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

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THE Danish West Indies now belong to the United States. About the only thing they are valuable for is for coaling and naval supply stations. The price paid for them is not given out, but it is doubtless all they are worth.

THE soldier at Fort Canby, who threatened to kill President Roosevelt and voiced approval of the crime of Czolgoz, has been taken to Alcatraz to serve a ten years' sentence. His name, Rakowski, is indicative of anarchistic tendencies. The sentence given him is deserved.

ADMIRAL SCHLEY has declared that the presidential bee has not invaded his chapeau. The admiral is right. The place he occupies in public estimation is such that, even if elected, it would not be enhanced, and he is wise not to risk the blotching of his escutcheon which might come by carrying it through a bitter political campaign.

LANDHUNTERS are waking up to the value of Oregon timber lands. Twenty-one timber claims were filed in the Oregon City land office last Thursday, embracing a total of 3360 acres in Benton County. This land has not been heretofore unknown, most of it having been taken in past years under the homestead law, but relinquished, for the reason, perhaps, of the labor involved in clearing and putting it under the plow. Oregon timber was not a valuable asset in those days, for the very sufficient reason that the local lumber market was easily glutted and lumber shipping had not reached the proportions of a paying industry. To subdue the forests to agriculture was enormously laborious, and therefore unprofitable. But the timber districts abandoned by discouraged homeseekers have been rediscovered, so to speak, by the timber-land-seeker, who will sooner or later realize handsomely upon his venture.—Oregonian.

THE report that eastern students were to be imported to Oregon and appointed as U. S. forest rangers, in place of Oregon men, who have heretofore held the positions, has resulted in some pretty strong protests being sent to our senators and representatives. The inadequacy of the force employed to perform the duty of protecting the vast extent of the Cascade reserve from fire and other depredations has been the source of many unfavorable remarks and much newspaper jocularities, even when in the hands of practical mountaineers, as most of the old rangers were. With a lot of green eastern students, who, while they might be able to give the scientific and botanical names for about all the weeds in the woods, wouldn't know how to arrange a campfire so the bean pot wouldn't upset, or how to cook 'em anyway, the situation would not be considerably improved. The matter is much of a farce at the best, and it is to be hoped, in the interest of future generations, that it will not be made worse. The idea of the forest reserve is all right. It is simply the way it is carried out that makes people tired.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that my wife, Grace E. Barnum, having left my bed and board, I will not be responsible for any bills of her contracting.

HUGH T. BARNUM.
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Thought They Were Wax Apples.

Several weeks ago Mr. S. L. Bennett sent samples of three varieties of choice apples, grown in his orchard north of Medford, to the Oregon fruit exhibit at the Charleston exposition. THE MAIL made mention of the fact when the fruit was sent. We said they were the finest specimens that ever grew and that we would defy the world to beat 'em—Hood River not barred from competition. The fruit was a long time reaching Charleston, but it finally arrived, and when it did and was placed on exhibition the natives went wild and every visitor to the exposition expressed great admiration, and some of them wanted to handle the fruit to see if they were really and truly apples, or were made of wax. Below is a letter from Hon. H. E. Dorsch, superintendent of the Oregon exhibit at Charleston: CHARLESTON, S. C., Jan. 21, 1902. MR. S. L. BENNETT, Medford, Oregon.

MY DEAR SIR:—Your favor of the 10th inst., with Wells, Fargo & Co.'s receipt, to hand, for which I thank you. I presented it to the Southern Express Co., and after looking up the matter they refunded to us the \$9.50 express charges this morning.

I also desire to say that your apples are the nicest of fresh fruits we have on exhibition and attract not only a good deal of attention, but much favorable comment. Such apples are not seen here in the market and many want to handle them, to see if they are real apples and not wax.

Thanking you again in the name of Oregon for your thoughtfulness, I am Cordially Yours,

HENRY E. DOSCH.

It is up to Watsonville, Calif., and Hood River, Oregon, apple growers to produce an apple that's the real thing but still has the delusive appearance of being a manufactured wax article.

NONTILLABLE LAND RAISED.

Increase in State Assessment Over \$500,000,000 for Year 1902.

An increase of \$24,000,000 in the assessed valuation of all the property in the state, as compared with last year, is shown by the assessment summaries for 1901, filed in the office of the secretary of state. Owing to an increase of \$500,000 in the exemptions, the net increase in the value of taxable property is \$23,500,000. The total value of taxable property is now \$141,393,513.96, as against \$117,894,513.13 in 1900. The total valuation is now higher than it has been in five years before. There is an increase in the total value of every class of property except tillable land, which shows a decrease of \$2,000,000. This decrease is more than made up by the increase on what is called nontillable land, which has gained \$8,000,000. Among the classes of property which show heavy increases are street railway beds, which have doubled in assessed valuation; merchandise, which has increased \$1,300,000; town and city lots, which have grown in value \$7,500,000, and improvements on city lots, which show an increase of \$3,500,000.

An Important Opinion Rendered.

Judge R. P. Boise rendered an opinion of interest and importance last week in a case coming up in the Douglas County circuit court, involving the right of persons to take gravel from the banks of streams when such streams border upon land belonging to private parties. The court held that the defendant in question had no right to take gravel from the river bank in question and that the right of private ownership extends to the center of the stream. This decision not only settles the property rights upon gravel beds but will probably affect logging and boom operations along such streams as well.

Revival Meetings Closed.

The revival meetings at the First Methodist Church under the management and able leadership of the Rev. Dr. J. J. Walter, closed Tuesday night. Twenty-one were added to the church, and a deeper interest prevails throughout the city. Dr. Walter's short stay and work in our little city will never be forgotten. He is a profound thinker and forcible speaker, who moves the people by the preaching of the pure word. His illustrations of the truth are largely drawn from his own experiences in personal, social and missionary fields of the ministry. The town of Medford is to be congratulated that his services could be secured even for a short time.

Engines and Boilers for Sale.

I have for sale at my machine shop, in Medford, one 10-horse power boiler with 8-horse power engine, one 3-horse power engine and boiler, one 8-horse power engine and boiler. These have all been overhauled and repaired and are practically as good as new.

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Sharp Cross-Examination.

Some time ago County Clerk Newbury received a communication from a gentleman in Nebraska, comprising the usual long list of questions concerning the resources and capabilities of Oregon usually asked by prospective settlers. After answering these queries in the courteous manner for which he is noted, Mr. Newbury took charge of the examination himself and propounded the following leading questions:

"Now let me ask you some questions. You see we are a little particular out here in the west and we want to know what kind of people we are inviting to our climate.

"What are your politics?"

"Have you any anarchistic tendencies?"

"Have you any inclination toward socialism?"

"Are you a religious man?"

"Do you believe the earth is round?"

"Are you sure Oregon is on the map of the U. S.?"

"Did you ever live in Missouri?"

"Do you think that Bryanism is a live issue?"

What state do you think will be benefited by your removal to Oregon—Nebraska or Oregon?"

"Do you consider governmental policies a menace to your liberties?"

"Do you know that Oregon took first prize at the Buffalo Exposition for butter, fruit and grains?"

"Do you know that Portland, Oregon, is one of the very first ports of shipment for grains—especially wheat and lumber?"

"Have you ever had your liberties restrained: if so what did you steal?"

"There are many other questions I might ask but these are sufficient to determine your desirableness as a citizen of Oregon."

Death of Mrs. Demorest.

From the Lakeriew Examiner.

It is our painful duty to chronicle the death of Hattie Loretta Demorest, beloved wife of Dr. O. F. Demorest, the resident dentist. Few of our people knew that she was ill until the sad news of her death was announced on Friday evening, January 16th. She breathed her last in the presence of her husband and a few kind friends, who attended her in her last hours. For a few days before, her suffering was terrible, but when death came she was in peace and without pain.

"Hattie Loretta Shreve, was born in Dallas, Polk County, Oregon, thirty-two years ago. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Asa Shreve, old residents of Polk County. Eleven years ago she wedded Dr. Demorest, and came to Lakeview to reside nearly six years ago. Deceased led a quiet home life, and all her affection was centered on her husband and children. Those who were intimate with her and knew her best had a high opinion of her worth and admired her for the many womanly qualities she possessed. She was a true Christian and a devout member of the Christian Church."

Deceased was a resident of Medford, prior to moving to Lakeview, her husband having practiced dentistry here for three or four years.

Estray Notice.

Taken up and posted by undersigned, in Sams Valley precinct, Jackson County, Oregon, one black mare, 11 or 12 years old, 15 hands high, white star on forehead, saddle mark on right side, white hind feet, wear right front heel. Taken up last fall; shod all around when first caught; appraised at \$25.

Dated this 10th day of January, 1902
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Wanted—

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E. S. Wolfer,

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Passed to the Other Shore.

It is THE MAIL's painful duty this week to announce the death of Mrs. Eugenia L. Lawton, beloved wife of Townsman J. W. Lawton, which occurred on Thursday morning, January 30, 1902.

Deceased had been ill for several weeks with typhoid fever, and during all these anxious weeks everything possible to return the good woman's health was given her, the very best nursing and medical attention having been secured, but all to no avail—the complications which followed her long fever illness were more than the weakened body could stand and on the date above mentioned, at one o'clock, a. m., the messenger of Death entered that happy home and took from the family circle its most treasured member—wife and mother.

Mrs. Lawton was a native of Iowa, and was aged forty-four years and twenty days. She leaves to mourn her demise a loving husband and six children: four boys, Robert, the oldest, Morton, Guy and Duplison, and two girls, Helen and Lorraine, the latter being the youngest, aged about seven years. Deceased was a devout Christian, a member of the Baptist Church of this city, and in every respect a model woman in the walks of life, while within the home circle she was a devoted wife and mother, and every member of that once happy home worshipped her as only those of noble principles and saintly spirits can worship one of kindred kind.

The heartfelt sympathy of all Medford people goes out to this bereaved family in their sad hour of deepest affliction.

Funeral services will be held at the Baptist Church Friday, January 31st, at 2 o'clock, p. m., Rev. T. L. Crandall officiating.

Soliss' Coyotery.

From the Portland Daily Telegram.

A N. Soliss, a prominent lawyer and politician of Jackson County, until recently a member of the Democratic State Central Committee, is in the city. In addition to giving his attention to law and politics, Mr. Soliss has been doing a stunt at diversified farming. A great deal of Mr. Soliss' agricultural lands stand on an angle of 85 degrees, and it is with difficulty that his horses and cattle keep from falling off the ranch on busy days. Coyotes make a big inroad at times in the Soliss chickens, and the County of Jackson pays a bounty of \$2 for coyote scalps. This formed a dual reason why the agricultural attorney desired to kill as many of the depredators as possible. On the main coyote trail Mr. Soliss removed enough of his farm to make a perpendicular wall, and enclosed the lower side with a high board fence. Two coyotes were caught in traps and placed within the enclosure. Within two weeks Mr. Soliss says thirty-two coyotes were within the prison walls.

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SHERIFF'S SALE.

BY VIRTUE of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Jackson, on a judgment rendered in said Circuit Court on the 12th day of April, 1901, wherein C. A. Junker and A. E. Junker, partners as Junker Brothers, plaintiffs, recovered a judgment against S. T. Souger, Joseph Dame and M. S. McConnell, defendants, for the sum of eight hundred seventy and 24/100 (\$870.24) dollars, with interest thereon at the rate of 8 per cent per annum from the 13th day of April, 1901, and the further sum of twenty-two (\$22.00) dollars costs, which judgment was enrolled and docketed in the office of the county clerk of said Jackson County, Oregon, on the 12th day of April, 1901, and whereas by virtue of an execution issued out of the clerk's office for said county and state, there was paid on said judgment on August 28, 1901, the sum of three hundred ninety (\$390.00) dollars as appears by the return of said execution, therefore in obedience to the commands of said last named execution dated January 28, 1902, I did on the 26th day of January, 1902, duly levy upon and will sell as the law directs, at the front door of the court house in the Town of Jacksonville, Jackson County, Oregon, on

Saturday, March 1, 1902,

At the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, the following described real property, to-wit:

Lots 21, 22 and 26, blk. P, R. R. addition to Ashland, Oregon, together with all appurtenances thereto belonging.

ALEX. OHME, Sheriff.

Dated at Jacksonville, Ore., Jan. 29, 1902.

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