O. HENRY'S STORIES

IV.—New York by Camp Light

By O. HENRY

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A WAY out in the Creek Nation we learned things about New York.

We were on a hunting trip and were camped one night on the bank of a little stream. Bud Kingsbury was our skilled hunter and guide, and it was from his lips that we had explanations of Manhattan and the queer folks that inhabit it. Bud had once spent a month in the metropolis, and a week or two at other times, and he was pleased to discourse to us of what he had seen.

Fifty yards away from our camp was pitched the tepee of a wandering family of Indians that had come up and settled there for the night. An

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old, old Indian woman was trying to build a fire under an iron pot hung upon three sticks.

Bud went over to her assistance and soon had her fire going. When he came back we complimented him playfully upon his gallantry.

"Oh," said Bud, "don't mention it. It's a way I have. Whenever I see a lady trying to cook things in a pot and having trouble I always go to the rescue. I done the same thing once in a high toned house in New York city. Heap big society tepee on Fifth avenue. That Injun lady kind of recalled it to my mind. Yes, I endeavor to be polite and help the ladies out."

The camp demanded the particulars.

"I was manager of the Triangle B ranch in the Panhandle," said Bud. "It was owned at that time by old man Sterling of New York. He wanted to sell out, and he wrote for me to come on to New York and explain the ranch to the syndicate that wanted to buy. So I sends to Fort Worth and has a forty dollar suit of clothes made, and hits the trail for the big village.

"Well, when I got there old man Sterling and his outfit certainly laid themselves out to be agreeable. We had business and pleasure so mixed up that you couldn't tell whether it was a treat or a trade half the time. We had trolley rides and cigars and theater roundups and rubber parties."

"Rubber parties?" said a listener inquiringly.

"Sure," said Bud. "Didn't you never attend 'em? You walk around and try to look at the tops of the skyscrapers. Well, we sold the ranch, and old man Sterling asks me round to his house to take grub on the night before I started back. It wasn't any high collared affair—just me and the old man and his wife and daughter. But they was a fine haired outfit, all right, and the lilies of the field wasn't in it. They made my Fort Worth clothes carpenter look like a dealer in horse blankets and gee strings, and then the table was all pompous with flowers, and there was a whole kit of tools laid out beside everybody's plate. You'd have thought you was fixed out to burglarize a restaurant before you could get your grub. But I'd been in New York over a week then, and I was getting on to stylish ways. I kind of trailed behind and watched the others use the hardware supplies, and then I tackled the chuck with the same weapons. It ain't much trouble to travel with the high fliers after you find out their gait. I got along fine. I was feeling cool and agreeable, and pretty soon I was talking away fluent as you please, all about the ranch and the west, and telling 'em how the Indians eat grasshopper stew and snakes, and you never saw people so interested.

"But the real joy of that feast was that Miss Sterling. Just a little trick she was, not bigger than two bits' worth of chewing plug, but she had a way about her that seemed to say she was the people, and you believed it. And yet she never put on any airs, and she smiled at me the same as if I was a millionaire while I was telling about a Creek dog feast and listened like it was news from home.

"By and by, after we had eat oysters and some watery soup and truck that never was in my repertory, a Methodist preacher brings in a kind of camp stove arrangement, all silver, on long legs, with a lamp under it.

"Miss Sterling lights up and begins to do some cooking right on the supper table. I wondered why old man Sterling didn't hire a cook, with all the money he had. Pretty soon she dished out some cheesy tasting truck that she said was rabbit, but I swear there had never been a Molly cotton tail in a mile of it.

"The last thing on the program was lemonade. It was brought around in little flat glass bowls and set by your plate. I was pretty thirsty, and I picked up mine and took a big swig of it. Right there was where the little lady had made a mistake. She had put in the lemon all right, but she'd forgot the sugar. The best housekeepers slip up sometimes. I thought maybe Miss Sterling was just learning to keep house and cook—that rabbit would surely make you think so—and I says to myself, 'Little lady, sugar or no sugar, I'll stand by you,' and I raises up my bowl again and drinks the last drop of the lemonade. And then all the balance of 'em picks up their bowls and does the same. And then I gives Miss Sterling the laugh proper, just to carry it off like a joke, so she wouldn't feel bad about the mistake.

"After we all went into the sitting room she sat down and talked to me quite awhile.

"'It was so kind of you, Mr. Kingsbury,' says she, 'to bring my blunder off so nicely. It was so stupid of me to forget the sugar.'

"'Never you mind,' says I, 'some lucky man will throw his rope over a mighty elegant little housekeeper some day not far from here.'

"'If you mean me, Mr. Kingsbury,' says she, laughing out loud, 'I hope he will be as lenient with my poor housekeeping as you have been.'

"'Don't mention it,' says I. 'Anything to oblige the ladies.'"

Bud ceased his reminiscences. And then some one asked him what he considered the most striking and prominent trait of New Yorkers.

"The most visible and peculiar trait of New York folks," answered Bud, "is New York. Most of 'em has New York on the brain. They have heard of other places, such as Waco and Paris and Hot Springs and London, but they don't believe in 'em. They think that town is all Merino. Now to show you how much they care for their village I'll tell you about one of 'em that strayed out as far as the Triangle B while I was working there.

"This New Yorker come out there

"Say, was that heaven?"

looking for a job on the ranch. He said he was a good horseback rider, and there was pieces of tanbark hanging on his clothes yet from his riding school.

"Well, for awhile they put him to keeping books in the ranch store, for he was a devil at figures. But he got tired of that and asked for something more in the line of activity. The boys on the ranch liked him all right, but he made us tired shouting New York all the time. Every night he'd tell us about East river and J. P. Morgan and the Eden musee and Hetty Green and Central park till we used to throw tin plates and branding irons at him.

"One day this chap gets on a pitching pony, and the pony kind of sidled up his back and went to eating grass while the New Yorker was coming down.

"He come down on his head on a chunk of mesquite wood, and he didn't show any signs toward getting up again. We laid him out in a tent, and he begun to look pretty dead. So Gideon Pease saddles up and burns the wind for old Doc Sleeper's residence in Dogtown, thirty miles away.

"The doctor comes over and he investigates the patient.

"'Boys,' says he, 'you might as well go to playing seven up for his saddle and clothes, for his head's fractured, and if he lives ten minutes it will be a remarkable case of longevity.'

"Of course we didn't gamble for the poor rooster's saddle—that was one of Doc's jokes. But we stood around feeling solemn, and all of us forgive him for having talked us to death about New York.

"I never saw anybody about to hand in his checks act more peaceful than this fellow. His eyes were fixed 'way up in the air, and he was using rambling words to himself all about sweet music and beautiful streets and white robed forms, and he was smiling like dying was a pleasure.

"'He's about gone now,' said Doc. 'Whenever they begin to think they see heaven it's all off.'

"Blamed if that New York man didn't sit right up when he heard the Doc say that.

"'Say,' says he, kind of disappointed, 'was that heaven? Confound it all, I thought it was Broadway! Some of you fellows get my clothes. I'm going to get up.'

"And I'll be blamed," concluded Bud, "if he wasn't on the train with a ticket for New York in his pocket four days afterward!"

Folly of Idleness.

Shun idleness; it is the rust that attaches itself to the most brilliant metals.—Voltaire.

But the World Lies.

My son, I would have you speak the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth; and also I would have you keep in mind that the business of this world is mainly carried on by lying.—Michael Monahan, in "At the Sign of the Van."

O. HENRY'S LETTERS.

Quaint Epistles That Show His Happy-go-lucky Spirit.

A few years before O. Henry's death Robert H. Davis of Munsey's secured his services as a contributor. He signed a five year contract to have first choice of all his contributions.

The letters, addressed to Mr. Davis, which follow, tell their own story of the friendship between the two men and reveal the whimsical, happy-go-lucky, improvident spirit of the author:

Thursday.

Dear Old Bill—At last I have hove anchor at —— Waverley place and have an address to give you. I am in Gilman Hall's apartment and can now continue to turn out the old blown-in-the-bottle brand of fiction.

I am a man of derned few words. I want $125 (don't read that a dollar and a quarter). That in addition to the $150 that I screwed out of Merwin during your absence will make a total of $275, which will be more than covered by the moral and entertaining tale that I hereby agree to have finished and delivered to you all by 10:30 a. m. Monday, Aug. 27, or perhaps earlier.

Pursue the liberal policy and get the best stuff.

Personally and officially I greet you and make obeisance. Consistently.

BILL THE BEDOUIN.

P. S.—I want the dough, not a check (but a check will do) by the bearer or else a few well chosen words of refusal.

Thursday.

Dear Bill—Will you be nice enough to let me go over the proofs of all my stories before they are published? The printer, with his usual hellfiredness, seems to always butcher the meaning by setting up words that do not appear in the MS. Also please tell your proofreader.

Hoping, etc., yours, O. H.

Dear Bill—Here she are. I reckon you or some intelligent person in the office can tell where the patches fit. If you don't like the new title say so. There are others. Fulsomely, WILLIE.

Mon Cher Bill—Can you raise the immediate goods for this and once more rescue little Ruby from certain death?

The big story will be handed in Monday for you to try on the piano. From next week on I'll show you a story every week. I'm going to make some of the best samples of 2,000 and 2,500 word stuff that's possible. That's the length that counts.

I'm feeling fine and hope these few lines will—say, don't forget to send the $25.

Don't do it if you can refuse to do it. Yours as ever, O. H.

Saturday.

Hello, Mr. Bill!

Say a fool and his money, etc.

Is there anything doing for about $49.98 today for the purpose of purchasing things offered for sale in the marts? I had to send most of all that stuff abroad that you gimme the other day.

Don't press the matter if it seems out of order. I'll be even and ahead of the game pretty soon. There will come to you on Monday the new story.

Greetings and undying veneration in either case. O. H.

Dear Bill—Herewith submitted one MS. Have another one ready to typewrite, which you can read tomorrow.

Give the full speed ahead, signal and whoop 'em through, pro or con. Great business. The mill is grinding at the old gait. Yours, BILL 2d.

Monday.

Dear Mister—Would you put a tail on this kite for me again? She will fly on the date advertised. Please send the cash if you've got it on hand.

Say, the story will be brought to you by me on WEDNESDAY. It will be an all right one. Hoping, etc., and yours truly, O. H.

Daily Thought.

Blessed are those who have the gift of making friends, for it is one of God's best gifts. It involves many things, but above all, the power of going out of one's self and appreciating whatever is noble and loving in another.—Thomas Hughes.

Wearing Sunday Clothes.

"Some men," said Uncle Eben, "don't wear deir Sunday clothes often enough to keep f'um lookin' funny when dey gets dressed up."

Reading the Barometer.

Do you properly understand a barometer? Many people tap the glass, note a rise or fall, say it will therefore be wet or fine and there end. But there's more in barometrical science than that. The following key might be cut out for reference: A steady rise shows that fine weather may be expected and, in winter, frost. A rapid rise indicates unsettled weather. Fine weather immediately after a rise must not be expected to last. The barometer often rises from a northward change in the wind. A fall of half a tenth or more in an hour is a sure warning of a storm. A fall with a low thermometer foretells snow or rain; with a rising thermometer wind or rain from the south. A fall in winter indicates warmer weather; in hot weather, thunder. Fine weather may occur with a low glass, but it precedes wind or rain. The rise or fall of a barometer rather than its absolute height shows an approaching change, so the usual words "Fair," "Change," etc., cannot always be depended on. The rise from a low point indicates the close approach of gales.—London Answers.

Might Work.

Probably the most effective way to prevent our boys and girls from using slang at home would be to make it a required subject of study at school. —Youth's Companion.

Their Proper Sphere.

An old lady was gazing at illustrations on the fashion page. "Suggestions for the summer girl's wardrobe! Humph! They are all right for the wardrobe, but they ain't fit for the street."—Detroit Free Press.

MORE REMARKABLE.

Rose had called, on her afternoon out, to see her friend Arabella. Arabella's mistress had just purchased a parrot and Rose was much interested in the bird.

"Birds is shore sensible," she observed; "yo' kin learn them anything. I uster work for a lady that had a bird in a clock, an' when it was time to tell de time ob day it uster come out an' say cuckoo just as many times as de time was!"

"Go along! Yo doan' say so!" said Arabella, incredulously.

"Shore thing!" replied Rose. "An' de mos' wonderful part was dat it was only a wooden bird, too!"—Harper's Magazine.

Successful Day.

"Well, I guess I'll have to congratulate you for sure," said the proprietor of the place as the summer boarder closed the gate.

"On what?"

"On your luck as a fisherman."

"Why, I haven't had any luck. I didn't catch a fish.

"I wasn't talkin' 'bout fish. I was talkin' about that fancy pole and reel you brought along. When you started out this mornin', I was powerful afraid somebody would take 'em away from you."

COULDN'T FORGET IT.

He—Why, last year you said you'd never forget me.

She—No. It's that nose of yours.

Too Presumptuous.

There is a barber in this town
Than whom I know none meaner,
For when I ordered a shampoo
He used a vacuum cleaner.

Sarcastic.

"Pa, what is feminism?" asked little Willie Blowster.

"It would take me all day to explain that, son," said Mr. Blowster, wearily.

"I don't think you could do it in a week," said Mrs. Blowster, sharply. "No man is competent to explain feminism who thinks all women want to do is to wear trousers, use profanity and tobacco and stand on street corners talking politics when they ought to be at work."

To Be Determined.

"Lady," said Plodding Pete, "is that dog going to take a bite out of me?"

"Can't you see he has a good disposition?" snapped the woman. "He began to wag his tail as soon as he set eyes on you."

"I know it. But is he wagging his tail because he's friendly or because he's hungry?"

Mother's Ultimatum.

"Mr. Timkins, I'll bet you can't guess what mother said when father telephoned her that he would bring you up to lunch?"

"Why, no, Tommy. I can't guess that. What did she say?"

"She said, 'Bring him if you want to, but he's eaten his last jar of my plum preserves!'"

VERY PROBABLE.

Mr. Doyle—What did Oi do wid me hat?

Mrs. Doyle—Yez lift it on yer head.

Mr. Doyle—Begorra, the next thing Oi will be leaving me head in me hat.

No Chance.

A mermaid sat upon the shore,
Her feelings were extremely hurt.
She sighed, "My fate I must deplore.
How can I wear a shadow skirt?"

After Sinews of Vacation.

Bacon—Has Muggs sent his family away to the country for the summer yet?

Egbert—No, but I guess he's sending them today. I saw him going into the bank with a long face this morning.

Her Objection.

Patience—How do you like Will's new automobile?

Patrice—I don't care for it.

"Why not?"

"Oh, it's too small to tango in."

Fort Scott Divorce Case.

A Fort Scott man is suing his wife for divorce, because he says she chews tobacco. He had lived with her nine years, but evidently he found a piece of plug tobacco in one of her pockets one day, while he was mending her clothes, and incompatibility immediately set in.—Kansas City Star.

Girls Not Too Well Paid.

The German postal department employs over 8,000 girls, whose wages range from $12,50 to $17.50 a month.

His Method of Living.

"What do you do for a living?" asked A of B, being the sort of inquisitive person that everybody wants to kick. "I breathe," answered B to A. B being the sarcastic sort of person that everybody else wants to kick. —Cleveland Plain Dealer.

CHARTER
OF ACME THEATRE, INCORPORATED

United States of America, State of Louisiana,
Parish of Orleans, City of New Orleans.

Be it known, that on this sixth day of the month of November, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fourteen, before me, Arthur B. Leopold, a notary public, duly commissioned and qualified, in and for the city and parish and state aforesaid, therein residing, and in the presence of the witnesses hereinafter named and undersigned, personally came and appeared the several persons whose names are hereunto subscribed, and who severally declared that, availing themselves of the provisions of the laws of the state of Louisiana, relative to the formation of corporations, and more particularly to act two sixty-seven of nineteen hundred and fourteen, they have covenanted and agreed, and do hereby these presents covenant and agree and bind themselves, as well as such other persons as may hereafter become associated with them, to constitute and form a corporation and body politic in law, for the objects and purposes and under the terms, articles and stipulations, following to-wit:

Article I.—The name and title of this corporation shall be the "Acme Theatre, Incorporated," and by that corporate name it shall have and enjoy succession for the period of ninety-nine (99) years, and shall have all the authorities generally vested in corporations under the law, and more particularly authorized to contract, sue and be sued; to make and use a corporate seal; to make and issue bonds and notes; to borrow and lend money; to sell, mortgage, transfer and lease and rent property in any of its forms; to employ managers, superintendents, clerks and other employees as the interest of the corporation may require; to make by-laws, rules, regulations for the management of its affairs, and, in a word, possess all of the powers granted and extended to be granted to corporations in general; and, in order to carry out the objects and purposes of its organization.

Article II.—The domicile of this corporation shall be in the city of New Orleans, parish of Orleans, state of Louisiana, and all citations or other legal process shall be served upon the president, or in his absence upon the vice-president or upon any director of the corporation.

Article III.—The objects and purposes for which this corporation is organized and the nature of the business to be carried on by it are hereby declared to be: To construct, purchase, lease or otherwise acquire theatres, concert halls, dancing halls and academes, and amusement places of all kinds and descriptions; to operate same; to carry on the business of theatrical proprietors; to manage concert halls; stock, dramatic and vaudeville companies of all kinds and classes; to engage and employ actors, singers, dancers, dramatical and musical artists; to buy, own, hold, lease, manage, operate and sell motion picture theatres; to buy, sell, rent, lease and otherwise acquire, to run and operate films for moving picture theatres and all apparatus, paraphernalia and supplies in connection therewith; to manufacture same; and to provide all kinds of amusements and entertainments, and generally to do and carry on any and all business incidental and connected with the above objects and purposes in any city or town in the United States and more especially in the city of New Orleans, and state of Louisiana.

Article IV.—The capital stock of this corporation is hereby fixed at the sum of seven thousand dollars ($7,000.00), represented by seven hundred (700) shares of ten dollars ($10.00) each, to be paid for in cash, property moving picture theatres and supplies purchased, services rendered or other valuable consideration to be determined by the board of directors. This corporation shall be a going concern and fully organized as such, as soon as thirty-five hundred dollars ($3,500) of its capital stock shall have been subscribed for.

Article V.—No stockholder shall ever be held liable or responsible for the contracts, faults or defaults, nor shall any mere informality in the organization of this corporation have the effect of rendering this charter null or of exposing the stockholders to any liability beyond the unpaid balance of his stock subscription. Nor shall any stockholder dispose of his shares of stock in this corporation without first giving an option on same to the board of directors to purchase same at not less than par value.

This charter when recorded shall represent the original subscription list required by law.

Article VI.—All the corporate powers of this corporation, not reserved by law to the stockholders, shall be vested in and exercised by a board of directors to be composed of not more than three (3) directors, as hereinafter stated, and a majority of whom shall constitute a quorum to transact business. The said board of directors shall elect from their number a president, a vice-president and a secretary-treasurer; either one of the above offices, however, may be combined with another at the pleasure of the board of directors. The directors shall be elected annually, by ballot, by the stockholders of this corporation, on the second Tuesday of October of each year, and until the election to be held on the second Tuesday of October, nineteen hundred and fifteen, the said board of directors shall be composed of three, to-wit: Adrian Hava, M. D., residing at municipal Number 1439 Annunciation street, in the city of New Orleans, La.; Joseph Francis Arnoult, residing at municipal Number 1233 Columbus street, in the city of New Orleans, La.; and Mrs. Widow Joseph J. Trudeau, residing at municipal number 825 Webster street, in the city of New Orleans, La. Should the annual stockholders' meeting not take place as above stated, the said board of directors shall hold office until their successors shall have been elected and qualified. Each share of stock being entitled to one vote at all stockholders' meetings. Any vacancy in the said board of directors shall be filled from other stockholders by the remaining directors for the unexpired term.

Article VII.—This charter may be modified, changed, altered or amended or this corporation may be dissolved with the assent of two-thirds of the capital stock represented at a general meeting of the stockholders convened for that purpose, after ten (10) days previous notice shall have been given to each stockholder mailed to his last address as it appears on the books of the corporation.

Article VIII.—Whenever this corporation is dissolved, either by limitation or any other cause, its affairs shall be liquidated by two stockholders elected as liquidators, at a general meeting of the stockholders to be convened for that purpose, when ten days previous notice shall have been given to each stockholder, mailed to his last known address as it appears on the books of this corporation. The said liquidators shall remain in office until the affairs of the corporation shall have been settled and liquidated, and shall have power to receive all the assets thereof, and distribute the proceeds, if any, and in case of any vacancies by death or otherwise of any of the liquidators, such vacancy shall be filled by the survivor of the surviving liquidators.

Thus done and passed at my office, in the city of New Orleans, on the date first above written, in the presence of Messieurs John B. G. Arnoult and Louis P. Bryant, Jr., competent witnesses, who signed their names with the said appearers and me notary, after due reading of the whole.

Original signed: Dr. Adrian Hava, 1 share; Jos. P. Arnoult, 14 shares; Mrs. J. J. Trudeau, 670 shares; Louis J. Trudeau, 15 shares, 6342 Annunciation St.

J. B. G. Arnoult, L. P. Bryant, Jr.

ARTHUR B. LEOPOLD, Not. Pub.

I, the undersigned recorder of mortgages, in and for the parish of Orleans, state of Louisiana, do hereby certify that the above act of incorporation of the "Acme Theatre, Incorporated," was this day recorded in my office, in book No. 1127, folio No. ——.

New Orleans, La., 6th day of November A. D. 1914.

(Signed) M. J. DUNN, Dy. Recorder.

A true copy of the original.

ARTHUR B. LEOPOLD, Not. Pub.

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CHARTER

OF THE OLGA REAL ESTATE CO., INC.

United States of America, State of Louisiana,
City of New Orleans, Parish of Orleans.

Be it known, that on this twenty-ninth day of the month of October, in the year one thousand, nine hundred and fourteen, before me, Robert Legier, a notary public, duly commissioned and qualified in and for the parish of Orleans, state of Louisiana, aforesaid, therein residing, and in the presence of the witnesses hereinafter named and undersigned: personally came and appeared the persons whose names are hereunto signed, who declared that, availing themselves of the provisions of the laws of this state relative to the organization of corporations, they have covenanted and agreed and do, by these presents, covenant, agree, bind, form and constitute themselves, as well as such other persons as may hereafter join or become associated with them, into a corporation and body politic in law, for the objects and purposes and under the agreements and stipulations following, to-wit:

Article I.—The name and style of this corporation shall be the Olga Real Estate Company, Incorporated, and under that name it shall have and enjoy all the rights, advantages and privileges granted by law to corporations; it shall exist for a period of ninety-nine years from the date hereof; it shall have power and authority to sue and be sued in its corporate name; to make and use a corporate seal and the same to break or alter at pleasure; to hold, receive, purchase, convey, mortgage and hypothecate property, real, personal and mixed; to issue bonds, notes and other obligations; to have and employ such managers, directors, officers, agents and other employees as the interest and convenience of said corporation may require or demand, and to make and establish such by-laws, rules and regulations for the corporate management and control of the business and affairs of the corporation as may be deemed necessary or expedient.

Article II.—The domicile of said corporation shall be in the city of New Orleans, state of Louisiana, and all citations and other legal process shall be served on the president and in his absence on the vice-president of said corporation. In the absence of both of said officers, then said process shall be served on the secretary of said corporation.

Article III.—The objects and purposes for which this corporation is formed and the nature of the business to be carried on by it are hereby declared to be: to deal in, buy and sell, for its own account or for the account of other, all real estate, lands, tenements, etc., mortgages, mortgage notes, bonds, shares of stock and all other securities; to lend money on property, both real and personal, and to make leases; to act as broker, or commission agent or trustee or depository for individuals, firms or corporations; to guarantee titles to land or other real estate, and to issue guarantee or other bonds; to reclaim and improve landed property; to lay out town lots or suburbs, pave streets, construct sidewalks and alleys; to put down sewer, drainage, water and gas or other trenches or pipes and to connect the same with the municipal plants or for the sole use of such sub-division; to contract or erect, or to contract for the construction or erection of buildings, workshops, mechanical plants, and generally to do and engage in any and every other kind of business or undertaking or enterprise connected with, or growing out or germane or incidental to any of the purposes hereinabove set forth and not prohibited by the laws or Constitution of the state of Louisiana.

Article—IV. The capital stock of this corporation is hereby fixed at the sum of Ten thousand ($10,000.00) Dollars (which may be increased to a sum not exceeding Twenty-five thousand (25,000.00) Dollars), divided into one thousand (1,000) shares of the par value of Ten ($10.00) Dollars, each, which shall be paid for in cash or installments on the call of the Board of Directors, or may be issued at not less than par for property purchased by or services actually rendered to said corporation.

All shares of stock shall be full paid and non-assessable. No transfer of stock shall be binding upon the corporation, and all certificates of stock shall be signed by the President or Vice-President and the Secretary of this corporation.

Article—V. All the corporate powers of this company shall be vested in and the management and control of its business and affairs shall be exercised by a Board of Directors, composed of three stockholders, which number may be increased to no more than seven, at the discretion of the Board of Directors, a majority of whom shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of all business. The directors shall be elected annually on the first Tuesday of the month of January of each year, by ballot of the stockholders. Each stockholder shall be entitled, in person or by written proxy to one vote of each share of stock owned by him and standing in his name on the books of the corporation. All elections shall be held under such rules and regulations as may be determined by the Board of Directors, but after at least ten days' notice of such election shall have been given to each stockholder by mail sent to his last known address, or by publication for at least ten days preceding such election in one of the daily English newspapers published in the City of New Orleans. The directors thus elected shall continue in office for one year or until their successors shall have been duly elected and qualified. No failure to hold an election shall be regarded as a forfeiture of this charter. Any vacancy occurring on said Board of Directors shall be filled by the remaining directors for the unexpired term. Said board shall likewise elect the additional members in case they should determine to increase the number of the Board, as above provided. Said Board shall, at its first meeting, elect from among its number, a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary and a Treasurer. It may combine any two of said offices into one, and may even elect a Secretary who is not a stockholder or director. Said Board of Directors shall have the right to appoint and dismiss such clerks, managers and other employees of the corporation, including the Secretary who is not a stockholder or director, as conditions may justify or the business of the corporation may require. The tenure of office of all employees of the corporation shall be during the pleasure of the Board of Directors.

The President, or the Secretary of this corporation, acting in his stead, shall have the power and authority, without a special authorization or resolution to purchase and sell property, both real and personal, and to institute and defend all suits in the name of the company, acting in their official capacity in transacting the business of the said company and shall have power and authority to receipt and give acquittance for sums due it in settlement of loans or otherwise, and to release mortgages and vendor's lien thus settled in the name of the company.

Article VI.—No stockholder shall ever be held liable or responsible for the contracts, faults or debts of said corporation, nor shall any mere informality in its organization have the effect of rendering this charter null, or of exposing a stockholder to any liability beyond the unpaid balance due on the shares owned by him.

Article VII.—This act of incorporation may be changed, modified or altered, or this corporation may be dissolved as provided for in Act No. 267 of the General Assembly of the State of Louisiana for the year 1914. And in the event of the dissolution of this corporation by the expiration of its charter or otherwise, its business and affairs shall be wound up by three liquidators elected by the stockholders at the meeting which decides to liquidate. Said liquidators to be elected from among the stockholders of the Company. In case of the death or inability of any of said liquidators the survivor or survivors shall appoint a successor or successors to him or them from among the stockholders.

Article VIII.—Until the election to be held on the first Tuesday of January, 1915, the following named stockholders shall constitute the first Board of Directors, viz: Ernest Dionne, Henry J. Ledoux and Chester W. Brown, with the said Ernest Dionne as President, the said Chester W. Brown as Vice-President, and the said Henry J. Ledoux as Secretary-Treasurer.

Thus done and passed at my office in the City of New Orleans, on the day, month and year, herein first above written, in the presence of Theodore A. Beck and Miss Odile Musson, both of this city, competent witnesses who have hereunto signed their names with the said appearers and me, Notary, after due reading of the whole.

(Original Signed)

T. A. Beck, Odile Musson.

Ernest Dionne, 10 shares, Chester W. Brown, 185 shares, H. J. Ledoux, 185 shares, Brown Realty Co., Ltd., per C. W. Brown, Pres., 120 shares, Robert Legier, Notary Public.

I, the undersigned Recorder of Mortgages in and for the Parish of Orleans, State of Louisiana, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing act of incorporation of the Olga Real Estate Company, Incorporated, was this day duly recorded in my office, in book 1127, folio ——.

New Orleans, La., October 29th, 1914.

EMILE J. LEONARD, D. R.

A true copy from the original act.

ROBERT LEGIER,
Notary Public.

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