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FITNESS OF MEMBERS.

Character the Best Credential. A Fact Sometimes Overlooked. The Order of Patrons of Husbandry is primarily and chiefly an organization of farmers and their families...

THE GRANGE SECRETARY.

An Important Office and One on Which Success Depends. There are three offices in the subordinate grange that must be filled by competent and faithful officers...

GRAFTING FRUIT TREES.

Methods So Simple That Any Boy Can Practice Them. Many appear to think that grafting, or inoculation, as budding is often called, has, like vaccination, in the animal subject, in some mysterious way the power to so change the nature of the tree that it will bear better fruit than before...

The cuttings, or clons, or grafts, demand as much care in their selection as if they were young trees to be planted. They are usually cut in autumn, after the leaves have fallen...

Some methods of grafting are quite difficult, but the two most in use are very simple and every boy can practice them. The cleft is the most simple and the most common. The cion is cut with a sharp knife, in the form of a wedge...

Crown grafting differs in cutting the cion upon one side only, to form a half wedge. The bark of the stock, it being cut off as before, may readily be lifted with a wedge of iron or hard wood thrust between the bark and wood...

A Protective Hitching Strap.

Many horses while standing tied in the street or elsewhere show an irrefragable desire to gnaw the post, rail, tree or other object to which they may be hitched.



SECURE HITCHING STRAP.

The ordinary tie-rein, which keeps the horse at a safe distance, and effectually protects the tree or other object from his teeth. It consists of a piece of hard wood board, two feet long and as many inches wide, with a hole an inch from each end through which the tie-rein is thrust.

The Zebra Cross.

Consul-General Guenther, at Frankfurt, Germany, sends an interesting report to the State Department on the efforts and experiments which are being made to obtain an efficient cross between the horse and the zebra.

One of the essentials of soil is a fertile soil.

ALASKA'S FARMS

Offer Great Opportunities for Industrious Home Seekers.

Fine Crops Grown There—Cattle and Sheep.

"If the American farmers of the Middle Western States who are emigrating to the Northwest Territory and Alberta in search of new and fertile agricultural lands for settlement only knew the vast and varied agricultural possibilities of Alaska, they would go to that country instead," said Gov. John G. Brady, of Alaska.

Gov. Brady talked much of the agricultural possibilities of the country of which he is the chief executive officer. For the last fifteen years he has had his own garden at Sitka and he takes much pride in the success which has uniformly attended his gardening operations.

"We hope to be able to make a display at St. Louis," said he, "which will do justice to the possibilities of the district, and if we are only able to do that we will open the eyes of the farmers of the Mississippi Valley with wonder. Emigrating farmers, instead of leaving the United States by thousands every year to go to Canada, will start going to Alaska in large numbers instead."

"There is no longer any question that all the hardier grains, grasses and vegetables can be grown in many parts of Alaska with both success and profit. The experiments which have been conducted in the district by the Agricultural Department and the observations made by the department's representatives leave no doubt as to the adaptability of large sections of the district for agricultural operations."

"A great many instances have come under my observation from year to year which prove that both farming and gardening can be successfully prosecuted in Alaska. Last year a Mr. Swinehart, who lives at Fort Selkirk on the Yukon River, almost under the Arctic circle, raised eleven tons of potatoes on a small piece of ground. This spring he took nine tons of them to Dawson, where they sold for 15 cents a pound, or \$1350 a ton.

"Three years ago last fall the schooner Laurada, Nome, bound from Seattle with a cargo of horses, cattle and sheep, was wrecked on St. George's Island, one of the islands of the Friblof group in the Behring Sea, some 200 miles north of the Aleutian chain. The men on board succeeded in getting the animals ashore and they wintered there on wild grasses without other food. The following summer the sheep were taken away and some of the cattle became very fat and were butchered. The rest of the cattle and the horses are still there and have never, since they landed, had any other food than that which they sought for themselves."

"This is but one of many similar instances. Reports have come on the best of authority of horses turned loose in the fall by prospectors in the Interior who were out of forage, and living through the winter, or in some instances for two or three or more winters, and becoming wild on the range. The Russians brought specimens of small Russian cattle to the country years ago and descendants of these are still to be seen at Afognik and other places, and in many cases they are permitted to secure their own food through the winter seasons. Sheep on Kadiak Island have wintered season after season on the grass they could secure for themselves."

"The action of Congress last winter in extending the homestead laws to Alaska has done a great deal to promote the agricultural development of the district. That action has already started a movement of hardy prospective agriculturists into the country. A number of farmers have gone into the Copper River country this season with horses, implements and supplies and are now raising crops for the supply of the mining camps in that region. Many Scandinavians are settling in Alaska, and they seem especially fitted to meet the conditions demanded of farmers in that latitude."

In no other way can the farmer so radically do the work of Nature to his advantage as by using tile; for under-drainage both lengthens the seasons and deepens the soil.

Deer are Decreasing.

An Anomaly of the Northern Pennsylvania Forests Explained.

With more than a week of deer season gone, during which scores of gunners have taken to the woods, one hears of but very few successes. Indeed, it was Thursday before the first report of a deer being killed was received. This one, a splendid doe, was that in the Eddy Lick region of Clinton county. Local hunters are free to confess that deer are becoming scarcer every year. As black bear increase, deer diminish. Twenty years ago it was the other way—black bear were scarce and deer comparatively plentiful.

Gunners are convinced that the scarcity now noted is nothing more nor less than the gradual extinction of deer in this section. Unlike the bear, deer do not stay in a section that has been denuded of its heavy timber. "Slashings" are too open for the timid creatures.

Men who predicted in the late summer that few deer would be shot this fall based their calculations upon observations made in the Billmeyer deer park near Washingtonville. Among the more than 100 head of deer that Mr. Billmeyer has there but a dozen young ones were born. There is a strong sentiment that the shooting of deer should be entirely prohibited for at least five years. Unless this be done the men who favor it say deer will be practically extinct in another ten years.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of a writ of F. Fa. issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County, Pennsylvania, and to me directed there will be exposed to public sale at the Sheriff's Office at the Court House in Bloomsburg, Pa., on

SATURDAY, DEC. 12, 1903, at two o'clock p. m. All the following piece, parcel or tract of land situate in Hemlock township, Columbia county, Pennsylvania, beginning at a stone in line of land of Richard Ivey, thence by same north fifty eight degrees west nine and seven tenths perches to a post; thence north six degrees west six and six tenths perches to a point on bank of head race; thence ten and one fourth degrees east two and five tenths perches to a stone; thence north sixty degrees east seven and four tenths perches to a stone in public road leading from Bloomsburg to Buck Horn; thence north twenty-three and three quarters degrees east fourteen and two tenths perches to a stone; thence north seventy nine degrees east one and six tenths perches to a corner near a spring house; thence north three degrees west one perch to a stone; thence south fifty-two and one half degrees east two and four tenths perches to a stone; thence south seventeen and three fourths degrees west five and one tenths perches to a stone; thence south two and three fourths degrees west eight and six tenths perches to a stone in the public road; thence south seventy-two degrees east eleven and one tenth perches to a white oak; thence along land of Mary B. Mendenhall south fifty degrees west twenty-one perches to a stone, the place of beginning. Containing

TWO ACRES AND NINETEEN PERCHES,

whereon are erected a STEAM and WATER POWER GRIST MILL, known as the "RED MILL" and three dwelling houses with out-buildings, together with the reserved rights and water rights as set forth in a certain deed of conveyance to William Ivey, dated 28th day of May, A. D. 1851, recorded in Deed Book No. 28, at page 411, etc., together also with the seven acres of land containing the dam or reservoir of said water power as described and conveyed to I. W. McKelvy by William Ivey and wife, by deed dated 14 day of September, A. D. 1882, recorded in the office of the Recorder of Deeds in the county of Columbia aforesaid in Deed Book No. 37, at page 354, etc. The land above described being the same (inter alia) conveyed to the said Davenport by Geo. W. Steiner by deed dated 1st day of April, 1899 and recorded in the Recorder's office of said Columbia county in Deed Book No. 67, at page 529.

Seized, taken in execution at the suit of Warren F. Goff vs. L. John Davenport, and to be sold as the property of L. John Davenport. POWELL, ATTY. DANIEL KNORR, Sheriff.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an alias writ of F. Fa. issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County, Pennsylvania, and to me directed there will be exposed to public sale at the Sheriff's Office at the Court House in the town of Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania on

SATURDAY, DEC. 12, 1903, at two o'clock p. m. All that certain message, tenement and tract of land situate in the village of Aristes, Conyngham township, county of Columbia and state of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows to wit: Adjoining land of Isaias Kreischer, the Lutheran Church, Sylvester Fahlinger, fronting on the public road leading from Catawissa to Centralia, whereon are erected a

TWO STORY FRAME DWELLING HOUSE AND STORE

building, barn and other out-buildings. Seized, taken in execution at the suit of Jane Robbins use vs. Charles Mase and to be sold as the property of Charles Mase. DANIEL KNORR, Sheriff. C. A. SMALL, W. H. RHAWN, ATTY'S.

LICENSE APPLICATION.

Notice is hereby given that the following named person has filed with the clerk of the Quarter Sessions of Columbia county their petition for license, which will be presented to said Court on Monday, Dec. 7th, 1903 at 10 o'clock a. m. Joseph Treffer, residence Centralia Borough. Hotel in a house situate in the First Ward of Centralia Borough on the west side of Locust Avenue, bounded on the north by lot of Michael O'Connell, on the east by Locust Avenue aforesaid, on the south by lot of the Goldworthy estate and on the west by an alley and owned by Mary Dyke. C. M. TERWILLIGER, Clerk of C. C. S. Bloomsburg, Pa., Nov. 17, 1903.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the following accounts have been filed in the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County and will be presented to the said Court on Monday, December 7th, A. D. 1903, and confirmed nisi, and unless exceptions are filed within four days thereafter will be confirmed absolute. First and final account of Wm. Chrisman, guardian of the estate of Rachel C. Kile, late of Sugarloaf township, deceased. Prothonotary's Office, C. M. TERWILLIGER, Bloomsburg, Pa., Prothonotary, Nov. 11, 1903.

REGISTER'S NOTICES.

Notice is hereby given to all legatees, creditors and other persons interested in the estates of the respective decedents and in the estates of the following administrators, executors, guardians accounts have been filed in the office of the Register of Columbia county, and will be presented for confirmation and allowance in the orphans court to be held in Bloomsburg, Monday, Dec. 7, 1903, at 2 o'clock p. m. of said day.

- No. 1. First and partial account of Margaret Grimes, administratrix of the estate of H. H. Grimes, late of Montour twp., deceased. No. 2. First and final account of Levi Singler, administrator of estate of Daniel Singler sr., late of Beaver twp., deceased. No. 3. First and final account of Lorinda C. Smith, administratrix of estate of Eliza Arrington, late of Greenwood twp., deceased. No. 4. First and final account of K. L. Lemon, administrator d. b. n. c. t. a. of estate of Philip Wilson, late of Fishingcreek twp., deceased. No. 5. First and final account of S. M. Kitchin, administrator of estate of Daniel S. Kitchin, late of Fishingcreek twp., deceased. No. 6. First and final account of J. H. Stiller and H. E. Knorr, executors of the estate of Henry A. Knorr, late of Montour twp., deceased. No. 7. First and final account of C. S. Shultz, administrator of estate of Harry Shultz, late of Madison twp., deceased. No. 8. The account of Annie M. Siker, guardian of Flora A. Lloyd B. and Joseph A. Siker, minor children of John B. Siker, late of Bloomsburg, deceased; final as to Lloyd B., but first and partial as to Joseph A. Siker. No. 9. First and final account of Fred Brink, executor of estate of John G. Brink, late of Sugarloaf twp., deceased. No. 10. First and final account of J. Bruce Hess, executor, estate of Dosta Appelman, late of Benton Borough, deceased. No. 11. First and final account of J. H. Welliver, administrator of estate of Elizabeth Welliver, late of Benton twp., deceased. No. 12. First and final account of J. H. Welliver, administrator of estate of Jacob Welliver, late of Benton twp., deceased. No. 13. First and final account of Anna M. Lockard, administratrix of estate of Abram Lockard, late of Briarbrook twp., deceased. No. 14. First and final account of Chas. M. Kline, administrator of estate of Solomon Lohby, late of Cleveland twp., deceased. No. 15. First and final account of Hannah George, administratrix of estate of Jeremiah George, late of Franklin twp., deceased. No. 16. First and final account of W. S. Fisher, executor and distributor of estate of Milton D. Mastie Jr., late of Milton twp., deceased. No. 17. First and final account of Calvin E. Remaley, administrator of estate of David Z. Remaley, late of Centre twp., deceased. No. 18. First and partial account of John C. Crisman, administrator of estate of Anna M. Freas, late of Briarbrook twp., deceased. No. 19. First and final account of James T. Fox, administrator of estate of Isaac Kitzinger, late of Beaver twp., deceased. No. 20. First and final account of A. H. Edgar, guardian of Sarah A. Albertson, a weak-minded person, late of Benton Borough, deceased. No. 21. First and partial account of David P. Smith, executor of estate of John H. Smith, late of Briarbrook twp., deceased. No. 22. First and final account of Ira H. McHenry, guardian of Mary Z. Parker, minor child of Francis M. Parker, late of Jackson twp., deceased. No. 23. Fourth and partial account of I. W. McKelvy, executor of estate of William McKelvy, late of Bloomsburg, deceased. No. 24. First and final account of Otto A. Wolf, executor of estate of Catherine Coleman late of Mt. Pleasant twp., deceased. No. 25. First and final account of P. C. and W. S. Lautbach, administrators, estate of I. K. K. Lautbach, late of Benton twp., deceased. No. 26. Second and final account of Andrew Graydon, executor of estate of William Graydon, M. D., late of Bloomsburg, deceased. No. 27. First and final account of Alice Gingles, administratrix of estate of Thomas H. Gingles, late of Madison twp., deceased. No. 28. First and final account of C. W. Nugent, administrator of estate of Wm. Nugent, late of Berwick, deceased. No. 29. First and final account of C. W. Nugent, executor of estate of Nancy Nugent, late of Berwick, deceased.

J. C. RUTTER, JR., Register. Register's Office, Bloomsburg, Pa., Nov. 7, 1903.

WIDOWS' APPRAISEMENTS.

Notice is hereby given that the following Widows' Appraisements will be presented to the Orphans Court of Columbia County on Monday, December 7, A. D. 1903, by the clerk of said court, and confirmed nisi, and unless exceptions are filed to same within four days they will be confirmed finally. Estate of Lafayette Trivelce, late of Centre township, deceased. Personalty \$499.92. Estate of James M. Rote, late of Millville Borough, deceased. Personalty \$200.00. Estate of Henry Webb, late of Hartingcreek township, deceased. Personalty \$399.95. Estate of Samuel L. Benninger, late of Beaver township, deceased. Personalty \$175.25. Estate of John Hancock late of Benton Borough, deceased. Personalty \$200.00. Estate of B. F. Gilton, late of Greenwood township, deceased. Personalty \$28.00. Hearty \$282.00. Estate of Samuel Nuss, late of Milton township, deceased. Personalty \$300.00. Clerk's Office, C. M. TERWILLIGER, Bloomsburg, Pa. Nov. 11, 1903. Clerk C. C.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

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SATURDAY, DEC. 12th, 1903, at two o'clock p. m. All that certain piece, parcel and lot of land situate in the Borough of Centralia, in the county of Columbia and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows to-wit: Beginning at a point on the east side of Locust Avenue; thence extending south on said avenue twenty-five feet, thence running east one hundred and forty feet to an alley; thence along said alley north twenty-five feet; thence west one hundred and forty feet to the place of beginning, and being the lot which is marked on the map or plan of said town with the No. 4, in Block No. 74, and being the same premises which David Walsh and wife and C. G. Murphy and wife conveyed to said Charles Fetterman by deed dated Sept. 25, 1892, and where on is erected a

TWO STORY FRAME DWELLING HOUSE.

Seized, taken in execution at the suit of Caroline Fetterman vs. Charles Fetterman, and to be sold as the property of Charles Fetterman. DANIEL KNORR, Sheriff. CLINTON HERRING and KNAWS, ATTY'S.

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