

PUBLIC SALE

As I am going to move to North Dakota, I will offer at public sale at what is known as the old Hildebrand farm, six miles south, one mile east and one-fourth mile south of Rensselaer, and six miles northeast of Remington.

Thursday, Jan. 30, '08,
beginning at ten a. m., the following described property:

17 Horses and Mules One team of draft foal to Pashaw, wt 3220, 6 and 7 yrs old; one grey draft mare, 2 yrs old, wt 1200; one black team, 5 and 10 yrs old, wt 2210; one bay draft mare, 4 yrs old, wt 1200, bred to Locke's blue roan colt, one bay draft gelding, 4 yrs old, wt 1200; one brown draft mare, 4 yrs old, wt 1200, bred to Blokey Tom; one team of mules, 2 yrs old, wt 1200; one iron grey draft gelding, 2 yrs old, wt 1100; one black mare, 11 yrs old, wt 1400; one bay mare, 10 yrs old, wt 1200; one black driving gelding, 2 yrs old, wt 980; one bay mare, driver, pacer, 3 yrs old, wt 890; one bay driving mare, 12 yrs old, wt 1150, with foal by Iliff horse; one jack, one yr old, wt 420.

24 head of Cattle Consisting of 9 milch cows—one with calf by her side and three fresh by day of sale and the rest in February; one 3-year-old heifer; one 3-year-old steer; one thoroughbred Hereford bull, 3 years old; one Hereford bull, 2 years old; one 2-year-old heifer; 9 calves—2 heifers and 7 steers.

69 head of Hogs 24 head of shoats, 100 to 125 lbs.; 38 head of fall pigs; 6 head of brood sows, will farrow in March; one thoroughbred Poland China boar.

Eight Head of Sheep.

15 3/4 tons of Timothy Hay.

Farm Implements Two 16-inch Racine satiny sulky plows, nearly new; one 14-inch gang plow; one 14-inch walking plow; one riding Brown cultivator; 2 walking Brown cultivators; one 3-foot spading disc; one disc seeder 7-ft cut; one McCormick mowing machine; one McCormick hay rake; one 7-ft McCormick binder with trucks; one steel roller; one 3-section harrow; one Black Hawk corn planter and 10 rods of wire; one feed grinder; 2 sets of burs; one narrow tire wagon; one pair of hay and hog racks and wagon box combined; one road wagon; one top buggy; one spring wagon; one single shovel plow; one fanning mill; one grind stone; one cream separator; one wind mill 32-ft high; two galvanized water tanks; one cook-stove; one new piano, purchased new last year; household goods and other articles not mentioned.

Terms Sums of \$10 and under cash in hand; sums over \$10 a credit of 11 months will be given without interest if paid when due; if not paid when due 8 per cent interest from date. No property to be removed until terms are complied with.

W. B. Stover

Fred Phillips, Auctioneer.
C. G. Spitzer, Clerk.
Louis Stover, Hot Cunch.

Big Public Sale.

Having decided to quit farming I will dispose at Public Auction at my residence 1 1/4 miles east of the Salem school house, 1 mile West of the Lamason Bridge and 8 miles Southwest of Rensselaer in Newton t.p., at 10 o'clock a. m. on

Friday, January 31, 1908,

6 HEAD OF HORSES—Consisting of 1 Brown Mare twelve years old, wt. 1850; yearling Brown Filly; 1 Bay Colt 7 months old; 1 Brown Mare 8 years old, wt. 1100; 1 Brown Mare 12 years old, wt. 1100; 1 yearling Mare Colt.

4 HEAD OF CATTLE—Consisting of 1 Milch Cow 7 years old, fresh in May; 1 Cow seven years old, fresh in April; 1 Red Cow 3 years old, fresh in April; 1 Cow 13 years old, fresh in March.

15 HEAD OF SHOATS wt eighty pounds each.

IMPLEMENT, W.A.—Consisting of 2 two horse Wagons; 1 Spring Wagon; 2 Buggies; 2 sets Work Harness; 1 ten-foot Harrow; 1 eighteen-foot Flexible Harrow; 1 Riding Cultivator; 1 Walking Cultivator; 1 Every Riding Cultivator; 1 three-horse Riding Sulky Breaking Plow; 1 single shovel Plow; 1 Sulky Plow; 1 six-foot McCormick Mowing Machine; 1 ten-foot Hay Rake; 1 Hay Rack; 1 four-horse Disk; 2 Corn Planters and wire; 1 Endgate Seeder and Box; 1 Hand Corn Sheller; 2 Iron Kettles; 1 good service six-hole Range Cook Stove; 1 round Oak Heater; Chicken and Wire Fences; 6 or 8 Swarms of Bees and Boxes; 1 Kraut Kettle; Lard Jars; Crocks and Jars; Canned Fruits; Carpet, Household and Kitchen Furniture, and many other articles too numerous to mention.

Terms—A credit of 12 months will be given on sums of \$5 and over with usual conditions; 6 per cent off for cash where entitled to credit.

W.M. BRINGLE.

Fred Phillips, Auctioneer.
Benj. Harris, Sr. Clerk.
Hot Lunch on the Grounds.

PUBLIC SALE

As I have decided to quit farming, I will offer at Public Sale on what is known as the Jesse Gwin farm, 8 miles east and one mile north of Rensselaer, one mile east and 2 miles north of McCosby, 6 miles south of Francesville, one mile east and 2 miles south of Pleasant Grove, or

Wednesday, January 29, 1908,

Beginning at 10 a. m., the following described property:

6 head of Horses 1 black mare, coming 6 yrs old, wt 1250, broke single or double; one bay mare, 11 yrs old, wt 1100; one bay horse, single driver, lady drove, coming 9 yrs old, wt 1000; one bay stallion horse, coming 4 yrs old, wt 1150, broke to all harness; one brown horse, coming 7 yrs old, wt 1100.

8 Head of Cattle Three milch cows, one Hereford, coming 6 yrs old, with calf by her side; one thoroughbred Jersey, coming 7 yrs old, will be fresh in spring; one good cow, giving milk, coming 4 yrs old, one Jersey heifer, coming 2 years old, be fresh soon; one 2-year-old heifer with calf; 2 heaving heifers; one yearling steer.

34 Head of Hogs weight from 40 to 150 lbs. Consisting of 8 brood sows, 4 Poland China brood sows, 4 red brood sows; one Poland China boar; 25 head of shoats.

Farm Implements One wide tire wagon good as new, with triple box; one narrow tire wagon with triple box; one narrow tire wagon with triple

The End of a Practical Joke

By EDWARD EVERETT HORTON

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"If you will keep quiet and act like a rational being, my dear," I say, somewhat impatiently, to my young sister, "I will read the letter again.

Listen: "Havana, Jan. 20.—My Dear Daughter:

It is with great gratification that I am able at last to accurately determine the date of my departure from this city for my beloved Maryland home, which, I am happy to say, I hope never to leave again.

My business affairs in South America have terminated far more successfully than I had expected, and if, on my return, I find my charming daughters and all my friends enjoying half as good health as I do, then shall I be happy indeed.

"The three—what became of them?" say I, leaning forward, rather pleased with the narrator's voice.

"Of the three, one was left on a desert isle, having become crazed after days and days on the sea in an open boat."

"P. S.—In my wanderings in South America I came across a very fine—

Here I stop reading. There is a blotted word on the paper which I cannot make out. Lillian, my sister, is quieting down somewhat, looks over my shoulder to assist in solving the knotty problem.

"—whom I call the Cherub, and as he is a splendid specimen, I intend bringing him with me. Send Jackson to the station late in the afternoon."

"FATHER."

"Joy! joy!" cries the irrepressible Lillian, clapping her hands and hugging me. "After all these years he is coming home. Oh, how thankful I am!"

Gently I disengaged my sister's arms from around my neck and wipe away tears of joy.

"God has been very good to us," I say, impressively, "ever since mother died. Let us thank him for it."

Taking the letter from my hand, Lillian essayed to read the blotted word, finally uttering a little cry of vexation. "What can it be?" she says again and again, and her persistence causes me to look up.

"Oh," I say, carelessly, "probably some native of the jungle—a mulatto boy, perhaps; or maybe it's a dog."

Silence again for a full minute.

"Rose," says Lillian, solemnly, weighing each word, "are you blind? Do you not recall what a practical joker father is?"

I readily yielded this point. No jollier man ever lived than Henry Fairfax, is the comment of those who know him; and I have had reason to remember many of his tricks.

"It's as plain as day. The Cherub, as father calls him, is an ugly, mischievous, peace-destroying, tantalizing monkey," says Lillian, dwelling on the syllables of the adjectives to give them proper weight, "and that blot on the paper is made purposely to set his 'charming daughters' to guessing. So there!"

I sink back in my chair, perfectly aghast and unnerved.

"What! a monkey in this house, known of all homes for its order and nicety; a monkey here to pull Rover's tail and to frighten Aunt Chloe out of her wits; to tear the feathers out of the parrot's tail and to kill my pet canaries, to say nothing of ruining—yes, ruining—my roots and bulbs in the hothouse; a monkey in this house to—to—to—"

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"It is the night before father's arrival and all is in readiness for his coming. To bed and to sleep we finally go—Lillian to dream of the incidents of the morrow and I to dream of him who is coming o'er the sea, my mind gradually wandering off to one who went down at sea some ten years ago, due primarily to my cruel and heartless refusal of his earnest suit for my hand."

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