

### Has Race With a Tornado.

HASTINGS, Neb., May 4.—(Special.)—A small but genuine tornado tore things in a lively way between Juniata and Hastings late this afternoon. While Burlington freight train No. 80 was coming into Hastings from Juniata the wind picked up a large barn and carried it straight toward the train for a distance of over one hundred yards. The engineer and trainmen saw the storm headed directly for the train and a wild race followed, but fortunately the wind changed its course shortly before it reached the railroad track.

The people of Hastings had noticed the twist and were prepared for it. The storm just touched the west edge of the town and after destroying trees and out-houses it picked up Marquis' barn and shattered it into kindling wood. It then whirled close to Mr. Kohler's place, but did not get near enough to do any more damage than to move the barn off its stone foundation. The course of the tornado was from the south-west to the north-west and its path was very narrow.—Sunday's Journal.

### Thousands Going to California.

Everything points to the extreme likelihood that at least 25,000 people will take advantage of the low rates to San Francisco which have been made for the Epworth League meeting in that city in July.

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### Union Pacific Record Run.

OMAHA, May 3.—(Special.)—A record run through Nebraska was made today by the Union Pacific fast mail, which covered the 153 miles between Grand Island and Omaha in 150 minutes. The time was ten minutes under the previous record. The speed was made possible by perfect weather and the faultless operation of the huge locomotive, No. 1800, Mike Decker at the throttle. The train left Grand Island behind time and took a sixty mile pace at the outset. West of North Bend the train was covering 75 miles of prairie an hour, and this side of that town reached the eighty-mile mark for some distance. The mail drew into Omaha on time at 5:40 o'clock, having made as rapid a long distance run as any train ever accomplished in the west.—Sunday's Journal.

### A "Grid" Trio.

The annual examination for train and engine men on the book of rules will be commenced about the middle of May. Eight of the new engines to be used out of Sheridan have been forwarded from Alliance to that point and they will be put in service in place of some of the engines that need shopping. Freight business is heavier on the Wyoming division at the present time than at any corresponding time in previous years. There are at the present time fifty freight crews on the division and business is heavy enough to keep them going. Through west bound business remains good and No. 45 is run in two and three sections each day.

### Asks Damages From Railroad.

HASTINGS, Neb., May 4.—(Special.)—Karl Eckhart has begun suit in the district against the Burlington railway company for \$1,525 damages. Mr. Eckhart and several other railway section hands were arrested last fall by the railway company on the charge of having stolen and carried away 200 railway ties. The case was continued before Justice R. R. Morledge but when it came up before the last term of district court the defendants were all dismissed, as the county attorney could not find sufficient grounds for prosecuting the case. Mr. Eckhart alleges that his reputation was greatly impaired by being falsely accused of stealing and therefore asks damages.—Sunday's Journal.

### Cheap—Terms Easy.

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### APPLICATION FOR LICENSE.

McCook, Nebraska, May 10th, 1901. Notice is hereby given that M. U. Clyde has filed in the city clerk's office his bond and petition for a license to sell malt, spirituous and vinous liquors in the building on lot 17, block 22, original town, being in the First ward of the City of McCook, Nebraska, from May 1, 1901, to April 30, 1902. M. U. CLYDE, Applicant. 5-10-31s

### DISSOLUTION NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the firm of Anderson & Vanderhoof has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. Mr. Vanderhoof retiring and collecting all accounts. Mr. Anderson continues the business and pays all outstanding debts of the firm. Books will be found at C. F. Lehn's office.—5-3-31s. C. E. ANDERSON, L. D. VANDERHOOF, McCook, Neb., May 1, 1901.

### NOTICE TO LAND OWNERS.

To M. W. Mookley and to all whom it may concern: The board of county commissioners has established and ordered open a road commencing at north-east corner of section thirteen (13), in Gerver precinct, Red Willow county, Nebraska, running thence west on section line one mile and terminating at north-west corner of said section, and all objections thereto or claims for damages must be filed in the county clerk's office on or before noon of the 20th day of June, A. D. 1901, or said road will be established without reference thereto. R. A. GREEN, County Clerk. 4-26-4t

## MOTTOES OF STATES.

HOW MANY OF THEM, WITH THEIR MEANINGS, DO YOU KNOW?

The Great Seal of the United States Was Designed by an Englishman. Who Also Suggested the Motto Adopted, "E Pluribus Unum."

If you desire to have fun with a learned acquaintance, ask him simple questions about his country, its history, financial condition, political divisions, geographical lines, climatology, topography, etc. Questions that any schoolboy can answer Dr. Knowall will stumble clumsily over, often getting a bad fall. There is one question that I have never heard any one answer—namely, "What are the mottoes of the several states of the Union and their meaning?" A clever man may name that of his own state and guess at those of three or four of the more important sister states, but he is unlikely to know the meanings of any that are in the original Latin. Try some able professor in a crowd and see him flounder.

Ask the professor if he knows that the great seal of the United States was designed by an Englishman, Sir John Prestwich, who also suggested the motto, "E Pluribus Unum?" Our ablest men had failed to propose anything acceptable, Franklin, Jefferson, Adams, Lovell, Scott, Houston and others wasting nearly four years on the task. Franklin proposed Moses dividing the Red sea with this motto, "Rebellion to Tyrants is Obedience to God;" Adams proposed the choice of Hercules and Jefferson the children of Israel in the wilderness. Doesn't it seem funny? Some of the suggested mottoes were "Bello vel Pace" (For War or Peace), "Semper" (Forever), "Deo Favente" (With God's Favor), "Virtus Sola Invicta" (Virtue Alone Invincible), etc. After six years the Englishman's device was adopted, and it yet remains the arms of the United States.

If the professor is familiar with the obverse of the great seal, ask him what he has to say of the reverse, and the chances are 100 to 1 that he cannot recollect the unfinished pyramid, the eye in the triangle, the glory proper, the motto over the eye, "Annuit Coeptis" (God Has Favored the Undertaking), and that under all, "Novus Ordo Seclorum" (A New Series of Ages). The obverse of the great seal, with its splendid eagle, the bundle of arrows, the olive branch, the 13 stripes, the 13 stars, the glory breaking from the clouds and the "E Pluribus Unum," is magnificently American, but the pyramid, the desert, the forbidding Egyptian sky and the eye in the triangle on the reverse are simply barbarous.

The great seal of the Confederacy by a strange arbitrament of fate was never used. It was made in England and reached Richmond about the time of its evacuation by the armies of the lost cause and the Confederate government. Its motto was "Deo Vindice" (God Maintains). The seal is a handsome silver die about three inches in diameter, bearing an equestrian portrait of Washington (after the statue in Richmond), surrounded with a wreath composed of cotton, tobacco sugar cane, corn, wheat and rice—the principal products of the Confederate states. It cost in England about \$600, with press, wafers, seal papers, wax, silk cords, etc. It was presented to the state of South Carolina about 1887 and is kept in the office of the secretary of state.

Ask the professor if he remembers that Minnesota, founded by Americans, is the only state in the Union that has a French motto. The one originally selected and ordered engraved was Latin, but the die was spoiled and the French substitute was adopted, "L'Etoile du Nord" (The Star of the North). Does the professor recall that Montana is the only state with a Spanish motto? Strange that fur traders should have adopted "Oro y Plata" (Gold and Silver). If you say that one state has a Greek motto, he probably will do some pretty hard thinking before answering that it is California. "Eureka" is believed to be Greek for "I have found." The only Italian motto belongs to Maryland, and it originally belonged to the Calvert family, "Fatti Maschi, Parole Femine" (Deeds Are Males, Words Females). To be a trifle plainer, "Manly Deeds, Womanly Words." Ask the professor if he knows that Washington is the only state with an Indian motto. "Al-Ki" is pure Chinook for by and by, in the future or hereafter.—Exchange.

### Cured.

"No," said the man in the mackintosh, "my wife doesn't give away any of my old clothes or sell them to the ragman any more. I cured that habit effectually once." "How was that?" they asked him. "When I found that she had disposed of a coat I hadn't worn for several weeks, I told her there was a letter in it she had given me to mail the last time I had it on. And that was no lie either," he added with deep satisfaction.—Chicago Tribune.

**Evidence to the Contrary.** "I told Uncle Simon that he was getting too old and feeble to attend to business." "Did he take it kindly?" "He threw me out of his office."—Chicago Record.

**Final.** "When do you intend to start for the south?" "We shall probably leave Tuesday." "Expect to take the rest of the week with you?"—Chicago Tribune.

The first great fire in an American city occurred at Boston Aug. 8, 1679. By this conflagration 150 buildings were destroyed, the loss amounting to over £200,000.

## DOGS ON THE STAGE.

Leaping For the Villain's Neck—A Very Sensitive Animal.

Four legged animals in drama are of course a very common sight today. Although they are often of far more importance than the mere super, they have an affinity to that class, for theirs is no speaking part, unless one counts the bark of a dog as such.

A little time ago the writer met an actor who was taking the part of a villain in a play wherein a big mastiff seizes him at the back of the neck just as he (the villain) was about to murder the heroine. "Nasty part, that of yours. How do you manage to escape nightly being bitten by that big brute of a dog?" "Not a nice part, it is true," he answered, "but the dog is well trained. He is kept without food for a few hours before the show. A piece of cooked liver is tied to my neck. He is held in the wings till the cue comes, then he rushes on to me for his supper, and the curtain goes down on a very effective tableau. I don't object to the dog. It's the liver."

The mention of stage dogs brings to mind an amusing incident that occurred in a well known theatrical agent's office last summer. In came a rough looking little man wearing a check suit that once used to speak out for itself, but was now silenced by the heavy hand of time. The man was followed by a dog of attractive appearance. The visitor said he did a "tramp act," assisted by the animal. Then they gave an exhibition of themselves and were certainly above the average. "What are your terms?" the agent queried. "Ten pounds a week." "I'll give you two." The imitation tramp—but he was not far from the real thing—looked with a sad, reproachful eye at the agent and silently backed out of the office, the dog meekly following. However, within a few seconds the man returned, quickly closing the door to exclude his partner, who clamored to get in. "I'll take it," he said in a hurried whisper. "Where's the contract? I'm real broke, so it's a clear case of push; but, for heaven's sake, don't mention the price where the dog can hear you."—Chambers' Journal.

## MOST PEOPLE LOPSIDED.

Differences Between the Legs, Eyes and Ears of Men and Women.

The two sides of a person's face are never alike. The eyes are out of line in two cases out of five, and one eye is stronger than the other in seven persons out of ten. The right ear is also, as a rule, higher than the left.

Only one person in 15 has perfect eyes, the largest percentage of defects prevailing among fair haired people. Short sight is more common in town than among country folk, and of all people the Germans have the largest proportion of shortsighted persons.

The crystalline lens of the eye is the one portion of the human body which continues to increase with the attainment of maturity.

The smallest interval of sound can be better distinguished with one ear than with both. The nails of two fingers never grow with the same rapidity, that of the middle finger grows the fastest, while that of the thumb grows the slowest.

In 54 cases out of 100 the left leg is shorter than the right. The bones of an average human male skeleton weigh 20 pounds, those of a woman are six pounds lighter.

That unruly member, the tongue of a woman, is also smaller than that of a man, given a man and a woman of equal size and weight. It may be appalling to reflect, but it is nevertheless true, that the muscles of the human jaw exert a force of over 500 pounds.

The symmetry which is the sole intelligible ground for our idea of beauty, the proportion between the upper and lower half of the human body, exists in nearly all males, but is never found in the female. American limbs are more symmetrical than those of any other people. The rocking chair, according to an English scientist, is responsible for the exercise which increases the beauty of the lower limbs. The push which the toes give to keep the chair in motion, repeated and repeated, makes the instep high, the calf round and full, and it makes the ankle delicate and slender.—Exchange.

## When Irving Forgot Himself.

Ben Webster, an English actor, told a good story of how he held his own when Sir Henry Irving happened to be absentminded. In the "Lyons Mail" there is a touching scene between Lesurques (played by Irving) and his daughter Julie, of which Didier (Mr. Ben Webster) is a perfectly silent witness.

One night Sir Henry, instead of making his long speech, appeared in trembling tones to Mr. Webster: "Speak to her, Didier; speak to her!" Didier was dumfounded. There was an awful pause. Irving, quite unconscious of his own mistake, frowned wrathfully at the young actor, but Mr. Webster, equal to the occasion, gave way to a burst of tears and exclaimed, "I cannot; you know I cannot speak" and turned his back on the audience.

Then Sir Henry picked up his lines with a start, and it was observed that Didier's shoulders shook with emotion!—Louisville Courier-Journal.

## Victoria's Proposal.

It was at Windsor castle that Queen Victoria, then only a girl of 20, did what she described as "the most nervous thing a woman was ever called on to do"—when she summoned the young Prince Albert of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha to a private interview and "proposed" to him. She had first met him when as a boy of 17 he came with his father to England, and when, three years later, he "made no secret" of his love for his fair cousin "no one was surprised and every one was delighted."—London Tit-Bits.

## CHILD LOVE.

Two little arms were clinging, And a little head was pressed (The rosy face all hidden) Closely against my breast.

"What is it, dear?" I questioned, Caring the golden head, Whispering sweetly and shyly, "I love you!" the darling said.

What had I given to win it— This offering pure and sweet? A story told in the twilight, A merry word when we meet?

Oh, child love, so gladly offered, So easily won, I pray Through life I may find this treasure Mine, as it is today!

There are trials to meet and triumphs And sorrows crowned with the years, And lips curve less to smiling, And eyes fill oft with tears,

But the heavy heart grows lighter, Half of its grief beguiled, When love, with a heaven born impulse, Speaks from the lips of a child!

—Home Notes.

## COUNTERFEIT ART.

Americans Are Easily Swindled on Pictures by "Old Masters."

There will doubtless never come a time in the history of the art world when the discovery of "old masters" will cease, certainly not as long as American picture buyers possess the almighty dollar and are willing to be swindled.

Nearly every week in New York for the last year there have been auction sales of "rare old masters." Some of them are rare, indeed; one that was shown at the Macbeth gallery and also in Detroit some time ago, supposed to be a study of an old man by Rubens, the left hand of which was nearly twice the size of its mate, and the term "rare" did certainly apply very aptly to the flesh tints.

Do people ever stop to think how many of these "old masters" there are in existence? Any one may have an "old master" these days who has the "price to pay the dealer to find one or go abroad and get one made." There are many artists in Paris and elsewhere who make a good living, or what they consider a good living, copying "old masters" in the various galleries to sell to dealers for little or nothing, and they in turn bring them to America and clear hundreds by selling them to some moneyed art lover who in some cases is doubtless in the possession of more money than judgment in art matters.

One well known New York art collector some time ago paid a large sum for a certain painting that an enterprising dealer had "discovered" and who represented it to him as very rare and the only one in existence. The same gentleman while on a recent tour through Spain was shown the original painting upon the walls of a certain monastery. The sequel of the story does not say what he did with the dealer. If there be a hereafter for these discoverers of "old masters," their consciences, which seem very elastic, will have to do a deal of rubbering to get back to the required shape to fit them for their celestial abiding places or to meet the frowns of the shades of departed masters themselves.—Detroit News Tribune.

## A Boasting Epitaph.

The following epitaph is to be found in Dalketh churchyard, over the grave of Margaret Scott:

Stop, passenger, until my life you read, The living may get knowledge by the dead, Five times five years I lived a maiden's life; Ten times five years I lived a widow chaste, Now, weary of this mortal life, I rest, Between my cradle and my grave have been Eight mighty kings of Scotland and a queen, Four times five years the commonwealth I saw; Ten times the subjects rose against the law, Twice did I see old prelacy pulled down, And twice the cloak was humbled by the gown, An end of Stewart's race I saw; nay, more— My native country sold for English ore, Such desolations in my life have been; I have an end of all perfection seen.

This lady was born in 1613 and lived to the age of 125 and, therefore, must have lived through the following list of rulers: James I, Charles I, the commonwealth of Oliver Cromwell as protector, Charles II, James II, William III and Mary, Anne, George I and George II.—London Chronicle.

## Methods of Curing Jungle Fever.

I got over my attack, but it was a marvel that I did. One morning my doctor bled me till there was scarcely a drop of blood left in my body. He then gave me 40 grains of calomel, and in the evening, as the fever was still raging, he ordered me to be taken out to the yard of my quarters, laid on a bare rattan couch and buckets of cold water thrown over me for about 20 minutes! I was then put back to bed and fortunately fell asleep for several hours. After some weeks on the sick list, I was able to return to my post at Kornegal.—"Fifty Years in Ceylon."

## Disappointed the Farmer.

"That city man that was visiting me is an overrated cuss," remarked the farmer.

"How so?"

"Oh, the papers all said he was a great hand at watering stock, but I found he couldn't work the pump five minutes without laming his arm."—Chicago Post.

## Al!

He—Cissie, I've heard it said that a kiss without a mustache is like an egg without salt. Is that so?

She—Well, really, I don't know. I can't tell, for, you see, I've never—

He—Ah, now!

She—Never eaten an egg without salt.—Glasgow Times.

In the fourteenth century the slaughter of women and children after a town or castle had been taken by storm was one of the most common occurrences of war.

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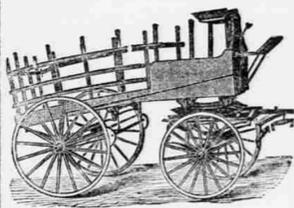
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