

KANSAS FUNERALS

ATTORNEY GENERAL RULES OUT CO-OPERATIVE PLAN

Mutual Burial Associations Providing for Cheap Funerals Are Given a Severe Set Back

Topeka, Kan.—If the attorney general of Kansas has his way about it the poor folks of this state will be forced to forego the pleasure of being buried in style.

About five years ago an ingenious lawyer hit upon a scheme known as a mutual burial association, copy-righted it and has been trying to clover ever since.

A good coffin at least four carriages, a fine hearse and some flowers are guaranteed to all members when their time comes to be put under the sod.

This fact is what has led to the troubles of the association. The attorney general insists that this provision makes the associations insurance companies, and as such they must incorporate and become subject to the supervision of the insurance commissioner.

For a number of years the burial associations have prospered. The plan is modeled upon the Chinese system of guaranteeing to take care to China the bodies of those who die in a foreign country.

The insurance commissioner is preparing to serve notices upon the companies that unless they comply with the ruling of the attorney general they will be prosecuted and all solicitors without a license.

As nearly as can be learned there are about 75 associations doing business and each will have to pay under the new ruling about \$350 a year to the state.

ARE USING PAPER MONEY.

People of San Francisco Have Taken to It Since the Great Disaster.

San Francisco.—"Soft" money has been tried in San Francisco since the disaster, and, apparently to the surprise of the people, found to answer every purpose of the gold and silver they formerly handled.

RUBBER HEELS WITH FLAT

Washington Landlords Require Them in Apartments to Keep Quiet.

Washington, D. C.—Rubber heels for flat dwellers at the expense of landlords is the latest innovation of rent agents here.

Opal Ring of 13 Stones

A recent fashion shows an engaging, most ring set with 13 opals. The opal is a particularly modish gem according to London fashion writers.

Yarns of Vermont Anglers

Brandon, Vt.—When the sport is good at the opening of the Vermont fishing season trout exact to bear some rather lively yarns as well as to see the strings of trout.

"Talk about your queer experiences," said Will Snyder when he got back from the Slab City streams.

"Well, this spring I tried a new way. When he hit I let the line slack and crept over to the stump. What I saw nearly took my breath clean away.

One of the biggest trout ever taken in the Otter above Dunby was caught a few days ago by George J. Fiske, a lumberman, who is a student of fish and their habits.

Taking a block of sod about a foot square, he cut a slit in it and then laid in the cut his hook and several inches of line.

The Worm Turned.

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The Eve of Saint John

A FINNISH LEGEND

During the brief nights of summer in the northern latitude of Finland, and especially the shortest one—the Eve of St. John—there is a peculiar and beautiful phenomenon.

This phenomenon has given rise to a legend which ran vic in charm with those of the ancient Greeks.

But once it happened that the pair, absorbed in their fraternal devotion, forgot to perform their office and passed through the heavens as if they had nothing to do except to gaze into each other's eyes.

When, after many days, the curtains of clouds was withdrawn, and the sky again looked down upon the earth, men saw with deep sorrow that the charming brother and sister no longer lived together.

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Beauty and the Beast.

BY H. L. KINER.

I read before my eyelids dropt their shade, "The Legend of Good Women," long ago.

Our Shakespeare sings, in numbers high as height, of mongrel whelp and hound of low design.

Daughter and dog the widowed master owns. The daughter, like incarnate sunshine, fills her path with smiles.

I love the daughter. At first sight it was, as flares the full-rippled frigate from the fog.

But I sneaked on, my features tried in sorrow. Woo-oo-oo through the night the anthems of the brute, beset the blackness in a peal of hoars.

I've saved my yet, her grim father, for his pointer's sake, would see to it that I was promptly mobbed.

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Milkweed Moses' Friend

BY KENNETH HARRIS.

"I, too, was once a tenderfoot," said Milkweed Moses, squatting before the Dutch oven and heaping a few fresh coals on the lid.

"I remember that full an' complete," he went on, seeing that he had the attention of his auditors.

"I'm a little better," he says. "Travelin', or jest gold somehwere?"

"You must be old man Pinckney's boy—old man Pinckney of Buchanan, 'Well, shake!'"

"I broke off an' looked at the dim horizon, shadin' his eyes with his hand. Seemed to me I'd see a little dust right on the edge of it, too."

"You ain't got no time to talk about it if you want to go to night," says my mystery benefactor.

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Why She Wouldn't Pay.

"I shall have to see you for a ticket for that boy, ma'am," insisted a conductor, speaking to a quiet looking little woman seated beside a boy on a Pennsylvania train.

"You've got to begin some time," persisted the conductor.

"I don't know. I never saw him before,"—Philadelphia Ledger

A Tasty Chop for Invalid.

Trim away every particle of fat from a neck or loin chop, melt a piece of butter on a plate, sprinkle the chop with pepper and salt.

Involved Vociferosity.

Members of the jury, erupted the attorney for the plaintiff, addressing the 12 Arkansas peers who were sitting in judgment and on their respective shoulders braced in a dramatic suit against a grasping corporation.

Macaroni and Cheese.

Into two quarts of boiling water break half a pound of macaroni. Add half a teaspoonful of salt and boil 20 minutes.

Hollow Checks.

To fill out the hollow checks, stimulate the circulation and build up the tissues, there is nothing better than the habit of bathing the face with cold water.

To Remove a Grease Spot.

There is a way to remove a grease spot which answers excellently. First place a double thickness of blotting paper on an ironing board.

Compliment for English.

Chinese Commissioner Siang Chi Heng before leaving England for France recently paid the British quite a compliment in a farewell interview.

A Ham Sidelish.

Nice for luncheon is this entree of cold boiled ham: Chop enough ham to fill a coffee cup and add to it two tablespoonsful of grated cheese.

Paper Bags.

Housekeepers should know that paper bags are made of composition of rags, lime, glue and other substances mixed with chemicals and acids.

His Superstition.

"Jinx must be superstition," "What leads you to think so?" "He says he does not believe in borrowing umbrellas."

Hot Water and a Cold Cream.

Just try to put cold cream on a cold skin or the absorption will not be thorough.