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Sheriff's Sale.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Jackson County.

D. D. Good, Plaintiff.
vs.
The Ashland Mining Company (a corporation) and Penumbra Kelley, P. B. Sinnott, J. P. Anderson and Charles Roper, Defendants.

BY VIRTUE OF AN EXECUTION issued out of and under the seal of the above named Court, to me directed, dated January 7th, 1896 upon a decree rendered by said Court on the 28th day of December, 1894, in favor of D. D. Good, the above named Plaintiff, and against the aforesaid Defendant, for the sum of Three Hundred Forty-three and Fifty One-hundreth Dollars and one dollar for fees paid to record the lien therein set forth and for the further sum of Seventy ($70.00) Dollars attorney's fees, and on Plaintiff's second cause of suit the sum of One Hundred Forty-one and 25 100 Dollars, and $1.00 for fees paid for recording the lien therein set forth, and for the further sum of $40.00 as attorney's fees in foreclosing said lien, together with his costs and disbursements in maintaining the suit herein; and also that the Defendant J. P. Anderson have and recover of and from said Defendant, The Ashland Mining Company, the sum of One Hundred Twenty-nine Dollars ($129.00) and Three and 50-100 ($3.50) for preparing and recording the lien described in first cause, and for the further sum of Forty Dollars ($40.00) as attorney's fees, and upon the second cause of said Defendant in said answer the sum of Eighty-six Dollars ($86.00) and Three and 50-100 Dollars ($3.50) for preparing and recording the said lien set out in said cause, and for the further sum of Twenty Dollars ($20.00) as attorney's fees in foreclosing said lien therein set out and for costs and disbursements of said Defendant herein.

And also that said Defendant Charles Roper do have and recover of and from the Defendant, The Ashland Mining Company, the sum of Eighty-six and 95-100 Dollars ($86.95) with interest thereon from Oct. 19th, 1894, and for Five Dollars ($5.00) paid for preparing and recording the laborer's lien securing said sum, and for $35.00 as attorney's fees herein and for Defendant's costs and disbursements herein.

Commanding me to make sale of the following described property, to-wit:

All of that certain mining claim known as the "King Mining Claim," located by J. Patton on the 12th day of July, 1886, and recorded at page 51 of vol. 20 of the Mining Records of Jackson county, Oregon, and more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the location post for center of the North end of the "A. N. King Mining Claim" as indicated in the notice of J. I. Patton of July 12th, 1886, and recorded July 20th, 1886, in vol. 20 at page 51 of Mining Records of Jackson county, Oregon, and marked said post "L. C. 1;" from which the ¼ section corner on the east boundary of Section 12 in Tp. 39 South of Range 1 West, Willamette Meridian of Oregon, bears south 4.96 chains and east 9.48 chains distant, also a y. pine, 20 inches in diameter, bears North, 23½° East 32½ feet distant; a y. pine 38 inches diameter bears North 44½° West 72 feet distant; thence (variation used 21° East) South 56½° East, 410 feet set post marked "L. C. 2" for North-easterly corner, from which a y. pine 11 inches in diameter bears South 57° East 10 feet distant, b. oak 12 inches in diameter bears North 34½° East 30 feet distant; thence South 9½° East 1500 feet set post, marked "L. C. 3" for South-easterly corner, from which a b. oak 18 inches in diameter bears South 19½° West 43½ feet distant, a madrone 16 inches in diameter bears South 28° East 72½ feet distant; thence North 56½° West, 410 feet, set post, marked "L. C. 4" for center of South end of claim, from which a fir 6 inches in diameter bears North 85½° West 4½ feet distant a y. pine 10 inches in diameter bears North 18° East 40 feet distant; thence North 56½° West 410 feet, set post marked "L. C. 5," for South-westerly corner, from which a fir 24 inches in diameter bears South 1½° West, 8 feet distant, a madrone 12 inches in diameter bears North 33° East 44½ feet distant; thence North 9½° West 1500 feet, set post marked "L. C. 6" for North-westerly corner, from which a y. pine 18 inches in diameter bears North 18½° West 51 feet distant, a b. oak 7 inches in diameter bears South 21° East 41 feet distant; thence South 56½° East 410 feet to the place of beginning; all lying and being situate in the Davenport Mining District, in Jackson county, Oregon—be sold by the Sheriff.

Accordingly I have levied upon and will offer for sale on

Saturday, the 23d day of February,

A. D. 1896, at 2 o'clock p. m., at the front door of the Court House in Jacksonville, Oregon, at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, according to the provisions of said decree, the above described property.

S. PATTERSON.
Sheriff of Jackson county, Oregon.
By A. S. BARNES, Deputy.
Dated January 12th, 1896.

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SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, of the County of Jackson.

Elizabeth Williams, Plaintiff, vs. J. H. Williams, Defendant. Suit for a Divorce.

To J. H. Williams, the above-named Defendant: In the name of the state of Oregon, You are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint of the above Plaintiff in the above entitled Court, now on file with the Clerk of said Court, within ten days from the date of the service of this Summons upon you, if served in Jackson County, Oregon; but if served in any other county in the State of Oregon, then within twenty days from the date of the service of this Summons upon you; or if served on you out of the State of Oregon, or by publication, then by the first day of the ensuing April term of said Court, to-wit: The 1st day of April 1896; and you are hereby notified that if you fail to appear and answer said complaint, as hereby required, the Plaintiff will take a default against you, and will apply to the Court for the relief asked for in her complaint.

This Summons is published in the VALLEY RECORD for six consecutive weeks, by order made February 8th, 1895, by Hon. W. C. Hale, one of the Judges of said Court.

WM. M. COLVIG,
Attorney for Plaintiff.

FINAL PROOF NOTICE.

United States Land Office, Roseburg, Oregon, February 7, 1895.

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 that said proof will be made before J. R. Neil, County Judge of Jackson county, Oregon at Jacksonville, Oregon, on March 23, 1895, viz: Edward Hill on Soldier's Homestead entry No. 8280 for the E ½ SW ¼ and Lots 3, 4, of sec. 18, Tp. 40 S., R. 5 East.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of, said land, viz:

D. H. Yeager, Al. Hopkins and George Bailey of Shake, Jackson county, Oregon, and Edward Youmans, of Ashland, Jackson county, Oregon.

R. M. VEATCH, Register.

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Sheriff's Sale.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Jackson.

Mrs. Elizabeth Miller, plaintiff,
vs.
Laura C. Tanner and Wm. G. Tanner, defendants.

BY VIRTUE OF AN EXECUTION issued out of, and under the seal of the above named Court, to me directed, dated January 24th, 1895 upon a judgment rendered by said Court on the 13th day of April 1894 in favor of the above named Plaintiff and against the afore said Defendants for the sum of Six Hundred Thirty Six and 10-100 Dollars and costs amounting to Twenty Nine and 11-100 Dollars and for Seventy Five Dollars Attorney's fees.

Commanding me to satisfy the said judgment in the sum of $441.38 bal. now due with interest at 10 per cent from June 30th, 1894 and costs out of the personal property of said Defendants Laura C. Tanner and Wm. G. Tanner and for want thereof, then out of the real property belonging to said Defendants.

Therefore, in compliance with said order, issued out of said Court, I have duly levied on the following described real property to-wit:

Beginning at the South-west corner of Donation Land Claim No. 40 in township 39 South of Range one East of the Willamette Meridian; thence West 8.45 chains; thence North 5.57 chains; thence East 8.45 chains along the South line of Nutley Street (extended) to the west line of the afore said D. L. C. No. 40; thence South 5.57 chains along the said west line of D. L. C. No. 40 to the place of beginning containing 4.71 acres (more or less). The above described property lying and being in the city of Ashland in Jackson County and State of Oregon.

I will offer for sale on

Saturday, March 2nd, 1895,

at 2 o'clock p. m. at the front door of the Court House in Jacksonville, Oregon, to the highest bidder for cash, the property herein described.

S. PATTERSON.
Sheriff of Jackson county, Oregon.
By A. S. BARNES, Deputy.
Dated Jacksonville, Oregon, Jan. 24, 1895.

Sheriff's Sale.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Jackson.

George W. Doane, Plaintiff,
vs.
Levi Morris, Alice L. Morris, The Benecia Agricultural Works (a corporation) and the German Savings Loan Society (a corporation), Defendants.

BY VIRTUE OF AN EXECUTION issued out of the above named Court and under the seal of said Court to me directed and delivered on a judgment recovered in said Court on the 9th day of January 1895 in favor of the above named Plaintiff and against the aforesaid Defendants

I am commanded by an order of said Court issued January 24th, 1895 to make the sum of Four Thousand Five Hundred and Forty Seven and 78-100 ($4547.78) Dollars with interest thereon at the rate of ten per cent per annum until paid together with Plaintiffs costs and disbursements in said action.

By virtue of said decree and order of sale I have duly levied upon the following described real property to-wit: The S. W. ¼ of the N. W. ¼ of Section 12; the W. ½ of the S. W. ¼ of Section 12; the N. W. ¼ of the N. W. ¼ of Section 13, and lots 5, 6 and 7 of Section 11 all in Twp. No. 38 S, R 1 West of the Willamette Meridian, in Jackson County, Oregon, containing 238 acres, more or less.

In obedience to said decree and order, I will offer for sale on

Saturday, March 2nd, 1895,

at 2 o'clock p. m. at the front door of the Court House in Jacksonville, Oregon, at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, all of the right title and interest of the above named Defendants in and to the above described property.

S. PATTERSON.
Sheriff of Jackson County, Oregon.
By A. S. BARNES, Deputy.
Dated at Jacksonville, Jackson County, Oregon, this 26th day of January 1895.

HOLIDAYS IN ITALY.

HOW CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S ARE OBSERVED THERE.

All Go to the Cafes to Be Glad Together. The Songs, the Festivals and the Flowers—A Milanese Christmas—The Holy Child—Buoni Augari.

[Special Correspondence.]

ROME, Dec. 19.—It is a great custom in Italy to spend the Sunday and holiday afternoons at the cafes and osterie in and about the city. The Italians are a sociable race. They seek companionship in their joys as well as their sorrows. All go to the public cafes to be glad and merry together. The well to do shopkeeper and his family, the workman in his holiday clothes, the laborer with his sunbrowned skin and his toil hard-

ITALIAN TYPE.

ened hands, his clothes bespattered with mud; the peasant, the minenti, with their women laden with jewelry and flaunting colors, all crowd about the tables of an osteria laughing, chatting, singing, joking, drinking. Perhaps a singer or dancer of local fame is dancing to the music of a mandolin, dancing with all the freedom and abandon of the happy Italian nature.

And while all are enjoying an hour of hilarious merriment, heightened by numerous drafts of the red hued Italian wine or the rich yellow Marsaha, a little dark eyed beggar maid, holding the hand of a blind fiddler, may be peering wistfully in, and with a little voice, like a moan of anguish, piping out:

Sta chitarella cca
I gnale fa passa.
(While stands the little guitarist here
Sorrows will pass away.)

A Season of Good Will.

During the annual festival that stirs the heart of all Christendom the shops are closed, and images of the Virgin in walks and niches and churches are crowned and bedecked with masses and garlands of flowers. Uniformed boys and liveried servants hurry about the streets with presents and tributes of affection in the form of the ever welcome flowers. The cafes are trimmed with palms, green vines and blooming plants. At each guest's plate is a prettily decorated card which serves as a gentle reminder that the offer of a lira or two would not be taken amiss by the waiter who has patiently served one through the year.

Even the beggar forgets to pose in his usually melancholy attitude and smiles in anticipation of a generous alms from the happy throng.

Occasionally bands of men called pifferari come down from the mountains, wander about the streets, and pausing before images of the Virgin, at street corners, under balconies, they play weird, sweet strains of music on their Arcadian pipes or piffero. Their costume is odd and picturesque, consisting of a sugar loaf hat, with red bands about it, blue jacket, goatskin breeches and sandals fixed to the feet with crossed leather thongs. The sugar loaf hats serve as contribution boxes for the pennies that are freely showered into them. For nine days previous to Christmas they wander about playing their curious, sweet melodies, and singing a melancholy tune, which is interrupted now and then by a chanted hymn to the Virgin. This is called the "Novena."

Troubadour Music.

I remember the first and only time I saw these fast disappearing relics of a long line of troubadours. I was strolling about one sunshiny Christmas morning when my attention was arrested by the sound of faint, melancholy music. I found my way into the narrow street whence it emanated and there beheld the pifferari. Their music entranced me. I followed them from street to street and house to house and only left them at last from pure physical exhaustion. After resting awhile I went out again to find them and listen to the music, the strains of which still linger in my memory, never to be forgotten. But they were gone, and although I spent several other Christmases in Italy I never again came across the pifferari.

There are sweetmeat stalls on almost every corner. They consist of a counter with steps lined with calico and fringed in front and at the sides with bright red cloth edged with a stripe of gold. On the counter and steps are all the toys and sweets necessary for a jolly Christmas. There are pangialli and panetone, yellow breads with raisins in, substitutes for plum pudding, nougat and torroni and all the sweetmeats appropriate to the season.

Well do I remember my first glimpse of the Milanese Christmas dainty—panetone. I was passing along a narrow street when, in glancing into a dirty courtyard, I saw hundreds of the large round loaves placed on the ground to rise, nothing between them and the stone paving except a thin board. People were passing in and out, hucksters and servants and dirty children, while several cats were amiably sunning themselves in a warm spot.

One of these selfsame loaves afterward found its way to our table, a gift from the baker. A little later, divided exactly in two, it furnished happiness in the families of the two little servants. Had I not seen its lowly origin I might have eaten it with relish, as I afterward learned that it is quite delicious.

It is the custom in many houses to erect presepe—scenes representing the nativity—the Holy Child, the ox and ass, whose breath is supposed to warm it; the Virgin, Joseph, the shepherds bringing presents, all represented by little clay figures. These presepe are a source of great pleasure to the children, and for months before they begin to save their pennies to buy the little clay figures. Sometimes the presepe are very elaborate affairs, but in the homes of the poor they more nearly resemble the actual occurrence of 2,000 years ago.

All Expect a Present.

Every one in Italy asks for and expects a Christmas present. Every one who has rendered the least and most insignificant service through the year appears on Christmas morning, doffs his cap and—waits. The telegraph boy who may have delivered one telegram, the postman, the registered letter man, the newsboy, the man who brings the coal, the one who empties the dust bin and, aye, even the debt collector who has "called so often to have that little bill settled." Each servant, including the porteress in the lodge, expects from 25 to 50 francs. One must have a full purse, give and give freely at Christmas time.

"Buona festa" say the Italians, and "Merry Christmas" say we.

Once on a time there was a goddess called Strena, who was the patroness of youth, health and strength. There was a temple dedicated to this goddess in Rome, and the gardens about the temple were filled with hygienic plants, more especially the verbena, which possesses extraordinary health giving properties. In every courtyard and every garden in Rome the verbena flourished. Outside and inside, houses were decorated with it. On the first day of the year the priests of Strena's temple were wont to distribute shoots and slips of this highly prized little plant to the people. Young men at tournaments who were victorious over their opponents received a verbena plant as a reward of valor. Great ceremony attended the distribution of the plant on New Year's day, and all who received it were said to have received a strenna—New Year's gift.

As Rome advanced in civilization the modest little strenna of verbena became transformed into flowers, fruit and cakes covered with gold leaf, toys, trinkets and jewels. And thus originated the custom of New Year's gifts.

Pay of Schoolmasters.

Occasionally in Italy today one sees on old castles or palaces large horns at each side of the principal entrance. Bulls' horns were placed in the halls and at the doors of their houses for passersby to fill with gifts on New Year's day—cloves for young girls, cakes for old people, birds and stuffed animals.

Schoolmasters in the olden time received no regular pay for their services, but each pupil was expected on the first day of the year to present them with a gold rod, in return for which they received a kiss.

Another Roman custom that survives today is to give a supper on New Year's eve. No lights or fires, however, are al-

NOONDAY REST.

lowed, nor is any one permitted to speak until after the clock has sounded 12. Then suddenly the house is illuminated, the bells set ringing and the musical instruments played, while every one sings or shouts, "Envina!" After that the host and guests silently count any silver money they have about them. No gold is visible, for that brings bad luck.

"Buoni auguri" salute the Italians, and "Happy New Year" salute we.

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THE GOULDS AND SOCIETY.

A Grand Ball That May Open Some Hitherto Closed Doors.

There is a great deal of pleasant gossip aroused over the announcement (how true I can't say) that Mr. and Mrs. George Gould are going to give a large ball.

Why shouldn't they, and who could provide for a more splendid entertainment?

The Goulds have passed over the threshold of society. They have made friends wherever they went—except in England—but they are not going to give an English ball.

At the horse show, at the opera, wherever she has appeared, Mrs. Gould has made friends and admirers right and left.

It is high time she tried the experiment of a ball to see what her friends are worth.

I venture to assert that all her newmade acquaintances will show up to a woman (the men would go, of course), and that she will be pestered to death by requests for invitations by people who have pretended not to know her.

If she takes the advice of an old stager, she will turn a deaf ear to all such importunities and ignore them completely.

The second ball she gives will be more crowded than the first, and so on ad infinitum.

It is intimated that Mrs. Gould has a society press agent.

Banish the thought! What she should have, if she hasn't already—and I think she has, judging from the recent horse show—is a committee of "Little Brothers of the Rich," a guild of impecunious dudes of good family and position, who are of inestimable value to rich women with social aspirations.

Given a good, hardworking committee of L. B. R.'s, and I guarantee Mrs. Gould or any other lady with far less than her personal attractions a ball that will open the eyes of all New York, and, what is more to the point, open the doors of all New York to her triumphal entry.—Cholly Knickerbocker in New York Recorder.

"Nothing venture, nothing have."

Rev. John Reid, Jr., of Great Falls, Mon., recommended Ely's Cream Balm to me. I can emphasize his statement. "It is a positive cure for catarrh if used as directed."—Rev. Francis W. Poole, Pastor Central Pres. Church, Helena, Mon.

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Cleaning Bottles.

It is surprising, says a physician, how many people persist in cleaning bottles with shot after the frequent cautions that have been given. Nothing cleans bottles so easily as a handful of shot, which can be shaken into every corner until the glass fairly shines with cleanliness, but the danger of lead poisoning is great even when the bottle is rinsed out with clean water, and it is doubly dangerous when there is no rinsing out at all, as is usually the case. Clean sand is a convenient and thorough bottle cleanser, especially as the particles of sand which adhere must be afterward washed out to complete the process. When time is not an object, a bottle can be well cleansed by the aid of potato parings, but as they must be corked in and left to ferment the plan is not expeditious enough for general use.—Philadelphia Ledger.

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SUMMING UP.

An Analysis of Election Returns Which Will Not Be Materially Changed.

As the election returns come in the Populist vote appears more satisfactory. The aggregate vote of 1892 was about 1,042,000, while so far as can be judged from the returns up to date the aggregate vote at the recent elections will reach 2,200,000. This shows a gain of more than 100 per cent, which ought to satisfy the most sanguine, since it is the aggregate vote which discloses the growth of a party. In 1890 the People's Party received less than 300,000 votes. In 1892 this vote had grown to 1,042,000, while in 1894 it has reached 2,200,000. Imagine what will be the result in 1896 if this growth is continued. When the returns are all in and a careful analysis made, it will be found that the real Populist vote has increased in every state, Kansas and Colorado not excepted.

The defeat in Kansas may be charged principally to the settlement of Oklahoma and the drought. Thousands of Populists from Kansas and Nebraska went to Oklahoma to get cheap land and begin life anew out of debt. There were many also who abandoned their farms because of financial ruin and drifted to other sections. Mr. Simpson, whose district adjoins Oklahoma, was defeated for these reasons alone. The Democrats who to some extent had voted the reform ticket deserted it almost to a man. This desertion, together with the emigration, brought about the Populist defeat, which would have been a victory had either of these not occurred.

In Colorado thousands of miners and operators who were generally Populists were compelled to leave the state on account of the mines closing down. Thousands more were coerced by the Business Men's league and money interests. This, together with the unpopularity of Governor Waite, wrought the disaster.

In the east surprising gains have been made. The south has disclosed a wonderful reaction, which threatens the entire destruction of the Democratic party. We have five senators now, to whom will be added one from North Carolina, making six certain, with a prospect of having another from South Carolina. In the house we have one each from Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Nevada and Alabama, together with five from North Carolina, making ten in all who will be given certificates of election. We shall contest in Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas, Kentucky and probably in Tennessee and North Carolina. Out of these contests we should get not less than 22 members, which will give us all told over 30 congressmen.

Nothing but words of encouragement and determination are heard on all sides. While some good men have fallen for the time, there have been some good men elected to fill their places. Taken as a whole, the People's Party is the only one that can point with pride to the methods and results of election.—National Watchman.

Marshall on Banks.

In a recent article Matthew Marshall, the "heavyweight" financial writer of the New York Sun, says:

We have in this country 3,500 incorporated state banks and no end of private bankers, who nevertheless do not issue circulation, but confine themselves to borrowing and lending money. What we need, but what unfortunately all of us are far from being ready to accept, is a great national bank, with branches everywhere, to act as the fiscal agent of the government, receiving on deposit its revenues, issuing circulation and regulating the rate of discount and the volume of credits as the exigencies of trade require. This is the plan which after years of experiment the great nations of Europe have adopted, and with them for the last half century at least it has been successful, but with our 7,000 separate banks scattered over the country, each independent of the others, bank circulation, no matter how many safeguards may be thrown around it, would prove quite as dangerous as our present legal tenders.

The Gold Basis.

On the 1st of October the treasury held less than $59,000,000 of gold over and above the amount of gold certificates outstanding. At the same time the amount of greenbacks in circulation was $267,300,000, and the amount of Sherman notes in circulation was $121,500,000. The obligation to redeem these in gold on demand is recognized. At the same time it is equally necessary to pay gold for silver certificates, if it is demanded, for if it is refused the silver dollar will begin to sink to its bullion value, and the country will come down to the silver basis. The amount of these outstanding on the 1st of October was $330,500,000. Here we have over $719,000,000 of credit currency resting on a reserve of less than $59,000,000 of gold in the treasury.—Chicago Herald.

The exposure to all sorts and conditions of weather that a lumberman is called upon to endure in the camps often produces severe colds which, if not promptly checked, result in congestion or pneumonia. Mr. J. O. Davenport, ex-manager of the Fort Bragg Redwood Co., an immense institution at Fort Bragg, Cal., says they sell large quantities of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy at the company's store and that he has himself used this remedy for a severe cold and obtained immediate relief. This medicine prevents any tendency of a cold toward pneumonia and insures a prompt recovery. For sale by Ashland Drug Co.

Care of the Hands.

Pretty nails on a well cared for hand are as distinctive of fine habits as white teeth and well groomed hair. For women who cannot afford the ministrations of a professional manicure the New York Sun suggests that one's finger nails be not only trimmed but polished every day, not so much for the fine brilliancy the chamois and powder give, but for the qualities of elasticity, color and healthier growth the process and powder encourage. Always after bathing the hands and when drying them the skin, so apt to grow upon the nail, should be gently pushed back, never scraped or cut. To whiten and clean from stains pure white vinegar is the best application. Lemon juice merely shrivels and yellows the surface, and only once a month it is good to wash one's hands in a bath of warm water and ammonia, for, used more frequently, the ammonia, that whitens the nails to a pretty pearl tint, also makes them painfully brittle. For shaping and trimming one's nails a pair of curved blade scissors that must never be put to any other use are best, their good offices to be followed by a careful leveling of the raw edges with sandpaper of a particular quality sold by the manicures.

Lamb Chops Saute.

Put a piece of butter into a frying pan, and when hot lay in the chops, rather highly seasoned with pepper and salt. Fry them until thoroughly done, but not too brown. Should gravy be required, pour off the greater part of the fat and then stir in half a tablespoonful of flour. Stir until the flour browns; then add a gill of broth or water, an ounce of fresh butter and the juice of half a lemon. Stir until the sauce becomes rather thick, pour over the chops and serve.

MR. WINSLOW'S LOAN BUSINESS.

When at Harvard, He Exacted a Latin Thesis as Interest.

When W. Rodman Winslow was killed by falling from the seventh story window of the Sevillia apartment house some days ago, a never failing source of revenue to those hard pressed for ready money was taken away. For years Mr. Winslow had an office on the third floor of the Vanderbilt building, at 132 Nassau street, and there he transacted an "interest and discount" business on a large scale.

The sign on the office door set forth that Mr. Winslow was a counselor at law. He was, it is true, educated for the law, but he had given little attention to its practice for many years. It was in the loaning of money upon chattel mortgages that he made a reputation for himself and acquired the fortune which he had when he died. His method of doing business was similar to that of chattel loan agents the city over. In addition to the legal rate of interest Winslow charged 30 or 40 per cent additional for the accommodation. To secure the loan he took a chattel mortgage upon almost anything of greater value than the amount loaned which the borrower possessed. The form of this mortgage he drew himself, and it was his boast that it had never been broken in a court of law.

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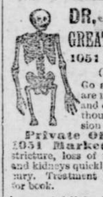

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