

HISTORY OF VISITING CARD

Became Popular in Europe in Time of Louis XIV and at One Period Was Ornamental.

Some authorities hold that the origin of the visiting card lay in the circumstance that when Pericles first laid siege to the heart of Aspasia he sent her a bouquet to which, tearful lest she might not guess from whom the compliment proceeded, he caused to be attached a strip of wood wherein his name was cut.

According to Bertarelli, who, among others, has been at much pains to compile the history of the card, it is difficult to say whether it was first used in Greece or in China. However that may be, it seems to be an ascertained fact that the visiting card did not really obtain to any extent in Europe until the time of Louis XIV. It crossed the Pyrenees with Philip of Anjou when he was installed in the palace at Madrid, and Louis himself was the cause of its being introduced into the Netherlands.

Then it was adopted in Italy, where it was subjected to much elaboration. First, the cards showed a modest border of flowers or leaves; then appeared landscapes, bits of architecture, allegories, etc. Finally came scenes of rural life, alternating with views of monuments and towns. The name was printed on the picture of a wall, a tree or a fountain.

A view of the Adriatic figured on the card of Count Alexandre Papoli, while the Franco family favored a large stone guarded by two dogs, with the amphitheater of Verona in the background.

NO ROOM FOR THE WHINER

World Has Little Use for Man Who Looke Habitually Through Eyes of Gloom.

He who thinks the world is full of good people and kindly blessings is much richer than he who thinks the contrary. Each man's imagination largely peopled the world for himself. Some live in a world peopled with princes of the royal blood, some in a world of paupers and privation. You have your choice.

This is a big, busy world. It cares precious little what you think of it, or what faults or troubles you find in it. It is a choice that concerns yourself more than all others combined, whether you frown in the gloom, the companion of hateful goblins, or stride in the sunshine, seeing smiles and catching shreds of song.

Men and women in God's image were not made as whining, groveling beings. They were made to stand erect, mentally as well as physically, to labor well and joyously, to take the gifts of Providence, whether they be joy or sorrow—and bear them cheerfully—and with courage, to find ever something to the world's store of happiness, if it be only a smile.

Look up! See how flooded with sunshine this beautiful world is when faced with smiling eyes. If you would win anything, do anything, be anything, don't whine.—Christian Herald.

Using Dogs in War.

Considering how obviously fitted dogs are for police work and certain services in war it is curious that more use has not been made of them in modern times.

Of course, now that hand-to-hand fighting is to all intents and purposes extinct, dogs are no longer formidable in war, but for sentry duty or the finding of wounded on the battlefield, dogs—as was shown during the Russo-Japanese war—can be of great service.

The ancients employed dogs extensively as sentries. So also did the Emperor Charles V and Philip, king of Spain, while Napoleon urged Marmont to fasten dogs to stakes around the walls of Alexandria to keep guard.

Dog senses are very much more acute than those of human beings—especially the senses of scent and hearing, which, of course, are invaluable for police work.

Report of the Condition of the Bank of Martin County

Williamston, N. C., at the close of business Oct. 3, 1914

RESOURCES:	
Loans and discounts	\$478,651.60
Overdrafts	11,995.75
N. C. State Bonds	8,000.00
All other stocks, bonds, notes	1,000.00
Banking house fur. and fix'ts	1,950.00
Due from banks and bankers	17,900.00
Silver coin, including all minor coin currency	8,552.27
Total	\$522,050.62
LIABILITIES:	
Capital Stock	\$15,000.00
Surplus Fund	2,500.00
Undivided profits, less current expenses and taxes paid	3,057.22
Bills payable	89,250.00
Time certificates of deposit	72,481.08
Deposits subject to check	119,991.60
Due to Banks and Bankers	1,830.05
Cashiers checks outstanding	1,210.72
Total	\$522,050.68

State of North Carolina, County of Martin, ss: I, C. H. Godwin, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Correct—Attest: J. G. Godard, J. G. Staton, W. C. Maasling, Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of Nov. 1914.

F. A. Giffner, Notary Public.

Only Outside Clean.
There are some frenzied financiers who appear to think that taking two baths a day and donning fresh linen ought to excuse them for being thieves.

What is the Reason?

A man can walk a block with another woman and discuss 4,678 subjects in a delightful manner. And he could walk nine miles with his wife and not be able to think of a darn thing to say.

Report of the Condition of The Bank of Jamesville

Jamesville, N. C., at the close of business Oct. 31, 1914

RESOURCES:	
Loans and discounts	\$42,074.71
Overdrafts	508.65
Furniture and fixtures	1,023.56
Due from banks & bankers	8,863.14
Gold coin	425.00
Silver coin, including all minor coin currency	170.47
National bank notes and other U. S. notes	457.00
Total	\$53,922.66
LIABILITIES:	
Capital stock paid in	\$67,000.00
Surplus	1,010.00
Undivided profits, less current expenses and taxes paid	185.95
Bills payable	2,500.00
Time certificates of deposit	21,875.34
Deposits subject to check	21,647.36
Total	\$53,922.65

State of North Carolina, County of Martin, ss: I, J. D. Lilly, As Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Correct—Attest: J. E. Smith, E. L. W. Mitchell, S. L. Wallace, Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of Nov. 1914.

J. L. Davenport, Notary Public.

Report of the Condition of the Bank of Oak City

Oak City, N. C., at the close of business Oct. 31, 1914

RESOURCES:	
Loans and discounts	\$48,635.27
Overdrafts secured, unsecured	1,308.15
Banking house fur. and fix'ts	5,444.60
Due from banks and bankers	370.29
Gold coin	165.00
Silver coin, including all minor coin currency	269.98
National bank notes and other U. S. notes	600.00
Total	\$56,793.29
LIABILITIES:	
Capital stock	\$5,000.00
Surplus	5,500.00
Undivided profits, less current expenses and taxes paid	1,516.94
Bills payable	14,000.00
Time certificates of deposit	17,597.24
Deposit subject to check	12,232.43
Cashier's checks outstanding	241.93
Due to Banks and Bankers	695.65
Total	\$56,793.29

State of North Carolina, County of Martin, ss: I, B. M. Worsley, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Correct—Attest: H. S. Everett, H. K. Barrick, J. C. Ross, Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of Nov. 1914.

T. B. Johnson, N. P.

Report of the condition of the Bank of Hamilton

Hamilton, N. C., at the close of business Oct. 31, 1914.

RESOURCES:	
Loans and discounts	\$42,551.17
Banking house furniture and fixtures	3,797.53
Due from banks and bankers	4,319.21
Cash items	545.81
Gold coin	361.50
Silver coin including all minor coin currency	321.97
National Bank notes, etc.	391.00
Total	\$52,288.20
LIABILITIES:	
Capital stock	\$5,000.00
Surplus fund	5,000.00
Undivided profits less current expenses and taxes paid	588.80
Bills payable	15,000.00
Time certificates of deposit	9,799.36
Deposits subject to check	16,218.01
Cashier's checks outstanding	772.03
Total	\$52,288.20

State of North Carolina, County of Martin, ss: I, F. L. Haidin, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Correct—Attest: T. B. Slade, R. W. Salisbury, W. S. Rhodes, Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of Nov. 1914.

J. A. Davenport, Notary Public.

Notice

North Carolina Martin County. In Superior Court Before R. J. Peel, Clk.

Ashley Taylor and wife Matilda Taylor Ashley Taylor, one of the defendants above named, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Martin County North Carolina, to appoint a trustee in a certain deed of trust executed to Jno. A. Everett, deceased, bearing date, the 1st day of Jan. 1906, for S. F. Everett; said defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear before the Clerk of the Superior Court of Martin County on the 12th day of Dec. 1914, at his office at the Court House in said County of Martin, and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This 11th day of Nov. 1914.

R. J. PEEL, Clerk of the Superior Court.

HENRY'S TWO VALENTINES

By G. L. SELTER.

Marcia Maynard did not even know it was the fourteenth of February.

She had been too busy all the morning making feathery cakes and spicy cookies and pies that defied description to so much as glance at the calendar.

Enlightenment, however, occurred in the form of Cousin Lucy Stoddard, a vastly different figure in her trim trappings, from Marcia in her neat work dress.

"A woman," said Lucy, in the complacent way that always irritated Marcia, "is as old as she looks."

"I have always been too busy doing useful and necessary work," acknowledged Marcia pointedly, "to bother much about my looks."

"But it isn't necessary for you to do so, Cousin Marcia; you might take life as easy as I do, if you would. People think it a pity that you have never married."

"I do not know why they should, especially," Marcia's eyes flashed suddenly. "You have never married, yourself, Lucy."

"But that is because I have never cared to do so, dear. I have always had an abundance of suitors. It has been different with you, you know. There did use to be talk that you and Henry Howard would make a match of it, but I never believed it. You are not Henry's style."

"I never thought of such a thing as marrying Henry Howard—or anyone else," denied Marcia crisply.

"How fortunate that is," Lucy spoke with a malicious assumption of sympathy. "I may as well tell you," she confessed, "that I have about decided to accept Henry."

"To accept Henry?" Marcia set her newly iced cake perilously near the edge of the table. "I did not know he ever thought of you."

"No, I have never given him any encouragement, but I have long known what I could do if I would. It has not been easy to decide among so many."

Marcia's sniff of disbelief passed unnoticed, "but the sight of Henry's loneliness makes him seem worthy of the sacrifice of my freedom. I am going to send him a valentine as the most graceful and romantic way of letting him understand my attitude."

A valentine! Marcia finished her work as if in a dream.

Then, unexpectedly, she laughed out with unwonted gaiety. "If one valentine is good, two ought to be better. I think I'll send Henry a valentine myself!"

Amazement filled the prosaic soul of Henry Howard when he found the contents of the big envelope to be a valentine. As he considered it, his sedate, middle-aged heart began to warm unaccountably.

"Now, that's real thoughtful of Lucy, I'm sure. I haven't had a valentine in so many years I'd forgotten how it seemed. It is a fine thing to keep one's youth as Lucy has."

It was late in the afternoon before he remembered to look at the other letter he had received in the same mail. After he had read it, he sat for a long time looking meditatively at the windows of the next house.

"I believe I'll go over—she's never asked me before to dine with her, and Marcia is a master cook. I—I believe I'll tell her what I mean to do, too; she's got a pretty sensible head, Marcia has."

If a woman is no older than she looks, Marcia had certainly lost a good ten years of her age when she greeted Henry Howard in her immaculate front hall.

"And this," he said, "is what I have been cheating myself out of for the last fifteen years. I find it rather lonely in my big house, Marcia."

"Yes," answered Marcia demurely, pouring the coffee.

"I've been thinking lately that I have been foolish to live alone so long. Do you suppose anyone could be induced to have an old fellow like me?"

"Oh, yes," Marcia smiled across the centerpiece.

"Will you, Marcia?" He could hardly credit the fact that his ears heard Henry Howard asking any woman to marry him.

The next instant he had gone round the table and gathered her cold fingers into his warm, strong hands. "Why, I love you, Marcia. I've wanted you all the time and did not know it; would you believe a man could be so foolish and blind?"

"Yes," whispered Marcia. "I have been, too, until today."

Upon this interesting tableau the door opened unexpectedly, and Lucy Stoddard stood transfixed.

"Come in, Lucy," called the man heartily. "You shall be the first to congratulate me. It was your valentine that set me thinking how lonely I really was. But I liked Marcia's valentine best; painted hearts and printed verses may be satisfactory to romantic young fellows, but nothing appeals to us older fellows like a good dinner!"

If any look of chagrin clouded the sprightly face in the doorway it was instantly concealed by an overwhelming smile. "I knew all you needed was a little 'fogging,'" she said, "to make you the two happiest people in the world."

Henry Howard and Marcia Maynard looked at each other for a moment, then they both laughed heartily.

"I'll tell you something," said Henry Howard, "I've never been so happy in my life as I am now. I'll tell you something else, I've never been so loved as I am now."

"I'll tell you something more," said Marcia, "I've never been so loved as I am now. I'll tell you something else, I've never been so loved as I am now."

Notice Of Sale

Under and by virtue of an order of the Superior Court in the Special Proceedings entitled, J. G. Salisbury vs. Susie and Lucy Bracey, the undersigned commissioners will on the 9th day of Nov. at 2:30 P. M. at the Court House door of Martin County at Williamston, N. C., offer at public sale to the highest for cash, the following tracts of land, to-wit:

FIRST TRACT: Adjoining the lands of Mrs. F. Salisbury, J. T. Ewell, the Ballard Tract and others, and containing 26 acres more or less, and being the same premises, one-half of which were conveyed to Susan A. Salisbury by John G. Salisbury by deed of record in Book LL at Page 427, Martin County Registry and commonly known as "The Houghton Tract."

SECOND TRACT: Situate in the town of Hamilton, N. C., and beginning 211 feet from the corner of South and High Streets; thence along South Street 35 yards; thence a line parallel with High Street 140 yds; thence a parallel line with South Street 35 yards to Miles Everett's line; thence a line parallel with High St. 140 yards to the beginning, containing by estimation one acre more or less.

THIRD TRACT: Commonly known as a part of the "Charity Avery Tract" and bounded on the North by the County Road; on the East by the lands of Charles Cowey; on the South by the lands of John Hines; and on the West by the lands of John Hines, and being the same premises occupied this year by one Will Sherrod, and containing 27 acres more or less.

A. R. DUNNING, Comrs.

Notice

By virtue of an order of resale, of the Superior Court of Martin County in the proceedings B. F. Harrell vs. W. H. Harrell, et al, the undersigned commissioners will on Monday the 7th day of December, 1914, at 11:00 o'clock A. M. in front of the Bank at Oak City, N. C. offer for sale to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described lands:

FIRST TRACT: Beginning at Turner's new Prichard's corner, and running along the line of lot No. 4, N. 52 E. 267 poles to a branch; thence down the branch to the corner of lot No. 3, thence S. 50 W. 28 poles to Prichard's line, thence S. 51 W. 23 1/2 poles to the first station. Containing 40 acres.

SECOND TRACT: Beginning at corner of Lot No. 5 in Prichard's line, and running N. 52 E. 268 poles to the line of lot No. 3, thence S. 14 E. 9 poles, S. 43 1/2 poles; thence S. 52 W. 264 poles to the back line, thence N. 51 W. 23 and four fifths poles to the first station. Containing 40 acres more or less.

THIRD TRACT: A one-half undivided tract situated to and to the following tract: Beginning at the mouth of Poplar Branch Moore's corner and running S. 84 W. 17 and one-fifth poles; thence N. 34 W. 20 poles to a branch; thence down the branch to the mouth, thence S. 31 1/2 E. 24 poles to the canal bridge; thence down the canal to the first station. Containing 10 and one-twelfth acres more or less.

FOURTH TRACT: Beginning at the corner at the Cypress Pond and running N. 22 1/2 W. 87 and one-fifth poles; thence S. 21 W. 208 poles; thence to a pine, thence to the line to the first station, containing 60 acres more or less. All the above described tracts being lots Nos. 3, 4, 5, and 6 in Harrell Land Division, and all above tracts will be sold as one tract.

This 29th day of October, 1914.

A. R. DUNNING, Comrs.

Notice

North Carolina Martin County In the Superior Court before the clerk, Maryaud Slade et al.

vs. Winnie Watts et al.

The defendants, Moses Watts, Sam Watts Jr. Alonza and Augustus Slagle, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Martin County to sell certain lands for division in which defendants are interested; and said defendants will further take notice that they are required to appear before the Clerk of the Superior Court of Martin County on Friday the 6th day of November, 1914, and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or plaintiffs will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This 3rd day of October, 1914.

R. J. PEEL, Clerk Superior Court.

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