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NOTICE OF STREET IMPROVEMENT

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a resolution adopted by the common council of the city of La Grande, Oregon, on the 15th day of December, 1906, creating improvement district No. 13 and designating North Fir street as such district, and in pursuance of a resolution adopted by said common council on the 20th day of September, 1911, whereby said council determined and declared its intention to improve all that portion of North Fir street, in said improvement district as hereinafter described, by laying thereon macadam roadway, cement curb and drainage, the council will, ten days after the service of this notice upon the owners of the property affected and benefited by such improvement, order that said above described improvement be made; that the boundaries of said district to be so improved are as follows:

All that portion of North Fir street, from the south curb line of Monroe avenue, to the south line of U avenue.

(A) And the property affected or benefited by said improvement is as follows:

The west 1/2 of block 149, 151, 153 and the east 1/2 of blocks 150, 152 and the NE 1/4 of block 125 and the NW 1/4 of block 124, Chaplin's addition and the west 1/2 of block 24 and 23 and the east 1/2 of block 2 and the east 1/2 of Predmore block, Predmore addition, all in La Grande, Oregon.

Notice is hereby further given that the council will levy a special assessment on all the property affected and benefited by such improvement for the purpose of paying for such improvement. That the estimated cost of such improvement is the sum of \$6,388.50. That the council will, on the 7th day of October, 1911, meet at the council chamber at the hour of 8 o'clock p. m., to consider said estimated cost and the levy of said assessment, when a hearing will be granted to any person feeling aggrieved by such assessment.

La Grande, Ore., Sept. 23, 1911.

CITY COUNCIL OF LA GRANDE, OREGON

By C. M. HUMPHREYS,

Recorder of the City of La Grande,

Oregon.

9-28-10t

A SINGULAR VEHICLE

By ELINOR STEWART CATON

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A seedy man, out at the elbows and looking as though he had slept the night in the park, stopped a gentleman on the sidewalk and said:

"My friend, you haven't seen a family consistin' of a woman and four small children—two boys and two girls, the girls lookin' like me and the boys like their mother—go ridin' by here today in a two story frame house painted yellow?"

"Excuse me, my friend. I'm in a hurry."

The warfarer passed on, leaving the seedy man standing looking after him as though he felt very much hurt. Leaning up against a tree box, he waited for another person to question. A lady came along, and the man, pulling the rim of his hat, accosted her.

"Beg your pardon, ma'am. Have you seen anything of a poor woman with four children enjoyin' themselves on an afternoon ride in a yaller house on wheels down this here street?"

The lady looked sorrowfully at the man, took out her portemonnaie, picked out a silver coin to the value of 10 cents, gave it to him and walked on. He looked at the retreating lady, then down at the coin in his hand, and didn't seem to understand.

The next person to whom he applied was a benevolent looking gentleman with mittion chop whiskers and spectacles.

"I'm lookin'," said the seedy man, "for a family"—and stopped short.

"Well, my good man, tell me about what family you're looking for."

"I've tole that to two pussons already, and they don't seem to know what I'm talkin' about. I thort I'd just call 'em a family to you, so's I wouldn't mix you up, and say nothin' about the rest of it."

"But how can I help you to become reunited to this family without your tellin' me more about them?"

"Well, if you're sure you'll understand, I'm lookin' for 'em to ride by here about this time in a yaller house enjoyin' themselves."

"In a yellow house?"

"Yes, two story, shingle roof."

"My good man," said the other after contemplating him thoughtfully for some time, "tell me where you live. I'm going to take you home."

"My residence is anywhere from 74 Union street to no number at all at present, Hopkins street."

"Poor fellow!" sighed the benevolent man.

"I tole you you wouldn't understand me. None o' the others did. What's the use o' my tellin' people all about it? They only think I'm gone daft."

He looked very much troubled. Taking out his handkerchief, he blew his nose sonorously.

"Come with me," said the benevolent man coaxingly.

"I don't want to go anywhere with nobody. I just want to catch my wife and children as they go by and enjoy the rest o' the ride with 'em."

"I think I can take you where you'll learn all about it. Come."

"Where you goin' to take me?"

"Oh, I'll take you where you'll be cared for."

"I don't want to be cared for. I want to know whether my family has gone past. There's a puff of smoke blowin' around the corner now. I shouldn't wonder if it's them!"

"See. They're comin' in an automobile. You confused it with a yellow house."

"I didn't do no such thing. The smoke I'm talkin' about comes out o' the chimney."

The gentleman assumed an authoritative tone. "Now, my man, either walk with me to a police station or I'll call a policeman and have you taken there by force. You're off your head. I don't know whether you are a dangerous lunatic or not, but you need to be shut up, if not for the public good, for your own."

"I knowed it," said the man lugubriously. "I knowed if I tole you the hull thing I'd get myself into trouble."

"Will you come?"

"Who are you anyways?"

"I'm the president of the Society of General Charities. Now you know that I intend you no harm. I wish to help you."

"But I don't need no help. There! There's another puff o' smoke. I reckon they'll be turnin' the corner purty soon. Will you wait a few minutes? If they don't come along just as I said they would I'll go with you."

"Instead of waitin' I'll go with you. If you are satisfied the smoke you see comes from another cause than what you suppose, perhaps you will go with me."

"Reckon I'll risk it."

They walked down the street to the one where they saw the smoke and, turning into it, saw a windlass pulled around by a horse. Ropes led from it to a two story yellow house about 100 feet away, which was being moved in the middle of the street.

"There she are!" exclaimed the seedy man. "Come on. I'll show you

the family." The gentleman hesitated. Then, with an expression of disquiet, he was about to go on his way when he changed his mind and followed the other. Sitting in a window darning stockings was a woman, while children were running about.

"Hello, Moll!" said the seedy man. "Hello, John!" said the woman. The benevolent gentleman took a bill out of his pocket, handed it to the mother and walked away.

Most Natural.

"We drew hits on our teacher today, mother."

"And who did the best one?"

"Fritz. He got his ears boxed for it."—Ellegende Blatter.

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If you have knowledge let others fight their battles by it.—Thomas Fuller.

Notice of the Meeting of the Board of Equalization.

Notice is hereby given that the county board of equalization for Union county, Oregon, will attend at the court house, La Grande, on Monday, October 11th, 1911, and publicly examine the assessment roll, correct all errors in valuation, descriptions or qualities of land, lots or other property, as assessed by the county assessor, and it shall be the duty of all persons interested to appear at the time and place given.

All persons having grievances regarding the 1911 assessment may appear before such board and present their affidavits containing grounds for complaint. All such affidavits must be presented during the first week of the meeting of the board.

D. M. CLARK,

Assessor for Union County, Oregon.

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B. P. O. E.—La Grande Lodge No. 433 meets each Thursday evening at 8 o'clock in Elk's club, corner of Depot street and Washington avenue. Visiting brothers are cordially invited to attend.

H. J. RITTER, Ex. Rul

H. E. COOLIDGE, Rec. Sec.

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D. FITZGERALD, C. C.

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4. W. A.—La Grande Camp No. 7703 meets every Monday in the month at the I. O. O. F. hall. All visiting neighbors are cordially invited to attend.

E. E. DANIELS,

ED. HEATH, Clerk.

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MISS HELEN McLAUGHLIN, N. G.

MISS ANNA ALEXANDER, Sec.

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JESS PAUL, C. C.

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