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A LAW THAT COUNTS.

They have an anti-gambling law up in Montana that counts for something. Moreover the law has stood the constitutional tests in the courts, and it appears to have become the settled fact that its rigor will be no bar to its observance and enforcement.

Like anti-gambling enactments in many other states, this one in Montana gives the loser at the game right to sue for the restitution of his money; but the Montana law extends that right to dependent wives and children, and puts the Montana gambler up against a different game than he has ever played before. This third-party right to sue is a complexity in legal restrictions that makes it extremely difficult for the professional gambler to continue in business and reckon upon the value of his assets from day to day.

This feature of the law has already been invoked. A man at Fort Benton got into a game with two others and lost \$500. The loser was not disposed to wench; but he was married, and his wife considered that his family needed that money. She brought suit for it, and for \$1000 exemplary damages, which the law permits. She got judgment for the whole amount. The matter went to the supreme court, and the judgment was affirmed.

For drastic legislation that is effective, this Montana act seems to have every requirement. It is an act that will admirably suit in any state. In the double action feature and the additional right to collect damages over and above the amount involved in play, it is a law that simply puts the gambler out of business.—Tele- gram.

It is presumed from now on the campaign will be for securing the eastern Oregon insane asylum, and then the location feature is for the voter to decide. The candidates are Baker, City, Bevon and Pendleton. Union, by reason of the fact that the state now has a splendid site for which it paid \$25,000, should receive the choice of the voters, from an economical stand-

point, and from any other comparison Union county has nothing to fear. But what the voters ought to do and what they may do is entirely a different thing. There will have to be a carefully worked out campaign or the location may go elsewhere than Union county, where, without question, it should be located.

The bill entitled to raise the salary of the county recorder of Union county, is misleading. All there is to the bill is, it raises the salary of the clerk from \$800 to \$900. At the present price it has been difficult to keep a competent person who can operate the big book typewriter.

RECEPTION OF THE FLEET

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party of naval officers and ladies aboard the Mayflower, which was anchored off Thimble Shoal Light, about seven miles out from Fort Monroe, sighted the warships as they turned in through the Virginia Capes, then formally reviewed them while they passed the Mayflower in single column. When the fleet had dropped anchor in the Roads just above historic old Fort Monroe, the Mayflower steamed in among them and Admiral Sperry, the commander-in-chief, and his flag officers and ship captains were received on board by the president. All, especially the commander-in-chief, were warmly congratulated upon the safe completion of their unprecedented cruise.

It was about 9 o'clock when the Mayflower came from down the Potomac and the Chesapeake bay, and anchored near Thimble Shoal, having left Washington yesterday afternoon. In the party, besides the president and Secretary Newberry, were Mrs. Roosevelt, Miss Roosevelt, Mrs. Newberry, Miss Newberry, Assistant Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Satterlee, (Mrs. Admiral Cowles, chief of equipment, and Mrs. Cowles, the president's sister; Commander Simms, the president's chief naval aide, and Mrs. Simms.

Shortly after 10 o'clock the deck watch of the Mayflower discovered a column of smoke almost directly eastward over Cape Charles, and half an hour later the warships, which had been approaching under slow speed in order not to anticipate their scheduled hour of arrival, came into sight and passed the capes. At 11 o'clock the flagship Connecticut, leading, arrived off the Tail of the Horseshoe, at which point the fleet was left by the Mayflower when it followed the battle-ships out of the Roads at the beginning of the cruise. A quarter of an hour later the Connecticut was off the port beam of the Mayflower at a distance of 200 yards. When opposite the Mayflower's quarter the Connecticut's six-inch guns began the official salute of 21 guns in honor of the navy's commander-in-chief. Less than half of these had been fired when the Kansas, the second ship in line, took up the salute, quickly followed by the others. The fleet, which has averaged about 10 knots speed throughout the cruise of more than 14 months, passed the president at eight knots and entered the Roads at six knots.

The clock-like system by which the fleet weighed anchor and swung around with the tide to begin the cruise, was followed on the return. The Connecticut first swung into position, taking her old berth, about 800 yards off Old Point, in the line of the Jamestown exposition grounds. Two hundred and fifty yards apart all the ships of the first squadron were anchored in single column, and then began the formation of the second column, with the flagship Louisiana at the head. Her position was off the Connecticut's starboard, and slightly astern, the two columns being about 400 yards apart.

When the third squadron had passed, the Mayflower lifted anchor and followed slowly at a distance. Some time was necessarily consumed, owing to the current in the Roads, caused by the tide, in the ships settling into their berths. When this was completed, upon the flash of signals from the Connecticut to the Mayflower, Admiral Sperry personally greeted the president and secretary of the navy, and announced that he stood ready to report the end of his cruise. This report was then made in person, Admiral Arnold being accompanied to the Mayflower in launches by the three other rear admirals of the fleet and the ship captains.

Following the president's reception of the officers, the Mayflower started back to Washington and the officers and men, as many as could be spared at one time, rushed ashore, most of them to Old Point, to greet the members of their families and friends who had come from various parts of the country to welcome them home. The other officers will be given this temporary shore leave in relays of about one-fourth of the number on each ship at one time, until all have had the round. After that, they will be granted such liberty as they can be spared for, until the ships proceed to their home yards for docking and repairs.

The successful completion of the cruise without noteworthy accident or untoward incident, from either a naval or political point of view, is regarded by all nations as history-making. Never before has any battle command made such a long and practically continuous voyage. Never before has any fleet circumnavigated the globe, whether in one or separate voyages. Never before has any armada of any of the countries of the world visited so many ports, at such great distances, in so many countries, and under so many flags. And never was any naval command received with such universal manifestations of friendly feeling, as marked the progress of the American fleet at every one of its two-score stops on the cruise around the world.

Starting out from Hampton Roads 14 months ago in the pink of condition—or, in their spotless white and buff, more properly speaking—the 16 great dogs of war stood ready at every moment of the 24 hours of every day for prompt and effective action.

It was also a matter of pride to the government that a portion of the fleet was able to visit China at the time the Boxer indemnity was remitted by the United States. Incidentally, it may be mentioned that after discussing the question of a declaration of principles with the United States as to the attitude of this country and Japan toward

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COVE GRANGE ORGANIZED

Cove, Feb. 22.—(Special.)—Agriculturists of the Cove have for several years been considering the advantages of organizing a Grange, but Saturday these previous considerations took form and upon the arrival of State Organizer W. R. Gekeler of La Grande, it was only a short time when a membership of 59 was secured, and the officers elected. Cove is planning to have one of the largest and most enthusiastic Granges in this part of the state. The name decided upon was Fannie Grange, P. of H., and the officers were chosen as follows:

J. K. Lantz, W. M.; George Miller, W. O.; M. W. Mitchell, W. L.; Ben Miller, W. S.; Nathan Daron, W. A. S.; Walter Pearce, W. T.; Mrs. J. K. Lantz, W. S.; Mrs. J. Ingram, W. C.; Harry Dahlstrom, W. G. K.; Hazel Chadwick, Ceres; Mabel Lantz, Pomona; Agnes Daron, Flora; Effie Boswell, W. L. S.

HAND CUT IN COGWHEELS

E. D. Selder this morning suffered a very painful accident while freezing cream at his candy store. But for the fact that the gasoline engine which customarily propels the freezer was out of order, his hand would have been ground to bits. As it was, the thumb, first and second fingers of the left hand were badly lacerated, the knuckles bruised and the fleshy part of his hand torn in several places. With the motive power disabled, he and Mr. Harvey, his assistant, were revolving the freezer by hand, when in brushing away a foreign article from the cogs, the canvas glove on his left hand was caught and the member pulled into the gears. Mr. Harvey stopped the machine and reversed the machine sufficiently to free the hand. The ends of the fingers and one thumb are crushed, but it is not likely that amputation will become necessary. For several weeks, at least, the candy maker will have to desist from further work.

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