

## *CONFERENCE OF RAILROAD PRESIDENTS.*

CHICAGO, Dec. 2.—The conference of railroad Presidents held to-day in the office of President Keep, of the Chicago and North-western, resulted in just exactly nothing. President Porter, of the Omaha line, insisted that the adjustment of territorial difficulties between his road and the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul must precede any attempt to figure on rates. President Mitchell, of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Road, insisted that the line he represented could never consent to any arrangement of this character. If the people wanted a railroad built, the Milwaukee and St. Paul would construct it. To attempt to divide up the United States in the style proposed by Mr. Porter would simply be to induce the passage of laws under which all railroads would suffer alike. They would not consent to make any arrangement on the basis proposed by Mr. Porter, and thus the negotiations from which so much had been hoped came to end. There was any quantity of desultory dissension, but none of this reached the vital point involved. In the end the meeting adjourned, to reconvene on Dec. 11 in the Windsor Hotel, New-York.

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