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LAND OFFICE AT LARNED, Kans., June 2, 1886.
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 H. M. Ingraham, Clerk of District Court, at Medicine Lodge, Kans., on August 31, 1886, viz: John D. Lemper, for the s e ¼ n w ¼ section 8, township 33, range 12.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
F. M. Cackelee, Richard Newell, Abraham Long, of Medicine Lodge, and Bert Rhodes, of Mingona.
27 W. R. BROWNLEE, Register.

SHERIFF'S SALE.
In the District Court of Barber county, State of Kansas.
M. L. Blackenship, plaintiff, versus Charles Dixon, defendant. } ss.
STATE OF KANSAS, BARBER COUNTY.
BY VIRTUE of an order of sale, to me directed, isued out of the District Court of Barber county, state of Kansas, in the action above entitled, I will, on
TUESDAY, AUGUST 10TH, 1886,
at 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the front door of the court house, in the city of Medicine Lodge, in said county and state, offer for sale, at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, all the right, title and interest whatsoever of the said Charles Dixon in and to the following lands and tenements, to-wit: The west half (½) of the northwest quarter (¼) of section twenty-three (23), and the east half (½) of the northeast quarter (¼) of section twenty-two (22), township thirty (30) south, of range fifteen (15) west, taken as the property of Charles Dixon, to satisfy said order of sale.
Given under my hand this, 9th day of July, A. D. 1886.
C. D. NELSON,
610 Sheriff of Barber County, Kansas.
By A. R. McKINNEY, Deputy.

Land Office at Larned Kans June 28 1886.
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 the Probate Judge, at Medicine Lodge, on August 10, 1886, viz: George G. Burke, O D S 10407, for the n e ¼ s e ¼ s e ¼ n w ¼, and w ½ n e ¼ sec 15, twp 33, range 13, west.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
Moses Hamilton, Robert Brunts, Robert Jesse, A L Elsworth, all of Medicine Lodge, Kansas.
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Land Office at Larned, Kans., June 28, 1886.
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 H. M. Ingraham, Clerk of District Court, at Medicine Lodge, on September 28, 1886, viz: Martin L. Kerschner, for the s e ¼ s e ¼ sec 17; n ½ n e ¼ sec 21, twp 32, south, range 11, west.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
Clinton L. Kine, W W Brown, L Rector, and Ingraham Schooneman, all of Medicine Lodge, Kansas.
6 11c W. R. BROWNLEE, Register.

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Land Office at Larned Kans June 28 1886
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 the Probate Judge at Medicine Lodge, on August 6, 1886, viz: Isaac Weidner, O D S 10883, for the n-w ¼ sec 9 twp 31 range 14.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
H Goodman, Joseph Hiterwich, E Wolfburg, A Beckwith, all of Sexton, Barber county, Kansas.
5 10 c W. R. BROWNLEE, Register.

Land Office at Larned Kans June 28 1886.
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 H. M. Ingraham, clerk of the District Court, at Medicine Lodge, Kansas, on August 9, 1886, viz: Nira Antill, for the w ½ n-w ¼, sec 24, n ½ n-e ¼ sec 23, twp 32, range 15.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
H Walters, R Walters, H Tankisley, Frank Fosset, all of Deerhead, Kansas.
5 10 c W. R. BROWNLEE, Register.

Land Office at Larned, Kans. June 28, 1886.
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 the Probate Judge at Medicine Lodge, on August 12th, 1886, viz: Thantus P. Cocannon, O D S 10728 for the w ½ n e ¼ sec 25 and s-w ¼ s-e ¼ s-w ¼ sec 26 twp 32 south, range 14 west.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
John Kenney, J H Stafford, Ed Frazier, Peter Moffet, all of Medicine Lodge, Kansas.
5 10 c W. R. BROWNLEE, Register.

Land Office at Larned Kans June 28 1886.
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 H. M. Ingraham, clerk of the District Court, at Medicine Lodge, Kansas, on August 12, 1886, viz: Andrew Sumski, O D S No. 10631, for the w ½ s-w ¼ sec 26, twp 31, range 12.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
T Marquand, D E Morris, M Hamilton, B Wadsworth, all of Medicine Lodge.
5 10c W. R. BROWNLEE, Register.

Land Office at Larned Kans June 28 1886
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 the Probate Judge at Medicine Lodge, on August 12, 1886, viz: John Staples, O D S No 10911, for the s-w ¼ n-w ¼ sec 24, township 30 south, range 11 west.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
William Stamer, E D Hall, E B Gorden, N B Marshall, all of Mumford, Kansas.
5 10 c W. R. BROWNLEE, Register.

Land Office at Larned Kans June 28 1886
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 the Probate Judge, at Medicine Lodge, on August 4th, 1886, viz: Johnithan C. Prather, for the s ½ s-e ¼ sec 11, twp 33, range 14 west.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
L Crabb, John H Long, M Holland, J Eustim, all of Sexton, Barber county, Kansas.
Also Mira A. Bruner, for the e ½ s-w ¼ n-w ¼, e ½ l, sec 20, and n-e ¼ n-w ¼ sec 29, township 33, range 15 west.
She names the following witnesses to prove her continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
Sherman Brown, Scott Miller, George Spicer, Fred Elkler, all of Sexton, Kansas.
5 10 c W. R. BROWNLEE, Register.

Land Office at Larned, Kansas, June 4, '86.
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 the Probate Judge, at Medicine Lodge, on July 29, 1886, viz: Aaron St. John, O D S 11204, for the e ½ s e ¼ s-w ¼ s-e ¼, and s-e ¼ s-w ¼ sec 17, twp 33 south, of range 14 west.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
A Beckwith, L C Crabb, Saul Goldanski, M Levin, all of Sexton, Barber county, Kans.
Also Moses Levin, O D S, 11217, for the n ½ n-e ¼ n-e ¼ n-w ¼ sec 19, and s-e ¼ s-w ¼ sec 18, twp 33 south, range 14 west.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
A Beckwith, L C Crabb, Saul Goldanski and Thomas Waters, all of Sexton, Barber co. Kan.
2 7 W. R. BROWNLEE, Register.

Land Office at Larned, Kans. June 4, 1886.
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 H. M. Ingraham, Clerk District Court, at Medicine Lodge, Kansas, on September 7, 1886, viz: John M. Holden, O D S 11539, for the s-e ¼ n-e ¼ s-e ¼ sec 6; n-w ¼ s-w ¼ sec 5, twp 33, range 15.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
James R Litz, R H Estill, Alex Dotson, D L Grey, all of Deerhead, Kansas.
3 8 c W. R. BROWNLEE, Regi ter.

SHERIFF'S SALE.
In the District Court of Barber County, Kansas.
M. T. and G. Morris, Partners, plaintiffs, versus
The Sharon Town Company, D. M. Fisher, and C. B. Lee and H. M. Viele, Partners as Lee & Viele, defendants.
BY VIRTUE of an order of sale, to me directed, out of the District Court of Barber county, Kansas, in the above entitled action, I, Charles D. Nelson, sheriff of said county, will, on
MONDAY, AUGUST 2D, 1886,
at 2 o'clock p.m. of said day, at the front door of the courthouse, in the city of Medicine Lodge, Barber county, Kansas, offer for sale, at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, all of the right, title and interest whatsoever of the said Sharon Town Company in and to the following lands and tenements, to-wit: Lots numbers eleven (11), and twelve (12), of block number sixteen (16), in Heaton's addition to the Town of Sharon, county of Barber and state of Kansas, to satisfy judgments of the plaintiffs and of the defendants, Lee & Viele, against the defendant, D. M. Fisher, of Four Hundred and Nine and Forty-nine hundredths Dollars ($409 49), and Two Hundred and Fifty and Forty hundredths Dollars ($250 40), respectively with interest on said sums at the rate of seven (7) per cent. per annum from June 4th, 1886, the date of said judgment and the further sum of forty-five and twenty hundredths dollars ($45 20) costs of suit, all of which said sums were by said judgment decreed to be a lien upon said real estate, and the costs of this sale.
Given under my hand this first day of July, A. D. 1886. CHARLES D. NELSON,
5 Sheriff of Barber County, Kansas.

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STRAYED, from Sexton's Store, one Sorrel MARE PONY. One is a yearlin, 5 years old, Spanish brand on left hip, also U on same hip; left shoulder and neck cut by wire. One is a dark bay pony, five years old, Spanish brand on left hip, also D C with cross beneath, on left shoulder. Anyone returning the same to me at Sexton's Store, will be liberally rewarded
5 13 CHAS. E. SEXTON.

Sheriff's Sale.
In the District Court of Harper County, State of Kansas.
C. H. Gardner, Plaintiff, versus
A. E. Steinaker, Defendant.
By virtue of an execution, to me directed, issued out of the District Court of Harper county, State of Kansas, in the action above entitled, I will, on
SATURDAY, JULY 17, 1886,
at the hour of 2 o'clock, P. M., of said day, at the front door of the court house, in the city of Medicine Lodge, in Barber county Kansas, offer for sale, at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, all of the right, title and interest whatsoever of the said A. E. Steinaker in and to the following lands and tenements, to-wit:
The west one-half (½) of the southwest quarter (¼) and the west one-half (½) of the northwest quarter of section 35, township 31, south of range 8 (16) west, in the county of Barber and state of Kansas, taken as the property of the said A. E. Steinaker and to satisfy a judgment of One Hundred and Fifty ($150.00) dollars, with interest at the rate of seven (7) per cent from date of judgment, and the further sum of Sixteen and 40 100 dollars ($16.40) as cost of suit, obtained against the above named defendant, and the costs of this execution.
Given under my hand this 12th day of June, A. D., 1886.
CHAS. D. NELSON,
3 14 Sheriff of Barber County, Kansas.

A WISE MULE.

She Puts Two Indians to Flight and Saves Her Master's Life.

[Cor. N. Y. Sun.]

"A band of redskins had come into the valley—mebbe a huntin' party, and mebbe a whole village," said Dan Class, a Montana hunter, describing an adventure with Indians. "It was a warnin' that a white man about my size had better pack up and be off, and I tell you I didn't let no grass grow under my feet in gettin' ready. I had traveled in the timber darin' the day, to keep out of sight an I to hide my trail, but now I left the shelter and took to the valley. I had four or five hours to day-light, and the way that mule and me got up and humped ourselves amazed the coyotes. I jist know that we were fully twenty miles away when day-light broke. The timber now was scattered along in groves, and afore day-light was too strong we took shelter in a bit of timber containin' perhaps half an acre. This timber run to the bank of the river, and the bank at that spot was eight or ten feet high.

"I wasn't jist what you might call an A1 Injun fighter. As I had put twenty miles between me and the Injuns down the valley, I sorter figgered that there wasn't another redskin nigher than them and that I could take things purty easy for a spell. I unloaded the mule and turned her loose, and had jist eaten a bite of cold breakfast when the beast cum slyly through the bushes, ears laid back and eyes shinin', and gin me to understand that sumthin' was wrong agin. She didn't put her head to rds the valley, but straight for the river, and I says to myself that perhaps she scented Injuns who were passin' up or down in canoes. I shouldered my rifle and crept to rds the bank, but I hadn't gone thirty yards when crack! crack! went two rifles, and two bullets zipped past my head in a way to make me dizzy. With a scream such as a wild beast might give, the mule made a rush in the direction of the shots and I followed on.

"This was what had happened and what did happen. A couple of Injuns were, perhaps, comin' down the valley when they saw me take to the grove. They saw me, but I didn't see them. They entered the grove on the upper side, leavin' their ponies tied to a tree, and were workin' around to get a shot at me but the mule twigged the game. Both fired at the same instant, and as a consequence both rifles were empty when the mule charged 'em. To escape her—and I'm tellin' you that she'd have taken right hold like a dog—they scrambled up a cottonwood growin' on the very edge of the bank. One of 'em dropped his rifle on the ground, while the other took his up. The mule stood nigh the foot of the tree pawin' and squealin', and as soon as I saw how the land lay I lifted my rifle fur a shot. The feller who had taken his gun up was workin' to load her, but I stopped him. My bullet hit him in the shoulder, and it was catch-and-go that he didn't tumble. I was loadin' fur another shot, and was takin' notice that the unwounded one was climbin' higher when the mule jumped back with a snort and the tree began to go over. It went slowly and the two reds yelled out in terror. When it struck the water there was an awful splash and a great commotion. The tree was too green to float, and the water was so deep that only a few branches showed above the surface. I reckon that both Indians were pinned down in some manner, fur neither one of 'em showed up after the splash. I kept a close watch all about the place fur half an hour, but not a sign of them could I see.

"I got one of their rifles, which was a splendid weapon, two ponies, worth one hundred dollars apiece, a lot of steel traps and a large amount of powder and lead. It was more'n a week after that when I rode into Fort Benton, but I never saw another Injun or had the least worry. When the fellers at the fort wanted to pat me on the back and call me big Injun, I pointed to the mule and said:

"'Gents, thyre stands the ole gal entitled to all the credit, and the thing I'm onsappy about is that she can't wear a silk dress.'"

How She Fascinated a Well-Dressed Stranger in a Chicago Park.

[Chicago Sun.]

A large, well-dressed man was observed standing motionless in Union Park last night with his hands folded across his breast and his eyes fixed on the full moon in silent ecstasy. People passing through the park stopped to look at the statue, but the stranger paid no attention to any thing sublunary. Finally Officer Miller, a park policeman, touched the man on the shoulder and asked him the reason for his strange conduct. No reply except an inarticulate mumble was received. The man remained perfectly motionless and his muscles were rigid. The officer finally gave up the attempt to rouse him and called the Lake street patrol wagon to take the man to the County Hospital. The man was placed in the wagon and taken to the hospital, when within a short time he showed that he was an imitation of John L. Sullivan in other ways than in the classic statuary art. As soon as he was taken into one of the wards, the mysterious stargazer's muscles were immediately relaxed, and he began to strike out from the shoulder and to throw himself around in the most violent convulsions. It was deemed best to place the patient in a straight-jacket, but it was found necessary to place him under the influence of chloroform before he could be got under control. Before the fumes of the anaesthetic had gained possession of his senses six stalwart men could not hold him.

"How is your patient, doctor?" was asked of Dr. Frothingham, who attended him.

"He's getting along first rate," was the reply. "He hasn't had a recurrence of the convulsions in five minutes." In response to inquiries as to what was the matter with the patient, Dr. Frothingham said that he was evidently moon-struck. As this diagnosis caused a general smile the doctor was questioned further. He said: "Seriously speaking, there is no such thing as being moon-struck in this climate. Cases often occur in India, where men sometimes sleep exposed to the rays of the moon in a damp, marshy place. It is difficult to diagnose this case without a more complete examination, but this is probably a case of spinal meningitis. In a person of his age—he is over fifty years of age—it is likely to result fatally."

The identity of the patient is as much a mystery as his history and the cause of his being found in such a condition.

Tommy Cruse, the millionaire miner of Montana, is to be married to a young milliner of Helena. Tommy is sixty years old, but will give his bride $300,000 as an offset for the surplus thirty-five years.

How She Got Even With Sanders.

[Boston Transcript.]

Here is the way a self-reliant woman heads off, in an English newspaper, her husband, who apparently had been "posting" her:

NOTICE.—I, Mary Sanders, never contracted any Debts in the name of William Sanders, as the name of Sanders is not good enough to get credit on.

(Signed) MARY SANDERS.

A HOT COLD DECK.

How An Old California Sport Won a Little Fortune.

A Poker Story of the Early Days On the Pacific Coast—A Lively Game With Heavy Bets—Reddy's Luck and His Antagonist's Anger.

[Dan De Quille, in N. Y. Sun.]

Observing of late in Eastern papers sparring anecdotes, I have been reminded of a lively game which actually occurred just as related in the flush times of placer mining in California, and which I think will interest some of the men of the Atlantic States, where now are not a few of our old timers, many of whom will remember the names of the persons I shall mention.

In the early days of California—in the good old times before the ranchmen and Judge Sawyer came with their injunctions to put a stop to hydraulic mining, and a stopper on the men of the mountains who first lifted California out of the hills and fallow trade and placed her in the sisterhood of States—in those days when the honest miner was digging his bushels of money out of the gulches and hills, and making life possible and profitable to those on the ranches in the valleys, gold coin and gold dust were not held with the throttling grasp characteristic of this horticultural and bucolic era. Then the eager and alert eye of the calculating rancher sought out the miner as he descended from the heights of the Sierras, and his hand was extended in welcome while the man of nuggets and "chispas" was still afar off.

In those "days of old, and days of gold," Reddy & Andrews (Tom Andrews, a man well known to all the old-time Pacific coast sports) owned immensely rich diggings at Forest City, Sierra County. They frequently cleaned up from $20,000 to $30,000 at one time. When a clean up was made one of the partners would take the dust to San Francisco to the mint.

In making these trips they generally took turns. It was before the days of the railroads—was in the old, romantic, sociable happy times of the steamer lines on the rivers of the Golden State. It was the regular habit of the partners, on getting off the long thumping mountain coach, to stay over night at Sacramento, taking the boat the next afternoon at two o'clock for San Francisco.

When it was the turn of Andrews to go down to the bay with the dust, he frequently did battle with the tiger while lying over at Sacramento, but Reddy's strong suit was poker. Three aces was his big hand. When he held three aces he would bet his "bottom dollar and go his liver and lights blind." This was so well known that it had passed into a proverb among the Sacramento sports.

On one occasion, when Reddy had been playing all night with some Sacramento men and quit $8,000 ahead of the game, it was concluded to follow him up. In pursuance of this plan, some of the sports with whom he had spent the night—Charley Dawson among the number—told Reddy that they had concluded, just for the fun of the thing, to take a little run with him down to the bay.

The boat had not proceeded far down the river before, as the most natural thing in the world, a poker game was started. In the game were Reddy, Foster, a hotel keeper from one of the southern counties, Charley Dawson and the other sports.

A job had been put up to raise a cold deck, and give Reddy his favorite hand of three aces. The game proceeded, and at the proper time Dawson raised the deck.

The cards were dealt and Reddy got his three aces, Dawson three kings, and the others indifferent hands. In the draw, Dawson got the other king. Reddy drew two cards, but having his three aces, he felt strong enough to fight an army, and did not pick up or look at the two cards he had drawn.

Betting began and Foster and the two sports with Dawson did not come in.

Having four kings, and being confident that Reddy had only his three aces, Dawson went in strong; and, having his three aces, Reddy felt that nothing could whip him. He was so sure that he was right that he paid no attention to the cards lying by his side, which he had gotten in the draw.

The betting very shortly became red hot. Most of the loungers about the boat were soon gathered around the two men, watching the game with breathless interest.

Among the lookers-on was Domingo Joe, a nervous and restless little sport, who was Dawson's friend and chum. Joe—a Portuguese or Spaniard—was skipping back and forth in the restless way that seems characteristic of undersized men—manikins—peeping over the shoulders of the two men at their cards as often as an opportunity offered, his eyes sparkling and dancing with excitement. He felt pretty confident that the cards had been properly stocked, yet he would have given whole handfuls of gold for a single peep at those which Reddy had not yet picked up.

Several thousand dollars had already been bet, and finally, as a stumper, Dawson went $2,000 better. Reddy promptly saw the raise, and said: "I go you another $2,000 better!"

Quite absent-mindedly he then picked up the two cards that had all the time been lying unnoticed by his side.

The weasel eye of Dominge Joe detected the other ace as the cards were lifted. Instantly an ashy pallor spread over his weazen visage. It was almost as though he had been stricken with death.

However, the stroke paralyzed him for only a moment. Almost instantly he recovered his self-possession, and, thrusting both hands into his trousers pockets and assuming an indifferent air, he sheered off from the party. Carelessly sauntering up and down the boat, he began singing:

And the other fell in, too, boys.
And the other fell in there, too.

This was enough for Dawson. The words of Dominge Joe's pretended song came to his ears as a death knell. He turned pale, then red, threw down his cards and said: "Take it all—I squeal."

As Reddy raked down the whole pile he threw a glance around the circle of pale and silent spectators, and sang as though the words of Dominge Joe had just reached his ears:

And the other fell in, too, boys,
And the other fell in there, too!

Advanced in Christianity.

[Detroit Free Press.]

On the Pacific coast Chinamen who "profess and call themselves Christians" are given the preference as domestic servants, and for this reason it is suspected that many of them attend the Chinese mission and claim to be converted. One of these self-seeking converts recommended himself as a cook to a lady in Portland, Ore., by the proud announcement: "Me Chistian Chinaman; me can say, 'Tinkle, tinkle little star.'"

There are more bananas sold now in a day than oranges and apples combined.

A TOUCHING INCIDENT.

Sadie Jones Finds Her Dying Mother After Eighteen Years of Separation.

[Pittsburgh (Pa.) Special.]

A romance full of real life was unfolded at the Pittsburgh City Home to-day. Miss Sadie Jones, of New York City, arrived here this morning in search of her mother, whom she had not seen for eighteen years. At the office of the Guardians of the Poor she said her father deserted her mother, herself and all older sister in 1868 and went to Colorado, where he subsequently died. In 1868, when Sadie was about four years old, her mother, who had become despondent and reckless, left itself to their fate and went they knew not where. The two girls were cared for by relatives, and the elder is now married. Not hearing from their mother for so many years they concluded she was dead, but were astonished a few weeks ago at receiving a letter announcing that the old lady was still alive.

The letter was written by another inmate of the City Home, to whom she had told her life, and was received by Mr. George C. Berket, a brother of Miss Sadie's mother, who is foreman of Engine Company No. 2, New York City. It bore the post-mark Homestead, the little village on the Monogahela at which the City Home is located, but the imprint of the State was blurred and illegible.

Miss Sadie, who was designated by the relatives to make a search, went first to Homestead, near Buffalo, N. Y., and then came to Homestead, Pa. The letter written from here to her uncle, Mr. Berket, gave a brief history of her mother's life since she left New York. She arrived here the same year she deserted her children and friends, eighteen years ago, and some time after, by marrying a man named O'Neill, changed the name of Margaret Jones, which she attained by her first marriage, to that of Margaret O'Neill. She became the mother of two children by her second marriage and six years ago her second husband died, leaving her a widow for the second time. She managed to eke out an existence somehow until the latter part of last year, when, being sick and destitute, she was sent to the poor-farm.

When all these facts had been explained Assistant Secretary Negley, of the Poor Guardians, took Sadie up to Homestead. In the hospital department, lying upon a bed and nearly exhausted, Sadie saw an aged woman. The whole frame of the poor creature was convulsed with a hacking cough as they approached, for she is in the last stages of consumption, but she partially regained her composure and as the girl looked down upon her a terror-stricken expression at first came into her eyes, her sallow cheeks blanched, and then, with an expression of confounding love in her countenance, she raised her bony hands and in a voice, which, though choked, was full of emotion, exclaimed: "Sadie! Oh Sadie!"

The woman recognized the daughter instantly without warning that she was coming or suggestion as to who Sadie was. The daughter knelt on the poor-house floor by the bedside of her dying mother, and as they sobbed hysterically, clasped their arms around each others' necks, and flooded the wretched woman's pillow with their tears all others turned aside and left them alone. Miss Sadie, when she became more calm, said that the identification was made complete, not only by her mother's corroboration of the story given above, but by the fact that her mother's personal appearance corresponds precisely with a description given by her elder sister, and among the principal details of this was a birth-mark resembling a scar back of the right ear and the prominence of her mother's upper front teeth.

Miss Jones came with the purpose of taking her mother home, but the poor creature is too weak to be moved, and the devoted girl has engaged board at Homestead, and will pay daily visits to the city farm until the swiftly coming day when the dying mother will be lost to the world forever.

AQUATIC EXHIBITIONS.

Captain Boyton Among the Seals and Sea-Lions of the Cliff House.

[Alta California.]

Fully six thousand people gathered at the Cliff House to witness the wonderful exhibition of Captain Paul Boyton. Hundreds of carriages were scattered along the beach, well filled with handsomely attired people, and upon the surrounding hillsides were perched many specimens of the irrepressible small boy. A sharp breeze was blowing in from the sea, and between it and the heavy swell which was running, the Captain had a pretty hard time. At two o'clock, prompt, Captain Boyton stepped into the water, encased in his rubber armor, and, after breasting the breakers, swam directly to the first seal rock, much to the astonishment and fright of its native owners. Old "Ben Butler," the lone seal, was inclined to show fight at first, but, finding himself unsupported, he followed the others in a wild scramble for the water. After swimming around with a couple of flags for a short while the captain commenced the construction of a raft from several pieces of timber which were moored near the rocks. This operation consumed some time, and when completed a couple of carrier pigeons were released from Baby Mine to wing their way, in startled flight to the shore.

The next thing in order was a meal, and by means of a rod and line, a struggling flounder was soon hooked and prepared for the frying pan, which was heated by a small oil stove placed upon the raft. The repast disposed of, a cigar was lighted, and the supposititious wrecked mariner lay back in the water to enjoy a smoke, while he read a paper beneath the shade of a huge umbrella. Several other feats followed, such as shooting off a rifle, while standing upright in the water, and sailing around with outrigged and lateen sails. This latter feature, however, was almost a failure, owing to the strong wind. The programme was concluded with a grand finale, by blowing up the raft with a torpedo. After towing his little tender to a place of safety, Boyton fixed the small instrument of destruction upon the raft, lit the fuse and then paddled himself swiftly beyond the reach of danger. For a moment a dead silence prevailed, and then the torpedo exploded with a deafening report, shattering the massive timbers of the ra