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THE LAW'S DELAY.

"The law's delay,
The insolence of office,"

enumerated by Hamlet as among the causes justifying a man's making his own quietus "with a bare bodkin," are as bad today as in Shakespeare's time, and the following is as good a description of some office-holders as it was in the days of good Queen Bess:

Clothed in a little brief authority,
His fussy essence, like an angry ape,
Cuts such fantastic tricks before high heaven
As makes the angels weep."

The National Tribune, published in Washington, D. C., in the interest of the old soldiers, comes out with a bill which it offers congress as an amendment to the present pension act. The proposed bill provides that old soldiers who have reached the age of 62 years be given a pension of \$15 a month; 65 years, \$20 per month; 70 years, \$30 per month; 75 years or over, \$40 per month. All classes of veterans are recognized except Indian fighters. If introduced, the bill should be amended to include the latter, to whom the country owes as much or more than it does to Mexican or Civil war veterans. Certainly Oregon owes more to the Indian war veterans than to either of the others.

Commander Peary has again shown his littleness, this time by sending broadcast over the country a map showing what he claims is Dr. Cook's actual route in the frozen north. A dotted line shows "Dr. Cook's alleged route." On the map is written, "Correct copy from original by two Eskimos." It is rather amusing to learn of Eskimos acquiring the art of map making. Peary has time and again proved himself so incapable of fair play and square dealing that suspicion is raised regarding the genuineness of his own discovery.

The narrow-minded partisanship and unfairness of the Portland Oregonian is again shown in its treatment of Bryan during the latter's visit to Portland. Although Bryan came as a private citizen, the Oregonian had not the courtesy or decency to treat him fairly. He is misquoted in interview, villified in editorial, and minimized in news columns. Yet Bryan's visit was a continuous ovation and he evoked ten times the enthusiasm that the president of the United States had evoked a few days before.

The state land board has increased the price of indemnity selection land from \$8.75 to \$10 an acre. The state still owns 90,000 acres of this land.

TO ADJUDICATE WATER RIGHTS

Board of Control Will Hold Session Next Month in This County.

The board of control, as the new state water board is called, will investigate and adjudicate the water rights of Little Butte creek, together with the ditches diverting therefrom on Monday, November 29. The superintendent of water division No. 1, H. L. Holgate of Bonanza, will begin taking testimony as to relative rights of the various parties claiming water at the following times and places:

On Saturday, December 4, at 10 o'clock, at the Eagle Point school; on Monday, December 6, at 10 o'clock, at the Moore hotel.

As the water rights in question involve the Fish Lake company's

claims and the rights they sold to the city, the investigation is a matter of great public interest.

NEW PRESIDENT IN NICARAGUA

Typical South American Revolution Brings About Change in Government.

COLON, Oct. 13.—Revolutionists have overthrown President Jose Santos Seelava of Nicaragua and Juan Estrada has been proclaimed provisional president. No shots were fired. The interior will support the new president. It is reported that Seelava will not attempt to regain the presidency. Americans are delighted, as Seelava obstructed the development of Nicaragua's resources.

C. M. Stimebaugh of Ashland is a visitor to the city this week.

APPLES PLENTIFUL IN THE PORTLAND MARKET

(Telegram.)

The apple supply in the Front street market is now the heaviest since the opening of the season, and while the trade is still none too active, some improvement has come as a result of the recent general lowering of prices. The offerings embrace a dozen or more sorts, from Hood River, southern Oregon and various points in the Willamette valley and considerable California fruit as well.

In the displays today there was a fair proportion of good quality fruit, including Kings, Jonathans, California Bellflowers, Newtowns, Spitzenbergs, Grimes Golden and a few other varieties, while as for a month back there was an abundance of poor to medium grade products, and a good deal of fruit that in some other markets would have been condemned.

The best of the standard sorts were quoted generally at \$1.50 per box, medium to good fruit going at \$1 to \$1.25, while the off-grade stuff was for the most part held at 75 to 85 cents, and it was noticeable that the medium grades were the most active. Dealers say that despite the reports of a relatively short apple crop in this state this year, there will be plenty for the home demand, though the medium grades will figure largely in consumption here.

The W. B. Glafke company announced today that another shipment of Hood River Kings and other standard fall sorts is being made up for the far east and will leave next week. This consignment will for the most part go to Shanghai and Vladivostok.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY.

FOR SALE—Bay driving team; well matched, sound, weight about 1200 pounds; 7 years old. Address T. L. Holdredge, Talent, Or. 182

FOR SALE—Good 4-room house, on easy terms. Address P. O. Box 746. 1782

Household Hints.

Do not throw away old umbrellas. By removing the cloth cover and cutting it up in strips you can make a number of dainty neckties for your husband. The ribs properly twisted and woven together make a very good rat trap, and the stick when carefully polished will do for a cane to present to the clergyman at Christmas.

To keep freckles from showing get a small paint pot, quart size, and fill with a pink paint carefully matching the tone of your complexion and with a camel's hair brush paint each freckle out.

Young wives cannot be too often reminded that they should always greet their husbands with a smile. It is safe to say that there is nothing in the world that will more deeply irritate him than this, and it should therefore not be forgotten.

If your lamp wicks give out, a very satisfactory substitute can be made of Irish point lace or valenciennes, carefully wound round the wick holder. A knitted necktie will serve the same purpose, but is apt to burn fitfully and give out a pungent odor.—Harper's Weekly.

Judges on Circuit.

It was the genius and foresight of Henry I. that saw the necessity of creating a close connection between the central king's court and the local courts up and down the land. It was Norman and wandering, going where the king went. They were Saxon and stationary; hence to link them together in 1124 a special deputation of judges was for the first time sent on circuit in the country, of whom it is recorded that they "hanged so many thieves as never was before, being in that little while altogether forty-four men."

This vigorous administration of justice by royal authority gained for Henry the title of "the lion of justice" and paved the way for the permanent institution in his grandson's reign. These travelling judges were called justices-in-eye—i. e., in itinere, on journey. Their head, the justiciar, is still seen in our title the lord chief justice.

Henry II. in 1178 fixed these circuits at six—the home, midland, eastern, western, northeastern and northern, which correspond roughly with those that still exist.—London Standard.

None of That For Them.

They had been married only a month, and it was their first experience in seeking country board. After riding ten long miles in a rattling farm cart they arrived at the door of the farmhouse.

"And now, strangers," said the old farmer after he had asked about a score of questions, "I want to tell you right now that down here with us you be supposed to go to bed with the chickens." The young man whispered to his young wife, and then both climbed back on the farm cart.

"Boy," said the young man, his lips compressed with determination, "drive us back to the station."

The freckled lad grinned and whipped up the horse.

"You uns didn't seem to like the place?" he chuckled.

"No," said the young man. "We have often read about crowded farmhouses, but when it comes to shoving us off to the henhouse that is going a little too strong. I guess we'll stay in the city."—Chicago News.

How Letters Strike Our Eyes.

Roman letters of various sizes are commonly called into request by oculists in testing vision. Recent experiments show great differences in the ease with which the various letters are recognized by the same person. T is especially difficult of recognition and is apt to be mistaken for Y. By a similar optical illusion the angle of L is rounded off, making the letter resemble a reversed J. V is the easiest of all letters to recognize, and O presents little difficulty. K is more easily recognized than H, which resembles it closely, and both N and Z are easily recognized. A is easily guessed at from its general form, but is difficult of positive recognition, including distinct perception of the horizontal line. E and F are among the most difficult of all letters.

Discouraging.

A pompous man went into a drug store early the other morning to buy a cigar. The only person he found there was the soda water dispenser. The boy was sweeping out the store.

"Sweeping out, eh?" said the man.

"Well, that's how I got my start."

The boy looked him over and replied, "Aw, what do you want to discourage me like that for?"

When the man left he was frowning.—Denver Post.

Edifying.

Gentleman (looking for rooms)—Did you say a music teacher occupies the next apartment? That cannot be very pleasant. Landlady (eagerly)—Oh, that's nothing. He has eleven children, and they make so much noise you can't hear the piano.—Harper's Bazar.

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Five room, bath, toilet, with all furniture, woodshed, sewer connected, close in\$2500

Business location, large corner lot in the heart of the city, with frame building, clearing about \$100 per month. Investigate\$8500

Two fine building lots on the corner of Oakdale and Tenth streets, one of the best locations in the city for a home.

Seven lots, with small house, on Jackson street, at\$1500

Seven-room house, lot 60x100, on Twelfth and Fir; bath, toilet; a snap at\$2800

Six-room house, lot 50x100, close in, bath and all furniture; easy terms\$3350

Rare opportunity—Lot 100x100, two blocks from Central avenue and Main street; large 14-room building, in splendid repair; can be made to pay \$300 per month, boarding or lodging house\$6500

New, modern 9-room house in Bangalow addition, lot 50x160, with all improvements and furnishings \$3850

5 acres, close in, good 5-room house, all necessary outbuildings, 2 1/2 acres set to fruit, a fine location. Let us show you this property. Easy terms.

70 acres, one mile from Phoenix; 15 acres 2-year-old Newtowns, 10 acres 2-year-old Spitz, 100 Bartlett pears, 350 strawberries; 40 acres under cultivation; new 6-room bungalow with bath, barn 32x44; old 2-room house; barn 16x32; livestock, farming tools, hay in barn. Price \$150 per acre.

27 acres, 4 miles south of Medford, across road southeast from the Burrell orchards; 5-room house, good barn, chicken house, 9 acres of 3-year-old pear orchard, 15 acres alfalfa, large vegetable garden; berries, etc. Price \$6500.

40 acres, 16 miles north of Medford, 1/2 mile from Beagle; 8 acres cultivated, 4 in fruit trees from 2 to 10 years old; on two good roads; small house, barn, woodshed, etc.; two wells. This can all be cleared without a foot of waste land. 25 acres enclosed in woven wire fence. Will exchange. Price\$2000

Two fine building lots on West Seventh street; fine location; will sell on terms, \$25 down and \$12.50 per month.

28 acres of fine level land, only one mile north of the P. & E. depot; A fine location. Terms.

10 acres one mile from Medford on main traveled road to Ashland; Bear creek bottom land, set to apples and pears 2 years old. Bear creek flows along one end of the tract. The other end fronts on the road. Trees are strong and vigorous. Here is a beautiful site for a home. Terms.

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We have on file several applications for housekeeping rooms; also applicants for houses, furnished and unfurnished. If you have anything for rent, see us or telephone us at once.

Fire and plate glass insurance. We represent the best companies on earth.

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