

THE HOMES OF OUR POETS.

"FAR FROM MADD'ING CROWD'S IGNOBLE STRIFE."

Most of Them Have Delightful Country Homes, in Which Beauty and Comfort Are Mingled.

Most poets, as is natural, have delightful country houses, "far from the madding crowd's ignoble strife," where they can woo the muses under the influence of all that is beautiful in nature.

The most delightful one of these retreats is Swinford Old Manor, in the heart of Kent, "the garden of England," where the poet laureate spends happy days. "With its long gables, deep-mullioned windows, and its rich profusion of varicolored creepers, it is an ideal poet's home, which might stir a clown to verse."

It was beautiful when first it burst on Mr. Austin's eyes. "In its grey-stone frontage, almost smothered in creepers to the very top of its rounded gables," he writes, "I recognized the haven of my hopes and the fulfillment of my most fastidious dreams." Since then the poet has added further beauty to the house, and has made it a "poet's palace" inside and out. "The garden that I love," always beautiful, he has fashioned into a dream of velvet lawns, exquisite flower beds, and "lovely walks," which makes of it a small paradise.

Mr. Swinburne's Putney home can boast little of the natural beauty or seclusion of Swinford Old Manor, and is such a house as any well-to-do city man might choose for his home. Mr. Swinburne, however, can create his own environment as he takes his lonely, abstracted walks around Putney, or shuts himself up with the books he loves. It is a little strange that a poet who might make his home in the sunny Italy he loves so well should ally himself to the prose of Putney.

Sir Lewis Morris has a delightful and somewhat imposing house, Penryn house, Carmarthen, with its stately, columned facade and its background of trees.

Sir Edwin Arnold has a beautiful country home in Essex. He is, however, essentially a man of the world, and finds little inspiration in solitude. He is, perhaps, happiest when yachting, although he would vow that his most delightful days were spent in Japan, where he wooed and won his charming wife. He is an enthusiastic cyclist and a good all-round sportsman.

Stephen Phillips, one of the most recent of our poets and the author of "Christ in Hades," lives at Ashford, in Middlesex.

Richard Le Gallienne has a charming house in the Haslemere district, where so many men of letters have made their homes, and which Tennyson loved so well.

W. S. Gilbert has the most lovely pleasure house in Grimsdyke, Harrow Weald, which was originally built for Mr. Goodall, the Royal Academician. Here Mr. Gilbert leads the life of a country squire and magistrate. He is a keen cyclist, and has a special stable built for the many "steeds of steel" used by his household.

America's Wealth in Coal. "Not many people," says a coal miner quoted by the Washington Star, "are probably aware that the coal mined in the United States annually is worth more than three times as much as the gold mined here. The product of the anthracite fields alone exceeds in value the output of the gold mines of this country, Canada and Alaska, which last year amounted to over \$50,000,000. East of the Rocky Mountains there are 192,000 square miles of coal lands, and the yearly output is nearly 200,000,000 tons. Geologists estimate the great coal fields of the world as follows: China, 200,000; United States, east of the Rockies, 190,000; Canada, 65,000; India, 35,000; New South Wales 24,000; Russia, 20,000, and the United Kingdom, 11,500 square miles. There are many deposits in other countries, but their extent is inconsiderable. England's coal area is small; still, she for years produced more than any other country. Now the United States is ahead. English coal veins are thin; only 14 inches wide has been worked 1,200 feet down. On the other hand, there are veins in the Pennsylvania anthracite regions sixty feet thick, and in the bituminous regions eighteen feet thick. Our Appalachian coal fields are the largest known, and alone could supply the whole world for centuries to come."

Why the Bear Danced. We hope the society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals will keep an eye upon that electric table which figured in the Westminster county court yesterday, says the Westminster Gazette. The table was made for a dancing bear at the Royal Aquarium, but a dispute arose because the bear-master said the electric shocks were not sufficiently strong to produce the necessary movements on the part of the unfortunate beast. Of course the law, being a "hass," will try to make out that a dancing bear is not a domestic animal, and is, therefore, not entitled to protection; but if the animal in question dances only by means of electric shocks the society would do well to take some steps to expose, if not stop, the performance. We should not be sorry to hear of the bear running amuck one day during a performance.

IT WAS SO EASY.

He Was Sorry He Did Not Ride the Entire Distance.

Though elevators are not new, they are new to a whole lot of persons. An old fellow from somewhere is the client of a lawyer who recently removed his office from the first floor of an old building on Grant street to the thirteenth floor of a modern office building. The old fellow came in to see him, and after much trouble found the building. His legs were stiff and his wind was short, but he started up the stairs. By the time he reached the fourth floor he declared that he would take his business out of the hands of the man who was so unreasonable as to live so high. He took a long rest at the fifth floor, and would have turned back if it was not that he wanted to pay off his lawyer, that very day and retain one with an office on the ground floor. At the seventh floor he gave it up. He couldn't go any higher. He sat on the steps and watched the elevators going up and down and noticed that they were well filled. He reasoned that since scarcely any person used the stairway, the fare on the elevator could not be high, and he could hardly be accused of extravagance if he rode the rest of the way, since there would be no necessity for him to come to the building again. So he hailed one of them.

"How much'll you charge to take me to the thirteenth floor?" he asked the young man who seemed to be in charge.

"Get in here!" ordered the young fellow, as he seized him by the coat, pulled him into the car, and started up. "I can't stand there answerin' fool questions all day. Thirteen. Out you go! Move lively, now!"

"H'much?" asked the old chap, untying the shoe string that held his wallet.

But the door was slammed in his face and the car disappeared.

"Thunderation!" exclaimed the old fellow; "if I'd known that I might stole a ride all the way up."

His lawyer explained the matter to him, and while the old man thought it was mighty handy, he said it looked a good deal like imposing on people to be riding up and down free all the time.

A Nautical Baby.

It is no wonder there was a general laugh when recently in a church in a certain seaport town a proud father brought his first-born to be christened. He was more at home on deck than in his present position, and he gingerly held the struggling infantile specimen of humanity, who kicked and wriggled till, between linen and flounces and baby, the father completely lost his bearings. For a minute there was confusion. The ceremony came to a stop and the congregation, flustered. Then from a pew near by came the reassuring voice of a good shipmate: "Upend it, Jack, upend it! It's head's below hatches!" The language was expressive, but it was no wonder the people smiled.—Youth's Companion.

World's Production of Coffee.

The world's production of coffee in 1897 and 1898 amounted to no less than 155,710,000 bags, of 132 kilos each, or 2,073,720,000 pounds. Of this 11,110,000 bags, or 1,466,520,000 pounds were produced in Brazil. Other leading coffee producing countries are British India, with Ceylon, Central America, and Mexico.

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TOOK HIS ADVICE.

A VETERINARY SURGEON OF BATTLE CREEK TELLS ABOUT IT.

How many times in life a few words of good advice, coming from a friend one can depend upon, will save us hours, perhaps months of misery. The following, coming from Battle Creek, will interest our readers. Dr. Oliver Guteaux, veterinary surgeon of that city, a well-known man there, as well as in Kalamazoo and Marshall, speaks of his experience with the little conqueror and the result of a few timely words of advice. He says:

"I was standing in Amberg & Murphy's drug store in Battle Creek one day, when a friend of mine came in and asked for a box of kidney pills. After he had made his purchase, I said quietly to him, you have made a mistake in buying those. His reply was, 'How is that?' I said, Doan's Kidney Pills, are worth all the others put together. As he wanted my reasons for thinking so, I told him that my kidneys had bothered me for years; that I had nearly every symptom to be found where the kidneys are affected; that I had used every remedy for remedy, including box after box of the one he just purchased, and that until I used Doan's Kidney Pills I might have taken as many spoonfuls of water; in fact, I think some of them hurt me. A couple of weeks after this I met him on the street, when he said, 'Doc, Doan's Kidney Pills are just as you represented. After using the box about which we had the conversation in Amberg & Murphy's drug store, I was as bad as ever, I then procured Doan's and stuck to their treatment until they cured me.' Doan's Kidney Pills are sold by all dealers. Price, 50 cents per box, or six boxes for \$2.50. Mailed by Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Sole agents for the United States.

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SOLD ARMS TO SPAIN.

But They Dare Not Press Their Claim For Debt.

"There are a lot of queer inside stories connected with the war," said a visitor in the lobby of a hotel, "but I think I can tell the very oddest of the lot. I don't care to call any names, but the facts are these: Late last summer a certain manufacturing concern, one of the biggest in its line in the world, received quite a large order from the Spanish government for supplies to be sent to Cuba. There was nothing remarkable in this, because Spain was at that time a liberal customer in the American market, but it already owed a pretty good stiff bill to the house in question, and there was some doubt about filling the last requisition. However, the stuff was finally sent on promise of a 90-day settlement in full. This was in September, 1897," relates the New Orleans Times-Democrat.

"When the 90 days elapsed a small payment was made and the balance promised directly after New Year's. Some time in January there was another small payment and another big promise. On February 15, as you may happen to recall, the Maine was blown to smithereens in Havana harbor, and in the swift succession of events that followed the bill was simply ignored by the Spanish authorities. That, very briefly, is the commercial history of the case, and the house now finds itself in a peculiar predicament.

"It is possible that it might get its money by an appeal to the president, but as most of the stuff furnished to the dons was used as munitions of war against our own troops it is reluctant to make the claim for fear of exciting popular prejudice. The amount involved runs away up into the thousands, but they figure that it would be more than offset by loss of home trade. So they have concluded to keep their mouths shut and charge it to profit and loss. Funny situation, isn't it? The facts are exactly as I have stated them."

The Sexton's Perquisites.

The sexton carries a regular monthly account with his wholesaler and gets a commission of 20 per cent for his share. For opening the church he receives a fee. For digging the grave the charge is generally \$10, of which the sexton gets one-half. Thus he is enabled to conduct an undertaking business at a liberal profit without the risk of maintaining an establishment, and is at the same time sure of furnishing work of the first-class. The profit from this source to the sexton of one large downtown church is estimated at \$10,000 annually. The more fashionable the church the larger the profit.

In one respect the sexton is like the corner grocer. Both find cause for complaint in tardy payments and bad credits. Said one sexton: "The undertaker of a small church has to be a genius if he makes any money. His people are slow to pay, and it is frequently a hard matter to mention the subject of credit. The sexton must pay his wholesaler promptly, and unless he has a comfortable bank account he is likely to get stranded."

There are other duties devolving on the sexton, however, which give his life a pleasant tone. Weddings are cheerful and good for his pocketbook. The collection of pew rents is sometimes unpleasant, but he receives a commission. And in the performance of his other duties he is the recipient of frequent fees. Thus, without capital or worry, the sexton of a wealthy church may draw a bank president's salary—due to the consolidation of business interests.—New York Evening Post.

Two Posers.

Lewis Carroll, the author of "Alice in Wonderland," was fond of puzzling his friends with curious problems. One of them was the question, "When does the day begin?" If a man could travel around the world so fast that the sun would always be directly above his head, and if he were to start traveling at midday on Tuesday, then in 24 hours he would return to his original point of departure, and would find that the day was now called Wednesday—at what point of his journey would the day change its name? The difficulty of answering this apparently simple question has cast a gloom over many a pleasant party.

Another problem was as follows: A rope is hung over a wheel fixed to the roof of a building; at one end of the rope a weight is fixed, which exactly counterbalances a monkey which is hanging on the other end. Suppose that the monkey begins to climb the rope, what will be the result? It is very curious the different views taken by good mathematicians. One says the weight goes up with increasing velocity; others that it goes up at the same rate as the monkey; while another says it goes down.

Malletoe and Mataafa.

Malletoe, the claimant to the throne of Samoa, is a direct descendant through 23 generations of Savea Malletoe I. He was carefully educated in the mission school, and though, on occasion, warlike, he is generally of a retiring and unassuming disposition. He is very studious in his habits, and among his subjects he is considered a man of great learning, while his ability for diplomacy and statesmanship have been frequently displayed. Mataafa, his rival claimant for the throne, is a man of great force of character and a rigid Roman Catholic.

THIS IS THE BOOGUM.

A Peculiar Animal Just Received in This Country.

Not a pretty animal, but remarkable. A specimen just arrived at Philadelphia was found clinging to a tree and sleeping with his head downward. In Brazil, it is a powerful creature, nearly five feet tall, and made a good



deal of trouble on the ship which brought it to America. The boogum (native name) is related to the species hellogabalus. If the zoo is to keep the animal a special cage must be built of metal, as he can splinter any wood.

Tale of Two Wives.

A very knotty nuptial problem is awaiting solution at Yarmouth, England.

Two wives have there revealed themselves as claimants to the estate of a recently deceased tradesman.

This gentleman, who may be regarded as fortunate or otherwise, according to one's point of view, was William Christmas. He traded all his life as butcher at Kink street, and died when just a year or two short of 70 years of age.

He left a widow in Elizabeth Christmas, who had lived with him for about 30 years, and a grown-up son born of their marriage. This lady points to her marriage lines, in which she is described as a widow, her former surname having been Rouse. On this same document the late Mr. Christmas is described as a widower, and this fact now becomes of great importance.

On the death of her husband Mrs. Elizabeth Christmas and her son continued the business at the same premises. Mrs. Christmas instructed her solicitor, A. Clowes, to apply for letters of administration in the absence of a will, and the usual steps were taken.

At this point came the startling revelation that there was another wife in existence. During the probate preliminaries W. Joseph, another Yarmouth solicitor, sprang a mine upon his legal brother by claiming the estate for Mrs. Marie Harriet Christmas, who, he averred, was the lawful wife of the deceased butcher.

As each lady had a marriage certificate the probate proceedings were temporarily abandoned, and a summons taken out for a hearing in the County court to determine which of the late Mr. Christmas' savings, premises, business, and effects.

As Mrs. Elizabeth Christmas and her son are now in possession, Mrs. Marie Harriet Christmas has put the law in motion to protect her interests, and her first move has been successful, as she induced Judge Wilmot at Yarmouth County court to appoint a receiver of the disputed estate until the trial of the action to decide between the rivals.

Mrs. Marie Harriet Christmas has been lost sight of ever since the year of her marriage (1860), but it has been ascertained she has been living meanwhile at South Shields.

The explanation assigned for the fact of the double marriage and two certificates is that Mrs. Marie Harriet Christmas was Mr. Christmas' first wife, but that only a few weeks elapsed before a separations ensued.

Mr. Christmas waited vainly for years for his vanished spouse, and then believing he was a gay young widower, heart whole and fancy free, wooed and wedded for a second time, on this occasion taking the widow of a Mr. Rouse to share the joys of his domestic hearth.

The puzzle of the legal tribunal is, does his first marriage stand? If it does, can his first wife—having disappeared for 30 years—come in now and claim his belongings?

Thomas Thurman, deputy sheriff of Troy, Mo., says if everyone in the United States would discover the virtue of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve for piles, rectal troubles and skin diseases, the demand could not be supplied. E. B. Longwell.

Mother and Babe

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LEGAL NOTICES.

MORTGAGE SALE.—Whereas default having been made in the conditions of a certain indenture of mortgage, dated the 23rd day of January, A. D. 1897, made, executed and delivered by John F. W. McGREGOR, an unmarried man of Adams, Van Buren county, Michigan, to Peter McGREGOR, which said mortgage was on the 23rd day of January, A. D. 1897, filed for record in the office of the register of deeds in and for Van Buren county, Michigan, and by said register of deeds duly recorded in the office of said register of deeds in and for Van Buren county, Michigan, on page 352.

And whereas, by the terms and provisions of said mortgage, it is agreed that should any default be made in the payment of the interest to become due hereon, or any part thereof, on any day when the same was made payable, and should the same remain due, unpaid and in arrears for the space of thirty days, then after the lapse of said thirty days, at the option of said second party, his heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, the whole of the sum thereof should become and be due and payable immediately.

And whereas, seventy (\$70) dollars of the interest accrued and became due on said mortgage and was payable by the terms thereof on the 23rd day of January, A. D. 1899, and said sum or no part thereof has yet been paid, but the whole thereof is due, payable and in arrears, and more than thirty days have elapsed since the same became due, payable and in arrears:

Therefore, the said Peter McGREGOR, the owner and holder of said mortgage, has elected to declare and has and does declare the whole of the principal sum of mortgage with the accrued interest to be due and payable immediately.

The whole sum claimed to be due and payable on said mortgage in the date of this notice is one thousand eight hundred and forty-four (\$1,844) dollars and the costs of this proceeding to be added thereto as it accumulates, and no suit at law or proceeding in chancery has been or shall be instituted to recover the amount due on said mortgage or any part thereof.

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale in said mortgage contained and the statutes in such cases made and provided, I shall, on Saturday, the 17th day of June, A. D. 1899, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, at the north front door of the court house for the county of Van Buren and state of Michigan, in the village of Paw Paw, (that being the place of holding the circuit court for said Van Buren county) sell to the highest bidder the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount then due on said mortgage and the costs of this proceeding and of said sale.

And whereas, the said premises are described as follows: The north one-half of the south-east quarter of section twelve (12) town two (2) south, of range thirteen (13) west, (except five (5) acres once willed to Michael Finley), together with the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereto belonging or in any wise appertaining.

Dated the 30th day of March, A. D. 1899. 22901302308

PETER MCGREGOR, Mortgagee.

E. A. & ROBERT B. CRANE, Attys. for Mortgagee, Chase Bldg., Kalamazoo, Mich.

ORDER FOR HEARING CLAIMS.

Notice is hereby given that by an order of the probate court for the county of Van Buren, made on the 8th day of June, A. D. 1899, six months from the date of the death of the said John F. W. McGREGOR, late of said county, deceased, and that all creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said probate court, at the probate office, in the village of Paw Paw, for examination and allowance, on or before the 4th day of December, A. D. 1899, and that such claims will be heard before said court, on Monday, the 11th day of September, A. D. 1899, and on Monday, the 4th day of December, A. D. 1899, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of each of those days.

Dated, June 8th, A. D. 1899. (075013)

JAMES H. JOHNSON, Judge of Probate.

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LEGAL NOTICES.

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE.—In the matter of the estate of Abram G. Low, deceased. Notice is hereby given, that by virtue of a license granted to me by the Probate Court for the county of Van Buren, state of Michigan, I will sell at public vendue, to the highest bidder, the real estate to be sold, on the eighth day of June, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, all the right, title and interest of the said Abram G. Low, in and to the following described real estate, to-wit: The E 1/4 of a 1/4 of a 1/4 of Section 27 Town No. 2 So. R. No. 14 West, north 1/2 of E 1/4 of a 1/4 of a 1/4 of Section 27 Town No. 2 So. R. No. 14 West, containing in all fifty acres of land.

J. G. MILLMAN, Administrator of said deceased. Dated April 26th, 1899. (230117)

PROBATE ORDER.—State of Michigan—County of Van Buren.—As a session of the probate court for the county of Van Buren, holden at the probate office, in the village of Paw Paw, on Wednesday, the 26th day of May, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine:

Present, Hon. James H. Johnson, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of Angeline Rock, deceased.

On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of R. M. J. Hall, administrator of said deceased, praying for reasons therein stated that he may be authorized, empowered, and licensed to sell the real estate in said petition described.

Thereupon it is ordered that Monday, the 12th day of June, 1899, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, be assigned for the hearing of said petition, and all persons interested in said estate are required to appear at a session of said court to be held at the probate office, in the village of Paw Paw, and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted.

And it is further ordered, that said petitioner give notice to the persons interested in said estate of the pendency of said petition, and the hearing thereof, by causing a copy of this order to be published in the True North Star, a newspaper printed and circulating in said county of Van Buren, for three successive weeks at least previous to said day of hearing.

2340407 JAMES H. JOHNSON, Judge of Probate.

PROBATE ORDER.

—State of Michigan, County of Van Buren.—As a session of the probate court for the county of Van Buren, holden at the probate office, in the village of Paw Paw, on Friday, the 26th day of May, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

Present, Hon. James H. Johnson, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of John Bacon, deceased.

On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of Mrs. Susan E. Bacon, widow of said deceased, praying for reasons therein stated that she may be authorized, empowered, and licensed to sell the real estate in said petition described.

Thereupon it is ordered that Monday, the 28th day of June, 1899, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, be assigned for the hearing of said petition, and all persons interested in said estate are required to appear at a session of said court to be held at the probate office, in the village of Paw Paw, and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted.

And it is further ordered that said petitioner give notice to the persons interested in said estate of the pendency of said petition, and the hearing thereof, by causing a copy of this order to be published in the True North Star, a newspaper printed and circulating in said county of Van Buren, for three successive weeks at least previous to said day of hearing.

2300406 JAMES H. JOHNSON, Judge of Probate.

CHANCERY SALE.—In pursuance and by virtue of an order and decree of the circuit court for the county of Van Buren, in chancery, made and dated on the 5th day of May, 1899, in a certain cause therein pending, whereof John W. Sterling and the New York Security and Trust Company, a corporation doing business in the state of New York, as trustees of the estate of Charles F. Park, deceased, are complainants, and David H. Francis, Harriet Francis, Elias H. Gault, Triphena Goodenough, Eugene S. Medley, Eugene S. Murdoch, Fido A. Sheldon, William M. Van Buren, administrator of the estate of Caroline E. Mulligan, deceased, Chas. F. Park and Anna C. Gilman, are defendants.

Notice is hereby given, that I shall sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door of the court house, in the village of Paw Paw, in the county of Van Buren, (said court house being the place for holding the circuit court for said county), on the 30th day of June, A. D. 1899, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, all or so much thereof as may be necessary to raise the amount due to the said complainants for principal, interest and costs in this cause, of the following described parcels of land, to-wit: The south-east quarter (1/4) of the south-east quarter (1/4) of section ten (10), containing forty acres of land, and the south-west fractional quarter (1/4) of section eleven (11) containing one hundred and thirty (130) acres or more, all of said land being in township four (4) south, of range thirteen (13) west, in the county of Van Buren and state of Michigan.

In making said sale the first one of the two parcels hereinbefore described will be sold first, and if the money received on the sale of said first described parcel shall be insufficient to pay the aforesaid principal sum, interest and costs, together with the expenses of this sale, then and in such case, the second parcel of land hereinbefore described, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the balance remaining due, with interest and costs, will be next sold in accordance with the terms of said decree.

Dated May 17th, 1899. DAVID ANDERSON, Circuit Court Commissioner, in and for Van Buren County, Mich.

JAMES H. EYKANE, Solicitor for Complainants. (47010)

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