



In the Supreme Court of the State of California. John H. Hill, vs. John W. Haskin. Petition for Rehearing

San Francisco: Published by Women's Union Print 1871

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IN THE SUPREME COURT

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

JOHN H. HILL,

vs.

JOHN W. HASKIN.

Petition for Rehearing

H. F. CRANE,

Of Counsel for Resp^dt.

SAN FRANCISCO :

Women's Union Print, 424 Montgomery Street.

1871.

First edition.
Octavo. 6pp.
Original printed
wrappers. Light
dust-soiling to the
wrappers else very
good. Laid in are
two letters from
Roger Levenson
to Roby Wentz
dated in 1959 and
1962 with details
of his research on
the Women's Co-
Operative Printing
Office.

The product of one of San Francisco's earliest women-run print shops. In 1868 Agnes Peterson founded the Women's Co-Operative Printing Union (WCPU), it was later taken over and run by Lizzie G. Richmond, who relocated printing operations permanently to Montgomery Street. The WCPU was an extremely important marker in the history of women printers as it was operated by women and staffed primarily with women. Levenson, *Women in Printing* 72. OCLC locates two copies (Yale and California Historical Society). [BTC#432045]

2246 Bancroft Way
Berkeley 4, Calif.
23 January 1962

Dear Roby:

Herewith the missing proof - sorry; makes me mad, too, when someone forgets an enclosure. Anyway, this comes from having too many things on your mind, having it turn to water, freeze and then things - ouch - really slip your mind. Anyway (again), this is made from the original woodcut as an electro.



If memory serves, the menage shown above was at 21 First St., SF. Of course, you now see that our lady was involved with a firm well-known to you other historians of the art in California. Lawton says that Hicks-Judd was going long into his time. I frequently see business books and ledgers and hotel registers with the firm names thereon, as in the cut.

I wish to emphasize again that I am groping far and wide for all leads on this outfit. I have discovered quite a few books (hardbound) done by the ladies, but my absolute favorite* (and tops in all Calif. titles for my dough) is:

ONE OF THE CUNNING MEN OF SAN FRANCISCO; or,

WOMEN'S WRONGS:

Being

SKETCHES FROM THE DIARY OF

A NEGLECTED WIFE

S.F. WCOPU, 424 Montgomery St., 1869

Now, sir Roby, that's a GAS!

Cerrio,

Boggs

*Every line of type diff. too!

Dear Roby:

Checked the State Library's reference file in Sacramento for your women's printing companies but found nothing. Here's some stuff from San Francisco city directories, though:

1869: "WOMEN'S CO-OPERATIVE PRINTING UNION (Incorporated) office 424 Montgomery."

1875: "Woman's [sic] Publishing Co., book and job printers, Mrs. A. M. Slocum, supt., 605 Montgomery"

"Women's Co-Operative Printing Union, Mrs. L. G. Richmond, supt, 424 Montgomery"

Full page ad for Co-Op says additionally: "BOOK, CARD AND JOB PRINTING NEATLY AND PROMPTLY EXECUTED. PRINTING IN SPANISH A SPECIALTY."

or Mrs. Slocum

1876 - no listing for W's Pub. Co., but same as above for Co-Op

1882: "Women's Co-Operative Printing Office, Mrs. L. G. Richmond & Son~~s~~ proprtrs, 424 Montgomery"

"Richmond L. G. & Son (Mrs. Lizzie G. Judd and William P. Richmond) proprtrs Women's Coöperative Printing Office, 424 Montgomery"

"Richmond-Judd Lizzie G. Mrs, (L. G. Richmond & Son) r. Oakland"

"Slocum Amanda M. , book and job prntr. 612 Clay, r. 115 Sutter"

1892 - No Women's anything but CTU, etc.
No Mrs. Slocum

No Wm/ Richmond or Mrs. Richmond-Judd but maybe there is a connection with:

"Judd Norris A. , president, The Hicks-Judd Co., 23 First, r. Oakland"

Ah yes -- going further -- ad for Hicks-Judd Co. ~~xxxxx~~ in same directory says: "Successors to Hicks & Judd, Bookbinders and Women's Co-operative Printing Union."

As I'm sure you know, H-J was one of the leading book printers & binders here. The ad has a cut of the building, and the signs say (above first floor) Women's Cooperative Printing Office (second floor) Book Binders (third floor) Hicks & Judd, (fourth floor) Hotel Register Co. (a subsidiary of H-J) Don't know what you're doing with ~~this~~ this, but it's a nice little wood block, and I'll be glad to have a glossy photo-stat of it made for you.

So much for detective work in the city directories I happen to ~~have~~ have. We'll look in the Historical Society files for more data.

- over -

I have a feeling that Mrs. Amanda Slocum is known something about.
Edna Parratt (Mrs. Rogers)* is at Route 1, Box 149, Carmel.

Yrs. Sundayly,

Run

Apr. 19, 1959

(* I.e. — Mrs. Rogers Parratt)

↑
This is an asterisk.

Mr. Roby Wentz
Western Printer & Lithographer
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Los Angeles 28, Calif.