

QUEER LINCOLN LITIGATION

Curious Story of Love, Bargain and Perfidy Made Public.

PAID SEVEN HUNDRED FOR A WIFE

El. W. Craig Sues H. E. Corlies on an Old Debt Involving Several Peculiar Sub-jects—Marriage Contract that Was Broken.

LINCOLN, Neb., Nov. 5.—(Special.)—A curious story of love, bargain and perfidy was told this afternoon in the district court.

From affidavits filed by Attorney Jacob Oppenheimer it appears that H. E. Corlies owed El. W. Craig nearly \$700, proceeds of the sale of some personal property, and had agreed that upon the cancellation of this debt his daughter should be joined in wedlock to Craig.

This, of course, was with the understanding that Flora should agree to the arrangement. Craig claims that he was compelled to sign this agreement. They were married, however, and, according to Craig, his wife succeeded in securing considerable of his coin, after which she began proceedings for a divorce, setting up as her complaint that she was not happy.

Craig claims that he was not happy in her. He had a wife living in Arizona. In her substantiation of this claim there was a woman here who said she was Mrs. Craig. Hard words were hurled back and forth between the two, and at last Flora secured a decree on the ground of cruelty.

Now comes Craig and sues his ex-wife in law for the full amount of the old debt of \$700. He claims, in defense of this action, that so long as Flora did not stay married all agreements of a pecuniary nature are void.

His petition pleads that in 1887 he was in partnership with Corlies in Colorado in the saw mill business, but that without his knowledge or consent defendant sold the entire partnership property and has since refused to divide the profits of the sale.

Craig also claims that in defiance of the laws of Nebraska he was compelled to sign the following agreement:

"I, HASTINGS, Neb., Feb. 19, 1888.—Articles of agreement between H. E. Corlies and El. W. Craig. This is to certify that H. E. Corlies is indebted to El. W. Craig in the sum of \$700, with interest at the rate of ten per cent until paid.

This agreement is such that if Flora Corlies consents to be married to El. W. Craig within six months, then this agreement is to be null and void if not collectible.

Plaintiff says that by reason of the said agreement the defendant has wholly refused and neglected and still refuses to have any accounting and settlement, but claims that by reason of said agreement there is nothing due the plaintiff.

The plaintiff says that at the present time defendant is going by the name of King, but that in the partnership he was known by the name of defendant and that he has since changed his name whenever he sees fit and to suit his convenience, without any authority of law.

Wherefore he prays that the court will pay for an accounting, and that he may receive a judgment for the amount due him. In the district court the jury returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff, awarding him \$700, plus interest.

Regulation papers were issued today by Governor Crouse on application of Governor Charles H. Sheldon, South Dakota, for the return of Charles D. Perkins. The prisoner, who is now under arrest at Sidney, Neb., is charged with having committed burglary in the third degree by breaking into a store at Wintwood, S. D., where he stole \$1,000.

Rumer has left for St. Louis to take the prisoner home. A requisition from Governor Algebe of Missouri has been issued in the case of Christ Holler, alias Lash, under arrest at Omaha charged with embezzlement of \$700. Holler, it is alleged, was employed by Charles Fritsch, a Socialist, in the month of October, 1893, and is charged, alone amounting to \$700 and fled the city.

Exeter Notes of News. EKETER, Neb., Nov. 5.—(Special.)—Rev. R. T. Cross of York delivered the second lecture of the High school lecture course at the Methodist Episcopal church last Thursday night. A large number was present in spite of the lamp weather in the fore part of the evening.

Mrs. C. N. Phillips is visiting in Omaha this week. The Sons of Veterans organized a camp here Saturday afternoon. Charlie Fritz of Marquette was visiting his brother, E. O. Fritz, last week.

The Young Men's Society of the Christian Endeavor held their regular monthly business meeting and social in the Congregational church last Friday night. A splendid time was had at the social, which was held after the business hour.

Memorial Service at Juniata. JUNIATA, Neb., Nov. 5.—(Special.)—Services were held in Allen's hall yesterday in memory of W. H. Brod, a former minister of the Baptist church here, and the very large congregation present betokened the great esteem in which he was held by the Juniata people.

Lost His Life While Dredging. DRATHUR, Neb., Nov. 5.—(Special Telegram.)—Coroner Fletcher held an inquest today over the body of John Wiltberger, who was killed on the railroad track a short distance south of Fifth yesterday morning.

Farmer's Loss by Fire. BUTTE, Neb., Nov. 5.—(Special Telegram.)—A destructive fire visited the residence of George Carmichael last Thursday evening, destroying a fine barn, containing about seventy tons of corn and other crops, and his farming machinery, except one binder. Loss about \$800, no insurance.

Attempt to Wreck a Passenger Train. PITTSBURG, Nov. 5.—An attempt was made last night to wreck a Pittsburgh, Virginia & Charleston passenger train near Monongahela City. The train was running at a high rate of speed when signaled to stop. Investigation disclosed that a large pile of ties and rocks on the track which the train struck discovered in time to flag the train. Near the obstruction was found a man lying close to the rails wounded in the head. He stated that some one had pushed the train across the tracks and saw three men disappearing in the darkness. The wounded man was taken to the authorities. He stuck to his story.

Children Murdered.

Horror of Seven and His Little Sister Killed with an Axe.

TOLEDO, Nov. 5.—A blade special from Paulding, O., reports the horrible murder of a boy, aged 7, and his sister, aged 5, the children of Samuel Good, a prosperous farmer living about two miles from town.

The children started to school yesterday, but not returning at dark, searching parties started out. The little bodies were found in a brush heap at daylight. The boy's throat was cut from ear to ear; the girl was decapitated. A man, who was seen running in an axe. An attempt had been made to burn the brush heap, but it was too wet.

As soon as Hart was taken to the Paulding jail 50 men of the posse were ordered to hang the prisoner at once, but were dissuaded by the sheriff. The man was largely in favor of the boy's innocence, and that the guilty party was still at large.

The movement to prevent adulteration and secure better food will be promoted by the rejection of alum and ammonia baking powders by the World's fair jury and physicians generally.

SHERIFF MISSED THE MARK. Horrible Scene at the Execution of Silon Lewis in Indian Territory. SOUTH MALESTER, I. T., Nov. 5.—Silon Lewis, the condemned Choctaw murderer, was shot at Wilburton at 10 o'clock this morning by Sheriff Pursley. The bullet from the sheriff's Winchester missed the man's head, passing through his right arm and into his chest.

He was struck above the nipple, and he had to be lanced to end his sufferings. Lewis' family anticipated trouble, having just before the execution received a letter from Lewis' friends threatening vengeance, and he had over 100 heavily armed deputies at the scene.

Lewis offered up a prayer, following it with a short talk. He pulled off his coat, vest and boots, and the sheriff pointed across just beneath his left nipple. Lewis then sat down and was blindfolded. While two men held his hands the sheriff retraced his steps five feet and fired. The bullet went clean through the man's chest, but missed its mark, and Lewis, throwing back his head, sank his teeth into the ground, the blood spurting from the wound.

The horrible work the sheriff was finally compelled to take hold of the man's nose and another him to death. He lived thirty minutes after being shot. Twenty-six other murderers are under indictment for the same crime for which Lewis was executed.

When this news became known in Indian Territory, as their sympathizers are aroused, Lewis was 45 years old. He had been given a chance to escape because of the sheriff's dread of carrying out the law, but refused to take advantage of them.

DESERVED BY HIS NEIGHBORS. Family with the Smallpox Left to Fight the Disease Alone. MILWAUKEE, Wis., Nov. 5.—Fred Kusch lives near Muskego lake, nineteen miles southwest of the city, four miles from Hal's corner, and three miles from Tech's corner. Mr. and Mrs. Kusch had ten children last Wednesday. Two died Thursday, a smallpox and one Saturday. Several of the others and the mother are now sick. Kusch has been fighting the disease since Monday from the start. His nearest neighbor, William Bishop, lives half a mile away. He is a doctor and held the law of medicine. He went to Kusch's house on Friday, but did not enter the house. He left medicines for the sick, and took one for one or two small children, and he left the house.

INDIAN AGENT DAY IS FRANK Tells the Story of Political Farming at the Uto Agency. NEVER RAISED ANYTHING BUT TROUBLE Acknowledges He Has Made Many Enemies in Conducting the Affairs of the Agency—Difficult to Stop Sale of Liquor to Indians.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 5.—The Indian office is finding it a very difficult matter to prevent the sale of liquor to the Indians. The most difficult problem has been presented in recent court decisions, in which it is declared that Indians who have taken their land in severalty are citizens of the United States and that it is no longer contrary to law to sell liquor to them.

The court today granted a motion of the attorney general to advance the case of the Chicago, New Orleans & Texas Pacific railway, et al, against the Interstate Commerce commission and set the argument for the 4th of next March. There are several cases of similar character, of which this will be a test. They involve the construction of the fourth section of the interstate commerce act, under which section the powers of the Interstate Commerce Commission are defined.

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WASHINGTON, Nov. 5.—(Special Telegram.)—William P. Brittain was today commissioned postmaster at Naguet, Ia. G. R. Littlefield has been appointed postmaster at Farmers Valley, Hamilton county, Neb., vice J. D. Westcott, resigned, and C. H. Durham at Durbin, Marion county, Ia., vice T. T. McMillan, removed.

Other postmasters nominated were: Nebraska—E. H. Westcott, resigned; Arkansas—Merrick county, E. H. Gurney, resigned; Sand Creek, Saunders county, William Gilkey, vice J. H. Paris, resigned.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 5.—(Special Telegram.)—Clerks in the office of the chief clerk of the Treasury department will be kept busy for the next two or three days making out the list of furniture to be contracted for shortly by the furnishing of the two new buildings at Fremont, Neb., and Cedar Rapids, Ia. The advertisement for bids for these supplies is being prepared and all bids must be in by the 16th of this month, when they will be opened and the contracts awarded. The advertisement for the bids will be issued from the department before the end of the present week, so as to give contractors ample time before the 16th, in which to prepare their bids.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 5.—(Special Telegram.)—The district court of appeals today set November 22 for hearing the appeal of the Miles Sugar company of Louisiana, whose petition for a mandamus against Secretary Carlisle has been denied. This was the case where the sugar company demanded that the inspectors be appointed under the McKinley law, with a view to the collection of the sugar bounty.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 5.—Secretary Greenham will not vote at this election. He is somewhat indisposed, but was well enough to spend some time at the White House and at the State department today. He meant to have gone to Chicago, but he has his chance to reach there in time to vote when he failed to take the 11-15 o'clock train this morning.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 5.—The secretary of the treasury has issued orders to customs officers instructing them to admit to entry imported window glass packed in cases containing fifty square feet or any multiple thereof. The new tariff act limits the price to fifty feet per box. This limitation, however, is construed to be directory and not mandatory.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 5.—Secretary Carlisle today awarded the contract for postoffice lock boxes, etc., for the various postoffices throughout the United States for the next fiscal year to the Yale & Towne Manufacturing company of Stamford, Conn. J. B. Schroeder & Co. of Cincinnati were awarded the contract for drop plates and designation plates.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 5.—Senator Joaquin Bernardo Calvo, charge d'affaires of Costa Rica, has received a dispatch from Senator Pocheco, minister of foreign affairs, saying there is no foundation for the report from British Columbia that an attack has been made on the British consulate at Punta Arenas.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 5.—The Concord has arrived from Chin Kiang; the Petrel has sailed from Che Foo for New Chang; the Chicago from Lisbon for Tangora, and the Montgomery has arrived at New York. The Baltimore has also arrived at Che Foo.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 5.—(Special.)—Patents have been issued as follows: Nebraska—Matthew Culbertson, assignor to J. J. Burke, Wilber, plow attachment, Emil H. General Booth Welcomed to Washington. WASHINGTON, Nov. 5.—There was an outpouring of Salvation army soldiers at the Pennsylvania depot today to greet General Booth, the commander-in-chief of the army, who arrived at 1 o'clock. Members of the District Auxiliary League, Rev. M. S. Newman, pastor of the First Congregational church, Rev. L. B. Wilson, Methodist presiding elder of the district, H. B. McFarland and others, extended a welcome to him in behalf of the people of the district.

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We have about seventy Kersey Overcoats in small sizes only. Some satin lined—some silk—some Italian—five shades. Beautifully made and trimmed—only three sizes left. \$7.00 \$8.00

The M. H. Cook Clothing Co., Successors to Columbia Clothing Co., 18th and Farnam Streets. 300 strictly clay worsted suits in all the styles of the garment, to fit all shapes of men, sacks or frocks, go in this great sale at.....

ATTACKED PAULINE HALL Declared to Be a Character Whom G. od People Should Shun. SIOUX CITY PARSON SUEED FOR LIBEL Started a War on Sunday Theatricals but Having No Law Behind Him He Resorted to the Columns of the Press. SIOUX CITY, Ia., Nov. 5.—(Special Telegram.)—A short time ago Sunday night theatricals were instituted in this city and since that time Rev. Dr. Jenkins, pastor of the First Congregational church, has battled himself in an effort to stop them. Nothing serious resulted until a week ago, when the Pauline Hall Opera company was advertised to appear last night in Des Moines. Then the doctor's wrath was aroused and he made all kinds of threats. He found that he could not prevent the performance legally so he wrote a letter to the mayor that was given to the press for publication. In it he said: "The character of Pauline Hall is such as to prevent respectable women from associating with her or her friends in a social way and she certainly is not a woman the people should go to see at a Sunday performance."

Provoked Lynch Talk. Italian Peddler Who Assaulted a Woman in Danger. CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., Nov. 5.—(Special Telegram.)—An Italian peddler who assaulted Mrs. John Wilford near Hopkinton Saturday because she refused to buy of him was yesterday arrested at Monticello and is now in jail at Hopkinton. The affair has aroused the neighbors of Mrs. Wilford and there is a prospect of the Italian being lynched.

Sioux City's Proposed Improvements. SIOUX CITY, Nov. 5.—(Special Telegram.)—Arrangements have been commenced by which the new Sioux City stock yards will in a very few days succeed to all the property interests of the Union Stock Yards company, including three big packing plants. The new company has already purchased the Sioux City Dressed Beef and Canning company plant. It is his purpose to own all the united stock yards and packing house property at this point and to sublet it to packers.

Death of Mrs. G. K. Barton. CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., Nov. 5.—(Special Telegram.)—Mrs. G. K. Barton, only daughter of Judge N. M. Hubbard of this city, died early this morning, after a lingering illness of pneumonia, at the age of 23.

Sudden Death of a Well Known Lawyer. DES MOINES, Nov. 5.—(Special Telegram.)—Hiram Y. Smith, a well known attorney of this city, dropped dead of his disease in this city yesterday, presumably of heart disease. He was about 51 years of age, and had lived here about forty years. He had various offices, among them district attorney, state senator and member of the Forty-eighth congress to fill vacancy caused by appointment of John A. Kasson as minister to Germany. He leaves a family.

Mrs. S. A. Kell of Pomona, Cal., had the bad luck to sprain her ankle. "I tried several liniments," she says, "but was not cured until I used Chamberlain's Pain Balm. That remedy cured me and I take pleasure in recommending it and testifying to its efficacy." This medicine is also of great value for rheumatism, lame back, pain in the chest, pleurisy and all deep-seated and muscular pains. For sale by druggists.