into the depot at New Haven. Like a only occupied a moment, and immedt- wager with Mr. Randolph would be flash it came to me that the thief might ately afterward both men seemed, like leave the train here. I was about to get up, when to my astonishment I noticed a man sneaking along by the side of the train. I was on the side opposite to that from which the passengers would alight, and the suspicious actions of the man forced me to watch him. He passed so first place, I saw the fellow who hid the close to me that I could have touched satchel at the New Haven depot. Still him had my window been open, and as I obtained but a momentary glimpse of he did so the light of an electric lamp his face and would not have been sure disclosed the fact that he had my of identifying him. I will call your atsatchel. The thief had been robbed already. The man approached a coal bin, and stooping shoved the satchel behind it. Then he returned to the train and elucidate a mystery. Prior to the train

"I said to myself: 'That fellow is an artist. He will remain on board till | a card game, and I conceived the notion the robbery is discovered, if necessary, and even allow himself to be searched. Then he will quietly come back and get the satchel and jewels.' Thus it was my cue to act quickly. But if I left the train I knew that the detective would see me. I therefore gently raised the sash and deftly let myself to the ground out of the window. I quickly took the satchel, ran to the end of the depot, and found a place where I could shove it far under the platform. Then I climbed back into the berth, and after that I assure you I slept very well."

The company applauded this description of how the robbery had been committed, and Mr. Mitchel bowed.

"Wait, my friends; we are not through yet. The woman who had robbed me had the supreme audacity to report her loss, or perhaps we should say that she was so angry that she became desperate. I have reason to believe that she had an accomplice in this man, and that suspecting him of robbing her she would have been willing to give testimony against him if caught and trust to escape herself by turning state's evidence. When we were running in to New York, Mr. Barnes directed that all should be searched. I enjoyed that, I assure you. It seemed so amusing to look in New York for what I knew was in New Haven. At the same time I was anxious to get back to New Haven as quickly as possible. With that end in view I invited Mr. Barnes to breakfast with me. I tried to make it appear that I was anxious to have him agree to be the only detective on my track, but in I really possessed less money than I am reality I wished to discover whether he would be able at once to place a spy at I had taken at the tables on the contimy beels; that is, whether he had a nent. He then admitted that he had a man at the Grand Central already. This I found was the case. I therefore was as good friends, though I do not think obliged to go to my hotel as though having no desire to leave town again, Then subsequently I eluded this man by the convenient bridges across the elevated railroad. I went to New Haven, found the satchel, and then depos-

ited it at a hotel near by for safe keeping. My object in this was plain. I knew that the robbery would get into the news; ers, and that by behaving suspiciously at the hotel-of course, I was disguised-attention would be attracted there. This did happen, and the result was that the jewels were given into the custody of the police authorities, the very safest place for them, so far as I was concerned. Gentlemen, that is the story of the crime which I committed. I have only to show my receipt from the Boston custom house and my bill of sale from the Paris dealer to be able to recover my property. Are you satisfied, Mr. Randolph?"

"Entirely. You have won fairly, and I have a check for the amount with me, which you must accept with my congratulations upon your success."

"I thank you very much," said Mr. Mitchel, taking the check. "I take this because I have immediate use for it, as you will learn directly. Now I must tell you the true story of the other robbery."

At this all were very much astonished. Mr. Thauret appeared a trifle nervous. He placed one hand over the top of his claret glass, and let it rest there a moment, after first having taken a sip

from it. "You all recall the fact that I was sick in Philadelphia," continued Mr. Mitchel, "at the time of the Ali Baba festival. I flatter myself that that was the most artistic thing that I have done throughout this whole affair. Any one seeing me would have been satisfied that I was truly ill, yet, in point of fact, my cough was brought on by drugs administered to me by my physician at my express desire, and for purposes which I had explained to him. I guessed that I had been followed to Philadelphia and took care that I should not be too closely watched, as Mr. Barnes knows. Yet I expected that after the affair Mr. Barnes himself would come to Philadelphia to see me, and my artificially produced illness was to baffle him. But I am anticipating events. After the train robbery the woman was murdered. By what seemed an odd chance she was in the same house where my wife then lived. I knew that I had been followed from the theater to that house on the night of the murder. I knew that other circumstances pointed strongly to my guilt. But I had the advantage over the detective, for I knew that the man who had stolen the jewels from the woman, not finding them when he returned to New Haven, must have been furious. Judging the woman floor, the ruby in her hair would be just described as a creole. Thus at last I got by himself, he would suppose that at at hand, and one who knew its high least it was possible that she had taken them from the satchel herself. Then on that slim chance might he not have returned to the woman, and, admitting the theft of the satchel, have endeavored to make her confess that she still had the jewels? Failing in this, might he not either in a fit of anger or to prevent her from 'peaching,' as they call it, have cut her throat?"

"You are wrong there, Mr. Mitchel," said the detective. "The woman was ret, however, in a moment said: killed while she slept. There was no

struggle." "Even so, we can imagine the sneak going into the house and killing her | el. "But you are wrong to call my susdisturbed, and also to rid himself of a companion for whom he no longer had any need. At least, that was the view that I took of it, and, more than that, I felt convinced that I knew the man: "?

At this moment Mr. Thauret nervously reached forth his hand toward his the position to prove that he is the glass of wine, but before he could get | guilty man. " it Mr. Barnes had taken it up and drained it to the bottom. Mr. Thauret seemed livid with wrath, and a dramatic incident occurred, unobserved by the rest of the company. Mr. Thauret turned toward Mr. Barnes and seemed on the point of making a demonstration, when that gentleman just tipped back his chair slightly, and meaningly exposed to the view of his neighbor the gleaming barrel of a revolver, which he held in his hand below the table. This

the others, simply interested listeners to the narrative.

"When I say that I thought that I knew the man," continued Mr. Mitchel, "I make a statement which it may interest you to have me explain. In the tention now to the fact that very slight incidents sometimes lead the mind into a suspicion, which, followed up, may that the fellow was cheating.

"Within a few days of the robbery I met this man again, on which occasion Mr. Barnes was present, and an interesting conversation occurred. I was standing aside, pretending to be otherwise engaged, but really puzzling over the face of this man, which now seemed to me strikingly familiar. Of course I had seen him at the club, yet despite me there was an intuitive feeling that I had seen him elsewhere also. In a moment I heard him admit that he had been aboard of the train on the night of the robbery, and that he had been the first one searched. Awhile later he offered to wager Mr. Barnes that various theories which had been advanced as to the thief's method of secreting the jewels were all erroneous. This one remark satisfied me that the thief stood before me. I had not then heard of the murder. Now it must be remembered that I was insnared in the meshes of circumstantial evidence myself, so that, besides any duty that I might owe to society, it became of vital importance to my own safety that I should be in a position to prove this man guilty. I formed a rather bold plan. I made a friend of the fellow. I invited him to my room one night and then accused him of having cheated at the card game. He at first assumed a threatening attitude,

but I retained my composure and perhaps startled him by proposing to form a partnership by which we could fleece the rich clubmen. I hinted to him that credited with, and that what I did have 'system,' and from that time we posed he ever fully trusted me. I learned rising, "I am only an ordinary man, from him that his partner in the game following a profession at which some where a caught him cheating was en- are disposed to sneer, but which to me tirely innecent and made him promise seems but the plain duty of one who is not to play with him again, for I had endowed with the peculiar qualities discovered that the detectives had been | that are essential to the calling. Our told of this game, and therefore knew | host would make a magnificent detectthat they would be watching both men | ive, but I suppose he feels that he has when playing cards. I therefore pre- a higher duty to perform. Begging you, ferred to be the partner myself upon then, to forgive my manner of address-

I might win my wager and at the same | Mr. Mitchel I should have been powertime entrap my suspect. I had conceiv- less. ed the Ali Baha festival. I showed Mr. name mixed up in such a transaction. | went across the Atlantic. She knew absolutely nothing of my intentions; though being at the time in

Then I eluded the spy and came on my- to trace that man, even with the aid of self. Mr. Barnes I supposed would be the Paris police. Finally I found him, present, and I had arranged that if so and he told me that he had sold the he would necessarily be in one of the dominos of the Forty Thieves. I had invited my suspect to assume the role of Ali Baba, but he shrewdly persuaded some one else to take the costume, himself donning one of the Forty Thieves' dresses. This compelled me to go around speaking to every one so disguised, and to my satisfaction, by their voices, I discovered my man and also Mr. Barnes, In the final tableau Mr. Barnes, who evidently was watching Ali Baba, attempted to get near him, and by chance was immediately behind my man. Fearing that he would interfere with my plans, I fell in just behind him. My design was to tempt the fellow to steal the ruby, which, if he did, would satisfy at least myself that my suspicions were correct. It was perhaps a mad scheme, but it succeeded. I had so arranged that every one should pass the sultan and make obeisance. In doing this, as my fiancee was seated on the

ed from the house." Mr. Mitchel paused, and silence prevailed. All felt, rather than knew, that a tragedy might be at hand. Mr. Thau-"Are you not going to tell us the

value could easily take it. I fully ex-

pected my man to do this, and I saw

him gently withdraw it. Immediately

Mr. Barnes stepped forward to seize him, but I held the detective from be-

hind, then threw him into the advanc-

ing crowd, and, in the confusion, escap-

name of this sneak thief?" "No," quickly responded Mr. Mitchthat he might search for the gems un- pect a sneak thief. If crime were a recognized business, as gambling in Wall street is now considered, this man would be counted 'a bold operator.' I confess that I admire him for his conrage. But it would scarcely do for me to mention his name, when I am not in

> "I thought you said that you saw him steal the ruby?" said Mr. Thauret. "I did, but as I myself had been suspected of that my unsupported word would be inadequate. Let me tell you what I have done in the matter since. The most important step for me perhaps was to prevent the sale of the gem. This was not difficult, as it is known the world over. I warned all dealers and let my man knew that I had done so. Next, I wished to delay a denonement until tonight, the time when my

settled. I soon discovered that my suspect would not be averse to a marriage with a rich American girl. He questioned me adroitly as to the fortuno which would come to my little sisterin-law, and I replied in such a way that I knew he would bend his energies in that direction. Then I did that which perhaps I should not have done, but I felt myself master of the situation and able to control events. I made a wager with Dora that she would not remain unengaged until tonight, and I stipulated that should she have offers she should neither accept nor reject a suitor, I also told her, though I declined to robbery I had met a man at my club one fully explain how, that she would manight, or rather I had seen him playing terially assist me in winning my wa-

This explains what Dora meant when she asked Mr. Randolph if money would count with him against her love. When she accepted the wager with Mr. Mitchel, she had been feeling resentful toward Mr. Randolph, who, as long as he suspected his friend of the graver crimes, hesitated to become connected with him by marriage. This made him less attentive to Dora, so that she had not thought of him as a suitor when making the bet. When he declared himself, she recognized her predicament and was correspondingly troubled, yet determined to win, and so acted as related.

By this time, though Mr. Mitchel had not mentioned the name of the criminal, several present knew to whom be was alluding. Mr. Randolph said impetnously:

"Then that explains"- Here he stopped, confused. "Yes," said Mr. Mitchel, smiling, "that explains everything that has perplexed you. Be reconciled for the time you have been made to wait, for you sia?" will now not only win the lady, but will recover this check, for I must pass it over to her as a forfeit. Gentlemen,

cess of Mr. Randolph?" This was done in silence. The guests felt a constraint. They knew that more was yet to come and anxiously waited her garments, is that not significant?"

Mr. Mitchel cortinued: "Gentlemen. that ends my story, except that I engaged Mr. Barnes to take up the threads disentangle them if he could. Shall we you could prove it?"

CHAPTER XVIII.

"Gentlemen," began Mr. Barnes, ing you, being by no means a speaker, "Having somewhat won the fellow's I will tell you the little that I have confidence, I was ready for my great | done, prefacing my remarks by saying scheme in baffling the detective so that | that without the valuable assistance of

"There was a curious butten which I Barnes one day the ruby which I after- found in the room where the murder ward presented to my wife. At the same, was committed, and which matched a time I told him that if he should come set owned by Mr. Mitchel so closely to the conclusion that I was innocent of | that it seemed to me to point to him as the train robbery, he might as well re- one who had a guilty knowledge. I member that I would still have to com- spent much time following the clews mit the crime as agreed upon. Then I | that turned up in that connection, all arranged that the festival should occur of which, however, was not entirely on New Year's night, the very day on | misspent, for I discovered the true name which my month would expire. I knew of the dead woman to be Rose Montalthat all this would lead the detective to | bon, and that aided me greatly in my believe that I meant to rob my fiancee, later work. At last, then, I abandoned a crime for which I might readily have the idea that Mr. Mitchel was guilty escaped punishment, with her assist- and frankly admitted this. He then told ance. There he misjudged me. I would | me the name of the jeweler from which not for treble the sum have had her the buttons had been ordered, and I

"The butten which I had was imperfect. This was my starting point. ignorance of the details of the train rob- Through letters of introduction which bery, I left her mind in a condition not | Mr. Mitchel gave me I succeeded in obto offer resistance to the thief, who she | taining the assistance of the jewelers. might suppose to be myself. Then, after | They gave me the name of the man who laying my trap, at the last moment I | had carved the cameos for them, but baited it by asking my flancee to wear | they knew nothing of the imperfect butthe ruby pin in her hair. I went to | ton. They had also lost track of the Philadelphia, and feigned sickness. cameo cutter. It took me over a month



button to a friend. This friend I found after some delay, and he admitted that he had once had the button, but that he had given it to a woman. More time was lost in discovering this woman, but when I did she, too, recognized the

button and said that it had been stolen was the name which she used in France. Under this name it was easier to follow her. I soon learned that she had a companion, of the name of Jean Molitaire. I then easily found that Molitaire had been in the employ of the Paris jewelers as shipping clerk. It was he who had written the two descriptions of the jewels, one of which I found among the woman's effects and the other in Mr. Mitchel's possession. This was a suspicious circumstance, but we know now how it was that the handwriting matched, a fact which had puzzled me greatly. It seems that Mr. Mitchel at one time had bought some valuable papers

and partly to recover the diamonds, which I did, through the dealer."

"So he told me. It was when she received the money from them that she to Mr. Mitchel. This clerk, of course, knew of the transaction, because he distinctly, said: packed them for shipment. Then he must have persuaded the woman to accompany him across the Atlantic, with the design of stealing the gems from Mr. | moments?" Mitchel as soon as he should take them from the custom house. This is seen | el, marveling at the man's nerve. The from the fact that three days after the others resumed their seats, all except H. Longley.

shipment this man resigned his position, and from that time all trace of both the man and the woman in Paris is lost."

the detective, who stood just back of

"I will trouble you to fill my glass,

make a statement. Society, the civilized

society of today, frowns upon and pun-

ishes what it terms 'the criminal class.'

Yet how many have ever examined

into the existing state of things and

analyzed the causes which make the

criminal a possibility? The life of such

immoral it would be otherwise, of

course. But if one be born immoral,

self or the antecedents, including both

illegitimate methods. But you will say,

the detective, and thus while speaking

to him attracting his attention, so that

unnoticed he dropped a small white pel-

let into his glass of wine, "that I work-

ed for the jewelry house. Well, what-

ever I am I have aimed to be artistic.

as Mr. Mitchel admitted of me a few

honest living I blinded the keen eyes of

suspicions have been cast in my direc-

tion, conviction has always been impos-

sible. So now, while pretending to ex-

plain to you all, I have explained noth-

ing. I simply designed to prevent con-

viction of the crimes charged against

With a swift movement he drained

his wineglass, though Mr. Barnes at-

tempted to prevent him. In ten min-

THE END.

Looking For Trouble.

interested in coincidences to discover

them on all sides. Resolve to record all

you are a writer, with a keen sense for

effects of such coincidences-is it strange

that you should meet with more of them

than your prosaic neighbor, to whom

they would be trivial and dull? If you

ments and of regarding them as signifi-

cant, is it strange that they should be-

come more and more frequent, and that

among the many some should be vaguely

suggestive or even directly corrobora-

I know of persons who detected the

gradual growth of such habits in them-

selves and wisely decided to check the

tendency before it became pernicious.

They began to neglect them or act in

the teeth of them, and I am unable to

discover that they have fared worse than

those who religiously honor and obey

these premonitions. - Robert Grant in

A Flea Works the Hammer.

hammer which should be complete in

that the hammer could be raised by a

At Essen, Germany, in the great

tive of actual occurrences?

It is only necessary to become deeply

me, as I do, thus."

ntes he was dead.

his prisoner.

"From which you deduce that they followed the jewels?" said Mr. Mitchel. "Of course. The man and woman separated here to avoid suspicion. By a trick the woman obtained possession of apartments in the very house where your intended lived, while Molitaire stopped at the Hoffman, which, of course, is very near your own hotel. As soon as you went to Boston they followed and registered at the same hctel. You obtained the jewels from the custom house, and they entered your room a man is not so inviting that one would and robbed you during your absence. Your theory of the murderer's actions after the jewels were recovered by you is probably correct. He went back to hunt for them, hoping that she had not | who is to blame? The individual him-

placed them in the satchel or rather that she had taken them out of it, since you yourself placed them there. I think there is no point left unexplained."

"Pardon me," said Mr. Thauret, "I think you are wrong. You have not to my mind quite connected this manwhat did you call him? Jean Molitaire, was it not? Well, I do not see that you have traced his hand to the crime." "I think that I have," said Mr. Mr. Barnes," turning for a moment to Barnes.

"You do not make it clear to me," said Mr. Thauret, as coolly as though discussing some question in which he had but a passing interest. "You say that your Montalbon woman noticed this Molitaire when she sold her diamonds. Later that both were missing from Paris. The woman turned up in New York, but how do you prove that the Paris police, so that, though many Molitaire did not go to-let us say Rus-

"No," said Mr. Barnes, "he did not go to Russia. Suppose that I should tell you that I ferreted out the fact that this shall we drink to the health and suc- name Molitaire was but an alias, and that the man's true name was Montalbon? Then, when we remember that the woman's name had been cut from all This speech made a mild sensation, but Mr. Thauret remained unmoved. He replied calmly:

"All things are significant-how do of evidence which I gave him and to you interpret this fact, supposing that

"This Molitaire was really the dead woman's husband. They quarreled that come to hand, and they seem to many years ago, and she went to New multiply until you can regard yourself Orleans, where she kept a gambling as providentially favored in this direchouse, having learned the trade from tion. If your calling develops a taste him. When they met again in Paris, for matters of this kind—for example, if she recognized him. Then, when the fellow conceived the idea of following the literary possibilities and dramatic the jewels, it suited his purpose to effect a reconciliation so that he might use the woman as a tool. After the murder it would be to his interest to hide the name of Montalbon by cutting cultivate the habit of having presentiout the marks on the woman's cloth-

"Pardon my pursuing the argument," said Mr. Thauret, "but I find it entertaining. You surprise me, Mr. Barnes, at the ready way in which you read men's actions. Only are you sure you are right? Suppose, for instance, that the woman had cut out the marks herself long before, at some time, when she was using an alias, then your fact would lose some of its significance, would it not? Circumstantial evidence is so difficult to read, you see! Then, having lost that link, where do you prove Molitaire or Montalbon guilty? Being the woman's husband is no crime

in itself." "No," said Mr. Barnes, deciding that the time had come for an end of the Krupp gun works, which are situated controversy. "Being the woman's hus- at that place, there is a hammer that band does not count in itself. But when | weighs 50 tons. This hammer works in I procure in Paris the photograph of connection with an anvil weighing 80 Molitaire, left by accident in his room | tons, which, in turn, is placed on an at his lodgings, and when I recognize anvil block weighing 120 tons. Professthat as the same man whom Mr. Mitch- or Schumann, a "trained flea man" of el suspected and trapped into stealing Bern, Switzerland, visited Essen and the ruby, and when upon my return to the great war machine works a few New York I find that ruby upon that | years ago. Upon returning home he set very man and recover it, then we have about making a model of the great some facts that do count."

"You recovered the ruby?" said Mr. every detail, but on such a minute scale Mitchel, amazed. "Here it is," said Mr. Barnes, hand- flea instead of by a 100 horsepower ening it to Mr. Mitchel. Mr. Thauret bit | gine, as in the original. In its completed his lip, and by a strong endeavor re- state this wonderful miniature model,

tained his self control. "Mr. Barnes," said Mr. Mitchel, "I am sorry to disappoint you, but this is not my ruby," "Are you sure?" asked the detective

with a twinkle in his eye. "Yes, though you deserve credit, for, though not the ruby, it is the stolen stone. I have a complete set of duplicates of my jewels, and in making my little experiment I did not care to bait my trap with so valuable a gem. I therefore used the duplicate, which is this. But how have you recovered it?"

"I have been in New York for sever-

in the train robbery." an artist. Then I am indebted to you ventions. Among other things that he after all for recovering the stone? But

tell us how did you accomplish it?" Therefore I felt certain that he would that it was practicable,"-Philadelphia himself adopt this method. When the Ledger. conversation this evening reached a point where it was evident that all would be disclosed, the man, who is present, dropped the ruby into his glass from the Montalbon woman, paying her of burgundy, where it would be out of with diamonds and recommending her | sight and easily recovered or swallowed. to his Paris jewelers to dispose of Later he at ampted to dispose of it in this way, but I quickly drank his glass "That," said Mr. Mitchel, "was of wine, the ruby thus passing into my partly to get her out of this country mouth. And now, Mr. Montalbon, I arrest you in the name of the law." Saying which the detective put his hand nal. upon Mr. Thauret's arm. The other guests jumped up, excited and expectnoticed Molitaire. It was not long after | ing a scene. To the astonishment of all, that the second set of jewels were sold | Thanret remained quiet for a few moments, and then, speaking slowly and

"Gentlemen, we have heard several stories here tonight. Will you listen to mine and suspend judgment for a few "We will hear you," said Mr. Mitch-

-frame, hammer, pulleys, etc. -weighs but 11/2 grains! The hammer and anvil are both of solid gold, the pulleys Ger-

man silver and the framework platinum. A flea, trained by Mr. Schumann, the maker of the model, will, at the word of command, hoist the hammer to the top of the frame, where it is automatically set free, descending in precisely the same manner as the monster after which it was modeled. -St. Louis Electric Light at Half Present Cost. Professor William D. Marks, speak-

al days. I have devoted myself during ing of Mr. Edison's visit to this city, that time to a personal watch upon said: "He does not think of letting up Montalbon. Yesterday, to my surprise, on his work. He told me that now that he went to police headquarters and beg- he was through with the ore concenged for a permit to inspect the stolen | trator process he purposed to return to jewels, saying that through them he the laboratory and push electricity as might throw some light upon the mys- far as he could. During the last year or tery. His request was granted, Suspect- so, while busy with the ore concening treachery, I subsequently obtained trator, many thoughts and ideas as to a similar permit, and investigation with improvements in the various forms of the aid of an expert showed that the electrical machines and uses had occurbold scoundrel had handled the jewels, red to him, but he had simply made a and so managed to change the imita- note of them and put the matter aside tion stone which he stole at the festival until his return to the laboratory. Some for the real one in the set which figured of them that he mentioned to me were startling. If he lives a few years longer, "By Jove," said Mr. Mitchel, "he is the world can be sure of many new inwill follow up he mentioned the fact that he had thought out a means of pro-"I overheard Montalbon once say that ducing incandescent light at half of its a wise thief would keep a stolen article present cost. This is a very important upon his person, so that it could not be matter, needless to say. He says he had discovered without his knowledge. experimented enough to satisfy himself

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age on said premises. Dated North Platte, Neb., Jan'y 8th, 1896. OBA E. ELDER, A. S. BALDWIN, GEORGE MCALLISTER,

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. LAND OFFICE AT NORTH PLATTE, NEB.,) January 4th, 1896. 5 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 the Register and Receiver at North Platte, Nebraska, on February 11th, 1896, viz:

JOHN L. McGREW, who made Homestead Entry No. 16,899, for the east half of the southeast quarter and the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter and the southeast quarter of the southwest quarter section 30, township 16 north, range 29 west. He names the follow ing witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of, said land, viz: Lewis ORTH PLATTE, - NEBRASKA. C. Elliott and Enoch Cummings, all of North Platte, Neb., Robert J. Minzie, of Myrtle, Neb., and William T. Macrander, of North Platte, Neb. JOHN F. HINMAN,

January 7th, 1896. Complaint having been entered at this office by Abigail E. Purnish against the heirs of Mordica C. Furnish deceased, for failure to comply with law as to Timber-culture entry No. 7658 dated October 27th, 1885, upon the south half of the Northeast quarter of Section 19, Township 9 N., Range 29 W., in Lincoln county, Nebraska, with a view to the cancellation of said entry, contestant alleging that there has never been any land broke out or cultivated in any of the years since the land was taken and that no trees have been planted on said land; the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 27th day of February.
1896, at 2 o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged failure.

JOHN F. HINMAN Particular

JOHN F. HINMAN, Register NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. U. S. Land Office, North Platte, Neb., January 7th, 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 the Register and Receiver at North Platte, Neb., on February 21st,

JOSEPH W. STUMP. who made Homestead Entry No. 16050 for the Northeast quarter of Section 12, Township 11 N., Range 30 W. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and culti-vation of said land, viz: Acton D. Orr, of North Platte, Neb., Clifton C. Dawson, DeWitt W. Van Funeral Director. Brocklin and Martin VanBrocklin, all of Watts, JOHN F. HINMAN, Register

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