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OPPORTUNITY.
 * They do me wrong who say I
 * come no more
 * When once I knock and fall to
 * find you in;
 * For every day I stand outside
 * your door,
 * And bid you wake and rise to
 * fight and win,
 * Wait not for precious chances
 * passed away,
 * Weep not for golden ages on the
 * wane;
 * Each night I burn the records of
 * the day,
 * At sunrise every soul is born
 * again,
 * Laugh like a boy at splendors
 * that have sped,
 * To vanished joys be blind and
 * deaf and dumb;
 * My judgments seal the dead
 * past with its dead,
 * But never bind a moment yet to
 * come,
 * Though deep in mire, wring not
 * your hands and weep,
 * I lend my arm to all who say:
 * "I can."
 * No shame-faced outcast ever
 * sank so deep
 * But he might rise and be again
 * a man.
 * —Walter Malone.

The big thing was off today at noon at Salem. From the reports at a distance one would be inclined to think that there were not a few members who were eligible to membership in the Ananias club. But it must be remembered that the closing days were strenuous and the best horse rider got his bill through.

Many counties in Oregon and Washington are now planning for their exhibit at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific fair. If Union county is to have a place in the Oregon building, it is time that some activity was being made to secure exhibits.

Do your work twice as well and twice as fast as the other fellow, letting your light shine while there is no surer road to success.—Printer's Album.

MINISTERS LAUD KING

The La Grande Ministerial association has adopted the following resolutions:

Whereas, the Rev. O. H. King, pastor of the Christian church of La Grande, is about to leave our city for another field of labor, having been a pastor in this city for a goodly number of years; an earnest supporter of every religious and moral movement for the general good of the community, and a faithful preacher of our Lord Jesus Christ;

Resolved, That the Ministerial association of La Grande express regret at Brother King's removal from the city;

Resolved, That we record our recognition of the excellent work of Mr. King in behalf of his own congregation and for the moral betterment of the city;

Resolved, That we commend our Brother to the city and the people in whose midst he goes as a Christian gentleman.

S. W. SREMAN,
 Secretary Minister's Association,
 La Grande, Oregon.

SQUATTER WINS BATTLE

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hit under the provisions laid down by the general land office department, namely: that during a period of 10 days, the applicant for timber and stone claim, could visit the land in question at the stipulated time, make formal application. This was done by a large number of people.

No action was the filing made by

squatters filed protests. Newlin was one of those who carried an enormous expense to see the case through to the end.

As a Precedent.

While each separate case will have to be heard singly, the decision today has a marked precedence. It recognizes the rights of squatters who are legitimate in their development work. If all squatters who have filed protests produce evidence as convincing as did Newlin, that actual development and improvement took place on the land on which they squatted, there seems to be little hope for the timber man who made the filings. However, the improvements must have been made with intent to make that particular tract of land a bona fide home.

A score of men and women of this city are financially interested and have eagerly awaited the outcome of this case.

Byrkit Can Appeal.

There is an appeal from the decision of the register, but unless made in 30 days or perturbed by the general land office commissioner, Bramwell's decision stands as final.

Another Important Decision.

Spelling victory for the timberman, a decision has been handed down by Register Frank C. Bramwell that is also of deep interest. It has to do with the noted contest which required seven days in the hearing and covered 250 pages of testimony. Frederick F. Metzler was the protestant, and A. B. O'Brien the protestee, involving timber and stone entry No. 91465, for the E½ NE¼ and E½ SE¼, township 5 north, range 41, in Wallawa county. O'Brien was one of the men in the notorious line-up and his filings were contested by Metzler, not on prior squatter's rights, but on the grounds that the land was more valuable for its agricultural purposes than for timber. The register, in handing down his decision cites the fact that the preponderance of evidence in the case showed the land in question to be more valuable for its timber than for agricultural purposes.

CIRCUIT COURT.

An Unusual Record Made Yesterday in Maxwell Case.

Yesterday afternoon our circuit court made a record that few courts have ever been able to equal. The Maxwell case was called, the attorneys were ready, and within less than two hours the jury of 12 men were selected, the attorneys presented their opening arguments, interrogated the witnesses, submitted the case to the jury, and the jury brought in a verdict of guilty. Who says the wheels of justice move slowly? The evidence was clear. Tom Maxwell stole the pearson and the evidence was so conclusive that it did not take long for the jury to arrive at its verdict.

Today the case of Howard Campbell vs. George Aughey, is at issue. The difference is over the value of a certain lot of logs.

Unless the result of the grand jury indictments causes more litigation at this term of court, Judge Knowles expects to be able to excuse the jury the first of the week.

Chandler Arraigned.

This afternoon Rube Chandler was arraigned on the charge of larceny of some bacon and hams from the E. W. Oliver farm on the Sandridge. His bonds were fixed at \$500 and if he is able to give bonds it is quite probable that his case will not come up for trial this term. If he fails to get bondsmen the case is set for next Tuesday.

CHILDREN AT MATINEE.

Four Grade Teachers Hostesses to One Hundred Little Folks.

Four grade teachers, Misses Harris, Saffin and McHugh, and Mrs. Ingle, this afternoon entertained four grades of the schools, members of the teachers' respective classes, at a matinee party. The number of guests was close to the 100 mark.

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