

RAILROAD RUMBLINGS.

The Rock Island road is making some improvements in its yards at Oakland.

Mr. J. W. Ingold, city ticket agent of the Air line, leaves tomorrow evening for a ten days' sojourn at the White city.

B. S. Josselyn, general manager of the Kansas City, Osceola & Southern railway, leaves this evening for a tour of inspection over his line.

Chas. Glass, passenger brakeman on the Kansas City, Osceola & Southern has been granted a two weeks leave of absence effective August 20th. Mr. Glass will have then run 223 consecutive days making 53,725 miles in that time.

The Kansas City, Osceola & Southern will run an excursion from Kansas City to Osceola and return on Sunday, August 13th, making a rate of \$1.55 for the round trip. The K. P. Social club of Sheffield, 100 strong, will accompany this train. The Harrisonville Colored Glee club will furnish music.

The Union Pacific Railroad company is making some extensive improvements in their shops in Armstrong. Each of the large buildings are being covered with a new shingle roof, and when completed the buildings will receive a new coat of paint. Some additional buildings are under contemplation and may be built this month.

The Missouri Pacific, following the example of a number of other systems that find retrenchment necessary, has ordered a reduction of 10 per cent in all monthly salaries of \$100 and upwards. Salaries of less than \$100 a month and salaries based on other than monthly compensation or agreements, are excepted from the reduction.

Moving South.

Convenient markets, good soil, pure water and excellent climate are advantages to be considered when looking up a home, business location, farm, etc. Maryland and the Virginias afford these, with many more advantages. Improved farm lands, adapted to stock raising, dairying, grain, grass and fruit growing, can be obtained at low prices and upon easy terms. Thriving towns invite the merchant, mechanic and business man. Abundance of coal, timber, ore, water power, etc. Free sites for manufacturers.

For further information, address M. V. Richards, Land and Immigration Agent, B. & O. R. R., Baltimore, Md.

KANSAS CITY, KAN.

The members of the Equal Suffrage club will give a dinner tomorrow at 512 Minnesota avenue.

A literary and musical entertainment will be given tonight at the Seventh Street Methodist church.

There will be a special meeting of the Greystone club at their headquarters in the Chamber of Commerce building this evening at 8 o'clock.

The republicans held their primaries last evening and elected delegates to attend the county convention to be held at the Tabernacle tomorrow.

At the Third ward republican primary, corner of Eighth street and Washington avenue, last night, George Cox shot his brother-in-law, Gus Brown, in the back. Cox is in jail. Brown will recover.

At a meeting of the Jackson County Medical society last evening, Dr. Von Quast reported a case of fracture of the vertebra with paralysis in the extremities, which was unsuccessfully treated by trephining.

Receiver Bridgens of the Citizens' Bank at Armstrong has begun suit

HARD TIMES.

A TRANSFER MAN AT THE DEPOT GROWS REMINISCENT.

The Business of Today Not What It Was a Year or So Ago—Not a Snap by Any Means to Handle Emigrants.

Hard times is the cry of everybody nowadays, and affects all classes.

One of the transfer men at the Union depot, whose duty it is to board incoming trains and attend to passengers' baggage, seems to feel the effects of the dullness of business deeply.

"Times are not what they were a year or two ago," he said last night, with a heart-rending sigh. "Why I've handled passengers then who carried baggage. Traveling salesmen would come here with eight, ten and sometimes sixteen pieces of baggage, and now"—he stopped and his melancholy face lit up with a smile of scorn—"they only carry one or two trunks."

"And how they would klick—we charged 50 cents for the round trip for each piece of baggage, no matter if it was only a handbag.

"They would hand me perhaps fifteen or sixteen checks, and when I told them 25 cents for each one they would commence. I had to tell them it did not matter if each trunk only had one shirt in it the price would be the same. I took in alone as high as \$75, and sometimes \$100 a day; now if I take in \$25 I think I'm lucky. In all I handled nine trains every day and it kept me on the go, as I had to go out twenty or thirty miles to make each train.

"But the part of the work I always wanted to get out of was checking baggage for the emigrants. They would come here in train loads of three or four coaches direct from New York, and Kansas City would be about their first stopping place. The Milwaukee road brought in the most of them and we would transfer them from the depot at Twentieth street to the Union depot. The emigrants were not only strong in numbers, they were strong in scent, and I verily believe not one of them had taken a bath in any form since leaving their native country. We were informed by telegraph of the coming of a load of these people and I used to fortify myself for the ordeal.

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"As a rule, one man in the party carried all the tickets, for which I was truly thankful, and the conductor had him spotted when he went through the train, but sometimes the tickets were divided among three or four of the old men, and what a picnic I had then. "Afraid of being robbed, they hid

TEACHERS IN TROUBLE.

A Lively Row in the Institute at Warrensburg.

WARRENSBURG, Mo., Aug. 11.—[Special.] The district institute is in session here with a good number in attendance.

The county institute which closed last Friday with Prof. J. C. Ryan, county commissioner, as conductor, and Prof. J. D. Elliff, Miss Miller, Prof. Carlisle, Prof. Chas. Jones and Fisher, instructors, ended in a general row. The instructors have written an article for publication severely criticizing Prof. Ryan.

There is much dissatisfaction among the teachers in regard to their certificates and should the said article be published it will work a hardship on teachers who expect to teach in other counties.

BLUE COATS BLUE

The Patrolmen are Agitated Over the Proposed Salary Reductions and Don't Like It a Little Bit.

The patrolmen are most of them looking as blue as their coats over the proposed reduction of their salaries, which is contemplated by the police commissioners. They only receive \$70 per month now, and should that be cut to \$63 by the reduction of 10 per cent, many of them who have large families to care for will have to be very economical this winter.

A large number of the officers had the result of many years of saving in the suspended savings banks, and should that be lost, they will not even have the rainy day money to fall back on.

It seems with them the same as with anything else, hard luck comes in streaks.

DISTRESS IN DENVER.

The Situation Has Not Been Exaggerated by the Newspapers.

Stories concerning the serious state of affairs in and around Denver are verified by Charles Leeds, a traveling salesman, who was at the Union depot last night.

In conversation with a Mail reporter Mr. Leeds said: "The people of Denver are afraid that they will have serious trouble if the situation does not change soon. Imagine hordes of hungry men and women and children with nothing to eat and no prospects of anything soon. The charitable institutions are doing all they can, but they are over-taxed and cannot afford relief to all who need it. There must be at least 5,000 people who are nearly destitute, and the men have already that desperate sullen look which means mischief if something does not turn up. All kinds of business has suffered more or less, and the idle men are not all miners; they number many clerks and salesmen."

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Mrs. Jennie Taylor, or Wilmuth, as she calls herself, was arrested this morning by Officer Edwardson on complaint of Fred Wilmuth, the restaurant keeper.

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FATAL ACCIDENT.

AN AIR LINE TRAIN WRECKED THIS AFTERNOON.

Two Men and a Boy Injured—One of the Men Dies in the Police Ambulance—Different Views as to the Cause.

At 12:30 today an Air line train going at a speed of twenty-five miles an hour crashed into a lot of loaded cars standing on the side track of the Kansas City Fruit, Auction and Cold Storage company at Second and Main streets, doing considerable damage and strewn the wreck for almost a block. The loaded cars were filled with bananas, watermelons and shelled corn. Some of the cars were completely overturned and the contents scattered.

The Air Line was making a transfer of twenty-eight loaded cars from the Wabash. Three engines were used, as the grade at near the point of the wreck is very steep. Eight cars were completely wrecked and two men and a boy injured.

B. F. Pinkerton and G. B. Haywood, switchmen on the Suburban Belt railway, were the injured men. Pinkerton is badly hurt and it is thought cannot recover. His right leg was cut off between the knee and the ankle, his right arm broken and badly hurt about the body. Dr. Iuen, who dressed his injuries, says they are very serious.

G. B. Haywood received a fracture of the left leg and was badly shaken up. His injuries are considered serious, but not fatal. Jimmie Steele, a small colored boy, was stealing a ride on the wrecked train. He was thrown about twenty feet in the air but escaped with slight injuries. There were five or six other boys on the train.

Pinkerton and Haywood were removed to All Saints' hospital. Pinkerton formerly roomed at 1230 Walnut street and Haywood lives at 903 West Twelfth street.

There are different versions of the cause of the wreck. Some say it was due to spreading rails, and also claim that there was a broken rail.

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Hotel Arrivals.

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W. Wilson, Quincy, is at the Victoria.
K. Carneau, Chicago, is at the Victoria.
W. Lyman, Oskaloosa, Ia., is at the Victoria.
A. Oldham, Columbus, Mo., is at the Victoria.
George H. Armstrong, New York, is at the Victoria.

Births.

The following births have been re-
corded to the board of health:

Johnnie, James and Ella; girl; 1628
C. J. Kennedy, Ed and Kate; boy; 2409,
L. D. and M. E.; boy; 627
Orthen, William and Maggie; girl;
Anton, James and Isabel; girl; 227
Harvey, Harvey and S. W.; boy; 2804
Tracy

Deaths.

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Jameson, infant 1811 Jefferson
Hunt; aged 2, near the home
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AUCTION

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"I was afraid of being robbed, they hid
their tickets in all manner of places,
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"Well, talk about gas knocking you
down, if you want a scent that you
will remember for a year, take off an
emigrant's shoe.

"After getting their transfer coupons
and seeing to their baggage, the worst
part was to come, that was to get them
from one depot to the other. We had
about half a dozen omnibuses, but the
trouble was to get them to go in them.
By the time the depot was reached they
were afraid of me, as they thought
I had robbed them of part of their
tickets. I filed them out on the plat-
form and then the fun commenced.
They evidently regarded the bus as a
species of infernal machine and
coaxing was of no avail. They had
to be driven to them, like sheep,
and once we had a load safely inside,
the door was locked and away they
went, crying for dear life. Sometimes
we had to put a few on top of the bus,
and then they made the driver's life
miserable, grabbing at him at every turn
and pouring forth their wild lamenta-
tions, which he could not understand,
and which drove him nearly crazy."

Just then the checkman had to go to
catch an incoming train and he went
out of the depot. The man saw
him shake his head and heard him mur-
mur sadly, "No, it's not like old
times."

COMING EVENTS.

There will be twenty-two floats in
the Priests of Pallas parade this fall.

The F. L. Y. club will give a dancing
party at Washington park Monday
evening.

A sham battle will be fought at ex-
position park on the night of August
15 by the Third regiment.

The biggest Odd Fellows picnic ever
held in Northwest Missouri will take
place at Southville on Saturday, Aug-
ust 19.

The reunion of the ex-Confederates
of Missouri will take place at the Con-
federate home at Higginsville on Au-
gust 21 and 22.

The fourth annual picnic of the For-
eigners of this city and Kansas City
club will be held at Kansas City on
August 23. The affair has been arranged
for some time. A feature of the picnic
will be athletic sports for prizes.

W. J. Smith, auctioneer, has a quantity
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It will be remembered that the Wil-
muth-Taylor case was aired in the
courts some time ago and is not yet
settled. The woman in the case calls
herself Mrs. Wilmuth. She claims she
went for Wilmuth this morning be-
cause he wanted to leave her.

"What is your name?" quoth Captain
Branham.

"Jennie Wilmuth," was the an-
swer.

"It's Jennie Taylor," said Wilmuth,
and then they had it back and forth
for a minute.

The trouble will be laid before Pol-
ice Judge Johnson tomorrow and from
apparent signs the end is not yet.

Mrs. Taylor, or Wilmuth, whichever
name the courts decide she is entitled
to wear, was formerly the wife of the
police secretary, Sprague Taylor, but
was divorced, it is charged, irregu-
larly.

CRIMINAL COURT.

**Final Adjudgment of the April Term—
Minor Proceedings Had.**

There was a short session of the crim-
inal court yesterday to dispose of a few
matters of minor importance. The
court then adjourned until the first
Monday in September, when the Sep-
tember term will begin.

The bond of Mrs. Lena Casey or Dr.
Lena Smith, was declared forfeited.
The bond is for \$500, with her husband,
B. L. Woodson and T. S. McMillan as
sureties. It is claimed that Mrs.
Casey is dead, but the court demands
proof.

The indictment against Mrs. Casey
charges that she performed a criminal
operation last February on Mollie J.
Mitchell, causing her death. Mrs.
Casey went to the Indian Territory
some time ago and has not been seen
since.

James Nocturn, who was sentenced
to ten years in the penitentiary for
murder, was allowed sixty days addi-
tional for the filing of his bill of ex-
emption.

The jail sentences of William Mar-
gery, Fred Woodson and John Mil-
gram, deputy sheriffs convicted of
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POLICE NEWS.

Edward Davis, arrested, was arrested at
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He leaves a wife and four children.
They are in Sedalia, Mo.

Two Boys Reported Buried.

There is a rumor that there are two
boys buried under a car of corn. They
were seen before the wreck, but could
not be found after it occurred.

IN THE POOR HOUSE.

**A Cousin of Ex-President Harrison in a
Poverty Stricken Condition.**

William Harrison, who says he is a
cousin of ex-President Harrison, is still
on the county farm in Denver. Sec-
retary of the Humane society of
that city has been investigating his
story and is convinced the old gentle-
man's claim of relationship to the ex-
president is well founded. Mr. Thom-
son wrote to George S. Cunningham of
Lancaster, O., who Mr. Harrison said
used to be his attorney. Mr. Cunning-
ham confirmed every statement of the
old man and said he had a daughter,
Mrs. Rebecca Williamson, living near
the same town.

Mr. Thomson then wrote them both
that Mr. Harrison was poverty-stricken
and was being cared for by the county.
No answer to these epistles has since
been received.

Mr. Harrison says Cunningham owes
him a large sum of money, and this
may account for that gentleman's
silence. The daughter, if she received
the letter, is very ungrateful, for her
father thinks she has money.

Mr. Harrison has stated that he is a
first cousin of the president, but will
not let his condition be known. In lat-
ter years fortune has been unkind to
him, and abandoned by his children,
he is unable to support himself. His
resemblance to his distinguished rela-
tive is very striking.

HIS LAST VISIT.

**William Sackewitz Walks Off a Barge
Into the River.**

William Sackewitz, a fisherman,
was drowned last night in the Missouri
river. Sackewitz was paying a visit
to a friend, John Cole, night watch-
man on Craig and McRobert's and
barge stationed at the foot of Grand
avenue.

Cole invited his friend to remain on
the barge all night and Sackewitz
stayed there. Cole's sleeping apart-
ment was in the stern of the boat. He
was awakened by the water and fell into
the river. The water carried Sackewitz
down the river. In the darkness it was
hard to see the floating logs, and
Sackewitz could not be seen. He was
drowned and his condition being in-
vestigated.