

The following short poem, written some times ago by one of our townsmen, whose nom de plume is too well known to need explanation, was suggested by an item in an eastern newspaper, and is founded on fact. The item went on to give in detail how a poor tramp, fatally injured by the cars, was hurriedly conveyed to a hospital, and died while endeavoring to dictate to a patrolman a letter to his mother, in which he expressed hope of returning home; but a sudden collapse prevented the poor fellow from giving her name or address.

The Hospital Pallet

ON a hospital pallet, his mangled form
Was gently laid by those stalwart men,
Who had carried him swiftly through the storm
From the world he never should see again.
He'd been badly crushed on the railroad track
'Neath the wheels of the iron juggernaut;
And the surgeon said he would ne'er go back
To his cheerless life and his weary lot,
"Write quickly a letter," the wand'rer said,
And the rough patrolman grasped a pen,
"My mother! Oh! tell her I am not dead—
And that I am coming—home again!"
"What more?" said the writer—he knew full well,
'T was a race between his pen and Death
"Where does she live? And her name? pray tell!"
But the sufferer only gasp'd for breath
For shadows had darken'd his gloomy eyes,
And his hands had fallen, devoid of life,
And death had stifled his weary sighs
And recalled the wanderer from his strife,
So they folded the letter upon his breast,
Like his life, unfinished, though clos'd for aye!
And they laid him down to his long rest,
While his mother mourn'd him—far away!
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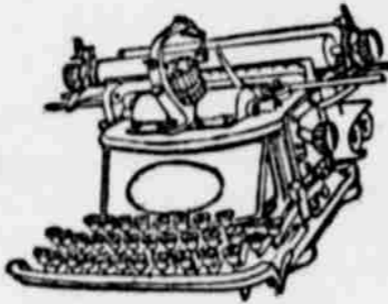
Senator Dietrich of Nebraska. United States Senator Charles H. Dietrich of Nebraska, who was recently indicted by a federal grand jury charged with conspiracy and bribery in connection with the appointment of



Jacob Fisher to the postmastership of Hastings, is a native of Illinois and began to make his own living when only eight years old. He moved to Hastings, Neb., about twenty-five years ago and in 1900 was elected governor and senator the following year.

AN ELECTRIC TYPEWRITER.
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If by the use of an applied power the ordinary typewriter could be operated by depressing the keys one-eighth of an inch, requiring only the lightest touch to produce both the ordinary impression of the type face and the powerful stroke necessary for manifolding, such a machine would reduce by fully four-fifths the exertion which the operator is compelled to put forth in running one of the ordinary machines. It is just such a machine which a Connecticut inventor has produced, as illustrated in the accompanying picture. It has its own individual motor, with



AUTOMATIC TYPEWRITER.

connection to an incandescent electric light socket, and is stated to require about one-fourth as much power to operate it as is consumed in a sixteen candle power light.

The type in this machine is formed on the face of a wheel, making partial revolutions in either direction before being depressed to the paper. Upon depressing any key ever so little there is a swift whirl of the type wheel, a blow on the paper, and the wheel is back in place before the operator can possibly touch the next letter of the word he is writing. Even the movement of the carriage is controlled by levers, two little friction disks being brought into contact with the rapidly revolving shaft of the motor by depressing keys labeled "R" and "L" to move the carriage to the right or left.

Touching a slide on the left side of the machine makes the carriage stop any number of spaces from the end of the line to start a paragraph. When the carriage is moved to the right to start a new line a small lever, striking an inclined track, traverses the incline to the top and gives the platen a turn

to space the sheet of paper for the new line. The linking of the type wheel is done by a small felt roller suspended in the path which the wheel is compelled to travel in making its impression, and there are the usual number of carriage adjustments for space, marginal and tabulating stops.

ETCHING ON GLASS.

Valuable Information For the Amateur Photographer.

Designs may be etched on glass by flowing the glass with melted paraffin wax and when dry tracing the design with any suitable paint, care being taken to trace clear through the wax to the glass. The etching is then done by holding the glass over the fumes of fluorine acid. These fumes give a fine appearance to the glass wherever the wax has been removed. The following inks have been recommended for writing on glass: Barium sulphate, four ounces; ammonium fluoride, one ounce; and sulphuric acid enough to dissolve the above. Or: Barium sulphate, one ounce; ammonium fluoride, one ounce; and fluorine acid enough to dissolve the above.

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CHURCHMEN.

The Rev. James E. Edwards, a Baptist preacher of Owensville, Ind., is about to publish a book of his jokes and original sayings.

Rev. John Cotton Brooks, brother of the late Bishop Phillips Brooks, has just celebrated his twenty-fifth anniversary as rector of Christ Episcopal church at Springfield, Mass.

The Rev. Simon Carter, the nonconformist chaplain at one of the Birmingham cemeteries in England, is eighty-two years of age. He was appointed thirty-five years ago and conducts more than 2,000 funerals a year.

Rev. James M. Stafford, who lives just across the river from Petersburg, Ind., preaches, owns a ferry (run by his father), invents things, takes out patents on them and accumulates worldly riches. He is twenty-seven years old, and the neighbors think he must be worth \$500,000.

CURIOUS CULLINGS.

A woman at Westville, Ill., stole a lead pencil from a store twenty years ago and has just paid for it.

The fumes of copper ore furnaces at Ducktown, Tenn., have blighted the forests of five Georgia counties.

In a suit tried recently at Hartford, Conn., one of the parties had 123 cases of books brought from Delaware for use as evidence.

A man in Rutland, Vt., who was sentenced to eighteen months' imprisonment for murderously assaulting his wife offered as a plea for leniency that he had beaten his wife for thirty years and had never been arrested before.

Last summer a woman drove fifty-five cows into Thunder Mountain, Wyo. Each cow was loaded with a pack containing provisions, etc. The woman remained in Thunder Mountain four and a half months and made \$1,800 clear money. She sold her milk for 25 cents a quart.

A Millionaire Inventor.

Peter Cooper Hewitt, inventor of the new electric vapor light by which a light of extraordinary power is devel-



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"Do you believe in marriage?" asked the surly old bachelor of the sweet young thing.

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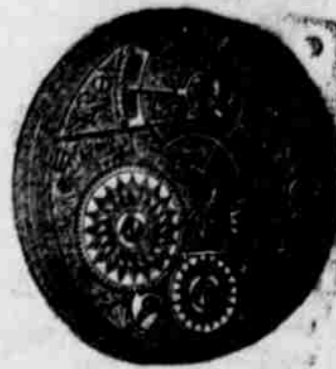


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United States Land office, Roseburg, Oregon, Sept. 3, 1903.

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892.

AUGUST W. PETERSON,

of Luteson, County of Cook, State of Minnesota, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 5681 for the purchase of the SW 1/4 of Section No. 20 in Township No. 25 South of Range No. 10 West, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the Register and Receiver of this office at Roseburg, Oregon, on Monday to 15th day of February, 1904.

He names as witnesses: J. M. Weatherly, Wm Fellos, Charles Thom, John Thom, all of Roseburg, Oregon.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 15th day of February, 1904. J. T. BARBERS, Register.

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