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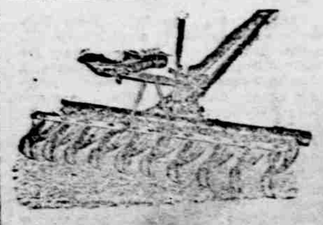

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THE NEW ENGLAND MORTGAGE SECURITY Company, a corporation plaintiff,
vs.
Isaac H. Hummell, Mary C. Hummell, Rose Fisher, administratrix of Charles M. Fisher, deceased, Rose Fisher, Myrtle Fisher, infant heir of Charles M. Fisher, deceased, defendants.

Isaac H. Hummell and Mary C. Hummell, defendants, will take notice that on the 20th day of March, 1885, The New England Mortgage Security Company filed its petition in the district court of Webster county, Nebraska, against said defendants et al. the object and prayer of said suit are to foreclose a mortgage upon all by said defendants, Isaac H. Hummell and Mary C. Hummell to the plaintiff, upon the west half of the north-west quarter of section twelve (12), in township three (3), south of range eleven (11), Webster county, Nebraska, to secure the payment of one certain coupon note dated January 24, 1881, for $400, with interest due December 1, 1884. That there is now due on said coupon note the sum of $400.00, with interest from December 1, 1884, at ten per cent, per annum. Plaintiff prays for a decree that defendant be required to pay the same, or that said premises be sold to satisfy the amount so found due. You are required to answer said petition on or before the 16th day of May, 1885.

THE NEW ENGLAND MORTGAGE SECURITY COMPANY.
By its Attorneys, Dilworth, Smith & Dilworth.
Dated March 30, 1885.

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NOTICE---TIMBER CULTURE.

U S Land office, Bloomington, Neb, March 28, 1885

COMPLAINT HAVING BEEN ENTERED at this office by Matthew H. Bentley against Charles Raley, Sr., for failure to comply with law as to Timber Culture entry number 8[illegible], dated April 27, 1875, upon the west ½, sw ¼, section 3, township 1, range 14, in Webster county, Neb. with a view to cancellation of said entry, contesting alleging that Charles Raley, Sr. has failed for the last three years to protect and cultivate the timber on said land, and that the required number of trees on which to make final proof are not upon said land, the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 8th day of May, 1885, at 9 o'clock, a. m., for hearing and further to testify concerning said alleged failure. James Morgan, Notary Public, is hereby appointed to take testimony in this case at his office in Red Cloud, Neb, on the 6th day of May, 1885, 10 A. M.

S. W. SWITZER, Register.
R. W. MONTGOMERY, Receiver. 35-6w

LEGAL NOTICE.

TO DANIEL F. BOCK, NON RESIDENT DEFENDANT:

You are hereby notified that on the 20th day of March, 1885, Alfred W. Hussey, plaintiff, did file his petition in the district court of Webster county, Nebraska, against you, the object and prayer of which is to recover a judgment against you for the sum of $[illegible] with interest thereon from the date last mentioned, being money due on a note executed and delivered by you to said plaintiff on the 1st day of July, 1884, for said, bearing interest at eight per cent. from date, and upon which there is now due the sum of $[illegible] also upon an account for money paid for you and goods sold to you and delivered to you at your instance and request, upon which account there is now due and owing the defendant to plaintiff the sum of $[illegible]. You are further notified that you are now interested, or hereafter to become interested, are hereby notified that on the date last above mentioned an order of attachment issued out of said court to satisfy said sum of $[illegible], with interest thereon from that date at eight per cent, and which said order of attachment was levied on the south ½, northeast ¼, and west ½ southeast ¼ of section twenty-eight (28), township 2, range 11 west, in said county as land owned and belonging to you, but the legal title to which is in Catharine Bock. You are further notified to answer or plead to said petition on or before the 24th day of May, 1885. You will also take notice that on the 30th day of May, 1885, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 5 p. m. at the law office of Albert and Albert, in Cedar Rapids, Linn county, Iowa, the said plaintiff will take the depositions of Alfred W. Hussey and P. J. Fuller, to be used as evidence in this action.

Dated at Red Cloud, Neb., April 11th, 1885.

ALFRED W. HUSSEY, Plaintiff.
By Raley Bros., his attorneys.
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ROAD NOTICE.

STATE OF NEBRASKA, WEBSTER COUNTY, ss. To all whom it may concern: The commissioner appointed to view and report upon a certain road petitioned for in a certain petition duly signed and filed with the county clerk of said county, asking that a public road be located as follows: To run north and south through sections 33 and 34, in town 3, range 10 west, and sections 3 in town 2, range 10 west, in Webster county, and thence to continue in order, from the center of said road established north and south section line in section 28, thence south through center, running south through section 4, in township 1, range 10, in Webster county, Nebraska, a distance of 2½ miles, has reported favorably and recommends the establishment of said road as prayed for in said petition and plat of survey filed with said report. You are hereby notified that I will meet the said parties at my office in Red Cloud, Neb., on the 6th day of May, 1885, 10 A. M.

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STATE OF NEBRASKA, WEBSTER COUNTY, ss. To all whom it may concern: The commissioner appointed to view and report upon a certain road petitioned for in a certain petition duly signed and filed with the county clerk of Webster county, asking that a public road be located as follows: Commencing at the northwest corner of section 27, in t. 1, range 10, Webster county, Neb., thence running south on section line between sections 27 and 34, 33 and 4, to side line, terminating at the corner of sec 24, 25 to 1, range 10 aforesaid, in Webster county, county, Nebraska, has reported favorably and recommends the establishment of said road and that damages be allowed for right of way. All objections thereto or claims for damages must be filed in the county clerk's office of said county, on or before Saturday, June 20, 1885, or such road will be established without reference.

Red Cloud, Neb., April 16, 1885.
J. P. BAYHA, County Clerk.
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LEGAL NOTICE.

TO RANSOM L. TANNER, NON RESIDENT defendant:

You are hereby notified that on the 3d day of April, 1885, Henrietta B. Tanner, filed a petition against you in the district court of Webster county, Nebraska, the object and prayer of which are to obtain a divorce from you on the grounds of habitual drunkenness, failure to provide the necessaries of life for her, cruel treatment and adultery. You are required to answer said petition on or before Monday, the 18th day of May, 1885.

HENRIETTA B. TANNER, Plaintiff.
By Kelly Bros., her attorneys.
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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ARTICLES of incorporation have been filed in the proper offices. The name of said corporation is The Nebraska Lumber Company. Its principal place of transacting business is Red Cloud, Nebraska, organized for the purpose of transacting a general lumber business, and in buying and selling all kinds of goods and merchandise, purchasing timber, building coal, etc. Town of Red Cloud, with branch yards and offices at such other towns in the vicinity as the board of directors may determine. With a capital stock of one hundred thousand dollars, to be paid in as directed by the board of directors, within thirty days from date of subscribing same, and power to increase said capital stock to two hundred thousand dollars. The business of said corporation to commence on the 1st day of February, 1885, and continue until the 1st day of February, 1904. The highest amount of indebtedness or liability to which said corporation is at any time to subject itself shall be one half the amount of capital stock paid in. The business of said corporation shall be conducted by a board of seven directors

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THE RED CLOUD CHIEF

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FRIDAY, MAY 1, 1885.

SAGE'S MILLIONS.

How His Fortune Has Dwindled Away in the Great Decline.

A little red cent looks as big as a cart-wheel to the eyes of Russel Sage, and, in arithmetical progressions, a trade dollar looks as big as a barn-door. Mr. Sage has not always been as poor as he is now. The belief prevails in Wall street that he could not at this time scrape together in all his possessions over $8,000,000 or $10,000,000 at the outside. Before stocks began to shrink, in the summer of 1881, Mr. Sage's wealth was estimated to be close on $25,000,000. He had been in with Jay Gould in the latter's schemes, and in the flood-tide of luck that the "Little Man" was sailing on, had made immense sums.

Between 1879 and 1881 he nearly doubled his fortune. In a single year, covering part of 1879 and part of 1880, the "street" thinks he must have made $1,000,000 on his "puts," "calls," and other privileges alone. Where he made most of his money was in the Union Pacific, the Wabash, the Missouri Pacific, and the Missouri, Kansas & Texas railroads, and the Western Union telegraph consolidations, the Texas & Pacific construction, and in investments in the Erie railway second consolidated bonds and the Iowa Central railroad first mortgage bonds. He was caught in an unexpected decline along with Gould and was unable to unload the great mass of securities that he had accumulated in the schemes and transactions named. Thus it was that he saw his fortune shrivel up before his very eyes and he was unable to help himself.

Things went from bad to worse with Mr. Sage, until to-day he is changed completely from what he was four short years ago. Two-thirds of the money that he loved so well has gone, and this is the reason of the great revulsion in his nature. At the opening of 1881 he was as cheerful as an army mule eating thistles. The milk of human kindness had not then curdled in his breast, and he was as benign and charitable as the man who goes to church every Sunday for the pleasure of dropping something into the contribution box. He did a great deal of charity, and he was fond of presenting books to young men who were striving to get on in the world. The art of money-making never had greater fascination for any man than it had for Russell Sage, and a knife-thrust could not have hurt him more than it did to have fortune turn against him.

It was not until the May panic of 1884 that the great havoc was created among Sage's millions. He had sold all his privileges 20 to 30 points below the market. He thought he was safe enough at that distance from the quotations, no matter what came, and the sight of prices going 20 and 30 points below those even was appalling. He was credited with owning up to a loss of about $8,000,000 in hard cash, besides a shrinkage in his securities of about $7,000,000 more. The ordeal was too much for the old money-lender. It nearly drove him into an asylum. He was nearly frenzied over his losses, and his physician, to save his reason, ordered him to leave the "street." He sought the seclusion of the Argyl hotel at Babylon, Long Island.

Wall street considers Sage "a thing of the past." It does not believe that he will ever occupy his old position there again. He is thoroughly frightened. He is afraid to risk his money for fear that he will lose it, and nothing is left of his former greatness in the financial mart. He used to write thousands of privileges every week, whereas now his contracts only cover a few hundred shares.—*New York World.*

The custom that is being introduced in New York of selling suites of rooms in the large apartment houses or "flats" will tend to complicate the real-estate laws, already sufficiently mixed, as the Junior Class is prepared to testify. In Florida land is said to be sold by the gallon. In New York we will probably use dry measure and sell by the bushel.—*Columbia (Law School) Jurist.*

Mixing Witchcraft and Medicine.

A Peach street physician reports a peculiar case of witch-charming that recently came under his observation. A family named Yaber, living a few miles from the city on the Lake road, called him to attend to their child, who was subjected to fits through teething. The doctor learned that an aged itinerant quack, who has the reputation of being a witch doctor, had called and insisted that the little lad could be cured without medicine. The doctor found a small muslin bag suspended with a string around the child's neck. The bag was sewed up and inside of it was a sheet of foolscap paper closely bent together. One side was filled with writing in high German. The doctor further learned that the aged doctor had left a long briar switch, and after he had tied the bag around the child's neck he told the mother that whenever the child became restless she should take the switch and vigorously beat the air about the child's crib to drive off the supposed witches, who, he alleged, were holding a spell over the little one. The mother exhibited the switch but says she did not use it. He took off the bag, translated the manuscript, and gave the result of his discovery to the parents.

The writing was a lengthy prayer to the Almighty to deliver James Yaber, the child, from all his enemies, who see, but can not be seen: "That they can not come near me nor hurt me, body or soul. Little pigs of my bed and all bad spirits, I forbid ye my bed, my house, my property. I forbid ye the nail holes of my house until the hills jump, all the water bubbles; until all the leaves be counted on the hills. Ye have taken hold of my bones, so fall back again. I pray to the Almighty I may be well again. I throw myself at Thy feet. Bless me! Bless me! Amen." It is said that the old witch doctor is carrying on his practices in a number of families, and that a prosecution will follow.—*Erie (Pa.) Dispatch.*

President's Warnings.

It has been asserted by some curious observers that the inaugural ceremonies of each of the four Presidents—Harrison, Taylor, Lincoln and Garfield—with whom death, an unseen and unbidden guest, entered the White House, were marked by signs and omens, that, interpreted by supernatural lore, foreshadowed to the ignorant and superstitious the funeral pageantry in which they would ere long be central figures.

General Harrison arrived at Washington in the midst of a driving thunderstorm, and as he descended from his carriage a flash of lightning blinded him and caused him to miss a step and fall. The first night he slept at the White House an owl, perched on the roof over his bedroom, hooted continuously, and he complained the next morning that the owl and a howling dog near had kept him awake.

When Mrs. Taylor was told of her husband's election she burst into tears and exclaimed: "Oh! why can't they let us alone? This is all a scheme to break up our home." When she entered her bedroom at the White House she started back, and, pointing to a diamond-shaped ornament carved on the mantel, said: "See! the first object to greet me is a coffin. Death will rob me in this dreadful house of some one I love."

To Mr. Lincoln there came an apparition, thus described by him: "On the evening of the day when I received news of my election, worn out by excitement and fast rue, I threw myself on a lounge in my ante-room to rest. Just opposite to me was a bureau with a swinging glass, and, looking in it, I noticed two separate and distinct images of myself. A little bothered, perhaps startled, I got up and went to the glass, but the illusion vanished. Lying down, I saw it again, but noticed that one of the faces was paler than the other, and had a blood stain on it. When my wife came in I told her of the vision, and she, who had great faith in signs, and generally attached some meaning to them, said, 'It means you will be elected to a second term, but will not live through it.'"

On their trip from Springfield to Washington they passed by General Harrison's burial place, and halted to pay a tribute of respect to his memory. Turning from the grave a black-bird made a circle round his head. The night of his assassination Mrs. Lincoln told one of the watchers that on that eventful trip through the bright, happy Northern villages decked with flowers in his honor, as well as on that mysterious night ride through Baltimore and secret arrival in Washington, the tolling of a deathbell, clear and unmistakable, was sounding in her ear.

The dreams and forebodings of the two Mrs. Garfields, mother and wife, are too recent to be repeated. Were they the idle fancies of nervous women? *Harper's Bazar.*

Discovery of Gold in California.

In your issue of Friday evening, writes John Kane in the Sacramento *Bee*, I saw an item headed, "The Discovery of Gold," dated at New York, where the writer, an alleged California pioneer, objects to J. W. Marshall having all credit for the discovery of the precious metal and asserts that Capt. Sutter is deserving of the lion's share of praise. With all due respect to both those pioneers, I wish to show through the columns of the *Bee* that there are other parties equally as deserving. I refer to Mr. Wolmar and lady, the latter of whom had the first piece of gold discovered in California in her possession in 1854. The writer of this paid a visit to the Weimar family, in the town of Coloma, El Dorado county, in company with a Mr. Hill, and our only object was to get a look at the specimen, and the lady informed me I was only one of hundreds who visited her for a similar purpose. It seemed to please the lady to have people call on her. I now give you her version of this discovery. She said that Mr. Marshall and her husband went out from the cabin one Sunday morning to visit a water-course, or tail-race, where Capt. Sutter had a number of Indians employed. They were walking along, and one of the men saw the glittering specimen, picked it up, and brought it to their cabin. Neither of the men knew what it was, but she exclaimed as soon as she saw it that it was gold, but the men only laughed at her. She then convinced them that she was right by testing the metal with soap-suds, and her husband was going to the fort, at Sacramento, the next day to give the important news to Sutter, but as he (Wolmar) was superintendent, or boss, of the laborers on the tail-race, he thought it best to let Marshall go.

Such is the history of the discovery of gold as given to the writer of this by a lady who could have no object in coloring the story. She remarked to us at the time that she had been offered $900 for the specimen, and it was only of about $5 value in weight. I asked her why she did not accept the offer, and she said she would not part with the specimen for money, but that if the state of California desired it as a memento for its collection of historical relics it could have it; and I think that remark speaks volumes for the lady.

Cats in Ancient Egypt.

Those who regard themselves as victims of caterwauling here may take consolation in the thought that they would have had a worse time in ancient Egypt. A recent writer says that cat-worship was carried to its greatest extent by the ancient Egyptians, whose devotion to their pets was such that, according to Herodotus, when a fire broke out they cared for nothing but the safety of their cats, and were terribly afflicted if one of them fell a victim to the flames. On the death of a cat the inhabitants of the house shaved off their eyebrows, and the deceased cat was embalmed and buried with great solemnity in a sacred spot. Many cat-mummies have been found in the Egyptian tombs, and some are to be seen in the British Museum, together with similarly preserved specimens of human beings and of sacred calves. Their monuments and their cries were consulted as oracles; and the murderer or even accidental felicide of one of them was punished by death.