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Said To Be Securing Rights of Rock Island, Muscatine & Southwestern.

MOVE IS OF GREAT IMPORTANCE

Negotiations for Purchase Are in Progress—Food for Speculation.

It is said that a party of Chicago capitalists have been negotiating to secure the rights, whatever they may be, of the Rock Island, Muscatine & Southwestern Railway company, for which a charter was secured and a preliminary survey made by a party of local gentlemen some six years ago.

The proposed line, as the name indicates, was intended to connect Rock Island and Muscatine through the lower part of this county and to reach other contiguous points. No actual construction was undertaken.

Indications point to Burlington. Who it is that is seeking to become possessed of the rights of the old company is not certainly known, but indications point that the Burlington road is interested. If this be true and a transaction is made the results may be of great importance to Rock Island and the lower part of the county.

Of course any plans the Burlington may have can only be speculated upon at this time. It may be that a branch line is contemplated, or it may be that a main extension to the southwest is being thought of. Lastly, it is possible that the company desires to secure the right-of-way merely in order to prevent some other company from getting it. Developments will be awaited with interest.

Should be Gates There. A crossing watchman is at last to be installed at the foot of East Seventeenth street. General Manager O. B. Grant, of the D. R. I. & N. W., today announced that the matter had been left with the Peoria road to hire a man for the place and arrange for paying him. The D. R. I. & N. W. and the Burlington are to pay their equal share of the cost. H. S. Cable, vice president of the Peoria road gave the assurance that a watchman has been hired to go on duty tomorrow morning. This is very well as far as it goes, but gates should be placed at a crossing of such importance and a city administration with anything like a normal amount of backbone would have had them, and that without all the beating about the bush that has taken place since the council first acted on the matter.

Railroad Notes. The last parts of the new Burlington clock arrived this morning and it is thought the clock will be in place and running by next Tuesday. The water motors were installed today in the closet opening from the baggage room.

A daily train service that will be appreciated by the traveling public is to be established next Sunday by the Burlington between Galesburg and Burlington via Rio, Alpha and Keithsburg. The train will leave Galesburg at 8:05 a. m., arriving at Burlington at 11:28. It will leave Burlington at 4:40 p. m. and reach Galesburg at 7:15.

F. L. Smith, the new master mechanic of the St. Louis division of the Burlington, was in the city yesterday and today on his first visit in his official capacity.

CITY IS ONCE MORE FREE FROM SMALLPOX. So far as the city health department is aware Rock Island is once more free from smallpox. Mrs. Mary Voltz, the last patient, was released today, together with her daughter, from the pest house, and that institution was again fumigated and placed in readiness for the next patient, should any be found.

She Wants a Divorce. Mrs. Lizzie Pettinger, through her attorney, H. M. Shriver, today filed suit for a divorce from her husband, William Pettinger, whom she accuses of infidelity and of what is more unusual, of being a convicted horse thief. The couple, on the bill recites, were married at Dixon in 1895, and the husband was arrested, tried and convicted in 1897 of stealing a horse. After serving his term in the penitentiary he returned to his wife and all went well till last summer when the cause for the other charge became existent.

Passengers Shaken Up. An electric car running at full speed left the track at Second avenue and Fifteenth street last evening. Before it could be stopped it had crawled over the curbing and made its way into the court yard. The passengers were shaken up but no one was injured. No damage was done to the car.

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ARE TO FORM A CLUB

East End Young Men May Purchase the Gordon Homestead.

There is a move on foot among the young men of the east part of the city to purchase the Dr. Gordon homestead, which is located on the tract of land north of Fifth avenue at Fortieth street, recently acquired by C. E. Sharpe, of this city, presumably for manufacturing purposes, and remove it to the lot on the northeast corner of Fifth avenue and Forty-second street to be fitted up and used for club purposes.

Such a plan, of course, involves the forming of a club, and several of the young men of that section of the city are now bending their energies toward such organization. The enterprise is a commendable one, particularly in view of the fact that the east end of the city is rapidly growing and at the present time is peculiarly lacking in facilities for the promotion of social affairs.

PERSONAL POINTS

Miss Jennie Pearsall is visiting in Erie.

W. G. Davis, of Reynolds, spent last night in the city.

Robert Blakely, of Preemption, was in the city last night.

F. E. Weyerhaeuser, of St. Paul, was registered at the Harper this morning.

Mrs. George Rasmussen left for a few days' visit at Sheffield and Bureau Junction.

Hon. E. W. Hurst and wife left today for Chicago, where they will visit for a short time.

J. J. Costello, of the Chicago fire department, is spending his vacation as the guest of J. P. Looney.

A Hansu and bride have returned to the city from Peoria, where they were married recently. They will make their home here, the groom being engaged in the job printing business.

OBITUARY RECORD.

Relatives in this city have been notified of the death at Preston, Iowa, of Ira Lenker, whose wife was formerly Miss Jennie Maskery, of this city, which occurred at that place March 28. He had been operated upon for laparotomy, or a severing of the walls of the abdomen, caused by an injury. The remains were buried at Maquoketa.

Miss Adelle Bowling died at 5:15 this morning at the home of her nephew, W. B. Swan, who lives on Twelfth street near the ball park. Deceased came here from Virginia, her native state, in 1854. She was 76 years of age and death was due to dropsy. One sister, Mrs. B. E. Swan, of this city, is the only surviving member of her immediate family. The funeral will take place at 2 P. M. today afternoon from Trinity Episcopal church, with interment at Chipiannock.

The funeral of Anthony Walters was held at 9 o'clock this morning from St. Mary's church. Burial was at Calvary cemetery.

River Riplets. The Alice-Edna, a craft that has been in use as a pleasure boat at St. Louis, but has been purchased by Capt. R. E. Gardner, passed up the river yesterday afternoon on the way to Dubuque, where a new steel hull will be put under her. It is the intention of her new owner to put her in the trade out of St. Louis as a packet.

The C. W. Cowles is again a rafter. Last year she was fitted up and ran the season as packet between Dubuque and LaCrosse, but it seems the venture did not pay and this year the boat will be seen passing the city as of yore pushing logs.

The City of Winona, Capt. Streckfus' trim little packet which has been on the ways at the Kahike boatyard, was launched today and will enter upon her regular duties between the tri-cities and Clinton next Monday.

The P. Weyerhaeuser and H. C. Broekman came down with logs and the Alice-Edna went north.

The stage of water was 3:05 at 6 a. m. and 3:70 at noon. The temperature at noon was 47.

New Postmaster at South Heights. The commission of J. P. Kruse, who has been appointed postmaster at South Heights, arrived and Mr. Kruse took charge of the office yesterday.

Mrs. E. J. Snyder, who resigned in favor of Mr. Kruse, had held the position since the office was established, eight years ago.

On the Farm. "Father, I am fired with ambition since I came home from college. I want a broad field for action, where I can accomplish something."

"Well, my boy, there is the forty acre lot, which is a rather broad field. You might try a little action in that with a plow and a pair of horses, and if you stick to it you can accomplish something."—New York Herald.

Fatherless Children in Japan. Japan has only one orphanage, yet in no other land are fatherless children better cared for. Every family cares for the sick, destitute or orphans nearest to it. There is a superstition that a childless house is accursed, and people who are not blessed with children of their own never rest till they have adopted some waif.

DEATH IN A STREET

Comes to Stranger While on Way to Depot to Take Train for Home.

WAS JOHN MAYHER, OF DECATUR

Falls Victim of Attack of Heart Trouble—Inquest Held.

A stranger, 50 years of age, suddenly expired on Fifth avenue, near the Rock Island depot, at 6 o'clock this morning.

Little is known about him. Last night at 11 o'clock he entered Kirkman's restaurant and seated himself without saying anything. The clerk noticed that he acted peculiarly and thinking he might not be feeling well did not disturb him. Near 12 o'clock the man arose and left the restaurant and stood out in front till the other occupants left, when he reentered and asked if he could rest. He was told to remain as long as he cared to and was offered a cup of coffee and something to eat, which he refused.

Inquires for People. He went to sleep and nothing more was said, but it was noticed that he was breathing with difficulty. About 5 o'clock he awoke and inquired where Ed Miller, his brother-in-law, lived. Upon being told he started out. Later he approached a street car standing in front of the car barn and inquired which car would take him to Decatur. Motorman Daniel Scully replied that the only way to get there was to take the train, and directed him to the Rock Island depot.

Falls Against Curbing. The stranger started off and after going about one hundred feet was seen to stagger and fall against the curbing. He was assisted to his feet by James Bushnell and commenced to walk off again. Before he had gone far he was seen to sit down and after a few minutes fell back and before help arrived expired.

The police patrol was called and the body taken to Knox's undertaking establishment. A search of the clothing revealed a handkerchief which bore the name of F. Shurtz, a bottle of medicine with the name of a Decatur, Ill., druggist on it, and four strychnine tablets and 65 cents.

Worked at Amboy. In conversation Shurtz, or whatever his name might have been, said that he had worked on a switch engine at Amboy for five years. The dead man wore a dark overcoat, striped trousers, black hat, black coat and light shirt. His height was 5 feet 8 inches, and he had dark hair.

An inquest was held and the jury, composed of W. L. Ludolph, G. A. Bergsten, P. J. Heverling, E. P. Kell, J. J. Sulzer and J. L. Frankhauser, returned a verdict that death was due to heart disease and asthma.

Body Identified. Coroner Eckhart this afternoon, in reply to telegrams to Decatur, received a message stating that the deceased was John Mayher, of that city, and that he has a brother, James Mayher, and a sister, Mrs. Emma Miller, living in this city. Edward Miller, husband of the last named, was present at the inquest, and failed to identify the remains. The decedent was a railroad man.

OLD HAND CARTS BROUGHT OUT TO CLEAN THE STREETS

For the first time in several years the hand carts that were purchased under the last Medill administration for use in cleaning the streets, were brought out today and used in the main business thoroughfares. They have been painted and provided with a supply of new sacks in which the dirt and rubbish is collected and hauled away. During the McConechie administration they fell into disuse and most people forgot that they had ever existed.

Moody and the Questionable Book.

Some one asked the late Dwight L. Moody if he had read a certain book. He replied: "No; I believe there is poison in it. At least I have heard so on good authority." The friend said, "But wouldn't it be well for you to read it for yourself?" "No," said Mr. Moody. "If I take poison in my stomach, the doctor has to come with a stomach pump to take it out. Why should I take poison in my mind? I might never be able to get it out."—Margaret Bottoms in Ladies' Home Journal.

Extreme Cruelty.

Employer—Mr. Slack, would you like to have an increase in salary? Employee—Would I? I should say I would!

Employer—Well, let me tell you, then, that unless you get down here earlier and work a great deal harder you'll never get it in this world.—Chicago News.

His Fall.

Customer—I understand that your chef has been discharged. Waiter—Yes, sir. He has gone to a place where they call him a cook.—Judge

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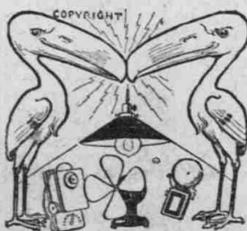
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