

RAILROADS TO BEBUILT TIMBER LAND FOR CROSS-TIES SUPPLY

Burlington and Three Other Lines Send Out Land Lookers to Locate Suitable Tracts—Large Forest Reserve Wanted

If the plans of certain railroads that center in St. Paul and Chicago mature large timber tracts will be acquired by them from which cross-ties will hereafter be produced. The Burlington, Rock Island, Illinois Central and Great Northern have sent out scouting parties to hunt up suitable lands, and recently the bureau of forestry of the United States department of agriculture has called upon the representatives of the lines interested for information that will assist in perfecting the project.

If the idea is successful the railroads of the West will in a short time become the owners of immense areas of timber lands and they will also become interested in the preservation of forest trees to an extent that has never been undertaken before even by the national government. The move is due to the difficulty the railroads experience in getting supplies of cross-ties at reasonable prices and at the times needed.

There have been many experiments by government officials which have shown that certain kinds of wood for a longer period than experience has shown they last in the natural state. It is said the government experiments have shown that other woods than those formerly used can be profitably made into ties. The success of this demonstration has led to the idea of the railroads buying timber bearing lands near their tracks from which the future tie supply can be drawn. The plan will include the employment of a vast army of foresters whose duty it will be to look after the preservation of the growing timber.

River Bottoms Available.
In the river valleys along the lines of the Illinois Central and the other roads running south are large tracts of swamp ground covered with a dense growth of beech, timber, maple, oaks and other trees which have in the past been counted as worth little by the lumberman.

It is possible all these can be utilized for ties after proper treatment and will even outlast the timbers formerly used. The haul the railroads have to make to get the ties to the places where they are needed is each year growing more and more expensive and vexatious. The new plan will supply the timbers at points more convenient for handling than is possible under the present system of purchasing them from contractors wherever the latter happen to find a few thousand trees that are suitable for ties.

In accordance with the demand of the railroad and telegraph companies for some relief from the present conditions and the danger of a steady falling off in the price of cross-ties, the bureau of the agricultural department will this summer continue on a large scale experiments in the growing of different varieties. On the success or failure of these experiments the scheme to get possession of the timber lands will depend.

WILL BE NO RATE WAR.

St. Paul-St. Louis Lines to Refrain From Further Reductions.

The \$16.25 rate made Thursday by the Minneapolis & St. Louis and met by the Burlington and Great Northern, was very little business, and the indications are now that the reduction will cause no work between the competing lines, although for a while Thursday it looked as if trouble was imminent.

It is now generally decided by the action of the Minneapolis & St. Louis that all excursion rates into the Chicago or Missouri river country must be based on the basis of the new 38-cent to Chicago. The Chicago-St. Paul lines have been figuring on a basis of 35-cent business on this basis since the rate became effective, but with other lines the matter has been left open since the last fall. The Superintendent stated no attention had been paid to this letter or the action of the Minneapolis & St. Louis. Commissioner Brace the matter was referred to President Warner with instructions to the committee on machinery with power to act. The request for a rate of 35-cent for business on the Minneapolis & St. Louis will be able by the 18th inst. to figure the no further reduction. Traffic to Southern points is light, and excursion rates at this season are at \$16.25 and will not be \$18 rate had been maintained, for we would carry as many passengers at that figure as at \$16.25 and would receive \$1.75 additional for the transportation.

Makes Fast Run.

Considerable interest has been excited among railroad men by the experiment in fast train running just completed by the Pennsylvania. The effort was made to attain a speed of 100 miles an hour. The course was on the seashore division and had a slight curve, with an approach having a radius of 1,000 feet. A train of eight coaches was sent over the line, and when, after ninety miles an hour and a speed of ninety miles an hour, all the coaches were dropped, the engine and tender were left to make about the rate of ninety-five miles an hour.

RAILROAD NOTES.

The Milwaukee will carry the Twin City contingent of Elks who will attend the national meeting of the lodge at Baltimore. The official route is the Milwaukee from the Twin Cities to Chicago and the Pennsylvania from Chicago to Baltimore.

The employees at the Omaha shops will picnic today at Osceola, Wis. A special train leaves at 8 o'clock this morning over the Soo.

President David H. Moffat, of the Denver Southwestern & Pacific, known as the Moffat Short Line, announced that his road will reduce its rates on the route from Lake City and Denver by over 200 miles. It is proposed to connect with Senator Clark's road at Colorado Springs, and a new trunk line west of Denver. It will make available 300 square miles of untrammeled and scenic prairie country.

Up to the present 20,217 cars of citrus fruit have been shipped from California to the East. It is estimated that the total number of cars of citrus fruit will amount to 25,000, the largest crop on record.

The extension of the Wisconsin & Michigan road to Norway, Wis., has been completed, and it is expected that these points will be inaugurated Aug. 1.

Figures compiled show that the \$10 rate between Chicago and the Twin Cities is extremely costly and that each line is losing \$4,450 a week even though there is an increase in traffic.

George J. Gould is said to be after the Lake Valley. His recent trip over the line, in company with General Manager Wilbur, and former President E. P. Wilbur, was for the purpose of getting information about the physical condition of the property and to acquaint himself with the facilities of the company at the various terminals.

James Charlton, chairman of the Transcontinental Passenger association, has announced reduced rates on the basis of one fair for the round trip, for the American Railway Association, San Francisco, Oct. 2-5; triennial convocation, Knights Templars, San Francisco, Sept. 5-9; National Live Stock association, Portland, Or., Jan. 12-15; Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress, Seattle, Aug. 18-21.

Announcement was made yesterday that the regular quarterly dividend of 1 1/2 per cent, payable Aug. 1.

The gross earnings of the Chicago Great Western for the second week of July show a gain of \$16,256.14 over the corresponding week of last year.

The Great Northern and the Northern Pacific have made a special round trip rate of \$13.50 to Winnipeg for business, July 21, on account of the Winnipeg Industrial exposition.

The members of the congressional military committee, who visited Fort Snelling yesterday, left last night for Yellowstone Park. They traveled in the company's private car, Minneapolis, which was attached to the regular night train.

Sixty farmers from Barry, Big Stone county, took advantage of the Great Northern's cheap excursion rates yesterday and spent the day visiting at the state agricultural college.

W. H. Richardson, general passenger agent of the Chicago & Eastern Illinois, spent yesterday in St. Paul.

The Twin City Railway Clerks' association will hold its annual picnic Saturday, Aug. 1, at Prescott, Wis. The trip to Prescott will be made by boat. The clerks of the general offices, who are not members of the association, will hold their annual outing the same day at Howard Lake, on the Great Northern.

Vice Presidency for Garfield.
ZANESVILLE, Ohio, July 17.—The International Retail Clerks' convention elected today its officers for the year: president, John R. O'Brien, New York; vice president, Max Morris, Denver, Col. Six vice presidents were elected, among them A. H. Garfield, of St. Paul, Minn.

New Grain Route Possible.
ST. JOHNS, N. F., July 17.—The Canadian government has chartered a steamer, Neptune, to convey a scientific expedition to Hudson's bay. The expedition's object is to determine the availability of the region for a Canadian grain route.

All Right as to Sugar.

BRUSSELS, July 17.—Russia, which did not accept the Brussels sugar convention, has now decided to abide by its conditions, thus removing the last obstacle to the perfection of the international arrangement.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

Board of Fire Commissioners.

St. Paul, Minn., July 15, 1903.

Regular meeting of the Board was held today at 8 p. m.

Present—Commissioners Brace, Clarkin, Schweizer and President Warner.

Absent—Commissioner Foster.

Minutes of the previous meeting read and approved.

Mr. Frank Baer, of the committee on machinery, reported on the committee's report on the machinery of the fire department.

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made, in fact, the roof has been unsatisfactory since the completion of the house, which means that at the expiration of the guarantee covering this roof (which is for three months) the owner of the house will be obliged to re-roof the house.

In company with the Chief and the Master Mechanic, we visited the W. S. Nott Manufacturing Co., to note the progress they were making in the building of the engine recently purchased. We were pleased to note that the engine was set up and in readiness to be placed in the paint shop. In inspecting the work, we were pleased to note that the workman had made an excellent job of the engine, and we were very high order, and are inclined to believe that the engine will meet with the requirements in all respects.

On behalf of the Commission I assume the privilege of extending to Chief Jackson, his assistants, officers and men, our appreciation for the services rendered to our city and administration, commending them in the highest terms for the enviable position they have secured as the prominent fire department of the West, which has been made possible only through their strict compliance with the rules and regulations, and their ever personal interest manifested toward the general welfare of the community. The qualities being paramount in securing the position they have acquired among the fire departments of this country, and which our people justly esteem to be extol.

REUBEN WARNER JR.,

Following are recommendations for your consideration:

First—The purchase of three new engines, which are to replace a like number of old engines in the Department.

Second—The purchase of a new hose, 000 to 12,000, taking into consideration the old engines in trade. This would be a very good investment, and the improvement, which would be covered by the issuance of city bonds.

Third—The extension of Engine No. 3, located in West St. Paul, with a new combination hose wagon. The present equipment is not a proper one for this district.

Fourth—The extension of Engine No. 13, located at St. Anthony Park. This would be a very good investment, and the improvement, which would be covered by the issuance of city bonds.

Fifth—To secure the services of Dr. Harry Ritchie as official physician of the Department at a nominal salary. This recommendation is urged for the general good of the service.

On motion of Commissioner Brace, President Warner's report of his annual inspection was accepted and placed on file; that we concur in his report relative to the condition of the department and the recommendation of the President of the Board of Fire Commissioners, which will be taken up at the next meeting of the Board.

The above recommendations were referred to the Conference Committee in case the \$200,000 bond issue is passed by the Council.

The following bills, duly approved, were presented for allowance:

Briggs & Co., Holms Oil Co., \$5.40; Globe Co., \$15.45; Craig, MacGaughey Co., \$40.32; Lamb Lumber Co., \$54.15; Minneapolis & St. Paul Gas Light Co., \$38.40; Pierce & Co., \$34.58; Western Electric Works, \$118.50; \$1,062.86; and the department pay roll for the month of July, amounting to \$15,000.00, on motion were referred to the Comptroller by vote of:

Yeas—Commissioners Brace, Clarkin, Schweizer and Mr. President—4.

Nays—0.

Adjourned.

REUBEN WARNER JR.,

WM. O'GORMAN, Secretary.

CONTRACT WORK.

Sewer on Fifth Street, From Broadway to Kittson Street.

Office of the Board of Public Works, St. Paul, Minn., July 15, 1903.

Sealed bids will be received by the Board of Public Works in and for the city of St. Paul, Minn., on July 15, 1903, at 2 p. m., on the 27th day of July, A. D., for the construction of a sewer on Fifth Street, from Broadway to Kittson Street, in said city, according to the plans and specifications on file in the office of said Board.

A bond with at least two (2) sureties in the sum of \$2,000, to be paid to the clerk of said Board, must accompany each bid. Said check shall be made payable to the clerk of said Board.

The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

JOHN S. GRODE, President.

Official: C. L. GORMAN, Clerk Board of Public Works.

July 14-1903-lit.

STATE OF MINNESOTA, COUNTY OF Ramsey.

In and for the County of Ramsey, Minn., I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Probate Court, do hereby certify that on the 15th day of July, 1903, the following was filed for record:

On reading and filing the petition of August L. Larperent, executor of the Estate of August L. Larperent, deceased, representing among other things that he has fully administered said estate, and praying that a time be fixed for examining and allowing his final account of administration, and for the assignment of said estate to said estate to the persons entitled thereto;

It is ordered that the said account be examined, heard and petition granted, the 10th day of August, A. D. 1903, at 10 o'clock a. m., in and for the County of Ramsey, Minn., in said Court House in St. Paul, in said County.

And it is further ordered that notice thereof be given to all persons interested by publishing a copy of this order for three successive weeks, once in each week, prior to said day of hearing, in the St. Paul Globe, a legal newspaper printed and published in said County.

By the Court, E. W. BAZILE, Judge of Probate.

Stevens, O'Brien & Albright, Attys for Executor.

PROPOSALS WANTED.

For Loose Reference Books for City Treasurer.

Office of the City Clerk, St. Paul, Minn., July 9, 1903.

Sealed proposals, marked "Proposals for Loose Reference Books," will be received at this office until 1 o'clock a. m., July 18, 1903, for Loose Reference Books, according to plans and specifications on file in this office.

Each proposal must be accompanied by a certified check in the sum of 10 per cent of the amount bid, payable to Otto Bremer, City Treasurer, or a bond in the sum of 20 per cent of the amount bid, to insure the faithful performance of the contract.

The Common Council reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

By order of the Common Council, GEORGE T. REDINGTON, City Clerk.

July 9 to 18 incl.—City Clerk.

DUKE'S

Big 4 for men, women, children, discharges, inflammations, irritations or ulcerations of the throat, nose, mouth, eyes, ears, nose, throat, etc.

Patented, and not to be imitated. Sold by Druggists, or sent in plain wrapper, for 10 cents, or 3 bottles for \$1.00, or 3 bottles for \$2.00. Circular sent on request.

PENNYROYAL PILLS

Original and Only Genuine. Sold by Druggists, or sent in plain wrapper, for 10 cents, or 3 bottles for \$1.00, or 3 bottles for \$2.00. Circular sent on request.

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