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## MISS ESTHER

MITCHELL'S YOUNG SISTER SAYS SHE WILL TESTIFY AGAINST BROTHER.

Prisoner Pleads Not Guilty and His Trial Is Set for June 25—Punter Arrested in Alameda—Tries to Draw Pistol but Loses the Drop.

Seattle, Wash., May 19.—George Mitchell, the youthful slayer of "Joshua" Creffield and the avenger of the wrongs done his two sisters by the Holy Roller prophet, pleaded not guilty to a charge of murder in the first degree before Superior Judge Frater this morning. The proceedings took only a few minutes and shortly after the pleading June 25 was designated as the day on which the trial will commence.

Mitchell is taking his confinement philosophically, and came into court freshly shaven and with his clothing carefully pressed. He was accompanied by his attorneys, Morris and Shipley, and took much interest in the proceedings which transpired before he was called upon to enter his plea. Interest in Mitchell has not flagged, as was the case when he was arraigned, the deputy sheriffs who brought him into court were forced to shoulder a pathway through the crowd which had assembled.

After entering his plea Mitchell walked to his seat and before the case had been set started to return to the jail at the beck of his guardians. He was recalled, however, by Will Morris, one of his attorneys, and smiled when he was informed that it was desired that he remain until the date of his trial had been fixed. This detail gone through with, Mitchell shook hands with his legal representatives and followed the deputy sheriffs through the crowd back to his cell.

When Mitchell is called for trial the strange spectacle will be presented of his sister, 17-year-old Esther, testifying for the prosecution in order to send him to the gallows for killing Creffield, and his brother, Fred, testifying in his behalf. The sister said today at the police police matron's home, where she is being held as a witness:

"I hope my brother will have time to repent of his sins before they hang him."

She is in daily consultation with Prosecuting Attorney Mackintosh and has outlined to that official the evidence she will give. The prosecution's hope of convicting Mitchell of some degree of murder has increased since the sister has come to its aid.

Esther Mitchell declares even now that Creffield is Christ and that he will rise again. She says her brother lies when he says that Creffield ever did her any harm. She admits that Creffield will rise again from the dead to lead his flock. She says that her brother did wrong in taking his life and thus depriving his flock temporarily of leadership.

Fred Mitchell, who reached Seattle yesterday from Corvallis declares that his brother did right and that he will stand by him. He says that his sister was ruined by Creffield. Esther Mitchell said today:

"My brother had no right to kill Creffield. If he says that Creffield did me any harm, he lies, and he knows it."

"Creffield always treated me properly as he did all of his other followers. They sent him to the pen simply to break up the religious camp we held. He was not given a fair trial. The people of Corvallis did not like us and they thought if they sent him to the pen we would all desert him."

"They committed perjury to send him to the pen. Every one in Corvallis knew it was a put up job. When we did not desert him and leave Corvallis, the people there began trying to send us to the insane asylum. I am sane and always was. So are the rest. They sent me to a home in Portland because they said I was crazy but too young to go to the asylum."

"I know 'Joshua' will arise. I shall testify against my brother. He never helped me. He never gave me a cent in my life and when I was a little girl I had to work for every cent of spending money I had. I believe he should be hang-

ed after he is given a chance to repent."

Hillboro, Or., May 18.—Tomorrow Mrs. Mary Ramsey Woods, of this city, familiarly known as "Grandma Woods," will celebrate her 119th birthday, surrounded by members of her family and a few friends.

At this gathering will be represented four generations: Grandmas; her daughter, Mrs. C. B. Reynolds; granddaughter, Mrs. F. S. Olson, and the children of Mrs. Olson. Mary Ramsey was born in one of the eastern states, May 20, 1787. Now in her 119th year, she is quite active, enjoys good health and occasionally strolls into the garden. She was a mere child at the time of the French revolution, a school girl when Tennessee was admitted as a state, was a bride at the time Louisiana was ceded to the United States and a mother when Lewis and Clark came to Oregon.

She has a good memory, and claims to remember when her father enlisted in the War of 1812. She is of English descent, and her mother died at the age of 110 years. She joined the Methodist church at the age of 12, and has been a devout Christian since. She was married at the age of 17 to Jacob Lemons, and lived in Tennessee, being left a widow 74 years ago, during Andrew Jackson's first term as president. Four children were born, only one of whom is living, Mrs. C. B. Reynolds, of this city, who is 75 years of age, and who cares for her aged mother.

Grandma came to Oregon in 1853 when 66 years old, and rode all the way from Tennessee horseback. Shortly after her arrival here she married John Woods, who died 14 years ago.

New York, May 19.—Annie Winters, 17 years old, showed heroic qualities when she strangled to death a mad dog which attacked her little brother in the yard of their home at Jersey City yesterday. The dog was a pet in the household of John Winters, and little Harry and the animal were inseparable. While playing in the yard the dog made several attempts to bite the child, who became frightened and jumped on top of a box. The dog leaped up after him and the child screamed for help. The sister, who was at work in the kitchen, ran out of the rear door, grabbed the dog about the neck and strangled it to death, and then beat its head against an iron tube to make sure of him.

## English Shire Stallion.

Imported English Shire stallion 7972 Southhill Ranger 18366 will make the season of 1906 as follows: Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at Abbott barn Corvallis, and Saturdays at Monroe Frd. Mondays at Watkin's place 12, miles south of Corvallis.

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—Ladies' underwear at the Bazaar.

## CAMP MEETING.

A business camp-meeting will be held on the farm of J. H. Starns, four miles southwest of Albany, beginning June 7, and holding for ten days or more. Rev. M. J. Carmichael will conduct the meeting, which will be held in a fine maple grove on the bank of the Willamette river. Everyone invited.

50 Cents Per Setting  
For eggs. Best brown Leghorns.  
J. B. Irvine, Corvallis.

Distilled water used in Campbell's Soda fountain.

## MAY COME HOME.

GEARIN TO TAKE ACTIVE PART IN LAST WEEK OF CAMPAIGN.

Unexpected Passage of Rate Bill Fills His Friends With Hope—What LaFollette Says About Gearin's Course of Action O. her News.

Portland, May 19.—Portland Journal: There is now a possibility that Senator Gearin will return to Oregon for the closing week of the campaign. Yesterday morning it was believed that he would be unable to leave his post, even for a brief period, but since then the rate bill, which was keeping him in Washington, has been passed, and his friends are now of the opinion that in response to their appeals he will come in time to make a few speeches on the important issues before the voters.

It was the rate bill that caused Senator Gearin's decision to remain in Washington. This proposed legislation he deemed of greater importance than anything that had come before congress in years, and, if need be, he was willing to sacrifice his chance of election rather than desert his post. Because of what seemed an endless succession of amendments he thought that the bill would not reach the final vote until late in June, but there was a sudden change and the measure was passed yesterday with Senator Gearin voting in the affirmative. On all the amendments that came up during the weeks of debate he cast his vote in accordance with the dictates of his conscience, and such an eminent authority as Senator LaFollette, of Wisconsin, has declared that Senator Gearin has taken the right course at all times.

Now that the rate bill is disposed of there is a general demand for Senator Gearin's return to the state before the campaign ends. He has long been a staunch advocate of the election of United States senators by direct vote, and the people desire him to discuss the merits of State-ment No. 1, which pledges legislators to support the choice of the voters. Today telegrams from all over the state urging him to come back and take part in the campaign are being sent to Washington, and his friends are hopeful of receiving a favorable answer.

Senator Gearin's course during the consideration of the rate bill in the senate has been consistently for effectively and desirable legislation. He has voted with LaFollette, republican from Wisconsin, and against Aldrich, Hale, Kean, Foraker and other railroad senators on every amendment offered by LaFollette to the rate regulation bill, with one exception, LaFollette's amendment governing the long and short haul. On this Gearin, with LaFollette understanding his action voted against the Wisconsin senator, because he feared it would militate against the coast interests too heavily. The Congressional record shows that Gearin on every other roll-call, when LaFollette's amendments were being voted on, supported them.

LaFollette said today when approached regarding his course in voting on the bewildering mass of amendments, which have come

thick and fast, and rendered it exceedingly difficult to keep them separate in one's mind.

"I may say with pleasure and enthusiasm that, in my opinion, Senator Gearin has voted in every instance for the people, against senators who have sought apparently to prevent adequate legislation for the regulation of railroad rates in the United States. I differed from him on one amendment, the long and short haul, but that was due to honest differences of opinions, as to the desirability of that amendment which I myself offered.

I appreciate the loyalty with which Senator Gearin supported the measures which I sought to have incorporated in the rate bill, and which, as I view the situation, were destined to strengthen it, and make it really accomplish objects for which it was drafted.

"I expect to speak in Oregon during the coming summer or fall, and when I go there I shall not hesitate to say from the platform that on the rate regulation bill, transcendent in importance and requiring as it does unusual discernment to discriminate between genuine and spurious proposals in connection with it, John M. Gearin has demonstrated his splendid faithfulness to the cause of the people.

I regard Gearin's record on the railroad regulation bill as ample proof that he never would support any measure not calculated to protect the common man from the designs of those who too often do not hesitate to oppose him for their own advantage.

The LaFollette amendment to prevent federal judges from sitting in a rate regulation case, when they held stocks, bonds or other securities in railroads and accepted or procured for others passes on railroads, was also supported by Gearin.

LaFollette's amendment providing that by 1911 all railroads should install the block system of signals, was also sanctioned by Gearin.

## At Bellefontaine.

The entertainment given by Bellefontaine school Friday evening was a success in every way, and much credit is due Prof. Mack and Miss Reader.

Mr. Laird and daughter of Eugene, are spending a few weeks at the home of H. F. Bristow.

Mrs. James Winn is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reader, of this place.

Ray Starr met with what might have been a serious accident on Thursday evening. While slashing in the timber a tree struck the young man on the hip, throwing him some ten feet distant. He was considerably shaken up but no bones were broken.

S. A. Tharp is treating his house to a new coat of paint.

The babe at the George Humphrey home has been quite sick.

There will be a picnic at what was the old Methodist campground, June 27. The picnic will be given by the Bellefontaine Park Association, for the benefit of the grounds.

The entertainment given at this place on April 27th by the Ladies Aid, was an enjoyable affair; \$45.25 was the proceeds of the evening.

Supt. Denman has been visiting the various schools in this vicinity.

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