

**Some Very Curious Names!**

A clerk in the Sub-Treasury has made a practice for many years to keep a record of the odd names on drafts passing through his hands. He has got together a thousand curious names. They are of all nationalities, and were it not beyond question that they are or have been born by living persons it might well be believed that they were purely fictitious.

There is, for instance, a great variety of familiar things represented by Winter Green, Josiah Calico, H. Sudds, S. H. Stocking, Pitzer Coop, N. Vineyard, Andrew Wind, E. Coward, J. C. Spray, L. Coldwater, J. S. Oyster, Little B. House, Nicholas Million, J. Smallwood, A. Littlewood, Kittenhouse, Wodehouse, Henry Staff, J. H. Bird-whistle, Wiley Measles. Names as unfamiliar as the foregoing are familiar with those of August Sasamanshausen, William Slaughterback, W. Krazyanski, Zaphanapanach Wallis, Fry-by-lows and Fritsche, George Humrickhouse, A. M. Poonestone, Solomon Matchopatah, A. Amazo Goodpasture, Masculline Fursever, Sarah Humble-head, G. Bierbrauer, Wm. Hammschleg, Robert A. Wabshakakhamick.

Among the curious firm names were those of Face & Dues, Yard & Furton, Peacock, Featherstone & Co., Sweitzer & Beer, Huss & Carr, Key & Dowell, Sey & Straight, Sla & Bub, Berup & Carrier, Sloc & Fass, Hall & Kennell, Divine & Goodwin, Black & Whiteside. The colors were represented by Brown & Green, Washington Light, Charles Redheler, Frost, Black & Co., Brown & Gray, Prof. Rainbow, Hiram Black-ledge, Berry Green, and Henry Red-streake.

The animal kingdom is suggested by Jacob Sheep, Lace Bird, James Veal, John Duck, F. Drake, A. H. Birdsong, John Pigg, Wm. Squirrel, Corner, Nightingale & Co., To Bee, Adam Mouse, Jackson Bullfrog, Young Turkey-belt, Jack Grasshopper.

Names suggesting articles of food were Joseph Crabtree, F. C. Onion, Adam Garlic, Silas Custard, Wm. Smit, Wm. Giblet, James Ice, J. P. Feagarden, Frank Parsnip, John L. Turnipseed, Caroline Hash, John Vinegar, Burrow & Berry, Thomas Pick-errel, August Chestnutwood, Joseph Coffee.

Among the names that seem to bear a curious relation to the business in which the persons named were engaged were those of J. A. W. Bone, musician; David Hatmaker; Wm. Gammon, pawnbroker; A. Hogg, dealer in meat; Wm. Bonfield and H. Stiff, undertakers; A. Craft, steamboat inspector; Brandy, Kline & Co., liquor dealers; Alfred Plant, President of a seed company; D. Coppers, plumber; S. R. Brick, contractor; Sharpe & Steel, hardware dealers; Kloth, tailor; George Doll, toy dealer.

There were some odd names of societies among the unfortunate depositors of the Freedman's Bank, for instance, "Sweet Prospects of Paradise," "Reformed Sons of Love," "Zion Sons of Lavender," "Daughters of the First Star of Jacob," "Sisters of the Lord's Delight," "Loving Daughters of Paradise," "Rising Sons and Daughters of the East," "Sisters and Brothers of the Heroines of Jericho," "United Daughters of Honor," "Sweet Lilies of the Field," "Lord's Delight Society," "Daughters of Consolation," "Young Rising Daughters of Confidence," "Nehemiah's Pasture," "The Borders of Zion," "Blooming Youth Society," "Twin Travelers," "Rising Sons of Ham," "Union Doves," "Young Honor Secret Daughters of Love," "I Hope to be Righteous Society."

Among the other peculiar names were Epaphrodites Jameson, Washington L. Popenoy, Gusheard Speckhardt, James Updegrave, Hiram Drumgood, Ebenezer W. Grestinger, Daniel A. Weatherway, Abraham Hollopeter, James Underdole, Amanda Sidelottom, Armande Marguerite Adrienne de Cam-lamcourt de Vienne, George Humrick-house, John Shoosmith, George Middle-ditch, Emmanencia Micky, Reuben Shifflebotham, Conrad Roemenschrei-ler, John Bowlegs, Mrs. J. Piano, John Fluent, William Twenty, Turkey Pile, Ark Water, Louis Popper.

Among the soldiers were Lieutenant A. M. Guard, Colonel R. C. Drum, General S. P. Spear, Captain Edward Ball, George Gunn and Bridget Ke-ville.

**A New Career for Women.**

In connection with the current talk about the opening of new careers to women, the *Pull Mail Gazette* thinks that a lady whose mode of life recently occupied the common plea division at Dublin deserved no little credit. She had devoted her more mature years to the study of law, and more particularly to the law of breach of promise. The novelty of her case consisted in the number of actions which she managed to run at the same time. In her last case the unsuspicious jury awarded her only fifty dollars, but on her cross-examination in that case she confessed to having just sued another gentleman, whom she "really loved," in spite of his seventy winters, and of whom she had obtained \$500 damages. In a third case she is believed to have been more successful still, having induced the defendant to compromise by a payment of \$3,000. It is perhaps in view of the enterprise of this lady and of others who are carrying on a like lucrative industry that an English Judge remarked in court the other day that he was not at all surprised that many people advocated the abolition of actions for breach of promise.

George Anderson, of Anne Arundel County, Virginia, took lunch and played a game of cards "just for fun." When he saw he was swindled out of eighty-five dollars he arose, grasped one swindler with each brown paw and shook them until their teeth rattled like castanets and his money fairly jumped out of their pockets. When they had fled he discovered that they had dis-gorged five dollars more than he had lost, which was just about enough to take him back to the green pastures of Anne Arundel. —Chicago Herald.

"Mamma, what does M. D. mean when he speaks of the doctor's name? Does it mean money down?" —Harper's Bazar.

**How Watch Cases are Made.**

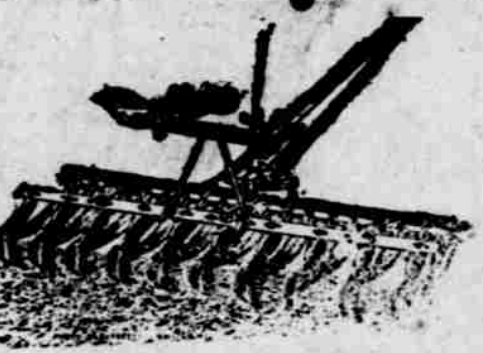
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John W. Schwaner, Plaintiff,  
vs.  
Elizabeth Schwaner, Defendant.  
Elizabeth Schwaner, the above named defendant, will take notice that on the eighth day of January, A. D. 1884, the plaintiff herein, John W. Schwaner, filed his petition in the District Court of Webster county, Nebraska, against said defendant, Elizabeth Schwaner, the object and prayer of which is to obtain an absolute decree of divorce from said defendant on the ground of desertion for more than two years last past. The defendant, Elizabeth Schwaner, will therefore take notice that she is required to answer said petition on or before Monday, February eighteenth, A. D. 1884.  
JOHN W. SCHWANER,  
By Case & McNeny, his attorneys.

Land Office at Uniontown, Neb. Dec 21st 1883  
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 Clerk District Court, at Uniontown, Neb. on the 22nd day of Dec. 1883, to wit:—  
John Swanger on N 1/4 Sec 22 T 28 N R 20 E same as the following witness to prove his claim, viz: Louis August Leopold Walter Wendelin Mars Mathias Recker all of Cassville sub. 1st-16th.  
S. W. SWITZER, Register.

**Statement of Mutual Life Insurance Co. of New York.**  
F S Winston, president,  
For the year ending December 31, 1883. Assets, 101,148,248 25.

**ANNUITY ACCOUNT.**

Annuitants in force Jan. 1st, 1883, No. 55.....\$ 19,200 92	Annuitants in force Jan. 1, 1884, No. 61.....\$ 23,134 31
Premium annuities.....\$ 3,712 44	Premium Annuities.....\$ 3,674 96
Annuitants issued, No. 7	Annuitants Terminated 1
27,346 75	27,346 75

**INSURANCE ACCOUNT.**

Policies in force Jan. 1, 1883, No. 106,214.....\$ 329,554,174	Policies in force Jan. 1, 1884, No. 110,990.....\$ 342,946,032
Risks assumed, 11,531..\$ 27,810,597	Risks terminated, 6,755
367,364,771	367,364,771

**REVENUE ACCOUNT.**

To balance from last account.....\$92,782,986 08	By paid death claims.....\$ 5,095,795 00
To premiums received.. 13,457,928 44	By paid matured endow-ments..... 2,866,261 73
To interest and rents... 5,042,964 45	Total claims—\$7,962,056 73
\$111,283,878 97	By paid annuities..... 27,661 38
	By paid dividends..... 3,128,491 69
	By paid surrendered policies and additions Total paid policy holders—\$13,959,260 51
	By paid commissions, (payment of current and extinguishment of future.)..... 886,126 90
	By paid premium charged off on securities purchased..... 405,472 22
	By paid taxes and as-sessments..... 226,057 69
	By paid expenses..... 834,752 79
	By balance to new ac-count..... 94,972,108 86
\$111,283,878 97	\$111,283,878 97

**BALANCE SHEET.**

To reserve at four per cent.....\$ 95,571,877 00	By bonds secured by mortgages on real estate.....\$ 46,303,472 34
To claims by death not yet due..... 908,635 00	By United States and other bonds..... 25,279,040 00
To premiums paid in advance..... 22,794 35	By loans on collaterals.. 15,037,910 00
To agents' balances..... 8,479 56	By real estate..... 8,633,971 89
To surplus and contin-gent guarantee fund.. 4,636,462 34	By cash in banks and trust companies at in-terest..... 3,403,249 63
	By interest accrued..... 1,310,598 23
	By premiums deferred, quarterly and semi-annual..... 1,039,229 68
	By premiums in transit, principally for Dec.... 140,786 48
\$101,148,248 25	\$101,148,248 25

NOTE.—If the New York standard of four and a half per cent. interest be used, the surplus is over \$12,000,000.  
From the surplus, as appears in the balance sheet, a dividend will be apportioned to each participating policy which shall be in force at its anniversary in 1884.  
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Assets.....\$101,148,248 25

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