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Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale.

Notice is hereby given that certain mortgage, executed and delivered by Britta Mikkelsen and Thorsten Mikkelsen, her husband, mortgagors, to The Alliance Mortgage and Investment Company, (Limited), mortgagee, dated the fifteenth day of December, 1896, and filed for record in the office of register of deeds of the County of Griggs and State of North Dakota on the twentieth day of April, 1900, and recorded in Book "P" of Mortgages at page 50, will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises in such mortgage and hereinafter described, at the front door of the court house, in the county of Griggs and State of North Dakota, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon on the twenty-eighth (28th) day of January, 1901, to satisfy the amount due upon such mortgage on the day of sale. The premises described in such mortgage and which will be sold to satisfy the same are described as follows: The northwest quarter (nw 4) of section twenty (20), in township one hundred and forty-four (144), and north of range sixty-one (61), all lying and being in the County of Griggs and State of North Dakota.

There will be due on such mortgage at the date of sale the sum of Eight Hundred and Fifteen (815) Dollars and Forty-Six (46) Cents.

THE ALLIANCE MORTGAGE AND INVESTMENT COMPANY, LIMITED, Mortgagee.

BALL, WATSON & MACLAY, Attorneys for Mortgagee, Fargo, N. D. 12-29-50

WEDDINGS IN WALES.

Quaint Customs That Still Exist Among the Penanstry.

Some quaint customs still survive among the penanstry of south Wales—at least in the remote villages. One of the oddest is the "bidding." When a young man and woman are engaged a circular is printed, known as a "bidding letter," and distributed at market and outside the chapels on Sunday so that all may know of the event. The form is always the same and runs as follows:

As we intend to enter the matrimonial state we are encouraged by our friends to make a bidding on the occasion at the young man's father's house (here follow the address and date of the entertainment), when and where the favor of your good and agreeable company is most humbly solicited, and whatever donation you may be pleased to bestow on us will be thankfully received, warmly acknowledged and cheerfully repaid whenever called for on a similar occasion by your obedient servants,
JOHN EVANS,
JANE DAVIS.

All being ready on the day, a party goes to fetch the bride to the bidding. She hides and has to be sought for in all directions, but being at last found is escorted in triumph. Her procession is met by that of the bridegroom, and they all repair to the church, where the wedding ceremony takes place, after which all return to the groom's house to make merry and to count the gifts. These are generally in money and vary from a shilling up to half a sovereign.

Each item is carefully entered in a book by the "bidding clerk," together with the donor's name, so that it may be repaid when he or she marries. As all the money will probably not be called in for many years—some not at all, if the givers remain single—the young couple receive a tolerable start in life. Oddly enough, the bridegroom is expected to provide the kitchen clock and table, the glass cupboard and the kitchen dresser, also the bedstead. Each of the young people is supposed to bring half a dozen chairs, the bride's special contribution being the bedding, the crockery ware, the parlor table and a chest of drawers. Things are done methodically in that part of the world.—London Tit-Bits.

THOUGHTLESS WIT.

Wit that stings is akin to crime. To hold up another to ridicule is not witty, but vulgar. To laugh at another or to cause another to be laughed at is common. The merry laugh and the joke go round, but somewhere there is an ache. There is no pest like him, this man whose thoughtless wit starts the laugh. The man that makes others laugh at some one else's expense is always causing suffering.

To start a laugh is the ambition of some men. The how or the where, the why or the effect is never considered. Wit is a joy forever so long as it does not base its success upon the misfortunes, the peculiarities, the weaknesses of men.

When a wit has to depend upon others' peculiarities for his subject matter it is time for him to close the "wit shop" and hang out the sign "To Let."—Indianapolis Sun.

COOKING A CAT.

Northern Italy Would Rather Have Puss Roasted Than Billed.

In northern Italy the cat is a favorite and growing article of food. In Azelegio, in Venice, in Verona, butchers sell cats and call them rabbits, for the state forbids the eating of cats, but the poor people who have become the chief buyers of the inferior kinds of cats are not deceived by their cheap rabbits.

The proper way to cook a cat is to toast it in an oven until brown, with onions, garlic, parsley, bay leaf, red wine and some herbs peculiar to Italy. When boiled, it is not so satisfactory. Just before Christmas it is common for a group of young men in northern Italy to kill some cats, skin them and soak them in water for two or three days. They are then cooked with great care on Christmas day and served up hot about 1:30 p. m. after mass.

Italy cultivates the cat for home consumption, as English people raise rabbits. It is to be done on the quiet, however, for in spite of the profit in the business and the demand for the delicacy the law has to be looked out for, and the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Cats is vigilant. Offenses against the law are visited with imprisonment. Cats are raised for the market none the less. Fattened on the finest of milk, a choice specimen will attain the weight of fifteen pounds.—Boston Transcript.

Notice of Hearing Petition to Establish Heirship.

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA, County of Griggs, In County Court, before Hon. Will H. Carleton.

In the matter of the Estate of Aslak Gunderson, deceased.
Peter A. Gunderson, Petitioner—
vs.
Thea Gunderson, Gunder A. Gunderson, Betsy Kims, Tillie Stewart, Alice Broken, Minnie Jones, Georgia Larimore, Florence Shue and Nettie Shue, Respondents—

Notice of hearing Petition to Establish Heirship.

The state of North Dakota to the above named respondent and all persons interested in the estate of Aslak Gunderson, deceased. Notice is hereby given. That Peter A. Gunderson has filed in the County Court of said County of Griggs a duly verified petition praying for a decree establishing the right of succession to the estate of Aslak Gunderson, deceased, and that Monday, the sixth day of February, 1901, at 10 o'clock a. m., of said day, being a day of a regular term of this Court, to-wit: of the second term A. D. 1901, at the County Court room in the Village of Cooperstown, County of Griggs, North Dakota, has been set by order of this Court at the time and place for hearing said petition. At which said time and place any and all persons interested may appear and show cause why the prayer of said petition should not be granted.

Dated at Cooperstown, North Dakota, this Tenth day of December 1900.
By the Court,
WILL H. CARLETON,
Judge of the County Court.
12-29-01

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Can anything be worse than to feel that every minute will be your last? Such was the experience of Mrs. S. H. Newson, Decatur, Ala. "For three years" she writes, "I endured insufferable pain from indigestion, stomach and bowel trouble. Death seemed inevitable when doctors and all remedies failed. At length I was induced to try Electric Bitters and the result was miraculous. I improved at once and now I'm completely recovered. For Liver, Kidney, Stomach and Bowel troubles Electric Bitters is the only medicine. Only 50c. It's guaranteed by H. H. Bateman, druggist.

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Notice of Chattel Mortgage Sale.

Notice is hereby given that default has been made in the conditions of that certain mortgage made by David J. Blair of the County of Griggs and State of North Dakota, mortgagor, to Fecker Bros., of Wimbledon, County of Barnes, and State of North Dakota, mortgagee, dated the 1st day of November, 1894, to secure the following indebtedness, to-wit: Thirty-four Dollars and Eighty-seven Cents and interest since Nov. 1st 1894, at 12 per cent, and which mortgage was duly filed in the office of the Register of Deeds of Griggs County, State of North Dakota, on the 4th day of October, 1900, at 1 o'clock p. m.; and which default is of the following nature to-wit: The mortgagor has abandoned the property described in said mortgage and has removed said property from the county of Griggs and that there is claimed to be due on said mortgage at the date of this notice, the sum of thirty-five dollars and 33 cents for principal and interest.

And that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the personal property in such mortgage and hereinafter described, at public auction, agreeably to the statutes in such case made and provided, at White and Baums in the Township of Dover, in the County of Griggs, State of North Dakota, at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., on Saturday, the 31st day of December 1900. That personal property which will be sold to satisfy said mortgage is described as follows, to-wit: One black gelding, 7 year old, weight 1000 pounds, named Billy, white spot in forehead.
Dated this 19th day of December, 1900.

WILLIAM SANDY, Agent for Mortgagee, Wimbledon, N. D. 12-22 50

Mortgage Foreclosure Sale.

Notice is hereby given that that certain mortgage, executed and delivered by Bertha M. Morris and John H. Morris her husband, mortgagors to C. E. Richardson mortgagee, dated the 15th day of May 1893 and filed for record in the office of the Register of Deeds of the County of Griggs and State of North Dakota on the 23rd day of May, 1893 and recorded in book X of mortgages at page 21, will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises in such mortgage and hereinafter described at the front door of the court house, in the County of Griggs, and State of North Dakota, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m., on the 30th day of January, 1901, to satisfy the amount due upon such mortgage on the day of sale. The premises described in such mortgage and hereinafter described are described as follows: Lot numbered fifteen (15) in block numbered sixty (60) according to the original plat of Cooperstown now on file in the office of the Register of Deeds, for Griggs County, North Dakota.

There will be due on such mortgage at the date of sale the sum of \$14.50.
J. C. FLETCHER, Sheriff of Griggs Co., N. D. 12-23-50
A. M. BALDWIN, Atty. for Mortgagee.

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Notice of Final Proof. Land office at Fargo, N. Dak., November, 12, 1900.
Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final commutation proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Oscar D. Furinton, Clerk of the District Court of Griggs Co., N. D., in Cooperstown, N. D., at his office on December 29, 1900, viz:
OSCAR O. ARNESEN
H. E. No. 35001 for the NW 1/4 of Section 10 in T. 4 p. 147 n of Range 96 W.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
Ole Mikkelsen of Aneta P. O., Nelson Co., N. D., Elmer Mathison, John Gunderson and Anders Idsovoog, of Cooperstown, P. O., Griggs County, N. D.
C. C. SCHUYLER, Register.
R. S. Lundie, Atty. 11-24-00

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