

NON-UNION MEN WILL SUE.

ARGENTINE WILL BE ASKED TO PAY
\$30,000 FOR PERMITTING A MOB.

**Suits Will Be Brought by Men Assaulted by
Victorious Santa Fe Railway Strikers
Under an Old Law Holding Cities
Responsible for Mobs.**

The recent assaults of the victorious strikers on the Santa Fe railway on the non-union men who had taken their places are liable to lead to serious embarrassment for the town of Argentine, where the assaults took place without the least interference from the police. Attorney W. R. Smith of Kansas City, Kas., is preparing to bring a suit against Argentine for \$10,000 damages for each of the three non-union workmen—I. P. Farrington, Frank Jordan and Marion Garrett—under a Kansas statute which makes a city liable for damages for the action of mobs within its limits. Attorneys of this city also bring suits for other non-union men who were assaulted. The statute under which the suits will be brought is an old one and the suits will be the first of the kind ever filed in the state.

Farrington, Jordan and Garrett were among the most badly injured by the strikers, although thirteen non-union men sustained injuries of some kind. The men made complaint to County Attorney Cobb of Wyandotte county and he made an investigation. He learned in Argentine that a mob congregated and that the non-union men had, without doubt, been assaulted, but it was almost impossible to make individual cases against the members of the mob. Attorney Smith then brought up the statute making the city of Argentine liable in order to give the assaulted men redress of some kind. Several arrests have been made, but none of strikers has yet been taken into custody.

Night Yard Master Sweeney and Switchman Manning were arrested Saturday night and last night Under Sheriff March arrested Joseph James, Charles Walters and Thomas Feehey, switchmen, charged with assaulting non-union men on last Tuesday night during the trouble that followed the settlement of the strike. They are charged also with disturbing the peace. They gave \$500 bond for their appearance before Justice Swingley of Kansas City, Kas., May 9. The leaders of the strikers are trying to show that all the trouble was caused by outsiders and not by union men.