

The Piatt Electric Co.

As stated last week, a franchise for an electric lighting plant was granted to Chester C. Piatt & Co., although the name of the company was changed to Piatt Electric Co.

The members of the company are Charles C. Piatt, Chester C. Piatt and E. H. Ackerman. They have incorporated under the laws of the state for the sum of \$20,000, and have a paid up capital of \$9,000. No stock is for sale at present.

The Piatts need no introduction to the people of Cooperstown or Griggs county, as they have resided near here for years, being engaged in extensive farming.

Mr. Ackerman has resided in the cities of St. Paul and Minneapolis for about fifteen years, being engaged most of the time in superintending and installing electric plants of various kinds. For a number of years he was general superintendent of the Northwest Engineering Co., of St. Paul. The business of this company is the manufacturing of dynamoes and motors, general contractors, wholesaling and retailing. He is licensed as a special electrician and has made a specialty of electric lighting, telephone wiring, etc. He has been on the road as a salesman for a machinery and hardware firm for some time. In putting in the plant here he will be assisted by his son who is also a practical electrician employed in the twin cities, and other expert help will be secured, and all the work done in a first-class manner from start to finish.

The plant will consist of a coal gas engine of 150 horse power, a 100 K. W. dynamo, or a capacity of 2,000 16 candle-power incandescent lights.

The lots on the corner just across the street north of the Farmers' Blacksmith Shop have been purchased for the electric lighting plant. An effort was made to get a site on the railroad, but it could not be done without delay, and that would not answer. Work on the plant will begin as soon as material can be secured.