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A Business Notice.

Having disposed of my business in his city to Messrs. Jennings & Hughes, I wish first to thank my patrons of the past for their liberal patronage, which has been greatly appreciated and will be kindly remembered in the future.

Secondly, I wish to state that all bills owing me are now due, and that it will be necessary for me to collect same at once. Kindly give this your immediate attention.

F. D. BURGESS.

It Is Jennings & Hughes Now.

Friday morning last, Messrs. Mose S. Jennings and Guy Hughes became partners and owners of the F. D. Burgess & Son plumbing establishment in the Kelley building. The invoice was completed on the night before and the formal transfer followed. The new owners are both practical plumbers and success will doubtless be their portion. The Tribune hopes so.

G. G. Eisenhart, banker, J. A. Kirk, lumberman, and J. W. Cole, lawyer, were Culbertson representatives in the valley's finest, last Friday.

Tom Rowell Resigns Janitorship.

After twenty years of service, Tom Rowell has resigned his position as janitor in the new high school building. He will continue to fill the arduous duties of that position until the close of the present school year, however, when he will enter other duties. Tom has earned the distinction of being the best janitor in Nebraska, and will leave the service with the best wishes of school board, faculty and children of the public schools, all of whom he has well served.

Knights Go to Congregational Church.

The members of St. John Commandery, Knights Templar, have decided to attend Easter services in the Congregational church, Easter Sunday morning, when they will be addressed by Rev. Bayne of that church.

P. A. Wells of South Omaha was in the city on business, last Friday. In the early years, Mr. Wells spent several years as a resident of this city.

C. M. Baily, master mechanic at Wynmore, was in the city, Thursday night last.

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Plays and Players



MONTGOMERY IN "THE OLD TOWN."

ONE of the new successes is "The Old Town," thanks to the amusing activities of its two leading citizens, David C. Montgomery and Fred A. Stone, and much is being written about them. In telling of his early life recently Mr. Stone said:

"As a kid I was always doing stunts on the slack wire and joined a circus when only fifteen. When I came out to do my turn women would say it was a shame to have such a sweet child doing such perilous work. Then I would stick my tongue out to prove that I was a boy. I'll never forget the day my father came to see me. He wore a high hat, and there was a big wind-storm. He was standing directly under the wire when the wind blew one of the sideshow banners against it and knocked the balance pole out of my hands. That was my first fall, but I escaped without injury. The balance pole crashed through my father's silk hat and raised a lump on his head the size of a cauliflower. He threatened to sue the owner of the show, and to pacify him they took him in as a partner."

"How much money did he put up?" Mr. Stone was asked.

"About \$1.80. You could have bought the circus for \$10. Later on I joined a stock company," continued Mr. Stone. "I was playing in such rollicking productions as 'Camille,' 'East Lynne,' 'Fanchon,' 'Foggy's Ferry' and the popular stock pieces. After I had slain the heroine's father and lured the village belle from home I'd come out and do a song and dance. What do you know about STONE IN 'THE OLD TOWN.'"

Although both of these actors saw much hard luck in their early careers, today they are among the wealthiest and most popular comedians on the stage. Montgomery says that at one time the appearance of half a dollar in the company he was in would have precipitated a riot. "We used to sit around," he says, "trying to recollect what a dollar bill looked like."

Some years ago while Frederick R. Seaton was on an Indian reservation in the west gathering material and impressions for the Indian parts for which he is famous throughout the country he was amused by an occurrence which took place between one of the medicine men of the tribe and a tricky trader for whom the Indians had a great dislike. The medicine man's name was Big Snake. Chancing upon him one day, the trader said:

"Good day."

"How?" said Big Snake coldly.

"Say, Big Snake," said the trader, "what was that medicine you gave your pony? That cayuse that I paid so much for last spring has the same distemper yours had."

Big Snake told the trader the magical remedy he had used.

Three days later the trader again met the Indian, and the following conversation took place:

"You know that medicine you told me about? Well, I gave it to the pony, but he died."

With just the slightest gleam in his eye to bespeak the intense satisfaction he felt, Big Snake said:

"So did mine."

Riccardo Martin, the American tenor whose work has attracted much attention recently, is not only a great singer, but a successful composer. One of his compositions at present having an enormous sale in France. Mr. Martin tells how he sold this song to a Paris publisher of music as follows:

"When I had played it and hummed the words for him he laughed most heartily. 'You, an American, wrote that song?' he asked.

"Yes," said I. 'I was born in Kentucky!'

"Impossible! It's as French as Paris. It has all the lilting and peculiar rhythm of words and a conception of real French wit and phrasing that no American could ever acquire," said Hamelle.

"With the utmost difficulty did I convince him that I had written the song, and I had to take him my other compositions before he was satisfied. I think I am the only American who has had a French song published in French by a French music house."



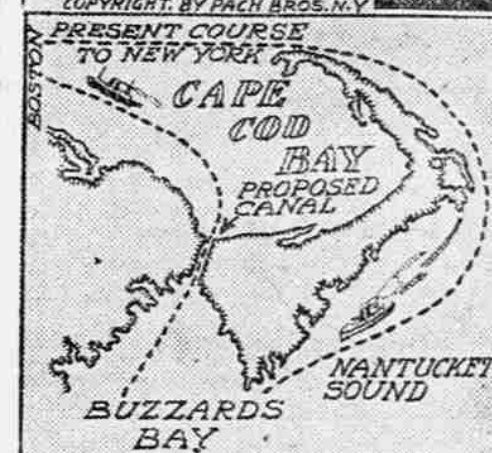
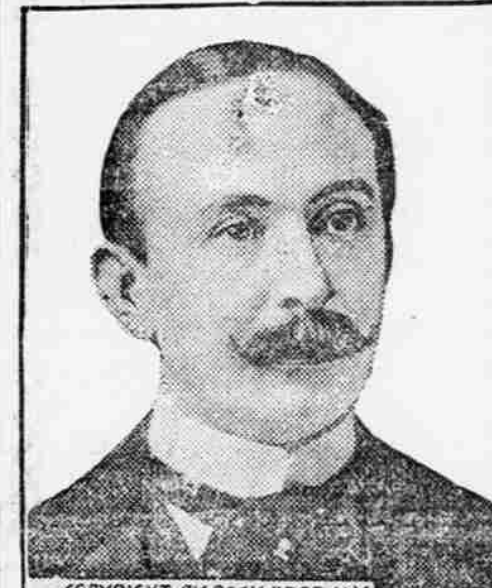
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Building the Cape Cod Canal.

ONE of the most interesting surgical operations since the world began, in which not even stovaine is used to ease the patient, is now being performed, and mariners everywhere are discussing it. This is the amputation of the right arm of Massachusetts close to the shoulder, which is to make the long talked of Cape Cod canal, and actual work on this immense project is now going forward at the rate of 330 cubic yards of earth an hour. For years and years this waterway has appeared to be only a dream, but at last August Belmont, the New York financier, who is promoting the plan, ordered out the scalpels, and the task has now actually begun to cut the eight mile strait that is designed to transform the Cape Cod region from the great maritime graveyard of the world to a safe and profitable route for freight and passenger traffic.

From the earliest days the large number of vessels engaged in carrying cargoes under sail and steam from the New England states to the Atlantic coastwise trade have been buffeted by gales, swept upon rock and reef, and many a stout ship has contributed her all to the graveyard off the cape. Early dreamers and workers looked to the narrow neck that holds the arm like cape between Barnstable and Buzzards bay as a means of salvation. If that short neck of eight miles could be cut, permitting ships to go through instead of around the treacherous cape, they foresaw safety and profit.

The list of vessels and lives lost off the cape during the past twenty-four years is an appalling one. From Oct. 1, 1875, to July 1, 1895, there were 137 vessels lost, 63 lives and property with a value of \$1,613,245; from July, 1895, to Jan. 1, 1899, 28 vessels, 27



AUGUST BELMONT AND MAP OF THE PROPOSED CAPE COD CANAL.

lives and property worth \$267,870. During the first period here given the property lost each month was valued at \$6,394, a vessel lost every fifty-four days and a life every four months; in the second period for which the figures are available \$8,553 was lost each month; a vessel was wrecked and a life was lost every forty-five days.

It is no wonder, then, that the canal short cut has been talked about since the days of Myles Standish. The Indians used to escape the angry seas on the outer rim of the coast by portaging their canoes across the sands of the cape, and it was the path they followed that suggested the project of the canal, which the records of Plymouth colony show the colonists used to discuss with animation.

Since then the matter has been taken up scores of times and just as often dropped, and it was not until 1899 that a charter granted to the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal company brought into the venture men of Massachusetts and of New York who made up their minds not to let the venture die. Mr. Belmont took the financial arrangements. He formed a company with \$6,000,000 of bonds and an equal amount of stock and announced that he intended to sit up with the plan until he came through the canal on the first trip.

It now looks for the first time as if the Cape Cod canal was to be a reality, and it is estimated that the middle of 1912 will see its completion. The big excavator for the time is in the center of the picture, and the dredge is in the background. But the two machines are joint partners in the business of making the big ditch. The excavator cuts the land down to the level of high water, and then the dredger will come into the play all along the way which the excavator has gone.

The entire excavating machine weighs 120 tons. It requires a crew of seven men to operate it—an engineer, two firemen and an oiler, a derrick man, a tender or track shifter and a commanding officer or captain.

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Great Knights of Columbus Event.

April 3rd will be an eventful day for the members of McCook chapter, Knights of Columbus. On this date they expect to initiate about sixty new members into the order with suitable and usual ceremonies and eclat. A banquet will be served and followed by post-prandial features supplied by the best local talent of the order and by notables from abroad. It is now evident from arrangements making that it will be one of the greatest gatherings the knights have ever attempted in this part of Nebraska.

The Nebraska Telephone Co., we understand, has a new telephone directory in print. The present directory is so nearly useless that the new will be more than appreciated—it will be hailed with positive delight.

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A young man who was running Dallas Divine's auto ran it off into the ditch, last Sunday night, while returning from Atwood, Kan. John Wesch and brother and Ernest Peters went down and lifted the machine back on the road. Dallas ran his own auto from their own to McCook to avoid another upset.

Chas. Wesch, when coming home from McCook, last Saturday night, passed an auto in the bottom which frightened his horses. He was thrown out of the two seated rig and dragged about 20 rods. He was hurt on the knee and has been ill ever since.

Dallas Divine's auto frightened George Schreiber's driving team and his buggy was badly broken up, Sunday night. Some of these automobile owners will find themselves in trouble if they don't look out and are a little more careful.

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