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ORDER OF HEARING ON PROBATE OF FOREIGN WILL.

The State of Nebraska, Red Willow county, ss: On this 2d day of May, 1895, by his attorney, J. A. Cordeal, came Michael Cleary, the executor of the last will and testament of James Halpin, deceased, and filed a petition, with a copy of the said last will and testament and certificate of probate attached, praying that the said last will and testament be admitted to probate in Red Willow county, Nebraska, there being property of said deceased in this county. And it appearing to the court, by the duly verified instruments filed in this case, that James Halpin, the testator, died in Livingston county, Illinois, on or about March 30, 1893, that the said last will and testament was probated and allowed as the last will and testament of said decedent, in Livingston county, Illinois, on the 27th day of October, 1893, and the said Michael Cleary was appointed administrator, with will annexed, of said estate of James Halpin, deceased. It is therefore ordered, that May 27th, 1895, at one o'clock, p. m., be assigned for a hearing on said petition, when all persons interested may appear and show cause (if such exist) why the said instrument be not probated and recorded as the last will and testament of James Halpin, deceased. And that a copy of this order be published in THE TRIBUNE, a weekly newspaper published in said county, for three weeks prior to said day of hearing. Witness my hand this 2d day of May, 1895.

CHARLES W. BECK, County Judge.

ORDER OF HEARING ON PROBATE OF FOREIGN WILL.

The State of Nebraska, Red Willow county, ss: On this 2d day of May, 1895, by her attorney, J. A. Cordeal, came Mary A. Loneragan, the executrix of the last will and testament of Thomas Loneragan, deceased, and filed a petition, with a copy of said last will and testament and certificate of probate attached, praying that the said last will and testament be admitted to probate in Red Willow county, Nebraska, there being property of said deceased in this county. And it appearing to the court, by the duly verified instruments filed in this case, that Thomas Loneragan, the testator, died in Chicago, Illinois, on or about March 23d, 1894, that said last will and testament was probated and allowed as the last will and testament of said decedent, in Cook county, Illinois, on the 2d day of April, 1894, and the said Mary A. Loneragan was duly appointed executrix of the same. It is ordered, that May 27th, 1895, at one o'clock, p. m., be assigned for a hearing on said petition, when all persons interested may appear and show cause (if such exist) why the said instrument be not probated and recorded in Red Willow county, Nebraska, as the last will and testament of Thomas Loneragan, deceased. And that a copy of this order be published in THE TRIBUNE, a weekly newspaper published in this county, for three weeks prior to said day of hearing. Witness my hand this 2d day of May, 1895.

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SCIENTISTS THINK COMMUNICATION MAY BE ESTABLISHED.

Strange Noises Which Have Aroused Mr. Preece of England and Our Own Edison. Wonderful Developments Are Expected Within the Next Few Years.

Can we open up electric communication with the inhabitants of Mars? That is a question recently considered at a meeting of the Society of Arts in London, where Mr. W. H. Preece, engineer to the telegraphs department of the British postoffice, read a paper on "Electric Signaling Without Wires." Mr. Preece explained how he had recently demonstrated that wires were not at all necessary to establish telephonic communication.

Under the supervision of a royal commission appointed to inquire into electric communication between the shores and lighthouses, he had conducted a series of experiments which amply demonstrated this fact. There was no difficulty in speaking between the shore and Flat Holm, three miles distance from the place of experiment. Mr. Preece then went on to say that "strange, mysterious sounds" are heard on all long telephone lines when the earth is used as a return, especially in the calm stillness of the night. "Earth currents," said he, "are found in telegraph circuits, and the aurora borealis lights up our northern sky when the sun's photosphere is disturbed by spots. The sun's surface must at such times be violently disturbed by electrical storms, and if oscillations are set up and radiated through space in sympathy with those required to affect telephones it is not a wild dream to say that we may hear on this earth a thunderstorm in the sun."

After further describing the mysterious sounds which had attracted his attention in the still watches of the night Mr. Preece said: "If any of these planets be populated with beings like ourselves, having the gift of language and the knowledge to adapt the great forces of nature to their wants, then if they could oscillate immense stores of electrical energy to and fro in telegraphic order, it would be possible for us to hold converse by telephone with the people of Mars."

These mysterious sounds which so puzzle Mr. Preece seem to correspond with those noticed by Thomas A. Edison, who has turned Ogden mountain in New Jersey into a great magnet and coiled miles of wire about it. At the time of the last opposition of Mars he noticed an increase of the seismic mutterings, which have recently been so violent. Mr. Edison and Mr. Preece are only two of the scientists who are now experimenting along these lines, and the whole scientific world is watching the progress being made. Neither Mr. Edison nor Mr. Preece has been so bold as to say that the strange sounds referred to are messages sent by the inhabitants of Mars to those of earth, but they have not otherwise explained them.

On the other hand, there are many scientists firm in the belief that the next few years will witness the opening up of communication between the people of the two planets. This conviction has been enormously strengthened by the strange lights seen at the Lick observatory when Mars was under observation during its opposition over a year ago. The three lights were arranged in a triangle. Nightly as the great red orb rose from her ocean bed to the vault of heaven the lights flashed out as soon as darkness had set in, and in the immense lens of the Lick telescope they glowed with steady and continued effulgence. Was this an effort of the inhabitants of Mars to attract the attention of those on earth?

Such had been the opinion of Flammarion, who had argued in favor of earth signaling back with a triangle of lights 30 miles across. It was shown that the conditions of Mars were more nearly those of earth than of any other planet. Both of the snow caps could be plainly seen and may be seen now in any first class telescope, for Mars is now to be observed in the morning about 30 degrees west and 14 degrees south from Venus in the constellation Capricorn. The well defined atmosphere of Mars is also plainly visible, and astronomers can tell by the increase or decrease of its snow caps and its position in regard to the sun the progress of its seasons and whether or not the Marsians are having a cold winter. The canal theory of Schiaparelli has likewise many believers, who assert that the strange straight lines on Mars are canals built by its highly civilized inhabitants.

Mr. Preece says he has kept a record of the strange, mysterious sounds which have attracted his attention while Edison has done likewise. These will require much study to decipher if they are messages from Mars. The Preece discovery, on the other hand, puts it in the power of the people of earth to send direct electrical currents to Mars, whose inhabitants are so much in advance of ourselves that they may be able to help us out in the work of opening up converse. A pantomimic electrical interchange will be necessary for some time, but what will be the emotions of the scientific world when the message is sent out that communication has been established?

There are those who firmly assert that this is an experience of the immediate future, that electricity is the universal force and the one whereby the planets will come into communication with each other, if they ever do. The mystery of electricity is the strange fluctuations is undrugged. If it were an earth property solely, it would be steady, as it would be were it common to all the universe and not interfered with. But its strange goings and comings, its apparent relations to the sun, and yet its known sympathy with other heavenly bodies, seem to show that somebody somewhere is fooling with the dynamo and cutting off and turning on the current.—New York World.

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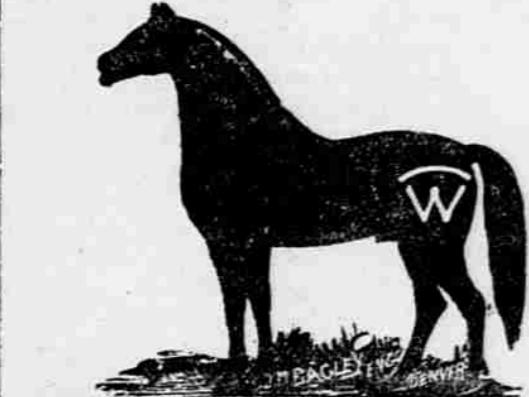
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