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PROBATE NOTICE.

In the matter of the Estate of George Hawley.

SHERIFF'S SALE,

said Christian Schwamb, to-wit: The southwest quarter of section 5, in township 16 north, of range 27 west, and I will on the 17th day of June, 1893, at one o'clock p. m. of said day, at the east front door of the court house of said county, in North Platte, Nebraska, sell said real estate at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, to satisfy said order of sale, the amount due thereon in the aggregate being the sum of \$495.50 and interest thereon at the rate of ten per cent per annum from March 3d, 1893, and \$19.68 costs and accruing costs.

North Platte, Neb., May 2d, 1893.
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Notice is hereby given that the followingnamed settler has filed notice of his intention to
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that said proof will be made before the Register
and Receiver of the U. S. Land Office at North
Platte, Neb., on June 5, 1883, viz: Ashley Peters,
who made Homestead Entry No. 17,076 for the
north half sonthwest quarter south half northwest quarter section 22, township 15 north, range
by west. He names the following witnesses to
brove nis continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Welman Stearns, Chas.
B. Jordan, Hugh T. Crockett and William Ross,
all of North Platte, Nebr.

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A. S. BALDWIN Register.

In the matter of the Estate of George Hawley,
Deceased.
Notice is hereby given that the creditors of said
deceased will meet the executor of said estate before me, county judge of Lincoln county, Nebrazka, at the county court room in said county,
on the 25th day of August, 1893, on the 25th day of October,
1893, at one o'clock p. m. of each day, for the
purpose of presenting their claims for examination, adjustment and allowance. Six months are
allowed for creditors to present their claims and
eight months for the executor to settle said estate
from the 26th day of April, 1893.
This notice will
be published in the North Platte Tribune newspaper for four weeks successively on and after
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be published in the North Platte RAY, County Judge.

SHERIFF'S SALE,

LECAL NOTICES.

NOTICE.

William J. Ferrell, whose first name is unknown, and the unknown heirs at law of the said defendant william J. Ferrell, defendants, will take notice that on the 2d day of May, 1893, James W. Ham, Peter B. Wycoff and John F. Dillon, executors of the estate of Sidney Dillon, deceased, Isaac Dillon and Chester W. Collins, doing business under the name and style of Dillon, Collins & Company, plaintiffs, filed their petition in the district court of Lincoln county, Nebraska, against said defendant, the object and prayer of which are to have the title to the west half of the southwest quarter of section ten (10), it the ship fourteen (14) north of range thirty-one (31) west, decreed and confirmed it, the said firm of Dillon, Collins & Company, and praying further that said defendants and each of them be compelled to come into court and set forth all their ciaim of title and estate in and to said premises above described and that the same be declared null and void as against the title and estate of said Dillon, Collins & Company, and that the same be declared null and void as against the title and estate of said Dillon, Collins & Company, and that the same be declared null and void as against the title and estate of said Dillon, Collins & Company, and that the same be declared null and void as against the title and estate of said Dillon, Collins & Company, and that the same be declared null and void as against the title and estate of said Dillon, Collins & Company, and that the same be declared null and void as against the title and estate of said Dillon, Collins & Company, and that the same be declared null and void as against the title and estate of said Dillon, Collins & Company, and that the same be declared null and void as against the title and estate of said Dillon, Collins & Company, and that the same be declared null and void as against the title and estate of said Dillon, Collins & Company, and that the same be declared null and void as against the title and estate of said Dillon, Collins & Company, be declared null and void as against the title and estate of said Dillon, Collins & Company, and that said defendants, and each of them, be perpetually enjoined from claiming any right, title, interest or estate in and to said premises, and that they and each of them be perpetually enjoined from interfering in any manner with the possession of said Dillon, Collins & Company in and to said premises; and praying further that the said cloud upon the title to said premises by reason of the failure of the records of Lincoln county, Nebraska, to show the certain deed made and executed by said defendant, William J. Ferrell to Morrell C. Keith, conveying to said Keith said premises herein above described, be removed and for such other and turther relief as to the court may appear just and squitable. Ton are required to answer said petition on or before the 12th day of June, 1863.

GRIMES & WILCOX,

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SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an order of sale, issued by W. C. Elder, clerk of the district court of Lincoln county, Nebraska, upon a judgment of foreclosure rendered in said court in favor of N. W. McGee against Christian Schwamb, an insane person, and Cyrus Fox, his guardian, I have levied upon the following described real estate as the property of said christian Schwamb, to-wit: The southwest quarter of section 5, in township 16 north, of range 27 west, and I will on the 17th day of June, 1893, at one o'clock p. m. of said day, at the east front door of the court house of said county, in North Platte, Nebraska, sell said real estate at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, to satisfy said order of sale, the amount due thereon in the aggregate being the sum of \$495.50 and interest thereon at the rate of ten per cent per

GRIMES & WILCOX, ORDER OF HEARING.

THE STATE OF NEBRASKA, SS. At a county court, held at the county court room in and for said county, May 10th, 1863. In the matter of the estate of Richard Goddard occased.

On reading and filing the resignation of the
dministrator of said estate and the court moving
hat administration of said estate may be granted that administration of said estate may be granted to Sidney Sapp as administator.

Ordered, That May 20th, 1826, at 10 o'clock a. m. is assigned for hearing said matter, when all persons interested in said matter may appear at a bounty court to be held in and for said county, and show cause to the contrary, and that notice of the pendency of said matter be given to all persons interested in said matter by publishing a copy of his order in The Nobre Platte Tribune, a weekly newspaper printed in said county, for three mocessive weeks prior to said day of hearing.

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Ayer's Pills THE WHISKY TRUST WAR THE GOLDBUG

The Combine Still Lives, Says President Greenhut.

PROPOSES TO FIGHT.

A Case Covering the Points in Disput Judge-An Interview With Jacob Woolner.

PEORIA, Ills., May 23.-At a conference at the whisky trust headquarters between representatives of the five distilleries which have withdrawn from the Distillers and Cattle Feeders company and the officials and lawyers of the latter corporation it was decided to submit an agreed case covering the points in dispute to a local judge for settlement. The case will come up before either Judge Shaw or Judge Worthing-ton. The date has not been decided

say on this subject. The five houses claim that the leases are f orfeited. We have not paid any rent to therefor almost a year. But there was to have been a revaluation made at the end of this reason I swung the beetle, and for

mate decision is in our favo will be run by and for the the independence of the ho go against us. We think we w We propose to close the houses June 1. The opposition say that they will run them. We will see. The litigation will make no difference to the government. The fact of the matter is that our comcompanies. We do not dispute that nor do we dispute that rent is due them. thought it expedient to remove all participants in his secret. Perhaps a couple But the amount we cannot and will no

say at this time," Regarding the withdrawal of dis-tilleries from the whisky trust, it is inti-Agent for best line of Fire, mated that if the management attempts to bring an action, the court will hold in pari delicto, that is, where both parties are in the wrong, the court will not help either, and throw the case out of court. This, it is said, will satisfy the Woolner-Francis-Easton-Schwabacher party, as it is in possession of the withdrawn distilleries and does not want the extraordinary case of M. Valdemar has

property away. This was the position, it is said, that the supreme court took the circumstances. Through the desire maintained both sides were in the wrong and threw the case out.

Woolner's Opinion. CHICAGO, May 28.-Jacob Woolner, a member of one of the firms which announced its withdrawal from the whisky trust, was at the Grand Pacific hotel Monday. When asked about the alleged disruption of the trust he said: "I do not know what action the direc-

tors of the cattle feeding company will Farm and Spring Wagons, take, with reference to the matter, nor do I care. We are out of it now, and denly, that in the series of experiments our affairs cannot be interferred with by the courts, nor can a receiver control Wind Mills, Pumps, Barb our property if one is appointed for the company. I believe that the consolidation of the distillery interests is once and for all time broken up. How it will affect the stock I neither know nor care. We would not have pulled out had not the law proceedings been begun. The there a word said about it.

> The Nicaragua War. PANAMA, May 23 .- The government of Nicaragua notified the Pacific Mail | tant character of its consequences. Steamship company that their vessels must not stop at San Juan while that ject by whose means I might test these port is in the hands of revolutionists. but may land passengers, mail and freight at Corinto. No movements of | well known compiler of the "Bibliorevolutionists, as they are waiting for more arms and amunition.

Wheelmen Arrange a Program. CHIC AGO, May 23.—The executive and racing committees of the National Association League of American Wheelmen, together with the local committee, were in session Monday at the Great Northern hotel arranging for the program of the international and national meeting. which takes place in Chicago the week of Aug. 7 to 12.

Minnesota's Severe Storm. ST PAUL, May 23 .- A terrific wind storm, narrowly escaping the propor-tions of a cyclone, passed over Minne-sota Sunday night, doing great damage in every direction, but causing no loss of life. The storm reached its height at Stayton, where four houses were torn to pieces and most of the barns and out-buildings were wrecked, but no lives

High Winds at Sloux City. SIOUX CITY, Ia., May 23 .- A windstorm, blowing at the rate of 84 miles an hour, passed over this city Sunday night, doing great damage. Several demolished, a number of barns blown down, plateglass windows broken and of a matter neither to be avoided nor rethe telephone and electric light systems demolished. Reports from the country show much damage to buildings.

Heavy Rain In Western Nebraska. KEARNEY, Neb., May 23.-The hard-Careful attention given to lettering of est rain storm that ever visited this ecmorning and was accompanied by their der, lightning and considerable The signal service observer reports that nearly four inches of water fell in five hours. This is the first rain in nearly nine months, and will do a great deal of good in this country to growing

crops. Cyclone In Wisconsin. DARLINGTON, Wis., May 22. -A cyclone about half a mile wide and of great violence passed about three and a half miles north of here about 6 o'clock Monday evening. All the buildings in the track of the storm were wrecked. The only persons hurt, as far as heard from, where Mrs. James Bailey, who from which to select, in all parts of was killed, and James Bailey, who,

> Boot and Shoe Dealers Fail. CINCINNATI, Ohio, May 23. - The business of Cowan & McGrath, wholesale and retail shoe dealers, has passed into the hands of a receiver. The liabilities are estimated at \$1.5,000; assets, \$25,000. Real Estate Firm In Trouble.

Postponed the Trial. San Francisco, May 28.—The trial of John W. Flood, ex-cashier of the Donohue-Kelly bank, charged with embeen postponed until next Monday.

but the 'shot,' together with the nearest a mase of purulent tubercles, running

scent. But for my deep seated impres-sions that treasure was here somewhere no sign of it had been discovered a actually buried we might have had all month before, and the adhesion had our labor in vain."

And why did you insist upon letting fall the bug instead of a bullet from the spoke as follows: "I have not much to . "Why, to be frank, I felt somewhat

five years. That revaluation has not been made yet and that is the reaso, we have not paid any rent for alm st a year. The houses will be run and that is the reaso weight suggested the latter idea."

"Yes, I perceive. And now there is only one point which puzzles me. What are we to make of the skeletons found in the hole."

"That is a question I am no more able to answer than yourself. There seems, however, only one plausible way of ac-counting for them—and yet it is dreadful to believe in such atrocity as my suggestion would imply. It is clear that Kidd—if Kidd indeed secreted this treasure, which I doubt not-it is clear that pany owns the buildings and machinery. he must have had assistance in the labor. We lease the grounds of the several But this labor concluded, he may have of blows with a mattock were sufficient determine until a revaluation of the while his coadjutors were busy in the property is made. That is all I care to pit; perhaps it required a dozen. Who

The Case of M. Valdemar. By EDGAR ALLAN POE.

Of course I shall not pretend to consider it any matter for wonder that the courts to assist anyone in taking the excited discussion. It would have been a miracle had it not-especially under in the case of a Nebraska distillery of all parties concerned to keep the afwhich the trust had leased and the fair from the public, at least for the preslessors refused to give up. The court ent, or until we had further opportunities for investigation-through our endcavors to effect this-a garbled or exaggerated account made its way into society and became the source of many unpleasant misrepresentations, and, very naturally, of a great deal of disbelief.

It is now rendered necessary that I give the facts-as far as I comprehend them myself. They are succinctly these: My attention for the last three years had been repeatedly drawn to the submade hitherto there had been a very remarkable and most unaccountable omission-no person had as yet been mesmerized in articulo mortis. It remained to be seen, first, whether in such condition there existed in the patient any susceptibility to the magnetic influence; secondly, whether, if any existed, it was imthe law proceedings been begun. The paired or increased by the condition; whole matter has come about in the thirdly, to what extent or for how long most unprecedented way; not even at a period the encroachments of death the recent directors' meeting here was might be arrested by the process. There were other points to be ascertained, but these most excited my curiosity-the last in especial from the immensely impor-

In looking around me for some subparticulars I was brought to think of my friend, M. Ernest Valdemar, the importance are being attempted by the theca Forensica" and author (under the Polish versions of "Wallenstein" and "Gargantua." M. Valdemar, who has resided principally at Harlem, N. Y. since the year 1839, is or was particularly noticeable for the extreme spareness of his person, his lower limbs much resembling those of John Randolph, and also for the whiteness of his whiskers in hair, the latter in consequence being | ly into the right eye of the sufferer. very generally mistaken for a wig. His temperament was markedly nervous and rendered him a good subject for mes-

meric experiment. On two or three occasions I had put him to sleep with little difficulty, but was disappointed in other results which his peculiar constitution had naturally ance I could accomplish with him nothing to be relied upon. I always attribnted my failure at these points to the disordered state of his health. For some months previous to my becoming acquainted with him his physicians had declared him in a confirmed phthisis. houses in the course construction were It was his custom indeed to speak calmly of his approaching dissolution as

> When the ideas to which I have alluded first occurred to me, it was of course very natural that I should think of M. Valdemar. I knew the steady philosophy scruples from him, and he had no relatives in America who would be likely to interfere. I spoke to him frankly upon the subject, and, to my surprise, his interest seemed vividly excited. I say to my surprise, for, although he had always yielded his person freely to my experiments, he had never before given me any tokens of sympathy with what I did. His disease was of that character which would admit of exact calculation in respect to the epoch of its termination in death, and it was finally arranged between us that he would send for me about 24 hours before the period announced by his physicians as that of his

> It is now rather more than seven months since I received from M. Valdemar himself the subjoined note: My DEAR P-: You may as well come now. D- and F- are agreed that I cannot hold out beyond tomorrow midnight, and I think they have hit the time very nearly.

DENVER, May 23.—On the petition of tion which the brief interval had Mr. Charles Donnelly, Judge Allen ap wrought in him. His face wore a leaden pointed E. R. Hanley receiver of the hue; the eyes were utterly lusterless, and real estate firm of John M. Birkey & the emaciation was so extreme that the

bezzling \$164,000 from that concern, has a certain degree of physical strength.

THE GOLDBUG

palliative medicines without aid—and when I entered the room was occupied in penciling memoranda in a pocket-book. He was propped up in the bed by pillows. Drs. D—and F—were in attendance. After pressing Valdemar's hand I took these gentlemen aside and obtained from them a minute account of the patient's condition. The left lung had been for 18 months in a semiosseous or cartilaginous state, and was of course entirely useless for all purposes of vital-fity. The right in its upper portion was peg nearest the tree—and had the ity. The right in its upper portion was treasure been beneath the 'shot' the also partially if not thoroughly ossierror would have been of little moment, fied, while the lower region was merely

point of the tree, were merely two points for the establishment of a line of direction. Of course the error, however trival in the beginning, increased as we proceeded with the line, and by the time we had gone 50 feet threw us quite off the "But your grandiloquence and your vious days. Independently of the phthiconduct in swinging the beetle—how exist the patient was suspected of aneurvious days. Independently of the phthicessively odd! I was sure you were mad. ism of the aorta, but on this point the osseous symptoms rendered an exact di-

agnosis impossible. It was the opinion of both physicians that M. Valdemar would die about midnight on the morrow (Sunday). It was then 7 o'clock on

Saturday evening. On quitting the invalid's bedside to hold conversation with myself, Drs. D—and F—had bidden him a final farewell. It had not been their intention to ly, almost inaudibly: return, but at my request they agreed to look in upon the patient about 10 the

•When they had gone, I spoke freely with M. Valdemar on the subject of his approaching dissolution, as well as more particularly of the experiment proposed. He still professed himself quite willing and even anxious to have it made and urged me to commence it at once. A male and a female nurse were in attendance, but I did not feel myself altogether at liberty to engage in a task of this character with no more reliable witnesses than these people, in case of sudden accident, might prove. I therefore postponed operations until about 8 the next night, when the arrival of a medical student, with whom I had some ecquaintance (Mr. Theodore L-1), relieved me from further embarrassment. It had been my design originally to wait for the physicians, but I was in-duced to proceed, first, by the urgent entreaties of M. Valdemar, and, secondly,

late is, for the most part, either condensed or copied verbatim

It wanted about 5 minutes of 8 when, taking the patient's hand, I begged him to state as distinctly as he could to Mr. L-l, whether he (M. Valdemar) was entirely willing that I should him in his then condition.

He replied feebly, yet quite audibly, "Yes, I wish to be mesmerized," adding immediately afterward, "I fear you have



subject of his approaching dissolution. While he spoke thus I commenced the passes which I had already found most effectual in subduing him. He was evidently influenced with the first lateral stroke of my hand across his forehead, but although I exerted all my powers no nom de plume of Issachar Marx) of the further perceptible effect was induced until some minutes after 10 o'clock, when Drs. D—and F—called, according to appointment. I explained to them in a few words what I designed, and as they opposed no objection, saying that the patient was already in the death agony, I proceeded without hesitation, exchanging, however, the lateral passes for downviolent contrast to the blackness of his ward ones and directing my gaze entire-By this time his pulse was imperceptible and his breathing was stertorous and

at intervals of half a minute. This condition was nearly unaltered for a quarter of an hour. At the expiration of this period, however, a natural although a very deep sigh escaped the bosom of the dying man, and the stertoled me to anticipate. His will was at no rous breathing ceased—that is to say, its period positively or thoroughly under stertorousness was no longer apparent. my control, and in regard to clairvoypatient's extremities were of an icy cold-

At 5 minutes before 11 I perceived unequivocal signs of the mesmeric influence. The glassy roll of the eye was changed for that expression of uneasy inward examination which is never seen head was very slightly elevated.

When I had accomplished this, it was fully midnight, and I requested the gen- ber of the company in mesmeric rapport tlemen present to examine M. Valdemar's ondition. After a few experiments they admitted him to be in an unusually perfect state of mesmeric trance. The curiosity main with the patient at night, while Dr. F-took leave with a promise to return at daybreak. Mr. L-l and the nurses remained.

We left M. Valdemar entirely undisturbed until about 3 o'clock in the morning, when I approached him and found when Dr. F- went away-that is to say, he lay in the same position. The pulse was imperceptible, the breathing I received this note within half an was gentle (scarcely noticeable, unless hour after it was written, and in 15 min- through the application of a mirror to utes more I was in the dying man's the lips), the eyes were closed naturally, chamber. I had not seen him for 10 days and the limbs were as rigid and as cold and was appalled by the fearful altera- as marble. Still the general appearance was certainly not that of death.

As I approached M. Valdemar I made a kind of half effort to influence his right arm into pursuit of my own, as I passed Co, doing business in the Boston block skin had been broken through by the cheek bones. His expectoration was experiments with this patient I had never perfectly succeeded The pulse was barely perceptible. He | before, and assuredly I had little thought retained nevertheless in a very remark- of succeeding now, but to my astonishable manner both his mental power and ment his arm very readily, although

He stoke with distinctness-took some | tebly, followed every direction I as-

hazard a few words of conversation. "M. Valdemar," I said, "are you asleep? He made no answer, but I perceived a tremor about the lips and was thus induced to repeat the question again and again. At its third repetition his whole frame was agitated by a very slight shivering; the eyelids unclosed themselves so far as to display a white line age a hell, the line moved along

white line of a ball; the lips moved sluggishly, and from between them, in a barely audible whisper, issued the words:

"Yes—asleep now. Do not wake me—let me die so!" I here felt the limbs and found them a rigid as ever. The right arm, as before, obeyed the direction of my hand. I questioned the sleep waker again:
"Do you still feel pain in the breast,

The answer now was immediate, but even less audible that before:

"No pain—I am dying."
I did not think it advisable to disturb him further just then, and nothing more was said or done until the arrival of Dr. F---, who came a little before sunrise and expressed unbounded astonishment at finding the patient still alive. After feeling the pulse and applying a mirror to the lips, he requested me to speak to the sleep waker again. I did so, saying.

"M. Valdemar, do you still sleep?"

As before, some minutes elapsed ere reply was made, and during the interval the dying man seemed to be collecting his energies to speak. At my fourth repetition of the question he said very faint-

"Yes; still asleep, dying." It was now the opinion, or rather the wish, of the physicians that M. Valdemar should be suffered to remain undis turbed in his present apparently tran-quil condition until death should supervene, and this, it was generally agreed, must now take place within a few min-utes. I concluded, however, to speak to him once more and merely repeated my

While I spoke there came a marked change over the countenance of the sleep waker. The eyes rolled themselves slowly open, the pupils disappearing upwardly; the skin generally assumed a cadaverous hue, resembling not so much parchment as white paper, and the circular hectic spots which hitherto had been strongly defined in the center of each cheek went out at once. I use this expression because the suddenness of their departure put me in mind of nothing so much as the extinguishment of a candle by a puff of the breath.

by my conviction that I had not a mo-The upper lip at the same time writhed ment to lose, as he was evidently sinking | itself away from the teeth, which it had Mr. L-l was so kind as to accede to lower jaw fell with an audible jerk, my desire that he would take notes of leaving the mouth widely extended and all that occurred, and it is from his disclosing in full view the swollen and memoranda that what I now have to re- blackened tongue. I presume that no member of the party then present had been unaccustomed to deathbed horrors, but so hideous beyond conception was the appearance of M. Valdemar at this moment that there was a general shrinking back from the region of the bed. I now feel that I have reached a point

make the experiment of mesmerizing of this narrative at which every reader will be startled into positive disbelief. It is my business, however, simply to pro There was no longer the faintest sign | sion, ever since I presented her a box of of vitality in M. Valdemar, and concluding him to be dead we were consigning him to the charge of the nurses when a strong vibratory motion was observed in

the tongue. This continued for perhaps a minute. At the expiration of this period there issued from the motionless and distended jaw a voice such as it would be madness in me to attempt describing. There are indeed two or three epithets which might be considered as applicable to it in part. I might say, for example, that the sound was harsh and broken and hollow, but the hideous whole is indescribable, for the simple reason that no similar sounds have ever jarred upon the ear of humanity. There were two particulars, neverthe-less, which I thought then and still think

might fairly be stated as characteristic of the intonation-as well adapted to convey some idea of its unearthly pe-culiarity. In the first place, the voice eemed to reach our ears—at least minefrom a vast distance, or from some deep cavern within the earth. In the second place, it impressed me—I fear indeed that it will be impossible to make my-self comprehended—as gelatinous or glutinous matters impress the sense of touch. I have spoken both of "sound" and of 'voice." I mean to say that the sound was one of distinct-of even wonderfuly, thrillingly distinct-syllabification. M. Valdemar spoke obviously in reply to the question I had propounded to him a few minutes before. I had asked him,

t will be remembered, if he still slept

"Yes-no-I have been sleeping-an now-now-I am dead." No person present even affected to leny or attempted to repress the unutterable, shuddering horror which these few words thus uttered were so well calculated to convey. Mr. L—l, the stu-dent, swooned. The nurses immediately left the chamber and could not be in duced to return. My own impressions I would not pretend to render intelligible to the reader. For nearly an hour we busied ourselves, silently-without the atterance of a word-in endeavors to revive Mr. L-l. When he came to himself, we addressed ourselves again to an investigation of M. Valdemar's condition. It remained in all respects as I have last described it, with the exception that except in cases of sleep waking, and the mirror no longer afforded evidence which it is quite impossible to mistake. of respiration. An attempt to draw With a few rapid lateral passes I made blood from the arm failed. I should the lids quiver, as in incipient sleep, and | mention, too, that this limb was no furwith a few more I closed them altogether. ther subject to my will. I endeavored I was not satisfied, however, with this, in vain to make it follow the direction but continued the manipulations vigor-ously and with the fullest exertion of the will until I had completely stiffened of the mesmeric influence was now found in the vibratory movement the limbs of the slumberer, after placing of the tongue whenever I addressed M. them in a seemingly easy position. The Valdemar a question. He seemed to be legs were at full length. The arms were | making an effort to reply, but had no nearly so and reposed on the bed at a longer sufficient volition. To queries moderate distance from the loins. The put to him by any other person than myself he seemed utterly insensible, al-

with him. I believe that I have now related all that is necessary to an understanding of the sleep waker's state at of both the physicians was greatly ex-cited. Dr. D— resolved at once to re-and at 10 o'clock I left the house in company with the two physicians and Mr.

though I endeavored to place each mem-

In the afternoon we all called again to see the patient. His condition remained precisely the same. We had now some discussion as to the propriety and feasibility of awakening him, but we had lithim in precisely the same condition as | the difficulty in agreeing that no good purpose would be served by so doing. It was evident that so far death-or what is usually termed death-had been arrested by the mesmeric process. It seemed clear to us all that to awaken M. Valdemar would be merely to insure his instant or at least his speedy dissolution. From this period until the close of last week-an interval of nearly seven months

-we continued to make daily calls at M. Valdemar's house, accompanied now and then by medical and other friends. All nurses' attentions were continual. It was on Friday last that we finally resolved to make the experiment of awakening or attempting to awaken him,

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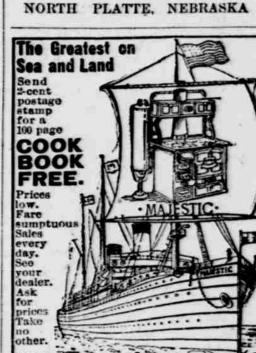
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