

LAUREN PEASE SEEKS DAMAGES

Sues St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company for \$30,000.

HUMILIATION IS CHARGED

Asks Recompense for the Mental Suffering He Endured as a Result of His Arrest and Trial for Embezzlement.

Damages in the sum of \$30,000 are asked by Lauren Pease, who was recently acquitted in Judge Frazer's court by a jury on a charge of embezzlement of \$1500 funds of the St. Paul Fire & Marine Insurance Company. Pease yesterday commenced suit against the company in the State Circuit Court for the amount of damages specified, and also for \$1000, which he alleges he agreed to pay Volde & Freeman, attorneys, to defend him in the criminal case.

Mr. Pease is a singer of some note, and he has figured considerably in society circles. He sets forth in his complaint for damages that because of his arrest and trial he was subjected to humiliation and disgrace and public scandal and injury among the citizens of the state, and suffered in mind and body, and his credit was injured to the extent of \$30,000.

The complaint recites that Pease acted as agent for the St. Paul Fire & Marine Insurance Company from February, 1905, until October, 1905, and solicited and wrote insurance; that there was an understanding between him and the company that 20 per cent of the monies collected were to belong to him, and he had the right to retain 20 per cent, and to pay the balance 60 days after the close of each month. He was not to be required to keep the monies separate from other money or in a trust fund, but might mingle the collections with other funds under his control. It is alleged that the agents of the company well knew of the agreement when they caused the arrest of Mr. Pease on a warrant issued in the Municipal Court, October 1, 1905, on a charge of embezzlement of \$1500. It is further alleged that the evidence against Pease in the State Circuit Court by the agents of the St. Paul Fire & Marine Insurance Company was false and malicious. The fact that Mr. Pease was tried and acquitted in the State Circuit Court is also recited. The papers were served by Deputy Sheriff Cordano on General Charles F. Beebe, present agent of the company in Portland.

SEVERAL DIVORCES GRANTED

Marriage of Uncle to Niece Annulled by Judge Sears.

Judge Sears yesterday granted five divorces, and declared the marriage of Dominick Le Grand to his niece, Louise, void under the law. The ceremony was performed in Vancouver, Wash., in 1904, and three children were born as the issue of the union. Le Grand testified that he only recently learned that the marriage was not legal. He will provide for the children.

Rose Freeman was divorced from Henry H. Freeman because of cruel treatment. She testified that he struck her and falsely accused her of infidelity. Mrs. E. R. Cowles was granted a divorce from Dr. G. R. Cowles. They were married in Minneapolis in 1887, and he deserted her in December, 1905.

Susan Katherine Logan was divorced from I. W. Ickes, who served a term in the penitentiary beginning September, 1902. She testified that he was guilty of cruel treatment and threatened to kill her.

Because of desertion beginning October 21, 1903, H. G. Sammons was granted a divorce from Anna L. Sammons.

John A. M. Richardson was granted a decree dissolving the bonds of matrimony existing between her and D. G. Richardson, on account of cruel treatment. They were married in Junction City.

LEAVES MANY BEQUESTS.

Much of Mrs. Ann Norton's Estate Devoted to Church Work.

The will of Mrs. Ann Norton, who died last Tuesday, aged 80 years, was admitted to probate in the County Court yesterday. She was the widow of Daniel Norton, an old-time policeman of Portland, and the estate is valued at \$17,000. There are no living heirs so far as known. By the terms of the will \$4000 was left to St. Joseph's Church and School, "an institution to be located at Condon, Oregon"; \$1000 to Rev. Father Kelly, of Condon; \$2000 to the Dominican Fathers of this city; \$200 to Lizzie McMahon, of Portland; \$200 to Anna O'Brien, of Portland; \$200 to Ida Stevens, of Seattle; \$200 to Bishop Charles J. O'Reilly, of Baker City, Or.; \$200 to John P. Logan; \$500 to pay the debts of St. Mary's Cathedral of Portland for celebrating mass for the repose of her soul; \$5 to relatives who may appear. All remaining property is to be given to Bishop O'Reilly and Father Kelly for the purpose of erecting and maintaining a Catholic hospital at Condon. The will is witnessed by John C. Shillock and A. Burr.

Skating Rink Is Sued.

Suit to enjoin the operation of the Apollo skating rink was begun in the State Circuit Court yesterday by Charles Wright and M. C. Dickinson, proprietors of the Oregon Hotel. The defendants named are E. Henry Wenne, owner of the building at the southeast corner of Seventh and Oak, in the third floor of which the rink is located; Fred T. Merrill, agent, and M. E. Lee. Messrs. Wright and Dickinson have a lease on the second story of the Wenne building, which they use as a sample-room for commercial travelers. The skating rink overhead, which was recently started, they say, disturbs the drummers because the noise of the skating is so great that conversations in the sample-room in ordinary tone of voice cannot be heard. The complaint further sets forth that the vibrations are such as to cause dust and lime to fall on goods in the sample-room. Wright and Dickinson aver that the traveling men refuse to use the sample-room, which cost \$2000 to fit up. The plaintiffs say they suffered damages amounting to \$50 for loss of trade and \$2500 general damages.

"Tattoo" Kelly Arraigned.

D. C. ("Tattoo") Kelly was arraigned before Judge Frazer yesterday at 2 o'clock for the murder of Thomas Flemmings, December 15. The indictment is drawn under the statute which provides that if any person while in the commission of an unlawful act shall kill another he is guilty of murder in the first degree, the punishment for which is death.

Dan R. Murphy informed the court that he had been spoken to by friends of Kelly

to appear as his attorney, but had not yet decided what he would do in the matter. He would decide after a future conference.

Kelly was allowed until Tuesday afternoon next to enter his plea. He is a small man of boyish appearance, but says he is 22 years old. He was restless, and seemed to realize fully his position. The names of the witnesses given on the information are Henry Rasmann, Kelly's confessed accomplice; John Kingsley, John F. Kerrigan and Frank Snow. Under the law, Rasmann is equally guilty with Kelly, as in a case of this kind it does not make any difference which one killed Flemmings. Both Kelly and Rasmann are subject to the rope.

Scalpers' Case Awaits Decision.

Until a Supreme Court decision in the case of the State against C. H. Thompson and Frank Bollam, charged with selling non-transferable railroad tickets, is handed down, Judge Reid, of the Justice Court, before whom a case against the defendants was tried yesterday, will withhold his decision. John Logan, as attorney for Thompson, appeared in the Justice Court yesterday to argue the case, and Dan Maloney appeared as private prosecutor for the state. The evidence submitted showed that Thompson had sold to C. J. Allen a ticket over the Southern Pacific line from Portland to San Francisco. Allen was put off the train at Roseburg, Or., on ground that he was using a "scalper's" ticket. He returned to Portland, and suit was begun the following day against Thompson and Bollam. Allen is being retained in the city by the railroad companies as a witness, and is receiving \$4 a day for expenses.

He Played Deputy Sheriff.

Fred Dimmitt, a well-dressed young man, played deputy sheriff Wednesday evening in a house at 210 Alder street and created consternation among the inmates. They say that Dimmitt, who had engaged a room in the house, forced entrance into another room, displayed a star and demanded money. Dimmitt was arrested on a charge of impersonating a peace officer and was arraigned before Judge Frazer yesterday. He was granted time until 11 a. m. to plead, and his bail was fixed at \$200. The witnesses against Dimmitt are May White, Frank Henshaw, William Bailey, James Case and J. S. Downey. Dimmitt was a special deputy sheriff for about 15 days last summer and that is how he came to have a Sheriff's star.

Woman Sues for Damages.

The trial of the suit of Mary E. Webb against the Portland Trust Company, O. J. Treadwell and Treadwell for \$15,000 damages, was begun in Judge Cleland's court yesterday. The plaintiff on the night of August 25 last fell over a pile of iron frames placed on the sidewalk to be used in a building at Third and Oak streets, which was being remodeled. She alleges that she was seriously injured. When the evidence in the plaintiff was all in, Spencer & Davis, attorneys, dismissed the case as to the Portland Trust Company and Treadwell, as it appeared they were not responsible for the accident. The trial against Heintz will be concluded today.

Answer in Damage Suit.

In answer to the damage suit of Emil P. Stranberg, who was injured while firing a cannon at the Fair grounds, the Lewis and Clark Exposition Corporation alleges that Stranberg was a member of the militia, was accustomed to use gunpowder, and was acquainted with the proper loading, charging and firing of guns. He further alleged that the gun was fired without swabbing, and that Stranberg knew the risks, and assumed them.

Metcalf Gets Habeas Corpus Writ.

J. C. Metcalf, who is confined in the City Jail on a charge of embezzlement of \$400 at Tekoa, Wash., through an insurance company, through V. K. Strode, attorney, filed a petition for a writ of habeas corpus in the State Circuit Court yesterday afternoon. Acting Chief of Police Grizmancher was ordered to produce the prisoner in court this morning at 10 o'clock. Metcalf was arrested at the request of Spokane officers.

Injunction Issued in Suit.

In the suit of C. L. Derby against H. L. Phillips to recover \$600 for accomplishing the sale of certain mining property, Judge Frazer yesterday issued an injunction order directed to the First National Bank, restraining it from delivering a note for \$15,000 to Phillips. An injunction order was also signed by Judge Frazer restraining Phillips from making any disposition of the note or proceeds.

Will Announce Decision.

Judge Cleland will announce decisions this morning in the following cases: Charles B. Rasmann vs. company of Walter Virell; motion to modify judgment. M. I. Runyon vs. Jennie Winstock; demurrer to answer. Donald McLean vs. Northern Pacific Railway Company; merits.

Otto Prag Is Paroled.

Otto Prag, who pleaded guilty to misappropriation of funds collected for the Newsboys' day at the Lewis and Clark Exposition, was paroled by Judge Frazer yesterday, and left the courtroom accompanied by his mother. The understanding is that Prag has secured work in a furniture factory.

Sentenced for Theft.

Ed Byers pleaded guilty in the State Circuit Court yesterday to stealing various articles of clothing in the Columbia Hotel belonging to T. U. Howell, and was sentenced by Judge Frazer to one year in the penitentiary. Another charge of larceny against Byers was dismissed.

M'BRIDE IS ON THE MEND

Days of His Convalescence Will Be Spent at Pasadena.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—Since yesterday there is marked improvement in Senator McBride's condition, and tonight he is pronounced out of danger, barring some unforeseen development in his case. As soon as he recovers sufficiently to travel he will go to Pasadena, to remain until his return to Oregon.

Fire in Newcastle House.

Fire in the Newcastle House, Third and Harrison streets, at 7:30 o'clock, yesterday morning, caused much excitement among the guests and spectators, and did damage of \$2000 to the building. The flames were quickly extinguished upon arrival of the firemen. All inmates of the establishment got out without incident, excepting Mrs. M. C. Sullivan, who was carried downstairs by T. E. Huston, a fireman. Huston's hand was cut by glass. Some damage to property of the guests was caused by smoke and water. The fire started in the engine-room in the absence of the engineer.

Milwaukee County Club.

Eastern and California races. Take Sellwood and Oregon City cars. First and Alder.

IT IS SURE TO MAKE GOOD.

The Winter Garden pool and billiard hall, which opens tonight.

Meier & Frank Store

Open Tonight Until 9:30

Women's Neckwear Bargains



Dainty neckwear of every description on sale at absolutely the lowest prices we ever quoted on women's neckwear of equal style and quality—Very large assortment of the latest ideas to select from

Broken lines of washable stocks, plain linen and lawn trimmed with Mechlin and valenciennes lace; jabot and pleated tabs; 50c to \$1.50 values on sale for **19c**

White Swiss embroidery collars; eyelet and blind embroidered designs; great value at **21c**

Rajah silk windsores; light blue, green, brown, champagne, cardinal, black and white; ends embroidered; 65c and 50c values on sale for **24c**

Linen turnovers embroidered in colors; also surah silk ties, assorted colors; 25c values for **9c**

New ribbon stocks, pleated neckband, plain colors, stripes, figures and dots; great values at **39c**

Black Taffeta Stolls trimmed in Juby ruching and pleated chiffon ends; four styles; \$3.50 to \$5.00 values at the very low price of **\$1.98**

All our Ostrich Feather Boas at clearance sale prices.

All our Boa and Muff Sets at very low prices.

All our Novelty Lacey Neckwear; values up to \$25.00 on sale clearance prices.

Fine hand-made Neckwear at greatly reduced prices.

"Lindsay" Incandescent Gas Lights 68c

Another great special lot of the famous "Lindsay" incandescent gas lights complete with white opal globe, burner and best mantle. **68c**

The above light complete with globe, burner, mantle and by-pass. **90c**

1000 semi porcelain plates; assorted decorations, 7 and 8 in., 20c value. **9c**

Semi-porcelain vegetable dishes, covered; 75c to \$1.25 values for. **49c**

Semi-porcelain open vegetable dishes; 65c values for. **39c**

Entire stock of Chaffing Dishes; \$3.50 to \$25 values at **1/4 OFF REG. PRICES**

Entire stock of Coffee Machines; all grades at **1/4 OFF REG. PRICES**

One-third off on all Bisque figures. One-fourth off on carved wood novelties.

Marvelous Values in Men's Wear

Scores of Saving Opportunities for Shrewd Buyers



Men's Pepperell twilled muslin Nightshirts; plain white or trimmed; all sizes; \$1.00 values for. **79c**

Men's muslin Nightshirts; plain or trimmed; extra quality; made full size; grand value at. **43c**

Men's wool and golf Gloves in gray, tan and black; all sizes; the best 50c values on sale for. **39c**

Men's 25c gray and camel's hair wool sox, per pair. **17c**

Men's 50c mercerized silk and linen; also silk colored handkerchiefs, colored borders or centers; great value. **35c**

Men's Jaeger fleeced Underwear; shirts and drawers in all sizes; the best 50c values on sale at. **35c**

All our 50c work Shirts on sale today at, each. **37c**

Men's extra quality flannellette Nightshirts, each. **43c**

200 dozen men's 50c and 75c Neckwear; black, white and all fancy designs; light and dark colorings; four-in-hands, teeks, puffs, squares and bows; wonderful values at. **39c**

"Monarch" \$1.00 Shirts. **69c**

"Cluett" \$1.50 Shirts. **\$1.05**

Clearance of Laces--Embroideries

Swiss, nainsook and cambric edgings and insertions, 5 to 15 inches wide, very prettiest designs; values up to 45c. **25c**

Swiss, nainsook and cambric edgings and insertions, 2 to 15 inches wide, values up to 50c a yard on sale at this low **19c** price yard.

All our fine sets on sale at low clearance sale prices.

Corset Cover Embroideries; values very low clearance sale prices.

Allover Swiss cycles embroidery for shirtwaists, handsome styles in good assortment; values up to \$2.00 yard, for yard. **60c**

Magnificent allover Swiss Embroidery, beautiful designs; values up to \$2.00 a yard on sale at the low price of yard. **\$1.08**

Special lots of white, cream, ochre and black lace appliques and bands, best styles and grades; great bargains—

Values up to \$4.45, yard. **8c**

Values up to \$2.35, yard. **10c**

Values up to \$1.00, yard. **20c**

30c Point de Paris Lace, yard. **10c**

White dotted net in the best styles; \$1.50 quality on sale for yard. **59c**

Fancy tucked black chiffon; values up to \$2.00 yard, for yard. **29c**

15-inch Swiss Flouncing; \$1.50 value, yard. **69c**

Allover gold embroidered chiffon; \$5 and \$6 value on sale at this low price, yard. **\$1.00**

Entire stock of laces at clearance prices.

Trunks and Traveling Bags



Entire stock of Trunks, Traveling Bags, Suitcases and Telescopes at low clearance prices. Heavy duck-covered water-proof trunks. Hardwood strips fastened with malleable iron clamps; patent lock, lined throughout with Irish linen; set up trays, etc., etc.

34-in., \$19.50 value. **\$15.60**

36-in., \$20.50 value. **\$16.40**

Theatrical trunk of special design for rough handling, 32-inch, \$15.75 value. **\$12.60**

Heavy canvas covered trunk; best fittings throughout; strongly built; 30-inch; regular \$12.50 value for. **\$10.00**

High-grade canvas covered, waterproof trunks; handsomely fitted and finished throughout.

\$20.75 values for. **\$16.60**

\$22.25 values for. **\$17.80**

All Suitcases at very special prices.

All Traveling Bags at low clearance prices.

All Telescopes reduced to quick-selling prices. Third Floor.

Women's 50c Hosiery 33c a Pair

Great special lot of 1563 pairs of women's black Hosiery, allover and boot patterns, tan embroidered Hosiery, white Hosiery embroidered Hosiery, plain gauze Hosiery in navy, black and champagne; values **33c** extraordinary at the very low price of, pair.

1600 pairs women's black cotton Hosiery, in heavy, medium and light weight; all sizes; the best 35c values on sale for, pair. **33c**

Women's woolen Hosiery in all-rib and rib top; 25c values on sale at, pair. **12 1/2c**

Boys' heavy cotton Hosiery, all sizes; regular 25c values on sale at, pair. **15c**

Misses' medium-weight cotton Hosiery, best 25c values on sale for, pair. **15c**

Entire stock of women's, men's and children's Hosiery on sale this month at exceptionally low prices.

Meier & Frank Store

Open Tonight Until 9:30

Children's \$10 Coats \$5.85



Entire stock of Misses' and Children's apparel marked at quick-selling prices—a clearance sale of great importance to parents who have a young lady to clothe—Special lot of twenty-five children's coats in gray and blue mixtures neatly trimmed with velvet collar and cuffs—ages 3 to 6 years—Every coat regular \$10.00 value on sale today at this low price **\$5.85**

Come early if you want one **\$5.85**

Special lot of Children's Dresses in plaids and plain colors, trimmed with braid, buttons; full sleeve; lined all through; ages 4 to 14 years; best \$2.00 values for. **78c**

Children's full-length Coats, trimmed with military buttons; patent leather belt; strap-trimmed, double breasted; tan, blue and red; ages 2 to 6 years; regular \$5.00 values. **\$3.55**

Children's Mackintoshes, full-length with cape; navy blue, plaid lined; ages 6 to 14 years—**\$2.75 values. \$1.78**

\$4.00 values. **\$2.48**

Entire stock of children's Coats, Suits, Dresses, Raincoats and Novelty Garments on sale at extremely low clearance sale prices. Second Floor.

Infants' long white Coats in all the best styles and qualities on sale at low clearance prices.

Card-Cases at Half Regular Prices

Choose from our entire stock of combination Pocketbooks, with card-case at 1/2 regular prices; walrus, seal and alligator leathers; all colors, best styles; your choice at **1/2 PRICE**

Women's marine Belts, leather lined with gilt buckles, black and brown; best 65c values on sale for the low price of. **42c**

Silk and leather Belts; all colors; 50c to \$1.00 values, each. **25c**

Handbags fitted with card-case and coin purses; black, brown and tan; alligator, seal and walrus; values up to \$1.00 for the low price of. **43c**

\$1.25 to \$2.00 Handbags in the best leathers and colors at, each. **98c**

Sheepskins in all colors; \$1.00 values for the low price of, each. **73c**

Clearance Sale of Boys' Clothing



Little Reefer Coats for boys and girls, red, blue, tan and plaids, all the newest and prettiest styles for ages 3 to 14 years—

\$5.00 val. \$4.20 val. **\$4.85**

\$6.50 val. \$5.15 val. **\$6.20**

\$8.50 val. \$7.10 val. **\$8.30**

Boys' flannel Waists in all the best styles and grades; very low prices—

\$1.50 Waists 25c **\$1.25**

\$2.25 Waists **\$1.75**

\$1.00 Waists 50c **\$1.25**

\$1.25 Waists **\$1.15**

\$1.50 Waists 85c **\$1.75**

\$1.75 Waists **\$1.15**

Boys' all-wool 2-piece Suits, double-breasted, serviceable materials; \$3.50, \$2.75 values. **\$2.49**

Boys' 2-piece Norfolk Suits, double-breasted, Regular \$4.00 and \$4.50 values for. **\$2.98**

Boys' 2-piece double-breasted Suits; \$5.00 values. **\$3.45**

Boys' \$6.00 and \$7.50 Norfolk Suits, on sale for. **\$4.00**

Boys' corduroy Pants, most styles on sale for. **\$5.25**

Boys' and brown, \$1.35 value, pair. **98c**

Entire stock boys' Suits and Overcoats at low prices.

Children's Gloves

Children's Wool Golf Gloves, plain colors, black, brown, gray, red and white; sizes 3 to 6; regular 35c values for. **15c**

Children's Japonet Handkerchiefs with silk embroidered corner; 15c values. **3c**

Fancy colored Handkerchiefs for fancywork and kimono; reg. 10c val. on sale for. **5c**

Women's Knit Underwear Specials

Women's fine ribbed Corset Covers; high neck and long sleeves; white; best \$1.00 values for. **69c**

Women's black wool Tights; fine ribbed; ankle length or knee length; \$1.50 values for. **\$1.19**

Women's medium weight cotton Union Suits; high neck, long sleeves; 75c values on sale for. **47c**

Women's Swiss ribbed Vests; high neck, long sleeves; cream, pink or blue; \$1.50 values for. **\$1.19**

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Men's fine Suits, in the newest and most desirable styles and materials. The best garments from the leading manufacturers in the land. The greatest suit bargains we ever offered. Let us show you—

Men's \$10.00 Suits at **\$ 7.83**

Men's \$12.50 Suits at **\$10.85**

Men's \$15.00 Suits at **\$13.85**

Men's \$18.00 Suits at **\$13.85**

Men's \$20.00 Suits at **\$14.89**

Men's \$22.50 Suits at **\$15.15**

Men's \$25.00 Suits at **\$18.85**

Men's \$30.00 Suits at **\$23.15**

Men's \$35.00 Suits on Sale at the Low Price of **\$26.15 Each**

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Men's Smoking Jackets and Lounging Robes Greatly Reduced

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Men's genuine Priestley "Cravenette" Raincoats and Overcoats—every garment bears the Priestley label—all the best styles and patterns—all sizes. Best values for the money to be found in the city. 2d Floor.

Priestley's **\$12.50 Cravenette Raincoats for \$ 9.65 Each**

Priestley's **\$15.00 Cravenette Raincoats for \$10.85 Each**

Priestley's **\$20.00 Cravenette Raincoats for \$14.69 Each**

Priestley's **\$22.50 Cravenette Raincoats for \$18.85 Each**

Priestley's **\$27.50 Cravenette Raincoats for \$21.85 Each**

Entire stock of Men's Overcoats in this season's most approved styles and materials—large assortment for your choosing—great values.

Men's **\$15 Overcoats \$10.85**

Men's **\$25 Overcoats \$18.85**

Men's **\$20 Overcoats \$14.69**

Men's **\$35 Overcoats \$26.15**

Entire Stock Men's Smoking Jackets Reduced—Boys' and Young Men's Suits and Overcoats at Exceptionally Low Clearance Sale Prices—Men's Bathrobes at Low Clearance Sale Prices