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STATE OF MICHIGAN, THE PROBATE Court for the County of Oakland. At a session of said Court, held at the Probate office, in the City of Pontiac, in said county, on the 8th day of January, A. D. 1906. Present, Hon. Joseph R. Stockwell, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of

ELMER L. VOORHEES, Deceased.

Kate M. Voorhees having filed in said Court a petition praying that the administration of said estate be granted to Andrew H. Ford, or to some other suitable person.

It is ordered that the 26th day of February, A. D. 1906, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition. It is further ordered that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Birmingham Eccentric, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

JOSEPH R. STOCKWELL,
(A true copy.) Judge of Probate.
ROSS STOCKWELL, Probate Seal. 6w2-1-6w2

Where People Never Die.

It is said that the town of Paita, in Peru, has not had a drop of rain in thirteen years. The common joke about Paita is that people never die there. They simply get tired out.

Preparation the Main Thing.

Frequently the number of hours spent at work in the office are simple inverse proportion to the minutes and years spent in preparation for the task.—John A. Howland.

Few Suicides in London.

London has fewer suicides than any other great capital. While Paris has 400 suicides for each million a year, London has only 30.

More Men Than Women.

There are 1,840,280 more men than women in the United States, and the same proportion prevails in almost every other country. The only exception is in Paraguay, where there are more than twice as many women as men. This is due to the fact that some years ago, in a political revolution and a war with Brazil and the Argentine Republic, the men were almost exterminated.

Sentence Sermon.

Sad will be the day for any man when he becomes absolutely contented with the life he is living, and with the thoughts he is thinking and the deeds he is doing—when there is not forever beating at the doors of his soul some great desire to do something larger which he knows he was meant and made to do because he is a child of God.—Phillips Brooks.

No Wonder He Swears.

While a Chicago man was carrying home two dozen eggs the other evening he slipped and went to the sidewalk with the eggs under him, and when he arose he discovered that he had hatched out a combination of Italian sunset and circus poster. He swears that he will have the grocer's boy deliver the eggs the next time.

OUR NEW FACTORY

Birmingham Has Promise of a Very Valuable Manufacturing Plant in Near Future.

Frank H. Sears of Detroit is going to be our real factory man as work is being done here by earnest men to secure this important manufacturing plant which means much to our village. This is Mr. Sears proposition and he asks very little for bringing us so much. He does not ask free water, free gass, exemption from taxes or anything more than the donation of one acre of land adjoining the G. T. Railway in our village and that ought to be an easy requirement and for this he promises to remove his factory from Detroit and on this acre of land erec; his foundry which will manufacture grey iron castings such as pattern castings, automobile castings, gas engine castings, semi steel castings and experimental work. Within 90 days from January 15 'oo he is to begin the erection of a building or buildings and upon completion of said buildings to employ not less than 25 employees in his business. The deed of this land is not to be made to Mr. Sears until within 30 days after he has started in business with the number of employees mentioned. Mr. Sears is sanguine that in a time much shorter than one can imagine he will have a plant employing 100 workmen. It is now up to the village to make good their side of the question. The committee, John L. Keyser, Chairman with Geo. B. Daines and W. D. Clizbe have it in charge and will get the land, don't let that cause you a moments worry. Considerable work was done by John L. Keyser, Geo. Daines and A. Whitehead to make a deal with H. J. Bowers, who wanted $250 but it was too high in the estimation of the committee and a bargain was made with Harvey Hedding which will answer all purposes. Who will raise the money? The proper way in our opinion is by tax on the village property. If this cannot be done it will be raised some way as our committee are bound to secure this plant. We must have it, we need it in our business, the village business. Harvey Hedding sells his acre of land for $300.

CHARACTERS LIKED BY IRVING.

Writer Asserts Shakespearean Parts Were His Favorite.

He himself no doubt thought most of his Shakespearean parts and thought less of the parts the world liked best. "The Bells" and "Louis XI," although I have heard him speak with pleasure of the evidences he had had of the popularity of the latter play. Those were certainly his great best successes. It was in "The Bells" that he made his first great mark. After seeing him in that part Charles Dickens, not long before his death, happening to meet Toole, the actor said: "I tell you, Toole, that man Irving is a genius." "Louis XI," perhaps his greatest success, was full of his mannerisms and personal peculiarities, but was on that account none the less delightful to those to whom his personality was agreeable. How characteristic was the trick he had in that part of moving his hands behind his back, to denote apparently one of those peculiarities of manner into which a man so highly placed as to be above criticism and out of reach of ridicule is likely to be betrayed.—F. S. Nadal in Scribner's Magazine.

Sympathetic.

Among our circle of friends there was a very warm supporter of the S. P. C. A., who, though earnest and sincere, sometimes bored by overzeal. We set traps to lead her into an admission of the evil in animal nature, but she always managed to make out a good case for her dumb friends. One day we felt that we at least had a case in which she could have no possible sympathy for the animal. It was a dreadful story, published in a newspaper of a baby who had been literally eaten alive by a large and ferocious cat. We gave her the clipping and watched with satisfaction the tears gather in her eyes as she read. "We've got her now!" we murmured triumphantly. Finally she looked up and we all held our breath to listen to her comment. She spoke in heartbroken tones. "Think!" she said, "how hungry the poor cat must have been!"—Harper's Weekly.

SWEEPING DYSPEPSIA AWAY.

The Remarkable Curative Properties of Pepsikola Tablets.

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FEBRUARY TERM

List of Petit Jurors Drawn to Serve the Oakland County Circuit Court.

Addison Sowles, Addison; John Seaman, Avon; John H. Snow, Bloomfield; John Leece, Brandon; Byron Dandison, Commerce; Louis F. Sallow, Farmington; Endelmar J. King, Groveland; Frank Warren, Holly; Charles Seaver, Highland; George W. Douglas, Independence; Elton M. Calkins, Lyon; Jas. Bishop, Milford; Floyd Chapman, Novi; Lou Delano, Oxford; John Hall, Orion; F. D. Parker, Oakland; Geo. Stanley, Pontiac; Allen Keanga, Rose; Henry Landau, Royal Oak; George VanHorn, Springfield; Marion I. White, Southfield; Orson M. Perry, Troy; Myron G. VanSyckle, Waterford; Eli Strong, West Bloomfield James Pepper, Jr., White lake, C. A. Harrison, Pontiac, 1st ward; Thomas Clark, Pontiac, 2nd ward; E. Blair, Pontiac, 3rd ward; Frank Mathison, Pontiac, 4th ward and John Wardell, Pontiac, 5th ward.

Just make up your mind there will be six weeks more of winter.

CAVALRY CAPSULES

ECHOES OF '61-'65

The rank and file of the army was made up of all sorts and conditions of men. One man in mind now is Albert Merriman, a member of Company H, Fifth Michigan Cavalry. Captain Purdy, of Detroit, and Lieutenant Starkey having recruited the company in Detroit, had many and varied characters.

Merriman had been a sailor all his life, belonging in the U. S. navy, and had sailed around the world three times. His time of service having expired in the summer of '62, he came to Michigan to visit relatives at Ann Arbor. As he had sailed three years on board the sloop-of-war Dale, and received his pay, was having a grand good time on shore. Detroit was naturally full of excitement and men enlistments going on from several offices. Still wearing his uniform of navy blue, he attracted considerable attention when he visited Detroit. In telling it afterward, related that a man dressed in a beautiful uniform took a liking to him, and soon was as good as a brother to him. His friend in the red uniform was host and paymaster for a grand good banquet, and he had a royal time, and much drink was indulged in besides coffee. He said he remembered bidding his new friend in uniform good-bye with a loving embrace, and was put to bed, as he remembered it. When he woke up he had on spurs and a cavalry sabre, and was in bunk at barracks where the regiment was forming in Hamtramck. His brain was in a maze, and he called for a glass of grog, and requested the "bo'sn" to "pipe a ration," and wanted to know the number of his mess. Considerable explanation was indulged in before he could comprehend that he was a private in Company H, Fifth Michigan Cavalry.

Merriman was a man of good education and his training aboard a man-o'-war made him understand that the only thing to do was to submit and obey orders. He soon had many friends; and one, a particular chum, Thomas, from Farmington, Mich. Their only failing was drink.

Merriman being very neat in his dress was soon selected quite often to act as day orderly at both Colonel's and Adjutant's headquarters.

Lieutenant Boylis was then Adjutant. One day, having some friends from the country visit him and wishing to show kindness to them, he ordered Merriman to get a carriage for him. Merriman asked and received permission to have his mate, Thomas, go with him. Boylis and his friends waited for two hours, and no carriage in sight. Anxiously watching the gate they saw a hearse driving in, horses on a sharp trot, Merriman sitting on the "bridge," as he called it, watching the binnacle lamps with the sailing master. Up they dashed in grand style with a flourish, and Merriman, as pilot, ordered the sailing master to "heave to" in lee of the tent with a flag, and come to anchor. With much effort Merriman climbed down from the seat, and with a perfect man-o'-war salute, said:

"Sir, I report the jolly boat is in use. Here is the only craft suitable, and my bunkie is in the hold; but I tell you this sailing master can handle the halliards."

Merriman had paid the driver of the hearse $3 to take his bunkie into camp and allow him to ride on the bridge. You can imagine where Merriman and his bunkie Thomas were for the next few days.

BEGLER OF CO. G.

FELL THIRTY FEET

Will Bloomburg Given a Severe Jolt by a Broken Scaffold on Monday Last.

Monday of this week Will Bloomburg while at work for Roy Hamlin, on the late Watkins farm, building a barn constructed a scaffold from old boards that had once done duty for an ice house of a neighbor. Will climbed to the top of it, 30 feet in the air, a board broke and down came William to the ground, striking on his feet.

Dr. C. M. Raynale found no bones broken, but a badly wrenched young man in his back and legs. He came out much better than one would expect, and we hope no serious results will follow.

Pat's Request.

Oh! dig me a grave both wide and deep;
Put a marble stone at my head and feet.
And on my breast a turtle dove.
To show the world I died for love.

Pat is dead. Pat was Dr. C. M. Raynale's valuable setter dog, and had many friends to mourn his loss. He was a universal favorite, and had the best veterinary-canine medical skill the county affords. He flew away Sunday last, despite all his friends could do to keep him alive. He was given a respectable burial Monday last, and the family is in deep distress. We forgot to say that he was a musical dog, and there are a few on the corners that rejoice that it is well with Pat.

The Yellow Fever Germ

Has recently been discovered. It bears a close resemblance to the malaria germ. To free the system from disease germs, the most efficient remedy is Dr. King's New Life Pills. Guaranteed to cure all diseases due to malaria poison and constipation. 25c at Whitehead & Mitchell's and Cobb's drug stores.

A GREAT SUCCESS

Was Dancing Party of Fleur de lis Club ong Friday Evening of Last Week.

The party given by the Fleur de lis Club last Friday evening was a great success, about fifty couples being in attendance. The O'Neal hall had been very prettily decorated, the young ladies having fixed cozy corners and making the hall very pleasant by the use of rugs, cushions, etc. Tables were also fixed for cards for those who wished to play, and this reception and rest room proved very successful.

The young people tripped the light fantistic in the Johnston-Shaw hall to the strains of the finest music from the ever good Guy's orchestra until a very late hour. One pretty feature was the grand march led by Dr. and Mrs. Shaw in which about forty couples participated. That the party was a success has been proven and the girls will no doubt give another in the near future.

Guests were present from Pontiac, Detroit, Ann Arbor, Port Huron and Lake Orion.

Death of Well Known Editor

J. F. Cullen, a well known attorney and newspaper man who was editor and publisher of the Wayne Review, died last week after an illness of several years. Mrs. Cullen, who has pluckily carried on the publication of the Review since her husband was unable to do so, has the sincere sympatny of the newspaper fraternity in her affliction.

Unexcelled Service to Cuba.

Effective January 5th, 1906, through Pullman sleeper will leave Cincinnati at 8:30 a. m. every Friday via Queen & Crescent Route and Southern Railway to Mobile, connecting with Munson SS Line's Steamer "Prince George" at 4:30 p. m. on Saturdays, and through sleeper from Mobile every Friday at 7:00 p. m. north to Cincinnati on arrival of steamer "Prince George" from Havana.

Tickets now on sale good until May 31st at the rate of $65 for the round-trip from Cincinnati, including meals and berths on steamer.

For information address Frank Johnson, Special Agent Passenger Department Munson SS. Line, Washington C. H. Ohio, or W. C. Rinearson, GPA Queen & Crescent Route, Cincinnati, Ohio.

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P. O. address, Birmingham, Mich. feb

New Milch Cows For Sale.

I offer for sale at a low price 25 new milch cows for sale and Springers. This fine lot of cattle can be seen at Spring Brook Farm, 1½ miles west of Birmingham.

FRED R. FERNAL,
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ENTERTAINMENT

To Be Given by Girls Friendly Society On Friday Evening Feb. 9 in Library Hall.

The Girls Friendly Society will give an entertainment in Library Hall on Friday evening, Feb. 9, consisting of two plays, after which dancing will be the feature of the evening.

The first play, "A Precious Pickle" and consists of seven characters. Miss Irene Cockerine takes the part of Miss Rebecca Peeve, who has three summer boarders. The parts of the boarders, the Misses Jennie Ford, Bessie Snow and Sadie Bean are taken by the Misses Eva McClellan, Junita Plumstead and Jennie Purdy, Mrs. Pease colored help, Juno, Miss Agnes Hulbert and Miss Helen Hulbert takes the part of Mrs. Gobble, a gossipy neighbor. From the characters you can readily guess how successful this will be.

The second play "Six Cups of Chocolate" will be equally as good the characters, six young ladies from different parts of the country being represented as follows:—Miss Adeline VonLindeu, German Miss Stella Holten; Miss Marion Lee, a transplanted southern girl, Miss Pussie Robinson; Miss Dorothy Green, a New Englander, Miss Mable Smith; Miss Hester Beacon, a Bostonian, Miss Grace Ford; Beatrice VonKortlandt, a New Yorker, Miss Ethel Johnson and Miss Jeanetta Durand, a French miss, Miss Francis Wynneparry.

Tickets can be obtained from any of the girls 25c for the plays and 50c per couple for the dance. The plays start at 7:30 and dancing at 9:00, Standard time.

Did Cleopatra Have Red Hair?

Prabably not, for she was an Egyptian queen, and a light-haired Egyptian is as rare as a red-haired negro. But read how Mark Antony ran away in the middle of the battle of Actium to follow her, and how the eye of that stern old soldier, Julius Caesar, sparkled when he saw this flood of hair falling over her shoulders, and decide the color for yourself. Rider Haggard's romance, "Cleopatra," is one of the many books in our NEW HOME LIBRARY that you can't afford to go without reading it. Come to Whitehead & Mitchell's and get it for 17c.

NOTICE.

We, the undersigned, owners of Upper Long Lake, will prosecute any person caught fishing through the ice or shooting in the marshes, or hunting in any way, shape or manner.

A. P. KLEM.
JOHN GREEN.
CHARLES DURKEE.
CHARLES GREEN.
J. F. RUNDELL.
JOSH W. BIRD.

Philosopher's Answer.

Thales, the ancient philosopher, declared that there was no difference between life and death. "Why, then," cried one of those to whom the remark was made, "don't you put an end to your life?" "Because," was the reply, "there is no difference."

Brushes Made by Nature.

Curious natural brushes are produced from one of the palmetto species on our southern coasts. The "bristles" of the brush and the solid inner portion thereof are all one. No "coming-out" complaint with those brushes.—Scientific American.

The American Art Connoisseur.

An art connoisseur of this country is a man who is rich enough to pay fabulous prices for counterfeit paintings and statuary that are so well executed that genuine critics can hardly distinguish them from the originals.

Peruvian Investment.

It is stated that the capital invested in industries and agriculture in Peru amounts to about $300,000,000, and that the value of machinery thus far imported for those industries is in the neighborhood of $40,000,000.

The Ways of Men.

Few doctors are willing to take their own medicine; when a lawyer gets into trouble he hastens to hire an attorney, and it is hard for people to admire an artist who paints his own portrait.

Correct Notion of Graft.

"I des so po' en low down in pocket," said Brother Williams, "dat sometimes, w'en de ballif come my way, I almos' wish I wuz one er dese national grabbers!"—Atlanta Constitution.

Luckiest Man in Arkansas.

"I'm the luckiest man in Arkansas," writes H. L. Stanley, of Bentonville, "since the restoration of my wife's health after five years of continuous coughing and bleeding from the lungs; and I owe my good fortune to the world's greatest medicine, Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, which I know from experience will cure consumption if taken in time. My wife improved with the first bottle, and two bottles cured her entirely." Cures the worst coughs and colds or money refunded. At Whitehead & Mitchell's and Cobb & Cobb's, druggists. 50c and $1.00. Trial bottle free.