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Whereas, Mary E. Meador, in her own right, and James H. Meador, her husband, by their certain deed of trust, dated February 24, 1902, and recorded in book 33, page 243, in the office of the recorder of deeds within and for Holt county, state of Missouri, conveyed to the undersigned trustee in trust, to secure the payment of the promissory note in said deed of trust described, the following described real estate, situate, lying and being in the county of Holt and state of Missouri, to-wit: The east half of the northeast (E. 1/2) of the N. E. 1/4 quarter of section No. 18, town (25) in township No. 36, range No. 10, containing 80 acres more or less. And whereas default has been made in the payment of the interest thereon, and whereas the legal holder of the note has requested me to execute the power vested in me by the terms and condition of said deed of trust. Therefore, in compliance with said request, and in pursuance of the provisions vested in me by said deed of trust, I will on **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1904,** between the hours of 9 o'clock in the forenoon and 5 o'clock in the afternoon of said day at the court house door in the city of Oregon, Holt County, Missouri, sell at public vendue to the highest bidder for cash in hand, the above described property, to satisfy said debt and interest thereon, according to the terms of said deed of trust. **EDWIN J. WELLS, Trustee.**

Kipling's Early Poetry.
Mr. Rudyard Kipling gives an amusing account of his apprenticeship as a poet. When, more than 20 years ago, he was filling the post of assistant editor of the Pioneer in India, he got into the habit of scribbling verses by way of filling in odd moments, and these would occasionally find their way into the paper, principally at the request of the native foreman of the printers. "I like your poetry much," this foreman would say; "it is so useful to fill in odd corners with."

Students in Germany.
An extraordinary increase in the number of students is noted at those of the German universities which are situated in the large cities, notably Munich and Leipzig, while the smaller universities (Erlangen, Göttingen, etc.) are losing ground. The Berlin Tageblatt suggests that in order to reestablish some sort of a balance the increasingly numerous students from other countries should be allowed to study only at the smaller universities.

Weather Cycles.
A long weather cycle of about 35 years seems to appear in the British Isles. From records of 90 years, Mr. Douglas Archibald concludes that a dry period has just passed, and that the years 1903 to about 1920 will show more than average rainfall and low barometer, and two bushels per acre deficiency in wheat yields.

Careful Enthusiasm.
"I saw Nervev at the football game, and he seemed to be very enthusiastic when Harvard won.
"Oh, yes; he was very enthusiastic. The man next to him wore a soft hat, and Nervev tried to borrow it to toss in the air in place of his derby."—Philadelphia Press.

The Meat Business.
Half a dozen firms practically control the meat output of this country, and own or otherwise control three-fourths of the railroad cars used in transporting the meat from the ranch to the packing house and from the packing house to the market.

Esquimo Dogs.
Forty-one Esquimo dogs were brought to Kiel from the south polar regions by the Gauss expedition. They behaved well until they saw land, when they set up yells of delight and became almost unmanageable. They were sent to the Hamburg zoo.

Not at All Social.
Lobsters cannot be persuaded to grow up together peaceably. If a dozen newly-hatched specimens are put into an aquarium, within a few days there will only be one large, fat and promising youngster. He has eaten all the rest.

American Apples.
The big, red, American apple has long been a favorite with the people, even in the remote regions of Germany, while the fine California dried fruit now for sale in every grocery is indispensable to the average household.

Deaths in Prussia.
While there are many more women than men in Prussia, the deaths in that kingdom last year included only 323,652 females, as against 354,241 males. The general death rate of 1902 was the lowest on record.

They Don't Worry.
The really big fellows never worry about the competition of women. It didn't trouble Robert Browning at all that his wife was a very good hand at his own trade.—N. Y. Times.

The Coffee Tree.
The coffee tree reaches its maximum of production in about 12 years, and should continue in full bearing for 50 years, though some trees are known to be as old as 82 years.

Fish like Chameleons.
C. B. Hudson, who has been painting the fishes of Hawaiian waters, says that nearly all bottom sea fish have the power of changing color at will, like chameleons.

Cholera in Egypt.
Of the 20,976 cases of cholera treated in Egyptian government hospitals in 1902, 14,958 proved fatal. The total cholera mortality in Egypt was 31,595.

Lightning Proof.
Scientists say that the only sure protection against lightning is to encase the whole building in a metal covering. An open metal netting would be best.

The American Money.
United States money is extensively used in the northern part Colombia, and in many stores prices are quoted in American gold.

Cocoanuts.
Coco is the Spanish word for bogey, and it is said the cocoanut was thus named from its resemblance to a distorted human face.

The Turbine Engine.
The turbine, it is said, will as surely displace the reciprocating engine as the screw has displaced the paddle.

Tropical Fruits.
The United States imports of tropical and semi-tropical fruit aggregate \$1,000,000 a day.

Illiteracy in Colombia.
Of the 4,000,000 population of Colombia, less than five per cent. can read.

Calico.
Calico is named for Calicut, a town in India, where it was first printed.

Appearances.
Paint on the chin will not purify the milk.—Chicago Daily News.

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A Very Close Call.
"I stuck to my engine, although every joint ached and every nerve was racked with pain," writes C. V. Bellamy, a "comotive fireman" of Burlington, Iowa. "I was weak and pale without any appetite and all run down. As I was about to give up, I got a bottle of Electric Bitters, and after taking it, I felt as well as I ever did my life." Weak, sickly, run down people always gain new life, strength and vigor from their use. Try them. Satisfaction guaranteed by C. O. Proud, Druggist. Price 50 cents.
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Curious Barometer.
A curious barometer is said to be used by the remnant of the Araucanian race which inhabits the southernmost province of Chili. It consists of the cast-off shell of a crab. The dead shell is white in fair, dry weather, but the approach of a moist atmosphere is indicated by the appearance of small, red spots. As the moisture in the air increases, the shell becomes entirely red, and remains so throughout the rainy season.

Both Pioneers.
Miss Grata Flos Greig, of Melbourne, has recently received the degree of Bachelor of Laws, being the first lady in the Australian commonwealth to qualify for the distinction. Miss Greig's sister, Dr. Janet Greig, was the first lady doctor to be appointed to the resident staff of Melbourne hospital.

Remarkable Trestle.
On the Oden-Lucien cut-off of the Union Pacific there are 11.1 miles of permanent trestle and 11.8 miles of temporary trestle. The temporary structure, which is gradually being filled in, is in 27 feet of water. The permanent trestle is nearly all in water from 30 feet to 34 in depth.

Musical Instruments.
Markneukirchen, Germany, sold in the United States last year \$137,000 worth of violins, \$66,000 of bows, \$60,000 of strings, and \$132,000 of accordions and concertinas. All the raw material for these articles is imported; the stock for strings all comes from Russia.

Freight Cars.
The average capacity of freight cars, which was 24,000 pounds 30 years ago was increased to 30,000 pounds in the 70's, to 60,000 in the 80's. The capacity of the cars in use at the present time has been raised to 80,000, 100,000 and 110,000 pounds.

Gilding on China.
Gilding is often utterly removed from china by the use of soda in washing. Use soap instead of soda when washing your pretty teacups, etc., and they will retain their beauty as long as they remain unbroken.

After Peeling Onions.
After peeling onions rinse the knife in cold water and then polish it as usual. Hot water would set the onion juice, and thus the disagreeable odor would hang about the knife for a quite unnecessary length of time.

Gay Costume.
For color, few costumes can rival that of a modern Indian bride. One recently wore pink silk with large pink sash, blue collar and cuffs, yellow and lavender trimmings on a black hat, green veil and black gloves.

Russian Decoration.
The Russian cross of St. Andrew has a remarkable peculiarity attaching to it. All who are decorated with it have the right once to demand the pardon for a Russian subject condemned to death.

Plaster of Paris.
Plaster of Paris is excellent for stopping cracks in the wall, but mix it with vinegar instead of with water, for thus you prevent its setting too rapidly to be easy of manipulation.

Labor in Italy.
Bricklayers are in Italy the best-paid laborers. They get from 80 cents to one dollar a day. Stonecutters and carpenters get 60 to 70 cents, painters and frescoers 10 to 50.

Long Caterpillars.
Caterpillars from 10 to 12 inches long are not uncommon in Australia, while species which vary in length from six to eight inches are numerous.

Science and Health.
In the city of New York alone there are 150,000 people living to-day who would be dead if the mortality of 50 years ago still prevailed.

A Powerful Force.
No material has yet been discovered that can withstand the force which water expands as it freezes.

Siberian Trains.
Freight trains from Moscow to Vladivostok travel at the rate of about eight miles an hour; passenger trains average 13 1/2 miles.

Odd Fact About Fish.
Female fish of all species are considerably more numerous than males, with two exceptions—the angler and the catfish.

Century in Fairs.
An annual fair at Barnstable, England, has been held for hundreds of years.
Going to Yucatan.
No less than 5,000 Porto Ricans have migrated to Yucatan within a year.
Robins and Wrens.
The robin and the wren are the only birds that sing all the year.

One-Cent Fines.
Between July 1, 1902, and June 1, 1903, 30,000,000 cents were collected.

Postal Money Orders.
There is no business in the world that grows half so fast as the postal money order system. Last year its total business increased at the rate of \$1,000,000 a week. The money order department will handle next week \$1,000,000 more than it handled last week. It loses by fraud less than \$1,000 a year. It showed its regular annual increase in the period of financial depression from 1893 to 1897—perhaps the only large business in the country that did.

To Detect Life.
Photography is urged as a means of preventing premature burial. It recently showed, through the blurred appearance of the negative, that a girl supposedly dead was only in a trance. In cases where the least doubt exists photography is recommended. Negatives taken on succeeding days may show a slight difference in the position of head or arms, or a blur of the lips due to the very slight movement occasioned by breathing.—Pearson's Weekly.

The Rain Tree.
A recent study of the so-called rain-tree of the tropics shows that it closes its leaves at sunset, permitting dew to form on the ground beneath. At sunrise the leaves again expand, preventing excessive evaporation, and in the shade of the tree grass grows more rapidly than in the open.

Ancient Elm Tree.
There is an elm tree in the department of Ardeche, France, which is vigorous and flourishing, though it has attained the patriarchal age of 793 years. According to official documents, it was planted on the grave of a nobleman in the reign of King Philip II., about 1202.

A City of Clubs.
Havana might without exaggeration be called a city of clubs. These organizations are by far the most important social institutions of the town. There is scarcely an able-bodied citizen to be found who does not enjoy a membership in some sort of club.

Elephant Nurses.
In Siam some of the women intrust their children to the care of elephant nurses, and it is said that the trust is never betrayed. The babies play about the huge feet of the elephants, who are very careful never to hurt their little charges.

New Kind.
Stranger—I see your people are organizing to put down lawlessness and crime.
Tough Citizen (grinding his teeth)—Yes, sir; they say we're goin' to have a regular carnival of reform.—Chicago Tribune.

Rapid Transit.
Speed tests recently completed in Germany resulted in a record of 120 1/2 miles an hour, and a total cost of \$1,000,000. It was decided that 100 miles an hour speed was the highest rate which could be profitably maintained.

Not Even Microscopic.
The microscopes of to-day will reveal a particle the half-millionth of an inch in diameter. The size of an atom may be judged when it is said that each of such articles probably contains at least six million atoms.

Migrant Beetles.
Locusts are not the only migrant insects. In July, 1899, a swarm of small beetles passed over Romershof, in Russia, which was two miles long, one and one-third miles wide and over 20 feet thick.

Sociability Leads Appetite.
A caterer gives it as his experience that, where the guests at a little gathering know each other well, at least 20 per cent. more is eaten than would otherwise be the case.

Care of Jelly Bags.
Jelly bags should never be touched with soap. Wash them by plunging them into water as hot as the hands can bear, and wring as dry as possible.

Wants Something for Nothing.
He who demands to be loved for himself alone should ask himself if he is not requiring a good deal for what he has to offer.—N. Y. Times.

Day Laborers.
Day laborers to the number of 1,250,000 belong to the national labor unions, 1,000,000 to other labor unions, and 2,250,000 are unorganized.

At the Altar.
There would be fewer unhappy marriages if all brial couples recognized that the wedding altar is the altar of mutual sacrifice.—N. Y. Times.

Sunflower Seeds.
Sunflower seeds are a very good food for poultry, and are unsurpassed as tempting bait for mouse and rat traps.

Cambrie.
Cambrie comes from Cambria, gauze from Gaza, braise from Bajae, dimity from Dametta and jeans from Jean.

People at Sea.
It is estimated that something like 3,500,000 human beings are on the seas of the globe at one time.

Gold Fields on the Congo.
Announcement is made at Brussels that rich gold fields have been discovered in the Congo state.
Breezy.
The average man wastes a lot of wind airing his views.—Chicago Daily News.
King Edward's Tea.
King Edward drinks his tea without the addition of either sugar or milk.