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Gravesend should prove of more than common interest to any of our American sailor visitors who happen to possess the historic sense. For its parish church is believed to contain the remains of the beautiful and ill-fated American Princess Pocahontas. On her visit to England in 1616 she was recorded a most hospitable reception. Unfortunately, however, she contracted smallpox and died on her way back to Virginia. She was brought ashore at Gravesend, where she was buried. The precise place of sepulture is a matter of dispute among antiquarians, but St. George's church claims the honor, and its parish registry contains the following entry: "Rebecca Wrothe, Wyff of Thomas Wrothe, gent., a Virginia lady borne, here was buried in ye Chancel."

The best form of splice for galvanized iron wire, according to a writer in Electrical World, is one in which the wire is twisted in the form of a complete turns in what is known as the neck of the splice, after which the splice is completed by means of four or five end turns, in which the end of each wire is turned in a close coil about a straight section of the other wires. Tests of various splices show that the end turns have very little holding power, but that most of the holding power is due to the turns in the neck, and that a joint with five properly made turns in the neck will hold as strong as the wire it is made of, and will yield but slightly at first until it is set, after which there is practically no yield up to the breaking point.

Lieutenant Colonel Mudge, of the Swedish army, is credited with the invention of aerial torpedoes. These torpedoes are very light and it is said that they will travel for a distance of about three miles. They can be made to explode at any point in the means of clockwork. They are launched by means of a special apparatus with an explosive weighing rather over two and one-half pounds. When launched the torpedo travels at the rate of 50 meters the second, the altitude is increased to 300 meters, the meter being 39 inches. Experiments are shortly to be made with this engine of destruction at Krupp's works, where there are the apparatus and 100 torpedoes.

"One of the entertainments arranged for the czar of Russia while he and his family were visiting Germany," says a Berlin correspondent of a Paris paper, "was a hunting party on the imperial preserve, near Borgmeyer. Nearly 300 animals were slaughtered for the fun of it, and the natives who had an opportunity to see the two monarchs drive away from the little station got a glimpse later also of the trophies of the hunt. Some persons who were there, the empress, with their feather-tipped hunting hats, were less attractive than Prince Oscar, who rode on the back seat alone, and Za was conspicuous because of the monster roach on the back of his hat and the gigantic cigar between his lips."

Milan is moving with the times and will soon have a "sky scraper" unique in its kind in Europe, according to a Paris contemporary. It will be of 14 stories and attain a height of 50 meters, or over 158 feet. It will be raised in the Place du Dome, on the site of the Colosseum, the famous residence of the more famous Gianlennarzo Visconti, Duke of Milan, noted for his conquests and his patronage of art. There will be seven lifts, so that the highest story can be reached with ease. The idea is due to the considerably increased value of land in the city.

New York provides many things for its public servants that other cities depend on private benevolences to pay for. For instance, New York's fire department is regularly equipped with a coffee wagon. In Washington the firemen are to have one, too, but it is to be equipped by merchants, who have contributed about \$1,200 for the purpose. When the next big fire breaks out the men of the fire department are assured the solace and comfort of a cup of hot, steaming coffee to gulp down in moments between chasing up ladders and pouring barrels of water into a burning building.

The regular pension bill now before the house carries \$153,014,000. The largest pension appropriation ever made was slightly over \$160,000,000, but a few years ago, so that the annual cost of war pensions is very close to the maximum. It is admitted by the house pension committee that the bill increasing the service pensions received by veterans of 62 years or over would augment the annual appropriation \$200,000,000.

The principal fruit growing sections of Colorado are located in the fertile valleys of the western slope of the Rockies. From the Grand Valley in the year, 1909, there were shipped over 3,000 carloads of fruit, more than the combined output of Oregon, Washington and Idaho. This immense output was harvested from a strip of valley land not more than 45 miles in length and only about eight or 10 miles wide.

W. H. Scott, of Tavern, Maries county, Missouri, celebrated his 93d birthday a few days ago and claims a record of endurance not excelled by any one of his age. During last spring and summer he cut the timber and split 500 rails, making as many as 50 of them in a single day. He is the father of 14 children, 44 grand children, 69 great grandchildren and four great-great grandchildren.

At the present rate of decrease it will not be long before there will not be a single horse-drawn omnibus on the streets of London. The General Omnibus company recently sold 400 horses and expects to dispose of the rest of its live motive power at the rate of about 100 a week of course the automobile is responsible.

It is believed in New York city that Columbia university students have discovered the oldest lake on earth in the Palisades opposite one-hundred-and-fifty-fifth street they have found what appear to be the remains of a dinosaur, 30 to 40 feet long and 15 to 18 feet high, which may have lived 10,000,000 years ago.

Our hunters, harness horses and other types of light-legged horses were never better than they are now. There may be fewer of them, but the standard of quality is being fully maintained. English and Irish-bred horses by common consent still rank as the best in the world.

The Christian Science Monitor, the daily newspaper founded by the cult in Boston, has completed its second year. According to an editorial announcement, the newspaper has achieved great success by following "the policy established by Mrs. Eddy, 'to injure no man but to bless all mankind.'"

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LINCOLN CRIPPLED BY REMOVAL BILL

Eliminated From the Contest In Which Capital Removal Is to Be Decided.

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 30.—In the bill for the removal of the state capital, Representative Bailey, of Buffalo county, bars Lincoln from any direct competition in the proposed contest. The proposition as he has planned, aims to neatly get around the obstacle raised by the fact that the aspirants for capital honors would be so numerous that none could win as against this city. As he desires to have it submitted, the electors of the state are to vote directly upon the proposition whether or not they desire to relocate the seat of the state government, and at the same time each of the aspiring cities submit its claim. If a majority voting declare in favor of relocation, then, by the terms of this act, the capital is relocated thereby.

If at the same time no contesting city or town receives a majority of the votes cast, then the cities having the two highest number of votes shall fight it out at the next election. Lincoln is eliminated directly from the contest by a provision in the bill that the question to be submitted shall be: Shall the seat of government be removed to a point west of the 97th meridian? This meridian is not clearly defined, but a line drawn north and south from Wayne to Wilbur about describes it. Indirectly, of course, Lincoln is in the contest because the question is actually submitted by. Shall the capital stay where it is or be removed west of a line 25 miles west of the present capital city?

As most Nebraskans now see the plan, the contest will eventually narrow down between Grand Island and Kearney. Both of these cities have been agitating the removal of the capital for several years. In the last few months the movement has been pushed with renewed vigor. Both are regarded to be the most promising aspirants to land the coveted honor.

As matters now stand, there is promise of fierce fight in both houses over the bill. **NEBRASKA AUDITOR GETS A CHALLENGE**
He Stands Pat Against Salaries In Excess of the Legal Schedule.

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 30.—Live times are brewing in the senate as a result of the refusal of the state auditor to honor the vouchers for wages of employees of the upper house, in excess of the limit allowed by law. The special committee which was appointed to deal with the matter has issued a defiance to the auditor, but the latter has refused to budge. The committee met last night and voted to put all employees in on the vouchers as assistants to the secretary of the senate, no matter whether they are janitors, custodians, or pages, and to assist clerks who receive \$4 per day, and in this way the committee expects to increase the salaries according to law.

The auditor declares he will issue no warrant on such a subterfuge. He is backed by the chairman of the employees committee of the senate, Banning, of Cass, who is incensed at the plan. While the row is in progress, the employees are holding the sack not being able to draw any pay for the three weeks they have worked.

NEBRASKA DOCTOR ACCUSED OF ASSAULT

Young Woman Choked by Chauffeur and Auto Number Implicates Physician.

Hastings, Neb., Jan. 30.—The arrest of a prominent physician today has given a sensational turn to the assault on Miss Ethel Hyatt of this city which occurred Thursday night. The girl was attacked on the street. Her assailant had thrown her to the ground and was choking her when he was interrupted by neighbors, who had heard the girl's cries. The man jumped into an automobile and made his escape.

The number of the machine was 2,552, and Dr. P. F. Bartholomew, of Blue Hill, owns the car of this number. Miss Hyatt accompanied Sheriff McCleary to Blue Hill late yesterday afternoon, interviewed the doctor and caused his arrest. He was brought to Hastings and will be arraigned for trial. Miss Hyatt is an employe of a local dry goods store.

NEGRO SCHOOLS GIVEN PROPERTY BY A BISHOP

Kansas City, Jan. 30.—By the terms of the will of Bishop Abraham Grant of the Catholic Church, which was filed in the probate court of Wyandotte county, Kansas, last night, the greater part of his estate, amounting to \$250,000, was bequeathed to two negro educational institutions, the Payne Theological seminary, of Wilberforce, Ohio, and the Paul Quinn college of Waco, Tex. The estate consists principally of real estate in Indiana and Texas.

CHURCH SEPARATION. Lisbon, Jan. 30.—Foreign Minister Machaie announced today that the government's decree separating the church and state would be promulgated within a month. Nevertheless, he added, the government had expressed regret to the vatican that the pope had no representative in Portugal where the faithful are so numerous.

PHILIPPINE VOLCANO IN ACTIVE ERUPTION

Manila, Jan. 30.—After being dormant for many years, the volcano Taal in Batangas province, is again active. The eruptions began at 2 o'clock this morning and were accompanied by three heavy earthquakes and followed by 50 lesser shocks. No damage was done by the quakes. Frequent explosions are heard and huge smoke columns rising above the crater are visible from this city.

STEPFATHER HELD FOR BOY'S MURDER IN NORFOLK HOME

Little Chap Died of Tetanus Following Operation for Removal of Feet.

Norfolk, Neb., Jan. 28.—Henry Stehr, stepfather of Kuort Stehr, aged three years, who died Sunday following an operation for the amputation of his frozen feet, is charged with the murder of the boy. The coroner's jury after a thorough investigation of the case brought in the following verdict: "We find the child's death was caused by the inhuman treatment and cruelty of the stepfather and the mother. The body of the child was greatly emaciated and badly bruised in various parts, the feet being frozen and rotted, rendering amputation necessary, resulting in tetanus, which was the immediate cause of death."

"We further find that the inhuman and cruel treatment of the stepfather, Henry Stehr, was done with felonious intent and was the indirect cause of the death of the child."

Stehr's own account of the incident, leading up to the death of the boy are as follows: "We had no coal and we used to pick it up in a sack. That night it got very cold and we had no fire in the stove. I did not think it would be so cold. We woke up during the night from the cold. I looked after the children and found that they were both cold. Our own bed was froze stiff on top. I took the small child into bed with us. I found Kuort's bed was damp, and everything was frozen. I put dry covers under him and covered him up. I put the small child in bed with me. The next morning when we woke up we found the boy all wet and almost frozen. The room was filled with snow and the walls, doors and windows were frozen. So I think the feet were frozen that night. The smaller baby was not frozen, but very cold."

Stehr admitted that he had punished the child frequently. "I used a strap with the buckle off," he said. He said some bruises were made in this way.

NEBRASKA GIVES THE EXPOSITION GO BY

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 28.—By unanimous vote the house of representatives today adopted a report from a special committee indefinitely postponing all resolutions looking to the endorsement of either New Orleans or San Francisco as the location of the 1915 exposition.

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ALDRICH STRICTURES PROVOKE CONTENTION

Committee Named to Probe Charges Relating to Omaha Election.

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 28.—Some of Nebraska's lawmakers are still irritated over the Governor Aldrich charge that fraudulent voting was much in evidence at the last election in Omaha. Bartos, of Saline, this morning introduced a resolution in the senate demanding to know why the governor did not prosecute offenders himself rather than bother the senate about it. His resolution was voted down 8 to 12.

Speaker Kuhl, of the house, this morning appointed a committee of five to investigate the charges of the governor. The committee is composed of Harrington, Matra, Scogle, Prince and Cronin. It is authorized to hold sessions in the metropolis of the state, summon witnesses, examine election documents and anything else that it sees fit to do in order that the charges of the governor may be thoroughly sifted.

Two motions to increase the pay of certain house employes from \$3 to \$4 per day were turned down.

DOG IMPALED WHILE CHASING A RABBIT

USED POCKET KNIFE TO CARVE OPPONENT

Ponca, Neb., Jan. 28.—A. R. Wright, of Dixon, is in jail here charged with making an attack on John Hanson, a farmer living near Dixon, with a knife, in the altercation which took place in a saloon. Wright is said to have slashed an artery in Hanson's wrist. The degree of his crime will be fixed according to the result of the injuries to Hanson, who is still under treatment.

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DEMOCRATS ATTACK GOVERNOR ALDRICH

Accused of Injustice in Message Directed Against Omaha Election Frauds.

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 27.—The first break between the republican governor and the democratic legislature occurred today, when the Douglas county delegation introduced a resolution severely censuring the governor, for the utterances in his special message of yesterday, on the election frauds in Omaha. The resolution placed the governor directly in the Ananias class. It charged that he had given utterances to the charges simply to get them into print. An effort on the part of the republicans to sidetrack the resolution was defeated, and it was adopted, without the preamble, in which the governor was attacked. As passed, the resolution calls for a special committee of five to investigate the truth or falsity of the message. In part it says: "The injustice to Omaha of these imitations from the executive chamber amounts almost to an outrage, because many of the charges have not the slightest foundation, in fact; and further because there is unfortunately no constitutional provision against these tedious purification messages, which threaten to consume the valuable time of this house."

Capital Removal Proposed. A capital removal bill signed by 27 members of the house, was introduced this morning. It provides that all cities which shall desire to compete for the location of said capital shall file petitions with the secretary of state 60 days before the next election, and the vote shall be taken at that time. All such contestants shall be west of the 97th meridian. If a majority of votes cast shall be in favor of removing said capital, it shall be declared removed, if any one city shall receive a majority of all votes cast in favor of removal, it shall be the site. If none receive a majority, the next election shall witness a contest between the two receiving the highest votes.

VICTIM'S MOTHER HISSED IN CHURCH

Norfolk People Bitter Toward Parents of Kuort Stehr—Sensation at Funeral.

Norfolk, Neb., Jan. 27.—"Hang her up," cried a woman as Mrs. Henry Stehr, mother of little Kuort Stehr, entered the church here yesterday where the funeral of the dead boy was being held. The crowd hissed the mother of the boy as she appeared and she hung her head as she passed up the aisle where she broke down and wept bitterly. Finally she fainted and was caught in the arms of August Braun, superintendent of the Sunday school of St. Johannes' Lutheran church, where the funeral was being held.

INSTITUTE TO AWARD PRIZES FOR ESSAYS

Lyons, Neb., Jan. 27.—Andrew Young, Jr., secretary of the Burt County Farmers' Institute, which meets in Lyons, February 6 and 7, has today offered a series of prizes to young people which is well calculated to interest them in the coming institute. It is to be a test in the five different high schools of the county for the best compositions. Each school will compete for itself, which is best among its own students and this one is to represent their school at the institute, receiving a prize of \$1 cash for his effort, with railroad fare and expenses paid. On the evening of the second day of the institute the contest proper will be held, the winner to receive \$2 cash. In order not to consume too much time the compositions are to be very short.

VANDALS DISFIGURE HANDSOME RESIDENCE

Wealthy Woman Who Wedded Former Policeman, Finds Her Home a Wreck.

New York, Jan. 27.—"Elmhurst," the wonder palace at Riverdale on the Hudson, was visited by vandals during the honeymoon trip of its chateleine, Miss Julia Morosini, who returned yesterday, Sunday afternoon, to her home, the residence of Arthur M. Werner, a former policeman who saved her life while he was serving as a mounted officer on the speedway.

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BURLINGTON LUMBER MERCHANT IS DEAD

Burlington, Ia., Jan. 28.—T. G. Foster, aged 63, a prominent Burlington lumberman and administrator of many estates, died today in Florida.

FLIGHT POSTPONED. Key West, Fla., Jan. 28.—J. A. D. McCurdy, the aviator, again postponed his flight to Havana this morning because of high winds and a rough sea, in which he feared his pontoons would be unable to stay him, were the causes.

SUDDEN DEATH OF HIGHMORE WOMAN

Early Settler of Hyde County, S. D., Was Mother of Sioux City Man.

Highmore, S. D., Jan. 28.—Mrs. G. B. Meigs died suddenly at her home in this city last evening. Deceased was in good health until 10 minutes before she died. Heart failure was the cause of her death. She was one of the early settlers of Hyde county. From the Sioux City Tribune. Mrs. Meigs was the mother of Sylvester B. Meigs, a travelling man, who lives at 712 West Fourth st. S. S. Meigs, of Highmore, representing W. H. Pratt, Howell company on the road, is another son, while two daughters, Miss Bessie Meigs and Mrs. Rilla Bancroft live at Highmore. The mother had visited here on several occasions, her latest visit being about a year ago.

ROSEBUD LAND CASES UNDER INVESTIGATION

Sioux Falls, S. D., Jan. 26.—The work of taking the testimony in the now famous Rosebud land cases, on for hearing in Sioux Falls for several days before Special Examiner Wallace, has not yet been concluded, but an adjournment has been taken, and a future hearing will be held for the purpose of completing the work. The defendants in the action, which was instituted by the government, are Fr. J. De Bell, of West Keokuk, Neb.; H. Butterfield, of Norfolk, Neb.; W. H. Lynn, of Dallas, S. D., and two residents of LeMars, Ia., named Johnson and Moritz. The case involves a number of tracts of land in the ceded portion of the Rosebud Indian reservation, which the defendants purchased from individual Indians who at the time of the transfer were the lawful owners of the land.

The government alleges that the land was obtained by the defendants by misrepresentation and fraud, and that the Indians were paid a sum far below the real value of the land, and seeks to have the transfers set aside.

FARMER'S DEAD BODY IS FOUND IN FIELD

Watertown, S. D., Jan. 26.—The dead body of Frank Arnold, a farmer living three miles from Appleby, was discovered after an all-day search lying in a field nine miles from Watertown. Saturday afternoon Arnold mounted a horse and rode to Appleby for some provisions, and in his usual good health and spirits started on the return ride to his home, which was the last seen of him by his friends. His horse was found at the stable the next morning, when his wife sent out an alarm, since which time parties have been scouring the country for the missing man, finding his body late yesterday. The remains were brought to this city where an autopsy will be held today to determine the cause of death.

COURTNEY'S CONDITION IS CONSIDERED CRITICAL

Yankton, S. D., Jan. 26.—Persistent rumors are afloat here, although little as to facts are known, that the spring will see the big cement works open here, with C. J. Van Doren, a former superintendent, in charge. The same rumors have it that the original company, mostly Milwaukee stockholders, will still be in control and that big improvements will be added. Alarming rumors come from the hospital as to the real condition of Daniel Courtney, shot by George Rosstauscher last December. An injured kidney is leaking into the stomach and intestinal paralysis still prevails. The conviction is growing that Mr. Courtney's condition is one of great gravity.

News Briefs of the Northwest

PORT DODGE, IA.—Mrs. J. E. Runney was seriously burned in a gasoline explosion and her recovery is doubtful.

KODOKA, S. D.—The Stanley county short course is in session here with a good attendance and an interesting program.

MITCHELL, S. D.—Rev. Henry Snyder, of Woodstock, Minn., has accepted a call to the Presbyterian church of this city.

MITCHELL, S. D.—The state poultry show will be held here next week, this being the 12th annual session held at this point.

MASON CITY, IA.—Mayor Kirschman, of this city, fractured a rib when he reached for the telephone and fell over a chair.

LESLIE, S. D.—Harold Seehler recently killed a wolf which weighed 217 pounds. Several calves and colts had been killed by the animal.

CHARLES CITY, IA.—Patrons of the city schools joined with one of the members of the board have succeeded in barring the introduction of dancing.

DES MOINES, IA.—Charles W. Miller, of Waverly, E. M. Hubbell, of this city, and W. W. Marsh, of Watertown, are credited with a desire to start a morning domestic daily here.

STORM LAKE, IA.—An official notice from Washington, D. C. gives the appointment of postmaster at Newell to A. F. Morse. Mr. Morse has served that office for two terms and has done well.

STORM LAKE, IA.—Sunday occurred the death of the oldest person in the county. Mrs. Katherine Kalish, 88, was laid but two months of being a centenarian, having reached the age of 99 years and 10 months. She was born in Germany, March 1, 1811.

WINNER, S. D.—The attorneys of Tripp county held a meeting here and organized the Tripp County Bar association, with the following officers: President, L. B. Callender; vice president, S. S. McAllister; secretary, Taylor E. Saxton; treasurer, Windsor Dougherty.

ROSEBUD INDIAN RESERVATION, S. D.—At his home on this reservation occurred the death of Owl-Walks-In-The-House, one of the best known and most influential Brule Sioux Indians of modern times. He was 58 years of age and survived by a widow and two children, a son and daughter.

PRESIDENT WRITING A RECIPROcity MESSAGE

Washington, Jan. 26.—President Taft today spent most of his time in preparing the special message which he will forward tomorrow to congress with the Canadian reciprocity treaty urging the adoption of the treaty and his reasons therefor.

Ambassador Bryce, of Great Britain, and Secretary of State Knox were with the president today in consultation over the matter.