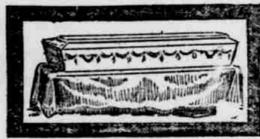


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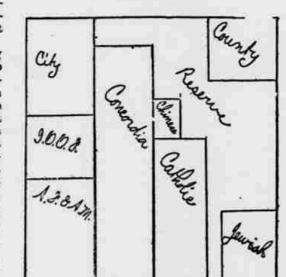
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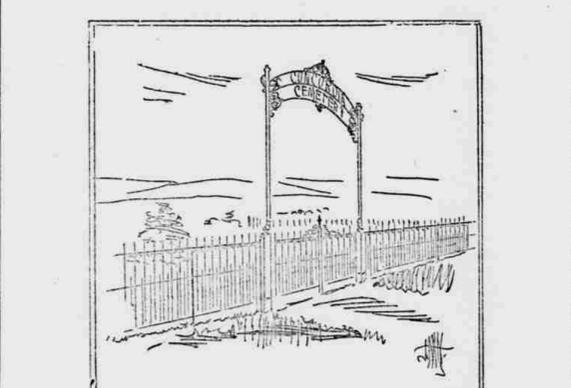
Since J. J. Mundy bought Concordia cemetery last July, there has been a wonderful change there for the better, and one who had not been up there in six months would not know the place. Mr. Mundy has put out some \$500 in local improvements, including 133 feet of new and attractive iron fencing with arched entrance which cost him \$182. The sand piles that in former years had been left on the premises and the dilapidation that formerly prevailed and which induced several lot owners to have their dead removed elsewhere, all these have disappeared and there is an air and general appearance of neat taking care that is encouraging.

Mr. Mundy found that by removing the old picket fences that had been so much in use there was no further trouble from sand storms that obtain in the spring; and it is his aim to have lot owners substitute from picket fences the gas pipe fencing which does not retard the motion of sand when it blows, and not only secure this improvement all through his purchase but have it adopted in the other cemeteries as well. Until a year ago there had been much difficulty in getting water—in fact there was practically no water there at all. But after Mr. Conisto sank his 75 feet well water was carried to different parts of the entire cemetery tract, and now this supply is to be re-inforced by Mr. Mundy with water from a fine well 1,700 feet to the southeast of the cemetery on his farm in the river bottom to which the water will be suitably piped at an early day. The water will be pumped by a gasoline engine. This will furnish such a supply of water that the entire section can be fairly denuded if occasion calls for it. However,

it has been noticed that the sand itself is capable of holding so much moisture that trees and grass will flourish to a certain extent without irrigation if watered for a time at the outset so that they can get started. In evidence of this, Mr. Mundy showed a HERALD reporter Chinese umbrella trees in W. B. Hill's plot that had not been watered in 18 months. Moreover, there were several graves covered with green grass that had not received any attention for a NORTH.



year and a half. At the same time there were a number of plots where good sod had been set out, and here the grass was like a lawn. The trees, consisting of the cottonwood, Chinese umbrella and locust varieties, are flourishing, especially in the Jewish



ENTRANCE TO CONCORDIA CEMETERY.

Lunar Superstitions.
"If you see the new moon over your right shoulder it's good luck all the month"—over the left shoulder being bad luck, of course. "If you meet the new moon face to face with money in your pocket, you will have that kind of money in your pocket for a month"—and so on, this last being taken from an old back letter treatise on "things worth knowing." Everywhere in the world the idea prevails among those who lack scientific training that anything falling to the lot of man when the moon is waxing will likewise increase, similarly decreasing while the moon wanes. The Hindus troubled with warts looks at the new moon, picks up a pinch of dust from beneath his left foot, rubs the wart with it, and when the moon goes so does the wart. If you fall ill you can be cured by herbs gathered in the full of the moon.

The Moslems in the kingdom of Ouh cure insomnia, palpitation of the heart, nervous prostration and similar evils by stationing the sufferer with a basin of water in the hands in the light of the full moon in such a way that its reflex image shines directly from the liquid into his eyes. Then, without moving his gaze, he is required to swallow the water in a draught. In Northern India the people lay out food in the full moon that comes in the months corresponding to our September and October, half of each, and give it to their friends as a means of insuring longevity. That same night they give a pour water in the moonlight, saying they are getting rid of the cold weather.

It was long ago noted that the Yorkshire maid who knelt the new moon upon an earthen stool, and Lady Wilde says that the Irish danciers drop on their knees when they first catch sight of the new moon and say, "Oh, moon, leave us as well as you found us." In India the natives take seven threads from the end of their turbans and give them to the new moon with a prayer. The spots on the moon are caused by many persons or things. Sometimes it is a man with a fagot on his back, sent thither for picking up sticks on the Sabbath. Chaucer calls him a thief and puts a thornbush on his shoulders. Dante says it is no less a criminal than Calio. Shakespeare provides a dog to keep him company. Hindus keep not a man, but a hare, in the moon, and the well-known connection in the minds of the man in the moon and insanity may account for the statement regarding the March hare, and possibly the thornbush may be the distinctive covering of the latter. At any rate, this is as good guessing as a lot of the sun, myth people have done, while Baring-Gould identifies the moon children, Bill and Hunk of the northern mythology, with Jack and Gill of the nursery rhyme.

The Greenland Eskimau believes that the sun and moon were originally brother and sister, unable to get on by him past ordinary endurance seized some lampblack and rubbed it on his face. Then he ran, her brother after. Finally she went so fast she rose up into the air and became the sun, while her sooty-faced brother tumbled into the moon. In Samoa when a great famine oppressed the people the moon rose one night, big and round, like a bread loaf. The patient mother, unable to quiet the pang of her little one looked up and said: "Why don't you come down and let my baby have a bite of you? This made the moon so angry that she simply picked up both mother

and child, and they have been there ever since. All sailors are certain that sleeping in the moon rays will either make them cross-eyed or blind. On the American vessel El Capitán a year or two ago a number of the crew, disregarding the advice of their fellows during a spell of weather, slept on the deck in the moonlight, and soon after went completely blind at night, though they could see as well in the daytime as ever. The skipper of the ship reported the occurrence and with it made a statement to the effect that up to that time he had been a disbeliever in the so-called moon blink. Paul Eve Stevenson reports that he, too, was hurriedly awakened on his way to New York from the Bahamas with the assurance from the captain that all sorts of things would happen to him if he slept in moonlight. This is a disease unknown to the medical profession.—Chicago Times-Herald.

R. R. COMMISSION SPEARS.

The "Sunset" Must Transact Its Texas Business in Texas.
The railroad commission has demanded of the Southern Pacific railroad that the business emanating from any shipment of freight hauled on that road in the State of Texas, whether it be state or interstate shipment, must be transacted in the State of Texas. Another requirement in line with this may be expected soon. This will affect both the freight and passenger traffic of the Southern Pacific railroad within the State of Texas. In fact, every dollar of the State's business transacted by that road within the borders of the state must have the records of such transactions kept within the state. The effect of this ruling by the commission to all outward appearances, will be that the general offices of the Southern Pacific railroad will soon be located in the state. The commission makes no such demand as that business done on an assumed, such authority, but it does demand what is due Texas under the law. When enough of the office force from the general offices in New Orleans is moved to Texas in order to transact the business of that road's mileage in Texas, there will be only enough left to transact the business of the eastern end of the Atlantic division of that great system, which is from the Texas state line to New Orleans, and in consequence not sufficient force to justify the expense of the maintenance of the general offices in New Orleans. Therefore, it is a safe prediction that Mahoney will go to the mountain and the general offices of the "Sunset" will soon have their habitual in Texas.

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where over fifty Chinese umbrella trees are blooming and growing nicely. Then in the Masonic cemetery there are an increasing number of the umbrella trees. Mr. Mundy has sown a small plot on each side of the road way leading up from the entrance to what which is making a fine green carpet already. Drive ways have been laid out through Concordia cemetery, which he is grading and opening as fast as possible, and the road up the hill is leveled, so that the approach is easier than ever. Mr. Mundy bought with the cemetery eleven acres immediately south of the entrance which he has cleared away and leveled off. The iron entrance is an attractive feature with graceful spans of iron on which appear, "Concordia cemetery." Mr. Mundy justly takes pride in this improvement, and lot owners will agree with him. There are properly eight cemeteries in the Concordia tract. On the west side there is the Masonic cemetery of two acres, the Odd Fellows cemetery of over one acre, and the city cemetery of two acres. To the east of the Concordia cemetery of six acres. East of that are the Catholic cemetery of four acres, and the Chinese of half an acre. At the northeast and the southeast corners are respectively the Jewish cemetery of two acres and the Jewish cemetery of one acre. Between these last two and the Catholic and Concordia cemeteries is four acres of unoccupied ground which Mr. Mundy has bought and will improve as occasion calls for. The Catholic cemetery is not as far advanced with their improvements, but Mr. Mundy is urging the Catholic people and it is expected they will take action soon. The Jewish people are developing their cemetery into a lovely spot, and the monuments and head stones lend much attraction to the general surroundings. The Masons too, appear to be taking much pains in beautifying the resting place of their dead, and the substitution of the eye wire fencing for the picket fences is giving satisfaction. The Odd Fellows have leveled off their cemetery, and when the place is mown over, it will look better than ever. The beautifying of the city and county grave yards can hardly be looked for immediately. But something will undoubtedly be done ere long in the way of keeping the places at least trim and neat looking.

The location of Concordia cemetery could hardly be improved upon. The soil is dry and not subject to inundations, and the former charge of being a sand heap no longer holds good under the new management, with water running to all parts of the premises, and the entire tract growing greener and greener every month. Mr. Mundy expects by another season to have a lodge built at the entrance for the convenience of mourners, and where records of the various cemeteries can be kept. He thinks eventually there will be a cemetery association controlling all of the various cemeteries. Concordia is now an attractive place to visit, the view from there is extended and beautiful, and when the trolley line is built to Fort Bliss, people will be stopping there every day.

RAILROAD NOTES

Conductor Wood of the Southern Pacific is recovering from his illness. The latest railroad rumor is that the Vanderbilt system has arranged to extend its line from Salt Lake City to Los Angeles, connecting there with the Santa Fe system. The first time under one management a road from ocean to ocean.

The legal history of the Santa Fe system is a remarkable one. Ninety-five corporations which have, at one time or another, played an important part in the history of the road, are dead and buried by abandonment and absorption. There are now seventy-nine active companies.

Representatives of a strong company are said to be at the City of Mexico seeking a concession for a submarine cable to connect Soconusco with Lower California. The cable will be laid from Guaymas and will connect Triunfo, La Paz and other points on the peninsula.

Manager Thorne, of the Texas & Pacific, wants the Marshall, Tex. into Texas, the many T. P. cars between Marshall and New Orleans. The board is endeavoring to have traffic resumed between Marshall and Boyce, La.

The net earnings of the Santa Fe system for the month of August were \$921,281, an increase of \$109,325 over the month of last year. For the two months of the fiscal year, to August 31st, the net earnings have been \$1,396,068, an increase of \$80,155. The total income from operation for the two months shows an increase of \$152,679.

In the Santa Fe system, there are 9,236 miles of track—nearly all single track—a mileage more than equal to one-third the distance around the earth. The first twenty-eight miles of this track was constructed in 1869. The entire system, therefore, has come into existence within twenty-eight years. It really came into existence in twenty-four years.

"Facts and Figures About Mexico" is a new and valuable publication issued by the bureau of information of the Mexican Central. It is well gotten up pamphlet, with bran new illustrations (some being needed by the way) and the latest "facts and figures" about the general resources and attributes of the country are given in readable shape. Commercial Agent Mueller of the city has copies of the publication.

son, Ia., the Missouri river at Sibley, Mo., and the Colorado river at Needles. The latter is a cantilever bridge, 990 feet long. These bridges cost nearly one million dollars each.

SILVER IN OHIO.
A Big Split in the Democratic Party Imminent.
Since the arrival in Washington of ex-Representative Towne some very interesting topics are current in political circles here. One of the most important is the political situation in Ohio. There is a foreshadowing of coming events which, it is said, will have important bearing upon the fall elections in that state.

As stated in last Saturday's Star-Mr. Towne denies that it has been intimated to him by the democratic managers in Ohio that his services as a free-silver talker will not be needed in the Ohio campaign. If such a course was in contemplation on the part of Allen O. Myers and state Chairman McConville it had not been outlined to him. FREE SILVER A LOSING INVESTMENT. It is learned, however, from other sources that a campaign of education and oratory on the lives of free silver by Mr. Towne or anyone else will be discouraged by the Ohio managers. This statement is putting the case mildly. The real fact is that the democrats in Ohio are on the point of abandoning free silver as an issue altogether in the campaign and exerting their energies in other directions. It is said that John B. McLean, who in this case is the controlling spirit in the democratic campaign, has come to the conclusion that under existing circumstances free silver as campaign capital would be a losing investment. This would be but a passing incident in the campaign, subject to comment, but not worthy of deep consideration, were it not for the fact, it is said, that there is a certain other democratic in Ohio besides Mr. McLean, and whose political creed comprises more than the mere election of a United States senator. And here is where Mr. Towne and his friends enter the equation as factors.

A BIG SPLIT IN THE PARTY.
The statement is made that the abandonment of the cause of free silver by the democratic managers in Ohio will bring about a very big split in the party in the buckeye state. Those who put forward this opinion explain it by saying that a large proportion of the democracy in Ohio at this time consists of men who honestly and earnestly believe in the unlimited free coinage of silver by the United States government as a financial policy which will bring great good to the people of the country. Some of these men are former republicans, who left their old political association, and who stand by the democratic platform on account of this free-silver plank.

This being the case, it is claimed that these people will not submit to the abandonment of free silver just because Mr. McLean may happen to believe that it will advance his interests or the welfare of the democratic machine in Ohio. It is pointed out that Mr. Towne is the head of the element organized under the term of "metallists," with whom the advancement of the cause of free silver is the first consideration. In this aggregation are gathered many men who were formerly prominent in the republican party: Senator Teller and his associates, who walked out of the republican national convention at St. Louis, for instance. They undoubtedly have a large following throughout the United States, and it is claimed, a fair proportion of them are in Ohio.

LOSS TO THE DEMOCRACY.
The assertion is made that if Senator Teller, Mr. Towne, and the rank and file of voters whom they represent left the republic to the free silver party's sake, they will not espouse the cause of democracy if free silver is given up as a political issue by that party. If this be true, it is claimed, it will mean that the democracy will lose a very heavy vote in Ohio this fall. It is known that the bimetallic leaders are exceedingly indignant at the proposed intention of the democratic managers in Ohio with respect to the free silver plank. Senator Teller and his associates, who walked out of the republican national convention at St. Louis, for instance. They undoubtedly have a large following throughout the United States, and it is claimed, a fair proportion of them are in Ohio.

Jurist Who is a Good Harvest Hand.
Judge Guy C. H. Corliss, chief justice of the supreme court of North Dakota, does not esteem it above his dignity to labor as a harvest hand. On his vacation from the bench he followed a caper in his field from sun-up to dark and kept up with the best of the hired men. He holds to the theory that every man should know how to cultivate his own vegetables and flowers, and play the violin, and so on. With him this is no fad. It is a deep-seated conviction. He is now incalculating the doctrine in the case of his oldest son, a lad of 10. Harold wants a bicycle. "Ears it first," is the father's decision. So he taught the boy how to milk cows, and made arrangements to buy and pay for the family's milk during the winter. At the price agreed on the youngster had earned his wheel by next spring. Judge Corliss has a charming household consisting of a wife and four children, owns a fine home at Grand Forks, cultivates his own vegetables and flowers, plays the violin, and does as much work on the supreme bench of the state as any associate.

Major Benj. H. Rogers, of the 8th infantry, lately promoted from a captain in the 13th infantry, has been retired, and Captain Casper H. Conrad, of the 10th infantry, is promoted to be major. Major Conrad was in El Paso not long ago visiting with brother officers at Fort Bliss. Both majors are veterans of the civil war.

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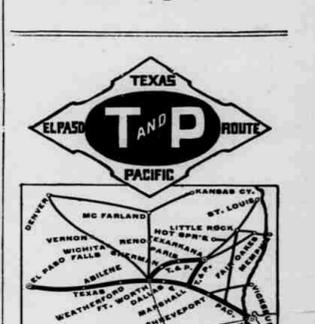
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