

BURYING OF LIVING PERSONS MUST STOP

Branch of English Association to be Established in Washington—Want Laws for Tests to Prove Death.

Washington, Jan. 11.—Efforts are being made to establish in Washington a branch of the English Association for the prevention of premature burial.

The purpose of the association is to obtain the enactment of laws that will demand such tests by competent authorities that there will be no chance for such interment.

To show the prevalence of premature burials, some medical authorities have from a number of recent tests compiled the following statistics: Buried alive 149; narrow escapes, 219; dissected alive, 10; narrow escapes from vivisection, 3; embalmed alive, 2.

In these figures the countless thousands of people who die and are buried alive and of whom there is no record, have no part. The remedy of English offering may be summed up in a few paragraphs.

That medical students shall be specially informed in death counterfeits

and in the means of applying these to the apparently dead bodies.

That the diagnosis of death shall no longer be left to undertakers, relatives or friends, but that every medical practitioner before signing a certificate of death, shall be under an obligation to view the body and make a careful inspection and examination.

It is asserted that at the present death certificates are granted without the medical man having viewed the body.

It is suggested that to this end waiting mortuaries, lighted and ventilated, furnished with pleasing surroundings and replete with every apparatus for resuscitation should be provided by urban or rural cemetery authorities, where every person dying within their respective areas could be deposited until such time as the official death verifier, appointed for the purpose, certified that the signs of decomposition in the body warranted its interment.

MAKES WAR ON COTTAGE COLONY

Claimant to Land at Rehoboth, Del. Ousts Resident and Holds Place With Gun.

Rehoboth, Del., Jan. 12.—After taking possession of the cottage of Capt. Samuel Riley, of Wilmington, by force, Harry W. Burbage, who claims the land on which the cottage stands, is defending the place with a loaded gun, although he has been held under bail for larceny.

The trouble has come about through the erection on a strip of land at the head of Rehoboth Bay, which has always been supposed to be State or public land, of many summer cottages. The occupants paid no rent in many years.

Burbage claims to have a legal deed to the land, and this week after giving notice to the cottagers, most of whom live away from here, went to Riley's place and, taking all of the furniture out, moved it to his own home. He then moved his own goods into Riley's cottage.

Captain Riley had Burbage arrested for larceny.

PREHISTORIC RELICS FOUND

Interesting and Valuable Discoveries on the Island of Malta.

Rome, Jan. 12.—Much space is given in the latest report of the activities of the British school here during the last year in the partial exploration of prehistoric remains of Sardinia and Malta. Those of Malta especially are of much importance. It has been settled that the great megalithic structures of the Ggantja, Hagar-Kim and Mandra are buildings of the bronze age having a sacred character and were probably temples.

Close to the Valetta there was discovered a short time ago an extensive hypogeum, called Halsartieni. It was cut in the rock and its arrangement is strikingly similar to that of the three temples, although this served at some period as a burial place. In it has been found a large quantity of pottery peculiar to Malta.

There are prehistoric structures above ground which seem to have been dwellings. In one of these on the hill of Corradino, just below the military prison, Dr. Ashby, director of the school in a short trial excavation, proved that interesting results were to be expected, for there were evidences of pottery and other objects.

Overman on Important Committee.

Washington, Jan. 12.—The Senate committee on judiciary appointed a sub-committee consisting of Senators Clark, Dillingham, Kittridge, Culbertson and Overman to consider the Culbertson resolution directing an inquiry into the President's authority to permit the absorption of the Tennessee Coal and Iron Company by the United States Steel Corporation.

CARMICHAEL TRIES THE RAZOR ROUTE

Man Supposed to be the Missing Minister—Murderer Slashes His Throat.

Keokuk, Jan. 11.—A man supposed to be Rev. John H. Carmichael, the missing Michigan preacher suspected of killing Gideon Browning in Rattle Run church, near Adair, Mich., attempted suicide by cutting his throat at the house of Mrs. Miranda Hughes, of Castagne, Ill., this morning. The sheriff found a letter in one of the pockets addressed to the sheriff of Port Huron, Mich., saying the man was Carmichael and asking the sheriff to come and get the body.

There is no doubt in the minds of the authorities that the suicide is the man wanted.

Auburn, N. Y., Jan. 11.—Sarah Fitch Browning, the widow of Gideon Browning, who was murdered in

Michigan church this week, to-day took steps to claim the property of the dead man. Despite her statement that he had two other wives, the woman is preparing to claim the \$1,000 life insurance and other effects. The woman claims she never knew Minister Carmichael.

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