

NEBRASKA IN GENERAL

A RULING ON INSURANCE.

Important Decision Announced by the Supreme Court.

An important decision on life insurance is announced in the supreme court in the case of the Royal Neighbors of America against Wallace, an error case from Dodge county. The court adheres to its former ruling of reversal, announced at the last term of court, but changes its mind materially as to the rule that applies to answers to questions in the application. The matter turned upon whether these answers are warranties or merely representations. The court says that the proper rule is that the asking of a question by the company is a declaration that the fact sought to be elicited by the question is material, and the answer by the applicant, when he procures a policy to be issued is an assent to its materiality, the form of application and the policy constituting an agreement that the statements are material to the risk. This still leaves it open, says the court, to the determination of the jury whether the answer was true, and if not true, whether the variance was material to the risk. It is not for the jury, however, to say that the answers, though substantially true, were nevertheless immaterial.

WANTS A BOND REGISTERED.

Auditor Refuses Because He Alleges it is Not Legally Issued.

LINCOLN.—J. Y. Niles has filed a suit in the supreme court for a writ of peremptory mandamus to compel Charles Weston, state auditor, to record a bond for \$1,000 issued by Douglas county in 1877. Weston refused to record the bond because, he claimed, the law under which the bonds were issued was unconstitutional. The bonds were issued to the Omaha & Northwestern Railroad company, bearing 8 per cent interest. In 1887 the county refunded the bonds and issued others bearing 5 per cent. These were issued under the law of 1885, which the supreme court has declared unconstitutional. This year the bonds were again refunded and others issued bearing 3 1/2 per cent. The state holds \$176,000 worth of the bonds.

Earnings of Iowa Railroads.

According to the reports of the railroad companies for the year ended June 30 last, as made to the railroad commissioners in accordance with law, there has been a rapid increase in the earnings the first half of the year. The aggregate of earnings on Iowa business as shown by the reports for the year ended June 30 last was \$3,000,000 more than the aggregate for the year ended January 1 last, as reported at that time to the state. The mileage reported in Iowa for the year ended June 30 last was 9,614, the gross receipts \$59,106,191.41, the expenses \$39,839,794.93, leaving as net earnings \$19,686,396.58.

Has a Corpse on His Hands.

BEAVER CITY.—The Burlington agent here has a piece of express on hand which he would be glad to dispose of. It is the dead body of James Bisbee, formerly of this county, who died at the insane asylum in Lincoln. His mother lives twelve miles south of this place and the authorities shipped the body to her with C. O. D. charges for the casket and transportation, amounting to \$66. When the family of the dead man called for the remains they were surprised by the charges and were unable to raise the money.

No Fear of Contagion.

The "hoof and mouth" disease, so prevalent among cattle in the New England states and against which many of the states in the west have quarantined, need occasion no alarm among cattle and stock men in Nebraska, was the statement issued from the state veterinary surgeon. While some of the surrounding states have quarantined against the disease, Nebraska will not do so, for the officials do not believe there is any danger of the disease reaching here. "We see no occasion for alarm," said Dr. Thomas, "and therefore will establish no quarantine. It would interrupt traffic and do no good."

Russell Verdict Affirmed.

The supreme court affirmed the decision of the lower court in the case of Charles Russell, sentenced to twenty years in the penitentiary for the murder of Allos F. Slandermaier. The latter was found dead about three miles from his home in Sioux county and about six miles from the home of Russell. It was claimed by the state that Russell had waylaid Slandermaier as he was going to feed his cattle and shot him.

Sunday closing is to be enforced at Crete.

A bank is about to be established at Sterling.

An ice making plant is to be established at York.

Crete's new lighting plant has been put in operation.

A series of religious meetings are being held at Wymore.

A war is on between the telephone companies of Fremont.

The postmaster at the village of Smartville has resigned.

At Broken Bow, "Pink" Brown was killed by the kick of a horse.

The Burlington road will put in a new passenger station at York.

A brick factory at Hastings was damaged by fire to the extent of \$1,200.

The new Methodist church at Geneva will soon be ready for occupancy.

Dr. Covert of Pawnee was thrown from his horse, sustaining a broken collar bone.

The saloon of Jacob Thomas of Wahoo was robbed of 800 cigars and a few bottles of wine.

Dogs are dying off fast in Fremont, all classes of the canines suffering from some unknown disease.

George H. Thomas, a colored barber and an old resident of Wauweta, was found dead in bed at Wauweta.

There are six divorce cases to be disposed of by the district court of York county at the December term.

Peter McDermott, for a long time an engineer on the Burlington, running out from Alliance, fell dead in Salt Lake.

An unusually large amount of wheat has been sown in Gage county this season and farmers report that it is in splendid condition.

Mrs. Myattway, wife of the pastor of the Baptist church at Falls City, in taking a dose of medicine got the wrong bottle and took arsenic. It almost proved fatal.

At Valentine John and Harry Junod were sentenced to five years in the penitentiary for stealing about 6,000 pounds of wire from David A. Hancock, a large ranchman.

Dr. Alma Chapman, second assistant physician at the Hastings asylum for the incurable insane, has handed in her resignation to the governor and the same has been accepted.

The Alfred Cownie farm of 280 acres, near Beatrice, was sold for \$62.50 per acre, the top price so far paid for Gage county land. The purchaser was Charles Hentges, who the same day sold his farm in Hanover township to William Pardee for \$50 per acre.

William P. Redifer, who has made his home in Fremont for some time, was arrested at St. Joseph, Mo., on a warrant issued for him here, charging his with disposing of some horses and other property after first obtaining all that he could get from them on a chattel mortgage.

Chester Brown, alias John Finn, is under arrest at Wayne charged with stealing a team of horses from a citizen there some time ago and later leaving two citizens of Fremont in the lurch by departing from that city with three horses on which they held chattel mortgages. He was captured after being traced to Platte, S. D.

Hallie, the 20-year-old daughter of John Rathbun, a merchant of Shelby, had her life hanging by a thread for several hours. She arose to build a fire and was discovered later in a chair, partly dressed, unconscious and her body quite cold. Through mistake she had taken carbolic acid, mistaking it for a cough remedy.

Proofs were offered to the governor by Frank Lasse, E. W. Cullen, David Leary and Perry Boram of Winside, in support of their claim of the \$200 offered by the governor for the apprehension of Gottlieb Niegenfind, the Pierce county murderer. In order that there might be no mistake about it the certificates were made out so that each one of the four is entitled to \$50 and payment will be made in that way.

The report of the officers of the Fremont Sugar Beet company shows that the crop of 1902 yielded a profit of 30 per cent, a dividend of 25 per cent being declared and 5 per cent added to the surplus fund. The syndicate raised 1,749 tons. Out of the total disbursements of \$5,861, the sum of \$4,352.18 was expended for labor. The company has rented 480 acres of land near Fremont for a term of four years and will rotate beets with other crops.

A pension of \$12 per month, with \$263 back pay, has just been granted to Joseph Grothe, the father of a Cuming county boy who was killed in the charge at El Caney, Cuba. Two young men of Cuming county lost their lives in the Cuban war.

William Gates, local agent for the Beatrice Creamery company, broke through the ice while on Maywood lake and would have been drowned but for the courage of Clyde Platner, who skated two hundred yards over thin ice and dragged him ashore.

CONVINCING PROOF.

Case No. 41,206.—Capt. Alfred G. Rigger of Hose Company No. 4, Canton, Ohio, says: "I had a weak back ever since I was a boy, and about six years ago the cause developed into rather a bad case of kidney complaint. It was not a little backache now and then, but backache which caused actual suffering day and night, and the harder I tried to get rid of it the worse it became.

When the attacks were in the acute stage it was difficult to sit down, and when down it was just as hard to regain an erect position, on account of the twinges of pain in the kidneys. I can only describe some of the pangs as similar to that received from a knife thrust.

In time, distressing and terribly inconvenient urinary weakness resulted, causing annoying embarrassment during the day and loss of sleep during the night.

I took everything which came to my notice from reading, from observation, and which my friends and acquaintances advised. I consulted physicians, but none of them were able to relieve the trouble, let alone stop it.

It became so well known that I had a pronounced case of kidney complaint that I often received circulars from medical companies offering to cure me, and one day eighteen letters were handed to me by the mail carrier.

When Doan's Kidney Pills attracted my attention I wanted to try them, just as I had tried everything else, and Mrs. Rigger went to Durban & Wright Co.'s drug store for a box. Relief followed.

I knew after a dose or two that the medicine was acting directly on the kidneys from the altered condition of the kidney secretions, and, encouraged, I continued the treatment. Finally, the backache and other complications stopped.

Let me sum up my opinion about Doan's Kidney Pills by saying, I would willingly pay one month's wages for a box of them if I could not buy them for less. You can refer any one to me about Doan's Kidney Pills and I will convince them that they act just as represented."

Four Years After.

"Lapse of time has strengthened my appreciation of Doan's Kidney Pills. I gave this remedy my unqualified endorsement in the summer of 1896, because of the results I obtained from a course of the treatment. I can now add to my original endorsement the experience of a number of others who are just as enthusiastic, when they express their opinion of Doan's Kidney Pills, as I."

A FREE TRIAL of this great kidney medicine which cured Mr. Rigger, will be mailed on application to any part of the United States. Address Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all druggists, price 50 cents per box.

Out of a male population of less than 600 the Wiltshire (Eng.) village of Box sent thirty-six men to the war.

Deafness Cannot Be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.

Sold by Druggists, 75c. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Japanese national flags are alleged to be practically unobtainable just now in London.

Don't you know that Defiance Starch, besides being absolutely superior to any other, is put up 16 ounces in package and sells at same price as 12-ounce packages of other kinds?

"Distinction" for Prussian Teachers.

The Prussian ministry of education has resolved on conferring a special mark of distinction upon lay teachers in the municipal schools when they retire from service. It has been felt that years of faithful and exceptionally valuable service in the cause of education call for recognition on the part of the government, and the ministry, convinced that the thing should be done handsomely, therefore decided that each teacher who has displayed marked ability in the performance of her duties shall, on retirement, receive a colored portrait of the empress in a gilt frame. Middle-aged teachers who fall to attain the prize may console themselves with the reflection that an article of this kind is to be obtained for a shilling or so in most art shops in Berlin.

Queen Alexandra's Dainty Fad.

Queen Alexandra's especial fad has a daintiness well in keeping with her personality. It is that of having her pocket money made perfectly clean and bright before she fingers it. Whenever a check is turned into hard cash for her use the coins are scrubbed in a lather of spirits of wine, water and soap before being placed in her purse, and any change that may be tendered her when making purchases is taken charge of by the lady-in-waiting until it has been subjected to a like process of purification.

How Advertising Grows.

N. W. Ayer & Son, the "Keeping Everlastingly at It" advertising agents of Philadelphia, have found it necessary to move into new and larger quarters at 300-308 Chestnut Street in that city.

This announcement will interest many publishers, because Ayer & Son are so widely known as promoters of newspaper publicity. They began business thirty-three years ago, with two people and an annual business of \$15,000. They now have one hundred and ninety employees, and have for years done the largest advertising business in the world. The difference between then and now is, they say, simply the result of making newspaper and magazine advertising pay their customers.

Britain last year imported no less than £1,352,000 worth of musical instruments—£750,000 worth from Germany alone.

The sermon mopes the pulpit; a pure heart makes the altar.

DO YOUR CLOTHES LOOK YELLOW? If so, use Red Cross Ball Blue. It will make them white as snow. 2 oz. package 5 cents.

In the union of limburger and beer there is strength.

If you don't get the biggest and best it's your own fault. Defiance Starch is for sale everywhere and there is positively nothing to equal it in quality or quantity.

There are boards made of wood and wooden boards.

Defiance Starch is put up 16 ounces in a package, 10 cents. One-third more starch for same money.

You can view life through either stained glass windows or an old piece of smoked glass.

Valuable Pointers About Texas.

A 144-page book, profusely illustrated, of present day conditions and prospects in the Lone Star State. It is worth your while to get a copy; free on request.—James Barker, Gen'l Pass. Agent, M. K. & T. Ry., 501 Wainwright Bldg., St. Louis.

Every old bank where the wild thyme grows pays interest on deposits.

Fruit acids will not stain goods dyed with PUTNAM FADELESS DYES.

There is wonderful material between the lines of the youthful essay.

Piso's Cure is the best medicine we ever used for all affections of the throat and lungs.—Wm. O. Emsley, Vanuren, Ind., Feb. 10, 1902.

Self-preservation is the first law of politics.

Many Foods Are Adulterated.

The Stewards' club of Cleveland, representing the leading clubs and hotels of that city, has just completed an investigation of the character of food products sold there with surprising results. Of 175 samples of oleomargarine examined, 170 were found to contain impurities; of 460 milk samples, 132 were impure; 27 per cent of the mustards tested were adulterated and 32 per cent of the flavoring extracts were doctored. Many other food products fell far short of the standard.

It's Worth the While

To know of the prosperity and unequalled inducements in the Southwest. Illustrated pamphlets, "Indian Territory," "Texas," "Old Mexico," "Winter Tours," "Trade Follows the Flag," etc., will be sent free by writing. James Barker, Gen'l Pass. & Tkt. Agt., M. K. & T. Ry., 520 Wainwright Bldg., St. Louis.

The German emperor's present to the United States bears a striking resemblance to Simon Tappertit.

The modern theatrical hit must have a blush in every line.

Clear white clothes are a sign that the housekeeper uses Red Cross Ball Blue. Large 2 oz. package, 5 cents.

Married women who are reformers generally get the fever after the wedding.

FITS permanently cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. Send for FREE 23.00 trial bottle and treatise. Dr. R. H. Kline, 144 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

A man of resources isn't always a man of means.

Mrs. Winslow's soothing Syrup. For children's teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

THE BEST RESULTS IN STARCHING can be obtained only by using Defiance Starch, besides getting 4 oz. more for same money—no cooking required.

Henpeck thinks the Mormons are already sufficiently punished.

HALF RATES TO CANADIAN POINTS.

The Wabash will sell tickets from Chicago to many points in Canada Dec. 18, 19, 20, 21st, good returning until Jan. 10th, 1903. For rates and all information call at the Wabash office, 1601 Farnam St., or address Harry E. Moores, G. A. P. D., Omaha, Neb.

It needs but a slight scratch of the pen to turn pathos into bathos.

DEFIANCE STARCH should be in every household, none so good, besides 4 oz. more for 10 cents than any other brand of cold water starch.

Wisdom is silent. You'll know Polly by the bells.

Stops the Cough and Works Off the Cold Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. Price 25c.

It is only after love is dead that people dissect it.

THE ST. PAUL CALENDAR FOR 1903

six sheets 10x15 inches, of beautiful reproductions, in colors, of pastel drawings by Bryson, is now ready for distribution and will be mailed on receipt of twenty-five (25) cents—coin or stamps. Address F. A. Miller, General Passenger Agent, Chicago.

Adversity is the sauce of life, but a lot of us don't care for sauce.

JANUARY BUYING

There is no time like January for satisfactory buying. The holiday rush is over and the early Spring trade has not yet begun. In January you always get first pick of all the earliest Spring goods and there is ample time to fill and ship your orders with greater promptness.

Send 15 cents TODAY for our large General Catalogue No. 71. It gives pictures, descriptions and prices on almost everything you can wear or use. Save 5 to 10% on everything you purchase by sending your orders to

MONTGOMERY WARD & CO.

CHICAGO "The House that Tells the Truth."



Many women and doctors do not recognize the real symptoms of derangement of the female organs until too late.

"I had terrible pains along my spinal cord for two years and suffered dreadfully. I was given different medicines, wore plasters; none of these things helped me. Reading of the cures that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has brought about, I somehow felt that it was what I needed and bought a bottle to take. How glad I am that I did so; two bottles brought me immense relief, and after using three bottles more I felt new life and blood surging through my veins. It seemed as though there had been a regular house cleaning through my system, that all the sickness and poison had been taken out and new life given me instead. I have advised dozens of my friends to use Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Good health is indispensable to complete happiness, and Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has secured this to me." —Mrs. LAURA L. BURMAN, Crown Point, Indiana, Secretary Ladies Relief Corps.—\$5000 forfeit if original of above letter proving genuineness cannot be produced.

Every sick woman who does not understand her ailment should write Mrs. Pinkham, Lynn, Mass. Her advice is free and always helpful.

\$168.00 Buys an Elegant New Upright....

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Pearless Plum Puddings.

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NATURAL FLAVOR FOOD PRODUCTS

Put up in convenient size key-opening cans. Our little book, "How to Make Good Things to Eat," is free. Write for it. Libby's Atlas of the World mailed anywhere for five cent stamps.

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CHICAGO, U. S. A.

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- It is pure.
- It is gentle.
- It is pleasant.
- It is efficacious.
- It is not expensive.
- It is good for children.
- It is excellent for ladies.
- It is convenient for business men.
- It is perfectly safe under all circumstances.
- It is used by millions of families the world over.
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- If you use it you have the best laxative the world produces.

Because

- Its component parts are all wholesome.
- It acts gently without unpleasant after-effects.
- It is wholly free from objectionable substances.
- It contains the laxative principles of plants.
- It contains the carminative principles of plants.
- It contains wholesome aromatic liquids which are agreeable and refreshing to the taste.
- All are pure.
- All are delicately blended.
- All are skillfully and scientifically compounded.
- Its value is due to our method of manufacture and to the originality and simplicity of the combination.
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