

LOOKING OUT FOR FRAUDS

Nebraska People On the Watch For Crooked Insurance Companies.

A RATHER SUSPICIOUS CONCERN

Another Slick Scheme of the Beatrice Beneficial Fraud - Gamblers Preparing to Move - The Mayor's Banquet.

(FROM THE BEE'S LINCOLN BUREAU.) The spring boom in fraudulent insurance companies is holding its own, judging from the numerous communications that reach the state auditor's office from residents in different parts of the state who have their suspicions aroused by tramp insurance agents who represent some unknown company in seeking patronage. Inquiries have come from many asking after the condition of the Atchinson and Live Stock Insurance company, of Atchinson, Kan., which is evidently trying to transact business in Nebraska. Inquiries have come from A. H. Burnett, of Minden, asking about this company, also from E. T. Holson, of Schuyler, and H. J. Linders, of Millard. The letter asks if W. Wakeman is authorized by the state auditor to transact business for the Atchinson and Live Stock Insurance company in Nebraska. To all these the auditor has but one reply to make, and that is that this company has not the present year and never has complied with the laws of Nebraska, and never has been authorized to transact business in this state; neither has the above named Wakeman ever been certified as an agent for this Atchinson company in this state. It is evident from the number of inquiries received, and their coming from all sections of the state, that this company is trying to do a wholesale business in the state without complying with the law. People who want to see only companies that are square enough to comply with the law do business ought to steer clear of agents of this company, and the agents will do well to keep clear of the auditor, or else they may reap trouble instead of riches for their efforts.

A SUSPICIOUS SPECIMEN of plans for insurance also comes to light as coming from Atchinson, Kan. This company is called by the suggestive name of "The Grand Lodge of the National Vigilantes." Their circulars to agents, which have been sent broadcast over the state, a number of which have been forwarded to the auditor as "specimens," bear the name of Benjamin Young as president and L. Davis as secretary. The circular goes on to say: "We call attention to the above named secret organization. It is on the same principle as the Fellows, Masters and United Order of Workmen, and is a member having insurance on his life, as in other orders, he has in this order insurance on his live stock against theft, or death from any cause whatever. Since this is a secret organization, and not a live stock insurance company, it does not have to comply with the insurance laws of the state, any more than other secret organizations which have an insurance department." And this wonderful circular continues: "The grand lodge of this Order of Vigilantes is located permanently at Atchinson, Kan., and local lodges are being organized in all parts of the union. The object of this order is to improve, protect and insure on live stock against theft and death. It at once does away with all live stock insurance companies, as it is a greater safeguard against fraud." Legitimate insurance companies will enjoy this spectacle of the National Vigilantes lodge, after the order of Masons and Odd Fellows, with the laudable end in view of insuring the live stock, and it is enough to make the historic goat turn green with envy. The requirements of this Masonic Live Stock lodge are that any stock owner can become a member by paying \$5 on every 100 head of stock insured, and the losses are stated to be paid by what is known as the "grand lodge loss fund." The agent has a good thing of it, for from every \$20 that he takes in as membership fees he is allowed to retain \$10 and forward the other \$10 to the "grand lodge." It is needless to add this company has complied with no laws in Nebraska.

THE BEATRICE SCHEMERS AGAIN. A citizen of Lincoln, who has for two years paid without default all dues and assessments levied by the grave yard Mutual Beneficial association at Beatrice, and who has paid into the coffers of the concern some \$75 in cash, is now under the alleged reorganization of the concern, confronted with a circular informing him that he is a lapsed member, and that the directors of the concern will allow him to still remain a member, if he will surrender his \$3,000 certificate that he has paid on for the past two years and take in its stead a \$2,000 certificate and present to the company with \$1 for making the exchange. This attempt at generosity will not be met by the Lincoln holder, who never has been a delinquent or lapsed member, and he will pay \$1,000 on his certificate for one of two-thirds the amount and pay \$1 to boot. This is a slick scheme on the part of the Beatrice outfit to resolve that certificates are lapsed and then collect \$1 from every one holding one of their certificates, and is in entire harmony and keeping with their manner of transacting business. A dollar each from all the company's victims would make a handsome purse to bolster up the business office, and the scheme is perfectly at home, coming from the Beatrice company. The reason given for this character of highwayman work is in itself a mutual admission that much of the work heretofore has been a fraud, and the circular states that the company believes that agents have been insuring for a greater amount than they should and that the assured need not pay. The Beatrice company needs no mitigation.

PREPARING TO MOVE. It is very evident that while the gamblers are at warfare in Omaha that in Lincoln they are quietly emulating the Arabs and folding their tents for departure. Under the law that takes effect in July the local gamblers are agreed that it will be altogether too hazardous to continue business. Duna Hyde, one of the noted gamblers, is reported, already closing his shop, and John Sheedy, one of the veteran sports of the city, has offered his property in the city for sale, and it is understood contemplates removing to Denver.

FEEDING THE KITCHEN CABINET. Thursday evening Mayor Sawyer invited his cabinet, comprising the twenty-one extra high-gilted citizens who placed him in nomination for oil in the caucus, and banqueted them on the fat of the land. It is very seldom that a handful of reformers take upon themselves the duty of retreating a city and nominating a ticket that proves successful, and it is evident that the now historic twenty-one are feeling their oats, so to speak, for they held at least one secret meeting since election and passed upon whom their mayor should appoint to office.

ABOUT THE CITY. At the state house yesterday little business of importance was to be reported. Jim Laird and Newcomer, who have a special candidate for oil in the caucus, were at the capital pushing the claims of their man. The wild poet of Pawnee, Captain Humphrey, was looking around the corners of rooms in the buildings to see if he could not find some occasion for the extra judgment in the First District. Humphrey's characteristics as a bulldozer would make him appear more natural in a ward fight than clad in judicial ermine.

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The Life Indemnity and Investment company of Watertown, Ia., has just been organized to transact business in Nebraska of the state auditor, and the Beatrice Electric Light company has filed its articles of incorporation with the secretary of state. "Diek" Johnson, who has made of the Huribut hotel a great success, has lately taken charge of the cafe in connection with the house and operates it in only a first-class manner. Rome delighted a large audience at the Funk opera house last evening, a large delegation from Beatrice coming up to see these inimitable comedians in the "Merry Wives of Windsor." Mr. P. Bauer, of Milwaukee, Wis., a prominent business man of that place, was in Lincoln yesterday viewing the city with a prospective view of locating.

A Peck of Peas (P's). Here are a Peck of Peas, sweet Peas. If you will, Perseverance, Patience, Promptness, Proficiency, Push and Politeness. Add to these Dr. Pierce's "Pleasant" Peas, and you will get well through the world without much trouble. The Peas prevent constipation and are a safe and reliable remedy for many different complaints. Enclosed in glass, always fresh, entirely vegetable, prompt, and perfectly harmless. Any druggist.

Letting Her Hair. At the residence of Mrs. Phoebe Sherwood, on Twenty-eighth and Miami streets, Wednesday night, her daughter Mary was united in marriage to Henry Lettiser. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. H. C. Crane, of the Hillside congregational church. Following the ceremony came a reception to the friends of the bride and groom, who overwhelmed the happy couple with congratulations. Many useful presents were received. A more extended notice of the event will appear in Sunday's Bee.

A Tender Skin is greatly injured by cheap adulterated toilet soaps. Use Colgate's Cashmere Bouquet; the purest and best.

A Missing Chinaman. A young man appeared before Judge Stenberg yesterday morning and wanted to swear out a warrant for the arrest of San Goon. Goon was formerly proprietor a notion store and laundry on South Tenth street, but failed in business and was closed out by the constables. He has since disappeared with a large amount of washing belonging to his patrons. He cannot be found, though it is said that he is still in the city. The police will try to look him up.

Ladies should reflect well before using any preparation that is applied to so delicate a surface as the skin. Any cosmetic will at first impart a beautiful glow, and not apparently injure the skin, but in a very short time little blotches and discolorations appear on the face which conclusively show the poisonous nature of their composition. It can be safely said that more than two-thirds of the face powders contain these injurious ingredients. Pozzoni's medicated complexion powder is not only absolutely free from all deleterious matter, but its principal ingredient is an active curative for all diseases of the skin. It has stood the test of years. Sold by all druggists, and at the depot 607 N. Sixth street.

Old Bachelors Rejuvenated. The Old Bachelor club which was organized in this city some years ago, was disbanded a few months since because of the serious inroads made upon its members by the formation of marriage ties. It was reorganized, however, the night before last, and presumably will continue until it is again broken up by the marriage of its members. The officers are: A. H. Gladstone, president; J. J. Secretary; Julius Mayer, treasurer; and R. Silberstein, S. Oberfelder and I. Schiff executive committee. The meetings of the club will be held once every month.

A Weak Back Kept Strong. HIXBURG, APOLOTTON CO., VA., March 7, 1886. ALLOCK'S PLASTER has enabled me to work and labor for the last two years. I have been troubled with a pain across my kidneys and a weakness of the spine which, at times, rendered me almost helpless. The first relief I obtained was by wearing two ALLOCK'S PLASTERS, and I use about two every month, and I have no pain or difficulty. I consider them the best plaster in use. I, for one, cannot do without them. R. H. GILLIAM.

Seventh Ward. On next Saturday night there will be a meeting of the citizens of the new Seventh ward, in the pavilion house in Hanscom park. This meeting will be held independently of republicans or democrats and solely in the interest of the ward.

Don't Get Caught. This spring with your blood full of impurities, your digestion impaired, your appetite poor, kidneys and liver torpid, and the whole system liable to be prostrated by disease—but get yourself into good condition, and ready for the changing and warmer weather, by taking Hood's Sarsaparil. It stands unequalled for purifying the blood, giving an appetite, and for a general spring medicine.

When you wash young trees use a cloth. On old ones a stiff scrub brush is better, as it will dislodge insects that have taken up quarters beneath the scales of bark.

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FIELD AND FARM.

Spring Work in the Corn Field. Philadelphia Record: April is the month during which the ground is made ready for corn, and the earlier the plowing shall be done the better, as a heavy frost before the season shall become warm assists in reducing the soil and destroying insects. It is well known that the corn plant is a gross feeder and may be supplied with any amount of manure, provided such be well rotted and in a condition best adapted as plant food. The corn crop is one that does not permit of the expenditure of unnecessary labor, and where the cultivator can be used the hoe should be discarded. It is not intended here to inform farmers how to plant corn, or how to lay off the field and rows, as such advice would be superfluous; but there are some things connected with corn-growing that are usually overlooked and to which it is not out of place to call attention. First, it will be of no advantage to resort to new varieties until such shall have been tested and found suitable for the climate and soil to which they may be introduced. It is well known that the difference in the time from germination to the ripening between some varieties will often cause a loss, especially when the season shall have been dry and the frosts come early in the fall. The corn plant is a semi-tropical one, and delights in warmth. It is during the period when the nights are warm that it makes rapid growth, and as it must, in some sections, mature in ninety days, the matter of variety is very important. Hence farmers should be very careful before discarding the well known kinds. Another point is that although the roots penetrate in all directions, and become very numerous, it is not safe to depend altogether upon the manure, as very frequently the manure does not entirely decompose until after the crop has been removed. In order to give the plants a start, no matter how fertile the soil may be, the proposition of some kind of soluble fertilizer should be applied when the ground is prepared. A mixture of a bag of superphosphate with fifty pounds of nitrate of soda (saltpetre) per acre will be found excellent. Good cultivation not only keeps down the grass and weeds, but serves as a mulch. For that reason the cultivator should be used in dry seasons, as the loosened earth will serve as a covering to the roots, and not only prevent loss of moisture by evaporation to a certain extent, but more readily absorbs moisture from the atmosphere, as well as permit the retention of a large amount of water in the soil. The cultivator is a great factor in corn culture, and should be used as often as possible.

Reasonable Hints and Suggestions. Regarding the use of insect powder Professor Hilgard of the University of California, states that although the tent caterpillars were not so numerous as powdered buhach when it was blown upon them, yet if they received a sprinkling of a mixture of one pound of buhach in fifty gallons of water they quickly perished. He advised that in green houses or other places infested by vermin, as it is harmless to plants, birds and animals.

Breeding flocks of poultry should consist of the best in the whole number. A dozen selected hens, mated with a choice cock, and the eggs from them used only for hatching purposes, is a sure mode of gradually increasing the quality of the stock, and by so doing the poultryman can make a selection of particular breeds at a small cost. A Canadian diaryman who feeds turnips and cabbages to his cows, claims that he prevents the peculiar flavor to the milk from the feed by putting green camphor in the steamer with the cooking food, which destroys the flavor without imparting its own odor. He only feeds such food just after milking. Every tree in the orchard should be examined for insects, egg nests, etc., and after the leaves shall have started the trees should be sprayed with a solution of London purple. Borers work in nearly all kind of trees, and a diligent search should be made for their holes as soon as they shall set to work. The purchase of linseed and cottonseed for stock always gives a profit. If the expense is only returned in the product sold there is, however, a greater value to the manure, and hence, while the profit may not be immediately secured, the succeeding year's crop will be larger. A western horticulturist advises pruning rose bushes. He says that as the rose blossoms only on the young shoots of the current year's growth, as with the grape the last year's wood should be cut away in the spring. Each bud left will then make a blossom-bearing branch. Although salt and soda are said to benefit asparagus, analyses show that a ton of asparagus shall from the soil 2.6 pounds phosphoric acid, 6 pounds potash and 7.4 pounds nitrogen, and there is scarcely a trace of soda in its composition.

It is always best to milk rapidly, so as to get the milk out of the udder as soon as possible, in order to prevent the absorption of gases by the milk, as the cooler it becomes the more readily the milk is affected by odors. The honey dew found dripping from leaves and trees in some localities during the past year, and ascribed to a disease of the leaves, is now pronounced to be a secretion of aphides that infested the trees. It is now claimed that if turnips be grown thickly late in the summer and left in the ground during winter they make an excellent fertilizer when turned under in the spring. One who has given the method a trial says that an excellent way of killing animals of lice is to dip a curly comb in kerosene frequently while using it on the hide. Butter shrinks as well as other articles, and such is often the cause of errors in reports of sales when butter is weighed long distances and remains unsold for several weeks. Don't attempt to make a hot-bod unless you can give it care. Leaving the sash open through fog-fogfulness for only one night may destroy all the advantages gained. In procuring pure bred stock always consider the soil and crops grown on the farm, as that breed best adapted to the climate and conditions alone should be selected. Be careful in selecting tomato seed, as the rot prevalent in some sections last season, and the proper way to avoid the disease is to use seed only from healthy fruit. Now that the rush of spring work will soon begin, it should not be overlooked that the horses should not be worked steadily at first, or they may be injured. In planting dwarf peas leave sufficient ground for several successions of crops, as the dwarf varieties usually ripen at their pods at the same time.

Planting should be done at any time after the frost be gone. The earlier it shall be done the greater the number of cut worms that will be destroyed. Sow kale and radish early, and put in new Early Rose potatoes as a first crop for family use. Mustard may also be sown early for greens. Although buttermilk is usually fed to pigs, yet it is excellent on the family table as a refreshing drink, and should be given in small quantities to children. It has been demonstrated that the quantity of meat produced by sheep delivered to the butcher at the precarious

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