

AGRICULTURAL.

Protecting Grape Vines in Winter.

In cold parts of the Province it is the best way to lay the grape vines down at the approach of winter in order to secure crops of fruit.

Apple Jelly.

The wholesale manufacture of apple jelly has become an important business, especially in the State of New York.

FARM ITEMS.

Lack of pure and fresh water greatly interferes with the production of eggs during winter weather.

Advanced iron pails for drinking water should not be used. The zinc coating is likely to be acted upon by water.

A farmer who for years had his crops damaged by woodchucks, says: "After the woodchucks had retired for winter quarters the surface of the ground was deeply frozen."

The San Francisco reporter didn't get anything new when he asked a Chinaman why the children of Confucius kept Christmas.

HONORING THE DEAD.

The Folly and Ex-ravagance of Current Funeral Customs—The Origin of costly Burial Ceremonies—Ancient Mortuary Practices

"Among other things which are not as they should be," a Greek tragedian is fabled to say in an English crib, "I might mention the unbounded character of feminine extravagance."

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what did they really believe about death? There was no consistent or orthodox doctrine. Hell was painted on the walls of the Læche at Delphi—hell with a blue-black fiend, Luryonimus, the color of a carrion fly, devouring the damned.

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STIFLING TIMES IN RUSSIA.

The Social and Political Life of the People Stifled by the Government.

"Oh, this stifling, horrible reaction!" gasp intelligent Russians. "We are dying for fresh air."

The czar as usual does nothing. He is merely a figurehead for his country. In order to fill up his time his ministers make him sign "hushes," and give audience to civil and military office-seekers who presumably come "to lay at the feet of his majesty their loyal feelings."

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wounds of our fatherland," he said. For that speech the mayor of Moscow was removed. From that day to this the ancient czar's capital has remained headless, for no new candidate elected by the city has suited the minister. This is the way the autocrat repays Moscow for her hospitality to him during the coronation.

The minister of justice also shines with wisdom. Recently a Russian, who was called before the court as a witness, refused to take the formal oath, which begins thus: "I swear by God Almighty."

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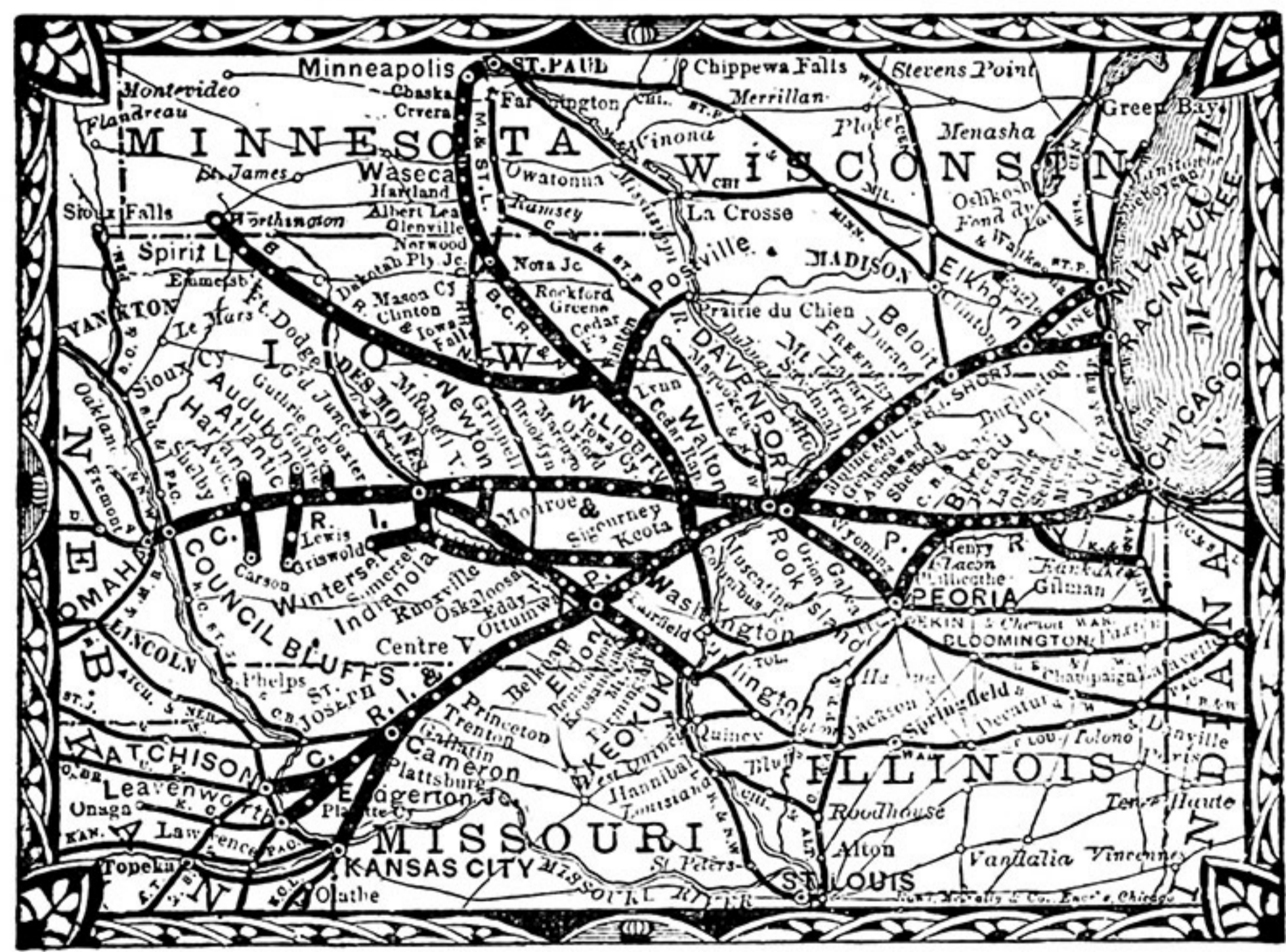
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