HEARING CLAIMS BEFORE COURT.

State of Michigan, County of Oakland, ss. Notice is hereby given, that by an order of the Probate Court for the County of Oakland, made on the 8th day of January, A. D. 1909, four months from that date were allowed creditors to present their claims against the

Estate of Samuel Butler,

Late... said county, deceased, and that all creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said Probate Court, at the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac, for examination and allowance, on or before the 8th day of May next, and that such claims will be heard before said Court on Saturday, the 8th day of May next, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon of that day—Dated January 8, A. D. 1909.

KLEBER P. ROCKWELL,
(A true copy.) Judge of Probate.
JUDSON A. FREDERBURGH, Probate Clerk.
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Heart Strength

Heart Strength, or Heart Weakness, means Nerve Strength, or Nerve Weakness—nothing more. Positively, not one weak heart in a hundred is, in itself, actually diseased. It is almost always a hidden tiny little nerve that really is all at fault. This obscure nerve—the Cardiac, or Heart Nerve—simply needs, and must have, more power, more stability, more controlling, more governing strength. Without that the Heart must continue to fail, and the stomach and kidneys also have these same controlling nerves.

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Cars leave Birmingham for Pontiac at 6:30 a. m. and half-hourly thereafter until 7:30 p. m.; then hourly until 12:30 midnight.

Cars leave Detroit for Birmingham at 6:30 a. m. and every half hour thereafter until 7:00 p. m.; then hourly until 11:30 p. m.

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THE GREAT EMANCIPATOR

BORN 1809---DIED 1865.

Stanton's Tribute

The World Has Come to Accept the Great Secretary's Opinion of Abraham Lincoln as the Most Perfect Ruler That Ever Lived.

THIS is the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln. It is fitting that the death of Lincoln. The men of his day and generation have largely passed away. The civil war has been over a long time. This is a new century of other manners and new activities. Yet there is nothing remote about the name and fame of Lincoln. He is close to us, and growing closer. Here, as everywhere, the observation of the day increases year by year.

The explanation of this extraordinary fact is at once simple and satisfactory. It is that the American people never appreciated Lincoln while he was alive. When he was taken away from us we began to see him as he was. We are now beginning to appreciate him.

Many loved Lincoln devotedly while he was alive. Others saw that he was a thoroughly good man. But in general even those who loved him and those who trusted him utterly failed to realize that he was as great as he was good.

The failure of Lincoln to win the appreciation of those who had every chance to judge him seems incredible to us now. Nevertheless, one may hazard a guess as to the belittling power of intimacy in his case.

Never in the history of the world was there a great man so entirely and consistently his natural self. He was homely and ungainly and poorly dressed—and he knew it, and joked about it. He was entirely self-made—and he was not proud of the job. He was ambitious—and frankly admitted it. He was so modest, so honest, and so "easy" that not a few thought he must be simple-minded.

Traits like these are not evidences of genius in the mind of the common people, who prefer that their idols shall pose. Stephen A. Douglas, Lincoln's lifelong and successful rival until the final test came, posed effectively, therefore they knew he was great and dubbed him the "Little Giant." Lincoln never posed, therefore it never occurred to them that he could be great.

To be sure, there were some who came to appreciate Lincoln before his death. There were a comparative few who learned by experience that he was "easy" only when it didn't matter, and that, instead of being simple-minded, he was literally and absolutely a master of men.

Douglas, to whom he put the question at Freeport that saved the United States, came to know him as his match, and held his bar for him while he took the oath of office as President. Seward, the "coldest statesman" whom he made—and unmade—learned the same lesson. So did McClellan, the "Young Napoleon." So did Seward who went into the cabinet prepared and expecting to take the reins of government. So did Chase, the "indispensable man," who resigned once, too often—and, thanks to Lincoln's magnanimity, administered to him the sting and oath of office.

Even Stanton, that saturnine Titan of the cabinet, who was in the habit of referring to Lincoln as the "original gorilla," who openly prophesied that Jeff Davis would be in the White House within six months, who believed himself called into the cabinet for the express purpose of holding up the hands of an impotent president—even Stanton learned his lesson. It took him a long time, but he learned it well. When Lincoln drew his last breath Stanton said: "There lies the most perfect ruler of Men the world has ever seen."

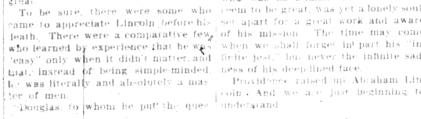
But it was not until the homely face and ungainly figure of Lincoln were gone from the sight, and his politic jest was no longer heard, that the American people began to see Lincoln as he was, not as we had assumed him to be. And even to-day we are coming to know him better.

We know now, among other things, that this self-made man from the log cabin was truly an educated man, that this backwoods circuit rider was not only an honest lawyer, but a great lawyer, that this gawky master of the art of story-telling used his art with a purpose, that this cross-roads debater and political stump-speaker was an orator to whom it was given to speak words that are immortal—words that are as much a part of the national heritage as the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution.

We know now—not some of us, but all of us—that this man who saved the union by force of arms and brought peace out of the hell of civil war did these great things in an even greater spirit, that he wrought with malice toward none, with charity for all.

And we know now that this man, who was so human that he did not seem to be great, was yet a lonely soul set apart for a great work and aware of his mission. The time may come when we shall forget in part his little jests, but never the infinite sadness of his deep-lined face.

Providence raised up Abraham Lincoln. And we are just beginning to understand.



Abraham Lincoln

It may be that some other in the place
Might have occupied all he did—or more;
Some other might with all his strength and grace
Have borne the weight that was his heavy store.

☆ ☆ ☆

Perhaps if chance had doomed him to remain
In deep obscurity through all his days
Some other might have had the heart to gain
A nation's gratitude, a people's praise.

☆ ☆ ☆

It may be that some wiser man than he
Was left uncalled while Lincoln rose to lead.
Some other may have had the wish to be
The glorious doer of the splendid deed.

☆ ☆ ☆

But Lincoln faced the danger, bore the care,
Nor was it chance that raised him to his height.
Because his heart was dauntless he was there
And ready, when the moment came, to smite.

—S. E. Kiser.

Lincoln a Dictator

Abraham Lincoln, master of men, wielded more power than any Anglo-Saxon since Oliver Cromwell. He called out troops increased the size of the army, declared a blockade of southern ports, suspended the writ of habeas corpus, imprisoned American citizens without trial, suppressed newspapers, and freed the slaves—all because he was the head of the nation when it was engaged in a sanguinary struggle for its very life.

Lincoln was a dictator, but it was his rule to act only after consultation with his advisers. He was ever open to argument, and in the Trent affair was led to adopt the unpopular side by Seward's logic. Yet the secretary of state and Chase, Stanton, Fremont and McClellan were, in turn, overwhelmed by Lincoln. On the other hand, of his own choice, he gave Grant a free hand in military affairs, until the general, in his sphere, was almost as much a dictator as the president in his.—Henry Beach Needham, in Munsey's.

THAT human beings are still a salable commodity in this country is evinced by the way in which offers have been coming in to E. T. O'Loughlin for the privilege of buying the man who is for sale. Over a score of offers have been received. The man has advertised in a newspaper, is sober, industrious and an expert mechanic. Unable to obtain work, he came to Mr. O'Loughlin and offered to sell himself for board, clothing and a small amount of tobacco. If his services proved satisfactory, the man also desired to bring his wife's child to live with him, although that was not a necessary stipulation.

Offers to buy the man came to Mr. O'Loughlin in many different ways. Telephone calls, personal visits and letters brought in the offers. All express a willingness on the part of the bidder to give the man shelter, food, clothing, tobacco, and even in a number of cases a slight remuneration. A remarkable fact, according to a statement made by Mr. O'Loughlin, is that none of the offers are from factories or corporations. Private individuals are the inquirers in every case, and for the great part, they are persons with no great wealth. Indeed, many of those willing to give the man a home are earning barely more than their own living.

One of the offers is from a man on the Hudson, who owns a motor boat which he wishes cared for. For the services he will board, feed and clothe the man. Another offer was received from a prominent military school. Here the management is willing to buy the man for a period of ten months. He will be treated with all the consideration of a high-class laborer if he takes this position.

On the point of his treatment Mr. O'Loughlin has made up his mind there shall be no question. The contract of the purchasers will be cast iron. Ample food, $70 worth of clothing, good quarters and smoking tobacco will all be stipulated.

ABOUT ADVERTISING—NO. 4

The Hen and the Doorknob

By Herbert Kaufman

Once upon a time there was a fool hen who sat on a china doorknob for three weeks expecting to get a *family*. The only thing she did get was *experience*.

The advertising field is *full* of "china doorknob propositions"—examples of merchants who expect *good newspapers* to hatch money out of *bad egg business*, or who put *sound* nest eggs under the *wrong* "advertising hen."

There are three principles to follow in an advertising campaign: First of all, find a *business* that will *stand* advertising; secondly, find the *newspaper* that will make the advertising *pay;* thirdly, give the newspaper *time* to pay.

You can't start in to breed dollars in *less time* than it takes to *hatch* them any more than you can pull a hen off the nest before she has had a chance to incubate. In both cases you simply *waste* what has been invested. If you stop too soon you will get a *rotten egg* instead of a *chicken*.

Advertise something out of which you may reasonably expect *returns*, and when you have found *what to advertise*, take care that you place your copy in a newspaper *that can turn the trick*. Don't delude yourself with a china doorknob, and don't confuse a "rooster newspaper," which spends its time cock-a-loruming, for a "hen newspaper" that is too busy hatching out dollars to strut about crowing.

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If not, please tell us.

The Michigan State Telephone Co.

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Exchange Bank

Of Whitehead & Mitchell

Birmingham, Mich.

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But to obtain many patrons, it must give satisfactory service and be conducted upon methods that create confidence.

That is the reason why this Bank has steadily increased its deposits for the last 21 years. It gives the best possible facilities to its customers—it treats every depositor with consideration and courtesy, and it transacts business on a safe, conservative basis.

Your account, whether large or small, will receive our best attention.

Exchange Bank

Of Whitehead & Mitchell

Ha-San Rheumatic Remedy

We want a letter from every man and woman in America afflicted with Rheumatism, Lumbago or Neuralgia, giving us their name and address, so we can send each one a *trial treatment* of our Rheumatic Remedy. We want to convince every rheumatic sufferer at our expense that our Rheumatic Remedy does what thousands of so-called remedies have failed to accomplish—*actually cures Rheumatism.* You cannot *coax* Rheumatism out through the feet or skin with plasters or cunning metal contrivances. You cannot *tease* it out with liniments, electricity or magnetism. You cannot *imagine* it out with mental science. *You must drive it out.* It is in the blood and you must *go after it and get it.* This is just what Ha-San Rheumatic Remedy does and that is why it cures Rheumatism. Rheumatism is Uric Acid, and Uric Acid and Ha-San Rheumatic Remedy cannot live together in the same blood. *The Rheumatism has to go and it does go.* Our treatment cures the sharp, shooting pains; the dull, aching muscles; the hot, throbbing, swollen limbs, and cramped, stiffened, useless joints, *and cures them quickly.*

A FULL TWO-WEEKS TRIAL TREATMENT

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Dr. Miles' Anti-Pain Pills relieve pain.

ORDER FOR PUBLICATION—General.

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 29th day of January, A. D. 1909. Present, Hon. Kleber P. Rockwell, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of

EDWARD B. SCHANHITE, Deceased.

Mary J. Schanhite, executrix of said estate, having filed in said Court a petition praying for the examination and allowance of her final account, for the assignment of real estate, and for the settlement of the estate,

It is ordered that the 27th day of February, A. D. 1909, 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.

KLEBER P. ROCKWELL,
(A true copy.) Judge of Probate.
JUDSON A. FREDERBURGH, Probate Clerk
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