

AN ITALIAN CAPTAIN

Cured by Pe-ru-na of Catarrh of the Stomach After Doctors Failed.

Hon. J. D. Botkin, Congressman from Kansas Writes an Interesting Letter.

The following letter from Congressman Botkin speaks for itself:

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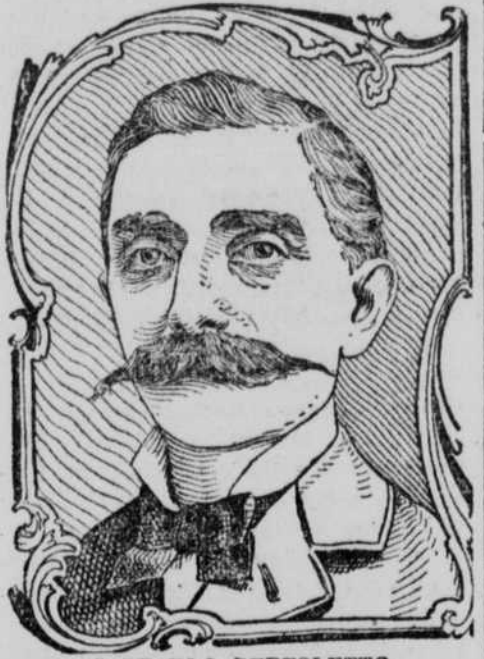
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CAPTAIN O. BERTOLOTTO

Captain O. Bertolotto of the Italian Barque "Lincolles," in a recent letter from the chief officer of the Italian Barque "Lincolles," Pensacola, Fla., writes:

"I have suffered for several years with chronic catarrh of the stomach. The doctors prescribed for me without my receiving the least benefit. Through one of your pamphlets I began the use of Peruna, and two bottles have entirely cured me. I recommend Peruna to all my friends."—O. Bertolotto.

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WOODCHUCK TO BURN

CLEVER SCHEME OF MAINE MAN IS WELL REWARDED.

Ice-Cream-Filled Pet the Means of Keeping His Larder Well Supplied With the Toothsome Dainty—Simple But Deadly Trap.

If Pelog Sprague hadn't had a tender heart he never would have been able to discover how to catch more woodchucks than he and his family could eat, says a Linn (Maine) correspondent of the New York Sun. Just because he was good to a tame woodchuck of his own and tried to relieve it from agony, he was able to study the habits of wild woodchucks, and thereby learned a fact in natural history which has cleared the farms of an annoying pest and has furnished the neighborhood with palatable roast woodchuck since early in June.

One morning when Sprague was driving his cows to pasture he found a poor, emaciated woodchuck lying in the dust of the highway, nearly dead for want of water. The animal had started for a stream with its companions and its strength had given out before it could reach the nearest brook.

It was not in Sprague's nature to see anything suffer, so he picked up the dying creature, and taking it home, fed it on warm milk and clover until it was able to care for itself. By the time heavy frosts fell the woodchuck was as large as a bull terrier and nearly as serviceable in a rough and tumble fight. It grew so belligerent that Sprague resolved to have a woodchuck roast the following Sunday, but was foiled in his plan by the woodchuck's going into winter quarters two days before it was to be executed.

Coming out lean and hungry in the spring, the woodchuck devoted its endeavors to putting on fat, in which it was encouraged by Sprague, who knew how good is roast woodchuck when taken in conjunction with boiled onions and hard cider.

The first warm Sunday that arrived in June Sprague hunted up his freezer and made ice cream for himself and family. Having more than could be eaten, and wishing to fatten the woodchuck as rapidly as possible, he gave the surplus cream to his pet. The woodchuck, being unaccustomed to eating ice at any time, was taken with a sudden chill, and would have suffered an attack of pneumonia had not Sprague wrapped it in warm blankets and placed it on a sunny hillside to recover.

While the sick animal was lying in the grass suffering from ague, a wild woodchuck came along looking for fresh clover. No sooner did it hear the teeth of the pet animal chattering with cold than it took the sound as a challenge to fight and went in with fury. The sick animal, being assaulted at a time when it could not defend itself, beat a hasty retreat to the house, followed by its victorious enemy, who thus came within easy range of a club in Sprague's hand, and was served up as roast woodchuck at Monday's dinner.

Sprague keeps a can of ice cream constantly in his ice house since then. Whenever he feels the need of roast woodchuck for dinner he gorges his pet with ice cream and sends it to the hillside, where its teeth chatter so loudly with chills and fever that every wild woodchuck comes from its hole to join in deadly combat. As one woodchuck cannot hope to win against a host, the pet falls back to its fortifications in the cellar, thus giving Sprague a chance to select the fattest animal in the herd.

Tickets Six Feet Long.

One of the passenger agents of one of the largest systems centering in Chicago the other day produced for inspection a ticket which represents about all the vices of individual form run wild. The ticket, issued by an eastern road for a comparatively short trip, was nearly six feet in length. To be exact, the passenger agent applied a rule to it and found it to be 5 feet 8 inches long. There were two little inconspicuous coupons attached to this roll of paper, the coupons being less than two inches long.

The remainder of the ticket was made up of seven or eight contracts, each of which if made operative nullified the conditions under which the holder of the ticket was to be allowed to travel, stop over, changed routes or delay the time of return. It was estimated that if the whole long strip of reading matter making up the ticket were printed in the ordinary newspaper it would make over two columns of solid matter.

Unique Love Letter.

An ingenious hawker, who appeared at the Southwark Police Court, described his occupation as the sale of love letters in insinuating language. One of the specimens given was of very superior latinity: "Most Amiable Madam: After a long consideration I have a great inclination to become your relation, and to give demonstration to this my estimation, without equivocation, I am making preparation, by a speedy navigation, to remove my habitation to a nearer situation for to pay you adoration, and if this my declaration, may but meet your approbation, it will dispose an obligation without dissimulation from generation to generation."

The ingenuity and insidiousness of the language had inadequate effect on the magistrate. The hawker was fined for bad language. He had found one rhyme too many for "ation."—London Globe.

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The Defiance Starch Co., Omaha, Nebraska.

ISSUED UNDER AUTHORITY OF THE RAILROADS OF NEBRASKA.

Will it Pay to Attempt "Freak Taxation?" Reason for Comparison with Other States.

In the bulletins which have immediately preceded this, we have given the details of taxes paid by the railroads of Nebraska, and the amounts they have paid in the several counties of the State, and it will be noticed that in the footnotes which accompany the figures given, there is a line of comparisons, showing what other states have done in regard to the taxation of railroads which run through their commonwealths. In the matter of taxation, as in any other business matter, the people of Nebraska desire to, and naturally should keep in line with what is done in other states. No greater disaster could occur to the State of Nebraska, than if, by ill-considered action, it should throw itself out of line regarding matters of taxation of corporate property or of any property.

It may be a taking proposition for a demagogue to advocate the over taxing of railroad companies and thereby work a hardship against them that would not accrue to other lines of property within the State, but it would be an advertisement that would pass through the whole United States, proclaiming that the people of Nebraska did not intend to be as fair with capital as other states of the Union. It would reproduce here in Nebraska that prejudice which took Kansas a term of at least ten years to dispel.

The comparisons which we have made in these foregoing statements include every state in the Union, with the exception of Massachusetts. In Massachusetts, New York, and several other states, laws have been passed which work a hardship against railroad corporations. In New York, the onerous tax paid by the New York Central railroad is being tested in the courts; its ill-advised law is working a hardship against that road, while not injuring the others in the State to any extent. In Massachusetts, through a contract made in the early days between the corporations and the State, and their excise laws, the taxes are out of line with what is done in other states, and there is a general movement among the business people in that State looking to the correction of this abuse.

In Harper's Weekly of February 15, 1902, the following is an extract from an editorial in regard to this matter:

"There is a very strong movement in the State of Massachusetts for rational corporation laws. The commonwealth is wakening up to the fact that, under its present laws, large modern corporations cannot be organized in the State, and Massachusetts capital is seeking investment elsewhere. Not only the corporation law is restrictive and narrow, but the tax laws are as unreasonable as those of New York. Both states tax all the property of a corporation wherever it is situated, and this is double taxation. . . . An effort is being made in New York and will be made in Massachusetts to put an end to this system of double taxation. There is a feeling abroad that New Jersey should not remain the refuge of all combinations which want liberal treatment."

In Wisconsin it appears that they have an entirely different form of taxation for railroad corporations from other states, as the taxes are collected in the form of an excise tax, being collected on the gross earnings of the companies in such a way that while the tax is heavy on those roads which have a large earning capacity, it is very light on those which are operating at a loss. This form of taxation looks fair, but it would not be popular in Nebraska, because all of the taxes charged against railroad corporations in Wisconsin are turned into the State Treasury and they are relieved from paying taxes locally along their lines. In the poorer counties of Nebraska, this would mean practically bankruptcy. In Wisconsin there is a general movement looking towards a change in the form of taxation. After having tried a law something of the same character of Wisconsin, Michigan has returned to the direct form of taxation.

This whole subject of the payment of taxes on the part of the railroad corporations resolves itself into a question as to how much of their revenue should be diverted to this purpose. If the taxes were out of reason, it would place Nebraska in an unenviable light before all investors. For political reasons, a few men have made themselves prominent by advocating a system of double taxation of railroad property in the State, but when the people once understand what is done, and how it is done, we do not believe their efforts will avail.

The railroads of Nebraska, up to the present time, have not earned an undue amount on the investment made; for a series of years there was no profit derived from the investment as a whole on Nebraska railroads, and while during 1900 two of the railroads paid a fair dividend on the capital invested, very many of the railroads in the State failed to render any returns whatever to their owners.

Nebraska has not as yet got the population, nor the completed system of railroads which would warrant this State in imposing such obligations on the corporations which now exist, that would drive all future investors in such property from the State.

The figures which have been given are all from reliable data which can be investigated by anyone so disposed; the averages per mile being from the report of the Inter-State Commerce Commission, and the details of the business of the different roads are taken from their official reports, while the figures here in Nebraska are taken from the Auditors' offices of the different railroads.

We will now continue our comparisons with other property in the State, showing some remarkable facts concerning the changes in value in various counties, and how by these changes, the railroads have been obliged to carry more than their proportionate share of taxation.



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