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MAN WAS BORN TO HUSTLE.
He is of few days; but quite a plenty.

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WITH a decrease of the public debt in September of $4,825,451, a gold reserve in the treasury of $150,000,000, a cash balance of $319,919,889, Uncle Sam is in pretty good shape to continue business.—Eugene Register.

THIS is November 1st—and there has been no frost. That's a pretty good record even for so mild a climate as this—where the rose blooms in open air nearly every month in the year. New laurels are being added to this land of ours with each year's cycle.

ONE of the largest of the giant sequoia trees in the famous Mariposa grove, Yosemite valley, California, has been named after the late President McKinley. The tree is estimated to be over 3000 years old and stands between the one named after George Washington and the one named after Abraham Lincoln.

JOHN P. JONES, senator from Nevada, who has been a silverite among silverites for years, has deserted the cause of the white metal and is seeking to get back into the Republican fold. In a recent address he says that in the alignment of political parties today, the Republican is the only one in touch with modern economic progress. Republican journals and speakers have been telling Mr. Jones that for "lo! these many years" and it does seem that he might have come to that conclusion much sooner.

THE Josephine and Jackson County papers are engaged in a pretty warm land office controversy involving the local officials and the commissioner. The Gold Hill News alleges that the local land officials are discriminating against it in the placing of land office business, the commissioner indirectly sustaining its complaint and position. On the other hand it is shown that the News is not a paper of such general circulation, permanancy and responsibility to warrant a share of land office patronage, it having twice suspended publication in the past few years, each time containing unfinished land office advertising which occasioned delay, trouble and confusion in the Roseburg land office and each time requiring republication of the advertisements in an old established paper of general circulation; hence, it is plain that the position of the Roseburg land officials is just and proper and should, and probably will be sustained by the general land office. The register and receiver have been far more liberal and non partisan in the distribution of the patronage of the Roseburg land office than were their predecessors, even varying from the old established precedent of awarding the patronage exclusive to administration party papers as far as possible, and the Democratic press has no grounds whatever for complaint, especially a paper of the standing and class of the Gold Hill News.—Roseburg Plaindealer.

Rear Admiral Schley has reached the age limit of 62 years, and hereafter will be on the retired list. His salary will be reduced from $7,500 to 5,625 a year.

The amount of claims of all kinds filed with the Spanish claims commission is $57,582,807. Of this amount $1,890,000 is on account of deaths resulting from the sinking of the Maine, and $135,000 on account of injuries received in that disaster.

A poisonous fruit, supposed to have the mark of Eve's teeth, grows in Ceylon, and the tree is called "Eve's apple tree." The fruit is of an orange tint on the outside and deep crimson within, and each apple has the appearance of having had a piece bitten out of it. This [illegible] together with its poisonous [illegible] ometans to rep[illegible] [illegible]en fruit of

USED THE MAILS TO DEFRAUD.

From the Portland Telegram.

Etna Dungan, a woman of about 38, living at Gold Hill, in the southern part of the state, has been indicted by the Grand Jury, arrested and is now out on bail, charged with using the mails to defraud, and obtaining money under false pretenses. Her scheme, as outlined in the testimony before the Grand Jury, has been prolific in good results to her, it being claimed that she has secured considerable sums from various men under promise to marry them.

The alleged fraud was discovered through the medium of the postoffice authorities, and to all appearances discloses a condition of affairs which has been in existence for some time. From the testimony now in the hands of Deputy United States District Attorney Mays, who has been handling the case, Miss Dungan's mode of procedure was to correspond with some man whose address she obtained, and finally agree to marry him. She would then, it is said, ask him to send her money with which she might meet him. This was done in a number of instances, and she would then make some excuse for not going.

She is said to have opened such a correspondence with Andrew Knutson, of New Whatcom Wash., who had advertised in some paper that he would like to meet "a suitable companion, object, matrimony," or words to that effect. They exchanged photographs and Miss Dungan is said to have finally written that she liked his face, he appeared to be a good man, and she was willing to marry him. She also wrote that if he would send some money to her, she would meet him at New Whatcom, and if every thing proved agreeable, they would be married. Knutson immediately accepted the offer and sent a money order for $20. Another letter is said to have been received from the fair one in Southern Oregon, to the effect that she had received the money and was having a dress made, which she described in her letter. She also said that she expected her father to give her sufficient money to take her to Portland, but that he had failed, and she would need more. The confiding Knutson sent along $30 more, and the next he heard from her was to the effect that she was sick and could not come at the time, but would as soon as possible.

At the same time, it is said, she was writing letters in a similar vein to A. Sagendorph, at Aberdeen, Wash. She asked him in the first place for $20, and after that for $5 more, which he also sent to her. He also heard that she was sick and could not go to him at the time, but would arrive later.

Another man in Nampa, Idaho, was the recipient of her letters. When she asked him for money, he became suspicious and wrote to Postmaster William Reames at Gold Hill, to make some inquiries. As the young lady had received a large number of money orders, the Postmaster decided the case merited investigation, and laid the matter before the Postal Inspector, with the result that, after correspondence with some of Miss Dungan's long-distance suitors she was indicted by the Grand Jury. Deputy United States Marshal Proebstel went to Gold Hill and made the arrest yesterday. Miss Dungan burst into tears when the officer arrested her, but made no statement to him. She gave bail in the sum of $500 and was released until such time as her presence is desired in the Federal Court here.

An investigation has convinced the officers that she was in communication with a dozen or so men at the same time, her operations being quite a source of revenue. Postmaster Reames stated before the Grand Jury that during the year he has been in charge of the office, she has received $200 in money orders, but that her registered letter mail has far exceeded this, and what she obtained from registered letters cannot be obtained.

Her correspondents are scattered all along the Pacific Coast, and she has received money orders from the following cities and towns: Aberdeen, Wash.; Buffalo, Wyo.; Colfax, Wash.; Vashon, Wash; Fresno, Calif.; Jonah, Tex.; Oakdale, Calif.; Burns, Ore.; Carey, Idaho.

The defendant comes of a good family, and her father is said to be a well-to-do man. She never cashed the money orders herself, but gave her father an authorization, and he cashed them at the Post office. The authorities are still collecting evidence as to her many lovers, and as soon as possible the case will be called in court.

—Read W. T. York's real estate bargains in another column of this paper.

ASSASSIN CZOLGOZ HAS PAID THE PENALTY

President McKinley's Slayer Meets His Death by Electricity in the State's Prison at Auburn, N. Y.

AUBURN, N. Y., Oct. 29.—At 7:12½ o'clock this morning Leon Czolgosz, the assassin of President McKinley, paid the extreme penalty exacted by the law for his crime. He was shocked to death by 1,700 volts of electricity. He went to the chair in exactly the same manner as the majority of the murderers in the state, showing no particular sign of fear, but, in fact, doing what few of them have done—talking to the witnesses while he was being strapped in the chair.

AUBURN, N. Y., Oct. 29.—Czolgosz rested exceedingly well during Monday night for a man in the shadow of death. It was 4:45 o'clock this morning before he finally waked up and left his cot. His sleep was almost unbroken throughout the night and was restful and refreshing. He did not break his silence when he awoke nor did he show any indication of failing courage. Superintendent Collins and Warden Mead also arose at 4:45 o'clock and their first inquiry was as to the prisoner. They breakfasted early and at once set about to perfect the final details of the execution.

He ate a hearty breakfast, after which he was prepared for the electric chair. When dressed he laid down on the cot again, and in this attitude Superintendent Collins found him at 5:30, when he went down to visit him.

The Superintendent stood in front of the steel bars, and when the guard had called Czolgosz' attention he said:

"I want to make a statement before you kill me."

"What do you wish to say, Czolgosz?" asked the superintendent.

"I want to make it when there are a lot of people present. I want them to hear me," said the prisoner.

"Well you cannot," said the superintendent.

"Then I won't talk at all," said the prisoner, sullenly.

At 7:11 he was marched into the death chamber and at 7:12—30 the switch which threw 1,700 volts of electricity into the living body was turned on. For 45 seconds the full current was kept on, and then slowly the electrician threw the switch back, reducing the current volt by volt until it was cut off entirely. The volts were turned on and off twice after that and at 7:17 the warden declared the prisoner to be dead.

AUBURN, N. Y., Oct. 29.—The physicians holding the autopsy have decided, after a critical examination, that Czolgosz' brain was normal, if not above normal.

For Sale or Trade.

One span 1200-pound horses—or will trade for cows; also have or sale 2½ inch wagon and set of team harness. Inquire at Mrs. Vrooman's residence, South C street, Medford.

High School Literary Society.

The Medford high school has organized a literary society, the purpose of which is to help the pupils to express their thoughts without embarrassment. The following are officers: Wm. Kleinhammer, president; Percy DeGroot, vice president; Bessie Dent, secretary; Guy Mickey, censor; Homer Rothermel, sargent at arms; Helen Walt, editor; Carrie Tressler, organist. The first regular program was rendered last Friday afternoon, Oct. 25th. The debate was one of the most interesting features. It was "Resolved, That Washington did more for his country than Lincoln." Debators, Lucy Kent, Horace Jones, affirmative; Clifford Beckett, Percy DeGroot, negative. The judges decided in favor of the affirmative. The following program was then carried out:

Song, "America,"	High School
Recitation	Pearl Beckett
Violin solo	Artie Bennett
Recitation	Howard Hill
Essay	Bernice Angle
Vocal solo	Nola Redden
Three minute talk	Bert Orr
High School Budget	Helen Walt
Censor's remarks	Guy Mickey

(Signed), BESSIE DENT, Sec'y.

Settle Up Notice.

As I have sold out my business in Medford it becomes necessary that all my book accounts be settled at once. During my absence of a few weeks accounts may be paid at the office of City Recorder York, or to Mr. J. H. Butler.

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Resolutions of Condolence.

WHEREAS, The Angel of Death has taken Miss Ora E. Lyon, sister of our most esteemed frater, Lulu M. Lyon, and

WHEREAS, We know the Most High has said these beautiful words, "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God;" therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That Medford Lodge, No. 421, Fraternal Union of America, extend its heartfelt sympathy to the grief stricken family, and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the records of this lodge and a copy sent to our worthy frater, Lulu M. Lyon, and one to each of the newspapers of Medford.

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J. C. CRYSTAL.

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