

**Not the Right Scouting Staff.**

A long, lean, gaunt Yankee entered a drug store, and asked: "Be you the druggist?" "Well, yes, I suppose so, I sell the drugs." "Wal hev you got any of this here scentin stuff as the gals put on their handkerchers?" "Oh, Yes."

"Wal, our Sal is going to be married, and she gin me a advance and told me to invest the whole amount in scentin stuff, so's to make her sweet, if I could find some to suit; so if you're a mind I'll just smell round."

The Yankee smelled around without being suited, until the druggist got tired of him, and taking down a bottle of hartshorn, said: "I've got a scentin stuff that will suit you. A single drop on your handkerchief will last for weeks, and you can't wash it out; but to get the strength of it you must take a big smell."

"Is that so Mister? Wal just hold on a minute, till I get my breath, and when I say now, just put it under my snuffler."

The directions were, of course, followed, and the Yankee was nearly knocked off his pins, but, recovering himself, he exclaimed: "Chain Lightning, Mr. Druggist! is the top of my head? Sal don't want nothin like that; it would break up a camp meeting in ten minutes. You hain't got the right kind of scentin stuff."

**Dogging The Old Folks.**

A young man in this city had been paying his addresses to a prepossessing little creature, whose parents were stoutly opposed to her receiving attentions of this sort, believing her too young to marry. The suitor, however, like most suitors, continued to buzz around the domicile of his love, and in due time secured the consent of the old folks—who saw that it was a deal sure thing, any way to go on with the marriage. Arrangements were made accordingly, and, on a given day, the wedding, which was to be a private affair, was to come off. When the time arrived the family had in a few near relatives, the clergyman made his appearance, and all was ready for tying the nuptial knot. Just as the ceremony was about to begin, the young man remarked that he had something to say, and calling the company about him made this little speech: "We are much obliged for this gathering on our account, but let me suggest that there is no necessity for any further business, as we were married three weeks ago." The minister immediately took his hat and left while the father of the girl, gazing upon his wife, ventured to reproduce these touching lines:

"This world is all a fleeting show,  
For man's duration given."  
—Hartford Current.

Mr. Richardson tells of a California woman to whom he showed a twenty-five cent note of our postal currency, specimens of which are rare in that hard-money region. She gazed at it over and over with keen curiosity. "It seems very strange to me that this should be money," she said. "It don't look like money." "What does it look like?" "Well," hesitatingly and with the utmost sincerity, "it looks like—a label for an oyster can!"

An aged lady in Philadelphia, whose falling sight rendered necessary a prayer book of great size, she called on her friends on her way to church, and upon starting again, unwittingly picked up a music box instead of a prayer book. During the sacred ceremony, the old lady attempted to open the prayer book, when to her surprise and the astonishment of the congregation, the machine struck up "Lanigan's Ball," with great clearness and force.

Moss aches, popularly supposed to contain specimens of real moss, but which are simply silicious formations penetrated with iron solution taking the form of mosses, vines, trees, etc., are found along the line of the Union Pacific, and at points for two hundred miles from Cheyenne westward. The blue and cream aches are the most highly prized.

A few days since, a Waterbury (Ct.) lawyer returned to the railroad agent at that place one dollar overpaid him in making change. For a moment the agent stood speechless; then, as the lawyer poured down his checks, he grasped him by the hand, and exclaimed: "Please stand still one moment, sir, and let me look at you—and a lawyer, too."

The Century Plant in Rochester is now nearly sixteen feet high, has fifteen arms or flower stems, the largest of which is one foot. There are over one hundred buds already formed, and many more will probably appear soon. All these will in time become blossoms.

Anna Dickinson, described by a Sacramento correspondent as having "infernal eyes, like the ox-eyed Juno." She rode a considerable distance, during her overland journey, on the engine—Being ox-eyed, we presume she rode on the cow catcher.

Stander.  
Look on standers as direct enemies to civil society; as persons without honor, honesty or humanity. Whoever contains you with the faults of others, designs to serve you in a similar manner.

Whenever I find a real handsome woman engaged in the "wimmins' rights business," then I am going to take my hat under my arm and join the procession.—Josh Billings.

The latest smartness of a New York pictorial is a cut representing a Railroad conductor striking his head in the car, and shouting: "Judy, fifteen minutes for divorees."

The Boston Post thinks that the poor quality of the St. Louis water is no argument against removal of the capital there, in view of the small quantity Congressmen drink.

Some of the newspapers are making a great outcry about the religious opinions of certain Democratic candidates. There isn't religion enough in the whole party to make a fuss about.

The old opinion, Moses smote a rock and brought forth water. The modern Moses is recommended to perform the contrary miracle—viz. dry up.

Never has a stambling block in the way of a man who is trying to advance himself in the world honestly and uprightly.

The Guardian in a London High Church paper, has declined to advertise lithographed or manuscript sermons for sale.

An ill-humored man is said to be like lightning—because he doesn't know how to conduct himself.

"Mother, what makes the ocean get angry?" "Because it has been crossed so often, my son."

Anything to please the child, as the nurse said when she let the baby crawl out of the third-story window.

**THE MISSOURI VALLEY LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY.**

**GENERAL OFFICE:**  
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**BRANCH OFFICES:**  
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Dividends on the Contribution Plan, Securing the Greatest Pecuniary Advantage to the Policy Holders.

**REASONS FOR INSURING IN THIS COMPANY:**  
1st. This is a Western Company, managed by Western men, whose known financial character, ability and position, afford ample guaranty for its careful and successful management.

2d. Its Policies are all non-forfeiting.  
3d. Premium all cash. It receives no notes and gives none. Policy holders have no interest to pay, and no outstanding notes as liens upon their policies.  
4th. Dividends and losses are paid in cash.  
5th. It insures at lower rates than any Eastern company.

6th. Its risks are in the West, where the rate of mortality is lower and the rate of interest higher than in the East; hence the accumulation of dividends to the policy holder is greater than in any Eastern Company.  
7th. It has no restriction upon travel.  
8th. Its dividends are made upon the contribution plan.  
9th. Its business is exclusively life insurance.

**DIVIDENDS**  
Are the accumulations of interest upon premiums paid, hence the Company that loans its assets at the highest rate of interest can give you the largest dividends. Eastern companies invest their money at 4 per cent., while this makes its investments at twelve per cent., or more.

The advantage of Western investments to the policy holder appears in the following startling figures: The amount of \$1,000, invested for fifty years at  
6 per cent. compound interest, is \$18,420.14  
8 " " " " " 46,960.91  
10 " " " " " 117,308.85  
12 " " " " " 253,858.93

**OFFICERS:**  
H. D. Mackay, President,  
E. Henseley, Vice-President,  
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D. M. Swan, General Agent,  
J. L. Weaver, M. D., Consulting Physician.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:**  
H. D. Mackay, George R. Hines, E. Henseley,  
H. Edgerton, D. W. Eaves.

**This Company insures at lower rates than any Eastern Company.**  
AUDITOR OF STATE OFFICE,  
TOWNSHIP OF KANSAS, FEBRUARY 23d, 1890  
KANSAS, do hereby certify that

**Missouri Valley Life Insurance Company,**  
organized and doing business under the laws of the State of Kansas and Missouri, has furnished the undersigned satisfactory evidence that it has invested the Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars and is possessed of the same, and do further certify that said company has set apart One Hundred Thousand Dollars of said United States Bonds for the benefit of all policy holders of said Company; and that I hold in trust and on deposit for the benefit of said policy holders the security above mentioned, and I am satisfied that such securities are worth One Hundred Thousand Dollars in the United States of America.

In witness whereof, I, W. L. WILLYS KING, Superintendent of the Insurance Department of said State of Missouri, have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said State, this 23rd day of Feb., A. D. 1890.  
W. L. WILLYS KING,  
Superintendent of the Insurance Department of the State of Missouri.

**CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY TO DO BUSINESS.**  
OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF THE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI.  
IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED, That the Missouri Valley Life Insurance Company, a Life Association organized under the laws of the State of Kansas, and its principal office located at the city of Leavenworth, has complied with the requirements of the thirtieth, thirty-first, thirty-second, thirty-third and thirty-fourth sections of an Act of the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, entitled "An Act for the incorporation and regulation of Life Assurance Companies," approved March 21st, A. D. 1882, so far as the said requirements are applicable thereto. And is hereby authorized to do business as a Life Assurance Company within the said State of Missouri, subject to the several provisions and requirements of the Act aforesaid, until the first day of February, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and ninety.

In testimony whereof, I, W. L. WILLYS KING, Superintendent of the Insurance Department of said State of Missouri, have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said State, this 23rd day of Feb., A. D. 1890.  
W. L. WILLYS KING,  
Superintendent of the Insurance Department of the State of Missouri.

**CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY.**  
(To expire on the 31st day of January, 1891.)  
INSURANCE DEPARTMENT, OFFICE OF STATE AUDITOR, I  
LEAVENWORTH, NEBRASKA, APRIL 1, 1890.  
WHEREAS, Abram E. Covalt, State Agent for the Missouri Valley Life Insurance Company, located at the city of Leavenworth, has filed in the office of said Auditor, a copy of a certificate of incorporation of said Company, and a statement under oath, showing the condition, as required by the thirtieth, thirty-first, thirty-second, thirty-third and thirty-fourth sections of an Act of the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, entitled "An Act in Relation to Insurance Companies," approved February 21st, 1882, and whereas, said Company has furnished the undersigned satisfactory evidence that it is possessed of

**Five Hundred Thousand Dollars**  
of actual capital, invested in the stocks of at least par value, or in bonds or mortgages on real estate worth double the amount for which the same is mortgaged; and whereas, said Company has filed in this office a written instrument, and the seal of the Company, signed by the President and Secretary thereof, authorizing the said Abram E. Covalt to acknowledge and execute in and behalf of said Company, consulting that service of process upon him shall be taken and State, and waiving all claims of error by reason of such service; and whereas, said Company has furnished the undersigned satisfactory evidence that it is the authorized Agent of said Company, and has full authority to act as State Agent for the Missouri Valley Life Insurance Company in the State of Nebraska, and to do and perform all acts for and in behalf of said Company authorized by its constitution or such agent, and the laws of this State, until the 31st day of January, A. D. 1891. In witness whereof, I have subscribed my name, and caused the Seal of the Auditor of State, to be hereunto affixed, this 1st day of April, A. D. 1890.  
JOHN GILLESPIE, State Auditor.

**GOOD TRAVELING SOLICITORS WANTED.**  
**A. B. COVALT,**  
State Agent for Nebraska and Northern Kansas.  
J. W. MARSHALL, Agent.  
R. R. LIVINGSTON, Med. Examiner, PLATTSMOUTH.

**SALE OF STATE LOTS AND LANDS AT LINCOLN,**

The Capital of Nebraska,  
Thursday, Sept. 23d, 1869,  
AT 10 O'CLOCK, A. M.

The undersigned Commissioners appointed by an Act of the Legislature of the State of Nebraska, entitled An Act "To Provide for the Sale of the United Lots and Blocks, on the Town Site of Lincoln, and for the Location and Execution of a

State University, Agricultural College and State Lunatic Asylum," Approved February 15th, 1869, will on that day offer for sale at auction

**TWELVE HUNDRED LOTS**  
in the Town Site of Lincoln, said Lots being the odd numbered Blocks (the even numbered Blocks previously been sold of the Town, and comprising the most desirable lots in the place, said lots will be appraised by the Commissioners and sold to the highest bidder over the appraisement.

**Terms Cash.**  
There will also be offered for sale at the same time about

**THIRTY THOUSAND ACRES STATE LANDS,**  
known as Saline Lands, situated within an area of ten miles of the Capital, said lands being the most valuable farming lands of the State.

**Terms Cash.**  
The object in offering the above named State property at that time is to enable the Commissioners to complete the State University, Agricultural College and Lunatic Asylum, Lincoln, the Capital Building having been built from the proceeds of the sale of the Saline Lands. This sale of State property offers to the Farmers, Mechanics and Laborers, a chance for a cheap home at the Capital, situated in the richest Agricultural district of the State, and at the

best winter. The Burlington and Missouri River Railroad is being rapidly pushed forward to Lincoln, and will by contract be completed in the fall of 1870. This line will give direct communication with Chicago, and will be pushed out to Ft. Kearney, Omaha and becoming a branch of the Union Pacific R. R.

The Grand Pacific Railroad has also the whole of its line under contract from Nebraska City to the mouth of the Missouri River, and is running under the 15th of May next. This line is one of the links by which the Territory of Nebraska will be reached across the continent, and will be completed in a short time in connection with Nebraska City, and from Lincoln west to the Union Pacific. Thus Lincoln will be for a time the central point of two great thoroughfares, and eventually occupying a central position upon two trans-continental routes, shorter by from one to two hundred miles, than any other route constructed.

The work upon the State University, Agricultural College and Lunatic Asylum is now being rapidly pushed forward.

DAVID BUTLER, THOS. P. KENNARD, JOHN GILLESPIE, Commissioners of State. July 22nd Auditor.

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**WHAT OUYLER SCHOLFAX Says of Weeping Water. Extract from Letter to Mrs. Grundy.**  
"As I was telling you, my dear Mrs. Grundy, I came on my way to Weeping Water in a sadly fatigued condition—was hot, was, lost out stockings—in short, destitute of all those convenient appliances which surround a well-dressed man—having been deprived of all by the merciless savages, who even took my cigar case. Thinking that I might in that flourishing town obtain a second-hand blanket, I rode up to

**REED BROS.,**  
store, and hitching my mule by the ears to a large freight wagon loaded with goods for the Plattsmouth retail trade, I entered. Judge of my surprise when I was promptly met and offered a complete outfit, from a pair of sturdy boots to a goose-quilted footstep, for the paltry sum of nine dollars and sixty-two and one-half cents, the 2 1/2 cents being the tax on the goods. If you want anything in the miscellaneous line, call on them, and if you don't see what you want ask for it. I would remark here that they are generous, liberal, good looking and truthful to a fault."

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Ready made, and sold cheap for cash.  
With many thanks for past patronage, I invite all to call and examine my large stock of Furniture and Coffins.  
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