

HAVE OCCUPIED FREIGHT HOUSE

NEW DEPOT OF THE CHICAGO &
NORTHWESTERN RAILROAD
IS NOW IN USE.

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Building Cost \$40,000 and is the Best
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System.

The new freight depot of the Chicago & Northwestern railroad company, at the corner of South Church and Cedar streets has been occupied and the freight transfers are being made through that station to-day. At the same time, General Agent Golly and his large clerical force have changed offices from the cramped rooms in the old depot to the commodious quarters in the new \$40,000 structure.

It is said the new building is the finest of its kind and size on the Chicago & Northwestern railroad system and is much better than any depot in a place of similar size to Rockford.

The building is heated throughout with steam, the plant being located in the basement, while arc and incandescent lights furnish the light for the structure.

On the lower floor facing Church street is the cashier's offices, while above are the general offices, including the clerical and telegraph room and private offices of General Agent Golly and Assistant Agent Hugh Flannery. Large vaults are in place in both sets of offices, while there is a large lavatory.

On the lower floor is a cold storage room, where perishable property can be placed to be kept cool in the summer and warm in the winter.

The long freight house is opened its entire length on the first floor by means of the cross horizontal door, which is easily handled and gives good clearance. There are two check offices, one for outgoing, the other for incoming freight, the house being divided into two sections for this purpose, while on the second floor is the storage room, reached by two electric elevators or by two flight of stairs.

The freight house proper is 250 feet long with a shed extension to South Court street of 75 feet.

General Agent Golly is very much elated over the improvement and says it will only be a short time until the railroad yards are also put in the best of shape.

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