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## A PETRIFIED MAN

Found North of Hot Springs About Ten Miles.

A Wonderful Curiosity.

When it was reported a few days ago that a petrified man had been found out near Wind Cave people smiled and called it a fake to draw crowds to the cave. But there's no fake to it. They have this most wonderful piece of petrification out at the cave, where it is on exhibition at 25 cents an exhibit. The STAR man went out Tuesday night to view what many were free to term "a Cardiff giant fake." We were fully repaid for the trip, for it is a curious sight to see a petrified human being. The form is perfect in every way, and one feels, when viewing it, that they are in the presence of a corpse. The features are all perfect and distinct, even the eye brows being plainly discernible. The finger nails, and in fact everything about it is as natural as though it had been buried but a day. The color is of a dark yellow, and one might at first be suspicious that it had been moulded from clay, as in color it somewhat resembles a burned brick, but upon examination one is forced to believe that it is the true petrification of a human being. Three or four physicians have examined the form and pronounce it a genuine petrification of humanity. The following description by Mr. Arthur Vagg is entirely correct:

"It appears that while traversing the bank of the creek they saw what looked to be a fossil of some sort, similar to those found in the 'Bad Lands' and upon closer examination, they saw that it was the shoulder of a man. They at once proceeded to excavate and succeeded in bringing to light the perfect petrification now to be seen at the cave, and which was purchased by Mr. Bronte. The specimen is probably that of a young man from twenty-five to thirty years of age, well formed and fully developed physically, even to sex. In height it is six feet one and half inches, and belongs to the dolichocephals or round headed race of human beings, the head is 21 1/2 inches in (horizontal) circumference, and 27 1/2 in (vertical) circumference over the crown, ears and under chin. The forehead recedes very much which indicates low mental ability, the nose is slightly aquiline and broad, the lips are rather thick, the chin and cheek bones are well formed, the neck is 16 inches in circumference, the chest 35 1/2 inches, and length of arm from shoulder to elbow is 16, and elbow to middle of digit is 20 1/2, making the length of arm to 36 1/2 inches. The hand is long and narrow and resembles a lady's, the middle digit is 4 1/2 long. The leg at its junction with the body is 21 1/2 inches, knee 12, and calf 15, the foot is 10 1/2 long and 10 1/2 in circumference at instep. From the foregoing description it appears that whoever he may have been, he was not accustomed to a laborious occupation. That the foot, the left one (the right one is gone about three inches above the ankle) must have worn a boot, as the big toe is very much compressed inward, and the toe nails pressed flat on the top, the contrary to those wearing no boots. The left arm is brought down the side with the hand resting on the abdomen. The right arm has disappeared about three inches from the shoulder, and it certainly appears to have been lost prior to interment, for while the left hand is securely cemented to the body from the wrist to the finger ends, there is not the slightest trace of the right hand in any way having touched the trunk, now with the right foot it is the reverse, for the heels have touched each other, and with the disintegration of time the right heel has carried with it a portion of the left on the extreme end. The calves of the legs are securely cemented together. The lips and eyes are closed, on the left arm extending four inches above and three inches below, is what appears to be a huge scar, probably caused by an ax or cutlass, and under the left ear is a small incision of an inch and a half long, which looks as if caused by a knife or dagger. The skin is perfect in its minute lines, and except a few pock marks probably caused by insects is absolutely perfect. It appears that the specimen is one of the Anglo-Saxon race, as all the characteristics of an Indian are wanting. There can be no doubt but it is one of the most perfect petrifications ever discovered, and it will repay any lover of the wonders of nature to go to the Wind Cave and examine it as I have done."

We are informed that Mr. Bronte paid \$2,000 for the petrification, but the names of the discoverers could not be ascertained. The body was found about three miles north of Wind Cave, by two men, who dug it out, brought it to town, where Mr. Bronte soon discovered what they had and purchased it.

Mrs. Ben. Bobidoux, of Omaha, is here bathing for her health, accompanied by Anne Truland, one of the teachers in the city schools of Omaha.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Uren, of Empire, S. D., are at the Catholicism.

C. G. Fargo returned Saturday from his extended sojourn at Omaha.

Mrs. G. A. Lancaster has been very sick for several days but is now recovering.

Sol Star and B. P. Dayne came down from Deadwood and spent Sunday at this place.

Mrs. Jos. Vincent, who has been east on a visit for a few weeks, returned Sunday.

Mrs. W. E. Benedict came down from Hermosa last Saturday to visit among her many friends.

Mrs. Thos. Swobe and two sons, and nephews H. M. and W. S. Rogers, are here from Omaha, having a grand time.

Dr. Hargens went to Rapid Saturday and performed a very difficult surgical operation upon Chris Jensen's mother-in-law.

The STAR acknowledges the receipt of a complimentary ticket to the state fair which will be held at Sioux Falls from Sept. 12 to 16.

The mechanics who were employed upon the Hotel Evans had a ball upon the front porch last Saturday night, and report a delightful time.

"Patsy" Egan, son of U. S. Minister to Chili, has taken a position in Judge Cull's law office. Mr. Egan is a bright young man and will be welcomed in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. I. R. Crow were in the city Monday and Tuesday nights. Mrs. Crow was in Chicago for a couple of months, from which place she had but recently returned.

The STAR editor participated in a stroll through Wind Cave Tuesday night, but space prevents our giving our readers any idea in this issue, of what a time we had. It was immense.

J. C. Van Norman, of Menville, Ia., who went home a short time ago returned a few days ago, accompanied by his niece, Mrs. J. W. Crawford. They will remain here several weeks.

Melbourne the rain maker is reported as arriving at Hermosa yesterday morning, where he is squirting chemicals into the air to bring rain. His efforts are being watched by hundreds of anxious farmers.

Frank Callahan's store building has been moved from its old location on River Ave. to Chicago, Ave. just north of Cross photograph gallery, where it will be nicely fitted up, and his drug stock moved into it.

Miss Rose Hudspeth, recently of Chadron, has come to the city and will probably remain. She is a stenographer and type writer of considerable experience, and no doubt will find plenty of work here.

Charley Smith had one of his teams quite badly cut up by a barbed wire fence up near the Soldiers' Home Sunday night. A party had hired the team to take a drive in the evening, and the fence had been built since he was last up that way.

The city council passed the dog ordinance on Monday night and it was approved, so that now if any one desires a luxury in the shape of a dog they must pay for it. There didn't seem to be a free trader in town who didn't favor protection in this instance.

While the Keely cure establishment has left the city, no one who desires to take the treatment need feel aggrieved and stay away, for we believe every physician in the city is capable and prepared to give toppers as big a jag of gold cure dope as the Keely cure ever gave, and with equally as good effect. Our physicians can cure drunkenness.

The Pettigrew forces were victorious at Sioux Falls at their county convention, and now they will probably present the name of Nye Phillips to the state convention, for governor. Judge Palmer is reported as deserving of the credit for the Pettigrew faction victory, which is scarcely understood at this distance, as he has been one of Pettigrew's strongest opponents.

The Seventh Day Adventists finished their labors at the camp meeting last Monday night. There were thirty-two tents occupied upon the grounds, and over 130 people camping. They had a very interesting gathering, and went away feeling that it had been a profitable as well as enjoyable meeting, and all were enthusiastic in their praise of the Springs and the Chautauqua grounds.

Cheaply as Hot Springs might secure some kind of an apparatus for aiding in putting out fires, not a move has been made in that direction. With a good fire engine and sufficient hose to reach down to the creek, the business portion of the city would be under good protection, so far as facilities are concerned. Then with a company well organized, our rates of insurance would be lowered, and the city would be fairly safe. Let some of the customary finance rustlers, John Henton for instance, take hold of the matter, and we'll guarantee that the people will interest themselves sufficiently to subscribe.

Mrs. Deitz arrived from Omaha this week, and is at the Gillespie. This is her second trip here this year, which plainly evinces her admiration for the Springs.

Miss Kate Henderson of Seward, Neb., and Miss Hope De Lesenbee, of Lincoln, are stopping at the Parrott and enjoying themselves very much taking in the many beautiful attractions.

The county commissioners have been doing considerable work this week, Messrs. White and Moody being the members present. Their time has mostly been taken up in equalizing the assessments.

Frank Miller, of the Clarinda, Ia., Herald, arrived last Saturday for a month's sojourn for his health. He was here last year for a time and was greatly benefited. The STAR acknowledges fraternal calls.

Custer county has held its republican convention and it is reported that nine of the twelve delegates are enthusiastically in favor of Capt. Lucas for congress. His candidacy is meeting with general favor.

W. E. Benedict, formerly one of the proprietors of the STAR, came down from Hermosa Wednesday night for a few days visit among his friends. His wife came several days before him, and their friends are all glad to see them.

Mrs. H. N. Richer and daughter, Miss Pauline, and Miss Carrie Ketchum, departed for the Dalles, Oregon, last Monday evening, where they will reside. They take with them the best wishes of a large circle of friends.

The state militia has taken charge of matters at Homestead, and the strikers submit peacefully, and yield to the officers of law. All is quiet there, and it is likely that some compromise will soon be effected between the working men and the company.

Hot Springs is ahead of any other town in the Hills so far as getting accurate time is concerned. At King's jewelry store is an electric clock which is set and wound up every day by electricity. It is set by telegraph at 10 every day, so that it is always accurate.

Joseph Petty, wife and two children came in on the Elkhorn Sunday morning from Ashland, Neb., where they have been for the past three months for treatment for their oldest child, who has been afflicted with paralysis. The little one is much improved, thanks to Dr. Mansfield.

The annual meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union will be held in Hot Springs, July 26th, 1892, at 9 o'clock a. m. and close in the afternoon of the 27th. The public is invited to attend to sessions. The place of meeting will be announced later on. By order of the president.

J. A. Sedgwick arrived Monday morning from Chicago, and will be here for three or four weeks, enjoying himself among his many friends. Mr. Sedgwick objects to being termed a resident of the wicked city of Chicago, and to retain a good name both at home and abroad, he invariably registers as from "Dakota Hot Springs."

J. B. Fogarty, who has been a faithful and most efficient employe of the STAR for a few months, has severed his connection with this paper. He has not decided where he will go, but wherever he may locate we wish him great success. He is a vigorous writer and thoroughly posted upon the leading questions of the day, and we predict for him a brilliant future.

The insanity board will have a meeting tomorrow, when they will examine Mrs. Anna Reeves, of Edgemont, as to her sanity. The complaint is made by Geo. Miller, but the husband insists that she is perfectly sane. Dr. Jennings examined her the other day and pronounced her insane. Mr. Reeves proposes to fight the matter and will have attorneys on hand to plead the case for him. It is a peculiar case to say the least.

The Congregational people are beginning active preparations for the erection of a church building. Supt. Brown has been on the ground for three days and gave efficient aid and counsel. A meeting of the church was held Monday afternoon at the parsonage at which it was decided to proceed at once and a building committee of five persons, consisting of E. E. Frame, C. D. Bailey, H. M. Brigham, Edmund Petty and J. C. Dickover, was appointed. The committee met Tuesday afternoon and organized by electing E. E. Frame chairman, C. D. Bailey secretary, and J. C. Dickover, treasurer. Subscriptions will be solicited at once and ought to meet with a hearty response. The plans are in the hands of Architect Cushman and as soon as all arrangements can be made, the contract will be let and the work pushed to completion within ninety days.

For Church Goers. Rev. G. J. Breivik, of Rapid City, will hold Lutheran services in English next Sunday at the Soldiers' Home at 8 o'clock p. m. All are cordially invited.

## A City Hall.

Again the question of building a city hall is under discussion, and in a manner that will probably result in something being done. The matter will soon be brought before the voters of the city and it will be left for them to decide whether or not they desire the building of such a structure. It is proposed that a two story stone building be erected on River Avenue, about midway between the north and south parts of the city, the lower portion to be used for the post office and the upper part for city hall and offices. Then it is proposed to build an addition on the side to be used for a fire engine. That the erection of such a building will meet with the hearty approval of all who are interested in the growth and improvement of the city, the STAR earnestly believes. The city is now paying enough rent to pay the interest upon sufficient bonds to erect a building such as is contemplated, and the location will without question be conceded as fair to all parts of the city. It is just what should be done and it is most gratifying to know that some action has been taken in the matter.

## The Chautauqua.

The STAR is unable to obtain a full list of the speakers and lecturers other than those already published, but we will by next issue. The Assembly will open on Wednesday, July 27th, and continue in session until August 8th. Every effort is being exerted to make this one of the most interesting and profitable sessions that the Chautauqua people have ever held in the northwest, and the residents of Hot Springs should consider it their duty to do what they can in the interest of the Assembly, for most assuredly it is a matter of much consequence to the city. It brings every year a large number of people from other places, and advertises Hot Springs as nothing else that we have. These assemblies are well worth one while to attend, and when people come over 100 miles to be present, it does seem that those who are fortunate enough to be here might derive some benefits by attending. The STAR hopes that every resident will use their best energies toward securing a large attendance this year, and encourage the stock holders in their efforts toward helping Hot Springs, besides doing something of untold value in the interest of education. Don't forget the Chautauqua, and do not forget to write to your friends to come and enjoy it with you.

## \$15,000 for Defamation of Character.

Several days ago the Rapid City Journal made the statement to the effect that W. H. Frye, of this city, was in Custer circulating the report that J. W. Fowler had stated that there was no tin of any consequence in Custer county, and the Journal concluded that Mr. Frye took the opportunity to thus malign Mr. Fowler while he was absent from the state and could not answer the charges. The Journal thought that Mr. Frye's reputation was such, and so well known, that what he said would not be of serious consequence to Mr. Fowler; that Frye "has no standing in that or any other community."

For the opinions the Journal expressed in this particular, Mr. Frye has sued that paper for \$15,000 for defamation of character. Mr. Frye has not been in Custer for months, and aside from this fact has been favorable to Mr. Fowler's candidacy for congress next to our own county's candidate, and has corresponded with Mr. Fowler's clerk to that effect during the past week. Kellar and Cull have been retained by Mr. Frye to proceed with the case, and it looks as though the Journal had made a very careless, bad break.

Teachers, students and others can make good money in vacation. Address with stamps, J. H. ONSTAD, Druggist, Sioux Falls, S. D.

## County Convention.

At a meeting of the republican central committee for Fall River county at the office of M. L. Kanable on July 6th 1892. Hot Springs was selected as the place and July 16th the time for holding county convention for the purpose of selecting delegates to the state convention. The county convention will be held at the court house at one o'clock p. m.

For filling vacancies on central committee, W. W. Smithson, of Oelrichs, Mr. P. A. Thompson, of Odell, Alex. Mentch, of Duck Creek, and T. B. Dings, of their respective precincts were chosen. Precinct conventions will be held July 13th.

The representation of the different precincts is as follows:

Hot Springs, 1st ward	9 Odell	2
2nd "	7 Union	2
3rd "	6 Hat Creek	2
Oelrichs	6 Cheyenne River	4
Dudley	6 Beaver	4
Cascade	6 Jackson	3
Red Canyon	6 Smithwick	3
Sand Creek	6 Duck Creek	4
Indian Creek		
Total		77

M. L. KANABLE, Chairman pro tem. I. D. BISHOP, Secretary.

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## Rustlers Near Home.

Sheriff Wood, of Custer county, has captured three cattle rustlers. They were engaged in running a butcher shop at Hill City, and were suspected of procuring their meat without cost. Their slaughter house was examined, and hides found that belonged to farmers down in Custer county. The herd of cattle was found by the sheriff and deputies, and by concealing themselves in the brush the sheriff and deputies had an opportunity of witnessing the entire proceedings of larding a few head of cattle and their slaughter by the thieves. Then the officers captured their men, and one of them, Sopher, volunteered a confession, which, according to the Chronicle, is as follows: "He told in the presence of sheriff Wood and others that Hill, Davis, another man who was not found at that time, and himself had entered into an agreement to steal the cattle, kill them and retail them out at Hill's market, dividing the profits equally. He admitted that Davis and himself had driven the bunch of cattle above mentioned, from the range 20 miles southwest of Custer, to the corral near Hill City."

The prisoners, Hill, Sopher and Davis, were bound over to the circuit court, and are sure to go over the road.

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## County Fairs.

The several towns in the Hills are already doing considerable talking about holding county fairs this fall, at which the horsemen generally test the speed of their favorites. What is the reason that Hot Springs can not organize an association of this character? This is one of the best agricultural counties in the Hills, and there are some swift horses not far from here. Besides the horsemen all pass through this county in going from the Hills races into Nebraska. At Chadron and Crawford they have excellent races every year. This year promises to be an unusually interesting one for agricultural displays, stock show and speed trials, and it would be greatly to the benefit of Hot Springs if our people would get a move on them and organize for this purpose.

BLUNK, WILLIAMS & CO. Brokers and general insurance agents. Dealers in Real Estate and Securities. Full charge taken of property, rents collected, loans negotiated, and prompt attention given to all business entrusted to us.

Chopped Feed. Or chopped prices on feed at Hulst & Price's: oats, \$1.20; corn, 90 cents; bran, 80 cents; chop, \$1.00; wheat screenings, 80 cents; hay per bale, 50 cents. HULST & PRICE.

The STAR has received a copy of Orlando Ferguson's square earth book, with his lectures upon that subject. Mr. Ferguson's lectures are full of thought and must be very interesting to listen to. His arguments in behalf of his pet theory are all very forcibly put, and they are such as will set one to thinking. Mr. Ferguson contemplates making an extended journey this year, during which he will deliver a number of lectures.

## Railroadistic.

The Elkhorn will sell round trip tickets to Madison, S. D., account of Republican State Convention for \$20.35, selling July 16th, good returning July 24th. A. D. Wood, Agt. Don't waste your money making experimental trips over lines which claim to be as good, but take the old reliable BURLINGTON ROUTE. First-class passenger service the entire distance. No lay overs.

H. T. CATLIN, Agent.

On Saturday, July 2nd, 1892, and on every Saturday thereafter until and including Oct. 29th, 1892, the Burlington route will sell, from all stations in the Hills and from Crawford and all stations this side of it, round trip tickets to Hot Springs, at rate of one fare, limited, however, to the Tuesday following date of sale.

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## TRAVELLERS' GUIDE

F. E. & M. V. R. R.	
BLACK HILLS PASSENGER.	
Leave Hot Springs	8:45 a. m.
Arrives	9:15 p. m.
CHICAGO EXPRESS.	
Leave Hot Springs	7:45 p. m.
Arrives	5:30 a. m.
Freight leaves at	10:30 a. m.
Arrives at	1:30 p. m.
A. D. WOOD, Local Agent.	
B. & M. R. R.	
East, departs	5:40 p. m.
West, " "	7:30 a. m.
East, arrives	5:30 a. m.
West, " "	7:30 p. m.
Tickets on sale for all points east, west, north and south.	
H. T. CATLIN, Local Agent.	

## Oil and Gasoline at Fargo's.

John M. Cotton, & Lincoln editor, is at the Parrott.

Panic store means low prices.

J. H. Schafersman, of Fremont, Neb., is at the Catholicism.

Bran and mill feed at Fargo's.

D. S. Lowrie, wife and children, of Omaha, are sojourning in the city.

Try Diamond S. Baking Powder.

James Rourke, of Gordon, Neb., is in the city, accompanied by his wife.

Wanted—Country produce at Panic store.

F. M. Vroman, of Edgemont, transacted business in the city on Monday.

Go to W. I. Colvert for window glass.

Mrs. E. J. O'Neill will lecture on the street tonight in lower town; subject, Phrenology.

Nice fresh canned goods at Caughey & Clark's.

J. B. Cleghorn is painting his livery stable red and will christen it "The Diamond Stable."

Go to panic store when you want to buy goods cheap.

King the jeweler has been in the city for a few days, looking after his business here and headquarters.

J. A. Clark, headquarters for finest sausage of all kinds.

Fred Meyer, wife and daughter, of Omaha, are stopping at the Gillespie. They are here for the daughters health.

See that new stock of Clothing, Boots and Shoes at Fargo's.

The second story of the Phillips-Boomer block is nearly completed. It will be one of the handsomest blocks in the city.

Cookies and crackers are fresh and fine at Caughey & Clark's.

Tom Wells reports an elegant time on his recent visit east, where he spent the 4th and took in the independent convention at Omaha.

Remember J. A. Clark handles the very best steak in the market.

John Henton has 160 acres of land for sale near Hot Springs. Call and see him.

S. C. Fargo & Son now carry a full line of the celebrated Diamond S. Baking Powder.

Jeweler Blakeslee has the finest line of Hot Springs souvenir spoons you ever saw—the falls and plunge bath.

Our new stock of Spring Dry Goods are here. Prices are as low as in Omaha or Chicago.

S. C. FARGO & SON.

For the finest flour in the market remember Caughey & Clark's Eureka and Golden rod brands. They are prime favorites everywhere.

If you would like to see an elegant display of fresh fish and vegetables you should drop in at the Pioneer meat market. Bob has them neatly arranged in the windows and can supply all demands.

Sixty odd residents of Custer and vicinity have caused the publication of an open letter charging the local managers of the Harney Peak Co., with corruption. It seems that some of the Custer people feel that their mining interests have been seriously tampered with by some one and they openly make charges that some one who is in a position to do so should not delay in explaining.

## CHURCH DIRECTORY.

CATHOLIC CHURCH—Services held in St. Mary's Church, every Sunday by Rev. Father Cassidy.

EPWORTH LEAGUE—Meets in the Black Hills College every Sunday evening at 6:30 o'clock. Everybody invited.

BAPTIST CHURCH—Services in the Church on College Hill, every alternate Sunday, at 11 a. m. and 8:30 p. m., by Rev. C. H. McKee, Baptist Missionary.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH—St. Luke's Mission. E. B. monthly services: By Rev. G. W. Ware, Rural Dean. Notice of time and place will appear in the local columns.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH—Rev. E. E. Frame, Pastor. Services in the 1st Ward School House, every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday school at 10 a. m.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH—Rev. H. D. Smith, pastor. Services every Sunday. Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Class meeting following 11 o'clock service. Prayer meeting Thursday evening, 7:30. All services in the Black Hills College.

PREBYTERIAN CHURCH—Services in the Church on Minnesota Avenue. Morning services at 11 a. m. Evening services at 7:30 p. m. Sunday school and Bible class at 10 a. m. Thursday evening prayer meeting at 7:30 p. m. Ladies Aid meets Thursday afternoon at 3 p. m.