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Jacob Runkle's Adm'r,
vs.
David Runkle, et als.
All parties interested in the above styled cause now pending in the circuit court for the county of Augusta Take Notice, that pursuant to a decree of said court entered in said cause Nov. 16, 1896, I shall, at my office in Staunton, Va., on
January 6th, 1897,
proceed to take, state and settle an account showing:
1. The transactions of Hulst Glenn as Trustee in this cause.
2. Whether or not the debts secured in the deed of trust in the bill mentioned to W. H. Strough and Christian Runkle are valid and subsisting debts.
3. Whether or not the debt for $300 secured to Mary Ann Runkle is a valid and subsisting debt, how the same was contracted, and what evidence, if any, there was of the existence of said debt up to the time of the execution of the said deed of trust.
4. Whether or not the provision for the contingent dower made by the grantor in the trust deed for his wife, is just and equitable, and if not, the true value of such contingent dower.
5. An account of the property convey under the deed of trust in the bill mentioned, real and personal and the value thereof together with the annual rental and fee simple value of the real estate.
6. An account of the liens binding the real estate in the bill mentioned in the order of their priority.
8. Ano other matters deemed pertinent, &c.
HENRY W. HOLT,
Craig & Hackman, p.q. Commissioner.
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VIRGINIA:—In the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Augusta county, December 2nd, 1896.
Cornelia Quarles, who sues, &c.....Plaintiff,
vs.
Henry L. Carr, Adm'r with the will annexed of Benjamin W. Downing, dec'd. et als.....Defendants.
IN CHANCERY.
The object of this suit is to compel a settlement of the estate of Benjamin W. Downing, dec'd, and to subject to the payment of complainant's debt of $3,540.00 with interest on $2,000.00 part thereof from May 26th, 1896, until paid and the debts of all others against the estate of Benjamin W. Downing, dec'd, who shall come into this suit, the following described real estate of which the said Benjamin W. Downing died seized and possessed situated in the town of Basic City, Va., to-wit: Lots 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 in Block 222. Lots 4, 5, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15 in Block 223. Lot 17 in Block 52. Lots 4 and 20 in Block 95. Lots 2 and 5 in Block 156. Lot 3 in Block 55. Lot 4 in Block 155. Lot 15 in Block 154, a certain triangular price of land at the junction of Bridge Avenue and Riverside Drive adjoining lot 14 in Block 222 and a certain other piece of land on the south side of Bridge Ave and at the junction o. Riverside Drive and said Ave, according to the map of the town of Basic City, Va.
And it appearing by affidavit filed that Henry L. Carr, Georgianna U. Downing and Ella Carr (sometimes called Ella D. Carr are non-residents of the State of Virginia, it is ordered that they severally appear here within fifteen days after due publication hereof and do what is necessary to protect their interests in this suit.
A copy-teste.
JOS. B. WOODWARD Clerk.
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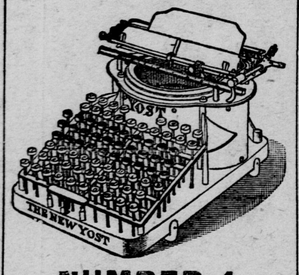

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China's Roads and Travel.

The Ostasiatische Lloyd, a German paper published in Shanghai and representing German interests in the Flowery Kingdom and the far East generally, gives a very interesting description of Chinese roads, means of transport and mode of travel in China in the following statements:

There are very few straight roads in China. The actual distance between two commercial centres may be comparitively short, but the roads are so tortuous that traveling requires much time. Thus the distance between Yunan foo, the capital of the province of Yunan, and the Yang-rse port of Hankow is on an average covered in 80 days. The distance is, as the crow flies, 825 miles, but the traveler goes over twsce as much. The distance traveled daily varies, of course, with the character of the country.

In southern Yunan, where horses and sedan chairs are available, twenty to twenty-five miles per day may be accomplished. A sedan chair with three carriers (one as relief) costs a dollar a dry. Coolies carrying seventy to eighty pounds receive thirty five to forty cents a day. A baggage horse costs twenty-five to thirty cents a day and carries twice as much as a coolie, but its owner must be paid separately for leading it. Bullocks carry about 150 lbs, but only advance at the rate of eight to twelve miles a day.

In Shan-si and Shen si two-wheeled carts are used, also sedan chairs carried between two mules. Baggage and merchandise are transported on camels, which carry three hundred pounds each, at a cost of one and a half to one and three quarter cents a mile. In the Honan province wheelbarrows are used, small ones at twenty to twenty-five cents a day; large ones. pushed by two men, twice that sum.

In traveling on water, the cost is twelve to fifteen cents for a distance of one hundred li, (about thirty miles), for each person. Meals cost on an average two and a half cents. With regard to security, it must be admitted that traveling is much less dangerous in China than may be supposed. The main roads are generally safe.

Weatherholtz Convicted.

The trial of Elmer A. Weatherholtz for attempting to kill Mrs. Lydia Biller, his mother in-law, was rushed through at Woodstock Wednesday and in a little while he was convicted and sentenced to the penitentiary for five years.

The military company under the command of Captain J. W. Magruder, guarded the jail until Wednesday morning. After the trial was in progress, the officers of the court received information that a mob was organizing to make an attack. The full military company was at once called to the court house, and the trial was hurried, the counsel on both sides making very brief speeches. The case was given to the jury about eleven o'clock and in a half hour they returned with a verdict of guilty and fixed his punishment at five years in the penitentiary, the extreme penalty allowed by law. The judge at once passed sentence. The prisoner was asked the usual question, whether he had anything to say, why sentence should not be passed upon him. He replied that he had not received justice in that court. Nearly every citizen of the county is of the same opinion. He was escorted to the train by the military company, when Sheriff Wrightman, with special guards and a small detail from the company, who were to go as far as Strasburg, carried the prisoner to the Clarke county jail, to await the coming of the penitentiary guard. One of the military telephoned from Strasburg that a pistol was secretly passed to Weatherholtz while on the train. Sheriff Wrightman discovered it and disarmed him.

Orders Six Locomotives.

Mr. M. E. Ingalls, president of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company. gave an order Tuesday to the Richmond Locomotive Works for six locomotives. The engines are known as the Chesapeake and Ohio Class G 5 consolidation compounds. and were designed by Mr. W. S. Morris, superintendent of motive power. They are very powerful machines, with 21 inch and 33 inch by 24 inch cylinders, 50 inch driving wheels. and with a boiler 62 inches in diameter at smoke box end.

Death of an Old Virginian.

Information was received by relatives in Albemarle last week of the death in Montgomery City, Mo., Wednesday, 9th inst., of Judge William R. Harris, in the 84th year of his age. Judge Harris was born at Brown's Cove, Albemarle county, Virginia, and leaves a large family connection in that county.

Directions.

An anxious inquirer asks: "Where would you advise me to go to learn how to play the piano?"

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Worse Than the Old Stage Lines.

The Baltimore Sun's correspondent at Lexington, Va., telegraphs: "There is no change in the situation on the Valley Branch of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad between that system and the Southern Railway. If anything, the situation, in so far as the public is concerned, is more complicated and more detrimental to business interests. The fact of the matter is that under the existing conditions the business interests through the valley are served with less dispatch than in the days of the old stage lines. Freight is delayed by the failure of the Southern and Baltimore & Ohio to get down to some understanding as to through rates and interchange of freight, and the merchants are put at a great disadvantage for all the goods they have shipped them via this route, they are not only subject to unnecessary delay, but have to pay double and over the regular freight tariff. The same thing can be said of express matter. For instance, a package arrived here a few days since from Baltimore that should have had 35 cents freight on it. It came to the south end of the Baltimore & Ohio at Strasburg Junction, where, after delay, it was taken up by the Southern, who charged 35 cents to carry it to Harrisonburg. Then the express company took it up there again over the Baltimore & Ohio and added the third 35 cents, making the total charge of $1.05, when it should have only been 35 cents. The freight business along with the passenger receipts have fallen off to almost nothing, and frequently trains come here and go out without either freight or passengers. A car load of apples arrived here a few days ago from New York on which the freight charges were more than the entire value of the apples. The Southern Railway seems determined to freeze the Baltimore & Ohio out and give the traveling public and the business interests in the valley all the delay and trouble possible. If the present conditions continue long, the interested interests along the valley will demand some kind of legislation that will protect them from a like occurrence or a continuance of the present trouble."

The Strasburg News says: "The Southern Railway Company have removed all watchmen along the line of road from Strasburg to Harrisonburg. Even at the fatal 'Narrow Passage' there is no watchman, as under the Baltimore & Ohio regime."

TENTH LEGION, VA., Dec. 21, 1896.
Editor Spectator and Vindicator:

With the reception of last week's "Spectator and Vindicator." We leaned with the most profound sorrow of the death of our old and much esteemed friend, Wm. Shuff, of your city. When we were young men for several years we worked at Shenandoah Iron Works, now "Shenandoah City" in Page county, then owned and conducted by the late Daniel and Henry Forrer, and in the year 1842, when we concluded that it was not good for "man to be alone," we married, our late and good friend, was our first best man and often after he located in Staunton, when we would meet, we would refer to our young days of pleasure, wit much enjoyment, he was a genial companion, an industrious, honest uprightman, and raised as we learn, quite a respectable family, he left a most excellent wife together with her children to mourn his death, he was the last one of the children of "Jonathan Shuff," who was one of many who came to the Page Valley near Luray, then a part of Shenannoah county, with the late Benjamin Blackford from Pennsylvania, who built the "Isabella Furnace" on the Hawksbill Creek, just below Luray.

Dr. Benjamin Blackford, Superintendent of the Western State Hospital of Staunton, is a grandson of the great iron master, that built and operated the old Isabella Furnace near Luray.

When the Elder Blackford came to the Page Valley, a large number of mechanics followed: the Shuffs, Hotzmans, Petersons, Glenns, Shewlers, Ferrels, Batmans, McDaniels and Blakmores, our grandfather and father being among the number.

Abram and Charles Burkholder, of New Market, are nephews of our late friend Shuff, they are creditable and well to do gentlemen with families.

The notice of our friend's death in the Spectator, gave the year 1818, as the year of his birth. We were aware that there was but little difference in our ages. We were born the 17th day of June in the year 1817.

We deeply sympathize with his good family, he was a good husband and father.

Peace to his memory.

N. L. BLAKEMORE.

Bryan Vote in Mining States.

The St. Louis Globe Democrat, a leading Republican paper, says: "Bryan's pluralities in the mining States outside of California loom up into something comparatively immense. The Colorado plurality is 138,990; Montana, 33,190; Utah, 53,592; Idaho, 16,868; Nevada, 6,440. The total plurality against the Republican ticket in the five small States is 249,080. If the Republicans were wrong when they mapped out these States, their disappointment and punishment are on a magnificent scale."

Mr. Wanamaker has recently been detected in bribery, and now Mr. Carnegie has been caught palming off on the government defective plate armor for its war ships. Both are men high in the esteem of the republican party, and both have contributed largely to the success of that party. Of their respective crimes, it is hard to tell which is the worse, for while that of the latter risked the lives of hundreds of men, that of the former tended to corrupt the morals of many mortals, and it is a moot question whether physical, is not preferable to moral death.—Alexandria Gazette.

DIED BY HER GRAVE.—Over the grave of his late fiance in Cavalry cemetery, at Toledo, O., last week, Edmund E. Wright, aged twenty years, a member of a prominent Toledo family, committed suicide. After placing a bunch of flowers on the tomb, Wright sent a bullet into his heart, dying almost instantly. The tragic deed was witnessed by a former female companion of the dead girl, who had accompanied Wright to the cemetery. The deceased was Miss Claude Osborne, well-known in local society.

CUBA.

[Communicated.]

Now, Waynesboro has spoken to the national government on the Cuban question; can Fishersville keep silent? From the resolutions of the Waynesboro committee, it will be enough for our government, to stamp its foot to secure an immediate sessation of hostilities, "on the persecuted island of Cuba—that our government by the most expedient measures will secure the freedom of Cuba from the cruel domination of Spain." An ebullition of feeling is extensively manifested. The lynx eyed speculators of New York city are waiting with intense anxiety to seize the valuable properties of Cuba, which might be made attainable in the contingency. There are other great rival powers of Europe interested and deeply concerned about the affairs in the West Indies, the Caribbean sea and the coast of South America. It is not merely a question for the United States. The President and State Department are watching our national interests. They will respect international law and comity, and will be governed by ascertained facts.

To meddle with the wars of other nations, however much we may deplore their continuance, is a very risky business, condemned by sacred and profane history as well as common prudence. Read the farewell address of the great Washington and learn, "Why foregoe the advantages of so peculiar a situation? Why quit our own to stand on foreign ground? Why, by interweaving our destiny with that of any part of Europe, entangle our peace and prosperity in the toils of European ambition, rivalship, interests, humor or caprice." "It is our true policy to steer clear of permanent alliances with any portion of the foreign world." In the farewell oration of Gen. Henry Lee, he attributes to Washington the language, "Let liberty and order be inseperable companions, control party spirit, the bone of free government; observe good faith to, and cultivate peace with all nations; shut up every avenue to foreign influence; contract rather than extend national connexions; rely on yourselves only." Let the people consider the untold calamities of war, the carnage and death, the exposures and privations, the yellow fever, and deaths by sea and land, the increased debt, pension list, taxation and a standing army and navy after peace, to preserve order in Cuba and at home.

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Died on the Gallows.

James Smith (colored) was hanged at Upper Marlboro, Md., at 10:32 a m., on the 18th. Smith was brought from Baltimore, where he has been confined since his arrest, on a late train Wednesday night. Prior to his departure from Baltimore, he was immersed by a Baptist minister and died professing that faith, having refused the ministrations of a Catholic priest who tendered them upon the prisoner's arrival last night.

The crime for which Smith was hung was one of the most sensational ever perpetrated in this country. Margaret Alexander, his victim, lived at Upper Marlboro, with her adopted mother, Mrs. Drown, who kept a boarding-house. James Smith, a mulatto, was a waiter in the house. On July 29th, Miss Drown was found dead in her room. Her throat was cut and there were evidences of a worse crime. Suspicion pointed to Smith, who was arrested. He confessed, but added to the indignation against him by attempting to blacken the character of his victim, he was confined in Baltimore for safe keeping, and on being tried was promptly convicted. Feeling in the vicinity of Upper Marlboro would have led to a lynching had he been confined there. Smith has maintained a stoical indifference to his fate ever since being arrested.

Lafferty's Advice to Brides

The usual winter wedding epidemic is upon us, and prospective brides in a tender mood are asking our advice and blessing. We would say: Expect happiness, but don't forget to help make it. And expect much of the man who has proved his good sense by asking for your hand, but don't forget that he is susceptible to east winds, and liable to fall upon days when there is no comfort for mortal except in being cross. A prudent woman foreseeth the evil and hideth herself. That is to say, she becomes nil—passes off into thin air, as it were. Don't say a word not even a tender word, he does not want it; he only wants to be alone. By and by, the mood will charge, and the demons will leave him, and he will be found sitting clothed and in his right mind.—Richmond Christian Advocate.

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Orders have been issued at the Roanoke Machine Works suspending operations in several departments till after the first of January. It is estimated that 600 men will be affected by the order.

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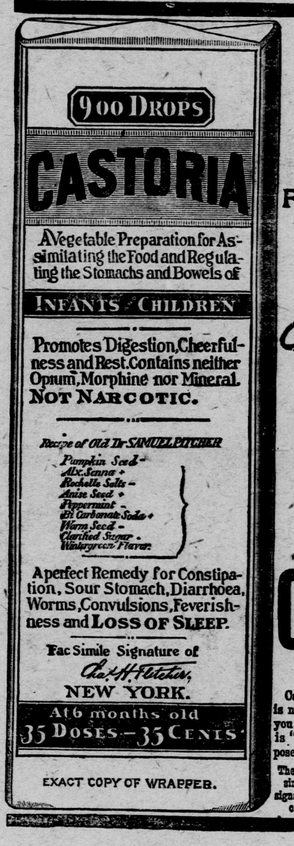

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