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If you are bound to grumble get off by yourself and grumble until you are satisfied.

The hand that rocks the cradle can scare the wits out of a man when it shies a rock at a chicken in the garden.

A French scientist recently brought a dead woman to life by simply moving her tongue. He knew where to tackle her.

People are in one respect like sugar-coated pills. You can't tell by the outside appearance just what you are tackling.

Don't comb the hair over a bald spot on top of your head and then kick because the grocer puts the big potatoes on top of the measure.

There are some people in this vicinity who invariably sleep with their feet on the pillow as it prevents their brains from rushing to their heads.

Please remember next week during the show that a man with a ten-cent seat has no right to ask a woman to take off a \$12 hat so he can see.

A woman does her hair up tight, wears a tight shoe, laces tight, etc. A man does neither, but when it comes to getting tight a woman isn't in it for a minute.

With a woman it is a struggle to provide something for the inner man, and with a man it is a struggle to provide something that will please the outer woman.

Many citizens who spend their spare hours in planting garden these days, will buy their vegetables just the same as they did last year. It's the hoeing that counts.

A western Kansas exchange speaks of a deceased friend as having "gone to a better land." The question naturally arises "where would he find a worse one?"

When a man is first married and anything serious happens he tells his wife about it. He discovers later that she doesn't believe a word he says, and after that he quits telling her anything.

If husbands would cackle for their wives and share with them the many good things of this life, the same as a rooster does for a hen, there would not be so many divorce cases on the docket.

Girls, be very careful about marrying a man who can suppress a full-grown sneeze. It indicates a him-cow-headed amount of will power which may interfere with your happiness some day.

We have been told that "it is far better to give than receive," but we have concluded that after giving a fellow a paper every week for two or three years we would like to receive something for it.

There are apparently about three times as many widows as there are widowers. We don't know just how to account for this but we expect it is because when a man gets one taste of woman he wants more and when a woman gets one taste of man she concludes that she don't want any more.

Senator Crouse has pressed forward a bill to sell the governor's mansion and put the money in the treasury. He maintains that it is unconstitutional to allow the governor extra perquisites and that it is senseless to furnish him with a mansion which it takes all of his salary to maintain.

The new game bill which has passed will be interesting. It prohibits quail shooting for a couple of years, makes more stringent the law against seining, prevents fishing with trout lines of more than five hooks on a line, provides for game and fish wardens, and for a \$1 license for hunting in another than a home county, with a \$10 fee for non-residents hunting in the state.

An editor sighed and said: "I would like to edit a paper in a town so large that every paragraph I wrote would not be taken as a personal thrust by some vainglorious cuss, who thinks the center of the sky is right over his head, the center of the earth precisely under his feet and the center of everything else precisely under his hat." But the editor did not stop to think that a town as large as that might be too large for him—York Times.

We haven't the least doubt that the republican newspapers of the state owe the utmost respect for and confidence in the present republican legislature. The republican newspapers during this session have put in deficiency claims for the amount due them since 1896 when they published the constitutional amendments and the populist legislature cut their just and lawful claims, as provided by law, one-third. The present legislature has now refused to allow this deficiency claim. Just what kind of a conglomerated mass of human selfishness this body is composed of we are unable to understand, but we conclude that it is one that believes in looking out for No. 1 and seeing that anyone else get half pay and should be tickled to death to get that. If they wanted to save the state from being buncoed, robbed, etc., why didn't they pass a bill cutting down their own salaries from five dollars per day to \$3.34 for doing nothing but chewing the rag and holding night caucuses to determine what they should do. They evidently appear to be possessed of the idea that all they have to do is cut off all resources of the person who befriended them the most. So it is in this case. If there is anything that would tempt a republican newspaper to work for a fusion candidate it is just such actions. And not content with that they must go still farther and pass a bill providing that the new constitutional amendments should be paid for at just half price. If these are not great inducements for a newspaper man to get out and "boiler his head off" trying to elect senators and representatives we don't know what is. To tell the truth it makes the average newspaper man feel like going out behind a side hill and kicking himself because he was foolish enough to do anything or extoll the good qualities of any candidate for the legislature. If the balance of the newspapers of the state feel just as we do (at present) the candidates can work their way into their jobs the best way they can without the assistance of the country press, and we will be satisfied with what they see fit to give us. This thing of the republican newspapers of Nebraska working and being at considerable expense during election times to elect a republican legislature in the hope of getting their just dues afterwards (none of them were ever known to get anything before) has played out with us. If they can't look out for our interests a little in the legislature it is no use for us to try to put them there. What think you about it, brother?

Don't beat, kick, swear at and abuse that poor little calf you are trying to learn to drink. Just stop and think how much you would have known about drinking if some big fellow had straddled your neck, grasped an ear in each hand and jammed your nose into milk up to your eyes when you were two days old. Don't expect your calf to be a brighter animal than yourself. —Exchange.

We wish the candidates for spring offices who are handing around cigars, would get a better brand. They are positively not worth the lighting. Our sporting reporter came in the office the other day puffing one of these stunk cigars and we had to fumigate the place before we could resume business.

To Whom It May Concern. Red Cloud, Neb., March 26, 1901. At a meeting of the board of trustees of the Red Cloud Cemetery association held at the office of clerk on date above written, it was ordered that all lots not paid for or satisfied shortly adjusted at the expiration of thirty days from this date will be cancelled, the ground occupied by graves, cut off, and remainder reclaimed by the association and sold —By Order of the Board.

The Law

Of health has no uniformed guardians of its peace. If it had there would be arrests innumerable in every restaurant every day of the year. Both in the quantity and quality of the food they eat and in the manner of its consumption men and women sin each day against the laws of health. Those who will not heed Nature's warnings cannot escape her punishments, and dyspepsia or stomach "trouble" is the inevitable penalty of careless eating. There is no other medicine for diseases of the stomach and allied organs of digestion and nutrition which can compare with Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It cures these diseases perfectly and permanently, and enables the building up of the whole body into vigorous health.

"I took two bottles of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery for stomach trouble," writes Clarence Carnes, Esq., of Taylorstown, Loudoun Co., Va. "It did me so much good that I didn't take any more. I can eat most anything now. I am so well pleased with it I hardly know how to thank you for your kind information. I tried a whole lot of things before I wrote to you. There was a gentleman told me about your medicine, how it had cured his wife. I thought I would try a bottle of it. I am glad I did. I don't know what I would have done if it had not been for Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery."

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cure constipation.

Commissioners' Proceedings. Red Cloud, Neb., Mch. 19, 1901. Board of county commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Members present, Irons, Vance, Wells, Overman, May; J. P. Hale, clerk. In the matter of the erroneous assessment of the personal property of S. J. Whitten, the county treasurer is authorized and instructed to reduce the valuation from \$3000 to \$1500. The county treasurer is authorized to sell northeast 75 feet of block 7, Smith & Moore's addition to Red Cloud, for \$20, including 1899 levy. Petition of E. Rasser and others to open road commencing at the northeast corner of section 12-1-10, running thence west between section 1 and 12-1-10 one-half mile, rejected on account of claim for damages for right of way. Board adjourned to Mch. 20, 1901, at 9 o'clock a. m.

March 20; Board met, members all present. The board proceeded to select names from which to draw the jury for the April term of court.

On motion Musselem Ritchey and wife were recommended to the Nebraska Soldiers' and Sailors' Home at Grand Island, Nebraska.

The following road overseers were appointed. DISTRICT 44 John Kozack..... 44 John Wolf..... 17 A. M. Kerpala..... 1 M. M. Largent..... 6 Joseph Taylor..... 29 A. Campbell..... 22 E. A. King..... 9 C. A. Quigley..... 29 G. Schorer..... 29

The following official bonds were approved: C. E. Vaughn, justice of peace, Guide Rock. J. Kozack, road overseer No. 44. R. M. Largent, road overseer 8. Sam'l Klier, member soldiers' relief committee. E. E. Harvey, justice of peace, Inavale precinct.

Road petition of Frank Sadilek and others to open road commencing at the northwest corner of section 31-3-11, running between sections 31, Batin precinct, and section 36, Catherton precinct, one mile south between said section 31 and 36, rejected on account of the condition attached to the waiver of claim for damages for right of way.

Petition to open road commencing at the southeast corner of section 34-1-11, running north between sections 34 and 35; on motion was laid over for waiver of right of way.

Petition to open road commencing at the southeast corner of section 22-1-11, running north one mile between sections 22 and 23. Laid over for waiver of damages for right of way.

Petition of W. E. Thorne and other to build a bridge across the Blue river. Referred to Irons, Overman and Wells. Board adjourned 9 a. m., March 21. Board met pursuant to adjournment. All members present.

Petition of R. T. Potter and others to open road commencing at the south east corner of section 28-1-11. Laid over on account of claim for damages. The county board appropriated \$50 for the Webster county institute. On motion the county treasurer was authorized to transfer \$29 75 from the county road fund to road district No. 26; also \$500 from the county bridge fund to the county general fund.

Table listing names and amounts: James Burden, insane fees, \$7.00; W. T. Tully, " " " " 8.00; L. S. Wilson, " " " " 3.00; Peter Swanson, bridge work, 6.00; Louis Cutler, hardware, \$12.25; George Clauson, bridge work, 6.25; L. G. Snider, " " " " 5.00; W. A. Vance, " " " " 3.12; J. M. Clark, " " " " 4.25; H. J. Maurer, " " " " 2.60; Adams County, " " " " 36.40; J. R. Cpon, settlement, 6.50; Frank Boon, " " " " 30.00; W. B. Roby, coal, 29.30; A. J. Hayes, goods for poor, 29.95; Ed. Gray, " " " " 8.00; L. E. Warner, " " " " 15.6; Mrs. Harrette, " " " " 60.00; G. W. How, care in smallpox case, 50.00; Traders Lumber Company, coal, 92.00; Dr. C. Wegman, smallpox cases, 58.05; Sherer & Reynolds, meat for poor, 11.10; Dr. J. W. Moranville, smallpox case, 96.50; K. W. McKimney, goods for poor, 1.5; J. Bruner, " " " " 3.66; V. S. Hall, coal, 10.35; Dr. C. F. Koehler, smallpox case, 74.00; J. W. Moranville, " " " " 53.00; T. R. Hall, " " " " 29.00; T. R. Hall, " " " " 29.10; H. E. Grice, supplies for poor, 32.80; E. McFarland, " " " " 5.00.

Minutes read and approved. Board adjourned sine die.

Prizes for letters about Nebraska. A round trip ticket from any Burlington route station in Nebraska to Yellowstone National Park and a complete trip through the park is one of twenty prizes offered by the Burlington Route for the best letters about Nebraska. Other prizes are trips to Colorado, the Black Hills, Chicago and St. Louis. There are also several cash prizes. This Burlington offers these prizes for letters that will encourage immigration to Nebraska. Letters descriptive of successful farming, cattle raising, dairy, fruit growing and similar pursuits are available for the purpose in view. The contest closes May 31, 1901. Circular giving full information will be mailed on request.—J. FRANCIS, General Passenger Agent, Omaha, Neb.

MEN BUYING THIMBLES NOW.

Testimony of the Bachelor as to the State of the Bachelor in New York.

"One phase of the notions department business that would strike a casual observer as peculiar," said the girl behind the counter, according to the New York Sun, "is the number of men who buy thimbles. The first time I sold a thimble to a man I was almost convulsed with curiosity and he was in the same condition with bashfulness. He tried to make me think at first that he was buying it for his sister, but he worried so over the size that I suspected there was something back of his anxiety, and at last I said: 'Can't you give me some idea of the size of your sister's finger? Is it as large as mine, for example?' and I held up the middle finger of my right hand for inspection.

"Oh, yes," said he, 'it is larger than that—much larger. It's almost as large as mine.'

"And then I laughed and presently he laughed and told me all about it. 'The fact is,' he said, 'I have no sister. I'm roughing it in bachelor quarters here in New York, and I have to do so much mending and sewing on buttons and the like that I find a thimble is indispensable. I suppose my ability in that line is nothing to be ashamed of, but somehow I rather shrank from letting on that I was buying a thimble for myself. I thought it would make me seem effeminate.'

"But that was two or three years ago," added the girl. "They are not so squeamish nowadays. They march right up and buy thimbles and thread and even darned cotton without a tremor, just as women buy their own ribbons and rowboats and other sporting goods, all of which goes to prove that the sexes are reversing their old-fashioned occupations with a vengeance. Most of the men who buy thimbles have the nicest tapering fingers imaginable. I suppose most of them work in offices or stores and don't do anything to spoil their hands. They are very particular about the fit of their thimbles. They always want them as tight as beeswax. A woman likes a thimble loose enough to permit of circulation, but the men say they can't do anything with the thimble slipping off all the time.

"Men buy good thimbles, too; much better than the average woman. It is no unusual thing for them to ask for a gold one. Then I have to send them to the jewelry department. This year I gave several young men nice thimbles for Christmas presents. They all said I couldn't have given them anything that would have been so useful and acceptable. It's a wonder to me why more girls don't give their men friends thimbles instead of fancy handkerchief cases and necktie boxes. I'm sure they would appreciate them more. By another year, I fancy, they will get onto the idea for the social conditions in New York make thimbles and even complete sewing companions a necessary adjunct to every young man's bachelor outfit."

HAMLET'S CASTLE.

Something About the Home of the Famous Dane at Elsinore, Denmark.

Jacob A. Riis, the New York poverty expert, lived as a child in the neighborhood of the castle of Kronborg, Elsinore, Denmark. He has revisited the place in recent years, and his early and later reminiscences are embodied in an article called "Hamlet's Castle," which appeared in the Century.

In 1573, as a first step toward making it fit for a king to live in, Frederick II. "swept it clean of all hurtful people and animals," meaning, by the latter, vagrant swine and dogs. How his broom worked on the "people" is instanced by the treatment of outcast women under the edict. They were to be whipped and branded by the headsman, and turned out. If they came back, both their ears were to be cut off. If after that they were again found within the gates of the city, the order was to stuff them into sacks and throw them into the sound. Four years of this sort of thing was supposed to have cleared the ground, and the erection was begun of Kronborg—the "crown castle."

That was the name, said the king, and for miscalling it "Flounder" or "Hook" any man was to pay him the value of one fat steer. Long before its gray walls had risen to half their height the new name stuck, and when it was finished, in 1585, the steer revenue had ceased to be of account. Of the revelries that attended the opening of the castle it may well be that the echoes ring yet in Hamlet's description of "this heavy-headed revel," which to his mind is "more honour'd in the breach than the observance." For in that year there played at Elsinore a troupe of strolling English actors, which for all we know with certainty to the contrary, may have included young William Shakespeare himself, come fresh from poaching upon Sir Thomas Lucy's preserves to seek his fortune among the playhouses in London. The old town records contain two references to them. One is a mere entry of the expenditure of four shillings "for the repair of the board fence between the house of Lauritz, town clerk, the town hall and yard, which the people broke down the time the English played in the yard." That was in 1585, and may have been on the occasion of the opening festivities. The troupe came back later and stayed some time. Little did the clerk who entered into the municipal accounts the cost of its play and keep dream that he was making a notable contribution to the history of the great-est of all tragedies.

by local application 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 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.

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