

MISS ALCOTT'S PHILOSOPHY.

Author of "Little Women" Wrote that Women Need a Religion.

Letters written at intervals during the last few years of Louisa M. Alcott's life to five "little girl friends," edited by Edward W. Bok, are printed, for the first time, in Ladies' Home Journal.

*** I think you need not worry about any name for your faith, but simply try to be and do good, to love virtue in others, and study the lives of those who are truly worthy of imitation.

Reverence for the Bible. There is a sin prevalent in our households of which we take little note, which, in fact, we encourage either by an indifference to it, or by an active participation in its folly and wickedness.

Religious Liberty. The great triumphant principle of our American Christianity is that it is an independent, self-supporting, self-governing church in a free country.

Knew His Emperor. German policemen appreciate this late majesty business about as thoroughly as anybody.

Wants One More Divorce. Married in 1861, divorced twenty years later, remarried after seven years' separation, Jacob Hoxie, of Sioux City, Iowa, wants another divorce from his wife Bridget.

Ready to Go. A printer 86 years of age died the other day in Franklin, Ind. Having worked at the case for over seventy years, his friends have the comfort of knowing that he was "prepared to die."

A Washington Negro's Specialty. There is a negro in Washington who makes a specialty of stealing hats, and he has become very expert at the business.

Having purchased of J. M. Trout his Shire stallion, "SAXON KING" and his French coach stallion, "QUINAULT, I will stand them during the season at my farm, six miles west and two north of Hemingford. Terms, \$5 to insure. These stallions are too well known to need further description. A. S. ENYEART.

People's Independent County Convention.

The People's Independent electors of Box Butte county are hereby invited to send delegates from the several precincts to meet in convention in the court house at Hemingford on Saturday, July 11, at 11 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of electing six delegates to the state convention to be held at Grand Island July 15, 1896, and to transact such other business as may come before it.

The several precincts are entitled to representation as follows, based on the vote for Samuel Maxwell for Supreme Judge, giving each precinct one delegate at large and one for each ten votes or major fraction thereof.

- Nonpareil 3 Runningwater 4
Box Butte 6 Dorsey 7
Alliance 7 Lawn 4
Liberty 3 Lake 6
Snake Creek 2 Wright 6
Boyd 5

It is recommended that caucuses be held in the several precincts on Thursday, July 9th, at such time and place as shall be announced by the committee.

CLARK OLDS, Chairman. W. J. BRITTON, Sec'y.

DORSEY PRECINCT CAUCUS.

The People's Independent Electors of Dorsey precinct are hereby requested to meet at the court house July 9th, at 2 p. m., for the purpose of electing six delegates to the county convention and transact such other business as may properly come before it.

CLARK OLDS, Committeeman.

F. E. HOLSTEN, Watchmaker and Jeweler, ALLIANCE, NEB. (B. & M. Watch Examiner.) Charges reasonable; satisfaction guaranteed. Orders left at the HERALD office will receive prompt attention.

TUTTLE & TASHI Attorneys - at - Law, HEMINGFORD, NEBRASKA.

ESTRAY. Strayed from my place six miles northeast of Hemingford, the last of March, one iron grey bald-faced mare, weight about 1100. A liberal reward will be paid for recovery of same. A. FELDER.

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Final-Proof-Notices

Hox, J. W. Weins, Jr., Register. Hon. F. M. Broomer, Receiver.

Parties having notices in this column are requested to read them carefully and report to this office for publication by return of mail. This will prevent possible delay in making proof.

U. S. Land Office, Alliance, Neb., June 16, 1896. Notice is hereby given that WILLIAM M. WADE, of Lakeview, Iowa, has filed notice of intention to make final proof before the Register or Receiver at his office in Alliance, Neb., on the 25th day of July 1896, on timber-culture application No. 377, for the e 1/2 n 1/2 s 1/2 s 1/2 sec 35, tp 37 n, r 24 w.

His names as witnesses: John P. Hazard, Charles A. Foster, Gideon A. Dickenson, of Lakeview, Iowa; Samuel H. Wright, of Canton, Neb. Also, notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim at same time and place, viz:

CHABLES K. POBVAR, of Lawn, Neb., one of the heirs of Mathias Povar deceased, who made H. E. 474 for the s 1/2 s 1/2 sec 35, tp 37 n, r 24 w.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon cultivation of said land, viz: Albert Cronpa, John P. Hazard, Gideon A. Dickenson, of Lawn, Neb.; Samuel H. Wright, of Canton, Neb. Also, notice is hereby given that

CARGUS REEVES, of Lawn, Neb., has filed notice of intention to make final proof at same time and place on timber culture application No. 508, for the n 1/2 s 1/2 s 1/2 s 1/2 sec 34, tp 35 n, r 24 w.

He names as witnesses: John J. Lutsch, Henry Winton, John P. Hazard, John Lortcher, all of Lawn, Neb. J. W. WEINS, JR., Register.

U. S. Land Office, Alliance, Neb., June 2, 1896. Notice is hereby given that WILLIAM L. CLAPP, of Fairfield, Iowa, has filed notice of intention to make final proof before L. A. Duffington, U. S. Register, at his office in Chadron, Neb., on the 10th day of July, 1896, on timber culture application No. 819, for the s 1/2 n 1/2 s 1/2 s 1/2 sec 24, tp 35 n, r 24 w.

He names as witnesses: Loyd Haven Powell, Charles W. Minard, Thomas G. Ulyan, of Chadron, Neb.; Charles W. Duran, of Hough, Neb. J. W. WEINS, JR., Register.

U. S. Land Office, Alliance, Neb., May 21, 1896. Notice is hereby given that MATTHIAS SOLBERG, of Clearmont, Wyo., has filed notice of intention to make final proof before Register or Receiver at his office in Chadron, Neb., on timber culture application No. 556, for the S W 1/4 sec. 23, tp 29 n, r 24 w.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: John Barnstead, Peter G. Anderson, of Hemingford, Neb.; Chris Modin, Peter Soderberg, of Dunlap, Neb. J. W. WEINS, JR., Register.

Land Office at Alliance, Neb., May 30, 1896. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before E. S. Rieker, County Judge, at Chadron, Neb., on July 12, 1896, viz:

STEPHEN A. GILLETTE, of Esther, Neb., who made H. E. No. 4257, for the S 1/2 S W 1/4 & W 1/2 S E 1/4 sec 34, tp 32 n, r 24 w.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Charles A. Rieker, James B. Kane, Commodore Willis, Robert Fleming, all of Esther, Neb. Also, notice is hereby given that

HENRY L. FISHER, of Esther, Neb., who made H. E. No. 5478 for the W 1/2 n 1/2 s 1/2 s 1/2 n 1/2 s 1/2 sec. 18, tp 30 n, r 24 w.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: John Soderberger, John E. Gregg, William P. Burton, of Maryland, Neb.; Morrison Bowdard, of Belmont, Neb. Also, notice is hereby given that

LUTHER L. MAXFIELD, of Calloway, Neb., has filed notice of intention to make final proof before Register or Receiver at same time and place, on timber culture application No. 319 for the N E 1/4 sec. 34, tp 28 n, r 24 w.

He names as witnesses: George W. Sparks, James Pinkerton, Jr., Wm. Michael, W. F. Walker, all of Hemingford, Neb. J. W. WEINS, JR., Register.

U. S. Land Office, Alliance, Neb., June 10, 1896. The contestant will procure publication of this notice to be made in some newspaper of general circulation in Box Butte county, Nebraska, for at least thirty days prior to the day of making proof.

Complaint having been entered at this office by David Colvin against John E. Clayton for failure to comply with law as to timber-culture entry No. 828, dated November 10, 1895, upon the n 1/2 s 1/2 s 1/2 s 1/2 sec 27, tp 27 n, r 30 w, in Box Butte county, Nebraska, with a view to the cancellation of said entry, contestant advising that John E. Clayton has not cultivated nor planted trees or tree seeds or caused to be cultivated or planted trees nor tree seeds, only part of said tract since July 1894, and that the part cultivated prior to July 1894 is covered with weeds and grass and there are no trees growing on said land. The said parcel is hereby summarily adjudged at this office on the 24th day of July, 1896, at 10 o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged failure.

F. M. BROOMER, Receiver.

New Spring and Summer Millinery. Hats of various kinds, Trimmings of laces, Ribbons, Flowers, etc., of latest style, and prices to suit the times. Thanking you for past favors, will try to merit a continuance of same. MISS L. ADAMS.

The undersigned will take cattle to herd for the season of 1896, at Fosket's ranch. Terms, \$1, for season, from May 1st to Oct. 15th. E. D. PIPER.

To My Customers:

Our competitors are again in the field, trying to get our customers dissatisfied and demoralized by circulating all kinds of wild-cat stories and nicely gotten up printed matter, with the idea of making them feel that they have made a mistake in not placing their order for "The other fellow's machine."

Now, we address this open letter to you to say that past experience, if remembered teaches us that it is a common practice with most of them to send out handsome printed matter, make a game of smooth talk and many fair promises, in order to have you believe their machine is the only one to buy.

The facts in the case are that you can buy a McCormick Binder or Mower just as cheap in January as you can in June or any other month. McCormick machines are sold at one price at all times, they being all made alike and of the same material, are necessarily worth the same money, hence the company must ask all people the same price.

McCormick makes his own machines; the other companies make theirs. They do not compare notes as to the cost of the different machines, and only do so in relation to the SELLING PRICE and gauge their price by their ability to get orders that we would surely get if they would put the same price on their goods as we do on ours.

Reports from the southern harvest fields are most flattering and encouraging, showing that the competition only did business where we were SHORT OF MACHINES and couldn't fill orders. This convinces us and should convince you, that the McCormick machine sells on its merits and not on price, which is gauged by productions of other manufacturers, and as history usually repeats itself as the harvest moves north, it might be well for you to place your order at once, as we will very likely have to face a shortage in Nebraska and elsewhere.

It might strike you when you need your machine the worst, "First come must be first served." If you have already placed your order, you should feel happy over it and pay no attention to any talk given you by a competitor with the idea of making you dissatisfied with your purchase. Wishing you every success, we remain Yours truly,

W. K. HERNICALL, Agent, AND DEALER IN

General Merchandise.

County Treasurer's Semi-annual Report.

Table with columns: DR., COUNTY GENERAL FUND, Cr., 1896. Rows include: Amount collected to date, Warrants paid, Received on taxes, Sale of county property, Expenses of stamps, etc., Advertising fees collected, Part int. on county deposits, COUNTY BRIDGE FUND, COUNTY AND DISTRICT ROAD FUND, COUNTY ROAD FUND, ROAD DISTRICT FUND, POLL TAX FUND, POOR FARM FUND, GENERAL SCHOOL FUND, DISTRICT SCHOOL FUND, DISTRICT SCHOOL BOND FUND, CITY OF ALLIANCE, CITY OF ALLIANCE WATER BOND TAX, VILLAGE OF HEMINGFORD, VILLAGE OF HEMINGFORD WATER BOND, SALE OF ESTATE, STATE TAXES, SCHOOL LAND PRINCIPAL, SCHOOL LAND LEASE.

TIARA FOR MME. NORDICA.

The Splendid Gift of the Great Singer's Admirers. A beautiful diamond tiara which is to be presented to Mme. Nordica by her admirers among the box and seat holders of the Metropolitan Opera House, has been put on exhibition in New York.

The tiara stands very high in front and the center piece is a remarkably effective specimen of jeweler's work. It is an open, graceful cluster of sprigs and flowers, and contains in all sixty-six diamonds.

The tips of the sprigs contain the largest stones in the tiara, each sprig holding a single stone, and the centers of the conventional flowers are also formed of single stones of large size. The center piece of the crown can be separated from the rest and used by itself as an ornament for the hair.

For this purpose it is provided with a gold comb, which sits at right angles with the front. This comb serves to steady the tiara when the entire jewel is worn. The idea of making a gift to Mme. Nordica is said to have originated among some of her admirers at the Waldorf, but it did not take definite form until Mr. James Otis took it in hand.

He invited the great singer's friends to contribute for the purpose but limited the contributions to \$10 each. The date for the presentation has not been fixed, but it will probably take place on one of the big nights when Nordica sings during the coming supplementary season of opera, which will begin on April 13.—New York Sun.

Preventing Noise of Trains. The peculiar ringing and singing noise made by the running of trains over iron bridges is annoying to many passengers. To do away with this noise a German engineer has devised the following: "He puts a decking of 1 1/2-inch planks between the cross girders, resting on 3-inch timbers laid on the bottom flanges. On the planks a double layer of felt is laid which is fixed to the vertical web of the cross girder. At the connections with the girder a timber cover joint is placed on felt, and two hooked bolts connect the whole firmly to the bottom flange. Four inches of slag gravel cover the decking, which is inclined toward the center of the bridge for drainage purposes. A layer of felt is laid between the planks and the timbers they rest upon and the ironwork in contact with the decking and ballast is asphalted. The decking weighs 600 pounds per yard for a bridge 11 feet wide and costs 23 cents a square foot. It is water tight and has proved very satisfactory in preventing noise."

Menelek Is Sorry. A French physician who visited the Abyssinian king Menelek's camp, in February, writes that Menelek has expressed sorrow at the great bloodshed resulting from the war. The Shoa army was in excellent condition at that time and had been placed under strict discipline, an unusual thing for such troops. They were reported also to have acquired a certain dignity of character and bearing, which had previously been entirely wanting. Old Menelek expressed no doubt as to the final outcome of the war, but stated that he hated the bloodshed, and had only acted on the defensive. He scarcely had any idea of the great slaughter of Italian troops which his soldiers would so soon make.

Would Not Eat the Flag. An Englishman in Washington, dinner declined to eat an ice frozen in the shape and colors of the American flag. This he did because he held it to be bad form to absorb the national emblem. The incident was significant as showing the distinction and difference between the British idea of patriotism and our own. Englishmen in their hats when their flag is carried past, and rise when the national anthem is played in theaters and music halls. No true Briton, in trade or out of it, would use the flag of his country for advertising purposes.—Boston Saturday Evening Gazette.

Are Getting Scarce. Pines are said to be getting exceedingly scarce in the pine tree state. Indeed, it has been advocated that a grove of pines just outside of Augusta, Me., should be purchased for park purposes, in order to preserve a few specimens of what was once the monarch of the Maine forest.

Tommy Agreed with Him. "There are many things in the world to which we must shut our eyes," said the paternal Gibson. "Yes, pa, and soap is one of them," said young Thomas, who had received a "thorough good scrubbing" at the hands of his mother.

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 16th day of June 1896. A. M. MILLER, County Judge.

I, A. M. Miller, County Treasurer, do solemnly swear that the above is a true and correct report of moneys received and paid out, and balances on hand from January 8, 1896 to June 8, 1896 inclusive, as the same appears on the books of this office.

JAS. H. H. HEWITT, County Judge.

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