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the State of Nebraska, and others:

The above named defendants, Emil Shultz Peter Connelly, Kate Connelly, and A. C. Pennock, first name unknown, will take notice that on the 15tk day of November, A. D. 1888, the above named plaintiff, John L. Farwell, filed his petition in the District Court of Lancaster county, Nebraska, against said defendants, the object and prayer of which is to foreclose a certain morigage executed by the defendant Emil Shultz to the plaintiff, John L. Farwell, upon the northwest quarter of section numbered twenty-six (26), in township numbered seven (7), north of range numbered five (6); east of the 6th P. M., in Lancaster county, Nebraska, to secure the payment of two certain promisory notes, dated January 1, 1883, One for the sum of \$800 and the other for the sum of \$500, the latter falling due January 1, 1883, and the former January 1, 1883, with annual interest at 8 per cent per annum on each, and that there is now due and payable and due on said notes the sum of \$2,235.65, for which sum the plaintiff prays for a decree that defendants be required to pay the same, or that said premises tiff prays for a decree that defendants be required to pay the same, or that said premises may be sold to satisfy the amount found due. You and each of you are required to answer said petition on or before the list day of December 1888 ember, 1888. Dated November 15, 1888.

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CAPT. ISAAC BASSETT.

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Recollections of a Man Who Has Been Among the Statesmen for, Lot These Many Years-Stories of Webster, Clay, Calhoun, Jackson, Johnson and Others.

[Special Correspondence.] WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.-This holiday month brings to a remarkable man two remarkable anniversaries. Two weeks ago Capt. Isaac Bassett completed the fifty-seventh year of his service in the United States senate, and now he cele-United States' senate, and now he cele-brates his golden wedding. This extra-ordinary career, which bids fair to run on a decade or two yet, is all the more notable from the fact that in all these fifty-seven years Mr. Bassett has been absent from his post in the senate cham-ber but twenty days. Capt. Bassett is the one living link between the great senators of the past and the senators of the present era. He dates back not only to Douglas, Sumner, Toombs, Chase and Fessenden, but to Daniel Webster, Henry Clay, John C. Calhoun and Thomas H. Clay, John C. Calhoun and Thomas H. Benton. Indeed, it was Webster who secured his appointment as a senate page. That was in December, 1831. Capt. Bassett has been in the employ of the senate continuously from that day

Capt. Bassett is the tall, handsome, graceful old man with the flowing gray locks and patriarchal beard who sits at the left of the president of the senate, on a floor a little lower than that occupied by the presiding officer, with his eye on the pages, and with the senate chamber and all its ceremonials and arrangements under his immediate charge. It is he who has borne the senatorial mace before more than a dozen presidents-elects as they marched down the center aisles on inauguration day. It is he who has pre-sided over all the solemn ceremonials at the state funerals in the senate chamber for thirty years. It is he who often at the closing moment of a session of con-gress climbs up and turns back the hands of the big senate clock that a few pre-cious moments may be stolen in which to confirm a nomination coming post haste from the hands of the president of the United States, or to save a measure of importance which needs but the concurrence of the senate to give it life.

Capt. Bassett carries in his breast a greater number of secrets concerning the habits and personal relations of public men since 1830 than any other person now living, and though he is not disposed to give many of these secrets to the public I found him a most entertaining talker and charming host when I called on him at his home a few blocks distant from the Capitol.

Mr. Douglas was still another man who used to be rather cross. The trouble with Mr. Webster and Mr. Douglas was they visited the Hole in the Wall too often."

"Tell me about that hole in the wall."

"Well, it was one of the famous institutions of our early days. I'll give you a full history of it—something that has

old, my father had charge of the senate chamber, the old senate hall now occu-



me. He said to Isaac, I am going to make a speech

CAPT. BASSETT. want you to come and tell me how you liked it. I remem-ber that debate very well. Such a scene I CAPT. BASSETT. have never since witnessed in the senate. The chamber was so full it would have been impossible to crowd another man or woman into it. I say woman because in those days the ladies of the senators were admitted to the floor, chairs being placed for them between the desks. On this day they were crowded in so thick that in going in front of some of the ladies I stepped on the toe of a senator's wife and hurt her corn so that she cried aloud in pain. All the people in that part of hall looked around at her and at me, and you may imagine how sorry I was, and what an impression the incident made on my mind. I must have hurt the poor woman dreadfully, for whenever I went near her during the day she looked at me reproachfully, and there was an expression of pain on her face; but she would not leave the hall while Mr. Webster was speaking, nor did any one else. Of course I was not old enough to be a judge of oratory, but it seems to me I have never heard such speaking since.

"I was in the senate all that winter, and the next December Mr. Webster took me on his lap one day and asked me how I would like to be a page. That was about the happiest moment of my life, but I remember that I made a great effort and tried not to appear too eager. At that time there was but one page in the senate, and Mr. Webster had some difficulty in convincing the other senators that another one was needed. He told them a page was needed on each side of the hall, one for the Whig senators and one for the Democrats, and finally carried his point. The pay of a page was then \$1.50 a day, and some of the senators thought it a little extravagant to hire another, but finally yielded. Now we have sixteen pages at \$2.50 a day, besides the private secretaries for each

"Then you are not so very old, after

"No, I am not as old as I look. That s on account of my gray hair. I am only 68, and expect to stay in the senate at least ten or a dozen years yet, unless they turn me out. I don't believe they will if I behave myself, and I am now too old to learn any new tricks. My hair has been gray a good many years, and I blame Mr. Webster for that. One even-ing about dark, while I was still a page, he called me to him in the senate and told me to get a carriage for him. I went out and looked all around for a carriage, but there was not one in sight. There were not so many carriages in Washington then as there are now. I went down to Pennsylvania avenue, but not a carriage could I see. So I went back and said: 'Mr. Webster, I can't find a carriage anywhere.' He raised his two arms high in the air, looked at me in an awful way, took hold of my shoulders and gave me a shove which nearly sent me off my feet. 'Go and get me a carriage,' he thundered, 'and don't show your face to me again unless you have one again unless you have one again.

comparisons. I make it a rule never to say anything about senators. But I can say that there has been a change in the manners of our public men. They used to be more dignified and courtly than they are now. Perhaps we had greater senators in those days—it seems so to me—but we have two or three now who would compare forwardly with the best would compare favorably with the best them. I think Senators Sherman and Edmunds are more like the old time senators. Mr Calhoun was like Web-ster, in that he was sometimes very cross and at other times very affection ate. Andrew Johnson was one of the most uniformly kind and considerate men we ever had in the senate. So was Mr. Conkling, notwithstanding his general reputation for austerity. I never saw Mr. Conkling anything but polite and courteous to everybody, and he was particularly so in his demeanor toward the employes of the senate. In my book of reminiscences I mean to do justice to Mr. Conkling. Mr. Toombs was another senator I used to be a little afraid of though of course. to be a little afraid of, though, of course I was a man grown when he came to the senate. I think the most sensational incident I ever saw in the senate was when at the outbreak of the civil war Mr. Toombs flung his arms wildly about him, cried out at the top of his voice, 'Good-by, senators, good-by. Igo, never to return,' and strode out of the hall. And he didn't come back neither, though he could if he had wanted to.



CAPT. BASSETT AT HIS POST.

distant from the Capitol.

"Yes," said the patriarch, "I have been employed in the senate fifty-seven years, but I have really been there longer than that In 1830, when I was only 10 years old my feet. was sergeant-at-arms away back in the thirties, that it would be a good thing to have a little luncheon set near by the the ball, where hungry senators could run out and get a bite to eat. So Beall's to the senator stook a liking to me. Among them was Daniel Webster. The very morning of his great speech in reply to Haynehe took we on his knee and fondled was the recommendation of the cotting and the place became very popular. Then somebody suggested to Beall that there ought to be a bottle of whisky there, and after the whisky had been more than the recommendation of the rotunda and on the east side of the corridor. Soon he added pickles, nuts, salads and on the east side of the corridor. Soon he added pickles, nuts, salads and such little delicacies, and the place became very popular. procured there came a demand for gin, me pleasantly: rum, brandy, wine and all sorts of Isaac, I am going things. In a little while the place to make a speech today, and when no bar, of course, not even a sideboard, the bottles and demijohns being set in rows on the shelves. For a long time the senators used to go in there and help themselves to whatever they wanted, and the expense was run in under the contingent account as horse hire or some-thing like that. After a time the stock got so large and popular that it was no uncommon thing to see a dozen senators and their friends in there drinking and having good times. The little room, not more than twelve or fifteen feet in diameter, and taking its name from the fact that it was simply a hole in the wall, lighted by only one window, was often badly crowded and a good deal of confusion resulted in the arrangement of the stock, so that the senator who had a favorite brand of liquor had much trouble in finding it. Thus it became necessary to put a man in charge, and after a time the expense became so great that it was not easy to work it off in the contingent account. Then the senators were re-

> the senate moved into its present cham-ber in 1859. It is a good thing, I'm thinking, that the walls of that dark little room are dumb!" Here Capt. Bassett drew from his pocket a gold snuffbox, which the sen-ators presented him on the fiftieth anni-

quired to pay for what they got, and

of the Hole in the Wall fell off very rapidly.

But it was kept up till some years after

versary of his appointment as a page.
"I learned snuffing," he said, "from
Henry Clay. In handling the snuff box
for him I fell into the habit of taking a pinch now and then, and have never quit. Mr. Clay was an inveterate snuff taker. Dozens of times a day he used to motion to me to get the snuff box which we then kept on a little stand near the vice president's desk. More than once did he stop in the midst of a speech and becken to me for the box, not continuing till he had taken a good pinch in his leisurely way. I have seen him pause in a speech, walk down the aisle, which, perhaps, was so crowded that ladies would have to get up to let him pass, go to the little stand, get his pinch of snuff, and then return to his seat before resuming his speech. One day I asked him:
"'Mr. Clay, why don't you bring your own snuff box?"

"Til tell you why," he replied. If I were to bring my box here I'd have it on the desk in front of me all the time, and being thus tempted I'd take too much snuff. Now I can't get it without troub-ling you boys, and, as I don't like to do that, you see I use it in moderation.'

"And your book of reminiscences?" "I am working at that now. I have a big box full of memoranda, and a writer is helping me put this mass of material into shape. I had originally intended bringing out my book at the end of fifty ears' service, but now I intend waiting three years and making it an even three score years in the United States senate." That will surely be a book worth read-walter Wellman.

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