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SHERIFF'S ELECTION NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given to the Judges of Election and to the Qualified Voters of Carroll county, that an election will be held in the several Election Districts and Precincts of Carroll county, at the usual places of holding elections, on

The first Tuesday, after the first Monday, of November, 1895, it being the 5th day of said month,

For the purpose of electing
One person to be Governor of Maryland.
One person for Attorney General of Maryland.
One person for Comptroller of the Treasury of Maryland.
One person to represent Carroll county in the Senate of Maryland.
Four persons to represent Carroll county in the House of Delegates of Maryland.
One person to be Sheriff of Carroll county.
One person to be State's Attorney of Carroll county.
One person to be County Commissioner of Carroll county.
One person to be County Treasurer of Carroll county.
Three persons to be Judges of the Orphans' Court of Carroll county.
One person to be Surveyor of Carroll county.

The Polls for said election will be opened at 8 a. m., and close at 6 p. m., when the ballots shall be publicly counted.
The Returning Judges are required and directed to make their returns on the second day, (Thursday) following the election, to the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Carroll county.

Notice to Hotel Keepers and All Others Who Deal In Liquors.

For the information of all persons concerned, the following Act of the Legislature, passed March 24th, 1865, is published:

CHAPTER 191.

AN ACT prohibiting the sale of spirituous or fermented liquors in the several counties of the State on the day of Election.

SECTION 1. *Be it Enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That it shall not be lawful for the keeper of any hotel, tavern, store, drinking establishment, or any other place where liquors are sold, or for any person or persons, directly or indirectly, to sell barter, give or dispose of any spirituous or fermented liquors, ale, beer, or intoxicating drinks of any kind, on the days of election hereafter to be held in the several counties of the State.

SEC. 2. *And be it Enacted*, That any person violating the provisions of this Act shall be liable to indictment by the Grand Jury of the county where the offence is committed, and shall, upon conviction before any Judge of any of the Circuit Courts of this State, be fined a sum not less than fifty dollars nor more than one hundred dollars for each and every offence—one-half the fine shall be paid to the informer, the other half to the County Commissioners, for the use of public roads.

Betting on Elections.

The attention of all persons is particularly called to the following sections of Article 30, Code of Public General Laws:

46. No person shall make any bet or wager on the result of any election to take place in this State.

47. Any person offending against the last preceding section shall be liable to indictment in the Circuit Courts, if the offence be committed in any county, or in the Criminal Court of Baltimore, if the offence be committed in Baltimore; and on conviction, shall be fined not less than fifty nor more than five hundred dollars, to be paid to the State for the use of the School Fund.

48. Every deposit of money in any part of the State as a wager or bet upon elections in this State or elsewhere shall be forfeited and paid over to the County Commissioners of the county where deposited for the use of the county; and if deposited in the city of Baltimore, to the Mayor and City Council.

ELIAS R. ARNOLD,
oct-12-te Sheriff of Carroll county.

Executrix's Sale
OF VALUABLE
REAL ESTATE,
In Westminster, Md.

The undersigned, by virtue of the last will and testament of Jacob Wilson, deceased, and of an order of the Orphans' Court of Carroll county, will offer at public sale, on the premises, on

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2nd, 1895,

at one o'clock, P. M., all the following described land and premises, of which said Jacob Wilson died seized and possessed, situate on the east side of Main street, in the city of Westminster, in Carroll county, Maryland:

1st. All that lot of ground fronting 43 feet on Main street and running back 198 feet to an alley, improved with a two-story Frame Dwelling House and other outbuildings, now occupied by the undersigned, being between the warehouse occupied by Messrs. N. I. Gorsuch & Son and the dwelling house of the late John S. Murray, containing

8,517 SQUARE FEET OF LAND,

more or less.

2nd. All that lot of ground fronting on Main street and running back 198 feet to an alley, with a width of 41½ feet front and rear containing

8,213 SQUARE FEET OF LAND,

more or less, and improved with a two-story House suitable for a Dwelling, Store, or Hotel, and with a stable on the alley. This lot is corner of Main street and the Western Maryland Railroad. Both of said lots are in fee simple.

Terms of Sale as prescribed by the Court. One-third cash on the day of sale, or on the ratification thereof, and the residue in two equal payments, one payable in one year, the other in two years from the day of sale; the credit payments to be secured by the bonds or single bills of the purchaser or purchasers, with sufficient security, bearing interest from the day of sale; or all cash at the option of the purchaser.

MARY E. WILSON,
Executrix.
Chas. E. Fink, Attorney.
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Trustee's Sale
OF VALUABLE
REAL ESTATE,
In Westminster district, Carroll county, Maryland.

By virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court for Carroll County, sitting as a Court of Equity, passed in cause No. 3579 Equity, therein, wherein J. Frank Getty is plaintiff and Sarah E. Garner and others are defendants, the undersigned appointed trustee therein, will offer at public sale on the premises on

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26th, 1895,

at 1 o'clock, P. M., all that farm of Albinus Poole, late of Carroll county, deceased, consisting of

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more or less, situate about one-half mile from Warfieldsburg and four miles from the City of Westminster, Carroll county, Maryland, and adjoining the lands of Henry Marker, Isaac Forrest and others. It is improved by a large frame dwelling house, bank barn, dairy and other buildings in good condition. This property is specially adapted to dairy purposes; convenient to the Railroad Station (about 1½ miles) Schools and Churches. It is well supplied with water, with fine orchard. This property offers special attractions to purchasers on account of its situation, improvement and other advantages.

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Entering the service of the Missouri Pacific Railway in the year 1881, as express messenger, was a satisfactory arrangement, as my route from Benecia to Omaha was wild, hilly and romantic. I never checked book nor carried bond for a prettier run, and my lore of adventure was stimulated by numerous stories of road agents, and eastern bound trains held up for robbers.

Comprehending the danger of my situation, I determined to prepare myself for any emergency; to keep well armed, to cultivate no friendship with outsiders, and, above all, to let no one step inside the car.

I had been running on the line a month when I had one of the deepest plots "put up" on me that was ever perpetrated upon a company of any kind. One evening just after entering my car to make some preparations for my night trip, a slight rustle in the doorway caused me to glance in that direction. A man of 50 or so was standing there, smiling as if it pleased him exceedingly to intrude upon my solitude. I walked forward to keep him from coming inside, and he said pleasantly,—

"Good-evening, sir. I owe you an apology for appearing at the door of your car, but I really have good reasons. Here is a card."

I took the dainty bit of pasteboard and read, "Sir Ralph Lockwood, Marling Castle, England."

"I am happy to meet your excellency," I said with a polite air several degrees below zero. "What can I do for you?"

"I wish to ask a trifling favor from you, but an important one to me. I have had the good fortune to kill a large Buffalo, and have paid quite a sum of money to get it stuffed. I want to ship it to England, so that I can place it on exhibition at Marling Castle. I am sending it by express to New York, and am anxious that it should not be injured during the first part of the journey. It is worth a voyage across the ocean to kill an animal of this description, and I am very proud of the exploit. In fact I value this great curiosity beyond any other I have run across in America, and I wish you would look to it while it is in your charge, and see that it is transferred carefully to the next agent on the route."

I was quite relieved when he finished his statement, and readily promised all that he had asked.

"When are you to send it?" I inquired.

"To-night, of course. My Man Stoddard will be here directly with it, so I can see it safely aboard the train. I think that he is coming now."

True enough, a dray was in sight, and the gentleman left me to superintend its approach to the car. I thought, as they backed up and made ready to unload the animal that it was a remarkably fine Buffalo, and looked as natural as life. It took four of us to lift it into the car, and there was no end to the fussy orders of the Englishman about handling it.

When He was placed in proper position I gave the owner a receipted bill, and refusing to accept the V he offered me for any extra trouble I might experience from watching the huge beast, I shook hands with his lordship or excellency (I am not particularly posted on foreign titles,) and he went away.

We pulled out on time, and for an hour or two I was pretty busy with my books and money packages. The bank of Benecia had sent a fifty thousand dollar package to the Omaha National, and I rejoiced to think, as I saw it safely stowed away in my heavy safe, that no one but myself and the proprietors of the bank knew of the shipment.

When my business matters were arranged, I bethought myself of a friend of mine who was working on the Michigan Central as baggage master, and as I was indebted to him for a letter, I set about writing him one:

"Dear Bob: This is the dawn of my second month on my new run, and everything is quite lovely. To-night I am carrying eastward $50,000 and a stuffed buffalo from the plains. Wouldn't you like a description of the kindly beast? Color, chocolate brown; hips, large and shapely, shoulders, deep and massive; with large horns dropping suddenly to a small tip. His eye—"

Here I turned for a look at the animal to help my description. Great heavens! the eye on the right side moved, while I was gazing at it!

I dropped my pen in astonishment, picked it up and looked again. There was a peculiar look about the eye, a look of life, and it certainly was smaller than the other one. I was conscious of a creeping sensation along the spinal column, and I could not refrain from watching the buffalo. I had a feeling of helplessness, as of some one holding an invisible wand over me, and ten or fifteen minutes passed by before I rose, put away my half finished letter, and tried to regain my composure.

After walking about the car I went back to my seat, and looked again at the creature's eyes. The spell was gone. Both seemed alike, and I smiled at my vivid imagination.

We stopped off at Hillsdale for supper, and I sprang off with alacrity, turning my car over to the watchman while I partook of a cup of coffee and a sandwich. Upon my return the young fellow, noticing my approach, gave me an O. K. signal, and went about his other work. Pausing a moment with my hand on the car door, my first glance inside came near bringing an exclamation to my lips. A dark hump between the shoulders of the stuffed buffalo seemed to descend into his body and disappear entirely. What manner of beast is this to be sent to England?

Before I had fully realized the danger that might menace me the train had pushed out again, and our next stop was twenty-eight miles ahead.

I went straight to my old seat and pulled a San Francisco daily from my pocket, holding it pretty well up before my face, so that I could watch the animal while pretending to read. In less than twenty minutes the right eye suddenly disappeared, leaving a hole which was immediately occupied by a living and a human eye. I saw, too, that the position of the creature had changed during my absence. Everything was plain to me now. "Sir Ralph Lockwood" was a clever villain, and the valuable buffalo was "stuffed" with a desperate train robber, who would, unless defeated, rob the express company and kill or ruin me.

I wondered if it would be possible to escape from the car and give an alarm. As I asked the question of myself it was answered by a small, shining tube that found its way out of the buffalo's shaggy shoulder, and, looking into the muzzle of a six shooter, I did not doubt that an attempt to leave the car would cost my life.

A cloud wave passed over me as plan after plan flitted through my brain, each one suggesting some avenue of escape and some way of saving the money in my charge; but none of them could be carried out. I felt that the man inside the buffalo must not know that I had discovered him, and began to whistle a tune that no one ever heard before or ever will hear again, to convince him that I was not aware of his existence. But my lips were too day and stiff to finish the melody.

While my jaws were open, an inspiration came to me. There must be a secret spring, that controlled an opening in the animals, back. If I could get to his side without arousing the robber's suspicions I could mount him, and by exerting all my strength, hold the opening together so that the wretch could neither get out nor shoot me.

We were in a wild, lonely part of the country, and he must be on the eve of springing out, so I knew that I could not delay any attempt to capture him. Grumbling something about the fire, I arose, stretched my arms, and picking up the coalhod, walked to the stove and turned the contents of the hod into it with a rattling sound. Then I went toward the animal and patted his neck admiringly.

"A long ride, old fellow," I said jocosely. "I'm afraid you'll get tired before you reach Marling Castle."

The revolver was not visible, and the next instant I was astride the buffalo's body with a cry of triumph. I heard a click, and the whole of the top of his back parted beneath me; but I pressed the sides back again, and half smothered oaths accompanied another trial for escape. As long as I kept that long seam from opening, the man could not turn in his narrow quarters. I wound my legs around the creature's neck, and clutching my hands into his flanks held on for dear life and death, in spite of the terrible efforts that my captive put forth.

I have never quite understood why I was put up with lower limbs so unusually extensive that the boys at school called them "binder-poles," but now I was more than reconciled to them. Indeed, they were my main dependence in holding my prisoner in his den.

I had been in this position about ten minutes when I heard the train whistle for the big bridge five miles from Stormwave, and that gave me fresh courage. The robber heard it too, and after one more desperate struggle to push his way out, fired his revolver at the wall just beyond my chair to frighten me.

Then he began to threaten, then to plead and offer bribes in a muffled tone, but I was too excited to answer him. When the shriek of the engine that announced our arrival at Stormwave died away I began to yell and I kept yelling till we stopped at the depot.

Soon a group of trainmen and citizens gathered at the door, and forcing the lock they fell back for the conductor to enter first. When he saw his express messenger riding a dead buffalo with his face in the wrong direction and his hands and feet wound about the beast, he at once decided that he was either drunk or crazy. Of course everything was explained and understood as soon as I left off yelling long enough to tell my story, and after the road agent was secured the buffalo was given to me as a pleasant little souvenir of the occasion. He never saw Marling Castle, but stands in my library "at home," and a little 5-year-old boy often tries to ride him, "just as papa did."

Tears a Safety Valve to Emotion.

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Tears have their functional duty to accomplish, like every other fluid of the body, and the lachrymal gland is not placed behind the eye simply to fill space or to give expression to emotion. The chemical properties of tears consist of phosphate of lime and soda, making them very salty, but never bitter. Their action on the eye is very beneficial, and here consists their prescribed duty of the body, washing thoroughly that sensitive organ, which allows no foreign fluid to do the same work. Nothing cleanses the eye like a good, salty shower bath, and medical art has followed nature's law in this respect, advocating the invigorating solution for any distressed condition of the optics. Tears do not weaken the sight, but improve it. They act as a tonic to the muscular vision, keeping the eye soft and limpid, and it will be noticed that women in whose eyes sympathetic tears gather quickly have brighter tenderer orbs than others. When the pupils are hard and cold, the worldattributes it to one's disposition, which is a mere figure of speech, implying the lack of balmy tears that are to the cornea what salve is to the skin or nourishment to the blood.

The effect of tears on the skin about the eyes, however, is intensely irritating and inflaming. They keep the epidermis in a dark, puffy condition, and in legends only do weeping women preserve the beauty of their great, white lids. The reason some women weep more easily than others, and all more readily than the sterner sex, has not its difference in the strength of the tear gland, but in the possession of a more delicate nerve system. The nerve fibers about the glands vibrate more easily, causing a downpour from the watery sac. Men are not nearly so sensitive to emotion; their sympathetic nature—the term is used in a medical sense—is less developed, and the eye gland is, therefore, protected from shock. Consequently, a man should thank the formation of his nerve nature when he contemptuously scores tears as a woman's practice. Why facial distortions should be the usual accompaniment to the sobbing of the gentler sex there seems no satisfactory solution. It may be that the nerves, which lead to the muscles as wires of marionettes, twitch and pull them in this fashion while they are at work emptying the tear glands of their contents. That the copious shedding of tears "which breaks the ice-bound fetters of the heart" is a healthy action, all physicians assert. In some cases it is even thought to avert insanity. Even here the reason is scientific, for it is a sign of relaxation of the brain nerves from a tenseness that was congestion. Between man and monkey there is this essential difference of tears. An ape cannot weep, not so much because its emotional powers are undeveloped as the fact that the lachrymal gland was omitted in his optical make-up. So long as this differentiating quality between man and his primeval ancestors persists, we may laugh at the theory of Darwin, so far as it reflects upon our family tree; scorn all innuendoes of "missing links;" and see our handkerchief as the sign and symbol of man's chieftainship in creation.

A pretty woman, with nothing but her fairness to offer, invariably attracts men. But she seldom holds them.

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