

CONTEMPT CHARGE TO BE INSTITUTED

Attorney Feemster Will Bring Action Against Attorney Medsker.

FAILS TO ENTER REPORT

ON THE ESTATE OF THE LATE JAMES METZ, ALTHOUGH THE COURT ORDERED HIM TO DO SO LAST SUMMER.

Attorney William A. Medsker of Cambridge City, better known as "Bert" will be charged with contempt of court tomorrow morning, in an affidavit, to be filed by attorney A. R. Feemster of Cambridge City, according to the latter's announcement this morning in the circuit court.

The action which has caused Mr. Feemster to announce that he would charge Mr. Medsker with contempt, is the failure of the latter to report to Judge Fox, how accounts stand in the matter of the heirs of James Metz, for whom he is guardian. The American Bonding company, which went on Mr. Medsker's bond and which is for a comparatively small amount, is not satisfied with Mr. Medsker's methods in carrying out his trust, and has employed Mr. Feemster as attorney, to be relieved of its bond.

The case was filed several months ago and Mr. Medsker was ordered by the court to report last June just how accounts stand in the matter of the Metz estate. The report has not been forthcoming and the bonding company is tired of waiting longer.

BASHFUL STANLEY.

His Response to a Speech of Eulogy at a Banquet.

William H. Itideling tells in McClure's Magazine of a dinner of the Papyrus club, Boston at which Harry M. Stanley, the explorer, was the guest of honor:

"Whether he (Stanley) sat or stood, he digested and answered in monosyllables—not because he was unamiable or unappreciative, but because he—this man of iron, God's instrument, whose word in the field brooked no contradiction or evasion, he who defied obstacles and danger and pierced the heart of darkness—was bashful even in the company of fellow craftsmen."

"His embarrassment grew when after dinner the chairman eulogized him to the audience. He squirmed and averted his face as cheer after cheer confirmed the speaker's rhetorical ebullience of praise. 'Gentlemen, I introduce to you Mr. Stanley, who's etc. The hero stood up slowly, painfully, reluctantly, and with a gesture of depreciation, fumbled in first one and then another of his pockets without finding what he sought."

"It was supposed that he was looking for his notes, and more applause took the edge off the delay. His mouth twitched without speech for another awkward minute before, with a more erect bearing, he produced the object of his search and put it on his head. It was not paper, but a rag of a cap, and with that on he faced the company as one who by the act had done all that could be expected of him and made further acknowledgment of the honors he had received superfluous. It was a cap that Livingstone had worn and that Livingstone had given him."

ISLAND COMES AND GOES.

Rises In August and Disappears Regularly in February.

One of Michigan's unsolved mysteries is the island that every summer comes to the surface of Lake Orion and every winter goes back again to the depths from whence it arose.

Its periods of appearance and disappearance are nearly regular. It comes to the surface about the middle of August and goes down again about Feb. 15. What causes it to act thus strangely is a conundrum that none has been able to solve, but to keep it above water or compel it to remain in the depths have been alike without results.

On one occasion a number of farmers and teamsters resolved to put the island out of moving business. In their efforts to do so they hauled many loads of stone and deposited them on it during the early part of winter, believing that when it went down in February it would go down for good, weighted as it was with the stones. But the following August saw it bob up serenely from below—minus its load of stones.

At another time an effort was made to keep it on the surface, and it was chained to the surrounding country with heavy log chains. When its time for departure came it departed, and the log chains departed with it. The log chains were never recovered.

The island is composed of soft mud and rushes, and there are some skeptical souls who attribute its formation and appearance and disappearance to the gathering of vegetation in one spot by the currents of the lake and its subsequent decay.—Boston Herald.

"Window Leaves."

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Retiring Supt. of the Municipal Plant



CHARLES H. ROGERS

WINTER TERM AT COLLEGE OPENED

Prospects Are the Enrollment Will Be as Large as In the Fall.

DORMITORIES ARE FILLED

AND MANY OF THE NEW STUDENTS WILL BE FORCED TO SEEK QUARTERS IN THIS CITY —THE PROSPECTS.

The fifty-first annual winter term opened at Earlham college this morning with good prospects for a large enrollment and an active term. Although but few students are at the college today, a large majority of them will arrive by tomorrow morning, when recitations begin in all the departments.

As has been customary during the past few years, all the students during the fall term, who intend to return, are requested under a penalty of a fifty cent registration fee, to register at the close of the fall term. As a result but few of the students of last term have not signed, which means that most of them will again attend the institution.

Several Registered.

A substantial number of new students are expected to enter for the coming term. This morning several had registered, but the number is incomplete and it will be impossible to learn how many new students will register for several will enter a few weeks after the term begins.

All students who wish to enter Earlham but who have not made application for rooms, will be forced to seek quarters in the city since all the rooms in the dormitories are engaged. Several students at the college last term will room in the city this winter.

The number of students from Richmond is not expected to be increased this coming term.

THE EARLY STAGE.

Boys in Female Parts and the First English Actress.

Not long since a critic, noticing the advent of a new Ophelia in London, observed that, while the actress acquitted herself very well, she could hardly be considered "Shakespeare's Ophelia," which was undoubtedly the case, inasmuch as Shakespeare's Ophelia was a boy, either a chorister or a page in the service of one of the theater's patrons.

No English actress made her appearance before the restoration. On Jan. 3 Pepys records, "To the theater, where was acted the 'Beggar's Bush,' it being very well done, and here the first time that ever I saw women come upon the stage."

But these, it is suspected, were mere "walking ladies." A few days later the dairist went to see a performance of "The Silent Woman." "Among other things here Kynaston, the boy, had the good turn to appear in three shapes—first as a poor woman in ordinary clothes to please Morose, then in fine clothes as a gallant and in them was clearly the prettiest woman in the whole house." He had a year before declared that "Kynaston as Olympia made the loveliest lady that I ever saw in my life."

The distinction of being the first English actress has been variously ascribed to Mrs. Davenport, Mrs. Knipp and Mrs. Davies. They all appeared the same year (1661). Mrs. Davies, together with the principal actresses in Sir William Davenport's company, being boarded in the manager's "own house."—London Strand Magazine.

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TO HOLD ELECTION

CURIOUS GREETED CONVICTED MORSE

Ex-master of Millions Arrives In Atlanta to Serve a Sentence.

HAD TO FORCE A PATHWAY

THROUGH THE CROWDS THAT THRONGED ABOUT THE STATION AND WHICH NEARLY UPSET THE BANKER'S HACK.

(American News Service)

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 3.—Charles W. Morse, whose career was probably the most sensational in the history of American finance, arrived here in the custody of two deputy United States Marshals at twelve-forty-five o'clock. He was immediately taken to the Federal prison in a common hack, where he will serve fifteen years, or practically the remainder of his life.

At the railroad station a big crowd of curious citizens were anxious to get a glimpse of the man who jugged millions and fell from almost absolute control of banks containing hundreds of millions of dollars to prison convict.

It was necessary for his custodians to hold back the throng and force a path through the jam. Little time was lost in hustling Morse into a carriage and driving swiftly away before the crowd became totally unmanageable and nearly upset the hack. At the prison the usual formalities were gone through without anything to indicate that the new inmate was entitled to any special distinction.

TYBURN TREE.

Lord Ferrers' Tragic Journey to the Famous Old Gallows.

Park lane was Tyburn lane, and it seems as if the gallows—described in an old document as movable—at one time stood at its east corner. It was there the ferocious Lord Ferrers was hanged in 1760 for murdering his servant.

Horace Walpole's words paint the picture well: "He shamed heroes. He bore the solemnity of a pompous and tedious procession of above two hours from the Tower to Tyburn with as much tranquillity as if he were only going to his own burial, not to his own execution." And when one of the dragoons of the procession was thrown from his horse Lord Ferrers expressed much concern and said, "I hope there will be no death today but mine."

On went the procession, with a mob about it sufficient to make its progress slow and laborious. Small wonder that the age of Thackeray, with Thackeray's help, set up its scaffolds within four high walls. Asking for drink, Lord Ferrers was refused, for, said the sheriff, late regulations enjoined him not to let prisoners drink while passing from the place of imprisonment to that of execution, great indelicacies having been committed by the drunkenness of the criminals in the hour of execution.

"And, though," said he, "my lord, I might think myself excusable in overlooking this order out of regard to your lordship's rank, yet there is another reason, which, I am sure, will weigh with you. Your lordship is sensible of the greatness of the crowd. We must draw up at some tavern. The confluence would be so great that it would delay the expedition which your lordship seems so much to desire."

But decency—so often paraded by those who outrage it—ended with the murderer's death.

"The executioners fought for the rope, and the one who lost it wept, the greatest tragedy, to his thinking, of the day!"—London Sketch.

GRANTS INJUNCTION

Wilbur and Orville Wright Win First Blood in Court Fight.

CURTISS IS DEFENDANT

(American News Service)

Buffalo, Jan. 3.—United States District Court here announced today that a preliminary injunction had been granted to Wilbur and Orville Wright, restraining the Herring Curtis company of Hammondsport, N. Y. from the manufacture of the present type of Curtiss aeroplane. This means a loss of thousands of dollars to Glenn H. Curtiss, whom the Wrights claimed infringed their patents.

Vindicated.

"Who," asked his wife, directing a suspicious look at him, "was that woman who just bowed to you?"

"I don't know. She must have bowed to you. I can't remember ever having seen her before."

"John, don't lie. You have a guilty look. You and that woman!"

"I beg your pardon," the woman said after having hurried back. "I just want to tell you, Mrs. Wiggin, that I will not have your dress ready to try on until next Monday."

As soon as he could decently break away John hurried into a convenient place and hugged himself four times in rapid succession.—Chicago Record Herald.

A Slurred Effect.

"How do you pronounce 'Les Misérables'?"

"My method is to introduce such topics at dinner and do my pronouncing when I have a mouthful of spinach. It's very helpful to the accent."—London Courier-Journal.

BIG POSSUM FEED AT BETHEL SOON

Seventh Annual Event for the Little Town Will Be a Big Affair.

FOR PATRIOTIC PURPOSE

MONEY DERIVED FROM THESE FEASTS IS USED TO MEET THE EXPENSES OF HOLDING DECORATION EXERCISES.

The seventh annual possum supper of the Bethel Cemetery association will be held at the town hall of that place, Saturday evening, January 15 and the affair promises to have more glories than any of the suppers given heretofore. The proceeds of the affair will be used by the association in the decoration of the graves of old soldiers, who are buried there.

The association knows just what is expected of it and since Thanksgiving has been gathering all the available possums in the vicinity of Bethel until now it has an assortment which will do justice for the occasion. There will be plenty of other meats, such as turkeys, chickens and ducks.

A Profitable Affair.

The association has always found that a supper of this nature is a very profitable affair and particularly so because Bethel is the one place in Wayne county on that date. An attendance of 400 is not unusual. People attend from all parts of Wayne and neighboring counties.

Few are familiar with the fact that the supper is given for a patriotic purpose. During the Civil war, a large portion of Wayne county's recruits were from the Bethel neighborhood and it is in honor of those soldiers who have since died that annually the younger generation of Bethel gives a supper, to raise funds so that the graves of these men, who so bravely defended the cause of the Union, may be decorated. The program of the decoration exercises, which are held the last Saturday in May, is not complete without some notable man to make the principal address. The expense of the celebration is heavy but the large portion of it is made up at the possum supper.



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DEMANDS ARE MADE MARITAL TROUBLE ENDS IN COURTS

Railroad Employees of 75 Systems on Increase in Wages.

75,000 MEN ARE INVOLVED

Cleveland, Jan. 3.—Formal demands upon each of the seventy-five railroad systems east of the Mississippi and north of the Ohio rivers for wage increases were made today by the committees and Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen. Seventy-five thousand men are involved. Railway managers will have until January twentieth to reply. The main feature of the demands is standardization of wages of conductors and their crews. No strike is contemplated, but referendum vote showed practical unanimity in favor of presenting the demands.

WONDERFUL RETRIBUTION.

An Incident of the Workings of Canada's Government Protection.

In September, 1904, two white men entered the Lesser Slave lake country, in the Canadian northwest, ostensibly prospecting for gold. Subsequently the Indians reported that one of the men seemed to be traveling alone, an observer Cree boy adding, "The white man's dog won't follow that fellow any more." The answers given by Charles King of Mount Pleasant, Utah, regarding his lost companion, Hayward, were not satisfactory. King was arrested, and there began one of the most splendid bits of detective work of which Canada has record.

Sergeant Anderson turned over the ashes of a campfire and found three hard lumps of flesh and a small piece of skull bone. In front stretched a little slough, or lake, which seemed a likely place in which to look for evidence. Setting Indian women to fish up with their toes any hard substance they might feel in the ooze, Anderson secured a stickpin of an ounce make and a sovereign case. He systematically drained the lake and found a shoe with a broken eye needle sticking in it. The campfire ashes examined with the microscope yielded the missing part of a needle's broken eye and established unmistakable connection between lake and camp.

The maker of the stickpin in London, England, was communicated with by cable, and the Canadian government summoned a Mr. Hayward to come from England to identify the trinkets of his murdered brother. Link by link the chain grew. It took eleven months for Sergeant Anderson to get his complete case in shape. The mounted police brought from Lesser Slave lake to Edmonton forty Indian and half breed witnesses. The evidence was placed before the jury, and the Indians returned to their homes. A legal technicality cropping up, the trial had to be repeated in its entirety, and once more those forty men, women and children left their traps and fishing nets and came into Edmonton to tell their story.

The result was that Charles King was found guilty of the murder of Edward Hayward and paid the death penalty. The trial cost the government of Canada over \$30,000—all to avenge the death of one of the wandering units to be found in every corner of the silent places, an unknown prospector.—Agnes Dean Cameron in Century.

HEALTH VERY GOOD

Dr. J. E. King, county health officer, stated this morning that the county was practically free of contagion at the present time. Diphtheria at Whitehill still holds prominence with two cases. With this exception and that of Webster township, in which there is one case of scarlet fever, Dr. King reports that the health in the county is very good, so far as contagion is concerned.

A PETITION FILED

The Dickinson Trust company filed petition for administration of the estate of Ed White who died on December 23. The property left by the deceased is valued at approximately \$1,500.

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