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FOUND THE GIANT TREES.

California's Mighty Sequoias Discovered Seventy Years Ago.

It was seventy years ago—June 20, 1841—that John Bidwell discovered the "big trees" of California. He was the first white man, so far as we know, who ever beheld those monarchs of the forest.

Nine years later a hunter named Dowd was led into the company of the forest kings by a bear that he was chasing, and it was by Dowd that the knowledge of the monster trees was spread abroad, but to Bidwell belongs the distinction of having been the first civilized man to gaze upon the wonderful trees.

The "big trees," as the mighty sequoias are called, are found in Calaveras county, California, chiefly in two "groves," the Calaveras and the Mariposa, at an altitude of about five thousand feet above the sea. They are probably the remains of extensive woods belonging to a long past epoch.

These mighty conifers are easily the most remarkable of all trees, both in age and in bulk. They are from 200 to 400 feet in height and from 15 to 40 feet in diameter.

Antidote For Divorce.

This is noted just by way of information. A Los Angeles judge has recommended vegetable gardens as an antidote for divorce. Statistics show, it is said, that there is one divorce for every three marriages in that city, and the judge in question, who hears many divorce cases, believes it time to call a halt. He blames the women for the conditions existing, saying: Eighty per cent of the men in California earn about \$75 per month, and some women spend a month's salary to get a feather for their pillow. He contends that idle life is responsible for the divorce. He recommends vegetable gardens because they would furnish occupation for idle moments and by keeping women in the open tend to a more healthful frame of mind.

We know little of how it is in California, but we do not believe the vegetable garden scheme will work, generally speaking. To be sure it is in vogue in many places, and it serves a highly useful purpose in helping to keep down the cost of living. We must admit, too, that the divorce statistics are lower where it is practiced; but there is a well defined suspicion among women who wear \$75 feathers that gardening is rather tough on the complexion. That must be overcome before that class of women will take kindly to the vegetable garden.—Greensboro News.

Cigarette Color on Finger—No Job.

Two men were calling on the trainmaster on a Western railroad to ask for employment for a man who had seen him the day before and had been refused. "Is the man tall and dark?" asked the trainmaster.
"That's the man."
"Then," asked the trainmaster, "did you not notice that man's left hand?"
"No," was the reply; and as a man with a crippled hand cannot pass the physical examination, the two men thought at once that he had probably lost a finger.
"Well; you go back and look at that man's finger; he's a cigarette fiend, and any man that takes the time to roll as many cigarettes as that man smokes, hasn't time to work at anything else. We need men just now and need them badly; but when I see that color on a man's finger, I haven't any use for him."

Mrs. A. R. Tabor of Crider, Mo., had been troubled with sick headache for about five years when she began taking Chamberlain's Tablets. She has taken two bottles of them and they have cured her. Sick headache is caused by a disordered stomach for which these tablets are especially intended. Try them, get well and stay well. Sold by all dealers.

THE SUBJECT BEING COLDS.

A Common Ailment—What to Do and What Not to Do for it.

Bulletin State Board of Health.

With the advent of our first cold weather in the fall a great many fall early victims to "colds." Others will probably soon follow suit. During the winter months it is one of the most common of accidents. It therefore becomes a subject of great interest and importance. The real importance and significance of colds are not as generally recognized as they should be. An ordinary cold, when promptly taken in hand, is usually cured in from two to six days, but not infrequently a "bad" cold (for there are no good colds) leaves behind it relics, the recovery from which may require months or even years. Sometimes a fatal disease finds its beginning in a neglected cold. Pneumonia, pleurisy, bronchitis and consumption itself, frequently follow in the wake of a cold.

But the average reader is interested in just two things concerning colds: First, how to avoid them, and, second, how to cure them. Concerning the first, we may protect ourselves by four lines of defense, as follows: First—Colds are probably "catching," particularly from others, and it is therefore best to avoid intimate association, such as the use of the same drinking cup and towel with people who have colds. Likewise avoid people who have recently had pneumonia, crowds and overheated or badly ventilated places.

Second—Colds may be "caught from ourselves, that is, we may re-infect ourselves, so that a second line of defense is to keep our own mouth, nose throat and tonsils clean and avoid gorging with food or drink, particularly alcoholic drinks.

Third—While a possible germ is one factor, getting our body or any part of our body overheated, or thoroughly chilled is another. Therefore indulge in no careless exposures or permit the body to cool too rapidly when once warmed.

Fourth—Another line of defense is to build up our own physical resistance. This may be done by working and living in the open air as much as possible, particularly at night; careful and regular bathing, moderate eating and daily exercise in the open air if the weather permits.

But even after we have thrown every practical safeguard about ourselves, it still sometimes happens that we take a cold, and then the question of prime importance is how to cure it in the safest way and in the least time. First of all, we should begin early and proceed with heroic efforts to remedy the thing that is causing the cold. For instance, if we get our feet wet, we should take a hot mustard footbath at the earliest moment. This is done by adding a tablespoonful of mustard to two gallons of water as hot as we can bear it on our feet. This bath should continue for 15 to 20 minutes or until the skin is well reddened and tingling. While taking the footbath one should drink from one to two pints of hot water or lemonade. After the feet are dry the feet quickly, go to bed and have applied over the part in which the cold seems to have settled a towel wrung out of cold water, sufficiently dry to not drip, and cover it with several thicknesses of flannel or sheet cotton so as to keep it warm during the night. Take a purge and keep the bowels moving freely for several days by eating fruits and vegetables. Drink water freely. From two to three quarts of water in twenty-four hours is not too much.

If a cold does not yield readily to such treatment, take no chances, but secure medical counsel at once.

A Hero in a Light House.

For years J. S. Donahue, So. HAVEN Mich., a civil war captain, as a light house keeper, averted awful wrecks, but a queer fact is, he might have been a wreck himself if Electric Bitters had not prevented. "They cured me of kidney trouble and chills," he writes, "after I had taken other so called cures for years, without benefit and they also improved my sight. Now at 70 I am feeling fine." For dyspepsia, indigestion, all stomach, liver and kidney troubles they are without equal. Try them. Only 50c at Hennis Drug Co.

Trustee's Sale.

As Trustee, under a deed of trust executed by D. R. Parker and wife to secure a debt of about \$300 to the estate of W. J. Watson, deceased, I will sell to the highest bidder for cash in front of the First National Bank in the town of Mt. Airy, N. C., on Wednesday, the 21st day of January, at one o'clock P. M. 1912, the following described real estate, to wit: a lot of land lying in Mt. Airy township, adjoining the lands of S. M. Inman and the lands of the heirs of W. J. Watson, and others, containing about 1-1/2 acres. This, December 19, 1911. J. M. Hill, Trustee.

DeWitt's Kidney & Bladder Remedy
For Pains, Urinary, Strains.

The Mother of Lincoln.

The obscure and comparatively unknown mothers of men and women of genius form a great multitude of flitting shadows whose outlines and properties are not easy to ascertain. Undoubtedly those unknown mothers must have had strong characteristics, or they could not have transmitted great qualities to their children. It has even been maintained that no great man has ever existed who had not a great mother, whether she was known to fame as great or not.

Mrs. Thomas Lincoln, the mother of Abraham Lincoln, whose maiden name was Nancy Hanks, would have been, under other circumstances and happier ones than fell to her lot in the early part of her married life, a noticeable woman. She was well endowed, and by nature possessed of many excellent qualities. She had a limited outlook in life, but considering her surroundings she was far more intelligent than the majority of these about her, and to her son was indebted for his rare intuitive faculty and his wonderfully developed sympathetic nature.

Dr. Holland says of her: "She had much in her nature that was truly heroic, and much that shrank from the rude life around her. A great man never drew his infant life from a purer or more womanly bosom than her own."

Thomas Lincoln obtained his marriage license in the Washington County, Kentucky Court House. The wedding took place on September 23, 1806, and the ceremony was performed by the Rev. Mr. Head, an itinerant Methodist preacher. The same preacher, who was a cabinet maker in Springfield, Kentucky, preached Mrs. Lincoln's funeral sermon years afterward. The young couple were very poor, but very popular, and among the neighbors at the marriage was Judge Felix Grundy, who subsequently removed to Nashville, Tennessee, and became Attorney-General of the United States.

The mother of Abraham Lincoln is entitled to veneration from every American citizen who loves his country and to whom the fame and glory of his great son is as much a source of pride as much to the mother of Washington, for she was as great and as good a man.

Three years after the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln their only son Abraham was born on the 12th of February, 1809, in a district of Hardin County, Kentucky. She died of that most terrible enemy of the poor, consumption, and left her desolate little boy alone in his misery when only ten years old. He was her only living child and about him centered every ambition of her dreary life.

Mrs. Lincoln taught young Abraham to read and write. Her attention, directed him too much because of the hard work she had to perform, was the sweetest boon he coveted. She encouraged and praised him, and pictured the future that he would make for himself when he grew to be a man. Mrs. Lincoln had a morbid fear of her son growing up in idleness and ignorance and she successfully impressed upon him the necessity of doing some particular task in life, and doing it well.

Had Mrs. Lincoln lived her child's life would have been different, but as it was, she laid sure a foundation in his nature that he owed to her more than to any other human being his finest traits of character. She

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is described as being, at the time of her marriage, a "slender, symmetrical woman of medium stature, and a brunette with regular features and soft, sparkling hazel eyes."

I seems a cruel wrong to deny to Abraham Lincoln's fame the influence of his mother's character upon his own, or to withhold from her that which is her due—the acknowledgement that his best qualities were inherited from her. Had she no other title to homage as the mother of Abraham Lincoln, the one fact that she instilled into him whilst yet a child the traits that distinguish him as a man, and endeared him to his kind, should give her rank with the noblest mothers of America.

Lassoed a Gasolene Barrel.

(New York Times.)
While a bakery at Clovis was burning a cowboy's nerve and accuracy in throwing a lasso prevented the destruction of surrounding buildings, and probably saved the lives of a number of people. He rode his broncho up to within 40 feet of the blazing building, lassoed a barrel of gasolene and dragged it from the flames.

The cowboy, Charles Merritt, had just come in from the range. Seated on his pony, he was watching the blaze, when some one shouted that there was a barrel of gasolene in the building that was likely to explode at any time. The front of the building had been destroyed, and the barrel containing the gasolene was in plain view.

Suddenly Merritt jabbed the spurs into the sides of his mount, released the rope from his saddle, and threw it around the barrel when his pony approached within throwing distance. A shout arose from the spectators as Merritt dashed away from the building, dragging the barrel at the end of his lasso.

Pig on His Lap on Train.

Huntington, Ind., Dec. 27.—Can a pig be classified as baggage was the question which arose on a Chicago, Burlington & Quincy train, with the result that the passengers were regaled with the odors arising from the sack in which the huge porker was carried.

Seventh Husband at 65.

Vincennes, Ind., Dec. 28.—Catherine Carter weds her seventh husband, John Woodrum, 71 years old, a farmer of Casey Co., Kentucky. All of her former husbands are dead. The bride did not know her age, but told the clerk she was about 65 years old.

Notice.

Having qualified as executor of the last will and testament of Milton Flippin, dec., all persons having claims against his estate are hereby notified to present them within 12 months from date, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery and all persons owing said estate are hereby notified to come forward and make settlements. This Nov. 7th 1911. Joseph T. Flippin, Ex. of Milton Flippin, Dec.

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Rev. D. Schneider, who is a well known minister in Rice Lake, Wis., writes: "I had a very severe stomach trouble last year from which I was kept in bed three months. I had engaged the services of a doctor, but to no avail. I then read of Vinol and determined to try a bottle. Before it was used up I was out of bed, and four bottles made me a well man. Vinol is a splendid medicine, and I can gladly recommend it."

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Notice of Sale of Real Estate.

By virtue of the power of sale contained in the last will and testament of George H. Crouse, deceased, I will expose to public sale to the highest bidder upon the terms set forth below, on Wednesday, January 31, 1912, at the hour of one o'clock p. m., at the late residence of the said George H. Crouse, deceased, in Stokes County, N. C., a tract of land known as the home place of the said George H. Crouse, containing about 100 acres, adjoining the lands of G. W. Hunt, E. S. Culler, A. L. Jackson, N. T. Pettitt, Levi Watson and others, being on the waters of Grassy Creek, Surry County, N. C. (Land situate mainly, if not entirely in Stokes county, N. C.) This is a very valuable tract of land and will be first sold in lots, and then as a whole in order to ascertain in which way it will bring the most money.

Terms of sale: One third cash, one third in twelve months, and the other third in eighteen months, with bond and approved security for the deferred payments, bearing six per cent interest from day of sale, and title withheld until the purchase money is paid in full.

A survey of said land will be made before the day of sale, and a plat of same will be shown on the day of sale, showing the metes and bounds of the whole tract, and of the same as cut up into different tracts.

This is the 18th day of Dec. 1911.

Thomas V. Crouse, Ex. of George H. Crouse, S. O. Petree, Atty. for Executor.

Notice.

By virtue of a Deed of Trust executed to me by Fred A. Low and wife Malla Low conveying the property herein after described to secure a debt of Five Hundred Dollars due and payable to R. L. Snow of Surry County, N. C. due and payable 1st November 1st, 1911, and \$500, due and payable November 1st, 1912 and whereas default has been made in the payment of \$150, due November 1st, 1911, which according to the terms of said deed of trust makes the whole amount due and payable November 1st, 1911, and upon application of the holder of the notes, I will sell for cash to the highest bidder in front of The Bank of Mount Airy in the town of Mt. Airy, N. C. on the 27th day of January 1912 at 2 p. m., the following real estate, to wit: Beginning at a black oak on West side of Dobson road W. W. Lovill's & S. Robertson's corner thence East three chains and links to a maple in Lovill's line thence South 12 degrees East seven and 3/4 chains to a white oak; thence South 64 degrees West three chains to a stake; forks of Road; then South 12 degrees West one chain; then South 20 degrees West three chains; then South 12 degrees West five chains; then South eight degrees East one chain to 65 links to a stone on West side of said Road; then West 1/2 chains to Austin Snow's line; then South 50 degrees West about four and 1/2 chains to stake and corner of mill lot; then North 70 degrees West chains to branch; then up branch as it meanders to a S. Robertson's corner; then North 66 degrees East marked line 15 and 1/2 chains to the beginning, containing thirty three and 3/4 acres or less.

This is all of and the tract of land conveyed to A. Low by R. L. Snow and wife E. E. Snow. Sold to satisfy said debt interest and cost of sale. This December 20th, 1911. W. J. Byerly, Trustee.

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