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SUCCESS DUE TO HOME PATRONAGE IDEA

Every Obligation Promptly Met—Not a Dollar of Indebtedness—Bright Outlook for the New Year and the New Century.

President B. H. Robison of the Bankers Reserve Life association of Omaha reports a very successful year for his company. It exceeds the previous year over three times in the volume of business, and the premium income has been nearly quadrupled. The death losses have been light, there having been only two death claims, one for \$1,000 and the other for \$2,000, both of which were promptly paid upon the presentation of proofs of death.

The Bankers Reserve Life association closes the year and the century with about \$3,000,000 first class business on its books. This is indeed a phenomenal record for a company only about three years old. This record speaks volumes of praise for the management of the company under the direction of President B. H. Robison, one of the most experienced and practical life insurance men in the United States. This record, furthermore, is an evidence of the faith and confidence of the people of Nebraska in home institutions. It is evident that the people of Nebraska are beginning to believe in patronizing home institutions when such institutions prove themselves equal to alien concerns, if not superior to them.

Every obligation of the Bankers Reserve Life association has been promptly paid. It does not owe a dollar to anybody. It starts the new year and the new century without a cent claim against it.

The renewal premiums on business in force show an income of more than \$75,000 for 1901.

President Robison extends his sincere thanks to his loyal field staff for the splendid results of the past year, as well as to the advisory board members, his friends, and to the policy holders—all of whom by united action have made possible the gratifying achievements which have so distinctly marked the brief career of the Bankers Reserve Life association.

A group of teachers who attended the recent meeting of the Northwest Missouri Teachers' association in St. Joseph were discussing in the hearing of a local newspaper man the great changes that had taken place during the last few years in the manners and customs prevalent in the district or country schools. Much of the rowdiness that formerly was such a prominent feature in some of the school's in remote settlements has entirely disappeared and as a rule the pupils are as well behaved and conduct themselves in as becoming a manner as they do in the cities. One of the teachers—a Mr. S.—related an experience that he had a number of years ago in one of the southern counties of Missouri. The school to which he had been appointed for the winter was one of the toughest in the county. The teacher during the previous winter had been thrown bodily out of the school one day by the pupils and was compelled to resign.

Mr. S. resolved that nothing of that kind should occur during his administration and from the first he ruled things with an iron hand. The school term was pretty well advanced before some of the older pupils entered, so that he had little trouble at first. Some of these were strapping fellows six feet in height, short in book learning, but long on physical strength. For several weeks their behavior was above approach. One day Mr. S. went out to the coal shed, which stood some distance from the schoolhouse to get a bucket of coal. When he returned he found the school door locked and about fifteen of the largest and most powerful of his pupils upon the inside of the building, where they were having a good time. All of the teacher's requests for admittance were received with shouts of derisive laughter and it looked for a time as if the day's session had been abruptly brought to a close.

There were two locks on the door, a spring lock and one of the common variety, and it occurred to Mr. S. that if the pupils had only secured the spring lock he was all right, for he had the key in his pocket. It took him but a short time to put the key in the lock and great was his surprise when the door yielded and he was again upon the inside. The sudden appearance of Mr. S. among the rebels disconcerted them, as they were not expecting any such ending to their sport. One of the young men tried to brush past, but he was hurried to one side and the others in the school room were ordered to their seats. The few scholars who still remained upon the play ground were admitted to the school room and the doors locked. Mr. S. is a man of powerful physique and is as strong as the proverbial ox. He determined then and there to put an end to any further insubordination. He asked why he had been locked out and who had suggested it. There was no reply.

Mr. S. took off his coat, laid it upon a chair and called out the pupils who had been concerned in the uprising, one at a time. Most of them came out promptly to receive the severest whipping they had ever had in their lives. Several refused to come out, but they were unmercifully whipped in their seats. One strapping young fellow, the bully of the school, tried to mix up with Mr. S., but he received a stunning blow in the face that sent him sprawling. When Mr. S. got through he had the meekest school in the district and from that time on until the end of the term he had no trouble whatever. He was given a vote of thanks by the school directors and several parents of the pupils whom he had so severely thrashed called at the school room to thank him for the beating he had given their offsprings. "Such things," said Mr. S. in relating the story, "do not occur nowadays. The rough element in the country schools has almost entirely disappeared and a large proportion of the district school teachers today are women."

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Many ladies and gentlemen who cannot complain of any kind of sickness are abnormally thin and cannot find any medical treatment which will correct this condition. Dr. Whitney's Nerve and Flesh Builder is not alone intended for those who are sick, but also for those who appear well and hearty, but cannot acquire sufficient flesh to round out the form. In dyspepsia, indigestion, all stomach troubles, debility and nervous disease no remedy is so prompt and powerful. In order to demonstrate the wonderful merits of Dr. Whitney's Nerve and Flesh Builder every person who will address the C. O. Jones Co., Elmira, N. Y., will receive a large trial package in plain sealed wrapper absolutely free.

Advertisement for Remington Typewriter Record at Paris Expositions, listing medals from 1878 to 1900.

Advertisement for SEEDS VEGETABLE and FLOWER, mentioning Florist's line and direct deal.

Advertisement for Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup, used for over fifty years by millions of mothers.

Missed His Calling

Cleveland Leader: A young insurance man received an introduction to some good people a few days ago in a manner which he will not soon forget. The friend who did the honors was somewhat of a wag, but was one of those quiet, sober, polished men whom one meets occasionally. Upon this occasion he was as grave and dignified as a church deacon and seemingly perfectly sincere. He said:

"I would like to make you acquainted with Mr. B—. I can recommend him to your good graces, having known both him and his family for years. His father is one of the best men I know, and their family is an old one. There is only one thing I might say: Mr. B— is an insurance man, and I have always insisted that anyone who could tell as good a lie as he can ought either to be a piano tuner or a lightning rod agent."

Old Documents

Rev. Dr. William Jones, formerly chaplain of the Army of Northern Virginia, has discovered a number of old documents relating to the civil war. They have been made public with the consent of the Lee family and the authorities of Washington and Lee university, with which institution Dr. Jones is now connected. Among them is a letter written to President Johnson on June 13, 1865, in which General Lee asks "for the benefits and full restoration of all rights and privileges extended to those included in the proclamation of amnesty and pardon." General Lee was not individually pardoned, but was included in the list of the general pardon to all not under indictment.

Large advertisement for PURE RYE WHISKEY, 4 Full Quarts for \$3.20, featuring Hayner's Seven-Year-Old Rye Whiskey.

DIRT IN THE HOUSE BUILDS THE HIGHWAY TO BEGGARY. BE WISE IN TIME AND USE SAPOLIO

Advertisement for RECENT SHOE CO. featuring Regent \$3.50 shoes, 205 South 15th, Omaha.

Advertisement for Chocolate Bon-Bons, Gold Medal, W. S. Balduff, 1518-20 Farnam St., Omaha, Neb.

Advertisement for ILLER'S PURE MALT WHISKEY, Purity above suspicion, Wellow Springs Distillery, Omaha, U.S.A.

Advertisement for A. I. Root Printer, BOOK BINDER, BLANK BOOK MANUFACTURER, OMAHA.

Advertisement for ILLER'S PURE MALT WHISKEY, "No time to pull the cork!" Emergencies call for action. Judgment calls for ILLER'S PURE MALT WHISKEY.

Advertisement for FREE by return mail, full descriptive circular of Moody's Improved Tailor System of Dress and Garment Cutting.

Advertisement for PIANO Do You Want a Genuine Bargain in a Piano? We have hundreds of Upright Pianos returned from renting by persons moving which must be disposed of at once.

Advertisement for "HAVE ROOT PRINT IT" A. I. Root Printer, BOOK BINDER, BLANK BOOK MANUFACTURER, OMAHA.

Advertisement for Kisses are Sweetest when taken from mouths that know delicious Arnica Tooth Soap. Preserves and whitens the teeth, strengthens the gums, sweetens the breath.

Advertisement for IGLEHEART'S Swansdown Prepared Cake Flour, Makes Delicious Angel Food and other Cakes.

Advertisement for Metz Beer, Brewed and Bottled at Home, For the Home Trade, Metz Bros' Brewing Co., Omaha.

Advertisement for F. M. RUSSELL FINE GAS FIXTURES, Phone 503, 313 So. 15th St, OMAHA.