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Halbert-Murry.

Mr. S. R. Halbert and Miss Annie Murry, popular young people of Horn Lake, were married at the home of the bride's parents last Wednesday. Rev. O. W. Bradley officiated.

The handsome groom is a prosperous planter, while the bride is the accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Murry and has many friends in this and Tate county.

In common with hosts of friends we extend wishes for a long, happy life.

The Senatobia Democrat has been purchased from Hon. Walker Wood by Robt. J. Gresham, of Ashland. Mr. Gresham was democratic elector from the second district in the late presidential campaign, and is known and admired by a large number of friends in north Mississippi. We wish him success in his new field.

N. W. Farnsworth, a citizen of Scranton, Miss., believes he has solved a vexed labor problem in the invention of a cotton picking machine, which he claims has been tested in Yazoo county and give practical results. The power for the machine is gasoline and the principal is air section. The nozzle of a hose is applied to the open bell and nothing but cotton will be taken by the machine. Several operators can use the same machine and each operator can pick 500 pounds daily.

Is Uncle Sam Inconsistent.

The editor of the Sauk County Democrat, Barbaroo, Wis., upbraids Uncle Sam for being inconsistent. The Democrat says:

"While we put forth our best efforts to obey and satisfy him, we cannot expel from our mind the thought that Uncle Sam sometimes indulges in stunts that seem somewhat mystifying to such a personage as a plodding printer and publisher in the rural districts.

"At times we are almost inclined to give up in disgust rather than attempt to indulge in further explanation to patrons who 'just can't understand' why we are not in position to extend credit on subscription according to our own judgment rather than that of Uncle Sam; why we cannot print certain advertisements or reports of lotteries, drawings, etc.

"Is Uncle Sam inconsistent? If we were asked to answer the question, our reply would be: Yes.

"Why? Just one reason at this time, because it refers to one of the recent rulings. Here it is:

"Uncle Sam says we cannot publish advertisements containing coupons; we cannot publish advertisements of raffles or drawings; we are not even permitted to publish the results of such games of chance. If we publish an item relative to a social function, such as a progressive card party, we must be careful to avoid publishing the fact that the most successful player was the recipient of a souvenir spoon, and also refrain from mentioning that the person with the lowest score carried home the consolation prize, perhaps a rag doll. If we should happen to so forget ourselves as to disobey these rules, the postmaster is supposed to notify us that the paper containing such offensive matter is to be barred from the mails. Or, perhaps, the penalty may be the payment of a fine or imprisonment in some vile bastille until we learn that the pathway of the transgressor is not paved with petals of the pansy or scented with the odor of the breathing rose.

"Yet, in the face of these facts, the government conducts land drawings, and these are advertised in newspapers and circulars which are sent through the mails, and, after the drawings have been held, the results are published.

"We like you, Uncle Sam, and swear by you, but at times we almost feel inclined to engage an expert to swear at you."

Executor's Sale of Real Estate.

Under and by virtue of the powers conferred upon me as executor under the last will and testament of Mrs. E. D. Clapp, deceased, probated in the probate court of Shelby county, Tennessee, authorizing and empowering me to sell any and all of her real estate, wheresoever situated, upon such terms and at such prices as I may deem best, I will, in accordance with the power so conferred, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the following tracts of land, to-wit:

1. The south-west quarter section 6, township 1, range 8 west, Shelby county, Tennessee, situated about ten miles south of Memphis and one mile west of Horn lake road in Thirteenth civil district, about one-third in cultivation and the remainder having some valuable timber thereon. Cypress creek runs through the land, with constant supply of water.

2. The south-east quarter of section 2, township 4, range 9, in DeSoto county, Mississippi.

The first described land will be sold at 12 o'clock m., in front of the courthouse door, Main street, in the city of Memphis, on Monday, Dec. 28, 1908.

The second described tract of land will be sold in front of the courthouse door, Hernando, Mississippi, at 12 o'clock m., on Wednesday, Dec. 30, 1908.

For further information see

J. W. CLAPP, Executor.
Nos. 12-16 South second Street, Memphis, Tenn.
Metcalf, Minor & Metcalf, Attorneys.

Everybody is invited to take dinner with the ladies at the courthouse next Wednesday, Dec. 9. A good dinner complete, 40c.

Commissioner's Sale of Land.

Lillie Flinn, et al } No. 3285
Exparte

By virtue of a decree of the Chancery Court of DeSoto county, Mississippi, rendered at its September term, 1908, in the above styled cause, and recorded in Minute Book No. 11, page 9, of the Records of said court, I, N. E. Wilroy, commissioner, will on the FIRST MONDAY OF JAN. 1909, within legal hours, expose for sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash, at public auction (provided there is bid therefor not less than \$4,000), 10 per cent. of said bid to be paid on day of sale and balance on confirmation, the following real estate, to-wit: Lots Nos. 30 and 31 on South-west quarter of Section 27, Township 1, Range 6, in the village of Olive Branch, DeSoto county, Mississippi, being all the real estate owned by J. J. DuBoise, deceased, at the time of his death, in said village. Said property will first be offered in subdivisions or lots, and then as a whole. Witness my signature, this Nov. 30th, 1908.

N. E. WILROY, Commissioner.
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Notice to Contractors.

In accordance with an order of the Board of Supervisors of DeSoto county, Mississippi, made at the December term, 1908, said Board will at the January term, 1909, let to the lowest responsible bidder or bidders the contract to perform the following work, the bids to be vive voce:

Repairing all wood work on the iron bridge over Coldwater river on Pigeon rooster road south-east of Miller.

Working all the public roads in the Third Supervisor's District of DeSoto county, Mississippi, for the years 1909, 1910, and 1911, and all the public roads in the eastern division of the Fifth Supervisor's District of DeSoto county, Mississippi, for the same period. All of the work to be done according to plans and specifications on file in the office of the Clerk of the Board.

The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

N. E. WILROY, Clerk.

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The Scrap Book

Conscientious.

An English official in Newar, India, decided to plant a line of peepul trees in the avenue of shops, that the traders might be sheltered from the blazing sun. But, to the agent's amazement, when his intention became known the shopkeepers set up a tremendous objection to it. On no account, they said, would they have the peepul trees on their avenue. If the trees were planted there every merchant would move.

The agent sent for a leading bunniah, or shopkeeper, and said to him: "Why, my friend, this objection to the peepul trees? The avenue is horribly hot and sunny. The trees would improve it tremendously."

"Sir," replied the bunniah, "the peepul tree is a sacred tree. No true believer would dare to lie or swear falsely in its shade. How, then, with a row of peepuls on the avenue, could we merchants any longer carry on business there?"

A Dark Outlook.

When a minister, marrying a negro couple, started to ask the woman, "Do you take this man for better or for worse?" the woman startled the clergyman by blurting out: "No, judge. I wants him jest as he is. If he gits any better he'll die, and if he gits any wuss I'll kill him myself."

What He Ought to Get.

A popular London millionaire made his vast fortune by his business ability. Thinking that, as he had been so successful in trade and finance, he must also succeed in literature, he did as others have done—wrote a book of travels. Having a proper pride in his own work, he expected to receive a fairly good price from his publisher therefor.

To his intense disgust, instead of offering him a comfortable check for the copyright the publisher demanded that he should pay him for the risk of issuing the book. It was clear to him that this was an attempt to take advantage of his position as a rich man without experience in literature. He happened to be on friendly terms with a well known journalist, and the happy thought occurred to him to send the manuscript to the great litterateur and critic with a businesslike inquiry, "What do you think I should get for this?"

The journalist was equal to the occasion. After reading the manuscript he returned it with the laconic answer written across the top sheet, "Five years!"

Conscience.

Conscience enables us not merely to learn the right by experiment and induction, but intuitively and in advance of experiment. So in addition to the experimental way whereby we learn justice from the facts of human history we have a transcendental way and learn it from the facts of human nature and from immediate consciousness.—Theodore Parker.

Beyond All Music.

At one of the Yorkshire Inns, relates a Liverpool contemporary, there is a pianist who can improvise accompaniments to any song that any singer wishes to sing. He cannot read a note of music, yet, in the local vernacular, he "can play owt." Recently, however, he met with an unexpected check. A man hummed over an air, but the pianist failed to get the key. "Let's try it again," he said. And they tried it again. Still it was of no use. A third trial brought no better result. Then the pianist turned to the singer in anger and said: "Sitha, aw've tried tha on t' white 'uns, aw've tried tha on t' black 'uns and Aw've tried tha on t' black and white 'uns mixed. It's no use. Tha's singing between t' cracks!"

Making Her Reputation.

A well known young matron of Chicago is of such a high nervous temperament that if she drinks the very smallest amount of alcoholic stimulant before going to bed the result is sleeplessness for the remainder of the night. Some nights ago a number of friends dropped in for the evening, and the husband, who, by the way, is a southerner, suggested that he make a mint julep for each of the company. The suggestion was received with delight, and the juleps were promptly mixed.

In his wife's glass, however, he put only enough whisky to flavor the water, probably not more than a teaspoonful. Of this she sipped about half. The result, however, was the

Right on Time.

On a Pullman sleeper about 7 in the morning, when the passengers were almost ready to leave their berths, a tiny baby in the drawing room began to cry lustily. Just at that identical moment the porter opened the door and sang out, "First call for breakfast!"

Time To Think About Xmas



THE Xmas present question is always one that perplexes us, and every year we are beginning to realize that a serviceable one, as well as ornamental, is the best and most practical, and there is not anything that answers this question better than

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