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LONG RAILROAD SERVICE

Has Been Conductor on the Wabash Between Keokuk and Bluffs, Ill., For Past Thirty-Two Years.



THE LATE GEORGE R. HOUGH. Who Passed Away in This City Last Evening. He Was an Employee of the Wabash Railroad for Fifty-Two Years, Being the Oldest Conductor on the System.

George Rice Hough, the veteran conductor of the Wabash railroad, who has been in the service between Keokuk and Bluffs, Ill., for the past thirty-two years, passed away at the Graham hospital in this city yesterday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock, amid the sorrow of members of the immediate family, hundreds of friends and thousands of railroad men.

On February 3 Mr. Hough was eating a light lunch at the Keokuk Union Depot a few minutes previous to the departure of his train in the afternoon, and while sitting on one of the high stools at the lunch counter was stricken with paralysis. He was not injured by the fall but was taken to the hospital in the ambulance in quite a serious condition.

It is only those people who have made the trip from Keokuk to Bluffs or from Bluffs to Keokuk during the past thirty-two years who can well appreciate the kind feeling of everyone toward this venerable old gentleman.

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Although having acquired the age when he was entitled to the Wabash's pension, and although he laid away so provide life's necessities in his declining years, his love for the work prevailed over the desires of his family and he had held his run in winter and summer, with the regularity of a man fifty years his junior.

Mr. Hough commenced his experience as a railroader on the old New York and Hartford railway away back in the 50's under a master mechanic by the name of Simons. Simons was afterwards made master mechanic of the Wabash railway with headquarters in Springfield and sent back to New York for Mr. Hough and three other young men who had worked under him on the Hartford and New Haven railroad.

Before he was in Springfield very long, he had another attachment more binding than his service to the Wabash railway, as it appears he immediately set his cap for one of Springfield's best young ladies and he was married to Miss Georgia Ann Pringle just one year from the time he reached Springfield.

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reception in Clayton on April 15, 1897, which was attended by hundreds of his fellow-workmen, friends in the cities along the Wabash and residents. In an effort to add to the success of the occasion, the Wabash railroad put a special train at the disposal of his friends in Decatur, Springfield and Jacksonville, and 300 of these were there on that day.

This morning at 8:30 o'clock as the Wabash train pulled out of the city instead of containing the venerable old gentleman as conductor, it carried his lifeless body. The body was taken to Clayton, Ill., the home of Mr. Hough for the past thirty-two years, and funeral services will be held Sunday.

Because meals are so tasty they are consumed in great excess. This leads to stomach troubles, biliousness and constipation. Revise your diet. Let reason and not a pampered appetite control, then take a few doses of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and you will soon be well again. Try it. For sale at Wilkinson & Co.'s Pharmacy and J. F. Kiedalsch & Son's drug store. Samples free.

State of Iowa, Lee County.—ss. In the District Court. To all whom it may concern:

Notice is hereby given, that on the 8th day of February, A. D. 1909, a paper was opened and read by the Clerk of the District Court of Lee County, Iowa, purporting to be the last will and testament of Melvina J. Crocker, late of Lee county, in the state of Iowa, deceased; and that proof of the genuineness of said instrument will be heard in the District Court of said county at Keokuk on the 9th day of March, A. D. 1909, at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, being the second day of the March term, 1909, of said court, when all persons interested in said will are required to be present and make their objections to the same, if any they have.

In witness whereof, I hereunto set my hand this 11th day of February, 1909.

ED. S. LOFTON, Clerk of the District Court. 2-11 2-15 2-25

ELECTRIC LIGHTS FOR WEST POINT

Illinois Village Will Put on Metropolitan Airs—Corbin & Co., the Promoters—The Plant is Ordered.

BUILD A NEW ELEVATOR

Another Step Toward Progressiveness For the Town—Building to be Twenty Thousand Bushel Capacity.

[By a Staff Correspondent.] WEST POINT, Ill., Feb. 17.—West Point, one of the best little towns in Hancock county, is made up of people whose rule is progressiveness and who believe in doing things; in being modern and keeping the village in line with neighboring towns double its size.

Corbin & Co., the enterprising grain and hay merchants, are the men behind the latest venture and the name alone is proof enough that the efforts put forth will be crowned with success. Just as soon as the weather is favorable for building, they will erect a new elevator where the old building stands, the new building to be of 20,000 bushels capacity, equipped with modern conveniences and one capable of accommodating the trade. It will be the largest elevator on the Burlington between Carthage and Quincy.

This company will also install an electric light plant, using a special twelve-horse-power electric light engine of the Fairbanks-Morse manufacture, one guaranteed to furnish steady power both for the light plant at night and the elevator during the day. A modern dynamo and electrical fixtures have been ordered, the lamps being the celebrated Tungston make, which require only half the power necessary for the ordinary incandescent lights and which give twice the light. At the start one hundred lamps will be installed in the residences, stores and on the streets. Later on, or when it becomes necessary, another engine will be installed. The plant will be in operation in ninety days. In the top of the elevator will be placed a motor, connected with the engine and this will furnish the motive power for the elevator machinery.

Hats off to Messrs. Corbin & Co. They have thoroughly investigated electric light propositions and are putting in the best little plant obtainable, believing the best money too good for the people of the town.

Live Newspaper. J. S. Martin is the publisher of the West Point Journal, a five-column quarto newspaper, and he is doing well. He established the paper eight weeks ago and the business men are showing their appreciation and enterprise by using its columns liberally, and subscribers are rallying to the ranks nicely.

LaHarpe Quill: Relatives of the family in this city and vicinity were grieved to learn of the fatal accident which befell the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. George Sights at their home near Augusta, Saturday morning. The particulars of the sad affair received here are as yet very meagre. Harvey Sights, a brother of the child's father, who is an employe of the local telephone office received the message which simply stated that the child while playing about the house Saturday morning fell into a tub of hot water and was so severely scalded that death resulted at 1 o'clock the same day. Harvey and his sister Miss Belle and Mrs. James Shriver, brother and sisters of George, and Mrs. Henry Blythe of Disco, mother of Mrs. Sights, left immediately to be with the grief-stricken parents in their sorrow.

The child was a boy lacking but two months of being two years old. He had been named Hollis Irving Sights. His death was tragic in the extreme and was one of those un-avoidable accidents which will occasionally happen in spite of the watchfulness of fond parents. Mr. and Mrs. Sights have the sympathy of their many friends here in their sorrow.

A SUICIDE NEAR BIRMINGHAM, IOWA. William Farrell, a Blind Man, Cut His Throat With a Razor and Expired Immediately.

The Keosauqua Republican reports a suicide near Birmingham this week, as follows: Monday afternoon, about five o'clock, Wm. Farrell, a blind man, married, and about forty-five years of age, while out near the well on the barn yard a short distance from Birmingham, cut his throat with a razor. He walked then toward the barn, some yards distant, and after taking a few steps fell to the ground and expired. No cause for the act is known as far as we have learned. He was married

The weary and hungry traveler who sojourns for a day in West Point and "puts up" at the Commercial Hall, will go away rejoicing in himself for having done so. It is a first-class hotel and the stranger fareth well and watheth fat thereat.

The Eastern Star lodge held their annual mask social Monday evening in the Masonic temple and the affair was one of the big events of the season. After the usual program, elegant refreshments were served and the invited guests went home convinced that the Stars are royal entertainers.

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LITTLE BABY WAS SCALDED TO DEATH

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in 1907. A couple of years ago his sister Katie Farrell, also blind, as will be remembered, also committed suicide. The wife, who survives, has a couple of children by a previous marriage.

There had been some trouble in the family, and following the death of her husband, Mrs. Farrell swore out a warrant for James Farrell, father of the deceased, charging him with assault, claiming that he had struck her and knocked her down just previous to the death of her husband. Farrell gave bond for his appearance before a justice in Birmingham next Monday when the hearing will be had.

ECZEMA CURABLE? PROVEN! Attorney at Moline, Ill., Convinced by Oil of Wintergreen Compound.

There is nothing that will convince a lawyer except evidence. Now, here is some rather startling evidence of a simple home cure for eczema which convinced one lawyer, F. C. Entriken, attorney at Moline, Ill. He tells how oil of wintergreen compound mixed with thymol and glycerine, as in D. D. D. Prescription, cured him in thirty days after thirty-two years of suffering.

"I can only say again CURE DISCOVERED. I am now starting all eczema sufferers on the right track." Cure after cure has been brought to our attention and always that instant relief from the awful itch.

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