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Notice to Prove Claims.

In pursuance of an order of the Surrogate's Court of the County of Allegany, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Patrick O'Connor, late of the town of Andover in the county of Allegany, deceased, that they are required to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, sole Administratrix of the said deceased, at her dwelling house and place of transacting business in Andover, New York, on or before the 5th day of February, 1892.
Dated August 5th, 1891.
JANE O'CONNOR, Administratrix.

Notice to Creditors.

In pursuance of an order of the Surrogate's Court of Allegany County, New York State, made by Hon. S. McArthur Norton, Surrogate of said county, Notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the estate of William Bines, late of the town of Andover, Allegany County, New York, deceased, to present the same with proper vouchers thereof to the undersigned, administratrix of the estate of said deceased, at the residence of Hester Bines, in the town of Andover, N. Y., on or before the 17th day of April, 1892.
Dated at Andover, N. Y., October 12, 1891.
HESTER BINES, Administratrix.
O. A. FULLER, Attorney for Administratrix, Wellsville, N. Y.

Notice to Creditors.

In pursuance of an order of the Surrogate's Court of Allegany County, New York, made by Hon. S. McArthur Norton, Surrogate of said County of Allegany, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the estate of Henry C. Beebe, late of the town of Andover, Allegany County, deceased, to present the same with proper vouchers thereof to the undersigned, Administratrix of the estate of said deceased, at the residence of the undersigned in Andover, N. Y., on or before the 1st day of March, 1892.
Dated at Andover, N. Y., August 14, 1891.
HARRIET S. BEEBE, Administratrix.

SUPREME COURT—Allegany County.

Rosanna Joyce vs. Samuel Hurley.

Take Notice, That pursuant to an order of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, made at a Special Term thereof, duly held at the court house in the city of Corning, in and for the county of Steuben, on the 9th day of November, 1891, and recorded in the County Clerk's office of Allegany county, Nov. 25, 1891, each person not a party to the above entitled action, who at the date of the above mentioned order, had a lien upon any undivided share or interest in the property below described, is required to appear before the undersigned, the referee herein, at the office of Dolson & Dolson, in the city of Hornellsville, N. Y., on or before the 4th day of January, 1892, to prove his lien and the true amount due or to become due to him, by reason thereof; that the premises above mentioned are described as follows: All that tract or parcel of land, situate in the village of Andover, in said town of Andover, known and distinguished as a portion of lot number 65 in township number 2, in the seventh range of townships in said County of Allegany, and bounded as follows: On the east by the east line of said lot number 65, and the centre of Main street in the village of Andover; on the south by John C. Dyer's store lot, about 2 chains and 41 links; and on the west by Swink's land, 20 feet, and by the village lot known as McClary lot, formerly owned by E. Donnelly, about 1 chain and 30 links; and on the north by Ford's lot, formerly owned by Hale Davis, about 4 chains; containing about one-half of an acre of land, be the same more or less, being known as the American Hotel property.
Dated Nov. 25th, 1891.
GEO. N. ORCUTT, Referee.
DOLSON & DOLSON, Attorneys for Plaintiff, Hornellsville, N. Y.

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Parsley Root and Superstition

Some weeks since a lady purchased from an old colored woman in the market some parsley, and then asked the vendor to bring her some roots of the herb next market day.

"Parsley root!" exclaimed the old woman. "Parsley root! Why, ma'am, I wouldn't give you a piece of parsley root for \$5."

"Why not? Is it as dear as all that?" "No, ma'am," was the answer, "but you can't get me to sell or give you any parsley root. Don't you know if I brought you a piece there would be a death in one of our families in less than a month?"

A lady who heard the conversation remarked to the applicant for the root: "I don't believe in that stuff, and if you will send to my place I will give you all the parsley root you want." The applicant for roots took the lady's address and sent after them, and in less than a month the lady who gave the parsley root died. This circumstance is not calculated to cure the superstition. —Washington Star.

He Would Be There.

A few days before the election in the Oswestry division of the county of Salop, a postman, a farm laborer and the blacksmith chanced to meet at the blacksmith's shop at Montford's bridge, and the talk was of course about the election that was drawing near. "Well," said the blacksmith, "how many members are to be returned for Shropshire now?" "Five," said the postman; "that is, four for the county and one for Shrewsbury." "Why," said the laborer, "then how many are there in parliament altogether?" "Nearly 700," said the postman. "Why," said the farm laborer, "I thought there was only Mr. Jepson and Mr. Stanley Leighton." "Do you mean to say," the postman asked, "that you thought the members returned for this division would be there by themselves?" "Oh, no," said the farm laborer, "I would Gladstone would be there." —Shrewsbury Chronicle.

The Biggest Diamond.

The largest perfect diamond in the world is now the Imperial, that was exhibited at the Paris exposition, and which is valued at \$1,000,000. This is the most valuable stone in the world, and is owned by a syndicate. The biggest and best ruby in existence is owned in London, and is valued at \$50,000. It has no parallel, even in the crown jewels, and it is related that the Duchess of Edinburgh carried it all the way to St. Petersburg for the czar to have a look at it. —Ladies' Home Journal.

Santa Claus in France.

It is on Sylvester night, the last night of the old year, that the children in France expect a visit from Santa Claus. They do not call him Santa Claus, however, but "Noel," and the gifts he brings go by the name of "etrennes." When an American girl and a little French one compared notes once on the subject they came to the conclusion that Santa Claus could not reasonably be expected to work on both sides of the ocean at the same time, and as it would take him quite a week to cross the water he could not possibly attend to French children before New Year's eve.

Both the French child and the American thought it quite funny that American children hang up their stockings near the fireplace, while French children put their shoes close to the grate, for the convenience of the dear old gentleman, who has such a busy time of it, and has to squeeze into such tight, sooty places while he goes on his errands, stuffing stockings in the west and shoes in the east. —Cecile Gohl in Harper's Young People.

The New Year in Scotland.

In the county of Fife, Scotland, the name given to New Year's Eve is "Singer's Eve," and to this is attached a peculiar custom. On this night the peasantry of the Highland watch the weather very closely, for to them it has great importance.

If the wind blows west they call it dar-na-coille, meaning the night of feaundation of trees. There is a verse in Gaelic which reads:

A wind from the south will be productive of heat and fertility; if from the west much milk and fish; if from the east fruit in plenty will burden the trees, but if from the north cold weather and heavy storms.

The farmers of Scotland in some localities take huge juniper trees, and after gathering their cattle together burn the trees, hoping thereby to obtain good luck for their stock during the coming year. —Philadelphia Press.

Curious Definitions.

Many of the definitions in the English dictionary of 1626 are amusing, and some of them ludicrously absurd. The "pole" is described as "the end of the arletree whereon the heavens do move," a very primitive explanation. The "Hebridean wave" seems rather a poetic substitute for the Irish sea, and a "badger" is a still more extraordinary equivalent for a corn merchant—"one that buys corn or other victual in one place to sell it in another." Still funnier are some of the natural history definitions. A "baboon" is said to be "a beast like an ape, but fatter bigger;" a "lynx" is "a spotted beast—it hath a most perfect sight, inasmuch as it is said it can see through a wall." The account of the "salamander" reads like an elaborate joke—"a small, venomous beast with four feet and a short tail; it lives in the fire, and at length, by his extreme cold, puts out the fire."

Turning to more general topics we have the "alphabet" defined as the "cross row of letters," and "an abecedarian" is "one who teaches the cross rowe."

Then from classic times the "Olympic games" are "solemn games of activity," and "Amphitrite" is not, as usual, the goddess of the sea, but the "sea" itself. "Mathematicks" and "mathematicians" are hardly dealt with. The latter means "a soothsayer," and the science as defined includes nearly all knowledge—"the arts of arithmetic, music, geography, geometry, astronomy, astrology, cosmography," reminding one of the trivium and quadrivium of the school men of the Middle Ages. "Actresse" has a very literal and interesting signification—"a woman doer," but at this decade of the Seventeenth century there were no actresses in the modern sense of the term, the female parts being then taken by boys or young men. Women actors first appeared in 1660. —Chambers' Jour. mal.

Ready for Questions.

Four or five fellows were talking of gas wells on West Seneca street. Along came George Urban, a well known gentleman who recently wanted to establish a gas company. "Well, George, what have you done with your thousand foot well?" asked one of the fellows. "Oh, I have pulled it up and cut it into post holes of three feet apiece, for which there has been a good demand from the suburbs." It was agreed that the inquirer had been well posted. —Buffalo Courier.

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