

TIMELY BREVITIES

Pearls cost three times as much as they did ten years ago. Russia supplies the greatest part of the grain imported by Germany.

The Germans are making a substitute for celluloid, calling it cello. China uses 400,000,000 pounds of tea a year and exports 200,000,000 pounds.

Nearly 11,000 Indians were located on reservations by the Chilean government last year.

A new high record in the annual production of talc or soapstone was made by the United States last year.

A Boston professor refers to educators as "poor old college owls, academic barnyard fowls and wornout sickly school bats."

A life insurance company in India requires its agents to answer the question, "Has the applicant ever suffered from any fatal disease?"

With the cutting of the cue many of the young men in Amoy, China, have adopted western ways, and they now use shaving soap and razors.

How many people are there in the United States over a hundred years old? The census makes the number 4,000, of whom 2,500 are women.

The clerical staffs of many of the big insurance companies have of late years been considerably reduced by the employment of mechanical calculators.

By an order of Secretary Nagel of the department of commerce and labor assignment of salaries of employees to loan companies is prohibited.

There is a movement on foot to widen and keep open the channels of the rivers in Bengal to promote the cheaper transport and delivery of merchandise.

To save the loss of box lumber because of knot holes a man in California has invented a machine to saw the holes out to a uniform size and cut plugs to be fitted into the holes.

The percentage of women breadwinners in this country has increased 4.1, while the percentage of men has increased only 1.3. Pennsylvania leads with a higher percentage of 4.5 of women.

The king of Portugal left much valuable jewelry behind him when he left Lisbon. The minister of public works appraises the value of such articles found in the vaults of the palace at \$7,500,000.

At a cost of \$1,500,000 there has been built at Calcutta an elevated water tank which is the largest of its kind in the world. It covers an area of two and one-third acres and holds 9,900,000 gallons of water.

Australia has cows enough to give each man, woman and child in the island continent three apiece, while the Argentine can do even better. There are five cattle to each inhabitant in the big South American republic.

Like almost every other great cathedral in the world, the Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York is not to be finished according to the plans of its original architect. The Romanesque fashion in church building is waning; the Gothic is reasserting itself.

Some months ago a school of thirty-seven whales was stranded on the coast of Tasmania. A company was organized to take advantage of this accident, but in the meantime most of the oil escaped. The promoters, however, secured \$40,000 worth of ambergris.

Nearly \$3,000,000 was accumulated last year at the New York custom house in fines, penalties, offers in compromise and forfeitures. The duties collected on passengers' baggage were a little less than the above amount. No previous year shows a record approaching these figures.

Englishmen are supposed to be the most horsey people in the world, but they are far behind many other countries in regard to the number of horses per head of population. In this respect Australia leads the British empire, there being forty-five horses to every hundred people.

Multitudes in Japan live upon a diet of rice and fish. To vary this bill of fare a whale diet is becoming very popular. Hundreds of tons of whale meat are sold in the Japanese markets today. The fish is said to be very coarse, tasting something like venison, but with a flavor all its own.

Cotton seed, once a nuisance, valueless and despised, carted away from mills, dumped into streams or burned to get it out of the way, is now scrupulously cared for and sold everywhere to hundreds of eager cotton oil mills and is then turned into products valued at \$100,000,000 annually.

Recently the sweet toned bell cast by Paul Revere, the famous old patriot, in 1816, which has long hung in the tower of the First Methodist church of Lynn, Mass., was cracked while being rung. It is now silent and may perhaps be recast. For ninety-five years it has rung for church services and celebrations.

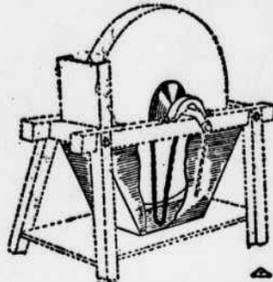
Trackless trains are being experimented with in Yorkshire, England. It is anticipated that the low capital expenditure, which is 20 per cent less than that of a tramway system, will enable many districts not served at present to obtain an efficient service for passenger and freight traffic at a moderate cost.

A lively flash of lightning caused no little excitement and trouble the other day to the inhabitants of the Culcicum district, Australia. It struck a fence near Walla Walla station and traveled along the wires for four miles, fusing the wires and throwing off sparks. About fifty fires were started, but were promptly extinguished.

WETTING A GRINDSTONE.

Chain Device Throws Water on Face of the Stone. Grindstones are frequently made so as to have the lower edge run in water in order to obviate the necessity of pouring water on the face. When the stone is not in use the lower part is always in the water, usually at the same portion of the circumference, which soon softens and wears out of true.

When the grindstone is set up, bolt a disk of wood against the stone. The



CHAIN DASHES WATER ON STONE.

wood should be of sufficient thickness to allow a narrow detachable link chain to run over its circumference. Fasten a flange of tin or sheet iron against the board to keep the chain running in place and attach a water trough under the stone so the water level will not touch its surface. The chain runs in the water at all times and carries the water to the surface of the stone.—Popular Mechanics.

ABOUT FINGER PRINTS.

Little Chance of Making Mistakes in Identification.

According to a paper read before the French Academy of Sciences at a recent meeting, identification by means of finger prints is almost absolutely infallible. The investigator, on whose researches the paper was based, magnified the prints about five times and divided each into an equal number of squares, which were then studied separately and compared as to the interruption, branching off, and direction of curvature of the lines.

Thus he discovered that in order to find in any square common characteristics in two different individuals he must examine 16 prints; for three characteristics, 64 prints; for four, 256 prints, etc. According to the rules of the calculus of probability, it would then be necessary in order to find seven common characteristics in the finger prints of two individuals to examine approximately 17,000,000,000 prints, or, in other words, seventeen characteristics are only a small number compared with the whole number of characteristics found in any individual print, the chance of mistake in identification by means of finger prints is less than one in 17,000,000,000.

Wireless Records Rainfall.

The officers of the French steamship Niagara declare that the wireless telegraph operator of the ship is able by wireless to hear rain falling upon the sea at a great distance. The sound is like the patter of rain on a zinc covered deck, and its increasing or decreasing intensity tells whether the squall is approaching or receding. The following explanation is given by E. Courteville, second officer of the ship: "The night being clear and dry, we have an isolated cumulo nimbus cloud loaded with electricity—positive, for example—and the sea underneath is charged with negative electricity. At a certain instant, when the distance between the raindrop and the sea is small enough, a minute spark originates, giving a very small Hertzian wave. It is the superposition of these numerous rudimentary undulations that gives the patter effect in the wireless receiver."

Electric Baling Presses.

It has been an almost universal practice to operate baling presses by hydraulic power. This has entailed considerable expense in localities where water pressure could not readily be obtained. It was recently suggested that electricity could be used to advantage for this purpose. Presses of this sort are now in operation. The table which carries the bale is suspended by means of four steel cables from the press head. The cables pass over several sheaves to the winding drum, which is connected to a reversible motor. By this means the table is pulled up toward the press head, compressing the bale. An automatic brake is provided for holding the bale under pressure.

Clouds and the Moon.

The old notion of Sir J. Herschel and others that the full moon clears away clouds is no longer held by meteorologists. The view of the present day is confirmed by W. Ellis, F. R. S., from the Greenwich records, which show that a maximum of cloudiness in the forenoon and a minimum in the evening is the general rule, so that moonlit evenings, instead of being clearer than others, have their freedom from clouds brought to notice by the moon's brightness.

Excavations at Herculaneum.

The Italian chancellor of the exchequer has granted a million lire for excavations to be made in Herculaneum. The king himself has promised to give 500,000 lire for the same purpose. It is curious to note that sixty houses have been built right over the streets of the old town. These will have to be pulled down. Considerable treasure, it is said, lies hidden beneath the ruins to be examined.

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LONG COAT OF REVERSIBLE CLOTH.

For really cold winter nothing is more comfortable than a coat of the new rather rough reversible cloth. The model illustrated is of dark green cloth with revers and cuffs of the green and white reversible side of the material. The cut is very new and the lines long and slender in effect.

Good Advice.

Professor Blackie gives the following advice to "young men," but it will be well if every feminine reader of this page will follow it: "Never whip your brain. All high pressure is dangerous. Study to think as quietly and easily as you breathe. Never force yourself to learn what you have no talent for. Knowledge without love will remain a lifeless manufacture, not a living growth. "Be content to be ignorant of many things that you may know one thing well, and that thing which God especially endowed you to know. "It requires fire to fuse the materials of thinking no less than to melt the iron in the foundry. "But remember this, however strong you may be, physically, to strike a blow and however sharp, intellectually, to recognize a fact—that to discern a difference your success in the game of life depends on the serious culture which you give to the third formative force in human character, your moral nature, and of the rightful supremacy of this element a comprehensive expression is found right in the simple word, love. "On this all prophets, poets and philosophers agree."

A Pretty Blouse in Shades of Blue.

Very sheer fine white china silk is used for this dressy little waist, one of the dainty models from Paquin for wear with fall coat and skirt suits. The design has a kimono yoke of tucked silk, and on this is arranged the



BLOUSE WITH NEW SLEEVE.

embroidered section which forms the front, a similar section forming the back. A piping of old blue silk, a silk necktie in the same shade and French dots embroidered with blue floss add brightness and color. The square motifs are of silver braid and blue silk. A feature of the blouse is the puff on sleeve at the elbow.

Ewes On Sale.

We have young breeding ewes to put out on shares for one year from October 1, 1911, with responsible parties. Write us for further information. J. H. LONG & CO., Great Falls, Montana.

Bucks For Sale.

Rambouillet and half-blood Cotswold bucks for sale, in lots to suit purchasers. For particulars address BENTON SHEEP CO.

Horses For Sale.

I have for sale three head of mares and two geldings, or will trade for young cows. Inquire of or write to C. TEMPLETON, Highwood, Mont.

Reward For Estray.

Will pay \$10 reward for information leading to recovery of a black gelding, weight about 1,500 pounds, white spot in face, one white foot; branded K3 on left shoulder and NX on right thigh. GEO. LAVANWAY, Hawarden.

Ten Dollars Reward.

Strayed from J. Engellant ranch on Arrow creek, a strawberry roan horse, bald face, nine years old, branded B on left shoulder. Will pay above reward for information leading to recovery. FRANK SEYNOST, Hawarden, Mont.

\$100.00 Reward.

I will pay the above reward to any one for evidence that will convict any party of stealing or driving off their range or unlawfully tampering with horses branded 4- on left shoulder and other marks. Range west of Alma, postoffice, between Little Sage and Big Sage. I will also pay a liberal reward for information concerning above horses when any of them are away from their range. Address: CHAS. J. HARBECK, Alma, Mont.

\$100 Reward.

One hundred dollar reward will be paid for evidence and conviction of parties driving off from their accustomed home range, on headwaters of middle fork of Clear Creek, injuring, killing or unlawfully branding any cattle or horses bearing brand on left hip for cattle and left shoulder for horses. I desire the return of all above stock and will pay a fair reward for information leading to recovery. FRED H. SCOTT, Warrick, Montana.

Ranch For Sale.

About 325 acres of land on Arrow creek, at mouth of Coffee creek, about one-half of which is good alfalfa land. Running water through place permanently open range on both sides. Price \$10 per acre if sold within sixty days. J. W. WOODCOCK, Shonkin, Mont.

Notice to the Public.

To whom it may concern: This is to certify that D. R. Clayton, a resident of Dodson, Chouteau county, Montana, has established an office in Coberg, Chouteau county, Montana, for the transaction of business whose purpose shall be the collection and adjustment of accounts and credits and thereafter to be known as Merchants and Traders' Credit and Claim Clearing Service. D. R. CLAYTON.

State of Montana vs. County of Chouteau.

On this 10th day of October, in the year 1911, before me, John B. Turton, a notary public, of Dodson, Montana, appeared D. R. Clayton, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same. JOHN B. TURTON, Notary public for the state of Montana, residing at Dodson, Montana. My commission expires January 3, 1913.

House For Rent.

A four-roomed house for rent, partly furnished, located on upper Franklin street. Apply to F., care River Press.

Notice to Taxpayers.

Office of the county treasurer of Chouteau county, Fort Benton, Montana, October 4, 1911. Notice is hereby given that the taxes on all real and personal property for the year 1911, are now due and payable at the office of the county treasurer in the court house, city of Fort Benton, Chouteau county, Montana. If not paid prior to 10 o'clock p. m., November 30, 1911, a penalty of ten per cent will be added thereto according to law. W. R. LEBT, County Treasurer.

Alias Summons.

In the District Court of the Twelfth Judicial District of the State of Montana, in and for the county of Chouteau. SUE A. McDONALD, plaintiff, vs. Frank R. McDonald, defendant. The State of Montana sends greeting to the abovesaid defendant and each of them: You are hereby summoned to answer the complaint in this action which is filed in the office of the clerk of this court, a copy of which is herewith served upon you in each county wherein any of you may reside, and to file your answer and serve a copy thereof upon the plaintiff and the defendant named in the complaint, within the time specified in the summons, exclusive of the day of service; and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint. The same being an action brought to obtain an absolute divorce from defendant on the grounds of desertion for more than one year immediately preceding the filing of the complaint herein, to-wit: Ever since the 24 day of March, 1910; and for the custody of the minor children Jessie A. McDonald and John F. McDonald, to be awarded to plaintiff and to have plaintiff's property adjudged free from all claims of defendant, as set forth in the complaint, to have all interests of defendant in certain property conveyed to plaintiff and said minor children by proper decree of this court; all of which supports more fully in plaintiff's complaint on file herein, and for costs incurred in this action. Witness my hand and the seal of said court this 17th day of October, A. D. 1911. CHAS. H. BOYLE, Clerk. H. S. McDaniel, attorney for plaintiff. First publication, Oct. 17, 1911.

Notice of Hearing.

HELENA, MONTANA, Nov. 18, 1911. At a meeting of the state board of pardons, held at its office on the above date, the following order was made: In the matter of the diminution of sentence granted by the governor, to one William Howell case No. 120. Whereas, the governor of Montana has this day officially notified this board that he has granted a diminution of sentence to one William Howell confined in state prison, who was convicted of the crime of murder committed in the county of Chouteau, state of Montana, and sentenced on the 27th day of November, 1900, for a term of life in the state prison. Therefore, be it ordered, that November 24, 1911, be set apart for the consideration of said diminution, so granted as aforesaid, and all persons having an interest therein, desiring to be heard either for or against the granting of the diminution, are hereby notified to be present at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day at the office of the state board of pardons, at the capitol of said state. Further ordered: That a copy of this order be printed and published in the River Press, a weekly newspaper printed and published at Fort Benton, county of Chouteau, state of Montana, once each week for two consecutive weeks, viz: Wednesday, Nov. 15, 1911, and Wednesday, Nov. 22, 1911. ADOPTED. ALBERT J. GALEN, President. J. J. RYAN, Clerk.

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THERE'S A REASON!

O. J. WACKERLIN, Agent, - Fort Benton, Mont.

Non Coal Land. Notice For Publication.

United States Land Office at Great Falls, Montana, October 11, 1911. Notice is hereby given that ARTHUR C. DAVID, of Lonetree, Montana, who, on November 3, 1910, made homestead entry No. 018805, for W 1/2 NE 1/4, SW 1/4 NE 1/4 section 31, township 21 north, range 11 east, Montana meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final commutation proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Jeremiah Sullivan, U. S. commissioner, at his office at Fort Benton, Montana, on the 4th day of December, 1911. Claimant names as witnesses: James Stillwell, John Stillwell, Fred Fletcher, Bert H. Beckler, all of Lonetree, Mont. E. L. BARNES, Register.

Non Coal Land. Notice For Publication.

United States Land Office at Great Falls, Montana, October 17, 1911. Notice is hereby given that SOLON KNOWLES, of Fort Benton, Mont., who, on October 8, 1910, made homestead entry serial No. 01855, for W 1/2 NE 1/4, SW 1/4 NE 1/4 section 11, township 35 north, range 9 east, Montana meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final commutation proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Chas. H. Boyle, U. S. commissioner, at his office at Fort Benton, Montana, on the 5th day of December, 1911. Claimant names as witnesses: Ernest A. Baerch, Albert L. Allen, Charles R. Smith, Rudolph D. Moede, all of Fort Benton, Mont. E. L. BARNES, Register.

Non Coal Land. Notice For Publication.

United States Land Office at Great Falls, Montana, October 17, 1911. Notice is hereby given that FLORE E. DOHERTY, of Carter, Montana, who, on January 5, 1910, made homestead entry No. 09834, for SW 1/4 section 13, township 24 north, range 8 east, Montana meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final commutation proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Register and Receiver, U. S. land office at Great Falls, Montana, on the 8th day of December, 1911. Claimant names as witnesses: George G. Harris, William A. Arbuthnot, Felix R. Bader, William C. Doherty, all of Carter, Mont. E. L. BARNES, Register.

Coal Waiver Filed. Notice For Publication.

United States Land Office at Great Falls, Montana, October 17, 1911. Notice is hereby given that JOHN T. ISAACSON, heir of Mariah E. Isaacson, deceased, of Virgelle, Montana, who, on April 11, 1907, made desert land entry serial No. 0479, No. 342, for lots 7 and 9, (balance of entry relinquished), section 12, township 26 north, range 13 east, Montana meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Chas. H. Boyle, U. S. commissioner, at his office at Fort Benton, Montana, on the 6th day of December, 1911. Claimant names as witnesses: George Sherry, Elizabeth B. Wallace, Arthur S. Duxley, of Fort Benton, Montana; James G. Crawford, of Virgelle, Montana. E. L. BARNES, Register.

Non Coal Land. Notice For Publication.

United States Land Office at Great Falls, Montana, November 3, 1911. Notice is hereby given that OLE TYTLANDSVIK, of Loma, Montana, who, on November 8, 1910, made homestead entry serial No. 018061, for SE 1/4 section 27, township 25 north, range 10 east, Montana meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final commutation proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Chas. H. Boyle, U. S. commissioner, at his office at Fort Benton, Montana, on the 11th day of December, 1911. Claimant names as witnesses: Isaac F. Churchill, Edward L. Deatherage, Olav Skiftum, Thor Rittland, all of Loma, Montana. E. L. BARNES, Register.

Coal Waiver Filed. Notice For Publication.

United States Land Office at Great Falls, Montana, November 3, 1911. Notice is hereby given that BEKT H. BECKLER, made homestead entry serial No. 4788, for SE 1/4 NE 1/4, SW 1/4 NE 1/4 section 12, township 20 north, range 10 east, Montana meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final five-year proof to establish claim to the land above described, before Chas. H. Boyle, U. S. commissioner, at his office at Fort Benton, Montana, on the 11th day of December, 1911. Claimant names as witnesses: James L. Stillwell, John O. Stillwell, Maurice E. Jensen, Andrew C. Jensen, all of Lonetree, Mont. E. L. BARNES, Register.

Non Coal Land. Notice For Publication.

United States Land Office at Great Falls, Montana, November 3, 1911. Notice is hereby given that I. DANIEL DUPUIS, heir of Joseph Dupuis, deceased, of Shonkin, Mont., who, on October 13, 1908, made homestead entry 08991, for SW 1/4 NE 1/4 section 22, N 1/2 NE 1/4, SW 1/4 NE 1/4 section 27, township 21 north, range 9 east, Montana meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final five-year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Chas. H. Boyle, U. S. commissioner, at his office at Fort Benton, Montana, on 11th day of December, 1911. Claimant names as witnesses: John W. Woodcock, Conrad Kulage, Daniel Traynor, John Postill, all of Shonkin, Montana. E. L. BARNES, Register.

Notice of Contest.

United States Land Office at Great Falls, Montana, November 1, 1911. To Jefferson D. Williams, of Stanford, Montana, contestee. You are hereby notified that HENRY J. DARTT, who gives Flores, Montana, as his postoffice address, did on December 21, 1910, file in this office his duly corroborated application to contest and secure the cancellation of your homestead entry serial No. 04480, for SW 1/4 section 28, N 1/2 NE 1/4, SW 1/4 NE 1/4 section 28, township 23 north, range 3 east, Montana meridian, and as grounds for his contest he alleges that you did not make any improvements and failed to comply with the homestead laws of the United States in that you abandoned said entry and failed to establish your residence or reside thereon.

You are, therefore, further notified that the said allegations will be taken by this office as having been confessed by you, and your said entry will be canceled thereunder without your further right to be heard therein, either before this office or on appeal, if you fail to file in this office within twenty days after the FOURTH publication of this notice, as shown below, your answer, under oath, specifically meeting and responding to these allegations of contest, or if you fail within that time to file in this office due proof that you have served a copy of your answer on the said contestant either in person or by registered mail. If this service is made by the delivery of a copy of your answer to the contestant in person, proof of such service must be either the said contestant's written acknowledgment of his receipt of the copy, or the affidavit of the date of its receipt, or the affidavit of the person by whom the delivery was made stating when and where the copy was delivered; if made by registered mail, proof of such service must consist of the affidavit of the person by whom the copy was mailed stating when and the postoffice to which it was mailed, and this affidavit must be accompanied by the postmaster's receipt for the letter. You should state in your answer the name of the postoffice to which you desire future notices to be sent to you. E. L. BARNES, Register.

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