A TRAGIC SWORD SCENE.

Stage Part That had a Little Real Life Thrown In.

Actors occasionally get very desperate when they are going through supposedly mock stage duels with swords," said a member of the craft who has played in important roles to a New Orleans Times-Democrat reporter, "and very often the men who are going through this apparently harmless by-play are, for one reason or another, in dead earnest, and they would really like to run the sword clear through the other fellow. I know what I am talking about, not from hearsay, but from actual experience. Dueling on the stage is very much like kissing. Men and women frequently have to kiss each other on the stage when they utterly dislike each other. Sometimes it is downright hatred and they feel like biting each other's lips off. But they have to kiss each other just the same. When two men who are at dagger's points get to plunging sharp swords at each other in the play, even if it is simply a bit of acting, the situation is just a little more serious than the matter of kissing. I was playing in the Corsican Brothers' with Mantell once, and was a principal in the duel scene. Mantell, for some reason, heartily disliked me, and I was equally as enthusiastic in my hatred of him. One night when we were brandishing swords I was suddenly seized by a violent and uncontrollable homicidal impulse, and but for the cleverness with which my stage adversary parried the thrusts I should have run the sword through him. He seemed to realize it, too, and made no small show of alarm. His eyes looked to me like they were ready to jump from their sockets. He seemed to realize that a desperately earnest passion had come over me and he parried with dexterity. I never felt as much relieved in my life as I did when the thing was over, for really I did not care to hurt Mantell, despite my hatred of him. But you can bet I have some idea of how a man feels while engaged in a sword duel, for I had the feeling fully developed and was bent on mischief."

A REMARKABLE LAMP.

The "Perpetual Light" of the Marshy Coast Near New Orleans.

"The most remarkable lamp in this section of the country," said a man who cruises a great deal along the coast, according to the New Orleans Times-Democrat, "is to be found at a lighthouse in the water area between Lake Borgne and Mississippi sound, in a lonely, desolate, isolated spot, where the fall of human feet, or the dip of oars, are heard only four times a year. The light is some distance this side of Bay St. Louis and is a little south of Chinchuba. It stands away out in the marsh, but can be seen from the railroad. It burns all the time, day and night, year in and year out. It flickers away steadily for the benefit of the mariners who frequent these waters. It is the Perpetual Light. The sun, and moon, and stars may come and go, but the light which shines out in the dismal marsh is always the same. It is the one bright thing in a rather dismal stretch of country. Seaweeds grow wild and rank in that region.

The land, such as one may see from a railroad train, is a flat and treeless waste. It is without any cheerful aspect, low, gloomy, overhung by miasmatic regions. It is threaded by sluggish arms of water. Once every three months this lamp is visited by a human being. It is filled with oil, trimmed up and put in condition to burn for three months longer. Thus it is visited four times every year. It is situated so the winds cannot put it out. It renders good service, never explodes, never goes out, never gets dimmer or brighter, but burns with the same steady power all the time. It has earned the name of the Perpetual Light."

The Snail as Food.

The popularity of the snail as an article of food is not confined to Paris, but extends throughout southern Europe and some parts of Africa. Dr. Odiard, a French writer, in a pamphlet, says that 90,000 pounds of snails are sent daily to Paris from Poitou, Burgundy, where they are reared in gardens and fed on aromatic herbs to improve their flavor. Their market price is from two to three francs per 100, while those from the hedges, woods and forests bring somewhat less. The proprietor of one snailery in the vicinity of Dijon nets over 7,000 francs annually.

Busy.

The sleep walker is no idle dreamer.—Puck.

A PAIN PHILOSOPHER.

He Intends to Profit by the Experiments of Others.

"I like to hear of the automobile feats of our multi-millionaires," said a young man as he stood on Pennsylvania avenue, according to the Washington Star. A fast-flying horseless carriage appeared to suggest this thought. "I like to hear of the expensive experiments they are making, of their $10,000 machines and of their excessive speed, although some good people are inclined to look upon their acts as follies. I never envy them—oh, no!" exclaimed the young man.

"A misanthrope who thinks all thought has for its object a selfish motive could never reconcile you to his theory," suggested the young man's friend, who was standing at his side. "Oh," responded the young man, "you have guessed my secret. I will tell you why I love to see thousands and hundreds of thousands of dollars spent by the devotees of the horseless carriage. It is because I want an automobile and I want the very best type for the least money. The way to get the best type is through a long series of costly experiments. It was the same way with the bicycle. The first wheels that came out were costly and were defective. Lots of people could not afford to buy them, but those who could invested their money and had the fun of the sport while it was new. Finally experience showed that the diamond frame was the very best form that could be secured. The experiment continued until the present safety was evolved. Now there is practically but one form on the market. It was the result of thousands of inventions, and the process of evolution that was suggested by costly experiment. The result of it all was that eventually, when the sport became commonplace, the bloods dropped it and the manufacturers, being able to dispose of their wares only by catering to a trade that would not stand high prices, gradually bore down the price, and now anyone can get a first-class wheel for a fifth of the money that was required in the beginning of its development. In fact, they can get a better wheel now for $30 than could have been secured 15 years ago for $150.

"What happened with the bicycle will be repeated in the case of the automobile. I have neither the time nor the money to carry on the costly experiment that is to develop the best form of automobile, and I am truly grateful that my multi-millionaire friends are good enough to undertake the work for me. As soon as they complete their work I will be able to purchase a first-class automobile for a few hundred dollars, and it will not be many years before that time arrives. To be sure, I do feel sorry when I read of some of these young folks who are working for me getting killed in a mad race or speeding contest, but then I am a philosopher, and I know that is one of the penalties that have to be paid in the development of a good thing."

A TOWN NOBODY OWNS.

The Freest Port in the World Belongs to No Nation.

Dalny, on Talien Wan bay, North China, is a city without a country, if such a thing is possible. No particular flag has more right to float above it than another. It is the freest port in the world. They have not even built a custom house, and no import or export duties will be collected on any sort of goods whatever.

There is a population of 50,000 persons, mostly Chinese, but with nearly every other nationality represented.

The harbor is of such depth that steamers drawing 30 feet can steam up alongside the immense docks and piers, which are well protected by the breakwater. Their cargoes can be unloaded directly into cars, which run for 9,000 miles or more to St. Petersburg. Five large piers are being constructed of blocks of stone and cement, each weighing from 20 to 50 tons. These piers are from 60 to 200 feet wide, and vary in length from a quarter to a half mile. Docks for foreign vessels will extend between the piers and along the shore for two miles. The piers and anchorage for Chinese vessels will be in another portion of the bay, opposite the Chinese city. Two enormous dredges, brought out from Glasgow, are pushing the work on this improvement.—London Answers.

World's Largest Reservoir.

One of the largest works of man's hands is the artificial lake or reservoir, in India, at Rajputana. This reservoir, said to be the largest in the world, known as the great tank of Dheber, and used for irrigating purposes, covers an area of 21 square miles.

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PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

By virtue of an order of the probate court of Lafayette county, Missouri, made on the 28th day of July, 1902, the undersigned public administrator for said county has taken charge of the estate of Thomas J. Marsh, deceased.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance within one year after the date of said order or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and if such claims be not exhibited within two years from the date of said order they will be forever barred.

MAT. D. WILSON,
Public Administrator.

11-15-5t

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ORDER OF PUBLICATION.

STATE OF MISSOURI, County of Lafayette, } ss.

In the Circuit Court of Lafayette County, Missouri, April Term, 1903. In Vacation, November 15, 1902.

John W. Middleton, Alfred F. Middleton and Thomas P. Middleton, Plaintiffs,
vs.
Charles S. Middleton, Frederick K. Middleton, Mary A. Owsley and George W. Owsley, her husband, Susan M. Gruber and George W. Gruber, her husband, Elizabeth J. Middleton, Louisa M. Middleton, Frank L. Middleton, Marion B. Middleton, a minor, and Rosa E. Middleton, a minor, Defendants.

Now at this day come the plaintiffs herein, by their attorneys, John S. Blackwell & Son, and file their petition and affidavit, alleging among other things, that defendants Susan M. Gruber and George W. Gruber, her husband, are not residents of the state of Missouri; Whereupon, it is ordered by the clerk in vacation that said defendants be notified by publication that plaintiffs have commenced a suit against them in this court, the object and general nature of which is to obtain a decree and judgment for partition to the following described real estate, situated and being in the county of Lafayette and state of Missouri, to-wit: The southeast quarter of the southeast quarter and the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter and the south half of the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter and the south half of the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter of section three (3) and thirty-seven (37) acres more or less on the north side of the northeast quarter of section ten (10) and the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter and the south half of the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter and the west half of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter and the south half of the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section fifteen (15), all in township forty-eight (48), range twenty-nine (29); and that unless the said non-resident defendants Susan M. Gruber and George W. Gruber, her husband, be and appear at this court, at the next April 1903 term thereof, to be begun and holden at the court house, in the City of Lexington, in said county, on the 6th day of April, 1903, next, and on or before the first day of said term, if the term shall so long continue, and if not, then on or before the last day of said term, answer or plead to the petition in said cause, the same will be taken as confessed, and judgment will be rendered accordingly.

And it is further ordered, that a copy hereof be published, according to law, in The Weekly Intelligencer, a newspaper published in said county of Lafayette for four weeks successively, published at least once a week, the last insertion to be at least fifteen days before the first day of said next April 1903, term of this court.

A true copy. Attest—

[SEAL] J. H. CAMPBELL, Circuit Clerk.
By J. W. SYDSON, Deputy. 12-6t5

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Letters of administration on the estate of James A Rankin, deceased, were granted to the undersigned on the 21st day of October, 1902, by the probate court of Lafayette county, Missouri. All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them for allowance to the administrator within one year after the date of said letters or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and if such claims be not exhibited within two years from the date of said letters they will be forever barred.

This 21st day of October, 1902.

ROBERT J. RANKIN,
DOCK RANKIN,
Administrators.

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WEST-BOUND TRAINS.

	No. 71.	No. 73.
Leave St. Louis	7:35 am	10:19 pm
Arrive Sedalia	3:30 pm	5:00 am
" Concordia	4:43 pm	6:23 am
" Aullville	4:57 pm	6:43 am
" Higginsville	5:06 pm	7:00 am
" Page City	5:17 pm	7:10 am
" **Lexington**	**5:35pm**	**7:30am**
" Myrick	5:45 pm	7:40 am
" Wellington	5:58 pm	7:54 am
" Waterloo	6:05 pm	7:59 am
" Napoleon	6:09 pm	8:03 am
" Independence	7:00 pm	9:37 am
" Kansas City	7:30 pm	9:25 am
" St. Joseph		1:14 pm

DAILY.

EAST BOUND TRAINS.

	No. 14.	No. 12.
Leave St. Joe	2:55 pm	
" Kansas City	5:35 pm	6:05 am
" Independence	6:07 pm	6:35 am
" Napoleon	7:01 pm	7:17 am
" Waterloo	7:05 pm	7:21 am
" Wellington	7:12 pm	7:28 am
" Myrick	7:24 pm	7:40 am
" **Lexington**	**7:31pm**	**7:45am**
" Page City	7:50 pm	8:03 am
" Higginsville	8:00 pm	8:11 am
" Aullville	8:10 pm	8:21 am
" Concordia	8:27 pm	8:35 am
" Sedalia	9:45 pm	9:50 am
" St Louis	7:10 am	5:30 pm

Special rates to Kansas City every Saturday evening and Sunday.

FREIGHTS.

East			West
8:50 am	... Leaves	Lexington	3:35 am
9:45 am	"	Page City	2:50 pm
10:05 am	"	Higginsville	2:25 pm
10:30 am	"	Aullville	1:50 pm
11:00 am	"	Concordia	1:15 pm
2:15 pm	"	Sedalia	10:40 am

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No. 16. Leave.		No. 15. Arrive.
7:10 am	Lexington	6:05 pm
7:40 am	Myrick	5:45 pm
7:57 am	Northcup	5:26 pm
8:04 am	Dover	5:20 pm
8:18 am	Hodge	5:10 pm
8:34 am	Waverly	4:50 pm
9:15 am	Marshall	4:00 pm
10:20 am	Boonville	3:00 pm

Read down. Read up.

C. & A. Time Table—Higginsville.

EAST BOUND.

No. 11,	Missouri State Express	9:50 am
No. 69,	Slater Accommodation	7:02 pm
No. 16,	Calif and Colo. Limited	7:37 pm
No. 72,	Slater Accom. (Sunday only)	9:00 pm
No. 12,	St. Louis Vest. Limited	10:10 pm
No. 116,	Way Freight	11:05 am

WEST BOUND.

No. 7,	Calif. and Colo Limited	6:11 am
No. 61,	Slater Accommodation	8:28 am
No. 11,	K. C. Vestibuled Express	12:25 pm
No. 15,	Missouri State Express	4:21 pm
No. 117,	Way Freight	9:20 am

S. A. VERMILION, Agent.
Higginsville, Mo.

SANTA FE ROUTE.

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No. 28 (daily) ..... 8:25 a. m

Trains leave North Lexington:

No. 15, Express (daily) ..... 8:30 a. m

Main line trains pass Lexington Junction

The river line leaves Lexington 7:40 a m daily to connect with trains at North Lexington. Leaves Lexington daily except Sunday at 9:30 a m and 2 o'clock p m and goes through to connect with trains at Lexington Junction.

GOING EAST.

No. 2,	(daily)	7:15 p m
" 4,	"	3:47 a m
" 6,	"	8:35 p m
" 8,	"	9:29 a m
" 20,	"	6:50 a m

GOING WEST.

No. 1,	(daily)	8:50 a m
" 3,	"	7:02 a m
" 5,	"	6:30 a m
" 7,	"	12:12 p m
" 19,	"	4:37 p m

G. W. BAILEY, Agent.
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TRUSTEE'S SALE.

Whereas, Albert Johnson and Mollie Johnson, his wife, by their certain deed of trust, dated June 15th, 1892, recorded in office of recorder of deeds for Lafayette county, Missouri, in book No. 115, at page 19, conveyed to the undersigned trustee the following described real estate, situated in Lafayette county, Missouri, to-wit: Lots ten (10), eleven (11) and twelve (12), in block fourteen (14), Pomeroy, Houx and Graham's addition to Lexington, given to secure a certain promissory note therein described, being of even date and due in three years from date thereof. And default having been made in payment of the said note and part of interest due thereon, I will at the request of the legal holders of said note sell the property above described at auction, to the highest bidder for cash, at the court house door, in the city of Lexington, Lafayette county, Missouri, on

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24th, 1902,

between the hours of 9 o'clock a. m. and 5 o'clock p. m. of that day, for the purpose of satisfying said note, the interest thereon and all costs of executing this trust.

GEO. M. CATRON,
11-14t4 Trustee.

EXECUTION SALE.

Whereas, by virtue of a fee bill and execution issued from the office of the clerk of the criminal court of Lafayette county, state of Missouri, dated November 6th, 1902, wherein the state of Missouri is plaintiff and William A. Barnett is defendant, to me directed and returnable in the December term, 1902, of said court, I did levy upon and seize, as the property of said defendant, all his right, title and interest of in and to, the real estate hereinafter described, a notice of which said levy was by me on said date duly filed in the office of the recorder of deeds in and for said county; now, therefore, I will on

MONDAY, DECEMBER 1, 1902,

between the hours of nine o'clock in the forenoon and five o'clock in the afternoon of said day, and in front of the court house door, in the city of Lexington, county of Lafayette, state of Missouri, during the session of said court, sell publicly, by auction, to the highest bidder for cash, the following real estate, situate in Lafayette county, Missouri, to-wit: The southeast quarter of the southwest quarter and the west half of the southeast quarter of the west half of section 35, township 48, range 28, to satisfy said judgment and costs of suit.

Given under my hand this 6th day of November, 1902.

OSCAR THOMAS,
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