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A wise man never takes a penny for his thoughts.

GAMBLER CASHED IN

PATHETIC TALE OF AN OLD-TIME MINING CAMP.

Reduced Sport, Old and Penniless, but Nothing Behind the Deal, Bravely Joins the Ranks of the Great Majority.

In 1897 there were flush times in the Slocan. The overflow of the Rossland boom swished through the silver camps and coated them with gold. The wash struck Sandon the hardest, and for months the town had its Cairo-like streets literally paved with dollars and playing cards. Sandon is built in a gulch between high mountains over which the sun occasionally peeps at the burg. In those days it was a hot locality. All night long the pianos were thumped "below the dead line," while above it the booze factories had no keys and the clinking of glasses kept time to the rattle of chips and the cries of "That's good!" "I'm pot!" "Put in with you!" etc.

These were the days when it often cost many a plunk to look at your hole card and chubbers were under the table. Gamblers were thicker than coons at a cake walk and a flash of sunlight made the lower end of the camp look like a railroad switch yard with all danger signals turned on. The town never closed up; it was one long carnival of wine, women and cards. When one shift went flowery another took its place, and Canada's Monte Carlo never blinked an eye.

About this time Morris Butterman hailed the camp. Morris had no yellow in him and packed more than sixty years on his broad back. He had been a gambler for nearly half a century. He had faced the tigers in Montana, shot craps in New Orleans, dealt stud on the old Mississippi and peeped from behind furs in many a draw game. So when he hit the camp he was not afraid of anything in sight. He dealt faro in the Bucket of Blood saloon and kept his shirt bosom ever white. For a long time his meal ticket made Sandon look like a dirty den in a new deck, and the old gambler went up the hill to cook for a while, but he did not suit and wandered back to town again, broke, but sad, silent and proud.

Several of the boys noticed that he did not eat regularly and proffered him aid, but he shook his head and stood pat. One day, about 5 o'clock in the afternoon, he passed through the Bucket of Blood to the stairway at the rear on the way to his room. As he mounted the steps he turned and took a long look at the bar and Handsome Jack. Late the next afternoon Jack went upstairs to the old man's room and found him dead. He had put on his best clothes, got under the blankets, took a swallow of poison and cashed in.

And thus Morris quit the game—a philosopher. Old, broke and nothing behind the deal, he preferred to pass up rather than burden his friends. Just a dash of tragedy in the fever of mining-camp life.—Denver (B. C.) Claim.

LIFE AFTER DECAPITATION.

French Physician Asserts That Death Is Not Instantaneous.

Considerable attention has lately been given in France to the old question as to whether death follows instantaneously upon decapitation. A French physician asserts that it does not. In his opinion the blood which flows after decapitation comes from the large vessels of the neck and there is hardly any call upon the circulation of the cranium, says the London News. The brain remains intact, nourishing itself with the blood retained by the pressure of the air. When the blood remaining in the head at the moment of separation is exhausted there commences a state, not of death, but of inertia, which lasts up to the moment when the organ, no longer fed, ceases to exist. It is estimated by the physician in question that the brain finds nourishment in the residuary blood for about an hour after decapitation. The period of inertia would last for about two hours, he thinks, and absolute death would not ensue till after the space of three hours altogether. Possibly this may be some consolation to those about to be guillotined.

WHY SHE WAS SORRY.

Unpopular Preacher Regretted Having Asked the Question.

A certain author, having explained the nature of his occupation to an old Manx woman, was hardly prepared for the comment: "Well, well, what does it matter so long as a body makes his living honestly?" the words being evidently meant to put him on better terms with himself. But worse still fared an English clergyman, for some time vicar of a Manx parish and from ignorance of the people and their ways, not a very popular one. Having received preferment elsewhere, he started on a round of farewell visits, but without hearing a single regret, says the London Saturday Review.

At last one old woman told him she was "mortal sorry." In his delight the vicar let curiosity outrun discretion, and he asked for her reason. "Well," she said, with touching candor, "we've had a lot o' passins over here from England, and each one has been worse than the last, and after you're gone I'm afeared they'll be sen'in' us the devil himself."
The vicar left hurriedly.

The mill will never grind with the water that has passed—until water runs uphill.

Supreme Court Sustains the Foot-Ease Trade-Mark.

Justice Laughlin, in Supreme Court, Buffalo, has ordered a permanent injunction, with costs, and a full accounting of sales, to issue against Paul B. Hudson, the manufacturer of the foot powder called "Dr. Clark's Foot Powder," and also against a retail dealer of Brooklyn, restraining them from making or selling the Dr. Clark's Foot Powder, which is declared, in the decision of the Court, an imitation and infringement of "Foot-Ease," the powder to shake into your shoes. Allen S. Olmsted of Le Roy, N. Y., is the owner of the trade-mark "Foot-Ease." Similar suits will be brought against others who are now infringing on the Foot-Ease trade-mark and common law rights.

In Memory of Poe.

The building in which Edgar Allen Poe edited the Southern Literary Messenger in Richmond, Va., is still standing and it is proposed to place a suitable commemorative tablet on its walls.

The Pope Likes His Present.

The pope was highly delighted with President Roosevelt's gift of a complete set of the latter's work, and has issued orders with mosaics of St. Peter's and the vatican be transmitted to the president, with his thanks. These mosaics are magnificent specimens of this branch of art and are made at the vatican workshops.

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Egyptian Cotton in Texas.

Egyptian cotton is being introduced in Texas, and promises to revolutionize the cotton industry of the South. It is much more desirable than the cotton raised in the United States now, and is even better than the sea island cotton. The Egyptian cotton has much longer fiber than other cottons, and its seed can be removed so easily that it is not necessary to cut up the cotton in ginning it.

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HEALTH AND ALL ITS BLESSINGS

Health will come with all its blessings to those who know the way, and it is mainly a question of right-living, with all the term implies, but the efforts which strengthen the system, the games which refresh and the foods which nourish are important, each in a way, while it is also advantageous to have knowledge of the best methods of promoting freedom from unsanitary conditions. To assist nature, when nature needs assistance, it is all important that the medicinal agents used should be of the best quality and of known value, and the one remedy which acts most beneficially and pleasantly, as a laxative, is—Syrup of Figs—manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co.

With a proper understanding of the fact that many physical ills are of a transient character and yield promptly to the gentle action of Syrup of Figs, gladness and comfort come to the heart, and if one would remove the torpor and strain and congestion attendant upon a constipated condition of the system, take Syrup of Figs and enjoy freedom from the aches and pains, the colds and headaches and the depression due to inactivity of the bowels. In case of any organic trouble it is well to consult a competent physician, but when a laxative is required remember that the most permanently gratifying results will follow personal cooperation with the beneficial effects of Syrup of Figs. It is for sale by all reliable druggists. Price fifty cents per bottle.

The excellence of Syrup of Figs comes from the beneficial effects of the plants used in the combination and also from the method of manufacture which ensures that perfect purity and uniformity of product essential in a perfect family laxative. All the members of the family from the youngest to the most advanced in years may use it whenever a laxative is needed and share alike in its beneficial effects. We do not claim that Syrup of Figs is the only remedy of known value, but it possesses this great advantage over all other laxatives that it acts gently and pleasantly without disturbing natural functions, in any way, as it is free from every objectionable quality or substance. To get its beneficial effects it is always necessary to buy the genuine and the full name of the Co.—California Fig Syrup Co.—is printed on the front of every package.

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ISSUED UNDER AUTHORITY OF THE RAILROADS OF NEBRASKA.

Amount of Taxes Paid by Nebraska Railroads. Rate Paid Per Mile by Each Company.

Statement of the Amount of Taxes Paid for the year 1900 in 1901 by the Railroads of Nebraska, their mileage and the rate paid per mile, and comparisons with other States and Railroad Systems.

NAME OF RAILROAD.	TAXES PAID.	MILES.	RATE PER MILE.
B. & M. in Nebraska.....	\$ 90,363.70	191.61	\$471.44
Atchinson & Nebraska in Nebraska.....	20,952.71	108.04	193.93
Chicago, Nebraska & Kansas in Nebraska.....	733.32	5.28	138.88
G. I. & Wyoming Central in Nebraska.....	42,723.47	352.44	121.23
Lincoln & Black Hills in Nebraska.....	25,243.23	176.61	142.98
Lincoln & Northwestern in Nebraska.....	11,961.62	73.49	162.76
Nebraska & Colorado in Nebraska.....	61,085.63	430.71	141.83
Nebraska Railway in Nebraska.....	29,240.61	136.74	213.84
Omaha & North Platte in Nebraska.....	20,335.98	80.59	252.34
Omaha & Southwestern in Nebraska.....	17,538.54	50.88	344.70
Oxford & Kansas in Nebraska.....	8,731.76	59.61	146.49
Republican Valley in Nebraska.....	108,855.36	552.18	197.19
Republican Valley, Kansas & S. W. in Nebraska.....	1,304.74	8.50	154.68
Republican Valley & Wyoming in Nebraska.....	5,921.49	49.17	120.43
*Nebraska, Wyoming & Western in Nebraska.....	6,597.62	140.78	46.96
Kansas City & Omaha.....	32,845.99	193.38	169.63
Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley.....	151,632.64	991.42	152.95
Sioux City & Pacific.....	5,524.07	26.95	208.98
Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha.....	59,402.92	271.16	219.03
Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific.....	51,448.70	250.44	205.43
Missouri Pacific.....	57,423.05	285.12	201.40
Pacific Railway of Nebraska.....	10,439.17	71.22	146.57
Kansas City & Northwestern.....	2,211.31	20.10	110.00
Union Pacific.....	221,173.89	467.38	473.22
Omaha & Republican Valley.....	66,113.58	414.44	159.33
Kearney & Black Hills.....	10,594.04	65.74	160.47
St. Joseph & Grand Island.....	25,063.80	112.53	222.73
Sioux City, O'Neill & Western.....	15,838.24	130.16	121.68
.....	\$1,161,331.18	5,716.67	\$208.16

*The Nebraska, Wyoming & Western in Nebraska was under construction in 1900.

Average taxes paid per mile in 1900.....	\$198.86
Average taxes paid per mile in 1901.....	203.15
Average taxes paid per mile on all railroads west of the Mississippi in 1900.....	171.46
Average taxes paid in seven contiguous States in 1900.....	163.60
Average taxes per mile paid by the Northern Pacific System.....	163.72
Average taxes per mile paid by the railroads of Texas, with 9,873 miles of road.....	103.58

Does it not look as though Nebraska railroads paid more than the railroads with which they compete for business?