

JAMES GIBBINS THE PATHFINDER

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operating a trading post here, known as "the best house in the world," was not to encourage mining or other encroachments upon its territory. However, Mr. Gibbins "panned" on an average of \$10 worth of gold daily from the gravel of the Saskatchewan river. Later he became a fur trader, following that life in numerous districts until the disappearance of the buffalo from the plains.

Mr. Gibbins was in the fore front with Steele's Scouts in 1869 and 1870 and participated in the engagement at Franklin's Butte. He retired as Indian agent in 1860 but still retains connection with the department. He next took up a homestead near what is now the city of Edmonton and capital of Alberta, selling part of it for \$48,000. Mr. Gibbins and his wife, who were honored when the Northwest Territories became provinces, by being assigned to the first place in the procession, are passing the evening of their lives in comfort, surrounded by members of their family and many warm friends.

ORDINANCE NO. 395.

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An Ordinance Providing For the Payment of Certain Claims Against the City of Vinita, Oklahoma, Making Appropriation Therefor And Declaring an Emergency.

Section 1. That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the various funds to which the following claims belong the amount necessary to pay the following persons the amount set opposite their names, and the Mayor is hereby directed to draw on the Treasurer in payment of same as follows, to-wit:

Meter Fund.

Farmers State Bank, Water Ac. \$ 29.49

Sewer Fund.

Spitzer Borick & Co. \$ 50.90

Engineering Fund.

Geo. Ashby \$ 11.90

Fort and Water Fund.

B. F. Fortner \$ 50.00

Vinita Electric Light Co. 12.22

Vinita Gas Co. 8.23

C. L. Carmicle 65.90

A. A. Looney 9.75

Pioneer Tel. Co. 4.90

Peoples Gro. Co. 23.15

D. M. Marrs Ptg. Co. 1.50

Roy Goodpaster 65.90

E. Ridenhour 65.90

Sunny-Pat 26.25

Marshall Stevens 5.50

Salary Fund.

J. C. Starr \$ 25.90

A. J. Green 85.90

H. M. Williams 50.00

Maybelle Foreman 15.00

John Mainett 4.90

R. J. Wright 7.90

T. F. Thompson 7.90

C. C. Roberts 4.90

Wm. Simms 50.00

J. M. Mahoney 35.90

C. H. Goodpaster 75.90

S. J. Campbell 7.90

A. G. Marrs 8.90

B. G. Chandler 8.00

H. S. Knight 6.00

Sanitary Fund.

Andy Cordry \$ 50.00

C. S. Neer 10.00

Contingent and Supply Fund.

Pioneer Tel. Co. \$ 2.50

Sunny-Pat Hdw. Co. 220.70

Dr. Herron 1.50

News-Dispatch 4.90

F. B. Woodward 159.15

Mabel Miller 4.20

Leader Printing Co. 1.00

Geo. Ashby 18.82
D. M. Marrs Ptg. Co. 12.44
Dorsey Ptg. Co. 2.35
S. A. Watson 4.90
Shamman & Mitchell 2.15
M. R. Chapman .90
Lee R. Mitchell 18.80
G. W. Coble 1.90

Cemetery Fund.

J. F. Lammam \$ 60.90

Street and Bridge.

Dud Lammam \$ 40.90

L. W. Marks 100.00

B. L. White 2.25

Harry Reid Co. 50

W. L. Bussey 50.00

W. A. Armstrong 1500.00

Sunny-Pat 11.55

Willard-Darrough 17.20

Sam Ellis 5.90

Tom Isbell 9.90

Police Fund.

Wm. Bazley \$ 60.90

Lee Webb 70.90

Frank Hughes 14.90

C. N. Martin 4.50

D. A. Reed 50.90

Kilgale Furniture Co. 8.75

Pioneer Tel. Co. 9.90

F. L. Marney 15.90

H. E. Ridenhour 39.90

Marshall Stevens 4.90

J. T. Webb 1.50

Vinita Light Co. 50

Water Maintenance Fund.

Mabel Miller \$ 60.90

Roy Cooper 60.90

Pioneer Tel. Co. 5.50

Vinita Gas Co. 189.90

Vinita Machine Co. 4.15

Nelae Nelson 22.90

National Supply Co. 76.97

J. H. Wortman 75.90

F. P. Goode 60.90

Sunny-Pat 47.80

Vinita Light Co. 9.95

Fred Daugherty 50.90

Muskogee Refining Co. 22.63

Farmers State Bank, W. Ac. 18.22

G. W. Coble 5.00

Street Sprinkling.

J. D. Tittle \$ 70.90

Street Lighting Fund.

Vinita Light Co. \$230.00

Section 2. An emergency is hereby declared to exist by reason whereof it is immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety that this ordinance be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication, and it is so ordered.

Passed by the City Council of the City of Vinita, Oklahoma, on the 7th day of January, 1912.

Approved by the Mayor of the City of Vinita, Oklahoma, on the 5th day of January, 1912.

J. C. STARR, Mayor.

Attest: A. J. GREEN, City Clerk.

Invited His Friends to a Suicide Party.

Paris, Jan. 8.—After declaring he would commit suicide so many times that his friends only took his assertions as a joke, Marcellin Ader, a young painter of Bordau, carried out his threat in highly spectacular manner. When he invited his friends to a banquet Monday night he warned them that it would be a suicidal affair and they would witness his self destruction. Believing this another of his jests, his circle spent a merry evening. But they were horrified when after dinner Ader produced a revolver. He said he had no cartridges and one of his friends thinking Ader was still joking, furnished the ammunition. The young artist loaded the revolver, clicked glasses with his guests and put the weapon to his forehead and killed himself.

Child of Nurse Fatally Burned.

Muskogee, Okla., Jan. 8.—While Ashworth, 3 year old daughter of Mrs. Ashworth, a Muskogee nurse, was seriously and probably fatally burned at a local detention home shortly after 8 o'clock Wednesday morning. In attempting to rescue the child, Mrs. Ross Keith, matron of the home, was

fatally burned about the hands and body. Late in the afternoon it was reported that the child was in a critical condition with the chances against her recovery. The children who were in the room said that the Ashworth baby was engaged in pulling a large chair towards an open gas stove and had backed up against the stove when its dress was ignited.

New Shunting Locomotive.

A new shunting locomotive recently built differs from those of earlier design. The difference lies in the fact that this locomotive has but one operating and controlling equipment, which is mounted in the center of the cab when running in either direction. The master controller is suspended from the roof. The locomotive was equipped in this manner in order to determine which was the better arrangement for shunting service, a double end control—duplicate operating and controlling equipments at each end of the cab—or a center cab control.

Engineer's Remarkable Record.

John Campbell, a locomotive engineer who for a number of years past has run a yard engine at Pittsburg, retired from his position, after being in the service of the company continuously for forty-eight years and he retires with a clear record. An officer of the road informs us that Campbell has never been suspended or censured, and never has had an accident which cost the company any money. Moreover, Campbell's engine not only never killed a human being during the 48 years of service, but it never even injured any person sufficiently to draw blood.—Railway Age Gazette.

Most Powerful Locomotive in World.

The most powerful locomotive in the world has just been built for the Virginian railroad. It can haul 55 loaded 50-ton capacity goods trucks at ten miles an hour. It has sixteen driving wheels. The locomotive and tender weigh 118,000 pounds, and the tender is large enough to hold a shunting locomotive.

New Use for Locomotive.

Apparatus by which a locomotive can be utilized as a vacuum cleaning plant has been invented by a German railroader.

Loanee Friends \$250,000.

Kansas City, Mo.—An administrator's report of the estate of J. K. Zimmerman, a cattleman of Waco Tex., who died in Excelsior Springs, Mo., on October 5, filed in the probate court here, values the estate at \$1,140,245. Administrators found that \$250,000 of this amount represented loans to Texas cattlemen in sums of \$5,000 to \$25,000, of which the only record kept was a penciled notation on a slip of paper. All were found to be gilt-edged.

To Wipe Out Finger Marks.

Rub the finger marks on doors with a piece of clean flannel dipped in kerosene oil; afterwards wipe with a cloth wrung out of hot water to take the smell away. This is better than using soap and water, as it does not destroy the paint.

Willing to Be Good.

"You children are not all obedient," "Well," said the sadly precocious youngster, "we are willing to be obedient, only paw and maw and grandpa and grandma haven't yet come to an understanding as to which is boss."

Labor Poorly Paid.

Palermo, Italy, produces quantities of outfits for brides, principally in muslin. The girls who do the work get from 12 to 25 cents and the skilled workers from 30 to 60 cents a day.

Improved Capstan.

A capstan is built into a new block and tackle with which one man can handle loads of one thousand pounds and two men, loads of four thousand pounds.

Uncle Eben's Philosophy.

"I likes to hear a young gemman say he's tryin' to keep up wif de times," said Uncle Eben, "pervided he uses an alarm clock to help him."—Washington Star.

Excellent Reason.

"I suppose you know why you are here?" asked the magistrate severely. "Yes, sir," answered the sberful prisoner. "I woz brung 'ere."

Necessities From Japan.

For each person in the United States a dozen paper napkins and a hird of a pound of tea are imported from Japan every year.

Unappreciated.

"Miss Screecher is chuck full of music, isn't she?" "I guess she is. I've never heard any of it coming out yet."

Evidently Not a Success.

"How did you like the actor who played the king?" "Ever since I saw him I've been in favor of a republic."

Where Honesty is Worthless.

Many a man would have turned rouge if he knew how.—William Hazlitt.

FEWER ROADS TO BE BUILT

Future Construction Must Wait Until the Problems of Today Have Been Settled.

For thirty years we have added an average of about 6,000 miles of new railroad a year to the American transportation system. To build and equip these lines we have drawn from all the markets of the world about \$100,000,000 a year in new capital. Today those who figure on the building of new lines have to face two very serious problems.

The first is the question whether or not, with the rising cost of doing railroad business, new railroads can be operated with a profit. The second is whether or not we can secure the capital. Under present circumstances, as there is a grave uncertainty about the answer to these two searching questions, the builders of railroads in the United States have slowed down.

Most of us do not care to undertake the responsibilities of spending the money that is now necessary to build new lines, and then face the even greater question of operating them at a living profit.

Therefore, under present conditions, the average amount of new railroad in this country in the next few years will fall short of the average for the last thirty years. No new lines of importance are being projected. The only expansion going on is a very minor matter, a matter of little extension into rich sections of important spurs and feeders. The builders of the railroads must wait until the problems of today are settled before they can plunge ahead and give their ambitions and their constructive plans free rein.—H. P. Yeakum in World's Work Magazine.

NEW STYLE OF LOCOMOTIVE

One Recently Constructed in Italy Seems to Run Backward as It Goes Forward.

There are very few modern American locomotives of unusual design. After years of experiment during which many extraordinary engines were proposed we have adopted certain fundamental types, and unless there is a complete revolution in the construction of our locomotives it is hardly possible that the engines of the future will be much different from those of the present.

In Europe and other foreign countries, however, they still continue occasionally to build an engine that embodies very unusual features. One of the latest was constructed for the Italian State railroads, and the cab was placed in front that the engineer might have the clearest possible view of the track ahead.

When in operation the engine presents a very strange appearance, says the Railroad Man's Magazine, for while it is actually running forward the action of the driving wheels would be considered backward in this country. The engine seems to run backward to go forward.

It is a four-cylinder compound, with the cylinders arranged in a peculiar manner, the two high-pressure cylinders being on one side of the cylinder, the two low-pressure cylinders on the other. Coal is carried in bunkers in the cab, though in this respect the accommodations for fuel are decidedly limited. Water is carried in the circular tank tender.

First Lunch Counter Car.

A Pacific railroad has installed a lunch counter car on a train running from San Francisco to Los Angeles. The counter extends the length of the car along one side, with the regulation lunch counter stools in front of the counter. Meals will be served at all hours.

Those newspapers which report this as the first lunch counter car ever run in America should look up their history. The Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore ran two such cars between Baltimore and Philadelphia for about three years, 1863-66, as reported in the Railroad Gazette of December 19, 1874. The "eating bar" was about 25 feet long, the car 50 feet long, being divided by a transverse partition in the middle and half of it being used as a smoking car.—Railway Age Gazette.

Country's Electric Railroads.

The electric railroads of the United States carry more than ten billions of passengers in a year; there are 1,300 of these electric railways; they own and operate 42,000 miles of track and 90,000 cars. They employ 250,000 persons; their capitalization is five billion dollars; their annual gross earnings are \$500,000,000. They operate street, elevated, underground, underwater, interurban and partly electrified steam railroads. Twenty-six years ago electricity as motive power for any of these purposes was unknown.

Safe in Trying to Cross the Track.

"When is the next passenger train due?" asked an elderly woman of the depot agent in Fort Scott. "In about four hours, madam," replied the agent. "Any freight soon?" she asked. "Not till night." "Nor locals?" "Not till in the morning." "No other trains before the passenger?" "No." The old lady hesitated a moment and then said: "I s'pose it would be safe for me to cross the track."—Kansas City Star.

Appropriately Numbered.

A dining car that moves regularly out of Boston, says the Transcript, has for its number 888. Pronunciation serves to illustrate the unconscious humor which lurks in inanimate things.

TO BE SUPERIOR TO CHANCE

Man of Necessity is Made of Right Material When He Can Rise Above Depression.

Some people are thrown off their balance the moment anything goes wrong with them. They do not seem to have the ability to overcome impediments and to do their work in spite of annoyance.

Anybody can work when everything goes smoothly, when there is nothing to trouble him; but a man must be made of the right kind of stuff who can rise above the things which annoy, harass and handicap the weak, and do his work in spite of them. Indeed, this is the test of greatness.

As a matter of fact, the greatest achievements in all time have been accomplished by men and women who have been handicapped, annoyed, persecuted, misunderstood, criticised. But they have been great enough to rise above all these things and to do their work in spite of them.

A tremendous power permeates the life and solidifies character from holding perpetually the life-thought, the truth-thought, the cheerful-thought and the secret takes hold of the very fundamental principles of the universe, gets down to the verity of things, excludes all kinds of errors and lives in reality itself. A sense of security, of power, of calmness and of repose comes in the life that is conscious of being enveloped in the very center of truth and reality which can never come to those who live on the surface of things.

Try to visualize the condition of health, happiness and plenty which you long to be yours. The actor does not think that he will sometimes become the character he impersonates, but he assumes that he is the character now; he makes himself feel that he is the character. He actually imagines that he is living the life of the character.

LEFT MRS. SMITH THINKING

Boarder's Remark May, or It May Not, Have Been Meant as a Blur on Furnished Beverage.

"I have been reading a very interesting article on coffee," said Mrs. Small, as Mr. Hunker passed up his cup for refilling.

"Being about a beverage, the article couldn't be dry," observed Mr. Hunker, playfully, and then added: "Three lumps of sugar, please."

Something like a frown passed over the landlady's face at her boarder's remark, but she continued:

"The article was one which deserves a large circulation, I think, for the good of the race. It was on the injurious effects of coffee drinking. The author said that we were becoming a nation of coffee toppers. The pernicious effects of too much coffee drinking he set forth in an exceedingly strong light. Among the serious results likely to follow he enumerated a sallow skin, shattered nerves, a weakening of the eyesight, loss of will power, and in some cases he thought consumption might be traced to the inordinate use of the beverage. The author said that appalling statistics could be produced of the ravages of the coffee-drinking habit among the American people."

"It was coffee he was talking about was it?" asked Mr. Hunker, as he rose to go.

"It was, Mr. Hunker."

"Then I don't think we need worry ourselves."

Billiards in the Country.

Willie Hoppe, the billiard player, was discussing in New York the question of summer vacations.

"I like summer vacations," he said, "in the heart of the country. The only trouble with the heart of the country is that you can't get a good game of billiards there."

"You've heard about the two chaps, summering at Sunapee, who complained that they couldn't tell the two white balls apart, as neither of them had a spot. But the proprietor explained to them that it would be easy, after a little practice, to distinguish the balls by their shape."

"Another chap up at Sunapee asked for a game of billiards, and when the balls were brought, gave a loud, bitter laugh of disgust."

"Look here," he said, "it's balls I asked for—not dice."—New York Tribune.

Man's Narrow Escape.

Two young girls, aged respectively, eleven and twelve, entered a butcher's shop in Edinburgh, Scotland, the other day, and during the brief absence of the proprietor abstracted the sum of 14s 6d from the till. On the butcher's return, one of the girls gave her order. On going to the till the man discovered his loss. The girls then unflinchingly described a man who, they said, had come out of the shop as they entered it. The same evening in the police station a man was identified by the girls. He was astounded at their story, but as no money was found on him he was liberated. The girls subsequently admitted the theft, and were put under probation for 12 months.

Why He Chose It.

"Do I understand that your son wants to be a doctor?" "Yes." "What for?" "He wanted to follow a profession that would furnish him with a good excuse for staying out late nights, I think."



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