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Delinquent Tax Payers.

THIS is to give notice to all delinquent taxpayers, that the Tax Books for the county have been placed in my hand for the collection of taxes, which are now due and MUST BE PAID AT ONCE. Don't ask me to wait.

The Law Allows no Delay.

Extract from Chapter 211, Section 68, C. Public Local Laws of 1892, says: 'All tax bills unpaid on the 1st of April in each year shall be placed in the hands of the Sheriff of the county, who shall forthwith proceed to seize, levy upon, advertise and sell the property of such delinquents, or so much thereof as is necessary to pay said taxes, interests charges and cost of sale, and for this purpose the said Sheriff is hereby clothed with all the powers possessed by collectors of taxes under the Code of Public General Laws and the Sheriff shall report any and every to the Treasurer before the 1st day of June in each year all the taxes collected by him.'

Don't wait for me to levy on your property, and advertise it, but make prompt settlement and avoid extra costs.

THOMAS J. FLETCHER, Sheriff.

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GRAND PROMOTER.

Major Crofoot Turns the Great Sahara Desert into a Rabbit Warren.

It was a woman with a book under her arm—a book entitled "Mother, Home and Heaven." She was selling it by subscription, and as Mayor Crofoot opened his office door in response to her knock she began her stereotyped speech in praise of the volume and wound up by asking that he put his name down for a copy.

"Certainly, ma'am—certainly," he promptly replied. "If you had come here with a thousand books, this would have been my choice over all. I once had a mother, but she has long been dead. I once had a home, but it was long ago broken up. The only thing left me now is to live in such a way that I may reach heaven. I thank you from the bottom of my heart for bringing my attention to this book."

"Then you will put your name down for it?" she asked. "Twice over, if you wish, and I will take great pleasure in calling the attention of my friends to it. Poor old mother! Poor old broken up home!"

The major turned away as if to conceal the tears in his eyes, and the canvasser decided that she had stumbled upon a soft thing. The emotion of the grand promoter was so deep that it was sixty seconds before he turned to her and said:

"My dear woman, perhaps you did not know what good fortune awaited you when you knocked at my door. Let me say to you that I am a promoter of enterprises and an originator of trusts, corners and squeezes. In the last year I have promoted no less than sixteen different enterprises, each with a capital of millions, and the seventeenth is now in hand and almost ready for launching."

"You—you are not J. Pierpont Morgan?" she hesitatingly asked.

"Not exactly, ma'am. I am only the man who gives him hints and backs him up with cash. I tell you this in confidence and ask that it go no further."

"I won't say anything, of course. Will you put your name down for the book?"

"With the greatest cheerfulness. But before doing so let me ask you a question. Do you know anything about rabbits?"

"I had one once for a pet."

"Capital, capital!" exclaimed the major. "I had an idea you knew all about rabbits, but wasn't sure. You are indeed the woman I want and must have. Have you any objections to earning \$10,000 a year?"

"Mercy on me, no!" gasped the woman as she turned pale.

"Then consider yourself engaged at that salary. Let me explain. You have heard of the Great Sahara desert?"

"I think so."

"It is a great waste covering 248,000,000 acres of land. At the present time it does not produce one cent's worth to the acre. The land is too sterile to grow anything. Thousands of deep thinking men have wrestled with the problem and given up in despair, and it has been left to me to find a way out. I have found it. The Great Sahara shall be made a gold mine."

"Dear me, how wonderful! And you will take my book?"

"I will take your book. I shall today, file articles of incorporation of the Great Sahara Desert Improvement Company. I shall be president, of course, while you will be secretary. Your salary as stated shall be \$10,000 a year, and if you want money to buy a sealskin sack or a pair of diamond earrings I'll draw you a check this minute. I was looking for a woman who knew all about rabbits, and, lo, I have found her!"

"But—but I can't realize it," replied the canvasser as she looked around in a helpless way. "You can't mean that I am to get \$10,000 a year?"

"Ten thousand, my dear woman—\$10,000 a year. My idea is to stock the Great Sahara with American rabbits. I shall send over \$5,000 this year. Next year the 5,000 will have become 75,000. In two years there will be half a million. In five years I shall be able to sell 4,000,000 skins a year at 20 cents apiece. The cost of keeping the rabbits will be nothing. The cost of killing and skinning will be a cent each. Nineteen cents clear profit on every skin. No gold mine will produce such an income. Madam, let us congratulate each other and shake hands on it."

"It is wonderful—wonderful," whispered the canvasser as they shook hands. "It doesn't seem possible that such good fortune has come to me."

"No? Well, it is here, and you may enter upon your duties Monday next. Only one thing remains. As a token of the earnestness of your intentions and as a proof of your honesty I shall require a deposit of \$3 in cash. This money will be used to print letter heads bearing your name as secretary."

"But I—I don't know about it. This is so sudden, you see."

"Good luck always comes suddenly, and it should be grasped before it can get away. You have \$3 about you, I presume?"

"Yes, but—but—"

"Then I will take it and order the letter heads this very day. Salary \$10,000 a year, and all you'll have to do will be to answer the business letters received. Rabbits will be offered you by thousands of persons, but you must insist that all be bottled. The \$3, please."

"Here's the money," said the woman as she handed it over, "but I—I don't understand. I ought to have time to think it over. I feel all mixed up over it."

"It is a surprise, of course," replied the major as he pocketed the greenback, "but you will soon figure it out to your satisfaction. Can you call again tomorrow—next day—the day after? I shall expect to see you within a week anyhow, as we must get the rabbit business started soon. Remember, only bottled rabbits, and their hind legs must have the right crook to them. That is all today, and now goodby—goodby—so long."

"I want to talk more about it!" called the woman as she found herself on the outside of the door.

No answer.

"You didn't subscribe for the book?" No answer.

"And you've got my \$3?" No answer.

She tried the door, but it was locked. She rattled it, but the major had lighted a stub of a cigar and sat down with his feet on his desk, and he was undisturbed.

INHALING TOBACCO SMOKE.

A Very Bad Habit Due to the Use of Cigarettes.

On the label of some boxes of cigarettes at present being sold to the public is a statement to the effect that the cigarettes are made of the purest tobacco and paper obtainable, and that, therefore, the smoke from them may be inhaled safely and without irritating the respiratory passages. We do not hesitate to say that such a statement is highly mischievous and that the practice of inhaling smoke in the lungs is attended with considerable risk to the health of the smoker.

It is to be feared that the cigarette is responsible largely for the prevalence of this objectionable habit of inhaling tobacco smoke; the pipe or cigar smoker is, as a rule, not addicted to it because probably the smoke is too strong or too irritating. But the fact that the smoke of a cigarette may be unobjectionable does not minimize the evil effect of drawing the smoke into the lungs, for by this method the absorption of the poisonous constituents of tobacco smoke (and all tobacco smoke is more or less poisonous) is very rapid, these entering quickly into the circulatory system by way of the pulmonary capillaries. Even in the mouth and nasal passages there is some amount of absorption; but this is trifling compared with that which takes place in the lungs. The practice of inhaling tobacco smoke is, therefore, strongly to be discontinued, and vendors of cigarettes should refrain from printing on the boxes mischievous statements, such as that to which we have alluded.

There is no reason for believing that smoking tobacco in a rational way is productive of harm; on the contrary, it is the common experience that when moderately indulged in it serves to allay restlessness and irritability, but in the sequel to the habit of inhalation may indeed be dire the heart and nervous system being chiefly affected. Yet many cigarette smokers inhale the smoke into the lungs, as may be seen from the fact that very little of the smoke which they draw from the cigarette is afterward ejected.

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