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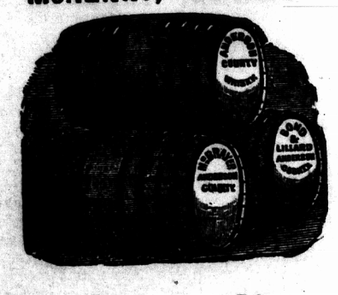

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C. P. BARNES, ATTORNEY.

ESTATE of Wealthy Sherman, deceased. The undersigned having been appointed executor of the last will and testament of Wealthy Sherman, deceased, late of the county of McHenry and State of Illinois, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the County Court of McHenry county, at the Court House in Woodstock, at the December term, on the first Monday in December next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 21st day of September, A. D. 1888.

SAMUEL S. SHERMAN, Executor.

Executor's Notice.

ESTATE of William Watts deceased. The undersigned having been appointed Executrix of the last Will and Testament of Wm. Watts deceased, late of the county of McHenry and State of Illinois, hereby gives notice that she will appear before the county court of McHenry county, at the Court House in Woodstock, at the Dec. term on the first Monday in Dec. next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated, 8th day of Oct., A. D. 1888.

SALLIE WATTS, Executrix.

SOLDIERS' DEPARTMENT.

Edited by WM. H. COWLIN,

—WOODSTOCK, ILL.—

"To care for him who has borne the battle, and for his widow and orphans."—LINCOLN.

"Friendship, Charity, Loyalty—Worthy sons of Patriot Fathers."

G. A. R. Directory.

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Meets the second and fourth Tuesday evenings of each month.

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Meets the second and fourth Monday evenings of each month.

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Meets every Second and Fourth Friday evenings of each month.

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Post meets every second and fourth Saturday evening in G. A. R. Hall, Main St.

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Along the Skirmish Line.

Which shall it be? Comrade Ben Harrison the brave volunteer or Grover Cleveland who sent his proxy.

Don't let it slip your memory that Grover Cleveland spent Memorial Day catching fish instead of Memorial services.

October 10th a monument to the memory of Gen. John Bedel was dedicated at Bath, N. H.

It is said that the profits on General Grant's memoirs already amount to $411,000.

The W. R. C. propose to flood Congress with petitions and letters urging the passage of the army nurse bill.

The Indianapolis soldiers' monument, at Indianapolis is progressing finely.

J. B. McPherson, of Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, sent a box of fine jellies to the Veteran's Home, at Waupaca, Wisconsin,

Brass bands and drum corps to the number of 146 took part in the parade of the Grand Army at Columbus in September.

Charity Rusk Craig, National President of the W. R. C. is a daughter of Governor Jerry Rusk of Wisconsin.

The fifth annual re-union of the soldiers and sailors of Kansas, was held at Topeka, October 1—2—3—and 5 and was a most successful affair.

Comrades remember that Ben Harrison was a tried and true soldier, going to the front in person, instead of sending a proxy.

Soldiers when you cast your vote on November 6th for president, remember it was Joe Brinsky who went into the army and not Grover Cleveland.

Remember poor old Joe Brinsky who was unfortunate enough to represent Grover Cleveland in the war, who afterwards permitted him to die in the poor house, while he was faring sumptuously every day, and occupying the highest place in the land.

A monument to the memory of the rebel general, Lee, is to be erected in the city of Richmond, Va. The corner stone of the monument was laid last year. It is expected that the statue will be ready in about two years.

General William F. Rogers superintendent of the State Soldiers' and Sailors Home at Bath, Steuben county, N. Y. proposes to purchase an organ for the new chapel by one dollar contributions from the Grand Army Posts in the State of New York.

Mayor Ames, of Marshalltown, Iowa, sent a handsome gold-headed cane to Comrade D. F. Walton, the veteran who broke his cane over the head of Thomas Walton, an Englishmen, who was so un-American as to call comrade Walton a pauper.

It is said that the twenty-sixth North Carolina, of the Confederate army, went into the battle of Gettysburg with over 800 men. The losses were as follows: Killed, 86; wounded; 502; missing, 120; total, 708. Leaving less than one hundred men to tell the tale.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted by the last National Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps: "The sixth National Convention, W. R. C. have voted to inagurate the establishment of a Relief Corps where our aged and homeless soldier's widows and mothers, army nurses who served on the battle field and in hospitals, and other classes of women allied by ties of blood and service to the Union veterans, shall receive permanent shelter and support. They respectfully solicit the sanction and support of the twenty-second annual encamptment, G. A. R., in this important work."

A poor afflicted colored soldier, former member of company E, sixty-fourth United States Colored Infantry, fails to get a pension because he can not find his old comrades who can testify as to facts. They were Willis McKinney, David Wells, Thomas Faust and Walter More. Will the G. A. R. take up the case.

The following is a list of the National cemeteries in Georgia, Alabama and Tennessee, their location, name of their superintendent, and number of Union soldiers buried who are known and unknown:

Andersonville, Ga.—J. M. Bryant, Supt
Known, 12,799; unknown, 923. Total.....13,722
Knoxville, Tenn—James McCauley, Supt.
Known, 1,195; unknown, 2,109 Total.....3,155
Chattanooga, Tenn—John Trindle, Supt
Known, 8,037; unkown, 4,963. Total.....13,000
Pittsburg Landing, Tenn—I. S. Doolittle, Supt
Known, 1,234; unknown, 2,362. Total.....3,596
Memphis, Tenn—C. P. Rogers, Supt
Known, 5,163; unknown, 8,118 Total....13,981
Nashville, Tenn. (Madison P. O.) A. Hyde, Supt.
Known, 11,832; unknown, 5,701. Total...16,433
Stone River, (Murfreesboro), Tenn, Thomas Frame, Supt
Known, 3,811; unknown 2,334. Total 6,145
Fort Donelson, Tenn. (Dover P. O.) A. Hyde Supt.
Known, 158, unknown, 511. Total.....669
Mobile, Ala.—L. B. Gould, Supt
Known, 746; unknown, 114. Total.....860

Aggregate..... 91,699

How a Prisoner of War Regained His Liberty.

Colonel Musser relates an interesting incident of army experience, says the St. Louis *Republican*, which occurred while he was in command of the post of Washington, Arkansas, in the summer of 1864. The story as related is told by a Federal officer, a prisoner in camp, to Capt. James T. Otey, of the eighth Missouri infantry. The Captain was playing the part of the hospitable host toward his guest and prisoner, through the medium of a couple of tin cups and a jug filled with home made whiskey, clear as crystal and uncontaminated by excise tax. Lieutenant Boren was a Federal officer in an Ohio regiment, and had fallen into the hands of Dick Taylor about the time of Bank's Red River expedition. Becoming weary of captivity and disgusted with Confederate rations, he planned with several of his fellow-prisoners a scheme by which one at least, of their members might make his escape. Whisky poker was played to determine which one should be given the first chance to escape. Lieutenant Boren won. In accordance with the scheme agreed upon, he feigned death, was buried in a shallow grave, and succeeded in making his resurrection after the departure of the Confederates and his companions. The deserted grave was discovered during the day by some loiterers about the camp and the ruse "dropped onto," and reported to the commandant at Marshfield, La., who immediately set a [illegible] was struck all these but one were called off. This one continued the pursuit, and at the end of the third day overtook and treed the Lieutenant in the dense woods near Washington, Ark. The hound guarded the tree for three days and three nights, until the soldiers, who took their time in the pursuit, came up and again took charge of the well-nigh starved fugitive.

Extract from Young Bayonet Points on what he knows about war and pensions:

"And at once a howl goes up that he is antagonistic to the soldier's interests, these howling partisans forgetting the fact that he has signed more pension bills than any three of his predecessors since Lincoln. Such misrepresentations are damnable."

We proved the utter falsity of the above not long ago, and requested Young Bayonet Points to tell his readers how many pension bills Grover had vetoed—but he has remained silent on all war matters ever since. We give below another sample of what Grover does for the old veterans. How does it suit you young fellows?

"Mrs. Ann Butterfield, of Nashua, N. H., whose claim for pension the presideht vetoed upon the ground that there was no proof that her son was in the service of the country when he lost his life, has been a life-long resident of Nashua, is 88 years of age and in needy circumstances. Her only son, Lieutenant Augustus A. B. Butterfield, served his country long and faithfully in the Second Illinois Cavalry, and lost his life in 1865 on the ill-fated Sultana, on which he and a large number of his comrades were passengers on their way home from the war. It is believed that he was mustered out of the service a few hours before he came to his death but whether he was in the service or out of the service at the known moment when the boiler of the Sultana exploded matters not; his aged mother, whose only child he was, and who gave her all to her country, is entitled to the respect and support of this government. Of all the cruelties that Mr. Cleveland has inflicted upon his country's defenders and their dependents none are more heartless and cruel than his veto of this claim"

[We were very near the Sultana when hundreds of our former comrades in prison were hurried into eternity, and know of several cases like the one quoted.]

"Here's Your Overcoat."

In 1863 Charles B. Davidson, the son of Lyman Davidson, a rather prominent business man of this place, left here, writes a St. Louis correspondent, accompanied by a sister, and located in Western Missouri, their mother having previously died. Shortly after their arrival at their. Western home young Davidson enlisted in the Union army, and in 1864 visited his father at Adrian on a furlough. He reached the city in the night, and the next day repaired to the Lake Shore car shops, where he knew his father was employed. The old man greeted him affectionately, and after they had enjoyed a short conversation the son said suddenly:

"Here, father, take my overcoat; I'll be back in a minute."

But the boy did not return. He learned through other members of the regiment, that his boy had returned to the army and that he served with honor and safety to the end of the war but although he wrote repeatedly, no line of explation was ever heard from the youth. After the war all trace of him was lost. Once, thirteen years ago the father saw an account in a newspaper of the drowning of Charles Davidson in the Pacific wreck, and did not doubt that the ungrateful boy had thus met his punishment in the form of a violent death.

The other day, however, a traveling man dropped from a train and accidentally ran across a resident there who called himself Charles Davidson, had been in the army, and had spent his boyhood in Adrian.

"My father's name was Lyman, said he."

"He is still alive. I know him," said the drummer.

"What! My father alive!" was the exclamation of the astonished Ann Arborite.

"My father alive? Why I wrote him more than a hundred letters when I was in the army and never got an answer. I thought he must be dead.'

"Oh, there can't be any mistake about it; he's very old but still alive and well,"

The son had some doubt, but his visit to Adrian last Sunday assured him that the drummer had been the bearer of truthful tiding, for the father and son met once more after a separation of twenty-four years.

Mr. Davidson, the younger, is foreman in the Ann Arbor *Courier* office and superintendent of the City Electric Light works, and is an excellent and respected gentleman. He is now forty-seven years old, and his father is eighty-two. They had lived in adjoining counties for many years, and but for the drummer's chance conversation with the son would still be unknown to each other.

"Here's your overcoat," said the old man at their recent meeting. "Did you not come back for it?"

"I received a telegram commanding me to return to my regiment at once and go to the front. I had only time to catch my train, and although I tried to send word to you I know so few people that I could not do it. I had to go without saying good-by to you, but comforted myself with the recolection I could write, but you did not get my letters."

Queer People.

This is the title of the latest, and by all odds the most charming book for little people we have ever seen. Its fables, or stories are simply incomparable, but the illustrations are immense.

The author, Palmer Cox, is a new star in the juvenile firmament, but he shines with unique brilliancy. His charming fables rival those of the famous Æsop, and he far outshines that celebrated literary comet by his inimitable illustrations. He dresses up his birds, animals, insects, giants, faries, goblins, etc, in grotesque style and makes them reason, talk, dance, and cut up the oddest pranks imaginable, affording infinite delight, as well as excellent instruction to the young. The issue of his book, "Queer People," has brought a perfect ovation of praise from the brightest men in the land. Gen. Clinton B. Fiske says: "It has set my children wild with delight," and Col. Russell H. Conwell, the famous lecturer, says: "Don't send me another such a book, for I can't get my children to bed."

The famous statesman, diplomat and wit, Sunset Cox, says: The Kweer Kapers are simply incomparable," while the distinguished theologian, Dr. Howard Crosby says: "They have the fascination that belongs to Æsop and Uncle Remus, and the venerable poet, Dr. Oliver Wendall Holmes, writes: "I am sorry that I have not a nursery full of little folks to enjoy its bright pictures and stories.

Æsop's fables are enjoyed by old and young and are quoted by the greatest orators, and surely these equally charming stories, so profusely and charmingly illustrated will charm young and old for generations to come.

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