Thousands Have Ridney Trouble and Don't Know it. Northern company and that the whole scheme was illegal, in violation of the law of this state and the other states

udge Elliott Forbids Retirement of Preferred Stock.

IS ENJOINED.

WORTHERN PACIFIC

MULD VIOLATE AGREEMENT

an Brought by Peter Power-Suit glieved to Have Been Brought in Harriman's Interest.

Misseapolls, Dec. 30,-Judge Elliott of district court of Hennepin county r granted a temporary order reiging the officers of the Northern if Railway company from retiring referred stock of that company. rder was issued on the application ster Power of New York, who holds eares of the common stock. It was cosed that the failure of the action wht in New York by holders of prewi stock cleared away the last obde to the retirement of the preed on January 1, leaving the Hill ests free to act.

IS HARRIMAN INVOLVED?

t is inferred, although it does not so pear, that the present action is eight in behalf of the Harriman in-ests to prevent the control passing out of its hands for another year ntil the legal standing of the North-Securities company is settled. The claim set up by Mr. Power in his is that the retirement of the pre-istock is in violation of the agreent that such reitrement would lay additional burdens upon the common ck and be holds that the certificates ebenture bonds to be issued to efthe retirement of the preferred would become a lien upon the

non stock and thus work an injury his property INDEPENDENT STOCK.

It is understood that the block of 100 es held by Power is the only block ommon not hitherto controlled and itely located upon one side or the organ interest. The restraining order not only be served on the officials Minnesota but will be telegraphed to

The injunction restrains the Northern ific Railway company from issuin selling any certificates of indebted ss or debenture or other evidence of tedness, or creating any indebtedess or liability for the purpose of rais money with which to pay or retire eferred stock of the Northern Pa Railway company or any par eof or from using or appropriating moneys or proceeds other than the nary or surplus net earnings of the thern Pacific Railway company to he payment and retirement of the pre eof, and also from creating any in ating expenses of its railway sys-

How To Find Out. Fill a bottle or common glass with your water and let it stand twenly-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an 70 unhealthy condition of the kidneys; if it stains

such preferred stock.

par January 1

NOTICE OF RETIREMENT.

It is alleged that the Northern Pa-cific Rallway company has caused to

e sent to each of its preferred stock-olders a notice that it would reirte

your linen it is evidence of kidney trouble; too frequent desire to pass it or pain in convincing proof that the kidneys and bladthe back is also

der are out of order. What to Do.

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any agreement with these companies, or either of them for the purpose of avoiding competition and fixing rates for the carriage of freight and passengers upon either of their lines of rail-Way

WHAT PETITION RECITES.

The petition recites briefly the history of the Northern Pacific railroad and the division of its stock into common and preferred. It is alleged that the only difference between the preferred stock and the common stock was that the preferred stock was entitled to the 4 per cent dividend prior to apything per cent dividend prior to anything ing paid on the common stock; and he bill in this connection alleges that the preferred stock was subject to be retired at any time within twenty years after the time of reorganization

t the company and the issuing of the ock out of the surplus net earnings c he company and not otherwise; that a other respects the rights of the prerred and common stockholders were lentical.

cent annum is a fixed charge per against the earnings of the compati and its property and must be paid whether the earnings for any year through which the railway lines pass, against the public laws of the United States and of each of the states. The amount to 4 per cent on said issue of convertible certificates of indebtedness bill also alleges that under and by virdebenture bonds or not, and under ue of the charter of the Northern Pawhich, if default is made in the pay-ment of said interest of any payment ific Railway company and under the provisions of the reorganization agresof the principal when due in 1907, or ra paid for and retired stock can only be paid for and retired from the net sur-plus earnings of the Northern Pacific any time prior thereto, under the provision of said certificates of indebtedness or debenture bonds, the entire property of the Northern Pacific Railway com-pany may be sold to satisfy the judgtailway company and not otherwise Tha! notwithstanding these provisions the directors of said company, for the first step in carrying out their plan of transferring the control of the defend-ant conportion to the Northern Securiment or judgments which may be ob-tained thereunder and all equities and rights of the common stockholders extinguished. tles company, have served notice upon the holders of the preferred stock that on January 1, 1902, they would retire such preferred stock that

SCHEME PROVOKES LITIGATION.

The bill sets forth that the scheme has already provoked litigation, which is now pending, and he swears that by NORTHERN PACIFIC PROFITABLE. reason of public criticism serious litiga-tion will be instituted unless the de-The bill alleges further that since its reorganization the Northern Pacific Railway company has conducted a sucfendant company be enjoined from carrying out its illegal scheme and design, and in this connection is it alleged that cessful and profitable business and has paid 4 per cent on its preferred stock and is now paying 4 on the common, out of the earnings after paying the fixed charges and the operating ex-penses; that there is a fund of about \$2,000 m ast neide to secure payments proceedings are about to be instituted against the Northern Securities com-pany, the Northern Pacific Railway company, the Great Northern company and the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy \$3,000,00 set aside to secure payments of dividends on preferred stocks and Railway company, by some of the states through which the roads pass to prevent the consolidation in the manbetween \$2,000,000 and \$3,000,000 of a general surplus; that it has now ou hand exceeding \$3,000,000 derived from the earnings of the road wherewith to pay the \$75,000,000 of the preferred stock at pay the \$75,000,000 of the preferred stock alleged in the bill, and that action of these companies will invite and arouse hostile legislation by all states through which the roads pass; and that at par, but that in order to retire such in case the railway company should carry out and accomplish the plans and preferred stock the directors of the ompany are threatening to issue and schemes mentioned it will be subject sell certificates of indebtedness or de-benture bonds amounting to \$75,000,000 of the Northern Pacific Railroad comto have its charter rights forfeited.

The bill recites the provision of the constitution of the state of Montana pany, and out of proceeds pay off the stockholders of the preferred stock at prohibiting the consolidation of compet ing and parallel lines of railway and also the laws of the state of Washington prohibiting the consolidation of parallel

and competing lines and alleges that the Northern Pacific and Great Northern Rallway companies are parallel and competing lines.

SECURITIES COMPANY'S PUR-POSE.

the whole of the preferred stock at par on the 1st day of January, 1902, and that the transfer books of the com-It is particularly alleged in the bill of complaint that the Northern Securities pany were closed on Tuesday, Dec. 10, 1901, at 5 o'clock, for the retirement of company is a railroad corporation and the preferred stock, as aforesaid. The plaintiff says that he has been unable to obtain a copy of the resoluwas organized for the express and sole purpose of uniting under its management and control the defendant, the Northern Pacific Railway company, the ions of the board of directors as to he issue and sale of certificates of in-Breat Northern Railway company, the lebtedness, or debenture bonds, but the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railway company and the systems of railways ceneral effect of the resolutions, he alleges, is set forth in a circular issued by the Northern Pacific railroad to the stockholders, a copy of which circular is made a part of the bill. controlled and operated by each of the railway companies, respectively, and for no other purpose; and that the Northern Securities company was or-ganized for the purpose of owning, holding and controlling all three of the NO MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS. corporations mentioned in the bill and their various systems of railway, so that all competition between these com



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dness or from creating any indebtedthe recent Methodist ministers' meeting ess or liability, either direct or indi ing this city. The claim was made that their salaries are insufficient. He also found fault with the uniform, ect, of any description for the purpose f raising money with which to pay r retire the preferred stock of your which he described as a "single-breastaid company, or any part thereof, or ed, shad-bellied, long-talled frock coat such as is worn by clergymen in some rom using any moneys or proceeds ther that the ordinary surplus net foreign countries, but which simply looks ridiculous here." earnings of the company to the pay-ment and retirement of the preferred He said that at the opening of th stock of your said company or any part

Kiel canal, when the kalser passed through the line of warships, the chapain on the American ship was ordered below because of his grotesque appearance.

New York, Dec. 31 .- It is announced, says the Herald, that a successor to th ate President Valentine, of the Wells-Fargo Express company, has been se-lected in Dudley Evans, at present gen-

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