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AN UNPREMEDITATED DEPARTURE. Those who ought to know most about such matters point out the mutability of things terrestrial by showing that the change in position of a single grain of sand may determine the course of a mighty river, or that a chance raindrop trickling down the face of a cliff may mark the line of erosion which shall eventually cut the mountain in twain. If these illustrations prove the subjection of the elements to the universal rule of change, examples are not wanting to show that the same law governs. with equal authority in the domain of human affairs.

Ringbrand went downstairs the next morning fully determined to carry out his programme of the previous evening. and he told Ludlow at the breakfast table that he would spend the forenoon at the furnace with him. As they were leaving the house together the colonel overtook them in his buggy and invited Ringbrand to go with him on a drive across the valley to look at a horse which was for sale, promising to get him back to the company's office before noon. There was no good reason for refusing, and the colonel was hospitably insistent; Ludlow added his word, and the upshot of the matter was that the superintendent went to his office alone, while his guest departed upon an excursion which was to demonstrate anew the futility of human plans and pur-

Making due allowance for the fact that Ringbrand was upon the eve of taking a step which involved the renunciation of the woman he loved, he was less uncompanionable than he might have been. Their route took them over the wooded knolls in the main valley, and each rise in the road brought out new beauties of the landscape. At the top of the highest of the hills the colonel stopped and pointed out the winding course of the Harmony river, its bends and reaches etched among the fields in a sinuous pathway of silver mist, ruffled by the sun into fleecy waves of translacent pearl. In the middle distance, and about half-way from Tregathen to the river, a group of Lombardy poplars crowned one of the knolls overlooking the valley to the southward, and the colonel indicated the small hill with a comprehensive gesture which included the cultivated fields surrounding it. "That's the Manor farm," he said, "and the old square house stood in thah among the poplah's. My father raised it in the second yeah after he moved down from Vi'ginia, and it was a mighty comfo'table old mansionmighty comfo'table, sch. If you've been in any of the old Vi'ginia plantation homes, you'll know about what sort o' place it was."

"I have passed through Virginia," replied Ringbrand, "and I think I know the type. They certainly look comfortable from the outside, and they give one an idea of stability which is decidedly refreshing in this age of architectural shams.'

"Yes, sch, they do that; strong and solid, like a man was buildin' for his child'en and grandchild'en. The old Manor house was built that-a-way; beams and timbers of solid oak, dressed down with the broadax. It was a long time a-burnin'."

"I don't wonder your father didn't rebuild it," said Ringbrand, reflectively. "The associations would always have been painful."

The colonel looked surprised: "I hope you don't allow that he went up on the mountain for that reason! No. seh: behada better one Old Doc Rainsfo'd talked right encouragin'about the mountain air for my mother-she was always mighty po'ly in the valley. 'I reckon the change did help her some," he added, thoughtfully, "but she never did pick up after that mo'nin' when they cyar'd father home."

Col. Latimer pulled the horses into the road again, and they drove on in The reference to the feud brought Ringbrand back to things present, and the thought that he should not see Hester again had a sharper sting as the time of his departure came nearer. He recalled the little incidents of their acquaintance, and tried to gel some comfort out of the belief that her heart was still in her own keeping, and that the pain of renunciation was going to be his not hers. The glance backward at the pleasant hours spent at the home of the Latimers reminded him that it would be ungracious to go away without making some acknowledgment of the colonel's kindness, and he wondered how he could manage it without betraying his plans for immediate retreat. Fortunately, the colonel himself opened the way by asking him to become a guest at "The Laurels." "I told Tom Ludlow, day befo' yeste'day, that he was actin mighty mean about it, and he said he reckoned they-all could send you to us for a spell."

"I'm sure that's very good of you, colonel, and I thank you both for the invitation and for your many kindnesses to me since I came to Tregarthen; you certainly haven't let me feel that I was a stranger among you. I assure you, I would gladly accept the hospitality of 'The Laurels' if-if my time were wholly my own; as it is not,

a mental reservation as to the reasons. "As you probably know, I depend upon my work for a living, and I can't afford to neglect it for very long at a time."

The colonel laughed. "Pears to me like youh work could be done 'most anywhere; we-all've got a mighty quiet place up on the mountain, and I'm right sure Hester could set you out with pen, ink and paper."

"Thers's no end to your hospitality, colonel," replied Ringbrand, smiling at the thought of literary work in the house with Hester. "I suppose you'd be quite willing to have me turn 'The Laurels' into a workshop; and I almost wish I could take you at your word, selfish as it would be. It would scarcely be possible, though; I shouldn't know how to work if I were out of reach of the printer's boy.

They had left the main road in the valley, and were descending a steep hall to a ford in the river. 'The driving was difficult, and the colonel gave his entire attention to the horses as they slid down the rocky declivity, talking to them as if they understood his explicit directions. "So-o, now, there, Tolliver -there's a right smart chunk o' rock just ahead of you-step around it, my boy. You, Jane! never you mind about Tolliver: just pick up your own feet a little higher. Steady, now."

"You have pretty rough roads around here," began Ringbrand, bracing himself into his seat. "I should think-"

The interruption was an ominous snap, and the horses stopped. "That sounded mighty like something broke," said the colonel, and they alighted and looked the carriage over carefully. "Yes, here it is, for sure," he continued; tongue's broke off right here."

They examined the fracture, and Ringbrand sugested wrapping it in splints with one of the halter-straps. "I reckon it wouldn't hold," said the colonel, "but we can try it."

They spent some time trying to put the suggestion into practice, succeeding finally in making a clumsy splice, which the first pull of the horses disjointed hopelessly. "It's no use, Mr. Ringbrand," said the colonel; "we're in for it; there's nothing like a blacksmith shop this side o' Tregarthen."

Ringbrand looked at his watch and for Salem and points in Benton and aw that it was half-past ten. "How Linn counties for a month's absence far are we from the village, colonel?" be asked.

"About eight miles, I reckon."

That settled the question of departure for that day, and Ringbrand was ennoyed to find himself feeling rather jubilant than disappointed over the unavoidable delay. He helped the colonel unhitch, and after an hour's hard work



"I'm proud of you, Mr. Ringbrand," she said

they got the buggy to the top of the hill. where they left it at the side of the road and walked back to the nearest farmhouse, leading the horses,

Since the colonel knew nearly every one in the vafley, it followed that they had only to mention their need to obtain the hospitality and assistance of the farmer, who lent them an antiquated carriage and refused to let them depart until after dinner. Adding the delays to the time consumed in the careful driving necessary to the preservation of the farmer's vehicle in a state of entirety, it was near the middle of the afternoon when they got back to Tregarthen, and then Col. Latimer insisted upon taking his companion up to the mountain for the remainder of the day. Ringbrand offered every reasonable objection he could think of, knowing that another visit to Hester would immeasurably increase the pain of leaving her; but in the end discretion was swept away by an overwhelming desire to see and talk with her once more, and he yielded. They drove past the Ludlows', and he ran in to tell his hostess that he would not be home for ten. She saw the change in him, and detained him to ask if his trouble had disappeared.

"No," he replied, and she saw the look of despondency come into his eyes again; "and that isn't the worst of it; I'm going to do something that will make it infinitely harder."

"Are you going to see Hester?" "Yes."

"How can that make it harder?" "I can't explain without telling you all about it, and I haven't the courage to do that now."

"Tell me one thing, at least. Has your trouble anything to do with Hester's money?"

anything, as you know, but I think I large size, heart-shaped, beautifully col-could earn a living for both of us." ored, and possess a delicacy of flavor un-"And you won't tell me what it is?"

"I cannot." "Then tell her; Hugh, I-I believe she has a right to know. He looked up quickly. "You mean

that she cares for me?" "I have no right to say it-she has told me nothing-but I can't help thinking that she does. She seemed anxious and disappointed when you didn't come home last night,"

Ringbrand burried from the house, solving to break his engagement with the colonel at all hazards, but that gentleman calmly waived his stammering excuses aside and made room for him on the seat of the carriage. "After I've done spoiled your day, a-draggin' you over the country afoot, the very least you can do is to let me cyar' you home with me, and the mo' especially as you eyan't make us a visit."

Ringbrand gave up again, for the simple reason that he had no valid objection to offer, and half an hour later he was sitting on the veranda of "The Laurels," deep in the discussion of the race problem with the colonel-a discussion in which the northern point of view fared indifferently because the mind of its advocate was too busy with questions suggested by the presence of Hester Latimer. All through the argument he was studying her face, searching therein for the proof or the contradiction of Mrs. Ludlow's assertion, and tormenting himself by trying to imagine what Hester would say if he should tell her of his intended departare and the reason for it.

To be continued. PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. D. C. Herrin left yesterday for San Francisco. He will be absent about two weeks. Mrs. Maggie Wilkerson of Portland is

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in the city, the guest of her sister, Mrs. G. C. Blakelev. Mrs. Stacy Shown and little daughter,

Alice, of Seattle are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Floyd. Mrs. N. Whealdon leaves tomorrow

among relatives and friends. Hon. John Summerville of Hay Creek

paid this office a pleasant call today. Mr. Summerville leaves for Portland this afternoon and will return with his daughter, Mrs. Mitchell and son John, who will graduate from the Portland academy, and both will spend the summer at Mr. Summerville's farm. McCorkle of Tygh Valley takes the

train tonight for Peoria, Ill., on a visit to relatives after an absence of forty-four rears. Mr. McCorkle is an old resident of Tygh Valley and well known through out the country. His many friends wish him the greatest pleasure possible in his eastern trip. Thursday.

Mrs. S. E. Smith and Mr. C. W. Dickman of Moro left for Philomath to-

Mr. M. Daman of Grass Valley came n yesterday en route to Portland on onsiness.

Mrs. Wm. Taylor, Mrs. Robt. Cooper and Mrs. F. L. Johns went to Hood River this morning on the Regulator.

rlugh Glenn returned this morning from a week's absence at Portland and the lower Columbia. Mrs. Glenn is yet

last night from Wamic, suffering from a very sore foot, caused from using carbolic acid on a corn.

Mr. B. F. Robinson, who has suffered for about nine years with an unexplainable trouble in his side, left this morning for Portland hospital.

Mr. A. V. Anderson of Tygh Valley left for Kansas City yesterday. About July he will continue his journey across the continent and the Atlantic ocean to Norway, where he proposes to perma nently reside. This step is taken primarily to regain his health.

Friday. Mrs. J. E. Barnett left for Bridal Veil

today. Mr. M. P. Isenberg left for home Mr. F. A. Seufert and A. S. Bennett

left for Portland today. Mr. and Mrs. Hickok and three children left today for the Cascades.

Mr. C. R. Meins of LaCenter, Wash. formerly a resident of The Dalles, is in the city.

Mrs. Rinehart, Miss Mann, Miss Cooper and Miss Nan Cooper left on this afternoon's train for Salem. Mr. Fred W. Wilson left last evening

banquet of Whitman college. Miss Edith Schmidt, who has been in Arizona and California for the past fif- years ago, teen months, returned home today, accompanied by Miss Prinz of Monterey Miss Alma Schmidt, who went to Port land to meet her sister, came up with

for Walla Walla to attend the alumni

Strawberry Growing.

Prospects are that the famous Hood River strawberries will this season exceed in quantity any previous yield. It is stated on reliable authority that the Berry, F W output will be thirty carloads this year. From the Mosier section and the country around The Dalles, all in Wasco county, come like encouraging reports. As a matter of fact the strawberry crop has never failed. The only exception to a full crop was last year when some peculiar atmospheric condition caused the blossoms of one or two days to blight; but as the strawberry vine's

ored, and possess a delicacy of flavor unequalled by any other variety. In the Denver market last year they never fell below \$4 a crate, extending to the close of the season, and the first brought as high by Mr. Sinnott last night. It is very ROSE COMD BROWN LEGHORNS as \$12 to Portland, a market right at our plain and easily understood, requiring ROSE COMD BROWN LEGHORNS of the season, and the first brought as high by Mr. Sinnott last night. It is very doors. At the same time Hood River berries were quoted \$4, Missouri berries to note while passing that it is a postwere rated at \$3, and California \$1.50, election promise, which entitles it to Pen No. 2, 1.50 per 13. though the California crate contains greater weight than anything received Pen No. 3, 1.00 per 13. only two-thirds as much fruit. The prior to election day, and therefore berry crop brings in more money every year than any other product cotemporaneons with its season. The cherry and early peach crop do not equal it, nor do early vegetables. Any man possessing two or three acres of ground and a flume over it is independent, if he but engage in the strawberry business, for he can clear 15 cents a pound on an average throughout the sesson, and each acre is capable of yielding, under the best con- to construct in advance of the opening of ditions 6,000 pounds, or a net profit of

NECK-AND-NECK RACE.

Result in Both Congres-lonal Districts Now in Doubt.

It is now a neck-and-neck race for congress between the Republican and Populist candidates in both districts in Oregon, and only the official count will determine the winners.

In the first district Tongue's very bare chance has become a good fighting one, due not so much to the news from Curry county of 102 majority there, as to the fact that an error of 200 was made in footing up Vanderburg's vote in Yamhill. Without Curry, the vote by the returns so far received, stands: Vanderburg, 19,072; Tongue, 18,874.

The seven precincts yet to hear from in Multnomah county will probably decide-between Ellis and Quinn. Without Grant county, the figures so far received give: Quinn, 11,069; Ellis, 11,042. But the news from Grant is that Ellis' plurality there is 100, leaving Quinn 73 Hall's Hair Renewer would be unnecin the rear. However, the unheardfrom Multnomah precincts, which will cast about 500 votes, are apt to give Quinn from 50 to 100 plurality-and that's the quarrel.

Crook County's Vote.

The following is Crook county's yote, lacking four precincts:

For supreme judge-Robert S. Bean of Lane county, 365; John Burnett of Benton county, 312; Joseph Gaston of Washington county, 82.

For congress, 2d district-A. S. Bennett of Wasco county, 298; W. R. Ellis of Morrow county, 203; F. McKercher of Multnomah county, 4; H. H. Northup of Multnomah county, 205; Martin Quinn of Multnomah county, 91. For district attorney, 7th district-

John Cradlebaugh of Wasco county, 331; A. A. Jayne of Gilliam county, For joint senator, 7th district-O. C. Applegate of Klamath county, 287; B.

Daly of Lake county, 336; R. K. Funk of Lake county, 103. In Answer to McCoy.

To the Editor Chronicle:

GENTLEMEN -- In answ Mrs. Lizzie Allen arrived in the city statement of the 3d inst. I wish to make the following reply:

I undertook to do the work for a stipulated price per yard and intended to furnish my own teams and tools from California, but McCoy urged me not to do so as it would cost too much to ship them up here, and that I could get all the teams and men needed here. I did all in my power to procure teams, etc., but on account of the bad name the ditch company had in regard to dealing honestly. I was compelled to work at a great disadvantage and could easily have finished the entire ditch in ninety days had not the affairs of the said ditch company been misrepresented by this man, McCoy. Handicapped as I was, I have finished three and three-fourths miles of said ditch in a manner that he himself (McCoy) was perfectly eatisfied with. The misrepresentations that he has seen fit to publish are in keeping with all his acts and deeds he has made and shown to my men and myself. He says the farmers are damaged to a large amonat by not having water in the ditch, but as far as I am able-to learn, the only damage done them has been caused by McCoy not treating the farmers as an honest man should, some two Respectfully, F. ERICKSON.

Following is the list of letters remaining in the postoffice at The Dalles uncalled for June 5, 1896. Persons calling for the same will give date on which

Advertised Letters.

Bybee, Chas Brown, M E Johns, Susan Ryburn, Ada Phillips, Aggie Roberts, S H

they were advertised:

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The following telegram was received little comment at our hands. We desire proves the sincerity of the work of the Oregon delegation in congress all along:

Washington, D. C., June 4, 1896, Roger B. Sinnott, Secy Dalles Commercial Club, The Dalles, Or.

The river and harbor bill passed over for circular. Address the veto yesterday. It contains the appropriation of \$50,000 for the Cascade locks, and authorizes the secretary of war in his discretion to expend \$20,000, immediately available, in the construc-tion of the portion of the walls necessary the canal to commerce. The consent of the contractors is not required. The Oregon delegation will urge the secretary of war to hasten the work, so that the canal will be opened at the earliest date practicable. Ggo. W. McBains.

City Election.

The city election nears. So far no one has been prominently mentioned for mayor, or councilmen, but that the election will not go by default may be Maier & Benton's. presumed by reason of the judges and clerks having all been appointed. They are as follows:

First ward-J. B. Crossen, W. H. Butts and J. K. Page, judges; Frank

Hill and J. F. Parsell, clerks. Second ward-R. W. Crandall, S. B. Adams and Chris Bills, judges; Ed. Patterson and Hugh Chrisman, clerks.

Third ward-J. Doherty, I. N. Sargent and Dan Maloney, judges; R. B. Sinnott and C. E. Bayard, clerks.

If the care of the hair were? made a part of a lady's education, we should not see so many gray heads, and the use of

UNTOLD MISERY RHEUMATISM C. H. King, Water Valley, Misc., cured by

"For five years, I suffered untold misery from muscular rheumatism. I tried every known remedy, consulted the best physi-cians, visited Hot Springs, Ark., three times, spending \$1000 there, lesides doctors' bills; but could obtain only temperary relief. My flesh was wasted away so that I weighed only affactly-three pounds; my left arm and leg were drawn out of shape, the muscles

Ayer's Sarsaparilla



being twisted up in knots. I was unable to dress myself, except with assistance, and could only hobble about by using a cane. I had no appetite, and was assured, by the doctors, that I could not live. The pains, at times, were so awful, that I could procure relici only by means of hypodermic lajec-tions of morphine. I had my limbs bandaged in clay, in sulphur, in poultices; but these gave only temporary relief. After trying everything, and suffering the most awful tortures, I began to take Ayer's Sarsaparilla. Inside of two months, I was able to walk without a cane. In three months, my limbs began to strengthen, and in the course of a year, I was cured. My weight has increased to 165 pounds, and I am now able to do my full day's work as a railroad blacksmith

The Only World's Fair Sarsaparilla. AYER'S PILLS cure Headache,

Summons.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for

Mattie E. Moody, Plaintiff,

Mattie E. Moody, Piaintiff,

Willis E. Moody, Defendant.*

To Willis E. Moody, the above named defendant:

You are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled cause by the first day of the next term of the above entitled court following the expiration of isix weeks rubilication of this summons, beginning on the 11th day of April, 1896, to-will, on or before Montlay, the 25th day of May, 1896, and 1 you fail to answer said complaint for want thereof, the plaintiff will take judgment against you and will apply to the Court for the relief prayed for in plaintiff's complaint, to-wit, for a decree of divorce, and for the care and cust dy of her minor chid, agues, and for such other and further relief as may be equitable and just.

This summons is served upon you by publica-

This summon is served upon you by publication thereof for six weeks in The Dalles Weekly
Chronicle, by order of Hon. W. L. Bradshaw,
judge of the Seventh judicial district of the
state of Oregon, made on the 7th day of April,
1296.

W. H. WILSON,
aplil-ii Attorney for Plaintiff.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon on the 7th day of May, 1896, in a suit therein pending wherein J. M. Huntington is pidnish and Wilson R. Winams, Mary Winams and M. V. Harrison are defendants, to me directed and commanding me to sell all of the following described real property lying and altuate in Wasco County, Oregon, towit:

The northwest quarter and the north half of the southwest quarter and the north half of the southwest quarter and the north half of the southwest quarter of Sec. 28, Tp. 2 north, range 9 cast, W. M.

Together with all and singular the tenement.

time were wholly my own; as it is not, I shall have to ask you to excuse me. I really ought to be in New York now."

"Well, I'm right sorry for that—'deed I am," replied the colonel; "I sort of got the idea from Tom you'd stay down here and make us a right good yisit."

"I have stayed now longer than I should," rejoined Ringbrand, making should, "rejoined Ringbrand, making should," rejoined Ringbrand, making should," rejoined Ringbrand, making should, "rejoined Ringbrand, making should," rejoined Ringbrand, making should, "rejoined Ringbrand, making should," rejoined Ringbrand, making should," rejoined Ringbrand, making should, "rejoined Ringbrand, making should," rejoined Ringbrand, making should, "rejoined Ringbrand, making should," rejoined Ringbrand, making should," rejoined Ringbrand, making should, "rejoined Ringbrand, making should," rejoined Ringbrand, making should, "rejoined Ringbrand, making should," rejoined Ringbrand, making should, "rejoined Ringbrand, making should," rejoi

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. LAND OFFICE, The Dalles, Or., 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 the register and receiver of the U. S. Land office, The Dalles, Or., on June 13, 1896, viz.:

William A. Doyle, Hd E, No. 3787, for the NW14, Sec 19, Tp 1 8 R 13 He had be to be a seen of the seen of the

SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Wasco. A. S. Blowers, Plaintiff,

the County of Wasso.

A. S. Blowers, Plaintiff,

Vs.

P. A. Snyder and Claude Markham, Defendants.

To P. A. Snyder, one of the shove-named defendants:

You are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above-entitled court following the expiration of six week publication of this summons, beginning on the lith day of April, 1896, to-wit, on or before Monday, the 25th day of May, 1896, and if you fail to answer said complaint, for want thereof the plaintiff will take judgment against you and will apply to the court for the relief; nayed for in plaintiff somplaint, to-wit; for a judgment against you for the sum of \$4,450, with interest thereon at the rate of eight percent per annum from the first day of April, 1896, and for \$400 attorney's fees and the coats and disbursements of this suit, and a decree of foreclessure of the mortgage mentioned in plaintiff a complaint upon and coverns the following described premises, situated in wasco County, Orgon, to-wit: The South half of the Southeast quarter of Section 20, and the North half of the Northwest quarter, and the Southeast quarter of the Northwest quarter and the Foutheast quarter of the Northwest quarter and the southeast of Nownship 2 North of Range 10 East of Williamette Meridian, containing in all 220 acres, more or less, and for such other and further relief as may be equitable and just.

This summons is served upon you by publication thereof for six weeks in The Dalles Weekly (Chronicle by order of Hon. W. I. Bradshaw, judge of the Seventh Judicial District of the State of Oregon, made on the 10th dat of April, 1896.

Attorney for Plaintiff.