

NEW YORK ALBANY

ROUTE SELECTED FOR THE NEW M. & S. L. LINE TO OMAHA

FOLLOWS MIDDLE SURVEY

Official Announcement Made by the General Manager of the Road—The Proposed Extension Will Not Be Completed This Year, but Entrance into the Objective City Will Be Over Other Tracks.

The Minneapolis & St. Louis has announced the location of its Omaha extension. The middle survey is chosen. Leaving New Ulm, the line runs through St. James, where it crosses the Omaha; Sherburne, where it crosses the Southern Minnesota line of the Milwaukee; thence passing into Iowa to Estherville, where it crosses the Burlington, Cedar Rapids & Northern; to Spencer, where it crosses the Milwaukee & Spencer, Cedar Rapids & Northern; to Northwood, where it crosses the Northwestern, and finally Storm Lake, on the Illinois Central, which will for the present be the terminus. No surveys have been made beyond that point, the completion of the extension to Omaha being reserved until next year.

This announcement is made by authority of General Manager L. F. Day, of the Minneapolis & St. Louis. Mr. Day refused to give his reasons for the choice of the middle route except in the following general statement: "This line was chosen after the most complete consideration of estimates based upon the different surveys and of the country to be served by the different lines."

Northern Pacific Litigation. MILWAUKEE, Wis., April 21.—Judge Jenkins in the St. Paul case today confirmed Master Carey's report in the matter of the Farmers' Loan and Trust company's petition for a writ of habeas corpus from the Northern Pacific Railroad. The report was in regard to the computation of interest from the date of the seizure of the property of the complainant to the amount of \$4,842,000. The report was based upon the principal of the bonds and of the interest coupons after their consolidation should have been made at the time. The trust company objected, claiming 6 per cent, the difference being \$1,644,882. The objection was overruled and the master's report confirmed.

Wants Some Information. The interstate commerce commission has sent circular letters to the traffic managers and freight officials of the various roads, asking for information regarding export and domestic business and the rates that are being made.

Increases Its Capital. The Great Northern railway yesterday increased its capital stock to \$10,000,000, paying a fee of \$1,500 to the state treasurer for the privilege of amending its articles of incorporation. The increase in the stock is upon the main line stock.

Day before yesterday an increase of \$1,000,000 was made in the Eastern Railway stock.

RAILWAY NOTES. W. F. Cloney, traveling passenger agent of the R. and O. Navigation company, with headquarters in Buffalo, was in the city yesterday.

General Freight Agent Brooks, of the Chicago Great Western, is expected here today from his Southern trip.

Lee Den, a Chinaman, with headquarters in San Francisco, was a caller at a number of railroad offices yesterday. Lee has no title, but represents a Chinaman traveling through the country, secures their transportation and see them sailing on their way. He brought a party of them to New York from here.

MILITARY BANDS. Have No Legal Existence Till the Reorganization Bill is in Effect. "Strangely enough, until the army reorganization goes fully into operation, military bands have no legal existence," explained a member of an army band to a reporter, "though quite a number of them have existed in spite of the fact that the exception of the post band at West Point no army band has ever been provided for by statute. There are, as is well known, a number of military bands, those of the Sixth Cavalry and Second Artillery, being well and favorably known in Washington, from the long service they have given in this section, but they were never provided for in an indirect manner by law. Other regiments have had their bands also, but the funds which provided them with their instruments and music always came in an indirect manner and without any expressed statute of law. Under the statute providing for the reorganization of the army there will be a band connected with each regiment of the army, and in the three branches of the service—infantry, cavalry and artillery. Military bands have been permitted in the army, but have never been authorized, though they have never been known that they were not as fully authorized as the various other certain supplies of the army. Under the practice which grew up, but under a band never had an authorized component part of the army, and are now appropriated for the same as the officers and soldiers themselves, in direct and expressed terms, and it will not be many years before they will be very considerably improved all around, and will be independent of company funds, which varied from time to time, and some at some times very low. The bandmen had to be company members, and to do other outside service, so as to make both ends meet."

BUDDHIST BIBLE. In Spread Over Seven Hundred States of White Marble. New York Press. In 1857, Minnow, King of Burmah, erected a monument near Mandalay called the Kutho-daw. There he built 700 temples, in each of which there is a slab of white marble upon which the Buddhist Bible is engraved the whole of the Buddhist Bible—a vast literature in itself, equal to about six copies of the Holy Bible.

The marble Bible is engraved in the Pali language, thought to be spoken by Buddha himself 600 B. C. Photographs of the inscriptions have reached England, and Prof. Max Müller, perhaps the greatest linguist in all the world, has examined them. But alas! for all this human ingenuity and perseverance. If His Majesty Minnow-min thought to perpetrate the teachings of the Buddha by causing them to be graven on the rock he nourished a vain ambition.

This is certainly the largest known copy of any portion of the literature. Even the National Encyclopedia in China, in 5,000 volumes, occupies a comparatively small space to reach the other end of the world of the printers' art and the printer's "Smallest Bible in the world," and the diamond edition of the Bible.

To engrave the Bible of the Kutho-daw marble slabs in the temple of Kutho-daw must have cost many thousands of dollars, but these sermons in stone are outlived by a copy of the New Testament, which, beautifully printed, can be bought for 25 cents, and if carefully cherished will last many generations.

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YAWNING NO SLIGHT. It Must Now Be Considered a High Compliment. Have you ever observed at a theater or concert that people who are most deeply interested appear to yawn the most to quite away of the whole thing, yawning half a dozen times in succession? The reason of this is a physiological one. When your attention is keenly absorbed in anything exciting or touching, you breathe in a very shallow manner, and take into your lungs only half the amount of oxygen which you need. Attention is relaxed, you have a sign of yawning, which, after all, is only breathing a fresh breath.

If you watch a man at a play, and observe that he is greatly moved by some incident, you may feel sure that when the scene ends he will sigh, and a moment or two later, when the attention is again absorbed in anything exciting or touching, you breathe in a very shallow manner, and take into your lungs only half the amount of oxygen which you need. Attention is relaxed, you have a sign of yawning, which, after all