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The Creditors of "Mammy" Pleasant

Ask to Have Her Declared In-
solvent.

Mary E. Pleasant, the old colored woman, better known as "Mammy" Pleasant, who has for years wielded such powerful influence over Mrs. Teresa Bell, widow of the late Thomas Bell, has been forced into insolvency. A petition was filed in the Superior Court yesterday asking that she be adjudged an insolvent debtor. Among the petition creditors are the following, who hold claims against her for the sums opposite their names: Charles Brown & Son, \$101 30; Julius Dietrich & Co., \$65 25; The J. Dewing Company, \$101 85; W. E. Chamberlain Jr. \$75; M. Seligman, \$280; Mary A. Farrer, \$264; Isaac Livingston, \$299 99; Conrad Herman, \$1200; Thomas R. Hobson, \$1237. The creditors allege in their petition that Mrs. Pleasant deeded a valuable piece of property in Sonoma County to Mrs. Bell in order to avoid paying her just debts.

The atmosphere is so clear in Zululand that, it is said, objects can be seen by starlight at a distance of seven miles.