IN OCTOBER.

There's a breath in the air as of April hedgerows,
A gleam of the gold of the cowslip's hair,
A sound as of wings of unnumbered sparrows,
Whirling in clouds through the drowsy air.

I hear the ripple of rivers flowing,
The coo of doves on the sun-drenched eaves,
The lisp of the grass in the orchard blowing,
The rustle and drip of the maple leaves.

A veil lies over the harbor's glory;
Through its folds the ships loom pallidly,
Like the ghost-manned barques of some old world story—
Phantom ships on a phantom sea.

There's a crown on the hills of the sun's bestowing;
Like drops of amber the elm leaves cling;
They are blossoms—not apples—the soft grass strewing—
'Tis no autumn day, but the spring, the spring!

WON BY GOLDEN-ROD

And all over upland and lowland,
The charm of the Golden-rod;
Some of us call it Autumn,
And others call it God.

"Our Nell's just about bad," they told him as he passed on his way to work. They shook their heads, and, catching his lengthening look, their own faces fell still further, in unconscious imitation.

When Nell was in good health, they had been apt to laugh at his undisguised devotion to her. But now, shaken by fear, cut adrift from their habitual unquestioning trust in a vaguely realized Providence, they found an unexplained relief in handing on their apprehensions to one who was safe to feel all they were feeling, with some possible addition of his own—companions in adversity being the absolute need of their natures.

If there was anything he could do. His expressive eyes implored their consideration of him with regard to any humblest sphere of usefulness as he lingered on the worn doorstep.

They certainly considered, but for the moment nothing came to them, to their obvious regret. For although a possible son-in-law, as even a lover for Nell, he had not attracted them—had not greatly, as it seemed, attracted Nell—yet in times of sickness, as her mother said, there was no telling what might come in handy, and they decided to leave the question an open one.

In the meantime, at her own suggestion, Ivy, a 5-year-old plant, rode home with him aloft on his wide shoulder. It'll be one less to make a noise," he suggested timidly.

The next night it was three less, the two youngest boys inviting themselves, fired by Ivy's account of her supper and the glorious freedom of Joe's cottage.

"Might as well all come as likes, was his next suggestion, and Nell's cramped little home was cleared of all the younger and noisy members of the family, at least for the hours he could claim as his own.

But Joe's ambition included a daily present for Nell herself, and that took some thinking out. Who could tell him how best to convey his strong heart's tender pity for a loved and stricken lass by means of the few things at his command?

Since the nearest town was a train journey distant and all his evennigs were occupied, he was restricted to the produce of his garden—or, at best, of the village shop. As fresher, he generally made it garden produce; thus, beans and marrows formed his love-tokens while they lasted, with still more homely first-fruits to follow.

"For Nell," he would say, with a basket of potatoes. "Tell her they're fresh dug."

No one told him that in typhoid fever, vegetables, however fresh, are

His Daily Offering.

forbidden dainties, and not for fear of hurting his feelings, but because there were others who could eat them and were glad to.

Nell grew better, but she did not seem to understand. "The great gawk might have known as I couldn't eat his old garden stuff!" she would laugh while her laugh was still feeble. "If he thinks he's given me anything, I shall undeceive him pretty sharp. Cabbages, indeed—and me at death's door!"

Then, at last, came a Saturday afternoon when Nell, frail and white, but looking prettier than ever before with the refining touch of illness to soften her rather too pronounced good looks, took a walk in the direction, as it chanced, of Joe's cottage.

This was the longest walk she had taken, and, forced to move very slowly, she had plenty of opportunity for looking about her; was able to see Joe coming along, for once, before he saw her; Joe tidied up and carrying his daily offering—a huge bunch of goldenrod instead of the customary cabbage; Joe with a long face and hesitating gait, for, as a substitute for cabbages, he thought but poorly of the flowers himself.

The afternoon sunshine lit up the great bunch of goldenrod; lit up Joe's face behind it. His hair where his cap allowed it to be seen, was the color of the flowers; his face was radiant with the smiles the sight of Nell always brought to it. Until he reached her and turned to walk at her side—then it fell.

"You out so far and me with nothing better to mark the day for you than these poor flowers!" he complained. "Wild 'uns, too. It does seem contrarylike."

"I'm a bit wild myself, times," said Nell, with her feeble laugh; "so perhaps, 'tisn't so unsuitable as all that."

But Joe could not bear a word said against Nell, even by Nell herself.

"Your're no wild 'un," he declared. "Sweetest girl ever stepped. Dear heart, I can't have you be-calling yourself. Goldenrod they names this stuff, and if it was the real thing—real gold, with no rod to it—then I should feel

"I Knew Better Than That——"

some right to ask you what will out, whether or no. 'Tis seeing you so well does it. Nell, for I know the rough fellow I am—what a poor sort for a pretty girl like you. And I've seen you laughing at me often enough. But for love, you couldn't squeeze more love, Nell, out of any one human heart than there is in mine for you."

He stopped short, then shook the flowers in his big fist vindictively.

"If these were golden sovereigns all, that would bring home a little nearer to being worthy of you, may be." A foolish something caught him by the throat, and his next words came in a strangled, altered voice.

"If they were sovereigns all, would it—could it make any difference, Nell? 'Tis a senseless question, but could it."

"No," was Nell's whole answer—an unaccustomed monosyllable.

"If you could even like me, Nell," he pleaded.

"I do," said Nell. "I've told you that before."

"Could liking ever grow to love?"

"Why not?"

At last he looked at her, and stood aghast at what it seemed, he saw. His face grew red under the tan, his blue eyes stared distractedly, the flowers fell from his nerveless fingers. Though he plainly tried, he could not speak.

Defeat, refusal, he had expected and had trained himself to bear. But the unexpected had unmanned him, and in a hot and palpitating silence did Joe, the awkward, meet the astounding fact that, after all, it was not refusal that awaited him.

Nell caught at a branch of the golden-rod as it fell, and twirled it in her thin fingers.

"I've always liked you; it's only my way to laugh," she said. "There's nothing in it. Like as not I'll laugh at you up to my dying day; but if you take me, you'll find that there's no harm in that—that it won't prevent me being a good wife and loving you.

"When it changed to love I don't know rightly, but—but I know, when you brought all those cabbages and things for the others to eat up and me never to see, I used to wish they was something I might hold because it came from you, and—and I hated the thought of cabbages, till I half thougnt I hated you.

"But when I saw you coming along with that great yellow bunch and the sun on your face making it shine like a sun behind it, and looking so strong and bright, I knew better than that—"

But Joe had found his speech. "Lord, how I love you!" he cried, as his strong arms went round her.

"That's all I want," said Nell. "Yet, I think, if you'd come this time with a cabbage, I should have refused you."

"Then bless the flowers!" laughed Joe. If he could not wholly understand such an attitude, he was content to disregard what his mind would not grasp—while his arms grasped Nell—Sketch.

Earliest Known Manuscript.

The earliest extant manuscript of the Hebrew Old Testament is a copy of the Pentateuch, now in the British museum, and assigned to the ninth century, and the earliest manuscript bearing a precise date is a copy of the prophets, at St. Petersburg, dated A. D. 916, while the majority of the manuscripts belong to much later periods.

THE SPICE OF LIFE

MERRY JESTS SURE TO BRING LAUGHTER.

Birth Certificate Not Always Necessary to Ascertain a Woman's Age—New Meaning of an Old Phrase—Was Still in the Family.

Crusoe's Comment.

"What! Is this Mr. Crusoe?" inquired the newly arrived shade. "Well, I declare, but I am glad to see you!"

"Thank you," smiled the shade of Crusoe. "Perhaps you could give me some news of the world you have left. You know I once acquired the habit of wondering what was going on, and never have got over it."

"Oh, there's nothing particularly new," answered the newcomer, "except that a ship captain reports that your old island is overrun with lobsters."

"Ah!" muttered Crusoe. "And so they have begun running excursions to my old familiar haunts at last."—Judge.

Fair Warning.

The voice at the telephone was a roar.

"Hello, central!"

"Hello!" replied the soft voice.

"Give me Main 99,999. And, say, central, he's the agent of this flat I'm living in. I'm going to ask him what's the reason we don't get any steam heat. Please take your ear away from the 'phone while I am talking to him."

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The Innocent Girl.

"What nonsense all this is about men getting on their knees when they propose!" said Mrs. Parslow to her dear friend. "My husband didn't do any such absurd thing when he asked me to marry him."

"He did when he proposed to me," said the dear friend, without thinking.

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Spoiled, but Not by Her.

He (chuckling over a job of teakettle mending)—Maria, I believe there was a good mechanic spoiled when I went into the shipping business.

His wife—I don't know about that, but you spoiled a good bachelor when you got married.—Stray Stories.

Testimonial Writers.

"Do you subscribe to the theory that people's characters are made by what they eat?"

"No," answered the scientist; "but judging from the advertisements I should say that in many cases their reputations are made by the medicines they take."

He Knew Her.

Mrs. Powers—Thomas, if you were to live your life all over again, and if it came to the matter of choosing a wife, do you think you would choose me?"

Mr. Powers (submissively)—There's no doubt about it, Maria, provided you wanted me.

He "Drew" Well.

"How does your son draw in his political campaign?" asked the stranger.

"Purty heavy," replied the old man. "He drawed on me yesterday for $100, and I'm expecting another draw by next mail."

Positive Proof.

Emma—Do you know how old Hilda is?

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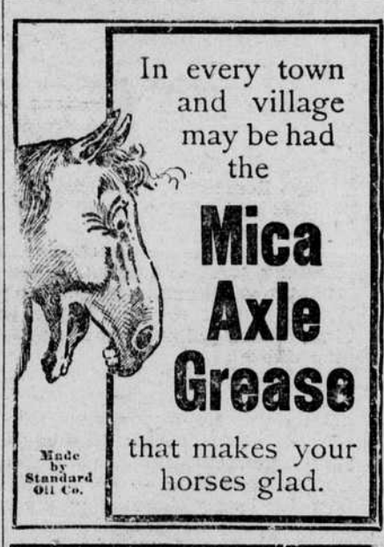

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, Land Office at O'Neill, Nebraska, October 27, 1902.

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 O'Neill, Nebraska, on December 5, 1902, viz:

MARION A. WHALEY, H. E. No. 15056, for the s½se¼, s½sw¼, Sec. 24, T. 30 N., R. 11 W

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

F. E. Thurston, of O'Neill, Nebr., S. Simonson, of Agee, Nebr., Martin Hurley, of O'Neill, Nebr., Wm. Spengler, of O'Neill, Nebr.

S. J. WEEKES, Register.

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SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an order of sale directed to me from the clerk of the district court of Holt county, Nebraska, on a judgment obtained before the clerk of the district court of Holt county, Nebraska, on the 20th day of August 1902, in favor of the County of Holt as Plaintiff, and against Daniel McDonald, Jane McDonald, his wife real name unknown, Kemper Hunoley & McDonald Dry Good Company and the Uuknown owners of Lots 11 block 49 in McCaffertys Addition to the City of O'Neill Nebraska, as Defendants for the sum of Eighty three and 82-100 dollars and Cents, and the costs taxed at $35.38 and accruing costs. I have levied upon the following real estate taken as the property of said defendants to satisfy said order of sale, to-wit:

Lot Eleven (11) in Block Forty-nine (49) in McCaffertys Addition to O'Neill Nebraska.

And will offer the same for sale to the highest bidder for cash, in hand, on the 5th day of January, A. D. 1903, in front of court house, in O'Neill, Holt county, Nebraska, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m., of said day, when and where due attendance will be given by the undersigned.

Dated at O'Neill, Holt county, 4th day of December, 1902.

C. E. HALL, Sheriff of said County.

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NOTICE OF SALE.

Notice is hereby given that on the 14th day of February, 1903, at 2 o'clock p m. of said day, the undersigned will sell for cash at his house in Paddock township on section 25, township 31, range 11, the following described property to-wit: One chestnut sorrel mare about 7 years of age, and one colt, bay color, three years of age, to satisfy his lien for the keeping, care and feeding of said horses from the 1st day of April, 189, up to date of same. The undersigned claims there is due him the sum of $59.00 under a contract with the owner, Charles Spangler, which amount is reasonable, just, due and unpaid and notice is further given that on the 7th day of January, 1903, the undersigned filed in the office of the county clerk of Holt county, Nebraska, a notice of said lien together with his affidavit of the amount due for the keeping of said property.

CHARLES WREDE.

School Land Auction.

The following described lands in Holt county will be offered for lease at public auction at County treasurer's office on Monday, February 9th, 1903, in O'Neill, Nebraska, commencing at 2 p m. Terms of leasing and appraised value may be had on application to Commissioner Public Lands and Buildings' office, Lincoln, Nebraska, or to County treasurer. These lands may be redeemed if delinquent interest and costs are paid before said land is leased at auction

520 acres. North ½ North East 16-6-11 80 acres; NorthWest North East and South East North East and South West North East, North ½ North West, South East North West, North East South West, South West South West 16-25-12 320 acres. North ½ South West South East South East 36-26-12 120 acres; North West North East and South ½ North East 26-33-12 120 acres; all 16-31-14 640 acres; South ½ South East 36-30-16 80 acres.

GEO D FOLLMER, Com. Pub. Lands & Bldgs

NOTICE.

To Handerkan Neboff, widow, S. M. Bunnell and wife, Mrs. S. M. Bunnell, first and full names unknown, C. H Toncray and Mrs. C H. Toncray, first and full names unknown, Nelson Toncray, widower, and the County of Holt, defendants,

You and each of you will take notice that Michael Lyons as plaintiff has filed his petition in the district court of Holt county, Nebraska, against you and each of you, the object and prayer of said petition being to foreclose a certain mortgage executed by the defendant, Handerkan Neboff to Showalter Mortgage company and now owned by the plaintiff upon the northwest quarter of section twenty-five (25,) township twenty-seven (27,) range twelve (12,) west of the Sixth P. M in Holt county, Nebrask, said mortgage being given to secure the payment of her promissory note of August 1, 1889, for $575, due five years after date. Plaintiff alleges that there is due him upon said note and mortgage the sum of $1 00 for which sum with interest from this date he prays for a decree that the defendants be required to pay the same or that said premises be sold to satisfy the amount found due.

You are required to answer said petition on or before the 9th day of March 1903

31-4 R. R DICKSON, Attorney for Plaintiff.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an order of sale, directed to me from the Clerk of the District Court of Holt county, Nebraska on a judgment obtained before the Clerk of the District Court of Holt county, Nebraska, on the 28th day of June, 1902, in favor of Charles E Gibson as plaintiff, and against Eustus W Nichols, Paulina Nichols, Cholo C Ranson, ——— Ranson, first and real name unknown, and Thomas H McCoyur, as defendants for the sum of One Thousand Forty-five Dollars and no cents and costs taxed at $27 43 and accruing costs. I have levied upon the following real estate taken as the property of said defendants to satisfy said order of sale to-wit:

The east half (E½) of the northeost quarter (NE¼) of section thirty-two, (32) and the south half (S½) of the northwest quarter (NW¼) of section thirty-three, (33) all in township twenty-six (26) north of range thirteen (13) west of the Sixth P. M., in Holt county.

And will offer the same for sale to the highest bidder for cash, in hand, on the 2nd day of March, A. D., 1903, in front of court house, in O'Neill, Holt county, Nebraska, at the hour of 10 o'clock, a m., of said day, when and where due attendance will be given by the undersigned.

Dated at O'Neill, Holt county, 28th day of January, 1903.

31 5 C. E. HALL, Sheriff of Said County.

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NOTICE

To Patrick Cannon, William R. Parks and wife, Mrs. William R. Parks and Solomon Hirsh.

You and each of you will take notice that Charles VanGorder has begun an action in the district court of Holt county, Nebraska, to foreclose a mortgage given on the southeast quarter of section twelve (12), township twenty-nine (29), range fourteen (14), west of the 6th, P. M. in Holt county, Nebraska, by Patrick Cannon to secure his note of $300 dated May 9th 1893, and upon which here is now due the sum of $150 with interest at ten per cent from May 1st., 1899. Plaintiff alleges that he is the owner and holder of said note and mortgage and that the same are lost and prays for a foreclosure of the same and that the defendants be required to pay said amount or that said premises be sold to satisfy the amount found due the plaintiff and for other equitable relief. You are required to answer said petition on or before the 30th day of March, 1903.

34-4 R. R. DICKSON, Attorney for Plaintiff.

SALE OF PUBLIC LAND.

Department of the Interior, United States Land Office

O'Neill, Nebraska, Feb. 25, 1903.

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of instructions from the Commissioner of the General Land Office, under authority invested in him by Sec 2455, R. S. U. S., as amended by the act of February 26, 1895, we will proceed to offer at public sale on the 22nd day of April, next, at this office, the N W ¼ S W ¼, sec 28, T 31 N., R. 12 W

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described land are advised to file their claims in this office on or before the day of sale, otherwise their rights will be forfeited.

35-4 S. J. WEEKES, Register

NOTICE.

To H. N. McKee and wife, Mrs. H. N. McKee, W. D. Mathews, Mrs. W. D Mathews, Hugh E Coen and Mrs. Hugh E. Coen, Nebrask Mortgage and Invest ent Company, Charles P. Wright and Mary C. Wright, defendants.

You and each of you are hereby notified that on the 24th day of February, 1903, G. A. Hamilton began an action in the District Court of Holt County, Nebraska, against you, the object and prayer being to foreclose a certain real estate mortgage upon the northeast quarter of section thirty-five, township thirty-two, range ten of Holt county, Nebraska, given by Tom Crowe to Nebraska Mortgage Investment Company, to secure his note of $400 due August 1st, 1893. Plaintiff alleges that he is the owner of said note and mortgage and there is due him thereon the sum of $1000 and prays for a decree that the defendants be equired to pay the same or that said land be sold to satisfy said debt and for other equitable relief.

You are equired to answer said petition on or before the 6th day of April, 1903.

R R, DICKSON, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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NOTICE.

To Samuel L. Knapp, Julia A. Minor, widow, R. J. Fisk and the unknown heirs of Mary J. Doolittle, deceased, L. G. Doolittle, and husband ——— Doolittle, defendants.

You will each take notice that on the 28th day of January, 1903, Charles VanGorder, plaintiff filed his petition in the district court of Holt County, Nebraska, against you and each of you, the object of said action being to foreclose a certain mortgage executed by the defendant, Samuel L. Knapp to the plaintiff upon the southeast quarter of section two, (2), township twenty-nine (29), range fourteen (14), west of the 6th P. M., in Holt county, Nebraska, to secure the payment of his note of $300.00, dated May 8th, 1893, and due May 1st, 1898, and upon which there is now due the sum of $235 for which sum with interest from this date plaintiff prays for a decree that the defendants be required to pay the same or that said premises may be sold to satisfy the amount found due and for other equitable relief.

You are required to answer said petition on or before the 6th day of April, 1903.

R. R. DICKSON, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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LEGAL NOTICE.

To Jeremiah Lynch and Mrs. Jeremiah Lynch her real name unknown, William H Smith trustee, John Doe real name unknown, and Thomas H Morris, non-resident defendants: You are hereby notified that on the 20th day of February, A. D. 1903, Guy A. Hamilton, Plaintiff, filed his petition in the District Court of Holt county, Nebraska, against you and others as defendants, to-wit: Jeremiah Lynch and Mrs. Jeremiah Lynch her real name unknown, William H. Smith trustee, and John Doe real name unknown, Thomas H. Morris, Valley Cattle Co. a corporation, Frank M. Tyrrell, Edwin S. Ives, Ida C. Ives, his wife, the object and prayer of which petition is to foreclose a mortgage deed made, executed, and delivered on the first day of March, 1888, by Thomas H. Morris as mortgager, to C. H. Toncray, mortgagee, upon and conveying the property described as follows, situated in the County of Holt and State of Nebraska, to-wit: The northwest quarter of section thirty-six in township twenty-seven north, of range fourteen west of the 6th P. M., and which was given to secure the payment of a promissory note for the sum of Seven Hundred Dollars, with interest at the rate of 7½ per cent per annum, which note was due and payable on the first day of March, 1893, according to its terms, on which note there is due the sum of $1,234.9, that plaintiff is now the legal owner of said note and mortgage. And for said sum with interest and costs the plaintiff prays for a decree that the defendants be required to pay the same, and that in default of such payment, said premises may be sold to satisfy the amount found due.

You are required to answer said petition on or before the 6th day of April, A. D. 1903.

Dated February 26, 1903.

GUY A. HAMILTON, Plaintiff.

35-4

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF HOLT COUNTY, NEBRASKA

Order to Show Cause.

In the matter of the estate of Isaac T. Martin, deceased.

Now on this 21st day of February, 1903, this cause came on for hearing upon the petition of Adelia S. Martin, executrix of the estate of Isaac T Martin, deceased, praying for license to sell the north east quarter of section twenty-six (26), township thirty (30), range nine (9), west of the 6th P. M. in Holt county, Nebraska, for the purpose of paying the debts allowed against said estate and the costs of administration amounting to the sum of $8,150, there not being sufficient personal property to pay the said debts and expenses. It is therefore ordered that all persons interested in said estate appear before me at the court house in the city of O'Neill, Holt county, Nebraska, on the 6th day of April, 1903, at ten o'clock a. m., to show cause why a license should not be granted to said executrix to sell so much of the above described real estate of said deceased, as shall be necessary to pay said debts and expenses.

Dated this 21st day of February, 1903.

J. J. HARRINGTON, Judge of the District Court.

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ROAD NOTICE.

State of Nebraska, County of Holt, ss.

To all whom it may concern:

The commissioner appointed to locate a road commencing at the south west corner of section 34, 29, 16, in Holt county, running thence north six miles to the north east corner of section 3, 29, 16, there to terminate has reported in favor of the establishment thereof, and all objections thereto or claims for damages must be filed in the County Clerk's office on or before noon of the 11th day of December, A. D. 1902 or such road will be established without reference thereto.

20-4 E. S. GILMOUR, County Clerk.