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CURIOUS PHASES OF THE MAIL SERVICE SIXTY YEARS AGO.

Rates on Ordinary Letters in England Were Almost Prohibitive—Adoption of the Penny Post and the Queer Arguments Against It.

When Queen Victoria ascended the throne, there were no telegraphs in this country and few railways. The mails were forwarded by coach, and the postage rates were to all but the well to do prohibitive. It cost from 4d. to 1s. 8d. to send a "single" letter under an ounce in weight from one part of the kingdom to another. There were some 40 charges, varying according to distance, the average rate being 9d., or half the day's wage of a laborer. A "single" letter meant a single piece of paper (adhesive envelopes had not been invented), and the addition of a second scrap of paper made the letter a "double" one. The postage was paid on delivery by the recipient, and as no credit was given the incursion of a postman into a poor neighborhood was watched on all sides with fear rather than hope.

Coleridge, the poet, saw a poor woman declining to accept a letter on the score of inability to pay. The good natured bard (doubtless with some difficulty) found the required nippers, despite the woman's remonstrances. When the postman had gone away, she showed Coleridge that the letter was but a blank sheet of paper. Her brother had arranged to send her at intervals such a sheet, addressed in a certain fashion, as evidence that all was well with him, and she as regularly, after inspecting the address, refused to accept it. Some humorist on one occasion sent out large numbers of letters, each on a sheet as large as a tablecloth, all of which had to be delivered as "single" missives.

This system practically stifled written intercourse among the working class and pressed with severity upon the middle class, but the rich and highly placed entirely escaped postal taxation. The privilege of franking covered the correspondence not only of ministers, peers and members of parliament, but of their relatives, friends and acquaintances. While in one year early in the queen's reign no less than 7,400,000 letters were franked, a single London firm paid annually £11,000 for postage and a writer in the Quarterly referred flippantly to "so slight and rare an incident in a laborer's life as the receipt of a letter." Among the "packets" franked was a grand piano. An army of clerks was employed to fix the charges to be collected, and the postal revenue remained stationary between 1815 and 1835, although in the same period the population increased from 19,500,000 to 25,600,000.

Moved by this state of things, parliament in 1839 adopted Rowland Hill's proposal of uniform inland penny postage, which came into operation on Jan. 10, 1840. The writer possesses a copy of The Quarterly Review of 1839, in which a contributor (believed to be Croker) fiercely denounces the scheme. "Will clerks," he says, "write only to their fathers and girls to their mothers? Will not letters of romance or love, intrigue or mischief, increase in at least equal proportions? We doubt whether social and domestic correspondence will be more than doubled. A gigantic exemplification of the old proverb—Penny wise and pound foolish," etc.

Macaulay says that the penny post, when first established, was the object of violent invective, as a manifest contrivance of the pope to enslave the souls of Englishmen. It was described as "sedition made easy." The postal authorities, who in 1784 had opposed the institution of mail coaches, were implacable enemies of penny postage. The postmaster general of 1839, Lord Lichfield, based his objections on the curious ground that the building at St. Martin's-le-Grand would not be large enough. The secretary, Colonel Maberly, constantly repeated, "This plan we know will fail."

As we know, it succeeded, and the penny rate has been generally adopted in Europe as well as in the United States. The number of letters rose from 80,000,000 in 1837 to 299,000,000 in 1847, and for the year ending on March 31, 1897, about 1,900,000,000. The postal surplus was in 1839 £1,659,510 and in 1896-7 £3,632,133. The number of letters, which was in 1837 about 3 per head and in 1854 15 per head, is now 77 per head.—Fortnightly Review.

High Titles Without Cost.
English folk are copying the American custom of conferring titles upon their children in baptism by using such names as Lord, Earl, Baron, etc. This will mean more to the English child than it has to the American.

One parent in the midlands bestowed on his progeny military as well as social rank. One of his children is christened Baron, another Captain, another Colonel and another Major General. London Truth has this statement from one who knows this titled family, and they are to be found at the present time in the neighborhood of Birmingham. At this rate every Tommy Atkins in the next generation may be a field marshal.

Every Time.
Master—Tombs, this is an example in subtraction. Seven boys went down to a pond to bathe, but two of them had been told not to go in the water. Now, can you tell me how many went in?
Tombs—Yes, sir. Seven.—London Tit-Bits.

Justin McCarthy is quite gray haired. His beard is bushy, and his gold rimmed spectacles impart a benign air to his face, which indeed well suits his mild manner. As for his energy, one would say that it was inexhaustible. He is a politician, a journalist, a novelist and a historian.

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Elsewhere in this issue will be found a call for bids to do certain considerable repairing on the West Ward school house. Parties interested will please note. This determination of the board to repair the building in question will be welcome news to all patrons.

The early assembly of the Republican county central committee may now be expected, as the date for the convention has been fixed, and it will be necessary within the next four weeks to select state delegates at large.

Edna Yarger returned home, last evening, from spending a few weeks visiting her brother Oscar.

No preaching services in the Baptist or Congregational churches, Sunday next.

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION.
In the District Court of Red Willow county, Nebraska.

The State of Nebraska, to Ellen M. Burt; Francis M. Burt, her husband; Richard C. Wendel and Rachel A. Wendel, his wife, defendants:

You, and each of you, are hereby notified that you have been sued, together with E. A. Sexton, alias E. A. Sexton, Sarah L. Sexton, alias Sarah L. Sexton, his wife; George Younger (real first name unknown), wife of George Younger, as co-defendants, by Carroll W. Parrish, plaintiff, in the district court of Red Willow county, Nebraska, and that on or before the 13th day of September, 1897, you must answer the petition in Chancery filed therein by said plaintiff against all said defendants, wherein plaintiff prays for a decree of said court foreclosing a mortgage given by defendants Ellen M. Burt and Francis M. Burt, her husband, to the Lombard Investment Company, dated January 15th, 1887, now owned by plaintiff, and covering the following described real estate situated in said County of Red Willow, and State of Nebraska, to-wit: The South half of the Northwest quarter of Section number thirteen (13) and the Northwest quarter of the Northwest quarter of Section number thirteen (13), and the Southwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section number twelve (12), all in Township number four (4) North; Range number twenty-nine (29), West of the Sixth Principal Meridian.

Said petition further prays that the rights, titles and interests of said defendants be determined and settled; that said land be appraised and sold, according to law, and that the proceeds arising from such sale be applied, first, in payment of the costs of said sale and of said action; second, in payment of the full amount due plaintiff on the indebtedness secured by said mortgage, with all interest thereon; that from and after the confirmation of such sale, the defendants to said action, and all of them, be forever barred and foreclosed of and from all right, title, interest, lien, claim and equity of redemption of, in and to said land, and every part thereof.

Unless you answer said petition, as aforesaid, the statements and allegations therein contained will be taken as true, and a decree will be rendered against you by said court as therein prayed.

Witness my hand and the Seal of said Court, this 30th day of July, 1897.
[SEAL] G. C. BOATMAN,
Clerk of the District Court of Red Willow County, Nebraska.
Pulsifer & Alexander, Concordia, Kas.,
Attorneys for Plaintiff.
(First published McCook TRIBUNE 7-30-97.)

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The Board of Education invites bids on repairing the West Ward School building, including new roof, new floors throughout, painting, plastering and papering. Specifications for the work may be seen at the office of J. E. Kelley, First National Bank building. Bids will be received up to noon of August 7th, 1897, the Board reserving the right to reject any or all bids.
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Indianola, Nebraska, June 23, 1897.
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Comrades, we have already engaged tents for you and your families' accommodation yet it would be well for all Comrades having tents and covered wagons to bring them along. We hope this circular will be read at all meetings of the G. A. R. Posts in this District from now till September, also that you request your local paper to publish the same.

Comrades don't forget the place and date. The citizens of our city will give you a welcome that you will always remember.

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The New Tariff Law

Which has just been signed by the President, may be appropriately considered an Industrial Declaration of Independence. An official text of the law has just been published by the American Protective Tariff League, and should be carefully examined by every citizen. Protectionists ought to have a few copies of this law for distribution. Five copies will be sent to any address for ten cents. Ask for Document No. 30 and address W. F. Wakeman, Gen'l Sec'y, 135 West 23d Street, New York.

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NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL.

The State of Nebraska, Red Willow County, ss. To all persons interested in the Estate of Lavina Dillon, deceased: Whereas Charles W. Beck of said county has filed in my office an instrument purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Lavina Dillon, deceased, late of said county, and a petition praying to have the same admitted to Probate and for letters testamentary, which Will relates to personal estate. Whereupon I have appointed Wednesday, the 11th day of August, 1897, at one o'clock in the afternoon, at my office in said county, as the time and place of proving said Will, at which time and place you and all concerned may appear and contest the Probate of the same. It is further ordered that said Petitioner give notice to all persons interested in said Estate of the pendency of the petition, and the time and place set for hearing the same, by causing a copy of this order to be published in THE McCOOK TRIBUNE, a newspaper published in McCook, in said State, for three weeks successively previous to the day set for hearing. In testimony whereof, I have hereto set my hand and official seal this 21st day of July, 1897. ISAAC M. SMITH, County Judge. [SEAL.] [COPIED.]

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Land Office at McCook, Nebraska, July 20th, 1897. 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 Register or Receiver at McCook, Nebraska, on Saturday, August 28th, 1897, viz: Hilbert E. Waugh, who made H. E. 10243 for the S.W. 1/4 N.E. 1/4 and W. 1/2 S.E. 1/4 S.E. 1/4 section 25, township 1, north of range 27, W. 6th P. M. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Francis M. Pennington, Leroy F. Nichols, Daniel F. Hupp and Frederick S. Sovers, all of Lebanon, Nebraska. A. S. CAMPBELL, Register.

NOTICE TO LAND OWNERS.

ROAD No. 315.
To Elma Johnson, H. G. Rogers, Edgar Floyd Jones, M. C. Stephens, Sophia B. Brown and George Rudkin and to all whom it may concern: The Commissioner appointed to locate a road commencing at a point (80) rods east of the northeast corner of the southeast quarter of section 10, town 11, range 20, in Lebanon precinct, Red Willow county, Nebraska, running thence north on said quarter section line to town line between towns, one (1) and two (2), thence east on town line and terminating at northeast corner of section two (2), town one (1), range twenty-six (26), west of 6th P. M., has reported in favor of the location thereof, and all objections thereto or claims for damages must be filed in the county clerk's office on or before noon of the 9th day of October, A. D. 1897, or said road will be established without reference thereto. R. A. GREEN, County Clerk. 23-4

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