissioners allows a maximum rate of \$12 a car for twenty miles.

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ended and failed and refused to pay over said sums of money.

The bank admitted the above deposits as made but claimed that they were not special deposits. Judge Williams held and so decided that it was a special fund and was never mingled with the deposits of the bank. If so it was wrongfully mingled against instructions.

THEY WERE ROUND OVER. Chief Massey Hands Over the Valuables Taken from Murphy and Burton. Chief Massey returned from Arkansas City last night where he had been to testify in the case of Burton and Murphy, arrested by him a few days ago, charging them with having robbed the ticket office at the above named place.

John Eaton of Winfield defended Burton and Murphy, but the circumstantial evidence against them was so strong that they will rest in the Winfield jail until they get a trial.

When Chief Massey and Harry Sutton arrested them on the Santa Fe train they valued them at about \$70 in cash and two good revolvers and other valuables and Chief Massey has been like the man in the fable who had hold of the bears' tail. He could not hold on and he was afraid to let go.

In the first place Sam Amidon appeared and demanded the money and valuables and then the chief detective of the Santa Fe must have them and finally John Eaton presented an order for the money, watches, guns, etc.

But to them all Chief Massey said: "If I give these valuables to the railroad officials and the men are acquitted they will demand their valuables of me."

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Chief Massey said last night: "I hardly knew what to do with those revolvers. If I had captured the men in the city I would have the right to take their guns, because we have a city ordinance against carrying concealed weapons, but they were on the train when we disarmed them and a man in transit through Wichita has a right to carry arms so far as the city is concerned. But now the justice at Arkansas City may settle that."

UNION OF YOUNG HEARTS. Mr. Cooley and Miss Baker Contract to Take the Journey of Life Together. Married, as the records show, the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adam Baker, in Maneha township, at 6 o'clock p. m. Sunday, March 10, 1895, in the presence of the family and a few special friends, Mr. O. E. Cooley of this city and Miss Rosilla Baker, Rev. E. S. McCartney of Andover officiating.

The bride and groom are well known in this city, having been residents of this county since the early '70s. Among the presents was a check for \$100 presented by the bride's father, Mr. Happiness and another presented by the groom's father, Mr. Happiness.

ADDITIONAL LOCAL NEWS WILL BE FOUND ON THIRD PAGE.

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Black Crepons are creating a furore—being the latest thought in fashionable attire—and they don't cost very much either.

Surahs, in small figured designs for waists. Very popular at only 40c a yard.

"A well-pleased customer is our greatest pride." That's why we are selling real Taffetas at only 60c; but they are worth \$1.

Some more Capes. That means some more happy women in town. Buy these today.

Next Friday we give our annual sale of Ingrain Carpet Remnants. Where is there a woman who has not attended one of these sales? We want her to attend this one and be benefitted. These are short length Remnants—1 to 15 yards at 20c and 25c a yard. Come everybody. Sale begins at 8 a. m. Friday.

AT Cash Henderson's Facts Talk!

Sky Rocket advertising makes a deal of a noise—looks pretty, too; but look out for the "stick," it's somewhere, you know; oftimes in the air, oftener in the goods you buy. When we advertise an article to be worth ONE DOLLAR IT IS WORTH 100 CENTS.

Our roof harbors no doubtful goods. LOOK AT THIS TREMENDOUS CUT:

Table listing various clothing items and their prices, including Boys' Long Pant Suits, Men's Suits, Men's Overcoats, and various shirts and pants.

To cut once, and to cut deep, is better than to hack away a little at a time, so this blow is to the bone. Don't miss this PRICE-POUNDING SALE.

The goods will not last long at these prices. We are not compelled to lock our doors to keep the people in while we remove the cuticle.

C. M. JONES.

C. J. FLETCHER, DON'T FAIL TO SEE F. G. SMYTH & SONS' NEW STOCK OF CARRIAGES, BUGGIES, TRAPS, ROAD WAGONS, &c

See their WIND MILL AND IRRIGATING PUMP, north of Warehouse, now in Operation. Corner Douglas and Lawrence Avenues.

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