FOR STEALING DIAMOND

HARRY THOMAS FACES JURY IN THE CIRCUIT COURT.

Prosecuting Witness Testifies That He Was Jostled in Street-Car and His Scarfpin Taken.

Harry Thomas, a good-looking and well-dressed young man, was on trial before Judge George and a jury yesterday on a charge of stealing a diamond pin from S. F. Hanawalt, on November 22. The testimony given by Hanawalt was that he had attended the evening performance at the Baker Theater, and boarded a Third-street car to be taken to his home, in South Portland. The car was crowded, and he stood on the platform. Hanawalt stated he buttoned his coat when he came out of the theater, unbuttoned it to get some car tickets, and then rebuttoned it. He saw Thomas on the car and a big man close beside him. The big man carried an overcoat, which he threw over his shoulder, and in doing so brushed the ashes of his (Hanawalt's) cigar. The witness stated that he was suspicious of the actions of the men. He felt his watch and pocket-book to ascertain that they were there. He had an intuition that something was wrong, and discovered that his diamond pin was missing from his scarf as soon as he reached home. Mr. Hanawalt also stated that when he complained to the police he was shown pictures which he recognized as those of Thomas, and said that Thomas, when arrested, remarked: "I haven't got the stone; but if you say I took it, I will give you the value of it, $45." The reason given by Thomas for this offer was that he was due in San Francisco and wanted to get away. He said it would be an inconvenience for him to remain here; that he was a stranger here, and did not desire to be accused of a criminal charge. Mr. Hanawalt stated that the men alighted from the car at different streets.

W. C. Puffer, who was on the car, was called as a witness, and identified Thomas as one of the passengers.

The defense called Mrs. Barnett and Alice Bell, who testified that Thomas could not have been on the car, as he was in Mrs. Bell's house at the time, playing cards with them.

Thomas did not take the witness-stand in his own behalf.

Mr. Manning, in his opening argument to the jury, said Thomas was a man of bad reputation; his picture was in the rogues' gallery, and an alibi was usually termed in the law books a rogue's defense.

The attorney for the defense abused the arresting officers, and said the defendant, when arrested, was confronted by a nest of bloodhounds. Counsel asserted that there was no evidence submitted showing that the prisoner stole the diamond.

Deputy District Attorney John Manning, in response said when he was studying law an old practitioner advised him: "Whenever you have a case and have got no law or evidence on your side, give the other fellow h—l."

Thomas was arrested over a year ago charged with stealing a diamond pin at the Exposition building from Thomas O'Day, but succeeded in escaping conviction. The big fellow said to have been with Thomas is held in custody by the police. The case will be given to the jury this morning.

PARTNERS CANNOT AGREE.

Nor Can They Arrange Any Basis Upon Which to Part.

W. A. Belion yesterday filed a suit against his partners, R. Peterson and Gustave Streed, asking for an accounting and an appointment. The case was argued before Judge Sears, and will be taken up again today. Bellion was engaged in operating a feed store, while Peterson and Streed were doing business as the Vancouver Milling Company. In September, 1902, they agreed to consolidate their enterprises into one concern, and the machinery of the defendants was moved from Albina and placed in a building on East Belmont street. In his complaint Bellion avers that the defendants put $1378 into the business, which was to have a $5000 capital. The machinery was worth $2500. The book accounts amounted to $5450, and are appraised at $400. There is $465 in cash, making a total of $7890. It is stated that the liabilities are $1115, and the assets over and above the liabilities are $6775.

Attorney E. E. Coovert, representing Bellion, addressed the court, stating that the parties cannot agree, and that two weeks ago the defendants notified the plaintiff that the partnership was dissolved. Mr. Coovert said the stock was all sold, and they were sitting around looking at each other and paying $150 rent a month. A receiver should be appointed to collect the accounts, wind up affairs, and sell the machinery. Robert F. Bell was suggested by the attorney as an honest young man, who would make a desirable receiver.

A. King Wilson, attorney for the defendants, opposed a receiver. Mr. Wilson valued the machinery at $8500, instead of $2500. He said Bellion wanted to keep the building and continue the business, and the defendants desired to sell the machinery where it is, as it is worth more. It cost $1600 to move it there and fix it up.

Judge Sears remarked that the parties ought to keep out of court and settle their differences among themselves.

Mr. Wilson agreed to this, but said he didn't know very much about the case, and was not sure that he represented both defendants. He knew he represented one. He wanted time, so the court continued the further hearing of the matter until this afternoon.

EXECUTION POSTPONED.

George Smith Will Not Be Hanged on Friday Next.

George Smith, colored, convicted of the murder of his white wife, Annie Smith, will not hang on Friday next, the day fixed for his execution. Smith's attorneys have filed notice of appeal to the Supreme Court, and Judge George yesterday signed a certificate of probable cause. This was done because the Supreme Court granted a certificate in the Belding case, and this established the rule for future cases.

The certificate of probable cause state "that in my judgment there is probable cause for an appeal of the defendant in the above-entitled action."

Sheriff Storey was notified of the postponement of the execution. The bill of exceptions has been prepared, and the appeal will be rushed through as rapidly as possible.

WANTS A HOMESTEAD.

Widow of John McCall Asks That Her Property Be Protected.

Minnie McCall, widow of John McCall, seeks to have the home property, consisting of 10 acres near Woodstock, set aside as a homestead, and so freed from execution for debts due by the estate. This is a new proposition, as in satisfying claims due by estates property used as a homestead has heretofore frequently been sold. A law passed in 1862 provides that upon filing of an inventory in the Probate Court in an estate proceeding, all property exempt from execution shall be set aside for the support of the widow and minor children.

The homestead law was passed in 1893, and provides: "The homestead shall be exempt from sale on any judicial process after the death of the person entitled thereto, for the collection of any debts for which the same could not have been sold during the lifetime, but such homestead shall descend as if death did not exist."

The last sentence is somewhat ambiguous, but the whole section seems to mean that the homestead shall go to the widow and children and be included, under the prior law of 1862, as property exempt from execution.

A homestead shall not be less than one lot if in a city, or 20 acres if in the country, regardless of value, and shall not be more than one block or 160 acres. The value in the latter case must not exceed $1500.

The case in behalf of Mrs. McCall was presented to County Judge Webster yesterday afternoon, and George P. Lent opposed the motion to set aside.

Must Pay or Drill.

Twelve warrants for the arrest of members of the Oregon National Guard guilty of nonattendance at drills were placed in the hands of Sheriff Storey for service by Major Egloffstein yesterday. The fines range respectively from $1 to $4, according to the number of offenses committed. Since the passage of this law two years ago numerous such warrants have been issued. No arrest is made if the accused pays the amount of the fine and costs. The names will not be given out for publication at this time. The Sheriff does not crowd the delinquents, but gives each one a reasonable length of time to settle up.

Released on Bonds.

Lester Merrill, a young man arrested on Saturday on a charge of larceny of $279 from the residence of Fred Metzger, at Gresham, was released on a bond by Justice Reid yesterday afternoon. The sureties are Ford Metzger and George Kinney. Merrill was arrested on suspicion, because he came to Portland and bought a new overcoat immediately after the burglary occurred. No money was found on him, and Ford Metzger states that there is no evidence showing that Merrill had any hand in the commission of the crime.

Court Notes.

Articles of incorporation of the Plymouth Lumber Company were filed yesterday by E. P. Mossman, C. G. Thayer and J. J. Ross; capital stock, $10,000.

W. A. Mears has sued McAndrew Hopper & Co. and the Bayou La Batre Packing Company in the State Circuit Court to recover $255, a balance alleged to be due as commissions for selling oysters. The plaintiff avers that his sales during a year or more aggregated $21,208.

In the suit of J. E. Patterson against J. M. Arthur, in which a lease to a water right at Mount Tabor was asked to be set aside, Jerry Bronaugh, attorney for the defendant, yesterday opposed a motion of the plaintiff's attorney to dismiss the case. Mr. Bronaugh stated that Mr. Arthur was charged in the complaint with forging Patterson's name to the lease, and that Arthur insists on his right to prove the falsity of the allegations.

TALK OF THEIR PROBLEMS

Congregational Ministers of Portland and Vicinity Meet.

An unusually interesting meeting of the Congregational Ministerial Association of Portland and vicinity was held in the committee-room of the First Congregational Church yesterday. A paper was read on "Some Problems and the Ministers" by Rev. E. S. Bollinger, of Oregon City. A lively discussion followed as to the essentials of Christian teaching and the relations of the ministers' word to scientific theories and Biblical criticism. The general tone of the discussion was conservative, and the opinion was freely expressed that while there were some changes in theological thinking and more frequent changes in scientific theories, there could be substantial agreement upon great vital truths, the preaching of which has been alone successful in changing men's lives and bringing them into harmony with God's way of saving men.

The meetings are held the third Monday of each month at 10:30 A. M., in the committee-room of the First Congregational Church. It was voted to hold the February meeting at Forest Grove, and thereupon Dr. House invited the members to attend as his guests. The invitation was cordially accepted.

"LOVE AND LIFE" HANGING?

If So Storm of Female Protest May Rage Around Roosevelt.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Regarding a report from Washington that President Roosevelt has hung in the White House Watt's painting entitled "Love and Life," which was removed from the Executive Mansion by President Cleveland in response to the protests of the White Ribboners, Mrs. Lillian N. Stevens, National president of the W. C. T. U., was seen at Evanston last night. She said:

"I have no information, official or otherwise, that President Roosevelt has rehung Watt's picture of 'Love and Life' in the White House, and I don't care to say what protest, if any, I may make on behalf of the organization I represent. On first thought it seems hardly necessary that I should take any official notice of the matter, if it be true that Mrs. Martin, superintendent of the Department for the Promotion of Purity in Art and Literature, intends to make formal protest to the President.

"Mrs. Martin is a woman of discretion and culture, and I am sure that anything she may do will meet with the hearty approval of the W. C. T. U."

DYING OF CAT'S SCRATCH

New Yorker in Convulsions Caused by Hydrophobia.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Suffering with what the doctors believe to be hydrophobia, caused by a scratch on the wrist by a pet Maltese cat, Thomas Rogers, an engineer in one of the big down-town buildings, is dying in Bellevue Hospital. About three weeks ago he was scratched by his pet cat. He thought nothing of the wound, but a week ago he was suddenly seized with convulsions and began to froth at the mouth. The paroxysm over, Rogers felt better a moment later. A physician was called, but was unable to diagnose the trouble until he heard of the scratch on the wrist. Then he suggested Rogers might have hydrophobia.

Rogers became worse and was taken to Bellevue Hospital and put in the insane pavilion. There he became violent and went from one spasm to another until exhausted. The physicians are inclined to believe it is a case of hydrophobia and say the patient will probably die.

Every Citizen a Stockholder.

OTTUMWA, Ia., Dec. 15.—Every taxpayer in Ottumwa is to be made a stockholder in a water works company if the plans now on foot in this city are carried out. It is said to be the second time in the history of the United States that the scheme has ever been suggested. Ottumwa is beyond her debt limitation and the city desires to build a plant that will give adequate fire protection. A test case was made in the Supreme Court as to whether or not a levy for a water works plant could be included in the constitutional debt limitation, the plea being made that it was an urgent public necessity. The courts held that such a levy was not a part of the state debt.

Thus the city found itself checkmated, but now determines to organize the whole municipality of 30,000 people into a gigantic corporation, making every taxpayer a stockholder.

Will Not Succeed Parker.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Rev. Frank W. Gunsaulus, of Chicago, who is in this city and who has been mentioned as a possible successor to the late Dr. Joseph Parker in the pastorate of the City Temple, London, says emphatically that he has not been called to fill the vacancy caused by Dr. Parker's death and is moreover confident he will not be called.

NO BRIDGE AT SELLWOOD

WAR DEPARTMENT WILL NOT PERMIT ITS ERECTION.

Would Interfere With Navigation, and Residents Have Accordingly Fallen Back on Ferry Project.

D. M. Donaugh, president of the Sellwood Board of Trade, yesterday expressed his satisfaction over the action of the South Portland Improvement Association in its movement to aid in getting a bridge or ferry at Sellwood. He says, however, that the bridge idea is entirely impracticable, and that there is no use wasting effort in that direction. Mr. Donaugh looked into the matter of a bridge across the Willamette River, and reported as follows:

"I have ascertained that the War Department will not sanction the erection of a suspension bridge at Sellwood. United States engineers have informed me that the War Department will never consent to the erection of a suspension bridge. I am told that the Oswego Iron Works are to resume operations, and that vessels with masts will want to go up to Oswego. With a suspension bridge across the Willamette River that would be impossible. A bridge with a draw would not be practical.

Our committee will devote itself to pushing the free ferry project. Our bill has already been prepared and submitted to the Multnomah delegation. The Albina people will shortly do the same thing. Then the various committees will appear before the delegation and make such a showing as is deemed necessary. Speaking for myself, I think we should co-operate with Albina, and all pull together."

Thad W. Vreeland has been instructed by the Albina Improvement Association to prepare a bill for the second ferry there and submit it to the Multnomah delegation.

PLEASANT HOME BAZAAR.

Sufficient Funds Obtained to Pay Off Indebtedness of Hall.

Robert W. Pool, a member of M. A. Ross Post, G. A. R., of Pleasant Home, who attended the bazaar held at that place Saturday evening under the auspices of the Women's Relief Corps, came home yesterday. He says that the entertainment netted $91, or more than enough to pay off the indebtedness of the hall. The bazaar only lasted four hours, but the hall was constantly filled, and the result is highly satisfactory. M. A. Ross Post has a membership of something over 20, and owns a hall, a two-story building, and grounds, valued at over $1000. A debt has been carried for some time, which will now be paid off. Portland posts will be glad to know that their enterprising comrades at Pleasant Home are doing so well.

The Ross Post has elected the following officers, who will be installed the first of the year: Commander, Henry Kane; senior vice-commander, C. Bruns; junior vice-commander, T. Kopper; quartermaster, Robert W. Pool; chaplain, M. Ball; surgeon, G. Griffith; officer of the day, Mr. Berchell; officer of the guard, Mr. Brannan; adjutant, Jiles J. Stephens. With the Woman's Relief Corps, a joint installation and reunion will be held after the first of the year.

Commander Kane is investigating a new camp ground on the place of W. Lake, near the route of the Oregon Water Power & Railway Company. It was found that the fires last Summer burned around the spring where it was proposed to establish a campground, but it is hoped to secure another place in this tract. Mr. Lake offers to lease enough ground for encampments for 20 years for a nominal sum. A place will be secured near the route of the trolley line, so comrades and their friends from Portland can attend. If the Ross Post succeeds in leasing grounds near the trolley line, Portland posts will co-operate in this annual event. This they have been unable to do heretofore, on account of the long distance to Pleasant Home, but if the grounds can be reached by trolley cars in a short ride, they will join in the festivities. Commander M. L. Pratt and others have said they will co-operate.

PROSPEROUS POWELL VALLEY.

Farmers Making Money—Sawmills May Ship Lumber to Portland.

Powell Valley through to Pleasant Home is very prosperous. Robert Pool, who spent Saturday and Sunday at Pleasant Home, says that there is a wonderful movement all through this fine valley. Buildings are going up at Gresham and on to Pleasant Home, some seven miles beyond. Farmers are getting a good price for their potatoes, and don't have to hunt for a buyer.

Agents for Portland houses were visiting the farmers last week and offering 70 cents a hundred, delivered at Troutdale or Fairview. Charles Kane sold about 2000 pounds for this sum. Mr. Pool tells of a farmer who rented a piece of land for $100 a year near Pleasant Home. He sold the potatoes he raised on it for $300, which was clear profit, besides which he cut over $100 worth of hay. He cleared $300 off the land after paying the $100 rent.

Sawmills are preparing to ship lumber to Portland as soon as the trolley freight line is completed. Proctor & Beeers, who have a large sawmill, have contracted to furnish over 100,000 feet of lumber to the Oregon Water Power & Railway Company. They have been shipping some lumber to Portland already by team. There are about six sawmills there, mostly engaged in sawing out railroad ties, which will probably find it more profitable to turn out lumber if it can be shipped to Portland. Mr. Pool is under the impression that considerable lumber will be shipped out to Portland when the cars are in operation. Frank Bosford, of Portland, who owns about 1000 acres of land beyond Gresham, through which the trolley line will pass, intends to make a park on his land. It will take up about 12 acres, buildings will be erected, and also a depot.

TURNED OVER THE BONUS.

Sellwood Raised $1550 to Get O. W. P. & R. Co.'s Carshops and Barn.

The Sellwood Board of Trade, through its officers, turned over to the Oregon Water Power & Railroad Company subscriptions to the amount of $1550 as a bonus toward the establishment of carshops and carbarn in that suburb. A very courteous reply has been received from the railroad company, expressing appreciation of the enterprise displayed by the people of Sellwood. However, no definite steps have yet been taken toward locating the carshops, but Sellwood people are hopeful that they will secure the prize.

For the railroad system shops of considerable size will be required in which to build cars and make repairs. Besides the shops, the carbarns will be important. About 10 acres are wanted. It is thought that the company will complete its branch to Springwater before taking up the carshop matter. It is considered assured that the shops will be removed from Milwaukie, where the company has but one acre. The buildings will probably remain there and will be used for supplementary purposes.

EAST SIDE TELEPHONE STATION.

Will Be Occupied by the First of the Year—Improved Service Promised.

The East Side station of the Pacific States Telephone & Telegraph Company, on East Stark and East Ankeny streets, is being rapidly completed, and will be occupied about the first of the year. The building is 60x75 feet, one-story high, with a full basement, in which there is a concrete floor. On the inside the station is handsomely finished, the ceiling being in panels.

There is but one room. In it a modern switchboard and electric apparatus of the latest make will be installed. The wires will all enter into the basement from East Sixth street underground. Eight iron pipes are being laid in a trench along East Ash street, toward the river, which will carry the wires for the East Side. Concrete sidewalks have been laid in front and along the side of the building, and granite steps have been laid from the street through the front entrance into the station.

All the operators in the East Portland and Albina stations will be stationed in this building. With the more modern and thoroughly scientific switchboards it is announced that the telephone service will be largely improved when this station is occupied.

CAR WENT OVER NEW LINE.

Locomotive Pulled Coach to Gresham From Lents Terminus Saturday.

A coach was taken over the new track of the Oregon Water Power & Railway Company from Lents to Gresham on Saturday for construction purposes. It looked good to the people of Powell's Valley and along the route of the railway to see the forerunner of the speedy trolley cars, which will come after a while. The track is not ballasted, having just been spiked down, and, of course, only slow time could be made. The track between Lents and Gresham is laid on low ground mostly, and the late storm did some damage to fills.

ANNUAL SCHOOL MEETING.

For Mount Tabor District No. 5, Will Be Held January 12.

The annual meeting of the taxpayers of Mount Tabor school district No. 5 will be held on the evening of January 12. H. B. Adams, chairman of the board, reports that only routine business will come up at that time. No bonds are maturing. The Board of Directors has not yet prepared a report with recommendations, but will do so in time. The taxpayers will not have to face a heavy levy this year, nearly all the necessary improvements being made the past year. In the Glencoe building there is still an unoccupied room, which will probably be used next season. The board now employs 13 teachers. The enrollment is 450, and the attendance about 400.

East Side Notes.

Rev. William Randall, of the Second Baptist Church, is conducting revival services in Corvallis.

Mrs. H. L. Vail, of Palestine, is lecturer of Multnomah Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, which meets at Gresham tomorrow.

Mrs. Frank Fagothey (nee Lina Curry), of San Francisco, is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Curry, at 411 East Mill street.

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DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT

PORTLAND, Dec. 15.—8 P. M.—Maximum temperature, 37; minimum temperature, 34; river reading, 11 A. M., 8.5 feet; change in 24 hours, —1.3 feet; total precipitation, 5 P. M. to 5 P. M., 0.02 inch; total precipitation since Sept. 1, 1902, 18.56 inches; normal precipitation since Sept. 1, 1902, 15.12 inches; excess, 3.44 inches; total sunshine Dec. 14, 7:05; possible sunshine Dec. 14, 8:42; barometer (reduced to sea level) at 5 P. M., 30.17.

PACIFIC COAST WEATHER.

STATIONS.	Max. temp.	Precipitation past 12 hrs.	Wind Velocity	Wind Direction	State of weather
Astoria	44	0.06	10	NE	Cloudy
Baker City	28	0.00	6	SE	Cloudy
Bismarck	12	0.00	6	N	Clear
Boise	36	0.00	*	SE	Pt. cldy
Eureka	54	T	16	N	Cloudy
Helena	20	0.00	*	SW	Clear
Kamloops, B. C.	34	0.00	*	W	Pt. cldy by
North Head	48	0.12	10	E	Cloudy
Pocatello	20	0.00	10	E	Clear
Portland	36	0.02	*	N	Snowing
Red Bluff	46	0.00	*	NW	Cloudy
Roseburg	42	0.00	*	W	Cloudy
Sacramento	46	0.00	6	N	Cloudy
Salt Lake	24	0.00	*	NE	Clear
San Francisco	48	0.00	*	NE	Cloudy
Spokane	30	0.00	*	E	Cloudy
Seattle	44	0.06	8	SE	Raining
Tatoosh Island	46	0.14	16	NW	Raining
Walla Walla	28	0.00	*	W	Cloudy

*Light.

WEATHER CONDITIONS.

Light rain has fallen today in Western Washington and along the Oregon coast. In the northern portion of the Willamette Valley scattering snow flurries occurred.

The temperature has remained nearly stationary during the last 24 hours, except in the interior of Northern California, where it fell slightly.

The indications are for unsettled cloudy weather in this district Tuesday, with occasional rain in Western Washington and occasional snow or rain in Western Oregon.

WEATHER FORECASTS.

Forecasts made at Portland for the 28 hours ending at midnight Tuesday, December 16:

Portland and vicinity—Occasional snow or rain; east to south winds.

Oregon—Cloudy and unsettled, with occasional snow or rain in west portion; east to south winds.

Washington—Cloudy and unsettled, with occasional rain in west portion; variable winds.

Idaho—Partly cloudy. A. B. WOLLABER, Acting Forecast Official.

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Carriages at 10:30 o'clock.

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Marquam Grand Theater—Calvin Heilig, Mgr. Thursday, Friday, Saturday nights, Dec. 18, 19, 20, special Matinee Saturday at 2:15 o'clock. Mr. Ben Stern presents Richard Golden in the Comic Opera success, "FOXY QUILLER," with an excellent company. Evening prices—Lower floor, except last 3 rows, $1.50; last 3 rows, $1. Balcony, first 3 rows, $1; second 3 rows, 75c; last 6 rows, 50c. Gallery, 35c and 25c. Boxes and loges, $10. Special Matinee prices—Lower floor, except last 3 rows, $1; last 3 rows, 75c. Balcony, first 6 rows, 75c; last 6 rows, 50c. Gallery, 35c and 25c. Boxes and loges, $7.50. Seats now selling.

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At Baker's auction rooms, cor. Alder and Park sts. Sale at 10 A. M. Geo. Baker & Co., auctioneers.

MEETING NOTICES.

A. & A. S. RITE—AINSWORTH CHAPTER OF ROSE CROIX, NO. 1.—Regular meeting this evening at 8 o'clock. Work in 18th degree. By order WISE MASTER.

K. OF P.—The members of Oregon Lodge, No. 1, K. P., are notified that a new code of by-laws will be adopted and the second rank will be conferred on Tuesday evening. Visitors are cordially invited to be present.
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ED. D. CURTIS, K. R. S.

MARRIED.

TROTT—BOYD—Hermann A. Trott, of St. Paul, Minn., and Jessie May Boyd, of Bly, Or., were united in marriage Dec. 15, at the residence of Rev. E. P. Hill, 454 Alder st. Rev. E. T. Allen officiated.

FUNERAL NOTICES.

HIRSCH—The funeral of Solomon Hirsch, who died in the 64th year of his age, will be held from his late residence, 5th and Jefferson sts., at 11 o'clock Wednesday, Dec. 17. Please omit flowers.

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