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See that fly? Kill him!

With all his faults, a fly doesn't bother one as much as does a mosquito.

They are fighting in Nicaragua, but why they are fighting no one seems to know.

Blondes are becoming fewer, according to statistics. So many are "letting it go back dark," nowadays.

The individual census cards make a pile 16 miles high. And the man higher up presumably is the top card.

A liberal supply of sentimentalism is good for a man; it keeps him from brooding over his non-performances.

A St. Louis man chewed up a \$5 bill with a sandwich. At that it was about as cheap as a piece of meat of corresponding size.

Massachusetts woman wants a divorce because her husband keeps a live lobster in the house. Well, what's she been keeping?

And now a Beloit professor will tramp in the African wilds. How does he know those cannibals will be able to discriminate between a professor and a missionary?

A Chicago surgeon has discovered how to graft new extremities on the bodies of his patients. Science should, in this way, be able to assemble a man superior to the natural article.

A man who started to cure by fasting one of the ills that flesh is heir to has made the discovery that it cured all ailments in his case. Having become defunct he is free from all disease, even the fever called living.

Because Chinese immigrants have been detained on Angel Island, the Chinese residents have boycotted American goods. Just what their reasoning is, is difficult to understand. Evidently, however, they are trying to meet boycott with boycott.

The thrifty Dutch also are buying large amounts of American bonds and other securities for permanent and safe investment. The Netherlands are a canny folk, and when they make a purchase of this kind it is pretty strong testimony to the excellence of the bargain.

That Culebra cut is one of the great difficulties in constructing the Panama canal. Latest reports show that a vast mass of stone and mud has dropped into the excavated channel, involving a whole lot of extra work. But this is one of the contingencies that had to be considered, and American pluck and perseverance will carry the job through in the face of all obstacles.

Physicians have succeeded in making the stethoscope and telephone so sensitive that the heart beats of a patient in London were distinctly transmitted to a seismologist on the Isle of Wight. It is expected that this will be of great use in enabling physicians to keep in more sensitive touch with their patients at all hours.

The new battleship South Carolina has returned to Norfolk after a trip at sea for target practice with a new record with big guns, having made sixteen bulleyses in sixteen shots with the twelve-inch weapons. With a score like that to their credit the jacks of the South Carolina must come pretty close to the championship for good shooting.

The ex-Shah of Persia appears to have settled for himself at least the problem of what to do with deposed monarchs. He is studying medicine and hopes soon to become a practicing physician. And that is a much more honorable and commendable proceeding than dwelling apart in sullen idleness or plotting revolutions against his country. Some other "exes" might imitate his example with much credit to themselves.

Of course it is guesswork as yet, and no one will know the actual population of the United States until the decennial federal enumeration now in progress shall be completed. But word comes from Washington that census officials, basing their opinion on what has been learned thus far, believe that the total for the country will be not far from 100,000,000, which will surpass most estimates made previously.

A Chicago judge bars wife beaters from citizenship. He might also bar them up away from the rest of the world.

Here's a man complaining because "his wife eloped with his best friend." Friend, perhaps, was just trying to prove it.

When there are a few more flying machines the commuter who works in France and lives in England will have a living chance.

HAS A BIG SURPLUS ALL OVER NEBRASKA

FISCAL YEAR'S TREASURY REPORT PROVES TO BE SURPRISING.

OVER \$9,000,000 TO THE GOOD

Corporation Tax Income of \$17,362,815, and a \$11,000,000 Cut in Postal Deficit Are Some of Remarkable Figures Given Out.

Washington, D. C.: A surprising surplus of \$9,402,432 in the year's ordinary receipts and expenditures, instead of the expected deficit; a decrease of \$1,648,337 for the month in the public debt; \$17,362,815 received altogether from the corporation tax and an \$11,000,000 cut in postal deficiency disbursements for the year are some of the remarkable features of the treasury department reports for the fiscal year ended June 30.

The surplus in normal operations, the most gratifying feature of all to the treasury officers, was against a deficit in the same items of \$58,734,955 last year, while the total deficit, formed by adding the big Panama canal transactions, expenditures for which the treasury will eventually be reimbursed, reached only \$25,884,644, against a deficit over all of \$118,795,320 a year ago.

Of the corporation tax revenue \$16,666,110 was received during June

MINNESOTA TOWN BURNED

Destructive Blaze Wipes Out Mizpah, Minnesota, Entailing a Heavy Loss.

International Falls, Minn.: Fire starting from an unknown cause practically wiped out the town of Mizpah, 40 miles south of here.

The town was helpless 30 minutes after the fire was discovered on account of the cistern platform burning, causing the engine to drop into the cistern which supplied the water.

The flames finally were subdued by blowing up the postoffice building with dynamite.

Public Debt Figures.

Washington, D. C.: The aggregate public debt of the United States, both interest bearing and non-interest bearing, is \$1,296,939,939, a decrease of \$1,648,337 from last month, according to the treasury statement. The total cash in the treasury, which includes the \$150,000,000 reserve fund and the \$100,490,784 balance in the general fund, is \$1,725,683,064.

Bush Fires Raging in Canada.

Winnipeg, Man.: Bush fires have invaded the towns of Devlin and LaVie, in the Rainy river district of Ontario, although hundreds of settlers and railway men tried to fight them off. At Devlin the Canadian Northern railway depot, the Ontario hotel, Cook's sawmill, stores and houses were destroyed.

New Baseball Park.

Chicago: The cost of the new baseball park, which was opened here July 1, has been estimated at \$750,000, and it will seat about 34,000 persons. It is a half mile north of the grounds on which the American league started its invasion of National league cities in 1900.

Mysterious Death.

Council Bluffs, Ia.: A man who was found in a dying condition in a secluded spot at Lake Manawa late Thursday night, and who soon expired, was identified Friday as Amos Royster, aged 32, of Florence, Neb., a suburb of Omaha.

Hyde's Petition Granted.

Kansas City, Mo.: A petition signed by Dr. B. Clark Hyde and his attorneys, asking that the imprisoned physician be allowed to visit his home at the time of the birth of his expected heir, was granted by Judge Ralph S. Latschaw.

Robs the Passengers.

Montrose, Colo.: A lone masked bandit held up the mail and express stage which runs between Playerville and Norwood in San Miguel county. Several passengers were lined up along the road and compelled to deliver their valuables.

Acquitted of Murder.

Danville, Ill.: Christos Dimitri, charged with the murder of Bosin Tase, last November, was acquitted in the criminal court here.

Sioux City Live Stock Market.

Friday's quotations on the Sioux City live stock market follow: Heavy feeders, \$4.25@5.00. Top hogs \$8.90.

Hamilton Electrocuted.

Richmond, Va.: Anglo Hamilton, who was convicted of murdering Mrs. Sallie B. Hix, at Lynchburg, June 13, 1909, was put to death in the electric chair in the state's prison.

Norway Envoy Dead.

White Sulphur, W. Va.: Minister O. Gude of Norway died suddenly here. Death was due to apoplexy. The minister had been here for two weeks with his family.

Law for Sane Fourth.

The last legislature took a step forward in the way of a safe and sane Fourth of July, which prohibits toy revolvers, blank cartridges and fire crackers of a certain length being sold or kept for sale. The law is as follows:

"Section 1 (Toy revolvers, blank cartridges, firecrackers). No person shall use, sell, offer for sale or keep for sale within this state any toy revolvers shooting blank cartridges, blank cartridges for toy revolvers, toy or firecrackers more than five inches in length and more than three-quarters of an inch in diameter; provided caps containing dynamite may be used, kept for sale or sold when needed for mining purposes or for danger signals or for other necessary uses.

"Section 2 (Violation of act—penalty). Any person violating the provisions of this act shall be fined not exceeding \$100 or be imprisoned in the county jail not exceeding thirty days. This act shall take effect and be in force from January 1 1910."

Homesteaders Complain.

Cherry County.—Homesteaders in Cherry county have again appealed to Governor Shallenberger to save them from destruction at the hands of the big cattle men. In a letter to the state executive it is set out that the large number of range cattle running wild over Cherry county are ruining the crops of the settlers and leaving them practically without prospects of food for the winter. The letter said an appeal was made to the county attorney, who said the only remedy was for the settlers to fence up the cattle or herd them and then demand damages through the courts. This, the letter said, the settlers were not financially able to do

Had a Barrel of Money.

Dodge County.—James W. Emerson alias Martin, gave bail in the sum of \$4,000 before Judge Hollenbeck of the district court at Fremont and was released. He was arrested May 28 on the charge of passing a forged check purporting to be signed by Hilliker & Schlicher for \$493, on the Commercial National bank. When searched at the jail nearly \$6,000 was found on him in bills of large denominations.

Lived 105 Years.

Lancaster County.—Henderson Fields, aged 105 years, died at his home in Bennet, June 19, the anniversary of his birth. From Mr. Henderson seven complete chains of five generations can be traced. His sons and daughters, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren are scattered throughout the United States. Mr. Fields died of old age, having been in robust health until a day or two of his death.

Brought Home for Burial.

Custer County.—The bodies of Philip Johnson and wife, the aged couple killed at Mount Vernon, Ia., by a Northwestern fast mail train, were brought to this state for burial at Ortelio Valley. The old people had gone to Mount Vernon to visit a sister of Mr. Johnson whom he had not seen for more than twenty years, and had only stepped from the train at their point of destination when the accident occurred.

Roosevelt Declines.

Lancaster County.—Former President Roosevelt has again declined an invitation to speak to the Epworth assembly at Lincoln in August. This declination was contained in a telegram as follows: "Colonel Roosevelt has determined to accept no invitations to speak and to make no western trip until some time in September at the earliest."

In Toils of Uncle Sam.

Cherry County.—Deputy United States Marshall John F. Sides of Dakota City arrested W. H. Ritterbush at Long Pine, on the charge of mailing non-mailable matter. He was taken before Commissioner Morgan at Basset, and was sent to jail at Madison to await the sitting of the grand jury in Omaha in September.

Bumper Crop Promised.

Cheyenne County.—A series of fine spring and summer rains culminated here in a general downpour extending over this entire region, and the crops never looked better at this season. Small grain is heading nicely and the corn is doing splendidly. Everything points to another bumper crop.

Harvest Helpers Wanted.

Furnas County.—The approaching harvest of the small grain crop presents a problem for the farmers of Furnas county. There is not enough available help to harvest the crop. Unless several thousand hands are sent into the Beaver and Sappa valleys much wheat will go to waste because it cannot be garnered.

Farmer's Back Broken.

Buffalo County.—John Bentler, a farmer living ten miles north of Gibbon, was instantly killed when his horses, which he was working on a cultivator became frightened and ran away. He was thrown violently to the ground and his back broken.

Died at Ninety-Two.

Furnas County.—Elder O. S. Hasty, a pioneer and perhaps the oldest man in western Nebraska, was buried just one week before his ninety-second birthday.

STATE CAPITAL LINCOLN CHAT.

Nebraska N. E. A. Excursion.

Lincoln.—After considerable negotiating an excursion has been arranged for the teachers of Nebraska who wish to attend the national educational association at Boston and take a pleasure trip on the side. The excursion is to start on July 28th. There will be a number of special cars under personal direction of State Superintendent Bishop assisted by County Superintendent R. C. King of Otoe county, and City Superintendent Martin of Nebraska City. Points of interest to be touched are Detroit, Toronto and Niagara Falls, Thousand Islands and Montreal, Quebec, Boston and return.

Insurance Agent Fined.

O. J. Scott, formerly an insurance agent, was arrested at Neligh on the charge of soliciting insurance without a license and obtaining money under false pretenses. Auditor Barton has received word that Scott pleaded guilty and was fined \$100. Being unable to pay the fine he was sent to jail. Scott was formerly a licensed agent for the National Accident company of Lincoln. That company requested the state auditor to revoke the license, which was done, and no new license has been issued to him. After the revocation it is charged that he sold insurance.

Goes to Ann Arbor.

Prof. Raymond J. Pool of the department of botany in the university has gone to Ann Arbor, Mich., where he will be connected with the summer session of the University of Michigan. Professor Pool will have direction of the botanical instruction and research at the university biological station at Douglas lake, near Tobinabe, in the northern portion of the northern peninsula. He will give instruction in field and forest botany, mycology and systematic botany.

Congratulates Thayer County.

Thayer county has just paid off the last of an issue of \$55,000 of 3-1/2 per cent court house bonds, and Platte county, another good agricultural county, has just paid off \$86,000 of refunding bonds, all of which bonds the state had bought. The Platte county bonds drew 4-1/2 per cent. Treasurer Brian congratulates Thayer county on having paid off its last bond and on the promptness with which the county has paid the bonds since he has been state treasurer.

Will Begin Prosecutions.

S. L. Mains, deputy food commissioner under the present state administration, announces that he will forthwith begin a series of prosecutions under the pure food law against those wholesalers, retailers and manufacturers who are violating the provisions of the net weight section of the pure food law.

Occupation Tax Coming In.

Secretary of State Junkin has already received about \$1,000 from corporations which desire to pay the annual occupation tax without incurring a penalty. Last year many corporations found the new law strange to them and penalties piled upon the records. This year all corporations are supposed to be wise.

Dr. Crabtree Honored.

Prof. J. W. Crabtree, who has gone to Boston to do special work for a portion of the summer, has been honored with a place on the N. E. A. program on Wednesday evening by the side of President Lowell of Harvard and Dean Russell of Wisconsin. This is the most important educational meeting of this year in the United States.

Prohibition State Convention.

The state convention of the prohibition party of Nebraska is called to meet at Lincoln, on July 26, 1911, for the purpose of election of a new state central committee, adopting a platform of principles and for the transaction of other business to come before the said convention.

Settlers Kick on Range Cattle.

Homesteaders in the vicinity of Valentine have petitioned Governor Shallenberger to help them resist the ravages of range cattle upon the crops and grass of homesteaders.

Superintendent Bishop to Leave.

State Superintendent Bishop has announced his intention to leave Nebraska at the close of his official term and accept a position with the Ames (Iowa) agricultural college.

William Elmer Low of Western.

has filed nomination papers as a candidate for governor on the republican ticket.

Short Line Is Profitable.

Burlington trains Nos. 18 and 19, which were put on conditionally between Lincoln and Sioux City, are on to stay, says a Burlington man. The trains paid from the day they were put in service and the patronage has been growing. Every piece of new business that has been attempted on the Ashland-Sioux City line has proved more profitable than was expected; it would. The line has been called the best paying stretch for its size in the country.

For the Hostess

Chat on Interesting Topics of Many Kinds, by a Recognized Authority

Novel Announcement Dinner.

There was a time but long since gone when a girl generally considered June and October as the choice wedding month. They used to be called "bride's months," but now Cupid is certainly working overtime for if letters are any indication there are to be many July and August brides. Weather does not seem to be taken into consideration, time nor season interferes with the busy little god of love.

An innovation in announcements is always welcome and I am glad to tell of this one. Instead of a luncheon eight girls were asked to dinner, all unsuspecting the denouement. On going into the dining-room, though, the "jig" was up, as one girl very inelegantly but forcefully expressed it, for over the table hung a wedding bell. The table had been made from round to long for this occasion and down the aisle formed by wee artificial trees in porcelain jars such as are found in the favor department came a complete wedding party even to the flower girls, ring bearer, etc. The men of the party were in uniforms of cavalry men of the "U. S." army and there were silk flags festooned upon the wall. The minister was in black with surplice and stole, and even a tiny gilt cross showed, while his open book bore the date of the approaching nuptials in writing as perfect as copper plate. The color scheme was yellow, as befitted a cavalryman's bride. Every one was delighted. The doll's costumes were carried out entirely in crepe paper, except the bride's veil of tulle. After dinner the bell rang and "the man of the hour" appeared with a bunch of men who were to be in the bridal party.

The Game of Nations.

1. The nation from which we grow (Germination).
2. The nation for pupils (Subordination).
3. The nation for teachers (Explanation).
4. The nation for actors (Impersonation).
5. The nation for a popular prince (Coronation).
6. The nation for theological students (Ordination).
7. A nation for an unpopular official (Resignation).
8. A nation for a contagious disease (Vaccination).
9. A nation for pests (Extermination).
10. A nation for sinners (Condemnation).
11. A nation which monopolists desire (Combination).
12. A nation which indicates a class (Denomination).
13. A nation for the irresolute (Determination).
14. A nation on a crusade (Carrie Nation).

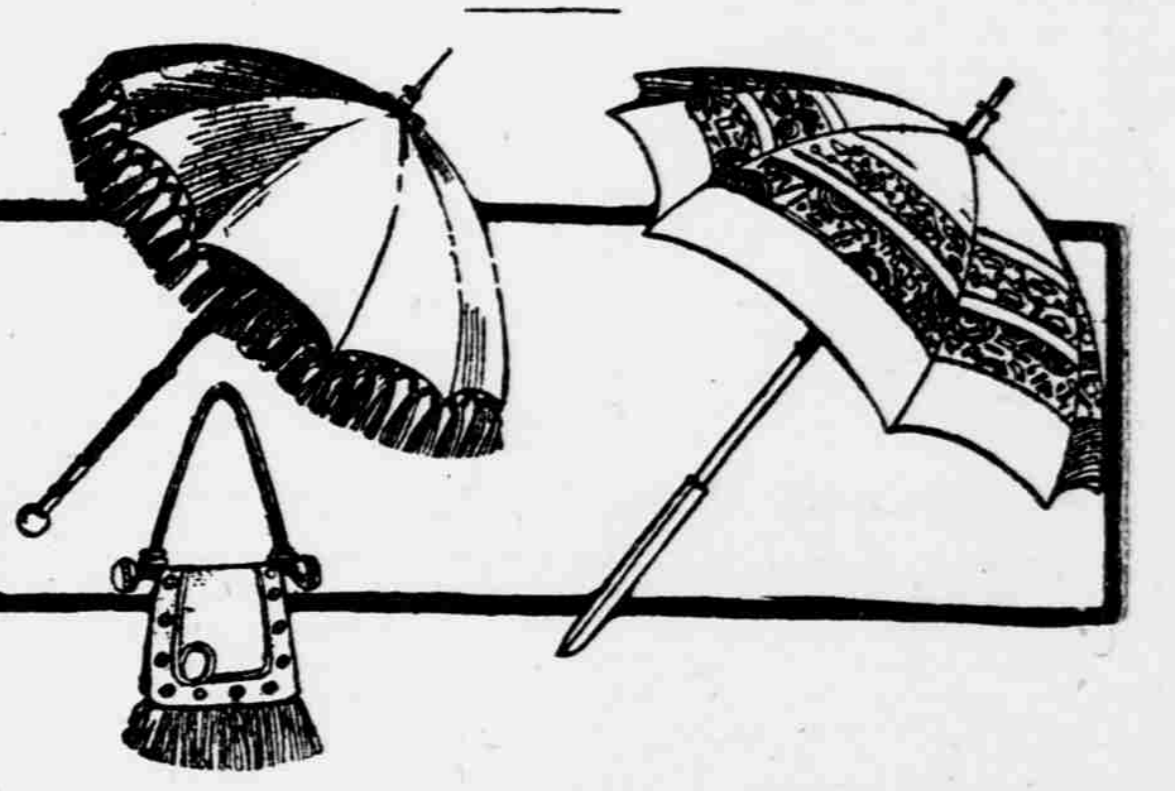
Mother Goose Party.

Masquerade and fancy dress parties are always delightful but of all the pleasant gatherings which I have attended, the Mother Goose party takes the lead. Invitations to the effect that "Mother Goose" will be pleased to welcome her goslings at the residence of whoever gives the entertainment on such an evening, are sent out fully two weeks in advance. The request to come in costume representing some one of the characters found in "Mother Goose" can be written on a small card and inclosed in the envelope with the invitations. These invitations can be made very pretty if one can paint, by having little water color or pen and ink sketches on them—such as little "Jack Horner" or the "Three Blind Mice" pursued by the "Farmer's Wife," with her "Carving Knife."

FANCIES OF FASHION.

Both box and plaited skirts are seen, but they are rarely without a strap or bias to enliven the monotony. The chiffon motor bonnet is finding a new use. The traveler dons it on the train on removing her own hat. Many dresses of serge or cloth are made with round gathered blouses and are worn with a patent leather belt. A new thing in trimming is tailored costumes of wool, taffeta or voile embroidered in beads or dull coloring. While most of the coat sleeves are long, one sees elbow sleeves and no sleeves at all, the sleeves of the blouse supplying sufficiency. The vogue of black and white extends to chic little trotting frocks of black and white printed foulard, chiffon, etc., trimmed in black silk with coats of black silk. Real Irish lace in the narrow insertions and narrowest edges will remain a favorite in the realm of lingerie neckwear, but it is often softened by combining it with valenciennes, and valenciennes and Cluny are much used without the Irish.

Parasol Designs



IN ALL manner of designs and all kinds and sizes the summer parasol has arrived. Many of them have already appeared on the streets and certainly with hats of upturned brim one needs them to keep from squinting and scowling atrociously in the bright sunlight. They are pretty enough this year for one to want to show them at the earliest possible moment. The practical ones for general wear are naturally of the plain one-tone effects. Like the lingerie and lace hats the fluffy ones have no place on the downtown streets. Parasols must repeat some note in the dress and harmonize with the character of it. There are all kinds of oddities in handles, hats and chanteclers and flowers and handles of woven raffia, are among the newest and prettiest. The raffia parasol in the cut and that with Paisley design are among the latest fads, and the raffia bag is a novelty which has many good points to recommend it.