

Thrown From Moving Train

*Five Masked Highwaymen Beat and Rob Two Provo Men
Near Soldier's Summit—William Nelson Nearly
Killed—Section Foreman at Pleasant Valley Junction
Also Held up—Robbers Wound*

(Special to the "News.")
Provo, June 27.—The five masked highwaymen who went down the train crew on the Oregon Short line near Farmington on Thursday night as reported in last evening's "News," have apparently transferred their operations to the Rio Grande Western in this county.
Last night two Provo men, William Nelson and Sam Warner, got off the

county, where they were going to work some mining property they own there. They had hardly entered the car before being confronted by five masked men, revolvers in hand, and told to surrender and submit to being searched. Nelson objected and showed fight, a fact that nearly cost him his life. He

Thus Spake Councilman Fernstrom Regarding the Criminal
Libel Suit Brought Against Himself and Colleague,
By the City Attorney.

"City Attorney Nye is my accuser. He shall also be my defender or show that he is not equal to the occasion, and back down and out. It may be somewhat anomalous for him to champion the cause of myself and colleague before the court, but tell me, pray, why he shouldn't? It is his duty. It is the law. He can't get away from official acts of officials and agents of the city in the discharge of their duties. Mr. Cottrell and myself were in the discharge of our duty and it is only fair that Mr. Nye should do his. Besides, there is no good reason why we should continue to employ special counsel litigation on its hands. We have done that three times of late and it is going to cost the city a good deal of money."

the city ordinances are both plain on the subject. He charges Mr. Cottrell and myself with having officially libelled and slandered the city, that is libelled him by publishing an official report containing something that he alleges is not true. Very well, the statutes and ordinances require that I must—make it binding in fact—that, in his duty to defend all suits and court actions arising out of the

H. BABCOCK

WAS REMEMBERED

This afternoon S. H. Babcock, assistant general traffic manager of the Rio Grande system pulled down the top of his coat the last time, on Monday night, the retiring official said, with his wife and family for California, where he will go for a couple of months' rest and recreation. The outgoing traffic manager will be missed in local railroad circles. On all sides today were heard expressions of regret. It goes without saying that a man in his position has made a number of friends and possibly some enemies, but one and all his morning paid high tribute to his career as a successful traffic manager. A friend of Mr. Babcock this morning said: "Mr. Babcock may not like to hear me say so, but he was one of the

an indication of the esteem in which we held I have reason to know that was only the changes in the direction of the economy in Salt Lake that brought about the change in the position of Mr. Babcock was offered a position immediately under Traffic Director Bird in Chicago, but he did not care to take it. In an appreciation of the past efforts of the company, the company handed him a check that would keep the wolf away from the door for some time to come if Mr. Babcock was not on Kays street in Salt Lake. The company has been very courteous which are only offered to men who have made a record and with whom the company is both proud and interested.

As a further mark of regret and illustrative of Mr. Babcock's thoughtfulness, it came to his ears a couple of days ago that the employees were going to have a testimonial in the shape of a service of plate or some such token. He did not at time in announcing that he did not want it.

This addition has become imperative on account of increased travel.

S. A. Herring of Portland, representing the Fruit Growers' express, is in the city. Mr. Simon has been appointed agent for the company at Ogden, vice Mr. Emerson, resigned.

Superintendent Lobdell of the Rio Grande dining car service is in Salt Lake today.

The Union Pacific has encountered a vein of coal near Cumberland, Utah. It is said to be 40 feet in thickness and many are being moved to the prospect with the object in view of the opening up of additional mines.

SPANISH FORK SURVEYS.

Matter of Appropriation Therefor to Be Considered.

to salary for the purpose of buying out a present. He was so pronounced that the board of directors was abandoned and in its stead a board of regret for his resignation was drawn up and signed by all the members of the traffic department. This board of directors, which consisted of individual signers, then recommended in a personal letter wherein he said some very nice things.

JOINT POSITION, FOR M'CURDY
Submitted for a Titled Appointment on
Salt Lake Route.

David S. McCurdy, agent for the New York Life Insurance company here, is the persistent rumors, is slated for a

Hardy will not say, in fact he shute like the proverbial clam when approached on the subject. It is stated, however, that circulars will shortly be issued from headquarters announcing his appointment as either purchaser agent or land and tax agent for the state of Pedro, Los Angeles & Salt Lake road.

MANAGER EDSON COMING.

Manager of the Rio Grande Operating Department on Route for Salt Lake, Manager Edson of the Rio Grande line is expected to arrive in Salt Lake from Denver either tonight or tomorrow. Just what the nature of his business is at this time is not forthcoming, but it is assumed that following his visit to the city he will be in the city.

