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A California senator, who recently returned to his home from a European tour, has been telling a story of his adventures which redounds to the credit of the London bus conductor. On a very rainy day, the senator got into an omnibus. Very soon he noticed that drops of water were pattering down upon his head from the roof. At that moment the conductor entered to collect the fares. "What's the matter with the roof?" said the damp senator; "does it do this always?" "No, sir," replied the sensible conductor; "only when it rains."

Prophet Joseph Smith, of the Mormon church, says that for a man to live with but one wife, is as bad as to be an infidel, as polygamy was commanded by God direct. If a man has a wife, and she objects direct to a second, or a third, she will be destroyed. Now will the woman be good?

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At an "at home" a young man came in and made his way to the hostess, greeting her and apologizing for his lateness. "Awwfully glad to see you, Mr. Blank," said the hostess; "so good of you to come. But where is your brother?" "I am commissioned to tender his regrets. You see, we are so busy just now that it is impossible for both of us to get away, so we tossed up to see which of us should come." "How nice! Such an original idea. And you won?" "No," said the young man, absently, "I lost."

Waiting for chances is apt to produce indifference to opportunity.

NEBRASKA STATE NEWS

LOOK TO GOOD INSURANCE.

Complaints Pearing in from Nebraska Policy Holders.

LINCOLN—Complaints from Nebraska policy holders have been pouring into the office of Deputy Auditor Pierce at a lively rate during the last few days and as a result he has declared war on wildcat concerns. These are companies not authorized to do business in the state. They solicit policies by mail and their tempting offers have led many farmers to "bite."

Mr. Pierce has notified the public in a statement that the Mercantile Fire Insurance company of Chicago, which has been flooding the state with circulars, is not authorized to do business in Nebraska. The American Underwriters of Chicago is in the same shape; also R. A. Potter & Co. of Chicago, and the Union Fire of Chicago. None of these companies are authorized to solicit in Nebraska or Illinois. The following other companies are not authorized to do business in this state: Security Fire of Chicago and the Firemen's Fire of Chicago.

Policies in "wildcat" companies are void in Nebraska, but a policy in an unauthorized insurance company, which has complied with the provisions of the insurance brokerage section of the laws, may be recovered on. None of the companies named have complied with either the insurance or brokerage sections of the law, consequently their policies are void under the statute, which reads as follows:

"All fire insurance policies issued to residents of this state or upon property situated in whole or in part in this state by companies, corporations, associations, partnerships or persons who have not complied with the laws of the state, unless procured under and by the provisions of this act, are hereby declared void."

WIFE DESERTER SENTENCED.

Hunter Gets Six Months in the Penitentiary.

NEBRASKA CITY—John L. Hunter, who was arrested and brought back here from Carbon, Ia., charged with wife desertion, was taken before Judge Jensen and pleaded guilty. He could not give bond for the support of his wife and children, so he was sentenced to the penitentiary for six months. This is the first conviction in this county for this crime, although it is the second case that has been in the courts here.

The county assessor has returned nearly all of the schedules to his deputies in the country precincts to be corrected and the value of live stock raised.

Promised to Be Good.

DAKOTA CITY—Upon promise to the court that he would provide for his wife and family and be a good and true husband, the case against William Salisbury in Judge Elmers' court was continued for thirty days and Salisbury was released from custody on his own recognizance in the sum of \$200. Salisbury was arrested and placed in jail on complaint of his wife that he had failed to maintain and support herself and their children and that he had wilfully abandoned them.

Sustained the Demurrer.

LINCOLN—The district court has sustained the demurrers of the state in the Boyd county land cases. The attorneys for the settlers immediately asked leave to file amended petitions, and this was granted. Attorney General Prout has returned from Boyd county. The cases now go over to the next session.

THIEVES ON PASSENGER TRAIN.

Relieve Discharged Soldiers of Eighty Dollars and Decamp.

NEBRASKA CITY—H. A. Jennings was robbed of \$80 near this city on the Missouri Pacific passenger due here at 12:40. Jennings and two other men were in a game of cards and when they drew near this city one of the men covered Jennings with a gun while the other relieved him of \$80. The man with the gun kept Jennings covered till the other was safely off the train and then he, too, took to the woods. Jennings stopped off and reported the matter to the authorities, but so far the police have been unable to find the robbers.

Big Fire Crackers Banned.

GRAND ISLAND—At the meeting of the city council an ordinance prohibiting the sale of fire crackers of greater dimensions than three inches in length and half an inch in diameter the sale of dynamite canes or other dynamite exploding contrivances, and of blank cartridge pistols, was passed on its first reading.

Carl Markow Drowned.

LINCOLN—Word has been received by the Lincoln relatives that Carl Markow, second mate of a trans-Pacific ocean merchantman, was drowned in the harbor of San Francisco. Few details of the accident have as yet been learned. Mr. Markow was well known in Lincoln, having visited in this city at several different times. Two brothers and two sisters of the drowned man are residents of this place. Mr. Markow had expected to visit his Lincoln relatives during this spring.

THE STATE IN BRIEF.

Farmers about Waverly have decided to build an elevator.

Fairfield changed from dry to wet at the recent election.

If deputy assessors in Lancaster county do not list property at full cash value they will lose their jobs.

W. J. Willeford's residence at Tobias was destroyed by fire. The loss was about \$1,200, partially covered by insurance.

The contract has been let on the new system of water works which will be constructed in Spencer, and work will begin immediately.

The State Board of Public Lands and Buildings a few days ago awarded the contract for the erection of the hospital at Milford to H. T. Ward of Tecumseh, for \$18,690.

A two-headed sheep is the latest acquisition to the museum of freakish animals in northern Nebraska. It came to Norfolk from Emerick and is being prepared for mounting.

Detail plans of the normal school to be erected at Kearney are on exhibition at the office of State Superintendent Fowler. Bids for the erection of the school will be opened April 26.

Mrs. Sarah L. Blair, sister of Ezra Rogers of Auburn, dropped dead at the home of her nephew, Alva Rogers. She was in her usual health, having walked from the home of her brother.

The town of Auburn is much wrought up over the sudden disappearance of Robert Watson, who has left a wife destitute. A saloon business which he had is in the hands of creditors.

A prairie fire started in the eastern part of McPherson county and driven by a hard wind swept the country for thirty miles, nearly to the North Platte river. No casualties have yet been reported.

Sunday evening saw the close of a five weeks' series of successful evangelistic meetings in Norfolk under the leadership of Rev. Milford H. Lyon of Chicago and his singer, Mr. Coulter, resulting in 450 converts.

Deputy county assessors in Lancaster must list property at full value. So announced County Assessor Miller. He called a meeting to investigate the reports that the officials were following the methods of last year.

William T. Turley, the Grand Island man who was sentenced to seventeen years in the penitentiary for murder in the second degree, was granted a stay of sentence pending a hearing on his appeal from the lower court.

Heroic efforts on the part of Sterling fire brigade and a heavy rain saved Sterling from what might have been total destruction by fire. As it was, four store buildings and most of the contents were destroyed, entailing a loss of nearly \$15,000.

A petition is being circulated by the W. C. T. U. in Grand Island asking the city authorities to have all screens removed from saloons, to close up promptly at 12 o'clock each night and to remove offensive signs from the windows and doorways.

The Burlington bridge, nearly a mile long, spanning the Platte river between Grand Island and Phillips was found to be on fire. Section men from Grand Island and Aurora were sent and short before noon got the fire under control, with the aid of farmers.

Payson, youngest son of John T. Marshall, was seriously injured on the head with a baseball bat at the school grounds in Panama. He was carried to the office of Dr. Was, who made an examination and found the skull to be fractured. An operation was performed on the head with good results.

F. J. McGee of Fremont, Ralph Osh-ton of O'Neil and Milton N. Dodds of Omaha have been appointed railway mail clerks.

Jane Abbott, librarian at the Fremont library, has been elected librarian of the Public Library at South Omaha and will probably enter upon her duties at that place soon. Miss Abbott has made a specialty of library work for many years and was at one time acting librarian of the North Carolina State library.

Edward A. Reimers died at the Sioux Falls (S. D.) penitentiary last week. The Reimers, father and son, were sentenced to five years in the Sioux Falls prison by the United States court for wrecking the First National bank of Neigh, Neb., the elder Reimer, "C. A." being the president of the bank and the son the assistant cashier.

Alarmed by the numerous capitol fires, Representative Swezey of Webster county will have a bill to present to the next legislature to appropriate \$125,000 for a fire-proof wing to the state house. This will be used as a library and storage room for state records.

Lyle Landred and Charles Mentzer of Schuyler have been fined \$5 and costs each for failing eye-sight. They killed a couple of quail under the impression that they were ducks, and were arrested by Deputy Game Warden Hunger. The trial was before Judge Allen of Schuyler.

The Grand Island Board of Education, following the intention of the state law that appliances outside of exterior fire escapes and ladders be provided, one to every twenty-five persons occupying buildings of two stories or more, has purchased six fire escapes that will be put up.



A prominent Southern lady, Mrs. Blanchard, of Nashville, Tenn., tells how she was cured of backache, dizziness, painful and irregular periods by the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

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