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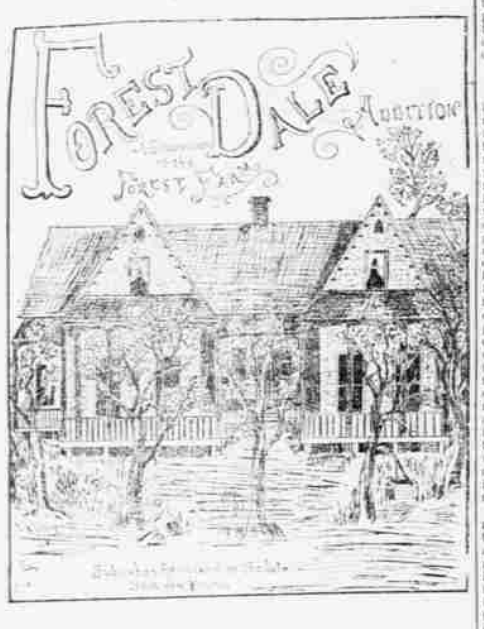

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WON'T BE FOOLED WITH.

SO SAYS FAIRCHILD HOUSE CIRCLE ABOUT GROUND HOGS.

The subject of ground hog came up for discussion at a meeting of the Fairchild house circle the other evening, said Judge Ben Wright. "I had a little experience myself with a ground hog when I lived in Woodhull that set me to thinking that it wasn't well to try any experiments on them. One summer a cheeky chap of a groundhog set up shop in a clover field of mine and was a tour story nuisance with a mansard roof. He defied all my efforts to induce him to die or leave the country. I was reading in my newspaper one evening, after a long day's work binding and stacking wheat, and came across an item that pleased me. It was about a man down in Jersey who had hit on a plan to ameliorate the condition of farms suffering from ground hog. He had found that by catching a turtle and tying a ball of candle wick, soaked with kerosene oil, to its tail, touching a match to the ball, and then putting the turtle into the ground hog's hole, the turtle would roam the corridors of the burrow, trailing its fire ball along with it, and strike such terror to the hearts of the ground hogs resident therein that they would rush with wild panic for the surface. All the farmer had to do was to stand on the outside and knock the ground hogs on the head as they came out.

THE FIRE BALL TREATMENT.

"After reading the item I felt I had that big chunk of squealing pest of mine at my mercy at last. I could hardly wait till morning. I wanted to go out and get a turtle so bad, put the kerosene and candlewick uniform on him and start him out on the campaign against that ground hog. Before 8 o'clock I had the whole thing fixed, and, arming myself with an ax, went over to the ground hog's hole. I put the turtle at the mouth of the hole and lit the oil soaked ball I had tied behind him. It blazed up like a small bonfire, and the turtle, frightened at the sight, dived into the hole like a chipmunk, and by and by disappeared with the ball of fire into the depths. I leaned myself at the side of the hole, raised my ax in the air, and smiled grimly as I thought of the vengeance I was soon to wreak on the destroyer of my peace and chicks. I stood there about ten minutes, and no ground hog appeared. Then I began to be uneasy with doubt, and as my arms were aching with holding the avenging ax in the air so long, I let it down on the ground and leaned upon it.

"I have reason to believe that the ground hog was only waiting for that moment, for I had scarcely unarmed myself, as it were, when the ground hog popped out of the hole like a flash—and it was a flash, for he had the string that had tied the blazing candle wick to the turtle tightly in twixen his teeth, and the dazzling firebrand was sailing along after him like a kite after balloon. Away the ground hog tore, straight for my wheat field, where the golden grain was stacked in pictoric sheaves. In less than three minutes he had touched the torch, which was to have lighted him to his death, to my gleaming wheat stacks, and that edge of Steuben County saw such a bonfire as never lit up its hills before or since. I believe it was the firm intention of the ground hog to set fire to my house, too, but the candle wick exhausted itself before he reached the dwelling, and all I had to remember the genius of the development by was the ashes of my season's wheat crop. I gave a mortgage on chunk deal of the clover field to the ground hog on the spot, and the last I heard from him was

DON'T TRY THE TREAT.

"I don't know much about ground hogs myself," remarked Third Rose, the landlord, "my experience with heads of lettuce and redoubts of the forest and field having been entirely with cooing, but I had a friend that lived back of Penn Yan who ran against a ground hog once and had an experience with it that, actually if a man was lying, he couldn't tell of one half as queer. My friend used to say, in telling about the ground hog experience of his, that a ground hog looked like a church mouse, but he's smarter than a mustard plaster. I never had the best idea in the world of trapping for ground hogs, but every time the friend of mine met me he seemed to be under the impression that I was about to engage in that sport, for he always began at me something like this:

"'Don't you ever trap for ground hogs? In the first place, if you catch your ground hog you won't know what to do with it, for the skin is no good and the meat will spell soap grease. In the second place, you will never catch one. You will only risk your trap if you do try to catch a ground hog. For the chances are that the sly old cuss will come out and spring the trap by hitting the pan with a stick or tossing a stone on it, and then lug it off a mile or two and bury it.'

"Then this friend of mine would relate what happened to him in trying to rid his farm of a ground hog that had been especially annoying. He had set a trap for it, and the ground hog had hitched to him two or three times that it didn't want the trap around his diggings by carrying it away half a mile and hanging it on a bush. But my friend thought he knew more what was best for that ground hog than the patiently pestering animal did itself, and he kept right on setting the trap on the very threshold of the ground hog's home. One morning he went to look at the trap, and when he was within a hundred yards or so of the hole he saw the ground hog dragging the trap by its chain off across the field in the direction of my friend's barn.—*Ex.*

WEALTHY PEOPLE.

SOME OF THE REASONS WHY THEY ARE TO BE PITIED.

Frequently I have expressed my pity for rich people. My pity was renewed last night when a gentleman said: "My wife and our children are to go abroad next week."

"You've only just got back from Europe," I said, by way of surprise and interrogation.

"Yes, but my wife is just killing herself. Every morning, before she sit down to breakfast, there are from five to a dozen men and women at the house, telling pitiful stories of rent overdue, of hunger and what not. My wife cannot turn them away with 'no;' she has neither strength nor time to investigate each case, and she usually gives them what they want. But she knows that such giving is bad. She is so besieged by this circle of beggars that she must go to Europe. It's pretty hard," he added, with a sigh; "she've been separated but little since we were married; but I don't see any other way but to close the house, and for them to go to Dresden and for me to go boarding." I wanted to tell the generous man that if he and Mrs. Openhand would send the mendicants to me I would investigate and report to them; that I could save them several thousand dollars a year and the necessity of going over the ocean to escape the cry of poverty, but I thought it would seem impertinent, and I desisted. But Mr. and Mrs. Openhand ought to have strength of will as well as generosity of heart. I know that such generous and unwise people do more to promote poverty than many a secretary of some associated charities can do to cure poverty.—*Chicago Advance.*

A curious package was shipped by express from Jacksonville to Baltimore. It was a small white casket, with silver trimmings, containing the embalmed remains of Paris, a valuable dog which died at the Hotel Placide.

STANLEY'S CAUSTIC TEMPER.

HOW HE RECEIVED THE AGENT OF A LARGE PUBLISHING HOUSE.

"To say that Stanley's temper is caustic," a gentleman in a big New York publishing house said, "is putting it mildly. I went across the ocean to see Stanley in the interest of our house, hoping to get something from him for publication, and I went to him with an offer that ought to have made any man feel proud. It involved the payment to him at once of a very large sum of money and the subsequent payment during three years of a great many thousand dollars in quarterly installments. It meant a very large fortune to the explorer, and though I knew that everybody had been after him, I felt rather glad to have the opportunity of offering him so good a thing. I found a man with white hair, a colorless face, and a mouth the expression of which cannot be described by any other word than bitter. He listened to me with an air of forced politeness, then he said it was a curious thing that people did not know that he had already made arrangements for everything he could write for the next five years, and after that he made a few comments on the manner in which people bored him with propositions to write and lecture. He finished after a few sarcastic remarks, rose and said that he hoped that I would consider our interview satisfactory, made a short bow and drifted out of the room. He seemed to regard my interview as a piece of impertinence, and his manner was so magnificent that I had actually put on my hat and walked for a mile before I had discovered that I had forgotten to lay before him the many points which I had thought of on my way across the water. I returned the following morning for this purpose, but the explorer could not be seen.—*Ex.*

Americans and Mustard.

"Have you ever noticed," inquired an observant young man with whom I was lunching the other day, "how few Americans eat mustard?"

I confessed a lack of study in that direction, and he continued:

"In England mustard is the great national condiment. An Englishman will never eat beef, bacon, ham, or steak without it, and many of them season mutton with it. An English tramp to whom you gave an unseasoned beef sandwich would stop and ask you for mustard before he commenced to devour it. With Americans it is different. They never take mustard with beef, and rarely with anything else, but how it is very fat ham. Americans deluge their meat with hot Indian and other sauces, but they let mustard alone. My proof, say you? My proof is right here. Examine every mustard crock in this restaurant and you will find that its contents might have been mixed ten years ago, for they look as old as Methuselah and smell twice as musty. I don't believe that there's a restaurant in this city that uses a pound of mustard a week."—*Chicago Journal.*

Self-Immolation in India.

How difficult it is for the English government in British India to eradicate certain features of murderous superstition still prevailing among the Hindoos recent reports from Calcutta again sufficiently prove. As is well known, there existed and was frequently participated in in old India the rite of sacrificing one's own head to appease the wrath of the gods or to gain everlasting bliss in a trice. This so-called Kamal-sadhia sacrifice is now forbidden under English rule. Yet only lately a whole Bania family in Joynar has immolated itself to the Ganganti divinity. It appears that the oldest son of the house first beheaded his parents, his brothers, three brothers-in-law and two sisters, and then, after placing the eleven heads in ghastly array before Ganganti's image and depositing with them a written declaration of their voluntary self-sacrifice, committed suicide by drowning in a well.—*Baltimore Sun.*

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Cottonwood	William Parsons
Fairview	John C. Dewey
Grover	James Jensen
Star Valley	C. D. Carter

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Brigham City, 3rd Ward	
Brigham City 4th Ward	John Hansen
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Honeyville	
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North (Brigham City)	Tom Harris
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Snowville	A. Goodliffe
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Enterprise	J. N. Hall
Milton	Lemon Newham
Morgan, North	O. H. Anderson
Morgan, South	Charles Turner
Peterson	John A. Wade
Porterville, East	J. H. Porter
Porterville, West	Samuel Carter
Richville	A. D. Dickson

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Beaver, 1st Ward	C. D. White
Beaver, 2nd Ward	J. X. Smith
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Minersville	Jas. McKnight

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Bountiful, West	J. H. Grant
Bountiful, East	Chester Call
Centerville	Aaron B. Porter
Farmington	J. M. Secrist
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Kaysville, Second Ward	Daniel Harris
South Hooper	Edwin Parker
South Weber	David S. Cook

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Clarkston	John Jardine
Cornville	J. C. Larsen
Card (Canada)	John A. Wood
Hyrum	S. M. Moles
Hyde Park	Robert Daines
Lewiston	W. H. Lewis
Logan, 1st Ward	B. M. Lewis
Logan, 2nd Ward	Henry Ballard
Logan, 3rd Ward	Robert Davidson
Logan, 4th Ward	Thomas X. Smith
Logan, 5th Ward	Wm. Hyde
Logan, 6th Ward	A. L. Schankey
Logan, 7th Ward	Isaac Smith
Mendon	Henry Hughes
Millville	George O. Pitkin
Newton	Hans Funk
Paradise	Samuel Oldham
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Richmond	W. L. Skidmore
Smithfield	G. L. Farrell
Trenton	J. B. Jardine
Wellsville	Wm. H. Maughan

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Cassia County, Idaho.

WARDS.	BISHOPS.
Oakley	John L. Smith, Jr.
Marion	Adam G. Smith
Spring Basin	Enoch R. Dayley, Sen.
Albion	Wm. T. Harper
Elba	Thomas Taylor
Imo	Thomas O. King

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Emery County, Utah.

WARDS.	BISHOPS.
Castle Dale	Henning Olsen
Ferron	F. Olsen
Huntington	C. Pulsipher
Molen	L. S. Beach
Emery	C. Christensen
Orangeville	Jasper Robertson
Price	Geo. Frandsen
Cleveland	Samuel N. Alzer, P. E.
Lawrence	Calvin W. Moore
Spring Glen	Heber J. Stowell
Castle Gate	William Lamph, P. E.
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Juab County, Utah.

WARDS.	BISHOPS.
Eureka	Robert Gillespie, P. E.
Levan	Niels Aagard
Mona	John Rienke
Nephi, 1st Ward	William H. Warner
Nephi, 2nd Ward	David Udall
Wellington	Thomas Orgill P. E.

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WARDS.	BISHOPS.
Factory	John Covington, P. E.
Glendale	R. J. Cutler
Johnson	W. D. Johnson, P. E.
Kanab	L. C. Mariner
Lee's Ferry	W. M. Johnson, P. E.
Moccasin	C. Heaton, P. E.
Mt. Carmel	H. B. M. Jolly
Orderville	H. W. Esplin
Pahreah	
Graham (Ranch P. O.)	G. D. McDonald
Fredonia	

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Maricopa County, Arizona.

WARDS.	BISHOPS.
Alma (Mesa P. O.)	O. M. Stewart
Lehi	T. E. Jones
Mesa	E. Pomeroy
Pagaro (Lehi P. O.)	Daniel P. Jones
Nephi (Mesa P. O.)	Samuel Openshaw

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WARDS.	BISHOPS.
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Fillmore	Thomas C. Callister
Holden	David H. Stevens
Kanosh	J. Hopkinson
Leamington	Lars N. Christiansen
Meadow	Hyrum B. Bennett
Oak Creek	Peter Anderson
Scipio	Thomas Yates

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WARDS.	BISHOPS.
Plymouth	Myron J. Richards
Portage	Enoch Harris
Washakie	

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Cherry Creek	Thomas A. Davis
Malad City	Geo. Stuart
Stoddarville (Am. Falls)	Wm. Neeley
Rockland	Isaac Thorn
Samaria	Jonah Evans
St. John	James P. Harrison