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RESOURCES:		LIABILITIES:	
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Furniture and fixtures	2,976.86	Surplus and undivided profits	2,553.22
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LUDICROUS LEGAL LORE.
A Legend of the Early Jurisprudence of Michigan.
The early history of the jurisprudence of Michigan, if faithfully chronicled, would furnish forth an entertainment abounding with the soul and point of humor. Many of these little legends yet float around the scenes which have given birth to them and serve sometimes to give zest to a bar dinner or to enliven a bar meeting. Among them is the following:
Judge B., a plain and worthy man, but no lawyer, was once county judge of Oakland under the old system. A case came on for trial before him on one occasion in which the action was founded in tort, and the plea of the defendant, which was special, was such as to give him the affirmative of the issue, upon the strength of which he claimed the right to open and close the case. This point was denied by the counsel for the plaintiff, "who never in the whole course of his practice had heard of such an enormity as the defendant's presuming to open the case." Authorities were brought and cited, however, and the judge, after mature consideration, determined that such was the defendant's right and so pronounced his decision. After a short pause, during which the plaintiff was grumbling his dissatisfaction, the court told the defendant's lawyer to go on.
"Your honor," said he, rising, "I am not quite ready to open the case. When I get ready I will let the other side know!" This opened, if not the case, at least the eyes and mouth of the other side, who sprang to his feet and bellowed forth denunciation upon the stupidity of the judge, whose absurd decision had placed him in such a dilemma.
"You see, your honor, what you have done. You have actually placed the case in the hands of the defendant. He took possession of our oxen, and when we brought an action to recover them he took possession of that also." "I can't help it, sir," said the learned judge, with great sternness. "The decision is made, and it is too late to alter it. The law must take its course. You must withdraw your action and sue again."
"If he does, your honor," said the defendant's counsel, "I shall plead the pendency of this action in bar and beat him." "Then, Mr. —," said the judge, "I see no other way for you but to sit down quietly and wait till the defendant gets ready to try this case." The plaintiff took the judge's advice, but the "time appointed" has never elapsed, and he is waiting yet. — Philadelphia North American.

A Surprised Preacher.
When a clergyman in the course of his sermon asks a question he doesn't expect any one to answer it. At a watch night service at St. Paul's church, Brixton, England, the vicar was preaching a sermon on the prodigal son, in the course of which he said: "Last year some people came to watch night service from a neighboring public house, and some of them were drunk. Is there any one here like that to-night?"
"Yes," said a respectable looking man seated in the aisle; "I'm here, and I'm drunk."
The effect on the congregation was electrical. The preacher was startled for a moment, but after saying, "Poor fellow, poor fellow!" proceeded with his discourse.
"I tell you I'm drunk," said the intruder.
"Hold your tongue," said the vicar. "I am speaking now and must not be interrupted."

A Fine Piece of Work.
"I tell you," exclaimed the young medical student, "our professor is an eminent surgeon."
"How's that?" asked his chum.
"Well, a fellow was brought in with a crushed leg. The professor said it must come off, but by some means or other he cut off the wrong leg."
"Do you call that a fine piece of surgery?"
"Wait a bit. The professor said it would be terrible for the poor fellow to go about with no legs at all, so he splinted up the crushed leg instead of cutting that off, too, and now it is as good as ever. An ordinary surgeon would have left the fellow legless. Wonderful skill, the professor's!" — Strand Magazine.

Not His Fault.
"James," asked the druggist sternly, "how did you come to lose that sale?"
"We didn't have what the lady wanted, sir."
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One peculiar type of song, the horovod, is universal all over Russia. Horovod means leader of a chorus. Every Russian villager, man or woman, knows a horovod. It always begins with the chief melody sung by one voice or by a number of voices in unison.
The secondary parts are a free imitation of it, and once the chief melody has been given out every member of the company develops it according to his taste. The two sexes never mix and sing with each other. There are always male and female horovods. Some of these folk songs are collected from phonograms by Eugenia Linoff in "The Peasant Songs of Great Russia."
The broad, slow flowing rivers of Russia seem to exercise a strong fascination upon the peasant's imagination. On the banks of the Volga groups of men and women may often be seen in summer dragging out timber which has floated down, and as they tug at their burden they sing.
The gist of most of their river songs is that if you are born to labor you must toil on, "Toil on, toil on bravely, one, two, three, and yet once more, and the task is done." Many songs belong to the Volga district, and one is dedicated to "Mother Volga" herself. The Russian peasant also believes his rivers to be inhabited by mysterious beings. Chief among these is the Rousalka, a harmful kind of nauid. The voices of the Rousalki are heard in the rustling of the grass by the water's edge, and the splash of the running stream betrays their dancing feet. Women and young girls washing their clothes or bathing are liable to be spirited away by these Rousalki unless they be careful to hum some potent charm as long as they remain in or near the water.

The Library of an Emperor.
In 1808 Napoleon formed the idea of having a traveling library in order to make his hours of intellectual recreation independent of the exigencies of a campaign or the delays of a courier. The proposed library was to form about a thousand volumes. The books were to be of small duodecimo size, printed in good type and without margins in order to save space. They were to be bound in morocco, with flexible covers and limp backs. The boxes for their conveyance were to be covered with leather and lined with green velvet and were to average sixty volumes apiece in two rows like the shelves in a library. A catalogue was to accompany them so arranged that the emperor could readily find any desired volume. The distribution of subjects was as follows: Forty volumes on religion, forty of epic poetry, forty of the drama, sixty volumes of history and a hundred novels. "In order to complete the quota," ran the instructions, "the balance shall be made up of historical memoirs." — James Westfall Thompson in Atlantic.

In and Out of Cork.
The Soane museum in England contains a cork model of the Coliseum. This was probably acquired by Sir John Soane chiefly because cork is difficult to cut. Mr. Clouston tells in "The Burlington" a story connected with it. The late keeper, Mr. Birch, was showing a party of American visitors over the museum and mentioned that this was "made in cork." "That is curious," said one of the ladies. "We are just going to visit some friends there." "I mean, madam," he explained, "that this model was made out of cork." "That is still more curious," she replied. "Our friends live just a little way out of Cork."
"She's worth her weight in gold!" the proud American mother asserted.
Assuming pure gold worth approximately \$20 per ounce and knowing her weight to be 110 pounds, the count by a rapid mental calculation arrived at the figure \$15,400.
"Oh, ah, a most charming young lady, of course!" he said, hastily gathering up his hat and cane. "But I had been led to believe—aw—that is, I couldn't think of that price, you know." — Puck.

A Definition of Logic.
A certain member of the Yale faculty is famous for his power of condensing his many strong antipathies into trenchant epigrams. His pet abhorrence is logic, a fact which was unknown to the student who recently approached him with the question:
"Professor —, I am thinking of taking logic next year. What do you think of the course?"
"Horse sense made sane," responded the professor tersely. — Harper's Weekly.

THE EARTH'S CRUST.
Its Rigidity is About Equal to That of Granite.
Professor T. J. J. See of the United States navy has investigated the rigidity of the earth by mathematical processes depending on the theory of gravitation. He found that, even if fluid, the globe would have a rigidity greater than that of wrought iron, owing to the tremendous weight. The earth's matter under this great pressure acts as a solid and so vibrates in an earthquake, and the average rigidity of the whole mass is nearly equal to that of nickel steel. Nickel steel is one of the strongest and hardest metals known. The globe is thus proved to be capable of withstanding enormous strain. Dr. See proves that the rigidity of the earth's crust is about equal to that of granite, which is one-sixth that of steel, and that toward the center the rigidity rapidly increases. At the earth's center the imprisoned matter is at an enormously high temperature, yet under the great pressure there at work it is kept three times more rigid than the nickel steel used in the armor of a battleship.
This method has been applied also to the other planets. It turns out that the rigidity of Venus is greater than that of platinum and probably about identical with that of wrought iron. The rigidity of Mars is about equal to that of gold, while the rigidity of Mercury, the moon and other satellites is about equal to that of glass. The average rigidity of the great planets—Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus and Neptune—lies between eighteen and three times that of nickel steel. The great rigidity of these bodies is due to the great pressure acting throughout such large masses.
In the case of the sun the result is still more extreme. The average rigidity of all the sun's layers is over 2,000 times that of nickel steel. This result shows the effect of gravity in compressing and hardening a mass even when it is self luminous and at enormously high temperature. — Chicago News.

First Balloon Ascent.
The first public ascent by the Montgolfier balloon was made June 5, 1783. It was a spherical bag, consisting of pieces of linen buttoned together, suspended from cross poles. A fire was kindled under it, and the flames were fed with bundles of chopped straw. The loose bag filled out, assumed a graceful form and in a short time was completely distended. At a given signal the stays were slipped, and the balloon instantly ascended. Its velocity accelerated until it reached some height, then became uniform and carried it to an elevation of more than a mile. For ten minutes it remained suspended, then fell gently in a vineyard nearly two miles distant from the place of its ascension. The first adventurers to make an ascent in a balloon were M. Pilatre de Rozier and the Marquis L'Arlandiere. In the basket of a balloon they on Nov. 21, 1783, rose to a height of about 3,000 feet.

The Domestic Problem.
"I once lost an Irish servant," remarked a German lady who was relating the trouble she had in keeping domestics, "because I could not convince her that 'mick' is a German name for a fly. One day my little baby daughter was seated in a chair near a window which opened on the piazza, where Bridget was at work. The window was closed, and a number of flies were busy bumping their heads against the panes in an endeavor to escape to the outside. They attracted baby's attention, who called out to me to look at them, at the same time saying, 'Mick, mick, mick.' Just then Bridget turned to speak to the baby and heard these words. And even today Bridget is firmly convinced that I instructed the baby to make fun of her." — New York Herald.

"Cannibalism."
The word "cannibalism" is really the name of a people. It is identical with Carib, many of the Caribs, who formerly flourished in the West Indies, having been consumers of human flesh. The letters "c," "n" and "r" are interchangeable in certain aboriginal American languages, so that Columbus found one West Indian island saying "Cariba," where another said "Carib," while Shakespeare's Caliban is another variety of the same.

The Word "Impertinent."
Originally the word "impertinent" signified merely "not belonging to." When Wycliffe said that there were "impertinent to earthly lords" he did not mean that they were "cheeky," but merely that they had no masters. Then, as used by Shakespeare, "impertinent" came to mean "irrelevant." Just 200 years ago it was defined as signifying "absurd, silly, idle."
Do Not Neglect the Children.
At this season of the year the first unnatural looseness of a child's bowels should have immediate attention. The best thing that can be given is Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy followed by castor oil as directed with each bottle of the remedy. For sale by St. Johns Drug Store.

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CHURCH NOTICES.
Baptist church—E. A. Leonard, pastor. Sunday school at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. B. Y. P. U. 7 p. m. Preaching at 8 p. m. All are cordially invited to attend these services.
Methodist church—F. L. Young, pastor. Sunday school 10 a. m.; preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Epworth League at 7 p. m.
Holy Cross Catholic church, Portsmouth Station 8:15 a. m., low mass; 10:15 a. m., high mass; 7:30 p. m., vespers and benediction.
St. Andrew's Episcopal Chapel, University Park—Rev. Wm. R. Powell, chaplain. Regular services 7:30 p. m. Sunday school 3 p. m. Bible class 7 p. m.; Lenten service every Friday at 10 a. m.
Evangelical church—Sunday school 10 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. Junior K. L. C. E. 2:30 p. m.; Senior K. L. C. E. 7:00 p. m. Also preaching at 8:00 p. m. Chester P. Gates, Pastor.
First Congregational Church—G. W. Nelson, pastor. Sunday school 10 a. m.; preaching 11 a. m. and 8:00 p. m. Good music. Your presence at these services, and co-operation in the work of the church will be appreciated.
Baptist Church, University Park. Rev. A. B. Waltz, pastor. Regular services every Sunday morning and evening.
German Baptist Church—Services held each Sunday at Baptist church as follows: Sunday school 2 p. m., preaching at 3 p. m. Rev. Faltmeat, pastor.

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