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Good Elderberry Wine

By M. QUAD

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One summer's day in the long ago, when you could meet a lightning rod outfit at every five miles on the highway, one of the craft drove into the town of Plainfield. In showing off his fine horses he ran over a hog, and the hog limped squealing away. It was nothing to make a fuss over, and none would have been made if the hog hadn't belonged to Elder Carpenter.

The elder was a solemn, severe man. He happened to be passing at the time the animal was run over, and he caught a laugh and an oath from the lips of the man of lightning. What does he do but go before a justice and swear out a warrant for malicious injury to a hog. An arrest and trial followed. Of course the lightning rod man testified on his own behalf that no malice existed. He and the elder's hog had never met before. He was driving up to the hotel in a fancy way to show off before the loafers sitting on the veranda, and the hog was unseen until too late.

At the conclusion of the trial the lightning rod man told the elder and about forty others what he thought of them, their town and their fathers and mothers before them, and there was a fight, in which he got badly banged up and driven out of town. Of course he wanted to get even. You must know that there is a fellow feeling between men who are skinning the public, and it was quite natural that the elder's victim should select a tin peddler as his instrument for carrying out his plan.

A shallow river runs through Plainfield. At that time its banks were lined for a mile up and down with elderberry bushes. Toward the last of August the clusters of berries were a sight to see. One could gather a wagonload in half a day. One day a tin peddler stopped to gather a couple of bushels. In answer to inquiries he stated that he was going to make elderberry wine after a recipe brought from China by a missionary. Your mother, if she lived in the country, used to make wine of these berries, but only in limited quantity. It isn't the beverage to make one enthuse. There was considerable talk about the tin peddler and his Chinese recipe, and an excitement followed. He returned to Plainfield with a twenty gallon keg of new wine, and wanted to form a syndicate for gathering the berries and making the wine. He had with him a letter purporting to come from a large wine house and offering him \$5 a gallon for all the elderberry wine he could ship.

Six hundred dollars was the cash capital wanted for a press and building and to pay for the gathering. The dividends for the season would be 100 per cent. There was no hayseed in the hair of the population of Plainfield. The peddler's talk sounded all right, but the people said he must show them before they invested. That was why that twenty gallon keg was placed on the tavern veranda, and the public asked to help themselves. Elder Carpenter was a temperance man right down to refusing ginger beer, but he saw no hurt in manufacturing a good brand of elderberry wine and selling it for medicinal purposes.

It was three hours before the keg was empty, and by that time it was the universal verdict that the peddler was a "go' fer" and that the town stood ready to invest not \$500, but \$500,000,000, in his enterprise. They would buy 6,000 presses. They would gather 60,000 loads of berries. It was in the midst of the greatest good feeling and general hilarity that the town blacksmith said that Elder Carpenter was a hog himself for making the lightning rod man trouble over the other hog. The elder promptly replied that the smith was a born liar and started the row. The peddler made for the tavern barn and hid away, but his example was not followed. Every man got the idea that it was his duty to wade into some other man, and for an hour there was fighting up and down the streets. Fathers whanged away at sons, and brother punched brother. The three local ministers butted in as peacemakers and were early left stranded in the dust.

There were a few men in the town who did not get black eyes and bloody noses and lumpy heads, but they were the old men who had had their fun in other days and were now willing to let the younger generation go in and whoop'er up. It was these old men who assisted the women when it came to poultices and bandages and to wheeling home those who could not walk.

Only two men knew what was in that keg, and they never told. It may have been Chinese elderberry wine according to missionary recipe, or it may have been a mixture of whisky, brandy, gin, wine and drugs. At any rate, the "feeling" lasted two whole days, and there were fights almost daily for the next fortnight. It was a month later that the lightning rod man came driving up to the tavern again. This time he ran over two hogs instead of one. Elder Carpenter was passing again, but he did not stop or turn. He simply uttered an "um" and held his way. There was the usual crowd on the veranda, but they crossed their legs, spat their tobacco juice over the railing and were mum. The town had been struck by lightning and didn't want any more of it. It didn't even want the empty keg the peddler had left behind him in his flight.

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16 Oregon Express.....5:24 P.M.
2-16 Oregon Express.....5:34 P.M.
12 Shasta Limited (Mail only) 2:35 A.M.

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As stated in another column of this paper, the county bonds for the construction of permanent roads carried by a large majority at the polls Saturday, and now that the consent of the people has been obtained it will be up to the county court to establish the legality of the procedure. There are several methods, either of which could be followed to arrive at the desired result, viz: a decision by our supreme court sustaining the action of the county court in calling the special election. It seems to us that the quicker the matter is decided, one way or the other the better it will be for all concerned. Let us hope the question will be settled speedily and if the decision is favorable, then get to work.

THE COURT HOUSE

Items of Interest to Jackson County

Tax Payers

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Walter L. Valentine and Sylvia Pearl Peart.

F. R. Myers and Mary E. Bigham.

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CIRCUIT COURT

NEW CASES

Medford Grocery Co. vs. L. M. Grames. Action to recover money. Complaint filed. Affidavit and undertaking for attachment. Colvig & Reames, attorneys for plaintiff.

U. S. National Bank of Ashland vs. E. J. Wilber, et al. Action to recover money. Complaint filed. E. D. Briggs attorney for plaintiff.

Wm. H. Stewart vs. Mary H. Daggett et al. Suit to foreclose mortgage. Complaint filed. Summons issued.

W. I. Vawter, attorney for plaintiff. J. B. Andrews vs. J. J. Koehn. Suit to foreclose mortgage. Complaint filed. Boggs & Wilson attorneys for plaintiff.

W. E. Davison vs. R. W. Gray et al. Suit to foreclose mortgage. Complaint filed. Colvig & Reames attorneys for plaintiff.

Martha Oden vs. Vine Oden. Suit for divorce. Complaint filed. E. D. Briggs attorney for plaintiff.

PROBATE COURT

Estate of Clarinda C. Oglesby, deceased. Order appointing appraisers and administrator and fixing bond in sum of \$1000.

In the matter of the estate of Lillian S. Moore, deceased. Order confirming sale of real property.

Estate of Ida M. Briscoe, deceased. Order approving final account and discharging administrator and his bondsman.

In the matter of the estate of Daniel P. Norton, deceased. Order appointing W. H. Humphrey as administrator and fixing bond in sum of \$1000.

In the matter of the estate of John

V. Palmer, deceased. Order for sale of real property.

Estate of E. Stidham, deceased. Petition for appointment of administrator.

In the matter of the estate of Geo. W. McKnight, deceased. Petition for re-confirmation of sale of certain real estate.

In the matter of the estate of Eugene B. Hoke, deceased. Inventory and appraisement filed.

Estate of D. McCov, deceased. Inventory and appraisement filed.

MARRIED

KOEPSSELL-HAZELWOOD—At Jacksonville, Oregon, Thursday, Sept. 28, 1911, by Henry G. Dox, J. P.; Herman Koepsell and Josephine Hazelwood.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I will on the 23rd day of October, 1911, at the front door of the Court House, in Jacksonville, in said county, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon of said day, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property, to-wit: All the right, title and interest of said Harry Silver and J. S. Bailey, or either of them had on or before the 15th day of October, 1910, in and to lots numbered 11 and 12 of Block "A" of Boulevard Park Addition to the City of Ashland, Jackson County, Oregon. Taken and levied upon as the property of the said Harry Silver and J. S. Bailey or either of them or so much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy the said judgment in favor of said D. K. Sutherland against said Harry Silver and J. S. Bailey with interest thereon, together with all costs and disbursements that have or may accrue.

Dated at Jacksonville, Oregon, September 21st, 1911.

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