PURSUIT OF PELTS

RECKLESS HUNTERS DO GREAT HARM IN LOUISIANA.

Build Fires to Drive Out Game and Destroy Pasturage and Property-Exterminating Animals.

The demand for furs has caused an invasion of southern Louisiana by hunters in search of minks, raccoons, 'possums and even rabbits which threatens to exterminate these animals as effectually as the millinery hunters have exterminated the water fowl of the gulf coast, says the New York Sun.

The ravages of the bird hunters were so great as completely to annihilate, intwo seasons, four varieties of terns pecultar to Louisiana. One of these varieties was killed entirely for its tail feathers, which furnished a very handsome aigrette.

The Audubon society finally interfered and secured from the legislature protection for non-game birds which they did not previously enjoy; and this has stopped the slaughter, but not until several species had been completely exterminated.

The energy of the fur hunters is likely to lead to similar hostile legislation, if not by the legislature at any rate by the police juries or governing bodies of the several parishes. The hunters have been far more active than usual this year, and for the first time are hunting possums for their skins.

There is no particular objection to their killing the animals, except from the negroes, who regard them as great delicacies; but the manner in which the hunters have carried on the work has been such as to arouse a great deal of indignation and to invite prohibitive laws.

The coon is particularly fond of fish and shrimps, and as a consequence the swamps, marshes and prairies on the gulf coast are filled with them, and make a splendid field for the hunters. The population of this region is composed mainly of fishermen, who do not hunt, and when the fur hunters started in this year they found a pig business awaiting them.

Unfortunately, they have tried to do it on too large a scale. The Louisiana coast is covered with a coarse grass, frequently five and six feet high, and when this is set on fire the coons are driven out and can be shot like pheasants in a preserve.

. The prairies have been fired in all directions by the hunters. The result has been to cause heavy losses to the stockmen who feed their cattle in these prairies and to the lumbermen and the fishermen.

In Vermillion parish, which has over a million acres of this prairie, the fires started by the fur hunters have destroyed nearly all the winter pasturage of the cattle, and the injury to the stockmen will mount up to the hundreds of thousands of dollars. The police jury has prohibited coon hunting in the parish as a consequence.

The police juries of all the coast parishes are likely to take action similar to that of Vermillion, not in order to protect coops and rabbits, but to protect the inhabitants against the recklessness of the fur hunters. But for this action these animals, now probably more abundant in southern Louisiana than in any other part of the country, would be wiped out this year.

The recent raid on the coon, 'possums and mink is due to the great domand for furs and the destruction of fur-hearing animals in the northwest The price paid for pelts is so good that the hunting of boone and 'possums is highly profitable, and a good hunter makes from \$5 to \$25 a day.

It is more profitable than shooting ducks or other game. The carcages are thrown away after being skinned, or else they are converted into oil. They furnish lubricating oil worth 60 tule a gallon, and a good sized coon all yield nearly half a gallon of oil.

Coun skins have been selling for several years, bringing from 20 to 90 cents. 'Possum alins have naver been sold in this region before the present goverlet was robe! While the interest year, but are now in demand at from was or its height, a beinted breakfester It so 24 course, and even rabble skins bride 2 cubin aplece.

out value, but in the last few months I took the liberty of helping myself to an there has been a demand for squir- extra cover of from there!" rels' tails. The minks have always been in demand, but they have been few until recently.

Thibeten Women.

As if nature had not been unkind enough, the Thibatan woman heightens her pullcose by smearing her face with a horride black oil ment to keep her skin from cracking in the dry wind. Her cress is not very different from her hug-Plastered down with butter from the a sunburst of small braids, to which is fastened a great fan-chaped headdress fulling to the hem of her garments. It words the issue by countless devices, cloth, joined horizontally by iron bands, perjury to legal evasion; but, by hook, accumulations of sand. It is proposed to malachite heads, stiver coins and tiny and nobody cares. In New York city betan woman is the sound of her goinga soft, melodious tinkle, belying the gro- ished. Very recently a merchant went tesqueness of herface.

FREAK COINS HAVE GONE.

Few of Those Issued by The Covers ment for Special Purposes Now Remain.

Recent mention of the disappearance of the \$2.50 gold piece from circulation and the premium this coin commands as a curio have set many to rummaging in old pocketbooks and the bottom of cash boxes and drawers in search of odd or out of date coins. Some have found a two dollar piece, but not many, says the Portland Oregonian. The two dollar piece, once quite common, but always a sort of curiosity, is oftener found, and many have specimens of the little gold coins representing 25 and 50 cents, which were not minted by the general government and probably have not so much gold in hem as they represent. They used to pass as coin, but were never in general circulation, being so easily lost that they Isoon became scarce.

One of the handsomest coin relics stamp of 1799. It is larger than the present \$10 gold piece. The owner has it hung in a band and wears it as a charm on his watch chain. The owner says he refused an offer of \$150 for this relic. The old octagonal \$50 pieces were quite common in California in early days, when gold dust was largely used as a circulating medium. They were made of pure gold, and while they had not the elegant finish of the gold coins minted by the government in those days, many still remember them as the handsomest coin they ever saw. Many people now would consider them handsome on account of the \$50 in them.

TELLS HOW TO TAME LIONS.

Panish Woman Has New Theory About Controlling Wild Animals -Her Sensational Feat.

The terrible tragedy which was enacted in a lion's den near Berlin has revived the question as to whether a lion tamer can ever hope to die a natural

At the present time Miss Ella, a Danish woman lion tamer, is giving a sensational exhibition at the Royal Music hall, Holborn, with seven African lions, says a London dispatch to the Chicago Inter

She concludes her performance by throwing away her whip, lying down on the stage, and putting her head and arm in the mouth of the large African lion. Siegfried, who killed a keeper in the Vienna zoological gardens four years

In an interview Miss Ella said she was not at all nervous in the den, and had handled wild beasts since she was eight years old.

"Nearly all accidents which happen to tamers," said this daring young woman, "are caused by forcing lions to do tricks against their will, instead of letting them rest until they get into a good temper, but fatal accidents are very rare.

"It is an old belief," added the lady tamer, "that it is necessary to look wild animals straight in the eyes, but this is a great mistake, as it makes the lions savage. I always turn my back on them, and have no fear of their turning on me."

CHOST WAS A GENUINE ONE.

But a Breakfast Table Explanation Calmed a Woman's Mind-Curious Experience.

Most ghost stories are susceptible of natisfactory explanation as the incident recorded as transpiring at a country house. A young woman guest at a house party had been thrilled with deiclous horrors by thics of ghosts and nobgoblins told by cortain of her felow guests about a generous fire just before they separated for the night. The next morning she appeared at the when present to explain her reason for color, finally contented that she was alraid to sleep under that coof another mant. She said that about midnight she was awakened by the sounthy ster Jow the coverlet of the bed, There was no hallucination about it, for the napoured and remarked gentalty: "How old it was must night. Knowing that Squirrels have heretofore been with- the room next to mine was unoccupied,

HONOR AND TAXES.

The American Chinen's Attitude Toward His Bebt to the State-Perjury in New York.

"The high average citizen is best seen through when he is confronted by the tax collector," says Frederick Trevor Hill, in Livery body's Magazine. "If a perband's. Her crowning clory is her hair! sonal tax law' stands on the books, iniquitous in his working and burgasseme part to the cars, it goes of heblad into be ond bearing, he does not set himse to obtain its repeal. That might involved attendance upon primaries. He rather is of spreading strips of red and thue which go all the way from downright and ornamented with countless coral and or by crook, he does not pay the tax, hells. The one poetic thing about a Thi- perjury is the rule rather than the excaption, and scarcely anyone is puninto a blind neo with a male c miles a

The Flag of Victory.

The thirteen Stars and Stripes was tri umphant at Saratoga in 1777, also in the War of 1812, Mexican War, Civil War and Spanish War. With such a record our flag has been truly called "The Flag of Victory. On account of the unequalled record of cures made by the famous Hostetter's Stomach Bitters it has also been truly named "The leader of its class." In fact, it is so safe and reliable that prominent physicians all over the country neaer hesitate in recommending it to their most delicate patients, knowing from past experience that if a oure if possible the Bitters will affect it. A single bottle is all that is necessary to convince you of its value in cases of indigestion, dyspepsia, constipation, biliousnees or malaria. Be sure to try it.

Judge Bellinger says Miss Birdseen is a \$10 gold piece bearing the mint ie McCarty must accept \$6000 from James D. Heryford instead of the \$10,000 which the jury allowed her for breach of promise, or he will order a retrial of the case.

> H. Randolph attempted to escape from the rock pile in the outskirts of Portland, June 16, and was brought down by a guard shooting him in the knee.

Startling Evidence.

Fresh testimony in great quantity is constantly coming in, declaring Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds to be unequalled. A recent expression from T. J. McFarland, Bentorville, Va., server as example. He writes:"I had broughitis for three years and doctored all the time without being benefited. Then I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery, and a few bottles wholly cured me." Equally effective in coring all Lung and Throat troubles. Consumption; Pneumonia and Grip. Guaranteed by Slocum, Druggist. Trial bottles free, regular sizes 50c, and \$1.00

A. Sunderland, who runs a saloon in Portland, is under arrest because he allows his wife to tend

Of 45 applicants for pharmacy licenses before the last meeting of the state board, 26 passed.

That Throbbing Headache.

Would quickly leave you, if you used Dr. King's New Life Pills. Thousands of sufferers have proved their matchless merit for Sick and Nervous Headaches. They make pure blood and build up your health. Only 25c, money back if not cured. Sold by E. J. Slosum, Druggist.

WOMEN IN HIGH POSITIONS.

Many Are Forging to the Front in Various Lines of Business and Labor.

One of the largest railroad corporations in this country has decided that the female stenographers in its employ will not be allowed to qualify for promotion, nor shall they be eligible for Its pension list. This is a sweeping decision, and probably represents sentiment other than that of the corporation, says the Bultimore American. Fifty years ago no one imagined that a woman could be a stenographer, and the idea of their catering the ranks of men to compete in behaler brain work would have been regarded as ridiculous. It cannot be and that they have conquered every branch of endeavor, but they have done wonders in the third of a century, and they may even distinute the prejutre of this western valiway corporation store the half of the present century is

The r won for their exclusion may one from the employer. The negrossvances of women has in a number of inancer had to combinations of their fellow male workers against them-a kind of self-defense a ovement which can scarcely be criticized severely, for the woman have probed the men out of some occupations which formuly lylonged to them exclusively. The majority of cierieal ruliroad positions can burdly be said to be beyond the capacity of bright, brainy women; the management, howover, may have inferred that those solected for the higher offices are often drawn from those chrical departments, and there have been notable instances of such cases.

To Restore the Sphinx.

A project is on foot in Alexandria for restoring the Sphinx, near the Great Pyramid of Chizeh, to its original condition. Thick layers of soll completely cover the head of the monument, while clear all these accomulations away and to clean the head completely. When the work has been completed the Sphinx will once more appear, if not in its first freshness, at least in the grandeur of its original proportions.

For Second Entry.

The Secretary of the Interior has just issued a circular to the Registers and Receivers of the public land offices throughout the country construing the act of congress approved April 28, 1904, permitting persons who have heretofore made homestead entry under the homestead laws and who are unable to perfect their entries on account of some unavoidable complications of his personal or business affairs, or on account of an honest mistake as to the character of the land, and where he made a bona fide effort to comply with the homestead laws, and did not relinquish his entry or abandon his claim for a consideration, to take another homestead entry.

The Secretary in his instructions the Registers and Receivers of the land

"The first section of said act allows any person who has heretofore made a homestead entry and was unable to per fect the same on account of some unavoidable complication of his personal or business affairs, or on account of an honest mistake as to the character of the land to make a second entry, provided it be shown to the satisfaction of the commissioner of the general land office that he made a bona fide effort to comply with the homestead law, and that he did not relinquish his entry or abandon his claim for a consideration.

"Section 3 prohibits the commutation, under the provisions of section 2301 Revised Statutes, of an entry made under 4th, 1904. U.S. Land Office, The Dalles, Oregon, June 95-100 this act. You will be careful to refuse all applications made to commute such entries."

Reduced Passenger Rates.

The O. R. & N. Co. will make the following low rates to the following places: Baptist Young People's Union of America, International Convention, De troit, Mich, July 7-10; Annual Meeting Grand Lodge Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Cincinnati, Ohio, July 23-28; Imperial Council Ancient Arabic Order of Mystic Shrine, Alantic City, N. J., July 13-15; National Encampment Grand Army of the Republic, Boston, Mass., August 15 20; Knights of Pythias National Encampment, Louisville, Ky., August 15, 1904.

The following rates are from Heppner. To Detroit, Mich., and return, \$73 90; to Cincinnati, Ohio, and return, \$71.65; to At'antic City. N. J., and return, \$85.65; to Boston, Mass., and return, \$86.95; to Louisville, Ky., and return, \$70 65.

For further information as to dates of sale, stopover privileges, etc, call on or address J. B. Huddelston, Local Agent, Heppner, Oregon.

Elmer Oliver, of Pittston, Pa., sues Miss Elizabeth Alspaugh for \$5000 for breach of promise.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATOIN.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, LAND Office at The Dalles, Oregon, June 13, 1964 Notice is hereby given that the following condesenter has a educative of her intention to make host proof in support of her intention to the manual that maid proof will be made before awar traceous, county clerk, at Mespher, regon, on July 28, 126, 122;

ELLA L. BEANNON,

one of the helrs and for the heirs of Mary the dervised, of Heppiner, Origon, H. E. No. the names one following witnesses to prove or continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, vist I. S. Young, I. H. Jones, M. & Fuqua and J L. Switt, an of Klahe Mile, Oregon, 16-84 MICHAEL V. NOLAN, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. Public Land Sals (Isolated Tract.) COTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT IN porsuance of instructions from the Cominstance of the increase land Office, under
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public sale at this office, at the hour of 10 rant of land, to-wit:

wise their rights will be forfeited.
01 ANNE M. LANG, Reclever.

MICHAEL T. NOLAN, Register. U. S. (and Office, The Dalles, Oregon, June

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned administrator of the estate of S. C. Farmer, deceased, has filed his final account with the County Court of Morrow County, Oregon, and that Monday, the 1st day of Angust, 1994, at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M. at the County Court count in the Courthouse at Happyner, Oregon rooms in the Courthouse at Heppuer, Oregon, have been fixed by said Court as the time and place for the hearing of said account and the final settlement of said estate

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H. A. YOCOM,

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Public Land Sale (Isolated Tract.) Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of ustructions from the Commissioner of the Geninstructions from the Commissioner of the General Land Office, under authority vested in him by section 2155. United States Revised Statutes, as amended by act of Congress approved Fabruary 25, 1895, we will proceed to offer at public sale at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m., on the 29th day of July, 1904, at this office, the following tract of land, towit:

The E¼ SW¼ sec. 10, W¼ SW¼ sec. 13, SW¼ NW¼ and NW¼ SW¼ sec. 15, SE¼ SE½ sec. 22, NE¾ NE¼ sec. 23, NE¾ NW¼ sec. 25, NE¾ SW¼ sec. 27 tp 4 s, r 25 e W M.

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Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are advised to file their claims in this office on or before the day above designated for the commencement of said sale, otherwise their rights will be forfeited.

96-101 ANNE M. LANG, Receiver.

MICHAEL T. NOLAN, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, LAND Office at La Grande, Or., June 9, 1904. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Vawter Crawford, county clerk at Heppner, Oregon, on July 23, 1904, viz:

HORACE M. YOAKUM. of Heponer, Oregon, H. E. No. 9919, for the self nwis, eig swig and swig seld of section 21, to 4 south, range 28 e W M. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation

of said land, viz: Lewis A. Florence, Sterling P. Florence, Walter Crosby, and Sherman Shaw all of Heppiner, E. W. DAVIS, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Public Land Sale (Isolated Tract.) Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of

instructions from the Commissioner of the General Land Office, under authority vested in him by section 2435, U. S. Rev Stat., as amended by the act of Congress approved February 25, 1895, we will proceed to offer at public sale on the 26th day of July 1904, at 10 o'clock a.m. at this office, the following tract of land, to-

Nw14 ne14 sec. 19, ne14 set4, set4 sw14 sec. 17, ne14 nw14 and nw14 ne14 sec. 20, t 4 s r 25 e W M. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are advised to file their claims in this office on or before the day abovedesignated for the commencement of said sale, otherwise their rights will be forfeited.

MICHAEL T. NOLAN, Register. ANNE M. LANG, Receiver.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. (Public Land Sale.)

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Wie net and slessed sec 11 t 3 south range 27 c W.M.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the claims in this office on or before the day above designated for the commencement of said sale,

otherwise their rights will be forfeited.

E. W. D. VIS, Register.

A. A. BOBERTS, Receiver.

United States Land Office, LaGrande, Oregon, une 2, 1901.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, LAND Office at LaGrande, Oregon, April 21, 1904. Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of her intention to make final proof in support of her claim, and that said proof will be made before the County Judge of Umatilla County, Oregon, at Pendleton, Oregon, on June 25, 1904, viz. H. E. No. 8010. iz: H. E. No. 8010.

MARY E, RUST, of Ridge, Oregon, for the swig neight $11\frac{1}{2}$ self sec. 14, nwig swig sec. 13 tp. 3 s r 30 e W M. She names the following witnesses to prove her continuous residence upon and cultivation Harry Whitaker, Andrew J Rust, and Clifton Smith, all of Ridge, Oregon, and John Kopp, of Nye, Oregon. 90-95 E W. DAVIS, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, LAND Office at La Grande, Or., May 20, 1904. Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Vawter Crewford, at Heppier, Oregon, on July 7, 1901, via: H E No 822.

GEORGE W. DYESTRA, of Heppner, Or., for the N4 NEW, SEM NEW, Sec 9, Tp 48, R He manes the following witnesses to prove of said land, viz: Smith Berch, Robert Dexler, Arlang Dykstra and Robert Watsine, all of He phaer, Oreston, 88-38 E. W. DAVIS, Register,

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, Land Office at La Grando, Oregon, May 14, 1965. Sotice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of fer intention to make final proof in support of her claim, and that said proof will be made be-fore Vawter Crawford, County Clerk, at Hepp-ner, Gregon, on July 8, Bot, viz. H. B. No. 7576,

BLANCHE WATKINS, Incomerly Districts described of Heppher, Ore. for the Nik Nik and Nik NWk, Sec 14. Tp 4 St E 27 E, W M. She names the following witnesses to prove har continuous re idence upon and cultivation of said land, vis:

Smith Eurel, Cobert Dexter and Lare Penland, all of Herpiter Orono. 9208 E. W. Davis, Register.

BOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. (Isolated Tract.) PUREIC LAMB SALE.

of July, 1991, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m., he following tract of land to-wit: The Wis of Swit and NKis of Swis, sec 28, E16
NWis sec 33 and Wis NWis sec 34, ip 3 south,
range 27 Fast, Williamette Meridian.
August all persons claiming adversely the
above-described lands are advised to file their
claims in this office on or before the day above

signered for the commencement of said sale. otherwise their rights will be forfeited.

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E. W. DAVIS, Register.
A. A. ROBERTS, Receiver.

U. S. Land Office, La Grande, Gr., May 24, 1904.

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