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Law is Merciful.
Law is never wise but merciful, but mercy has conditions; and that which is mercy to the myriads, may seem hard to the one; and that which seems hard to the one, may be merciful when viewed by the eye that looks on through eternity.—Bulwer.

BYRNICA COE SUICIDES

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circumstances relating to the death-drink, but it is presumed she swallowed the poison early in the evening.

Of Nervous Temperament.

Miss Coe had advanced in her studies unusually rapidly. For the past year she has stolen night hours of study when her parents believed her asleep. Finally, noticing her rapid physical decline, the parents used rigid rules in reducing her study hours. However, the position taken by her parents failed to accomplish the object for which it was adopted. Miss Coe continued to study and worry over her books. She believed her chances of passing the final examination were meagre and from day to day became more despondent and morose.

Details of her death cannot be procured today. Funeral services will probably be held tomorrow at Milton. The deceased was 17 years of age. She has spent much of her early girlhood in Union county, and is well known to many here.

IT IS UP TO
THIS VALLEYTO BUILD A WAGON
ROAD UP THE RIVER.

Forty Men Now at Work on the Muir Mine Installing Concentrating Plant and an Electric Hoist—Will Sink to the 1000-Foot Level—Mr. Messner Here Today, and Has Great Faith in Mines Up the River.

J. W. Messner is down from the mine up Grande Ronde river, in which he is largely interested, the property known in this vicinity for years as the Muir mine. Mr. Messner states that they have a force of about 40 men at work installing the new concentrating plant which has a capacity of 100 tons daily, the concentrator to be shipped to some smelter. Since taking over the property 1200 feet of additional tunneling has been driven and in several places upper cuts to the surface have been made, all of which goes to show that the ledge is continuous. In addition to the mill an electric hoist is being constructed and when this is placed in position a shaft will be sunk on the ledge to a depth of 1000 feet below the present water grade, then we will know, states Mr. Messner, whether we have a mine or not. Of course, it goes without saying that the owners knowing what they have in sight, and being thorough

mining men, would not make their present investment in machinery were they not confident of having a valuable prospect.

Mr. Messner is confident that after they have made the showing they are almost sure of making it will give quite an impetus to mining up the river, as he is firmly of the opinion that there are quite a number of mines already developed that will become dividend payers when they are worked.

A Road Needed.

In order for this company to get machinery to their mine they expended several thousand dollars in the construction of a wagon road leading to North Powder, and as the road has been reported to be an exceptionally good mountain road, an Observer representative asked Mr. Messner the question, whether or not now a good wagon road built up Grande Ronde river would be the means of holding the trade this valley formerly had, prior to the building of the North Powder road, and he replied that if the county built a good road from Prospect ranch down the river, that undoubtedly the heavy shipments, such as ore and concentrates from the mines, and heavy machinery into the mines would be hauled over it. This road would be a few miles longer than the North Powder road, but it will have the advantage of a uniform water grade all the way. Mr. Messner stated that while he had not personally been over the route which a new road would have to be built, he made careful inquiry and was of the opinion that it would not be nearly so expensive as many were led to believe.

It is up to our business interests to give this road matter careful consideration.

HYPOTHETICAL

QUESTIONS ON

SEVERAL EXPERTS TAKE
STAND FOR DEFENSE.

After Two Days' Recess Thaw Trial Is Again in Progress—Time Taken Up With Reading Hypothetical Questions to Insanity Experts Who Arrived After Some Delay—Reading Commenced Early This Forenoon.

New York, Jan. 27.—When the trial of Harry K. Thaw was resumed this morning, after two days' recess, Dr. Charles F. Bingham of Pittsburgh, was called. The purpose of his testimony was to show the state the mentality, at different stages of the defendant's life. He testified that when a child Thaw was nervous and appeared irrational in the Tombs after his arrest.

Dr. Sidney Russell Wells of London was the next witness. He testified that in 1899 he examined Thaw at Clarges, London, and found him suffering from a mental disturbance of some kind.

Dr. Wells testified that Thaw's condition was one of recurrent insanity. Miss Lillian McBride, who nursed Thaw at the Devonshire hospital, took the stand and corroborated Dr. Wells concerning Thaw's mental condition.

Dr. Frederick J. Burton Brown of London, testified that he attended Thaw in Rome and that he was irrational.

At 10:35 this morning the defense had all its direct evidence in and Attorney Littleton began reading the hypothetical questions to three experts for the defense.

Steamer Captain Dead.

Portland, Ore., Jan. 27.—Captain E. W. Larkin, of the steamer Lurline, Portland to Astoria, dropped dead in the pilot house aboard his vessel as the boat was passing throw the draw of the Madison street bridge. Pilotless, the Lurline passed safely through the draw and into open water beyond. His death was then first discovered.

Died at Hot Lake.

A Mr. Barton of Ione, died at Hot Lake last night and will be taken to Heppner this evening. The body was brought to La Grande last night and was placed in the Henry & Carr morgue. Mrs. Barton, widow of the deceased, is in La Grande today.

A Correction.

The Observer erred in its statement Saturday night when it reported the Walla Walla-Pendleton basketball



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PORTLAND'S POSTOFFICE

Unearth a Portland paper or any other source of data and compare figures just compiled by Postmaster Richey with figures of the Portland postoffice and notice the comfortable margin in La Grande's favor, taking into consideration the ratio of population.

According to figures just compiled, the increase in postal receipts for the year 1907 over the year 1906 were \$1922.57, or about 16 per cent.

The increase for one month over the corresponding month of the year previous is likewise interesting reading:

The receipts for December of 1907

were \$656.51 over December, 1906, or about 18 per cent increase.

The postal money order business for the year recently closed, follows, and is extremely encouraging:

Number of domestic orders sold, 11,003, amounting to \$118,079.01; fees collected on same, \$656.83; number of foreign orders sold, 519, amounting to \$27,809.59. Fees collected on these, \$196.77. Number of domestic order paid, 6,419, amounting to \$53,522.45. Number of foreign order paid, 16, amounting to \$345.32. These figures total a gross transaction for the year in the postal money order business of \$200,616.18.

game. Through an error resulting in transmission of the dispatch, the article was made to read "girls' team" when it should have been "boys' team. The score was correct. The Pendleton girls' team did not play.

TIMBER LAND ACT, JUNE 3, 1878.
NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

U. S. Land Office, La Grande, Ore., January 19, 1908.
Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the states of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington territory," as extended to all the public land states by act of August 4, 1892,
MAY A. VAN BLOKLAND, of Island City, county of Union, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office her sworn statement No. 5891, for the purchase of the E½ of the SW¼, and lots and E of section No. 6, in township No. 4 south, range No. 28, E. W. M., and will offer proof to

show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish her claim to said land before the register and receiver of the U. S. land office at La Grande, Oregon, on Monday, the 30th day of March, 1908.

She names as witnesses: John Van Blokland, of La Grande, Ore.; George Pierce, of La Grande, Ore.; John Schilling, Jr., of La Grande, Ore.; Daniel B. Clapp, of Island City, Ore. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described land are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 30th day of March, 1908.

E. W. DAVIS, Register.

TIMBER LAND, ACT JUNE 3, 1878.
NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

U. S. Land Office, La Grande, Ore., December 13, 1907.
Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the states of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington territory," as

extended to all the public land states by act of August 4, 1892,
LEWIS H. RUMILHART, of La Grande, county of Union, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 5863, for the purchase of lot 4, Sec. 22, lot 1 of Section No. 27, in township No. 2 S., Range No. 37, E. W. M., and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the register and receiver of at La Grande, Oregon, on Monday, the 9th day of March, 1908.

He names as witnesses: R. D. Hamilton, J. E. Neukirchner, Albert Neukirchner, and D. F. Gillstrap, all of La Grande, Ore. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 9th day of March, 1908.

E. W. DAVIS, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.
Department of the Interior.
Land Office at La Grande, Ore., December 28, 1907.

Notice is hereby given that Max Duth of Hilgard, Oregon, has filed notice of his intention to make final five-year proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead entry No. 11992 made October 6, 1902, for the SW¼ NW¼, NE¼ SW¼, Section 21, township 2 S., range 36, E. W. M., and that said proof will be made before the register and receiver of the U. S. land office at La Grande, Oregon, on February 10, 1908.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of the land, viz: Gottlieb Klopferstein, of Hilgard, Ore.; Fred Duth, of La Grande, Ore.; Kil Roeti, of Hilgard, Ore.; Farmer Jack, of Hilgard, Ore.

E. W. DAVIS, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.
Department of the Interior.
Land Office at La Grande, Ore., December 28, 1907.

Notice is hereby given that Barnard Scholdstrom, of Hilgard, Ore., has filed notice of his intention to make final five-year proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead entry No. 10009, made March 20, 1901, for the SW¼ NW¼, W½ SW¼, Sec. 29, NW¼ NW¼, Sec. 32, township 3 S., range 37, E. W. M., and that said proof will be made before the register and receiver of the U. S. land office at La Grande, Oregon, on February 12, 1908.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of the land, viz: N. H. Anson, of La Grande, Ore.; Frank Scholdstrom, of Hilgard, Ore.; E. H.

DeLong, of La Grande, Ore.; George O. Gekeler, of La Grande, Ore.
E. W. DAVIS, Register.

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned have filed in the county court of the state of Oregon for Union county, their final account as administrators of the estate of John Peach, deceased, and that said court has fixed Tuesday, the 4th day of February, 1908, as the time, and the court house in La Grande, Oregon, as the place for hearing all objections thereto and settling the same.

WILLIAM C. PEACH,
JAMES S. PEACH,
Administrators of the Estate of John Peach, Deceased. w1-3-31
COCHRAN & COCHRAN.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed her final account as administratrix of the estate of John H. Bay, deceased, and the county judge of Union county, Oregon, has appointed Tuesday, the 3rd day of March, 1908, at two o'clock p. m., at the court house in La Grande, Union county, Oregon, as the time and place for hearing of objections to such final account and the settlement thereof.

Dated January 17, 1908.
1-24-2-21 MRS. ANNA B. BAY,
Administratrix of the Estate of John H. Bay, Deceased.

A Notre Dame Lady's Appeal.

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Most of the critical things in life, which become the starting-points of human destiny, are little things.—R. Smith.

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