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NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., Feb. 23d, 1897.
 Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim and secure final entry thereof, viz:
 Edwin Ladbury, H. E. No. 6050, for the southeast quarter of Sec. 6, township 143, n. r. 53, w. and names the following as his witnesses, viz: Thomas Curtis, Edward Keyser, Charles E. Dennett and Charles Curtis, all of P. O. Astubula, Barnes county, D. T.

The testimony of claimant and witnesses to be taken before Judge of district court, or in his absence before Alex. McConnell, clerk of the district court at Valley City, Barnes county, D. T., on Thursday, the 14th day of April, A. D. 1897, at his office.
 MICHAEL F. BATTLE, Register, 7-12
 H. Winderatt.

Notice to Creditors.
 Territory of Dakota, County of Griggs, ss. In Probate court.
 In the matter of the estate of Platt S. Buell, deceased.
 Notice is hereby given, that the undersigned has been duly appointed, executor of the last will and testament of Platt S. Buell, deceased, has been duly qualified as such.
 All persons having claims against the estate of said Platt S. Buell, are hereby notified and required to exhibit the same, with proper vouchers therefor, to the undersigned, at the office of the Judge of probate, of the county of Griggs, aforesaid, within four months from the first publication of this notice, which is made on the 21st day of Oct. 1896.
 WALLACE P. BUELL Sole Executor.

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., March 4th, 1897.
 Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim and secure final entry thereof, viz:
 John E. Warner, H. E. No. 8089, for the sw 1/4 of sec. 24, tp. 144 n., r. 53 w., and names the following as his witnesses, viz: William Bear, Edward Ladbury, Fred Ladbury, Charley Schultz, all of Dasey P. O., Barnes county, D. T.
 The testimony of claimant and witnesses to be taken before Peter E. Nelson, Judge of the probate court for Griggs county, at Cooperstown, D. T., on Tuesday the 25th day of April, A. D. 1897, at his office.
 MICHAEL F. BATTLE, Register, 9-14
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Cushing's Railroad.

"Joe Cushing," said a railroad man to a *State-Democrat* reporter yesterday, "used to own a mill on a certain railway in New Hampshire, and it was an almighty big mill, too. Well, the railroad got to squeezing Joe pretty hard. They told him he'd got to ship over their line or shut up his mill, and they proposed to charge him any rate they wanted to. At last Joe couldn't stand it any longer. There was another railroad six miles away, and one day he went to see the general manager of the other line, and offered to build a road 'cross lots from his mill if he was guaranteed certain reasonable charges for all time to come. His offer was accepted, and inside of twenty-four hours Joe had five hundred men at work leveling down hills, filling up valleys, bridging streams and laying rails a d'ies. The officials of the road that had been putting the blocks to him went to see him, and offered to carry his stuff for the rest of transportation if he would abandon his project, but Joe promptly refused them. In a few months he had his road completed, and he has been using it ever since."

"Now, the fun of the thing is that as soon as everything was in working order Joe went to Boston and had a lot of printing done, and before many days every railroad official in America received an elegantly engraved annual pass, inclosed in a neat printed circular. The front of the pass read as follows:

"I, J. CUSHING, do hereby certify that you are entitled to use the Cushing Road, 1831, Pass No. 1, until Dec. 31, 1891, unless otherwise ordered."

JOE CUSHING, President.
 On the back was printed this unique sentence: "This pass is not transferable. The person accepting and using it thereby assumes the right to travel and transport baggage over this road whenever he pleases, and at the risk of Joe Cushing, who will be financially responsible for all damage to person or property incurred while so traveling."

The circular was headed by a map of the road showing the location of the mill and the length of the line. It said in substance: "My road is only six miles long, but it is perfectly solvent, pays all its interest charges and taxes, and is a first-class property in every respect. I herewith send you an annual pass, and invite you to use my line at a yard all times at my own risk. If you should see fit to extend to me in return the courtesy of an annual pass over your road I shall greatly appreciate it."

"Well, sir, the man's cheek was so enormous that the officials of nearly every road in America laugh over the thing and send him a pass, and I hear of him every now and then in different places all over the country using his annuals."—S. L. in *Globe-Democrat*.

Bonnet Versus Flour.

It is a question whether the flour barrel or the spring bonnet has "the call" in household discussions. Many old and inexperienced observers stake their money on the "S. B.," while to a casual onlooker the "F. B." would seem to be of greater importance. It was just after the sermon, and they were wending their way home in a soothed and peaceful frame of mind.
 "Oh, Job, did you see that delightful new bonnet of Mrs. Arbutus? I think I want something like that."
 "Like that?" exclaimed Mr. Shuttle.
 "That's why, it's the worst phantasy in rag roses I ever saw."
 "Now, Job, you know better. That bonnet is a complete symphony in harmonious tones, an effect that is perfectly bewitching, and I'll have one like it if I have to scrape the shivers off the sides of the flour barrel for the next loaf of bread."—*Hartford Post*.

Not a few of us keep in our memories a sacred place for some whom we have known long ago, and who were not wholly unlike these pictures; men who were unlearned in the wisdom of this world, and yet who knew how to guide an infant's steps with precepts which would help him in after life more than the books of the philosophers or the counsels of the worldly wise; men so pure in their unselfishness, so simple in their truthfulness, so patient in their persistent diligence in the performance of duty, so unambitious in their expectations of reward, so bravely straightforward and kind in the face of a lying and cruel world, that we keep the memory of their lives as a refreshing thought in the midst of the hideous careers and almost as hideous precepts which are not uncommon in society to-day and always. Such of us as have reason to cherish these sacred memories hold it not the least of George Eliot's claims to our gratitude that she has known how to depict to us, not unworthily, this simple and excellent, this unlearned but wholly incorruptible type of human nature. Others might have sketched for us the same characters; but they would have been exaggerated probably into oddities whom we liked, but at whom we must be permitted to laugh.

The Times are out of Joint.

Said Judge Barrows, of Maine, in charging a jury: "In the earlier years of this State the crime of murder was rare among us; with a population not much less than it is now, years went by, and it was not heard of. Within the last nine or ten years its frequency has been such that it has lapsed into a mere nine days' wonder—a sorry commentary upon the noisy idle boasts that are dinned into our ears from the platform, and the pulpit, and the press, about the great progress and improvement of the human race. Concocted scientists and pseudo philanthropists, and maudlin sympathizers with criminals, will do well to inquire if there is not something out in their reckonings and amiss in their teachings."

CONVALESCENTS.

Blaise on to the Diet of These Recovering from Sickness.

There are few words more pleasing to a house-wife's ear than the doctor's announcement: "Well, you have nothing to do but to feed him (or her) up now. Give him (or her) something light and nourishing—something he'll fancy—every two hours or so."

What a happy change from the dreary monotony of beef tea and milk, and when the very names of meals are ignored, no breakfast, no dinner day and night the same carefully-prepared medicated beef tea in measured quantity poured into the half-conscious lips. The doctor has returned supreme, food and medicine have been hardly distinguishable. But now comes the turn of the housewife, and in her hands lies mainly the recovery of the patient to health and strength. On her observation, punctuality and care everything will depend. She must remember likes and dislikes, be prepared for fancies, always have an alternative at hand, and yet never overtax the scarcely recovered organs of digestion. The question before her is how to use these organs to the very utmost without putting a strain upon them.

To do this requires system, but like all artists, she must conceal her art. She must arrange the day's food with the care of a painter grouping his figures. She must husband her resources as he does his light and shades, his warm and cold colors. After a painter's manner, we will begin with a rough sketch of the design for the twenty-four hour's dietary.

With an invalid this may be said to begin at about half-past five a. m. The most welcome of all things will probably be a cup of tea. This will be made by the night attendant and shared by her, and should contain some good cream and be accompanied by a little bit of bread and butter or toast, if the time is in a state to make it. After this the patient will probably be able to sleep until past eight o'clock, when a fast should be made.

Coffee and hot milk, or perhaps some form of a good porridge, will be the fatigues of the morning, and especially if the case is a summer one. An eleven a. m. lunch will come. When oysters are liked and in season this is a good time to serve them. If not, one of the forms of oily fish, broiled and eaten, or whatever we choose to call it will be served. This is perhaps the most important meal of the day, and a small quantity of butcher's meat, such as a chop or slice from the family joint should always form part of it, the digestive powers being at their best usually at this hour. Vegetables should always accompany the meat and a small tart or pudding follow, stewed fruit or farinaceous compounds being usually preferred to pastry.

Half-past six or seven is the dinner hour, and a bird of some sort, with crumbs, gravy and bread sauce, should be followed by some delicate savory—macaroni and cheese, savory omelet or some such dish, light but palatable, unless the patient prefers sweets to savories.
 Always have some alternative at hand. If the oysters are not fancied a little potted meat may be on an egg beaten up and served with a sponge cake. The only difficulty is that you by this plan sometimes have forestalled the next meal, and so that something else has to be substituted, as two dishes of a similar nature—i. e., eggs beaten up and then an omelet—should never be sent up in succession. Soup is always a handy resource, but after a diet of beef tea the patient often loathes the very sight of a soup basin.—N. Y. *Liberator*.

WIT AND WISDOM

—It is impulsive which tells us when to take hold, but it is the sanest sort of wisdom that teaches us when to let go.—N. Y. *Item*.

—An a-mews-ing story is told of a man who called for a cat of mackerel. He wanted more than a kit.—*Boston Star*.

—Clara writes to inquire: "What has given woman the reputation of being such a great talker?" We do not know, Clara, unless it is her mouth.—*Workers Statesman*.

—Life is like a harness. There are traces of care, lines of trouble, bits of good fortune, branches of good manners, bridled tongues, and everybody has a tug to pull through.

—"Oh, dear!" said Mrs. B., with toothache. "Why can't people be born without teeth?" "If you will reflect a moment my dear," replied Mr. B., "you will be convinced that such is the fact."—N. Y. *Telegram*.

—Let children know something of the worth of money by earning it; over pay them if you will, but let them get some idea of equivalents; if they get distorted notions of values at the start they will never be righted.—*Yalmage*.

—"You ought to put a sign over that hatchway," said a policeman to a store-keeper, "or some one may tumble into it." "All right," replied the merchant, and he tied one of his "Opening" placards to the rail.
Chicago Times

—Last year the women of the United States gave \$600,000 toward Christianizing the heathen. Of this large sum Presbyterian women gave nearly \$200,000; Baptist women, \$150,000; Congregational women, \$130,000; Northern Methodist women, \$100,000, and Southern Methodist women over \$25,000.—*Chicago Herald*.

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