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#### MONTANA DOG THE BEST.

Butte Canine Wou Stake of \$3,500 at the Friend Races.

"Mr. Brindle," a black dog owned by Rowe & Noall of Butte, Mont., won the rich futurity race of the Mississippi Valley Coursing association at the Friend coursing club. The purse of \$3,500 was the richest ever offered by the association, and 118 hounds competed for it. The race had narrowed down to eight dogs when the fourth round was started, and the final race between "Mr. Brindle" and "Kittie o' the Hills," the property of Wilson & Allen of Victor, Ia., fought out the finish. These two hounds had made remarkable races in the preliminary rounds, and when they were pitted against each other in the finish betting was even. "Mr. Brindle" started better than Kittie, and never was headed.

#### Lumber for Panama Canal.

The first order for lumber for the Panama canal construction has been received by Bevingham mills at Bell-tugham, and it is said to be the forerunner of enormous quantities required on the isthmus. A little more than

two million feet will be supplied in the initial consignment, intended for construction of houses along the canal route. Shipment will begin at an early date and delivery will be made at Ancon. The mills will begin cutting at once. One vessel is expected within the next few days.

#### Corner-Stone Laying.

The ceremony of laying the corner-stone of the ladies' hall of the Grand Island college has just been observed by the faculty, students and friends of that institution, the contents of the cornerstone being issues of the college paper containing a history of the institution, articles of incorporation of the college, etc. The hall will cost \$20,000.

#### Columbus to Have Gas.

F. C. Pettigrew, contractor for the Chicago firm who are to put in a gas plant in Columbus, Neb., has been looking about for a site. Under the terms of the franchise work must be commenced on the plant within thirty days from October 18, and the plant must be in operation and at least one mile of mains laid within three months after. It is said that

material is already on the way and just as soon as a favorable location is secured ground will be broken and work begun. The plant is to cost \$50,000 and the ordinance restricts the maximum charge to \$1.50 per thousand cubic feet. The plant will also furnish not less than seventy-five street-lamps to the city. They are given under the ordinance an exclusive franchise for a period of five years.

#### GERMANY WANTS PEACE

Stands Ready to Take Steps to End Russian-Japanese War.

While the United States note inviting a second peace conference at The Hague for the purpose of broadening and strengthening the original convention has not yet been received by the German government, the foreign office again emphasizes to the Associated Press Germany's wish for another conference. This must, however, avoid plans for universay peace and aim solely at practicable reforms. While the conference cannot have any direct effect upon the Russo-Japanese war, since neither side wishes outside interference, still questions of international law have arisen in connection with this war which demand a settlement and it lies to the interest of the world's peace to reach an international agreement on such questions and get as many nations as possible to subscribe to its terms.

#### To Separate Church and State.

Premier Combes announced at a council of the ministers of France that he intended to appear before the commission of parliament and present the precise text of the measure providing for the separation of church and state, with the government's views thereon. The council unanimously favored taking up a date in January for the presentation of the matter to parliament.

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