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Everything absolutely guaranteed as represented.

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WILL NOT REMAND.

Rock Island Depot Case Remains in U. S. Court.

JUDGE GROSSCUP SO RULES

Federal Jurisdiction Under the Operation of the Interstate Commerce Law—The Decision Given at Chicago Yesterday.

Judge Grosscup in the United States court at Chicago yesterday gave his ruling on the motion of the city of Rock Island to remand to the Rock Island county circuit court the mandamus proceedings taken to the United States court in September, 1894, on the representation by the C. & P. Railway company raising the issue of jurisdiction. Judge Grosscup overruled the motion to remand, sustaining the position of the Rock Island road that the removal of the depot to Twentieth street might operate as an undue burden to interstate traffic and commerce and that hence the proper jurisdiction of the proceedings belonged in the United States court.

Facts in the Case.

The facts in the case are too familiar to all to warrant extended repetition here. The mandamus proceedings were begun June 1, 1894, in the Rock Island county circuit court by City Attorney J. L. Haas and Hon. W. H. Gest representing the city, the object being to compel the C. & P. R. R. to remove the depot for station purposes the original ground so dedicated and acquired at the foot of Twentieth street in its charter. In September of the same year the company, through its attorney, Col. Henry Curtis, entered a motion that the case be taken to the United States court, as questions affecting interstate commerce were involved, and Judge Glenn sustained the motion. Now it remains for the United States court to pass upon the merits of the case.

MANAGER BROWN IS HERE

New General Executive of the C. & P. R. R. Rock Island.

General Manager W. C. Brown, of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railway, arrived in Rock Island on his maiden trip in the capacity of general overseer of the company's entire interests last evening, and he and other officials are spending the day reviewing the company's possessions in the three cities. Mr. Brown is also renewing old Rock Island acquaintances, of whom he has many who have pleasant remembrances of him when he called here in the capacity of division superintendent for the same company with which he is now identified. While in his characteristic reticent manner concerning the discussion of railway matters, General Manager Brown denies that any unusual significance attaches to this visit, it comes from pretty good authority that some important improvements on the Burlington in Rock Island will follow soon.

The party came in General Manager Brown's car and beside himself and private secretary, A. V. Carpenter, consisted of: General Superintendent J. D. Besler, Division Superintendent W. G. Besler, Superintendent of Construction J. O. Thorn and Traveling Auditor A. Hamilton.

President R. R. Cable, of the Rock Island, tarried in the city this forenoon enroute to Chicago from Des Moines, where he attended the funeral of Judge Wright.

Brilliant Illumination.

Last evening the attention of a reporter was attracted to the brilliant illumination of M. F. Bahnsen's handsome drug store, corner Twentieth and Fourth avenue. Looking at the windows he was struck by the steadiness of the light, the novelty of the fixtures and their elegant design. Going into the store he found that a beautiful soft light was being distributed evenly over the room by lights having the appearance of elegant gas fittings. The proprietor kindly explained that it was the new method of burning ordinary kerosene oil, showing how superior it was to gas or electricity in brilliancy and steadiness. The new light is operated exactly as gas, simply requiring the turning of a thumb screw in raising or lowering the flame, or extinguishing it as well.

The light is being introduced here by the Stockham Manufacturing company of Chicago, and we are informed that more than 750,000 of these lights are in use in that city and further east. The expense of running it is about one-fourth the cost of gas or electricity.

Annual Election.

Last evening the stockholders of the Variety Wood works in annual meeting chose the following directors: C. J. W. Schreiner, John Ohlweiler, William Roth and Herman Schubert. These gentlemen then elected officers as follows:

President and Treasurer—C. J. W. Schreiner.

Secretary—William Roth.

Manager—Herman Schubert.

In Olden Times

People overlooked the importance of permanently beneficial effects and were satisfied with transient action; but now that it is generally known that Syrup of Figs will permanently cure habitual constipation, well informed people will not buy other laxatives, which act for a time, but finally injure the system.

THE ARGUS, only 10c a week.

NOT SEEKING WAR.

Merely the Defense of National Honor at any Cost.

CORDOVA, Jan. 13.—EDITOR ARGUS: I see by your article of recent date in THE ARGUS in answer to my argument in favor of peace, you question my position in regard to patriotism and loyalty. You are aware that this is touching an American citizen in a tender spot. Allow me through the columns of THE ARGUS to explain and at the same time to defend my position. No loyal citizen wants to see his country plunged into war, for we have learned by experience of the past that the strength and welfare of a nation is not in war. As an illustration take the French empire in Napoleon's time. We see the emperor and general leading the armies of France to war in his mad ambition to conquer the world. We see him fall and end his days in sorrow and remorse. And as it was with Napoleon so it was with the nation which he represented; and France lies in mourning to the present day. A warlike nation will go to destruction. There is no dishonor in humiliation either in a nation or an individual. There is dishonor in making the conditions such that humiliation and apology must follow. If war must come through force of circumstances where will we find the patriotic citizen? We will find him at his post, to do or die in his country's cause. Let a nation stand on the defensive with firmness and avoid war as far as possible, but if war must come let all citizens fall in line and march to victory. Yours respectfully,

W. W. GETTY.

Not the Right Exception.

We fear our correspondent misconstrues or misconceives the portion of his former declaration to which THE ARGUS took exception. The assertion to which exception was taken in his communication was to the effect that it would be better to submit to a little humiliation than to precipitate an international resort to arms. THE ARGUS combated this statement with the argument that while war was to be deprecated, peace could only be maintained by the preservation of national honor and national self respect, and THE ARGUS felt fully at liberty to pass its own opinion on the motives of a citizen who would go into the public prints sustaining any course that would tend to national humiliation. Uphold the country's honor at any cost, by peaceful means if possible, but at any cost if necessary. This is our position—defend our honor.

It is a pleasure to note that in the closing paragraph of the correspondent's second communication he has come around to practically the same way of thinking. This being the case, there appears no further ground for argument.

EVERTS ELECTS OFFICERS.

Knights Templar Commandery Choose, for the Evening Year.

Everts commandery 18, Knights Templar, last evening elected officers for the ensuing year as follows: Eminent Commander—D. J. Sears. Generalissimo—H. D. Mack. Captain of Guard—H. Carse. Prelate—V. M. Blanding. S. W.—H. McConochie. J. W.—H. H. Cleaveland. Treasurer—W. T. Magill. Recorder—R. C. Willerton. Standard Bearer—L. F. Cralle. Sword Bearer—E. H. Ash. Warden—W. T. Channon. Sentinel—G. Foster. Guards—J. G. Huntoon, P. Greenawalt, J. H. Gruhl.

Member of the Board of Control—Henry C. Cleaveland.

Trustees—M. M. Briggs, J. F. Lieberknecht, J. G. Huntoon, E. H. Ash and W. McConochie.

John Einfield's Bath.

There is probably no one better prepared to answer a question relative to the temperature of the Mississippi river at the foot of Eighteenth street than John Einfield, who resides at 1512 Fourth avenue. Mr. Einfield and several companions started across to Davenport early last evening. In crossing the plank laid between the Rock Island shore and ice Mr. Einfield became overbalanced and fell in. He was soaked from head to foot.

Three different men got into the river near the Davenport shore last evening, but all escaped without incident.

Shields' Cash Store.

Gallon apples, per can	17c
3-lb can apple, per can	7c
Baked beans in tomato sauce, per can	5c
French peas, per can	11c
French peas, fancy, per can	15c
California green gages, gal. cans per can	25c
Salmon, per can	9c
3-lb can blackberries, per can	10c
2-lb can baking powder and bread knife	21c
Milan corn, 4 cans for	25c
Lemon cling peaches, per can	15c
Cream flour, per sack	83c
S. B. flour, per sack	88c
Corn meal	8c
Graham flour	14c
Dairy butter in jars and rolls, per pound	17c
Yankee oats, per package	7c
Corn, oats, hay and straw at lowest prices.	

Telephone 1217. J. T. SHIELDS.

The Weather.

Generally fair and continued cold tonight and Wednesday; probably snow flurries Wednesday; northerly winds veering to northeast. Today's temperature, 25.

F. J. WALZ, Observer.

A FEARFUL FATE.

Conductor H. I. Clark Frightfully Mangled.

LEG AND ARM OUT OFF.

Well Known and Popular C. & P. R. R. Conductor Crushed on the Rail at Rio—Believed That Fatal Results Will Attend the Terrible Disaster.

Conductor H. I. Clark, known to the railroad men and many others in Rock Island as "Bert" Clark, met with a terrible and sad misfortune at Rio early this morning, having his left leg and arm cut off while in the discharge of his duty. Conductor Clark had been running on freight trains 39 and 40 between Galesburg and Savanna, and at Rio last night he was in charge of a double header and was in the act of cutting off the forward engine, the train having broken in two, when the rear section slid up and bumping against the other cars, pushed the train ahead, striking Clark, who fell upon the rail, the wheels passing over his leg and arm and frightfully mangled them. Both members were amputated, and it is hardly thought possible that the unfortunate conductor can survive the shock.

Well Known in Rock Island.

Conductor Clark is well known in Rock Island. For a number of years he ran on the Rock Island and St. Louis division of the Burlington as flagman and brakeman, and enjoyed the acquaintance and friendship of a large number of people both among the railroad men and otherwise, who will be grieved to hear of his fate. He is about 28 years of age.

NATIONAL BANK DAY.

Officers Elected This Afternoon in Rock Island.

This is National bank election day, the stockholders of the Rock Island and People's meeting in accordance with law to choose directors, etc. At the Rock Island National the old board of directors was reelected as follows: T. J. Robinson, J. H. Wilson, E. D. Sweeney, J. F. Robinson, Peter Fries, F. Weyerhaeuser, C. L. Walker and H. S. Hanson. These directors elected officers as follows: President—T. J. Robinson. Vice President—J. H. Wilson. Cashier—J. F. Robinson. People's National.

The People's National elected the following board of directors: F. C. A. Denkmann, Peter Fries, D. T. Robinson, J. Huber, L. Harms, C. Speidel, Gustav Stengel, George Wagner, Peter Gottsmann, F. Weyerhaeuser, Joseph Rosenfield.

This is the old board, with the exception of D. T. Robinson in place of Fred Hass, and Peter Gottsmann instead of Fred Woltmann.

"Charley's Aunt."

"Charley's Aunt," which will be seen in this city for the first time at Harper's theatre Friday, Jan. 17, is one of the greatest hits in America. It is one of those novel and startling successes which appear once in a decade, and which other writers rarely, if ever, duplicate. The piece amuses without a break. The fun is not permitted to lag for a minute, and the drollery of complications appeal alike to every spectator in an audience, but as scene follows scene in "Charley's Aunt" there is a spontaneous outburst of laughter from every part of the house.

A dose that is always seasonable is a dose of Simmons Liver Regulator, the "King of Liver Medicines." It keeps the liver active, the bowels regular, prevents biliousness and promotes digestion. In fact, helps keep you well. "I have watched its effect in families where I have practiced and find it admirable, both alternative and tonic in its action."—Dr. T. W. Mason, Macon, Ga.

Card of Thanks.

The family of the late Miss Mary Vogel desire to publicly express their sincere thanks to all who so kindly assisted during their late bereavement.

All the Season's Delicacies

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Malaga Grapes,
Choice Oranges,
New Figs,
Nuts and Dates,
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Big Line of Candies,
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Drop in and see our Elegant Store and Display.

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McCABE'S

Kid Glove Opportunity.

Shortly before Christmas we received a great many pairs of Kid Gloves for the holiday trade. What we have left go at almost half regular prices. Knowing buyers will lay in a supply this week.

AT 25c A PAIR—10 dozen black and colored Kid Gloves, button and hook, some slightly damaged, some soiled, take them at 25c a pair.

AT 59c A PAIR—25 dozen 5-hook Kid Gloves, the 25c ones, all new colors and black, 59c, 59c a pair.

AT 87c A PAIR—choice of three elegant lines of gloves including the "Marguerite," a large pearl button gloves all new colors and black; the "Santa Marie" 5-hook elegant soft Kid Dress Glove; the "Derby" heavy kid driving glove, English rode and browns, very stylish, worth \$1.25 a pair, all, all, all at 87c a pair.

AT \$1.19 A PAIR—choice \$1.75 and \$2 Kid Gloves, the most stylish stitchings, the newest colors, the best kid. Don't miss this; no mistake, \$1.19 a pair.

Special Sale Dress Goods.

6-DAYS—6

In addition to our recent great mark down on all styles and qualities of Dress Fabrics, we offer the following for the next week, 6 days, only 6. 52-inch beautiful black French Serge, 75c quality, only 47c a yard. 45-inch superior finish black and navy French Serge, the 41c quality, only 29c, 29c a yard.

B. Priestly & Co's black figured all wool Dress Goods, \$1 quality, unsurpassed for finish and wear, choice 62c a yard, no mistake 62c a yard. 300 yards \$1 Silk Velvets, fancy colors, 19c, 19c a yard.

Novelty Dress Patterns, choice of the balance of them at less than half the original prices; many surprises awaiting you here.

25 pieces wide heavy cloakings, very stylish goods, new colors, reduced almost one-half.

Special Notice.

Our Mr. L. S. McCabe arrived from Chicago late Saturday night, and reports that the fur dealers and cloak manufacturers are thoroughly demoralized. The opportunities presented for buying choice desirable fur capes and newest stylish short jackets at 30 and 40c on the dollar, was so dazzling he could not resist the tempting baits. We expect to have the goods all in stock by Tuesday noon. Among them we may mention black fur capes at \$3.12 and \$3.44, worth \$6 to \$7.50, astrichan capes, worth \$22.50, for \$10.57. The very latest handsome short jackets in the new rough cloths at \$5 and \$6, worth more than double. New double capes in both smooth and rough effects, as well as a quantity of plush capes of latest design, and prices far below what you have ever hoped to buy such choice goods—but why dally with words—wait and see. Remember, Tuesday about noon we hope to have all in readiness.

LUCKY MAN,

INDEED, MORE SO IF YOU HAVE NOT BOUGHT YOUR WINTER OVERCOAT.

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9.00	6.95
13.50	10.00
15.00	12.00
16.50	13.50
18.00	15.00
22.00	18.50
23.50	20.00

Your money back should you do as well.

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