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## CASE RAYLES VS. RAYLES IN PLAINTIFF'S FAVOR

Defendant Given Alimony by the Judge to the Amount of One Thousand Dollars.

### CASE HAS BEEN IN COURT FOR A VERY LONG TIME

Plaintiff and Defendant Had Been Married Something Like Twenty Years.

After lengthy arguments by Judge Sullivan of Broken Bow and Byron Clark on the other side and Matthew Gering on the other, Judge Travis today handed down a decision in the celebrated Rayles vs. Rayles divorce case.

The controversy was between Jacob Rayles and his wife Adelia, and was brought by Mr. Rayles to terminate litigation which was begun in Custer county some years ago.

A suit was brought for divorce in Custer county and the matter litigated before Judge Hostetter, who after listening to the witnesses dismissed the suit and advised the parties to patch up their differences and dwell together in harmony if possible. The parties had been married about 20 years, Mr. Rayles being sixty and Mrs. Rayles forty at the time of their marriage. They were married in this county, Mr. Rayles having lived in Greenwood, and owned an eighty acre farm near by. After the marriage they removed to Custer county and accumulated several farms which have since become quite valuable.

When the disagreement arose between them, Mr. Rayles divided his land among his children, also deciding his wife an eighty which had been a part of their homestead in Custer.

The wife was not satisfied with this division, and started the litigation which was dismissed by Judge Hostetter.

Mr. Rayles later returned to Cass county and took up his home at Greenwood again, and a few months ago began the suit for divorce. The case was hotly contested in the trial some weeks ago, and was continued for argument, which was begun yesterday before Judge Travis. After the arguments were completed the Judge decided that plaintiff Mr. Rayles was entitled to divorce, and gave the widow \$1,000 alimony.

The court taking the view that the litigation should be ended, rendered his decision for the plaintiff.

After disposing of the Rayles case the case of Davis vs. Davis suit also for divorce was taken up and decree granted the plaintiff. The plaintiff in this case resided in Weeping Water and brought his action for divorce on the grounds of desertion and extreme cruelty. The court was adjourned this evening finally for the term. The next term to commence February 14. Judge Travis departed for Omaha to visit his brother I. F. at the hospital, expecting to go to Nebraska City tomorrow to hold court.

#### Indians to Have Pow Wow.

The Red Men will give a club dance at the Coates Hall Saturday evening next, to be given under the auspices of the new dancing club lately organized in connection with this progressive order.

The new club was organized last Friday evening with the following hustling braves as officers: Anton H. Koberk, President; Henry Tams, Vice President; Jos. Libershall, Record keeper; Frank Marks, Treasurer; John Thomas and others as braves.

The club gives its initiatory dancing party Saturday evening January 8th. The committee on reception will make everybody welcome and you can go and have an enjoyable evening with the Indians, and not be in the least danger of being scalped.

The club is planning to have the best of music, the Jacodi orchestra of Omaha, a well known musical combination has been secured for the occasion. Everyone will be made welcome.

#### Reported Quite Sick.

Uncle Nicholas Halmas, the prominent German farmer residing a few miles west of the city is reported quite dangerously sick, although the attending physician says that there is no immediate cause for alarm. The news came in over the phone that Mr. Halmas had died, but the rumor was afterwards denied and at 4 p. m. yesterday the doctor said that he was out of danger.

#### A Slight Altercation.

Yesterday afternoon a banker and a lawyer and Ed Brantner got mixed up in a slight misunderstanding, at the latter's place of business on the corner of Main and Third streets. It is said that the breath of one of the parties was mostly taken away by the sudden turn of affairs. The controversy arose over the suit of the bank and Mr. Gering and the deposit of Mr. Brantner at the bank.

### MR. LARKIN DELIVERED AN INTERESTING LECTURE

In the Class Room of Y. M. B. C. at the Methodist Church.

Last night at the basement of the M. E. church Mr. Larkin delivered the first of the series of winter talks to the Y. M. B. C. to a good sized audience.

The subject of the discourse was "What Are You Worth" and the speaker brought out in vivid words the pith of his subject. He gave the definition of life and the interpretation of life in the words of the "Great Teacher" Christ.

Mr. Larkin gave a most interesting lecture, dividing the activities of life into the sub heads: Work, Pleasure, Growth and Religion. He dwelt on the theme that all there was in life that was really worth striving for was a good character, that no matter what comes accumulations of wealth were, unless character was maintained and developed the individual would be poor in reality.

The next address will be next Monday evening and given by Rev. Austin. His subject will be Wit and Humor, and Rev. Austin is a master in this line.

The young men are adding to the comforts and beauties of their room, having just purchased a fine rug, and some attractive pictures, all of which lends an atmosphere of home to the surroundings.

## ANOTHER OLD SETTLER DIES

Mrs. Elizabeth Snyder passes Away at the Home of her Daughter.

WAS WIFE OF ONE OF CASS CO. PIONEERS

Most Esteemed Woman and Loss Will be a Great One to Friends and Relatives.

Mrs. Elizabeth Snyder the widow of the late William Snyder died this morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Chas. Jean, a mile west of Mynard. Mrs. Snyder was one of the pioneers of this county having resided here over fifty years.

She was a native of Virginia and was married in her native state William Snyder, Dec. 22, 1855. Mrs. Snyder's maiden name was Miss Elizabeth Beverage. About two years after her marriage together with her husband she immigrated to Scott county, Iowa arriving in that state and county in September 1857. Two years afterward they came to Plattsmouth which was then a very small village, arrived in this county May 13th 1859. For a time her home and that of her husband was in this town, afterward they occupied a farm of A. B. Taylor but only a short time before when Mr. and Mrs. Snyder purchased a farm and removed to it. Three children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Snyder, Peter, who died in infancy, Amanda now the wife of Charles Jean, and George W. the well known Cass county farmer and stock raiser.

The deceased was a consistent member of the U. B. church, and was a kind neighbor, dutiful wife and a loving mother and will be sincerely mourned by a large circle of friends.

The funeral will occur at the U. B. church south of this city, Friday afternoon, the procession will leave the residence of Mr. Jean at 1 o'clock.

#### New Reporter.

The Daily News is glad to announce that it has secured the services of Mr. J. E. Douglass who will act as reporter for the paper. Mr. Douglass is well known in this city and having had experience in newspaper work we think that we can assure the public that the local end of the paper will be well taken care of. M. S. Briggs, who has been acting temporarily in that capacity will be the representative of the News-Herald company out through the county, taking subscriptions, collecting and in a general way looking after the best interests of the paper.

### THE SCOTT-DENSON CASE IS FINISHED.

Hearing Before Judge Beeson Today Proves to be Interesting.

Yesterday afternoon the county court was occupied with the trial of the case of Glen Scott vs. J. R. Denson, constable. The suit was in replevin and grew out of the levy of an execution by Constable Denson issued out of Judge Archer's court on a judgement recovered by Alf White for something like a hundred dollar store bill against Glen's father, Walter Scott. Glen is a minor and makes his home with his parents and in the course of the last three or four years has accumulated quite an amount of personal property. In fact the homestead where the Scott family resides is owned by Glen, but the fact of his minority and that he was a member of the family, led counsel for Mr. White to believe that the property that Glen was using was his father's, and so the execution was directed to be levied on the wagon and harness in the possession of Glen at the time but believed to be his father's.

The matter was hotly contested on both sides, Attorney A. L. Tidd ably conducted the plaintiff's side of the case while Judge A. N. Sullivan looked after the interests of Mr. White.

## WAY DOWN IN OLD MISSOURI

Copy of Sale Notice Discovered By J. C. York in an Old Hut.

AN INTERESTING OLD DOCUMENT

Tells the story of Life Down in the Land Where people are Shown.

Last month when J. C. York was travelling around in the wilds of Missouri he stumbled onto an old hut which looked as if it had been deserted for many years. On going inside he found among other things a copy of an old paper dated in 1851 in which was a notice of sale which is very interesting reading. Following is the notice, the names given for various reasons being fictitious:

**PUBLIC SALE.**  
State of Missouri, County of Pike. To whom it may concern:  
The undersigned will on Tuesday Sept. 29, A. D. 1851, sell at public auction for cash on premises where Coon creek crosses the old Mission road, the following chattels to-wit:  
6 yoke of Oxen with yoke and chain.  
2 waggons with beds.  
3 nigger wenches.  
4 buck Niggers.  
3 niggers.  
3 nigger boys.  
2 prairie plows.  
23 steel traps.  
1 barrel of pickled cabbage.  
1 hoghead of Tobacco.  
1 lot of Nigger hoes.  
1 spinning wheel.  
1 loom.  
3 fox hounds.  
1 lot of Coon and Skunk skins.  
And a lot of other articles. Am going to California. John Doe, Richard Roe, Crier.  
Free head cheese, apples and hard cider.

#### Mrs. Barwick Injured.

This morning while Mrs. J. W. Barwick was shaking a rug while standing on her porch, her feet slipped backwards and the unfortunate lady plunged forward into the deep snow, alighting on her head and shoulders. No one was near whom she could call for assistance, and being so badly injured that she could not stand, the injured lady was compelled to crawl on her hands up the steps into the house. She managed to get to the telephone and call in a neighbor who summoned Dr. Cummings. The doctor hurried to the scene of the accident and found Mrs. Barwick in a bruised and almost helpless condition. Upon examination the doctor thinks that no bones were broken. It was certainly a close call as the distance which she fell was over six feet.

## MARTIN W. DIMERY TALKS OF BANK GUARANTEE LAW

Private Secretary to Ex-Governor Geo. B. Sheldon Has Some Experience With It.

WAS FORMERLY AN ADVOCATE OF THAT SYSTEM.

Denounced the State Republican Convention in 1908 for Not Adopting Resolution.

Martin W. Dimery, formerly private secretary to ex-Governor George B. Sheldon came up from Oklahoma last week and after seeing the workings of the state bank guarantee law in that state seems to have changed his mind. It will be remembered that when the republican state convention which met in Lincoln in 1908 voted down a resolution favoring the passage of a law of that kind that Gov. Sheldon opposed the action of the convention very strongly. In this he was ably seconded by Mr. Dimery. Since that time Mr. Dimery has moved to Oklahoma and has had a chance to see the workings of the law and has come in personal contact with it. The following from Lincoln explains his position and why he has changed his ideas on the matter:

Lincoln, Jan. 3—Martin W. Dimery, private secretary to former Governor Sheldon, who is heavily interested in banking affairs at Tulsa, Okla., while here visiting friends today announced himself as opposed to the law to guaranty bank deposits, and Mr. Dimery made up his mind after having experience with the Oklahoma law.

"The law is fundamentally wrong."

#### Has Hand Injured.

A day or two ago Gust Kopp who is employed in the boiler shop at the Burlington shops had the misfortune to have the index finger of his left hand badly smashed by getting it under one of the hammers. Mr. Kopp says the injury is very painful and he walked the floor Tuesday night. He will be off duty for a time.

#### Visit Relatives.

Cecil L. Thomas and wife departed this morning for Rapid City, South Dakota, where they will visit J. C. Wilcox, a cousin of Mrs. Thomas for three weeks. Cecil is a grand son of ex-Senator Samuel Thomas. Mr. Thomas and wife do not expect to find more snow at Rapid City than at Plattsmouth.

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Make it for us; and we have it in a number of good weaves; grays and dark colors. A gentleman's overcoat.

Many other styles to show you; all weaves; \$10 to \$30. Suits in all the best models, \$10 to \$30; all fabrics all-wool.

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## January Clearance Sale

### 1-8 to 1-2 Off

**When we say it, We do it.**

Men's good wool pants	Clearance price . . . . .	\$1.39
Men's good wool suits	" " " " " " " "	\$6, \$8, \$10, \$12, and \$14.78.
Men's good wool overcoats	" " " " " " " "	\$5, \$8, \$11, \$14 and \$18.
Men's good wool shirts	" " " " " " " "	95c
Men's good wool sox	" " " " " " " "	19c

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