Teachers' Institute.

Commencing with Monday, the Platte County Teachers' Institute has been in session at the high school building. On scoount of the disagreeable weather, and the fact that a number of the teachers are attending summer school, a large attendance was not expected, but the enrollment of twenty-six Monday forenoon was increased to fifty-six by evening, and before the session closes the number will be over seventy.

The instructors, Superintendent Conn. Prof. Gregg and Miss Schlee, are much interested in their work and the teachers are co-operating with them.

· One of the periods looked forward by all is the helpful talk period at 3:45 p. m. On Monday this period was filled by Edgar Howard of the Telegram, and on Tuesday afternoon Miss Schlee, with the aid of some primary pupils, entertained the teachers in the gymnasium by showing them some new games for a rainy

Tuesday evening Prof. Gregg gave hi illustrated lecture on the "Geological Story of Nebraska." This is intended to arouse interest in local geology.

Wednesday evening Superintendent Conn will give a talk for the benefit of young teachers and Thursday evening Prof. Gregg and President Thomas of the Kearney Normal will address the teachers.

Thursday the Platte County Teachers association will elect officers and Friday and Saturday will be examinations.

The musical program furnished by I cal talent for the opening exercises, both morning and afternoon, is much appre ciated by the teachers.

Following is a list of the teachers in attendance:

Lena Schmocker, Stella Morgan, Jennie Craig, Anna Byrnes; Julia O'Neill, Emily Rorer, Winnie Knight, Caroline Pelle, Susan McCur, Alice Lyons, Lena Matzen, George Camp, Anna Glur Louise Luedtke, Mary E. Welch, Leta Canfield, Anna Potter, Nellie Sullivan, Florence Dunn, Ada Anderson, Emma Grace Johnson, Emma Meyer, Prof. Pat- line. terson, Effie Olson, Lizzie Knight, Rose O'Callaghan, Margaret Hughes, Della Rice, Emma Poeschel, Emma Luere, Julia Hilzinger, Maggie Dress, Mary Lewis, Lulu Knight, Grace Bloom, Ada Westcott, Rose Eisenmenger, Emma Matzen, Lillie Karthaus, Anna McTaggart, Wm. Farrand, Hazel Smith. Pearl Leach, Ellen Dorr, Erma Nicholson, Nellie Fenton, Corry Larson, Hazel Sharrar, Prof. Raubach, Kate Hennessy Mary Sweeney, Anna Ottis, Ruth Becklund, Jocy Dineen, Margaret Dineen, Edna M. Johnson, Sadie Connolly, Birdie Dodds, Nellie Olson, Ada Phillips, Katheryn O'Callaghan, Margaret Regan Anna Bedinger, Anna O'Callahan, Iva VanBarlicon, Dora VanBarlicon.

Firemen's Baseball League.

The members of the Columbus Fire department have organized a city league composed of a team each from the Hookies, and Hose companies Nos. 1 and 2 A series of games will be played for the championship during the season, which opens Sunday, June 28, with a game between the Hookies and Hose Company No. 2. All three teams have ordered new uniforms, which will be here in time for the opening games. A regular schedule has been prepared and includes games every Sunday until September 13, when the season will close. The lineup of the teams is as follows:

Hose Company No. 2-Al Kurt, L Glur, L. Maier, W. Moersen. J. Branigan. J. Staub. W. Boettcher, Ed. Graf, T. Rothleitner, J. Ernst.

Hose Company No. 1-Otto Schreiber, Otto Kumpf, Chas. Becher, Wm. Kaufmann, T. Kaufmann, C. Gass, Otto Merz, jr., Wm. Geiger, O. Heuer, C. Seipp.

Pioneer Hook and Ladder Co.-W. L. Boettcher, Wm. Heuer, C. Hirschbruner, Joe Haney, Walter Heuer, C. Pitman, B. J. Galley, Joe Stovicek, Eilert Mohl-

The games heretofore played by the different teams will not count in the percentage for the championship series, as the first one will be June 28.

On next Sunday, June 21, there will be a game between Hose Companies Nos. 1 and 2

Route No. 5.

Robert Kummer is painting some of the new farm buildings he has put up this spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hahn left Monday for Cody, Wyoming, for a visit with Mrs. Hahn's sister, Mrs. Emma Manning.

W. T. Bonner of Princeton, New Jersey, arrived Monday for a short visit with the home folks, returning Wed-

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Bonner entertained the young folks of the neighborhood at their home Tuesday evening, the event being called a bunch of roses, each guest bringing a bunch of roses.

Farmers are still complaining about the excessive rainfall, which puts a stop to work in the fields. And there are some fields that have not yet been touched, as the ground has been entirely too

Walker

Thursday on business.

Ernest Carlson and Alfred Larson were passengers to Columbus Saturday. Leonard Swanson, who has been attending school at Genoa, is home on the farm again.

Mrs. John Swanson and daughter. Miss Minnie, have gone to Surprise, Butler county, on a visit.

It rained all day Sunday, and we are planted corn fields are very weedy.

Mr. and Mrs. John Swanson and family were in Genos Friday evening, attend | The Young Men; June 28, morning, ing the graduating exercises. Theirson, Ohristian Citizenship; evening. The the old man replied, but some custom-Oliver M. Swanson, being one of the Heywood Trial and Mining Campe. graduating class.

MANY YEARS AGO.

Files of The Journal, June 17, 1874. An attempt is about to be made to propogate oysters and lobsters in the great Salt Lake. The oysters and lob-

sters have gone forward. Last Saturday night and early Sunday morning the windows of heaven opened and such a rain came down as is seldom let loose on this planet. It never rains school,

in the Great American Desert, ch? Four or five citizens of York the other day took a small job of killing snakes, and in an incredibly short time, a "York minute", they killed twenty-eight. We infer that snakes are plentiful in York.

Marshall Smith has got under headway his bakery fronting on Thirteenth street. We visited it Saturday, and found Mr. Julius Rasmussen in charge, firing up for a "bake." The oven is nine feet by eleven and capable of holding, at once, three hundred loaves. Mr. Smith deserves considerable credit, not only for big cotton wood tree near the house on his enterprise in helping to build up the Carl Rhode's farm, and almost demolish town, but likewise for furnishing such ed the tree. excellent bread as is daily sent out from his bakery.

The recent heavy rains caused a sudden raise of the Loup river and on last Sunday night the temporary bridge over the Loup was forced out. The Loup river seems to be master of the situation, and it does appear as if no temporary structure can resist the force of its current. At this writing a steam ferry boat we are inclined to believe, would rather astonish the old Loup river, and cause ber to wonder in what way she could guerite Welpton 2. dash it to pieces.

Our Polk County Friends.

Occassionally there is a church in the county that shuts up and the pastor goes on a vacation. Rev. Mortomer R. Crisp has been doing that very thing.

Osceola is bound to have a park and Augusta Nelson, Mand Goodwin, Juniata | they will get it, too, unless the fellows Worden, Miss Reeves, Alice Zingg, that are at the head of the movement get weary in well doing, but Doctor John Webster, Mary Dineen, Lena Edwards, R. Gray never gets weary along that

> Frank Oscar Johnson and Ida Ellen Johnson have failed to travel well in double harness, and now they want to get unhitched and so a petition has been filed in the district court for the Judge to unhitch them.

Miss Clara Herrmann has concluded and so she has gone to resume her studies in the hospital at Omaha. Miss Martha Herrmann accompanied Miss

at Millard, where he will settle down to I to spend a large sum of money in order business and behave himself again.

Comrade Sid Miller and John Gaylord have been roaming. They went clear out to Colorado. They are satisfied to you will enjoy your trip and save conlet well enough alone, cease their roaming, and the probability is that they will settle right down to business here in "Little Polk" again. See if they don't.

It was not a very good day last Sun-

day for the fraternal society memorial day. Osceola got as usual more "wet" than they wanted, but when our fraternals start to do things the "wet" don't affect them much and this day was not an exception, for they could do all the program under cover in their lodge hall. Polk county and Osceola in particular,

did its part in swelling the number of attendants at the Grand Lodge, A. F. & C D Evans to Fred C Novell, lots 4 and A. M., at Omaha last week. They came back very enthusiastic over the meeting of the 400 that were present. The Ma- M H White to R Y Lisco, part sw se 18sonry of Polk county is on the up grade and the most distinguished Masons from the three lodges of the county were the representatives to the Grand lodge.

Everybody knows "Our Jim" who lives Eva W Beuner to C H Beed, e ne 28-29in Clear Creek precinct. His other name is J. W. Kinsman. He gets over to Osceola once in a while, especially tax-paying H A Mansfield to M L Bruce, out lot 3, time. He usually goes to Columbus, for the bargains, and he was seen wending his way toward that bustling city the latter days of last week, and when he returned they say he was loaded, for that's H S Elliott to D Westbrook, lots 7 to 11 the place where good goods can be had

cheap. The M. E. church here has drafted a man from Kansas, Rev. S. F. McGuire. He comes from Great Bend, and the probability is that he will blow the gospel trumpet here until the fall conference meets, and maybe some more for he will not have served a year by that time, and York Central: "It seems that at a the old brother used to pray about con- small station a ticket agent had run ference time, "Oh, Lord! Send us a short on tickets and was obliged to minister, and thou knowest if we don't give a party of fishermen halves inlike him, we need'nt keep him but a stead of wholes. Full fare was paid

past not many years, the Stromsburg ter to the conductor, so that every-News has changed hands again, Editor thing should be all right. The con-Frank T. Robeck stepping down and ductor had almost forgotten this oceditor C. H. Wirth stepping up and tak. currence when, some ten miles fartheditor C. H. Wirth stepping up and taking hold. It's funney that this paper usually changes hands just about election time, but then Mr. Wirth we believe tion time, but then Mr. Wirth we believe gust: "This here half-fare dodge is gettin' a little too hot for me, boss. is the right man for the place and if he Why, there's a bunch of children up keeps up the gait that he has struck, the in the smoker what plays poker, Stromsburg News will get there, and drinks whisky ar have the old time force that McCune

Tom Darnell Coming.

By invitation of the Ministerial asso ciation of Columbus, Mr. Thomas Darnell, attorney for the Anti-Saloon League of Nebraska, will deliver a series cer in Cresson who had learned a lot of lectures in the M. E. church, begin- I stopped before his shop one day and ning June 24, 8 p. m. and closing June looked curiously at a great line of 28, 8 p. m. Subject June 24, The Church barrels of apples, some marked with just about stuck in the mud. Some late in Action: June 25. The Law of the an A and some marked with a Z. Why Liquor Traffic; June 26, The Liquor Traffic from the Financial Side; June 27,

Boute He. 4.

Liebig Bros. marketed their fat bogs

L. S. Eby visited Silver Creek friends Friday and Saturday of last week. Henry Hartman returned last Saturday from Kadoka, S. D., where he has

May, Lens and Johnnie Murray are expected home Saturday from Quincy, Itl., where they have been attending

On Shell Creek last week the heavy wind blew down some trees at P. Fuller's and a big cotton wood tree near the mail box at Keller's, and damaged the windmill at St. Joseph's cometery.

Route No. 1.

Geo. Henggler sold two car loads fat cattle to M. Cassin last week. Only one bridge has been washed out on the route this season, quite a difference from a few years ago.

Last Friday night lightning struck a

Advertised Letters.

Following is a list of unclaimed mail matter remaining in the post office at Columbus, Nebraska, for the period ending June 17, 1908:

Letters-Cassie Cournoyer, M Brady, Pink Brown, Frank Foy, Mrs Myrtle Hahn, R P Kelly, A M Krupin, Mrs Lottie Martin, Hugo Major, Miss Bonnie Moore, Mr Bumpling. Cards-Miss Lil lie Potter, Marion Inyeart, Miss Mar

Parties calling for any of the above will please say advertised.

CARL KRAMER, P. M.

Motice.

A meeting of the stockholders of the Nebraska Central Irrigation Company. is called for Monday, June 29th, 1908, at 8 p. m., at the office of the Elevator Roller Mills Co., Columbus, Nebr. Purposes of the meeting are: Elections: reports of President and General Manager, Secretary and Treasurer; a proposal and program for consolidation.

H. E. BABCOCK, President.

Baptist Church

Rev. D. W. Reinhart, pastor. Sunday school 10 a. m.; children's day 11 a. m.; preaching 8 p. m.; prayer meeting Thursday 8 p. m.

California Tourist Cars.

The idea that an inferior class of people patronize the tourist sleepers is an Clara and will visit relatives there for a error. On many trips only the best class of travelers are found. They are merely diet of the Englishman; he can dine Bird Detweiler has also been roaming men and women of good sense who would comfortably and happily upon a brace about the western part of the state and rather travel to California in this man- of mice, or eke out life for weeks other states. He stopped off here to ner and save a snug gum of money. It upon a few handfuls of rice. And all visit the numerous Detweilers of Osceols is beginning to be understood that it is the time he can work without ceasand then hied himself away to the bank by no means necessary for the traveler ing. He can pack more of his kind to enjoy a trip to the Pacific Coast.

If you cross the continent in one of the tourist sleepers of the Union Pacific siderable money. Inquire of E. G. Brown, Agent.

Real Estate Transfers.

Becher, Hockenberger & Chambers. real estate agents, report the following real estate transfers filed for record in the office of the county clerk during the two weeks ending June 6, 1908:

Drake to C J Garlow, lot 3, part lot 2 blk 2, T& H subdiv out lot 9, Col, wd \$ 250 H 8 Elliott te Almon Drake, north 4 lts 3and 4 blk 98, Columbus, wd 2100 Haight to Lizzie B Dolan, part lot 1

blk "E" Becker's sub div out lot 8, Columbas, wd 5 blk 1, Evans add, Columbus, wd. Wm Lewejohann to G M VanAckeren, part out lot "A" Lindsay, wd. 17-1w, wd.....

5-19-3w, wd..... J N Munson to Stan Mitera, w se, ne se 9-17-8w, wd.....

2w, wd H A Mansfield to M L Bruce, out lot 2, Gerrard's sub div to Monroe, wd..... Gerrard's sub div to Monroe, wd...... United States to Jo Garlick, lot 1 in 20-

16-2w, patent..... Columbus Cemetery Ass'n to J E Ballon. lot "Z" blk "D". deed..... blk 12. Highland Park, Columbus, wd. Kate Leas to H B Robinson, lote 5 and 6 blk 4, Burrows, Neb J G Becher to Sarah Hayes, lot 1 blk 111.

Disgusted the Brakeman.

Senator Depew tells of a curious incident that once occurred on the New for those half tickets, and the agent went out on the platform when the And now for the seventh time in the train stopped and explained the mat-

> Parable by Peary. "You will get there yet," an admirer said to Explorer. Peary. "You become a better explorer every trip." "Well," said the other, "there are tricks in every trade, of course, and as we live we learn. I knew an old groare these barrels marked differently. Uncle Josh? I said to the old man. They seem to be the same kind of apples.' They is the same kind, son,' ers want a barrel opened at the top D. W. RETHEART, Sec'y. and some at the bottom."

After the Theater

STEP INTO THE

Beer Garden

And Enjoy

Cool Glass of Beer

An orderly place---everything neat and clean. We strive to please our patrons with the best of service.

W. L. BOETTCHER BLEVENTH STREET.

IN BATTLE OF LIFE

MATTER OF DIET IS MOST IMPOR-TANT FEATURE.

In Consequence the Asiatic, with His Diversified Feeding, Has Manifest Superiority Over the White Races of the Earth.

A conspicuous factor in the bat de of life is omnivorousness, or diversity of feeding. That animal which has but a single plant, for instance, which it can use for food, may be annihilated by frost or grub or any other cause which would remove the plant for a single season, says a writer in the Pacific Era. That which feeds indiscriminately on all plants will find abundant sustenance under more adverse circumstances. That whose stomach receives vegetable or animal food with equal favor has a still better chance for surviving; and that which can catch the most various sort of prey is more apt to have prey always at its command than that whose powers in chase, whose courage or whose strength can overtake or overcome only the most slow-moving or weakest animals. Man, the most perfect of animals, and the one who in the present conditions of the earth could survive all others, has attained to his position of mastery largely because he is, of all animals, the most

Of all the varieties of man the is most diverse in his food. All is meat to him-animal or vegetable, in the air, on the earth or in the waters under the earth. He can gorge himself with joy on the abundant meat upon an acre of ground than any New York tenement life can show, and live there in what he regards as tolerable comfort. In this he has precisely the same advantage over the white man as the European had over the original inhabitants of this country, and as the Englishman had over the natives of

Australia. It is really, therefore, those char acteristics of the Asiatic which we most despise, and which we regard as constituting his inferiority to ourselves -his miserable little figure, his pinched and wretched way of living, his slavish and tireless industry, his indifference to high and costly pleasures which our habit of generations almost makes necessities, his capacity to live in swarms in wretched dens where the white man would rot if he did not suffocate—all these make him a most formidable rival for ultimate

survival of the fittest. Our ancestors emerged from the broad and roomy environment of pastoral and savage life only a few centuries ago, and our life-sustaining faculties represent what has been stored up by heredity in the period which has since elapsed. The eastern Asiatic emerged from these conditions at a period so remote that no human record or tradition can be found so old as to refer to a time when China and India were not too populous for the conditions of savage life. The accumulated experience of countless ages is, therefore, stored up in the Asiatic's food-getting and foodsaving capacity, and those ages properly and fairly represent his superior ity over us in the battle for the sur-

in open and undisturbed competition. Good Game for Girls' Party. A game that will be of interest for young girls' party should be conducted by a good story teller. The girls are placed in a circle around the story teller. She begins a narrative and must include the names of the girls. Every time a name is mentioned the girl must get out of her chair and into another one before the speaker is seated. Every one must make a scramble to protect her seat and keep the story teller on the floor. A new story is told and every time the word "love" is mentioned, each girl must change her place. The speaker aims to get a chair before ten minutes elapse, or she must pay a forfeit.

vival of the fittest, if that battle is to

be fought in a fair field with no favor,

Stand Up, Knocked Dowg. The London Lancet urges pedesare wresting from them. But the result of any such heroism on the partof pedestrians would be more cases for the doctors and the surgeons, and

A Virtuous Paradox. "That young doctor is a queer con tradiction. "In what way?"

"He has an exceedingly good temper, and yet he is lacking in patients."

No Golden View. She (sentimentally)-Will you love me when I'm old? He (practically)—That is to decide by gray matter.

BUSINESS MEN ARE ORGANIZING

To Protect the Material Interests o **Taxpayers Against Unwise** Legislation.

Hundreds of the best business hous es of Omaha have joined an organization styled the Merchants' and Manufacturers' association, which is rapidly growing in strength and influence. Its avowed object is to protect the material interests of taxpayers against any movement known to be detrimental to them. Just now the association is giving its attention to the quiet but vigorous campaign being carried on in Nebraska by the paid agents of the Auti-Saloon league, who are seeking to foist statutory prohibition upon the people through a subterfuge which they call "county option." In other states where they have operated they openly declared that "the object of the league is statutory prohibition;" that and are an interesting study in that "county option is a natural step to pro | they will suffer thirst, heat and almost hibition.' The Merchants' and Manufacturers

association stands for a strict enforcement of the Slocumb high license law. under which any village or town may, by popular vote, decide to license the sale of liquor or not. Under this law over 450 Nebraska towns have gone ary. It affords the greatest possible degree of home rule, not interfering with the right of a community to manage its own affairs. Under its provis- few empty beer bottles. ions, outsiders cannot dictate to the people of a town or village what they must do in the matter of regulating the liquor traffic. Every state in the Union, save four, long ago adopted the license system, and nearly two dozen states have abandoned statutory prohibition in order to adopt the license system. Experience has proved that the local license system is the only practical means of regulating and con-

trolling the sale of liquor.

The new association of business men holds to the conviction that the Slocumb high license law has been of great benefit to Nebraska since its enactment in 1887, and therfore the law must be defended from attack. They are convinced that business prosperity is possible under the license system, whereas it is easy to see that statutory prohibition injures business by causing outside capital to shun a state having that policy. They are convinced that county option means prohibition in the end, and for that reason is a menace to the business interests of the state. Their appeal is made to the merchants and taxpayers of the whole state, knowing that if the latter can be shown the true inwardness of the movement for county option, they will soon be able to effect an organization in every county strong enough to aried agents of the Anti-Saloon league Hundreds of business men have joined the association under the fol-

lowing conditions: "As business men and taxpayers we favor the movement to form an Association of Merchants and Manufacturers for the purpose of adopting measures to bring about a better enforcement of the Slocumb liquor license law throughout the state-a law making it optional with the people of a town or city to say whether or not liquor shall be sold. We believe the said law has been of great benefit to the state and that there can be no better means for regulating the sale of intoxicants. We stand for its strict enforcement. We join this association with the understanding that no distiller, brewer, liquor dealer or saloon keeper is eligible to membership. Our object is to protect property interests from the ill effects of unwise legisla-

WOULD DESTROY HOME RULE

County Option is Radically Different

from Nebraska Local Option. There is a great difference between local option as defined by the Nebraska law, and county option as defined by the Anti-Saloon league. Local option guarantees home rule and prevents outsiders from dictating to townsmen as to what policy they shall pursue. On the contrary, county option would give to voters in country precincts and in villages the right to say what another town must do in respect to regulating or abolishing the liquor traffic. County option would destroy the principle of home rule, whereas local option sustains that principle. The one is antagonistic to

For instance, say that the taxpayers of a town had voted for license while other towns in a county had voted themselves dry, the policy of county option, if adopted by the legislature would enable the voters of the dry towns and country precincts to combine and force the wet town dry. In other words, outsiders could ran a town regardless of the will of the resident taxpayers. The state would of course retain the power to tax the property of townsmen while at the same time depriving them of the right to control the policy of the town government which they are taxed to maintain. Voters outside the limits of the town, whether they be taxpayers or not, would, under county option, have the right to vote upon a question concerning only the people of the town, which would be radically unjust, destructive of the principle of home rule and wholly unamerican.

There is no argument that can be offered in support of county option which cannot be met and overcome by those in defense of the right of a community to manage its own affairs.

One reason why prohibition failed in Oklahoma was because the bootlegrians to stand up for their rights in gers swarmed into the new state, enthe streets which the automobilists abling the negro to get all the booze he could drink. The prime object of the dispensary law is to prevent the negro from getting whisky.

Sentiment for statutory prohibition the Lancet is the organ of the medical has made headway in the south only. although two southern states sell liquor as beverages and all save Georgia have high license laws. There is a growth of temperance sentiment, but it is not for statutory prohibition. The agitation in the south is based upon a desire to keep liquor out of the reach of colored men.

> On a Level. How many girls have proposed to you this year, Tom?" "About as many as the good resolu-

tions you have kept this year, Dick."

TRAMPS OF LIGJAVE

DEATH VALLEY HOBOS ARE A

Will Endure Terrible Hardshipe Order to Sustain Their Worthless Lives Without Being Forced

The wonders of the "hobo" kingdom are the tramps who live out in the Mojave desert-a part of which, Death valley, is the hottest place on the face of the earth.

These white tramps live with the Plute Indians and are locally known work in this fort for just one thing. as "Arabs." They are of a different species, more worthless, if possible, than any other branch of their tribe, death in order to get enough to sustain their worthless lives without

ally cast-off garments that he has found, begged or perhaps stolenfaded, frayed and full of holes-and

for the spring, and after drinking his fill lie down on the shady side of the house and sleep for hours, or until he smells the odor of the coming meal. Then he patiently waits for a at such times it is ilkely that you'll "hand out," and is off to the next get pretty tired standing around on

field, or in a shallow brooklet with his head resting upon a rock for a pillow, and he thus can sleep soundly,

heat, or thirst, for men have died of thirst though having jars of water in

than his brother of civilization. The fierce climate has brought out his brutal nature, and his hand is against anyone he meets in this desolate country, where everything in nature is at war, even the elements. Without the

slightest hesitation he will take the

life of a prospector or tourist in order

to obtain food or water which his victim may carry.

the company could not be expected to know whether a man was awake or

Working Together. The good old parson accosted the

tice you do a lot of automobile repairing. Now, good friend, suppose you move your shop around in the back of my parsonage."

profitable move?" queried the cautious "Undoubtedly, my good friend. While you are splicing the broken parts of the machinery I can splice the

hearts of the runaway couples."

WORTHLESS LOT.

to Work.

work. The desert tramp's clothes are usu-

his broken shoes usually are wrapped in cloth so as to protect Lis feet from the burning sands. He carries a bundle consisting of provisions and a Un reaching a ranch he will make

And thus he keeps up his rounds from one end of the desert to the other with no object in view, no hope for the future-only that he may live from day to day without laboring. At night he will sleep in an alfalfa

with the thermometer at 110 or 115. Arising from his cool bed, he fills his beer bottles with water, eats his breakfast, and again resumes his long tramp, which is never to end. He follows the trail, having no compass and knowing little or nothing of the country beyond, only that it is 30 miles to the next spring, and twice that distance to the next ranch. He may reach his destination and he may not. Frequently he falls a victim to the

their possession. The heat has burned out the spark of life, or literally burst The desert tramp is more desperate

Sues for an Oversleep. While an Austrian was winning a small fortune by sleeping on a train. a Frenchman was taking action against the Paris-Lyons-Mediterran ean railway because he slept too much. This was a man who bought ticket from Marseilles to Lyons, 'fel asleep, and was carried past his station to Trevoux. He straightway sued the company, alleging that his bustness was damaged because he did not get off at Lyons, and that it was the company's business to awaken him at the proper destination. He also wanted to be reimbursed the price of his return ticket to Lyons. The court, however, dismissed the action, maintaining that a passenger must look out for his own station as far as falling asleep was concerned, and that

village blacksmith. "Henry," said the good man, "I no

"Do you think it would be

subservient to one idea-to be ready to fight at the swiftest pace for just about one hour; for be it known that if one of the warships in this great battle fleet were fought at its swiftest and fullest capacity it would be all over, one way or the other, in an hour or less. You see, fighting a warship is not a long-distance race: it's a hundred-

WARSHIP IS ALSO WORKSHOP.

Moving Forts of Steel Swiftly Through

the Waters len't an Easy Task.

A warship is a tremendously busy

workshop, where the boss, his assist-

ants and the workmen have a peculiar

kind of work on hand, such as exists

nowhere else in the world, and there

is no time in which to pander to the

whims and desires of an outsider sent

on board by the order of executive au-

The work on hand is to move a float-

ing fort of steel swiftly through the

water in complete synchrony with a

lot of other floating forts, and then

to prepare those who are engaged in

to destroy and kill. Everything is

thorities higher up.

yard dash, to change the figure. Getting ready for that dash, that supreme effort at the fastest speed, calls for all the concentration and hard, unremitting toil that years of education in a complex specialty and years of experience can employ.

When this work is going on those engaged in it want outsiders out of the way, and if you're a wise outsider you want to get out of the way. Hence your feet, with no place to rest your weary bones and no companion with whom you can even be bromidic. Yes, it's fine and great to cruise 14,000 miles on a splendid warship, but truly it has some drawbacks.-New York Sun.

Moose Swam Out to Sea. A monster bull moose that has been loafing around the Saco ferry district this month became frightened at dogs early in the week and swam out to sea, never more to return.

It is believed by George Peterson of the ferry, who was watching the moose when he took to the Atlantic. that the animal became exhausted and was drowned. The moose was seen by William Edgecomb and sons. Several curs were chasing the king of the forest and kept close to him. When the monster beast would come to a fence he would lift it up with his horns and throw it to one side. The powerful animal threw aside barricades of every kind and fled through the ferry community to the

At Bay View the dogs were at his heels and he took to the ocean near the breakwater, evidently becoming confused and thinking he was crossing the river. The dogs gave up the chase when the big fellow took to the salt water. The ferry resident watched the animal till he disappeared from view, and though he waited for hours the moose did not return .-Kennebec Journal.

The Little Weakness.

One of the strangest paradoxes in human nature is that men and women, struggling apparently with all their might to succeed, are vet constantly doing things, saying things, and thinking things which drive the very success they are after away from them.

Some men work like Trojans to gain

coveted position, and then, by getting puffed up with conceit or some foolish or weak act knock the scaffolding which they have been years in building out from under them and down they go. Their lives are series of successive

climbs and tumbles, so that they never get anywhere, never accomplish anything worth while. Others are always driving success away from them by their lack of cour-

it away by thoughtless habits which repel success conditions.-Home Chat.

age, their lack of confidence-driving

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