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**TO MOVE THE DEAD  
DEAD TO BE REMOVED FROM THE CATHOLIC CEMETERY AT COMPTON**

The members of the Catholic church who have friends and relatives buried in the old Compton cemetery took the first steps this week toward having the remains of their beloved dead transferred to the Wadena cemetery. The contract for transferring the remains has been let to one person, so that the friends and relatives will have nothing to do with the work.

This action was taken at the suggestion of Father Stiegler, whose idea is for the members to sell the Compton property, and buy lots in the Wadena cemetery. The Compton cemetery was started about 25 years ago, and at that time it was the only Catholic cemetery in this section. The present Wadena cemetery was laid out about seventeen years ago, but up to nine years ago it was the custom to bury part of the dead in the Compton cemetery. Then it was foreseen that the Compton cemetery would be too small for the needs, and that it would be a great expense to properly keep up two cemeteries. So it was planned to consolidate both cemeteries, but nothing much was done in this direction until this week.

This movement upon the part of our Catholic friends is a sensible one. It will enable them to have one well kept and desirable cemetery, which is a good deal better than having two only half taken care of.