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—JUDGE Samuel Lumpkin, of the Northern Circuit Court of Georgia, has abolished the practice of persons kissing the Bible when being sworn in as jurors or as witnesses.

—A SPICY writer in the American Rural Home insists that even hogs would rather be clean than dirty, and that they would much less unhealthy food if kept in clean, sunny pens.

—A NEW rose, possessed of manifold attractions, perfect in form and color, unequalled in fragrance, hardy in habit, and a perpetual bloomer, has been named by its originator "The American Beauty."

—A LADY refused to let her daughter go to the rink the other day, so the miss went quickly to the back cellar door, slid down it and fell on her bustle a few times and then went into the house satisfied.—[Argus.]

—THE Washington correspondent of the Times-Democrat, speaking of the disposition of the Louisiana offices, says there is some talk now, that the President is inclined to put aside the factions and appoint business men to the offices in New Orleans.

—THE New York Sun in a recent editorial on "bad times" says that money was never so cheap as now, and as the depression extends throughout Europe, as well as the United States, it cannot be attributed to a gold standard or to tariff laws. The Sun holds "that the country is rich and sound at the core, and when all the inflated and delusive concerns are settled up and cleared away, we shall find that we are a great deal better off than the philosophers of calamity and despair have imagined."

—ON Thursday, April 2d, just before midnight, the northeast corner of the residence of Major B. H. Green, McComb City, Miss., was struck by lightning during a furious storm then prevailing. The lightning tore a hole in the roof of the house about four feet square, then ran down the side of the house, tearing the plaster from the wall and throwing it with great violence over the whole room. The head of the bed occupied by two sisters of Mrs. Green was only about four inches from the wall struck by lightning, and the ladies were completely covered by the falling plaster.—Shreveport Times.

—SMALL feet, a physician points out in the New York World—in connection with a controversy on the subject—are sometimes severely a disfigurement as to a lady who claimed to wear children's No. 12 shoes, he says: If she be no larger grown than a child of twelve, then her feet are proportionate, but if she be the average size of women of her age then she is just as much deformed in her feet as a child of twelve would be with the feet of a full grown woman. If the rest of her body has been morally developed, while her feet remain as they were at twelve years old, she is a monstrosity, or an instance of retarded development to be pitied, not envied.

NEW POSTAL LAWS.

CHANGES WHICH GO INTO EFFECT JULY 1, 1885.

The last Congress made some important changes in the postal laws regarding stamps and an increase in the weight of letters, and as people are beginning to make inquiry regarding these changes the following information is submitted. The changes go into effect on the 1st day of July next:

1. The weight of all single rate letters is increased from one-half ounce each or fraction thereof to one ounce each or fraction thereof. The same increase of weight is allowed for drop letters, whether mailed at stations where there is a free delivery or where carrier service is not established.

2 All newspapers sent from the office of publication, including sample copies, or when sent from news agency or actual subscribers there, or to other news agents, shall be entitled to transmission at 1 cent per pound or fraction thereof, the postage to be prepaid. This is a reduction of one-half from existing rates.

3. Any article in a newspaper or other publication may be marked for observation, except by written or printed, without increase of postage.

4 That a special stamp of the value of 10 cents may be issued, which when attached to a letter, in addition to the lawful postage thereon, shall entitle the letter to immediate delivery at any place containing 4,000 population or over, according to the federal census, within one mile of the postoffice, or any other postoffice coming within the provisions of this law, which may, in like manner, be designated as a special delivery office; that such specially-stamped letters shall be delivered between 7 a. m. and midnight; that a book shall be provided in which the person to whom the letter is addressed shall acknowledge its receipt; that messengers for this special delivery are to be paid 80 per cent, of all the stamps received and recorded in a month, provided that the aggregate compensation paid to any one person for such service shall not exceed \$30 per month; and provided, further, that the regulations for the delivery of these specially-stamped letters shall in no way interfere with the prompt delivery of letters as provided by existing law and regulations.

These are all the provisions of the new law which makes changes in relation to postage. The government has doubled the weight which may be carried for two cents, has reduced the postage one-half on newspapers sent from publication offices, and has provided that a letter for 10 cents additional, may be immediately delivered by special messenger at any time between 7 o'clock in the morning and midnight.

Important Discovery.

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A Lady's Opinion.

Mrs. Geo. Gilbert, Bryan, O., writes: DE. S. B. HARTMAN & CO., Columbus, Ohio: "I commenced on the fifth bottle of your PERUNA this morning, and should just as soon think of doing without my meals as without my medicine. I have been doctoring for about four years, and kept getting worse all the time, and was just giving up in despair when I got one of your books, "The Ills of Life." I was in bed at the time. I read and re-read your book and felt like trying your medicine. My folks thought there was no use in trying anything more; I was too far gone, and might as well make up my mind to die. I told them PERUNA was the medicine I needed, and I intended to try a bottle. It proved a success in breaking the chills, and if it had not done one thing more, I would have been satisfied. But it has done more, and I feel like another person. Everybody that sees me is surprised to see me looking so well, as they all thought I was dying with consumption, and now my own folks have as much to say for the PERUNA as I. I recommend it to everybody I see. There were two of our neighbors in yesterday inquiring about the PERUNA. I gave them the one my book to read; told her to bring it back, as I prized it very highly. The other got the name of the PERUNA to send to his son in Chicago. He is a telegraph operator. My disease is something similar to Mrs. Milo Ingram's, though nothing compared to being so bad. There was a lump raised on my collar bone, and it was a long time before it looked like opening. The doctor said he would have to lance it in a few days, but I thought I would attend to that myself, so I put a little fly blister on it and it opened; then I put a poultice on and then salve, and kept the salve on all the time. It got so bad and spread upon my left shoulder, and one place under my left breast. Then there were two places on my head, one near the temple and one back of my ear, that was just dreadful. No tongue can tell what I suffered. My head felt so strange sometimes, I thought I was going crazy. Since I have used the PERUNA (I don't use the salve any more) my sores healed up right away. And oh! what a relief it is to get around without chilling and having to suffer with my sores. I feel like letting everybody know all about it."

John Ferguson, Gallitzin, Pa., writes: "Your PERUNA is a good medicine, and we sell lots of it. Will you please send us some more 'Ills of Life,' with a few German."

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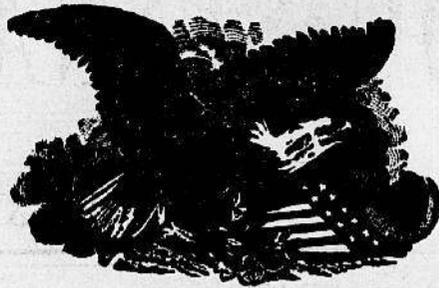
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SUCCESSION SALE.

SUCCESSION OF } No. 477.
HENRIETTA RILEY }

Probate Docket, District Court, Rapides Parish, La.

Pursuant to a commission and order of sale issued by the Honorable the Twelfth Judicial District Court in and for the Parish and State aforesaid, commanding me as Sheriff and ex-officio auctioneer to sell for the payment of debts, for cash, and in accordance with law the hereinafter described property, I shall offer for sale at public auction, at the front of the Court House door in the Town of Alexandria, La., between the hours prescribed by law, on

Saturday, the 2d day of May, A. D. 1885,

the following described property, to-wit:

An undivided one-half interest in and to a certain ½ square of ground with the improvements thereon situated, in the lower suburbs of the Town of Alexandria, La., bounded above by Bellier street, below by Xavier street, and on the side next the river by the square of ground owned by Rebecca and Ellen Carr, and on the other side by Third street, together with all buildings and improvements thereon.

Terms:—Cash, subject to appraisal, being the community property of John Riley and his deceased wife, Henrietta Riley.

D. C. PAUL, Sheriff and ex-officio Auctioneer.

Sheriff's Sale.

JAMES H. DAVIS vs. MRS. MARTHA L. BLOSSAT } No. 3065.
Twelfth Judicial District Court, Parish of Rapides, Louisiana.

BY virtue of a writ of fieri facias issued in the above entitled and numbered suit and to me directed, I have seized and will offer for sale to the last and highest bidder, for cash, at public auction, at the Eden plantation on which the property seized is now kept, in Rapides Parish, Louisiana, on

SATURDAY, the 11th day of APRIL, A. D. 1885,

the following described property, to-wit:—

One gray horse mule, One dark brown horse mule, One dark bay mare mule.

TERMS OF SALE:—Cash, subject to appraisal. D. C. PAUL, Met. 21-tds. Sheriff.

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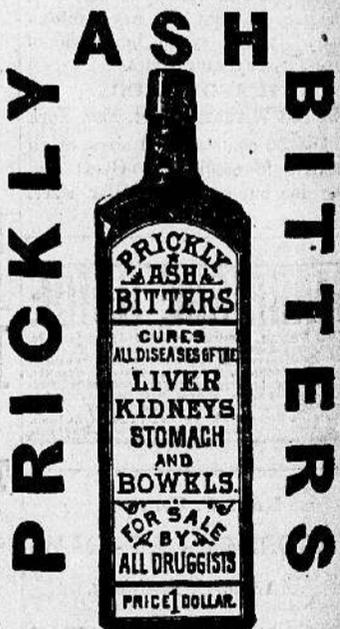
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