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**Notice of Final Settlement.**  
Notice is hereby given that six months after date I will file with the County Judge of De Soto County, Florida, at his office in Arcadia, my accounts and vouchers for my final settlement and discharge as executor of the estate of Clark D. Knapp, deceased. This June 12th 1905.  
ELEANOR A. KNAPP, Executrix.

**NOTICE.**  
Notice is hereby given that six months after date I will file with the County Judge of De Soto County, Florida, at his office in Arcadia, my accounts and vouchers for my final settlement and discharge as administrator of the estate of Charles H. Hill deceased. This April 14th 1905.  
Administrator.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.**  
Notice is hereby given to all persons having claims or demands against the estate of Robt. C. Hendry, deceased, to present the same duly authenticated within two years from date of this notice or same will be plead in bar of their recovery, and all persons indebted to said estate are hereby required to make immediate settlement with the undersigned.  
This April 13, 1904.  
JOHN P. HENDRY, Administrator

Notice is hereby given that Marion W. Sargent, purchaser of Tax Certificate No. 492, dated the 6th day of July, A. D. 1903, has filed said certificate in my office, and has made application for tax deed to issue in accordance with law. Said certificate embraces the following described property situated in De Soto County, Florida, to-wit: Lot 2, Block 2, Section 2, Township 33, S. R. 28 East, Avon Park, the said land being assessed at the date of the issuance of such certificate in the name of L. D. Holtzclaw. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, tax deed will issue thereon on the 18th day of August, A. D. 1905. Witness my official signature and seal this 20th day of July, A. D. 1905.  
H. E. CARLTON, Clerk Circuit Court De Soto County, Florida.  
By C. L. CARLTON, D. C.

**Notice of Application for Tax Deed Under Section 8 of Chapter 4888, Laws of Florida.**  
Notice is hereby given that Mrs. A. McCordale, purchaser of Tax Certificate No. 146, dated the 6th day of July, A. D. 1903, has filed said certificate in my office, and has made application for tax deed to issue in accordance with law. Said certificate embraces the following described property situated in De Soto County, Florida, to-wit: S. 1/2 of S. 1/4 of Section 19, Tp. 30, S. R. 25 East. The said land being assessed at the date of the issuance of such certificate in the name of Unknown. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, tax deed will issue thereon on the 12th day of August, A. D. 1905. Witness my official signature and seal this 5th day of July, A. D. 1905.  
H. E. CARLTON, Clerk Circuit Court De Soto Co., Fla.  
By C. L. CARLTON, D. C.

**Notice of Application for Tax Deed Under Section 8 of Chapter 4888, Laws of Florida.**  
Notice is hereby given that Charlotte Carlton, purchaser of Tax Certificate No. 497, dated the 30 day of April, 1899, 410, dated the 30 day of August, 1897, 320, dated the 5th day of July, 1897; 494, dated the 4th day of July, 1899; 354, dated the 3d day of July, 1899, has filed said certificate in my office, and has made application for tax deed to issue in accordance with law. Said certificate embraces the following described property situated in De Soto county, Florida, to-wit: S. 1/2 of the S. 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Sec. 26, Tp. 28, S. R. 24 E. The said land being assessed at the date of the issuance of such certificate in the name of Unknown. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, tax deed will issue thereon on the 5th day of August, A. D. 1905. Witness my official signature and seal this 25th day of June, A. D. 1905.  
HENRY E. CARLTON, Clerk Circuit Court, De Soto County, Florida.  
By J. J. GRANGER, D. C.

**Administrators' Notice.**  
All persons having claims or demands against the estate of Wm. H. Collier are hereby notified to present the same duly authenticated within two years of the date of this notice or same will be plead in bar of their recovery, and all persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate settlement with the undersigned.  
This December 23, 1904.  
JOHN COLLIER, Administrator.  
E. E. CREWS, Administrator.

**Interesting.**  
Ethel—I don't see why it is considered necessary for a man to be wicked to be interesting. Now, Charles isn't wicked, and he's interesting. Kathryn—He's interesting as a curiosity, Ethel, not as a man.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

**Notice of Application for Tax Deed Under Section 8 of Chapter 4888, Laws of Florida.**  
Notice is hereby given that Mrs. K. S. Cheape, purchaser of Tax certificate No. 473, dated the 6th day of July, A. D. 1903, has filed said certificate in my office, and has made application for tax deed to issue in accordance with law. Said certificate embraces the following described property situated in De Soto county, Florida, to-wit: Lot 2, blk D, sub of lots 2 and 3, blk 12, sec. 14, Tp. 28, S. R. 28 e.

The said land being assessed at the date of the issuance of such certificate in the name of Heiman Stendendorf. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, tax deed will issue thereon on the 22nd day of September, A. D. 1905. Witness my official signature and seal this 17th day of August, A. D. 1905.  
H. E. CARLTON, Clerk Circuit Court De Soto county, Fla.  
By C. L. CARLTON, deputy clerk.

In the Circuit Court of the Sixth Judicial Circuit of the State of Florida, in and for De Soto County:  
Florida King, G. King and T. R. King, vs. H. B. Claffin Company, a corporation, Incorporated, and by virtue of the laws of the State of New Jersey.  
To the Defendants Herein:

You are hereby notified that a bill of complaint has been filed against you in this case by the complainants, Florida King, J. G. King and T. R. King. This is therefore to command you to be and appear before the Judge of said Court at the Clerk's office in Arcadia, Florida on the 5th day of June, 1905, to answer said bill of complaint, otherwise the same will be taken as confessed against you.  
It is further ordered that a copy of this notice be published in the De Soto County News, a weekly newspaper published in Arcadia, Florida, for the time prescribed by the laws of said state.  
Witness my hand and official seal at Arcadia, Florida, this 5th day of April, 1905.  
H. E. CARLTON, CLERK.  
I hereby certify that the foregoing notice is a true copy of the original filed in Clerk's office of De Soto County Florida on this the 5th day of April A. D. 1905.  
Attest: H. E. CARLTON, Clerk Circuit Court.  
TREADWELL & TREADWELL, Solicitors for Complainants.

**Notice of Application for Tax Deed Under Section 8 of Chapter 4888, Laws of Florida.**  
Notice is hereby given that W. G. Welles, purchaser of Tax certificate No. 1944, dated the 4th day of July, A. D. 1898, has filed said certificate in my office, and has made application for tax deed to issue in accordance with law. Said certificate embraces the following described property situated in De Soto county, Florida, to-wit: Lot 17, Block A, of Wright & Gilchrist addition to Nocatee, Florida.

The said land being assessed at the date of the issuance of such certificate in the name of W. T. Altman. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, tax deed will issue thereon on the 30th day of June, A. D. 1905. Witness my official signature and seal this 27th day of May, A. D. 1905.  
H. E. CARLTON, Clerk Circuit Court, De Soto County, Fla.  
By C. L. CARLTON, D. C.

**Notice of Publication.**  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.  
Land Office at Gainesville, Fla., June 12, 1905.  
Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make Commutation proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Clerk Circuit Court at Arcadia, Fla., on August 21, 1905, viz: William R. Cain of Fort Ogden, Fla., Hd. No. 39779, for the W 1/2 of NW 1/4, NW 1/4 of NW 1/4 of NW 1/4 Sec. 13, Tp. 40 S., R. 23 E. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: W. R. Polk, John Thornton, John Richards, James M. Keen, all of Fort Ogden, Fla.  
W. G. ROBINSON, Register.

### POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

People flirt with trouble too much. Every big fire develops a lot of natural born fire chiefs. It is all right to select the lesser of two evils if you know which one it is. The way some people have of being good is worse than their way of being bad.

When people say to you when you are in trouble, "What can I do for you?" be equally considerate and say, "Nothing."

People are hard to please. If a man gets mad easily he is called "touchy," and if it takes a good deal to make him mad he is called "wooden."

**John Wesley's Wife.**  
John Wesley married a widow, Mrs. Vizzelle, who grew tired of his restless laborious life and complained. He paid no attention, and from complaint she went on to jealousy, thence to fury. He rebuked her sternly: "Do not any longer contend for mastery, for power, money or praise. Be content to be a private, insignificant person. Of what importance is your character to mankind? If you were buried just now or had never lived, what loss would it be to the cause of God?" She left him, taking with her a large number of his private papers, and he dismissed the subject by writing in his journal: "I did not forsake her. I did not dismiss her. I shall not call her back."

**Horsepower.**  
The difference between nominal, indicated and effective horsepower often puzzles people. Nominal horsepower is an assumed quantity, used for the convenience of makers and buyers in describing the dimensions of the engines. Indicated horsepower is the amount shown by computations of the indicator diagram. Effective or actual horsepower is the work an engine can do or the difference between the indicated horsepower and the horsepower required to drive the engine when unloaded.

**Painless Spanking.**  
Father (cutting the whip smartly through the air)—See, Tommy, how I make the horse go faster without striking him at all. Tommy—Papa, why don't you spank us children that way?—Glasgow Times.

**Stingy Steps.**  
An old man was passing our house one afternoon, taking exceedingly short steps. My little cousin watched him for several minutes and then said "Mamma, doesn't he walk stingy?"—Exchange.

The small courtesies sweeten life; the greater ennoble it.—Bovee.

### THE BELTED PLAID.

**This Was the Original Dress of the Scottish Highlander.**  
The original dress of the highlander was the belted plaid. This was a piece of tartan cloth, two yards broad and four long, which was drawn around the waist in nicely adjusted folds and tightly buckled with a belt. The lower part came down to the knees in much the same manner as the modern kilt, while the upper part was drawn up and adjusted to the left shoulder, so that the right arm might be perfectly free. This upper part was the plaid, which was used as a covering for the shoulders and body in wet weather, and when the use of both arms was required it was fastened across the breast with a brooch, often curiously enriched. A brooch was also used to fasten the plaid on the left shoulder. To attire himself in the belted plaid required on the part of the highlander no small amount of dexterity. The usual way was to lay it on the floor and after carefully arranging the folds to lie down upon it and then buckle it on. The lower end was fastened at the right hip. The utility of such a dress in the highlands is obvious, for the plaid rendered the man indifferent to storms and prepared to pass a night in the open air in the most inclement weather, while the loose undergarment enabled him to wade rivers or ascend mountains with equal ease. It was thus peculiarly adapted to the warrior, the hunter and the shepherd.—London Mail.

### PRAIRIE DOGS.

**Choked Up a River While Traveling From Oklahoma to Texas.**  
"The prairie dog migration from Oklahoma to southwestern Texas during July, 1874, eclipsed anything of that sort witnessed by white men in this country," said a veteran who saw it. "Millions of the frisky little barkers must have been in quest of new pastures or perhaps feared the approaching legions of home seekers would surely exterminate the dogs and plow up the dog towns. The prairie dog migration from the north to the southwest lasted six days during the month of July, 1874. The traveling dogs while crossing the Red river interfered to a great extent with the cattle that came to that stream to quench their thirst. Some cowboys that were on the banks of Red river during the time when the prairie dogs swam across say that the stream was chock full of the little rascals for many miles up and down the river. The thirsty cattle were either unable or unwilling to stick their mouths into the water through the moving mass of living prairie dogs. The cowboys were getting ready to drive the famishing stock to a distant stream, but the Red river became clear of the repelling swimmers after blocking the useful drinking place for about a week. It was generally supposed that the dogs halted when they had reached the staked plains of Texas."—Kansas City Times.

**Old and Young.**  
"Well, well, that's a funny thing."  
"What is?"  
"Miss Passay was an old maid before she married, and now that her husband is dead she has become a young widow."—Catholic Standard and Times.

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