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BETTER AND CHEAPER RAILS

Canadian steel rails are being sold in the United States \$3 below the price consistently maintained by the American manufacturers for many years. This competition is possible solely because there is no tariff on steel.

Needless to say the Canadian corporation, which is located at the Soo, is booking large orders from American railroads. The Illinois Central saved \$175,000 on a single order. In addition the Canadians submit every ingot to the "nick and break" test, a safety first consideration which the railroads sought in vain from American manufacturers. Adding this advantage to the cut in price the railroads claim that Canada is selling steel rails in the United States \$5 per ton less than home producers.

The high tariff advocates will seize upon this transfer of trade as another horrible example of lowering the tariff walls. They will accept without demur the statement of steel manufacturers that they cannot possibly meet the conditions of this new competition. In their lop-sided view of the situation they overlook entirely the railroad and of the bargain. Steel rails form one of the chief items of railroad expense. And every one is aware that the railroads need to save every cent they can in order to make both ends meet.

It is idle talk for America's large steel producers to declare that they cannot meet Canada's price. Canada enjoys no advantage either in cheap labor or natural resources. We have ore, coal and the advantage of transportation, and men can be hired as cheaply at Gary as at the Soo. Canadian advantage, if she has any, is in the superior organization and efficiency of manufacturing. That is unthinkable because American steel products compete successfully with the world in foreign trade and American methods are studied and applauded by foreign engineers.

Unless the protective tariff which they enjoyed for so many years has enervated American steel manufacturers they will accept this challenge and meet the new competition with superior skill, energy and products. When the first shock of surprise has passed doubtless they will get down to the task with alacrity. For years this country has needed better and cheaper rails to relieve the railroads of "gouge," stimulate construction of new lines and increase the safety of the traveling public. It remained for international competition to break the deadlock against which the railroads have been struggling in vain.

Eugene Brieux says that Americans are more like the French than any people he knows. And some we know who have been to Paris are more like them than the French are themselves.

The invention of fireproof shingles has been announced, but so far as has been discovered no insurance company is preparing to go out of business.

Men with whiskers are wanted to pose as Russian soldiers by a motion picture concern down in New Jersey. This is the first time hirsute lace-curtain

have been an asset to anybody.

Somehow it is not always easy to display the same admiration for your wife's new hat after you learn the price.

COUNTY RECORDS

Conveyances.

W. E. Ruckman et ux to David Greiner \$1 etc. Warranty deed conveys: lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20 in blk 24, in the town of Imbler. (Recorded book 60, page 587.)

Louisa E. Harrison and Thomas J. Harrison her husband to Bennett Harrison \$1000. Warranty deed conveys E 1-2 of S E 1-4 N W 1-4 of S E 1-4 and S W 1-4 of N E 1-4 of sec 3 T 6 S R 38 E. (Recorded book 63, page 259.)

Bennett Harrison to Floyd F. Wiltshire \$1100. Warranty deed conveys: E 1-2 of S E 1-4 N W 1-4 of S E 1-4 and S W 1-4 of N E 1-4 of sec 3 T. (Recorded book 63 page 260.)

W. W. Wright unmarried to Elizabeth C. Ryder \$1 etc. Warranty deed, conveys: A tract, com. at a point 25 rds due east of center of sec 33 T 2 S R 38 E run then N 80 rds then E 25 rds then S 32 rds then W 24 rds and 4 1-2 ft then S 48 rds then W 12 ft to beg. (Recorded book 63 page 261.)

Satisfaction of Mortgages.

The United State Investment Corporation Ltd to William H. Miller, et ux. Released mtg dated 6th Sept. 1912, recorded bk 44 of mtg page 33 and covering S W 1-4 of S E 1-4 and S E 1-4 of S W 1-4 of sec 14 and N W 1-4 of N E 1-4 and N E 1-4 of N W 1-4 of sec 23 all in tp 2 NR40E. (Recorded book 48 page 470.)

James G. Snodgrass, trustee to G. M. Richey et ux. Releases mtg dated 26th Sept. 1911, recorded bk 42 of mtgs page 289 and covering S 1-2 of lots 19, 20 and 21 in blk 105 in Chaplin's add to La Grande. (Recorded book 48 page 472.)

Suits Filed.

The Legal Adjustment Company a corp. pltf. vs John J. Harlan, deft. plaintiff demands judgment against deft. in sum of \$191.45 with int. at 8 per cent from 6th Feb., 1911 until paid, \$35 attorney fee and costs and disbursements herein.

Satisfaction of Judgments.

E. W. Oliver by Grande Ronde Grain company docketed June 19 1913 on margin. Satisfied in full March 27, 1915.

E. W. Oliver by W. B. Gasset. Docketed 3rd Aug 1911. On margin. Judgment cancelled March 26, 1915.

RUNAWAY JUNE

(Continued from Page 3.)



Tommy Was Not Highly Pleased.

fixed steadily on her in the glass. She missed Marie's red gums, which were always showing, but there was no smile in the French Canadian girl just now.

"Why did you leave him?" asked the maid.

"Money, Marie. Ned gave me some money."

"We were all so glad that Mr. Ned

was going to be so good to you," Marie pathetically observed. "and you ran away from him because he was. You should go back. My sister's husband beats her."

June shook her head. "Get me a newspaper, Marie," she requested. June had a new problem to confront now. She must earn a living, and it was a subject which she had never considered except in the vague haze of romance. When Marie returned with the paper she studied the want ads with curious interest.

Meanwhile Blye and Orin Cunningham drove to the house where Blye had first directed June.

"Send Tommy down," directed Blye, pacing the floor thoughtfully.

Scotli, storing many things in his mind, turned his swarthy face toward the window and presently saw Tommy come into the room, the vivacious brunette girl whom June had seen. Scotli saw Cunningham rise and the three conversing earnestly. Blye showed Tommy the picture in the lid of the little gold watch. Tommy was not highly pleased, from the very beginning. The men grew stern, and then Scotli saw them reduce her to submission. She walked away and presently came back wearing an evening wrap of creamy colors. The three hurried out and got into the car. They drove down into the dimly lighted street where June lay in the sleep of blessed rest. Blye had Tommy take careful note of the house.

(To Be Continued Tomorrow.)

Closing Hours Arranged.

Attention of shoppers is called to the fact that the meat shops and grocery stores will be closed from 12:30 to 3 o'clock Friday afternoon for the public services at Sherry's theatre.

Cove Items.

Edwin Bowell purchased 38 acres of pasture land from Mrs. Matt Mitchell last week. S. W. Koger purchased the remaining 40 acres this week.

The writer made a mistake last week in regard to the St. Patrick entertainment given at the Sutherland home. It was given by the Home Literary club instead of by the Episcopal Sunday School as before stated.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. church met at the Payne home last Wednesday. The ladies were royally entertained and a pleasant afternoon was spent.

Oscar Lund is building a bungalow on his small fruit farm in Cove. Geo. Jasper and family left for their new home in Freewater last Thursday.

Ernest Borggren left Saturday for Pocatello. He expects to be gone several weeks.

Mrs. L. J. Chadwick entertained the Dorcas society of the Baptist church at her home last Thursday.

Miss Dena Lund has begun teaching a three months' school in High valley. Rev. Robinson of the Baptist church held his regular services at Hardscrabble school house Sunday.

Geo. Becker and family were over from La Grande Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Ingram returned Friday from Pendleton, where they attended the funeral of Mrs. Ingram's father.

Agricultural News.

Washington, Mar. 31.—Consumers, even in states quarantined for foot and mouth disease, need have no fear of eating meat today, providing it is cooked thoroughly. These reassuring words are given in a bulletin just issued by the Department of Agriculture.

The foot-and-mouth disease is not easily communicated to human beings through food, although milk from a diseased cow might transmit the disease to a human being. Pasturization, however, renders milk safe. Human beings who do get the disease commonly get it from direct contact with the diseased animal. It is wisest, therefore, says the department, for people to keep away from all animals having the disease unless they are properly provided with rubber gloves, coats, and boots, and these are thoroughly disinfected after each visit to the animals.

In the case of meat, as in the case of milk, the department points out, all herds which actually show the disease are quarantined, and neither milk nor meat from the sick animals can be sold. Sixty-percent of the meat used in this country is produced in the nearly 900 federally inspected slaughtering and packing establishments located in 240 cities. In these establishments no animal is slaughtered until it has passed an ante-mortem inspection by a veterinary at the time of slaughter. After slaughter meat cannot leave the establishment until it has been carefully examined and stamped "U.S. Inspected and Passed."

In all these establishments no animal showing any symptoms whatever of foot-and-mouth disease is allowed to go to slaughter, and no meats, which show on post-mortem inspection any suspicious symptoms of this complaint can be shipped out of the establishment. All meat suspected of coming from an infected animal is sent under government seal to the tanks to be rendered into the fertilizer. The federal inspection stamp on meat, therefore, means that it is entirely safe.

Heavy potash deposits are reported from the Cedros island to the Shumagins, off the Alaskan coast.

The area of these beds aggregate 400 square miles, capable of yielding annually, either as dried kelp or as pure potassium chloride, over six times the present consumption of soluble potash salts in the United States, or something more than the world's total production.

NEW DIRECTORIES ARRIVE

Oregon and Washington Gazetteer and Business Directory for 1915-16. R. L. Polk & Company have just issued the 1915-16 edition of the Oregon and Washington Gazetteer and

Just Arrived Easter Neckwear

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A real showing of the advanced modes. The Choicest Kinds of Styles--The Kind of Neckwear Women Want Most, all at 25c and 50c.

They have arrived in time for Easter—more of that beautiful neckwear which has made our neckwear counter so popular with the women of La Grande and no wonder when such values are sold at 25c and 50c. The very newest ideas of the hour are represented in this large assortment of Easter neckwear—styles for the coat, suit, dress or waists. Charming collar and cuff sets, separate collars in flat, flare, roll effects, vestees, gimpes, military and clover leaf styles—all of the best materials of organdies, transparent voiles, dainty batistes, pretty Oriental lace, etc. Many are finished with narrow black ribbons with embroidered black edges. The last shipment of this beautiful neckwear only lasted a few days, so if you would secure the prettiest styles, don't delay. The styles are very much different than have ever been shown before in LaGrande. See the new military effects.

N. K. West & Co.
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A descriptive sketch of each place is given, embracing various items of interest, such as location, population, distance to different points, the most convenient shipping stations, the products that are marketed, stage com-

munications, trade statistics and churches.

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The work generally is compiled to meet the wants of the business community and is so thorough as to deserve its liberal patronage.

Price \$9.00, offices Seattle, Portland, Spokane and Tacoma.—Adv.

Notice of Referee's Sale.

Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of a decree issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Union on the 22nd day of March, 1915, in that certain suit therein pending wherein Elizabeth H. Sanford is plaintiff and

Leah Sanford is defendant appointing the undersigned referee to make sale of the hereinafter described lands mentioned in said decree for the purpose of apportioning the same between the plaintiff and defendant and which said decree authorized and directed the undersigned, as such referee, to sell the said lands as by law provided, the undersigned will on the 29th day of April, 1915, at 2 o'clock, p. m. at the front door of the County Court house in La Grande, Union County Oregon, sell at public sale to the highest bidder therefor for cash the following described lands mentioned in said decree, to wit: The East half of East half of East half of Southeast quarter of section twenty-seven, township three, South, of range forty, East of Willamette Meridian in Union County, Oregon.

AUGUST HUG,
Referee.
D.—Mar. 31. Apr. 7-14-21-28.

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