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James H. Davis }  
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In the 12th 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 at public auction, to the last and highest bidder, for cash, at the Eden plantation, on which the property seized is now kept, in Rapides Parish, La., on

Saturday, the 9th day of May, A. D. 1885,  
the following described property, to-wit:—

One (1) Sorrel Pony Horse,  
One (1) Black Ox,  
One (1) Red Ox,  
One (1) White Ox,  
One (1) Black Ox,  
One (1) White and Red Ox,  
One (1) Sorrel Mare,  
One (1) Bay Pony Horse.

Terms of Sale—Cash, subject to appraisalment. D. C. PAUL,  
Apl 25-tds. Sheriff.

## Sheriff's Sale.

John Taylor Hunter }  
vs. Mrs. Martha L. Blossat } No. 3114.  
In the 12th Judicial District Court,  
Parish of Rapides, Louisiana.

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Saturday, the 9th day of May, A. D. 1885,

the following described property, to-wit:—

Two (2) Wagons,  
Eleven (11) Turning Plows,  
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SHE was a very modest girl, and when the observatory astronomer said, "Take a glance through the telescope, miss, and you will see Venus in all her glory," she frigidly drew back, and replied, "No, thank you, sir; I have no desire to look at any member of my sex who dresses as she is represented to."

—THERE are seven sassafras oil mills in Pittsylvania county, Va. The oil is distilled from the sassafras root at the rate of one gallon of oil to seventy-five pounds of roots, and sells for \$4 a gallon for use in making toilet soap.

—THE largest bridge in the world crosses Lake Ponchartrain at New Orleans, and is twenty-two miles in length.

## BILL NYE'S CARVING.

My carving is like my dancing. It is not conventional. It is extremely original, bold and audacious. I try to introduce joints where Nature did not intend to have them, and I seek to make short cuts across a fowl in a way that is productive only of chagrin, vexation, and fragments of a hen. Man is a weak, fallible creature, and he ought not to seek to monkey with the anatomy of a fowl, or to improvise joints and apertures where they do not belong; for at such time as you think not the knife will clip, and it will trip over the celery glass and fill the bosom of a warm personal friend with gravy.

To attract attention and keep up the spirits of the company, therefore, I make it a kind of business as it were, to fill the air with harmless amusement at the same time that I shod stuffing through the atmosphere and mutilate the bosom of the hen. This gives me an opportunity, occasionally, to gather up the sage, bread crumbs and gizzards out of my lap and return them to the platter without exciting remark.

A few weeks ago, on an occasion of this kind, a cousin of mine, a young lawyer connected with the Omaha road, a young man of good parts, and whose business is to stand between the Omaha road and substantial justice, at so much a year and traveling expenses, was present.

I had just said something smart to keep the company good natured, while I asked a young lady at the other end of the table to please return the duck which I had inadvertently presented to her with the carving fork stuck in it. Every one was laughing joyously and trying to conceal it by putting their napkins to their mouths, when my cousin turned to my little and said:

"Bessie, haven't you got a funny papa, though?"

"Yes, indeed," said the ungrateful, unfilial and irreverent heir apparent to a great name. "You better believe he's funny — — — when we have company."

And yet people wonder why I am not the same genial host that I used to be, and why the children do not eat at the first table, and why there is a sound of kicking against the door of an adjoining room, and the occasional wail of a hungry child as the meal progresses.—[Bill Nye in Puck.

—WHAT strange creatures we are, to be sure, comments an exchange: "A sailor soon forgets the terrors of the sea, and ships again ere he has been ashore a month; the convict is almost certain to return to the prison from which he was released but a short time back, and the widow will marry the second time if she gets the chance, and she usually gets the chance." He might have added the drunkard will get drunk again if he gets the chance, and if he has the "cash" he usually has the chance, "prohibition to the contrary notwithstanding."

THE AESTHETIC NAME FOR ROLLER SKATING.—"Can you tell me where the skating rink is?" asked a man on a Springfield avenue car of the conductor.

"The charioteer will inform you," was the reply.

The passenger sought the jehu by the brake and repeated the inquiry.

"Wait until the postillion attaches the third horse and then I will have time to answer," said the lynx eyed head light of the car, referring to the boy with the superannuated nag who is posted opposite the court-house.

"The colosseum where they rotate on castors is just at the brow of the activity," he said a moment afterward. "I am going to stop there myself to revolve an hour or two."

"To what?" asked the passenger eyeing the victim of rinkomania curiously. "To revolve. That's the aesthetic slang for skating," said the driver as he threw the lines to his relief and made a break for the rink.

—THE firemen of Alexandria celebrated the anniversary of their department on Tuesday. It is said that not a single representative of the Shreveport department attended. This dereliction, no doubt, should be ascribed to the inability of the members to attend, owing partly to private business, and to the fact that they are all very busy arranging for their celebration on May 5th. The Shreveport fireman and the people of this city entertain the most friendly and cordial feelings for the Alexandria firemen, who, it is hoped, will take their revenge by attending the demonstration on the 5th of May en masse.—[Shreveport Times, 30th ult.

—SOME years ago there lived a very old and eccentric citizen in our midst. He was the father of a very beautiful and bewitching daughter, who had many suitors for her hand. Finally the girl married, but to the dissatisfaction of the parent. Meeting his new found son-in-law, a few mornings afterward he accosted him thusly: "Well, Billie, you have done well; but my daughter Mary has played h—l."—[Gwinnett (Ga.) Herald.

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