

A MULE THAT REMEMBERED THE "MAINE."

Mine host controlled two of the four carriages of the town of Porte de Paix. What more natural, the day after my arrival, than that he should suggest my taking a ride? So then behold your humble scribe seated in a two-wheeled shaky vehicle driven by a pocket-edition of a boy, who looked about seven years old, who admitted to be seventeen, and afterward proved to be twenty-four. He was a professional jockey, decoyed from the island of Jamaica to take charge of mine host's stud. We were surrounded by all the white contingent of the city, assembled to do the honors of the town and take care of that rare avis, a visitor. These outsiders were all mounted on horses that were either full or half blooded Arabian animals, with eyes like Jersey calves, legs like deers, ending in dainty unshod hoofs. When ready to start, the carriage animal, which was a peculiar long legged, huge-eared white mule, named Christine, refused to move an inch. Then the whole party yelled at the top of their shout, "Christine, remember the Maine!" There was a crash, the back of the seat nearly cut me in two, and there was nothing to be seen but white ears and legs—the ground covered with scattering pigs and Haitian babies. As soon as I could breathe, I asked the driver what caused the mule to respond to that cry. With a face as innocent as a cherub's, he answered, "Don't know, sah, except Christine a patriotic mule, sah." Even offered bribery failed to elicit anything further from this child of twenty-four. In after-days, a stable-boy in response to a handful of cigarettes, gave me a pointer. Once he had seen mine host, accompanied by an equally strong man, carefully select two of the heaviest whips in the harness room, retire to a secluded spot accompanied by the fair and wilful Christine. Then they began shouting, "Christine, remember the Maine." At the first word mine host slashed her on the off side, at the second, his friend struck the nigh, and so on, until the word "Maine" was reached, when both sides were simultaneously slashed. Now Christine had been often hit on one side or the other, to say nothing of top and bottom, but to be hit on both sides at the same moment was beyond her comprehension, and could only be owing to the word "Maine;" and further, if she wished to avoid a repetition, it was imperative she should get away from that place as soon as possible. It is only fair to my jockey friend to say he always stoutly denied the story, and insisted that it was patriotism alone actuated this magnified ghost of a mule.—Harper's Magazine.

TREATING CUSTOM IN HAITI.

Of course there is in Haiti a small circle of native-born creoles, who are naturally born ladies and gentlemen, exquisite in their courtly manners, and most desirable as friends. Then the white men who are living there, as I have already mentioned, are characters. If they take a liking to you, all they have or can capture is yours. The following will illustrate this characteristic:

Mine host and a friend were walking through the leading thoroughfare of one of the towns, when the friend suddenly came to a standstill, and placing his long nervous index finger on mine host's breast, remarked:

My dear boy, in here they make the best cocktails in Haiti. I have spent three fortunes in assuring myself of the truth of this. Let's go in and try one."

There was a prompt adjournment from the pathwalk to the interior of the building, a few minutes of delightful, expectant silence as the ingredients were shaken together, a mutual bow followed by disappearance of the liquids.

Friend—How do you like that?

Mine host—Delicious!

Friend—Let us have another.

Mine host—Certainly, only this second one is on me.

Friend—Make no mistake, my boy; they are both on you. I've no money."

It is the unexpected that happens—especially in Haiti the unknown.—Henry Sandham, in Harper's Magazine.

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Elizabeth A. Knox, as Executrix of the estate of Caroline Hartwell, deceased, vs. Henry S. Reed, et al.

NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENT DEFENDANTS.

To Henry S. Reed and Minnie L. Reed:—You and each of you will take notice that on the 20th day of July, 1899, the above named plaintiff filed her petition in the court aforesaid against you and each of you, the object and prayer of said petition are to foreclose two certain mortgages executed by you to the Clark & Leonard Investment Company and by it assigned to this plaintiff upon the following described premises to-wit: Commencing at the N. E. corner of the S. E. quarter of the S. E. quarter of Section thirty-six, 36, Township ten, 10, N. of Range six 6, E. of the 6th P. M., then running W. six hundred and ninety-one, 891, feet on the N. line of the said S. E. quarter of the S. E. quarter thence running twenty-nine and 100 feet on a line parallel to the E. line of said S. E. quarter to the starting point, thence S. three hundred 300 feet on a line parallel to the E. line of said S. E. quarter, thence W. one hundred and twenty-eight 128 feet on a line parallel to the N. line of said S. E. quarter, thence N. three hundred 300 feet on a line parallel to the E. line of the said S. E. quarter, thence E. one hundred and twenty-eight, 128, feet to the point of beginning, the same being Lots one, 1, two, 2, three, 3, four, 4, five, 5, and six 6. Block three, 3 Windsor Addition to the City of Lincoln, Lancaster county, Nebraska, to secure the payment of two certain promissory notes and interest thereon, said notes being dated June 12, 1894, for the sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars, \$1,500, and One Hundred and Fifty Dollars, \$150.00, respectively with interest at the rate of eight per cent per annum till due and ten per cent per annum after maturity, said notes being due on the 1st day of June, 1895, that default has been made in the payment of said notes and interest and there is now due upon the said notes and mortgages the sum of \$1,584 with interest at the rate of ten per cent per annum from the 14th day of July, 1899, for which sum with interest as aforesaid, plaintiff prays for a decree that the defendants be required to pay the same or that said premises may be sold to satisfy the amount found due.

Plaintiff further prays that a receiver may be appointed to take charge of said premises and to rent the same, collect the rents and profits thereof, to pay taxes and keep said premises insured and to hold the balance subject to the order of the court, and plaintiff proposes for said receiver the name of A. E. Moeller and as sureties for said receiver and for said plaintiff the names of J. R. Inkster and H. S. Freeman. Said application for a receiver is based upon the affidavits of H. B. Sawyer, G. R. Kimmel, H. W. Davis, A. W. Miller, E. P. Hovey, A. D. Kitchen and W. I. Fryer.

You and each of you are required to answer said petition on or before the 11th day of September, 1899, and hearing on application for appointment of a receiver will be had on said last named date at the hour of 9 A. M. of said day or as soon thereafter as council can be heard by the court or a judge thereof.

Dated Lincoln, Nebraska, July 20, 1899.
ELIZABETH A. KNOX, as Executrix of the estate of Caroline Hartwell, deceased,
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