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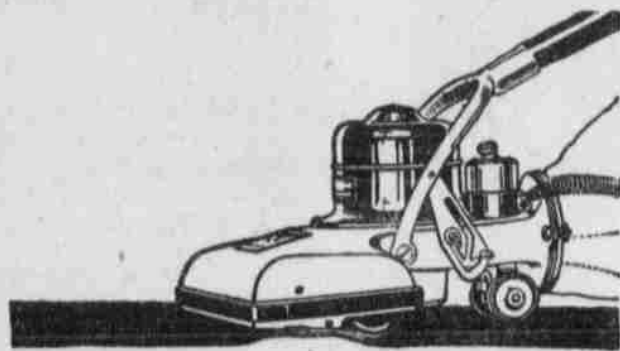
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EDWARD S. MARTIN, who is never happier than when writing about children, had a characteristic article in the Metropolitan Magazine entitled "Christmas and Children." In the course of his lines Mr. Martin introduces a suggestion that is extremely unpleasant, but he clears it away delightfully. He says:

"Consider, if there were to be a lapse of new babies for even so short a time as ten years, Santa Claus would fade out of active existence and become a mere tradition to be read about in books. A failure of the infant crop for fifteen years would result in the decay of the habit of hanging up stockings, and only antiquarians would any longer take the trouble to have Christmas trees. Of course, in such an unthinkable contingency as that our world would be in such a desperate state of dejection that it would have no fun, though it would go through the motions of existence from habit. But the kind of Christmas keeping we are used to would be knocked on the head. That lasts simply and solely because there are children. The people who have the children maintain the current Christmas practices for their children's sake, the older children maintain them for their own sake, and the folks who have no children keep them up for old times' sake and because it is the custom of the country.

"What an intolerable suggestion that is, of there being no children to be had under fifteen years old; no babies to blink and coo at the Christmas tree candles; no five-year-olds to come downstairs in their nightgowns after their stockings; no seven-year-olds to wake up everyone in the house hours before breakfast; no ten-year-olds to sit at the Christmas board and be warned against over-indulgence in plum pudding. No consuming interest in dolls and no market for them; no laborious searching of the toy shops, and harassing indecision whether to get the same old toys or the new ones; no active concern about jack knives and sleds and roller skates. No having in—but it is much too awful to go on about. Let us be devoutly thankful that it is only an awful idea without basis; that there are lots and lots of children in commission, of all kinds and ages, and myriads more coming, whatever croaks there may be about rice suicide."

Plum Pudding of Other Days.

A great deal has been said, written and sung about the plum pudding of old England, but centuries ago it had a formidable rival for epicurean favor known as plum-pottage or porridge. It consisted of beef or mutton made into a broth, thickened with brown bread, which was then thoroughly boiled after raisins, currants, prunes, cloves, mace and ginger had been added. This dish is now entirely obsolete, though "Poor Richard's Almanac" mentions it as late as 1750, and a Mrs. Frazer, who published a cook-book in Edinburgh in 1791, announcing herself on its title page as the only teacher of the great art of cookery in that city, gives a recipe for making it, while Brand, the popular antiquary, tells how he partook of it at a Christmas dinner in the mansion of an old English gentleman in 1801, but it has long since been wholly supplanted by plum pudding. The origin of the latter is veiled into obscurity. The earliest cook-book which makes any reference to it is the one by Mrs. Frazer already referred to as containing a recipe for plum pottage.

Christmas Eve in the Home

CHRISTMAS EVE in the home is always a jovial event, or should be. The father has closed his ledger with a "Thank God" that there is now and then a respite from toil, from the perplexities and cares of everyday life, an oasis in the desert of the year, and yields himself for the time to the pleasure of creating new joys for the loved ones at the home fireside. The mother's heart overflows with love and thankfulness as she watches the innocent and enthusiastic glee of her little ones over their Christmas gifts. And as for the children themselves, what eternity of time could compensate them for the loss of one Christmas?

Well Led.

Mary and Robert, of tender age, had ponies as their Christmas presents and were being taught to ride. Daily they were put on the ponies' backs at the entrance to Central park in New York, and were taken for the prescribed round. Being only four and six years respectively, they welcomed the kind attentions of groomers, especially the immense help of leading the pony. But it was best that they should go it alone.

Near by the plaza entrance, of course, is the famous equestrian statue of General Sherman, with victory going before his horse. Mary, after being for a long time without a groom to lead, one day looked wistfully at the statue.

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NOTICE OF PETITION.
Estate No. 1791 of Henry Wightman deceased in the County Court of Lincoln County, Nebraska.
The State of Nebraska, To all persons interested in said Estate take notice that a petition has been filed for the Probate of the Estate of Henry Wightman whom it is alleged is dead—he having been missing from his home for more than seven years and the appointment of Wesley B. Wightman as Administrator of said Estate, which has been set for hearing herein on January 4th, 1921 at 9 o'clock A. M.
Dated December 11th, 1920.
Wm. H. C. WOODHURST,
D14-3wks County Judge.

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NOTICE OF TAKING UP ESTRAY.
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Dated this 18th day of Nov. 1920.
Signed: A. E. MOORE.



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NOTICE OF CHATTEL MORTGAGE SALE.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a chattel mortgage executed by Sam Hawkins on the 4th day of May 1920, on one gray horse mule, ten years old, one brown mare mule, 10 years old, one Ackerman wide-tire wagon and one set double work harness, I will on Tuesday, Jan. 4th at 11 o'clock on my place 14 miles northwest of North Platte offer for sale said above described property. There is now due on said mortgage together with the expense of up-keep to Jan. 4, \$132.50 and said mortgage is filed in the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, Nebraska, in the city of North Platte.

Dated this 10th day of Dec. 1920.
HENRY O. WAYMAN,
Owner of Mortgage.

CHANGE OF ROAD NO. 195.

To whom it may concern:
The special commissioner appointed to locate a road as follows: Commencing on the northline of Section 5 and 6 and thence going south to main road running north and south about 100 rods between 5 and 6 on section line, has reported in favor of the same as follows:

Beginning at a point in the center line of Road No. 195, about 70 feet south of the corner to Secs. 5 and 6, T. 12, N. R. 28, W. of 6th P. M. on the 2nd standard parallel north, running thence south on line between said sections 5 and 6 about 33 chains to connect with Station 3 of Road 195, provided however, that the parties owning the land on both sides of this change grade the road and fill the channels, place the necessary culverts, free of charge to Lincoln County which they agreed to do, and provided further that said parties build extension of 20 feet to the north of present concrete bridge near Station 3 of Road 195 to make travel safe, all parties having objections thereto of claims for damages by the establishment of said road must file same in the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, North Platte, Nebraska, on or before 12 o'clock noon of the 16th day of February, 1921.
Dated at North Platte, Nebr. this 6th day of December, 1920.
A. S. ALLEN,
(SEAL) County Clerk

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

Estate No. 1786 of Richard L. Graves, deceased in the County Court of Lincoln County, Nebraska.
The State of Nebraska, ss: Creditors of said estate will take notice that the time limited for presentation and filing of claims against said Estate is August 1st, 1921, and for settlement of said Estate is December 15th, 1921; that I will sit in the county court room in said county on February 1st, 1921 at 9 o'clock A. M., and on May 1st, 1921, at 9 o'clock A. M., to receive, examine, hear, allow or adjust all claims and objections duly filed.
All claims not filed on or before August 1st 1921 will be forever barred.
Wm. H. C. WOODHURST,
D14-4 wks County Judge

NOTICE.

Estate No. 1746 of Rudolph Thanel, deceased in the County Court of Lincoln County, Nebraska.
The State of Nebraska, to all persons interested in said Estate take notice that the Administrator has filed a final account and report of his administration and an application for order setting off Homestead to widow, which have been set for hearing before said court on January 7th, 1921, at 10 o'clock A. M., when you may appear and contest the same.
Dated December 13th, 1920.
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NOTICE OF PETITION

Estate No. 1790 of James Babbitt, deceased, in the County Court of Lincoln County, Nebraska.

The State of Nebraska. To all persons interested in said Estate take notice that a petition has been filed for the probate of an instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of James Babbitt, deceased, and for the appointment of Eunice Babbitt as Executrix of said estate, which has been set for hearing herein on December 24, 1920, at 9 o'clock a. m.

Dated November 27, 1920.

(SEAL) WM. H. C. WOODHURST,
93-3wks County Judge.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an order of sale issued by the District Court of Lincoln County, Nebraska, upon a decree of foreclosure rendered in said court, wherein Anna Voss is plaintiff and Clyde M. Trotter, Mena Trotter, his wife, and L. E. Mehlman, as Trustee in Bankruptcy of Clyde M. Trotter, Bankrupt, are defendants, and to me directed, I will on the 31st day of December, 1920, at two o'clock P. M. at the east front door of the court house in the City of North Platte, County of Lincoln and State of Nebraska, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash to satisfy said decree, interest and costs the following described property, to-wit: all of Lot Ten (10) of Block Two (2) of Riverdale Addition to the City of North Platte, Nebraska, subject to a certain mortgage to the Nebraska State Building and Loan Association, which is recorded in Book 47 at page 149 of the records of Lincoln County, Nebraska.

Dated at North Platte, Nebraska, November 29, 1920.

A. J. SALISBURY,
803431 Sheriff.