

MYERS PROPOSED EVERY FEELINGS

Dr. Margaret Stratton Tells About Attentions of Late Salmon-Packer.

WILL CASE IS RESUMED

Evidence Introduced With Object of Showing Myers' Mind Was Poisoned Against Daughter, Whom He Cut Off With \$20,000.

The late George T. Myers, the wealthy salmon-packer, used to come to her house every few days and ask her to marry him, was the statement of Dr. Margaret Stratton, the witness in the suit of Mrs. George Frances Stevens, who is seeking to break the will of her father, Mr. Myers, and to have the \$20,000 which she was to receive under the will be paid to her. He left all but \$20,000 of an estate worth \$250,000 to George T. Myers, Jr., Mrs. Stevens' brother.

The suit was begun in the County Court several weeks ago, but was continued in order to give an opportunity for the attorneys to bring other witnesses to testify. The case was resumed yesterday morning, Dr. Stratton being called to complete her testimony on behalf of Mrs. Stevens.

Dr. Stratton said that Myers began paying his attentions to her within two weeks after his wife's death, and continued them, to her great annoyance, for the remainder of the year. She said Mrs. Jessie Dunham heard Myers when he tried to make love to her, as Dr. Stratton was always careful to have Mrs. Dunham present when Myers came. M. M. Whiting had a room in the same house, and Mrs. Stratton said he might also have heard what Myers said. The last heard of Mrs. Dunham, said Mrs. Stratton, she was in Paris. As for Whiting's whereabouts, Mrs. Stratton did not know.

Dr. Stratton avoided the possibility of a collapse while she was on the stand yesterday by saying to the court that she was very nervous and asking for a recess. Her request was granted several times. She took advantage of the opportunity by going outside and promenade in the fresh air.

She said that Myers was a social drinker, carrying "about all she could stand the most of the time. His irritability was only increased by it." She once told Myers, she said, to go and live with his daughter when he had been complaining that he was not receiving proper treatment at home. To this she said he made answer, "That's another hell! Don't call her my daughter, for she is not my daughter, and never was."

It was the belief of Dr. Stratton that when Myers came to her in 1905, shortly after the death of his wife, and said that on the previous night he had come near ending it all, he was joking. She said yesterday that he told her he was about to jump out the window, when some member of the family came in and pleaded to him that it would have been well if he had made a good job of it.

Regarding Myers' attitude toward Dr. Robinson, who had treated his wife, Dr. Stratton said:

"Myers said Dr. Robinson had destroyed two of the happiest homes in Portland, his own and his daughter's. He said Dr. Robinson had undue influence over his wife and his daughter, Frank, as he called her. He said Dr. Robinson was an old devil, that he had had money from his wife and Frank, and that he (Myers) would shoot Robinson on sight. I told him that was absurd, and that he must know better, but he replied that he knew what he was talking about and knew they were hypnotized. He raved around like a caged lion."

The testimony of Mrs. Stevens, who took the stand yesterday afternoon, confirmed the testimony of Dr. Stratton in essential points.

The case will be continued this morning.

CALLS MEETING OF STATE COMMITTEE

Chairman Westgate Summons Republican Leaders for April 10.

PREPARE FOR CONVENTION

Gathering of Clans Will Be Held in May and Will Choose National Delegates and Nominate the Electors.

Oregon's Republican state central committee was summoned yesterday by Chairman G. A. Westgate, to meet in Portland, Friday, April 10, for the purpose of calling a state convention and appointing the delegates. The convention will meet about a month later and will choose four delegates-at-large to the National convention, which will be held in Chicago, June 16. The state convention will also nominate four candidates for Presidential electors.

BICKERTON CASE DRAGS ON

Testimony in Divorce Case Expected to Be Concluded This Morning.

The contested divorce suit of Mrs. Iona Bickerton against Haughton C. Bickerton still drags on before Judge Brownough in the Circuit Court. It is expected that all the testimony will be before the court this morning, and that opposing counsel will have finished arguments before the judge by noon. Mrs. Bickerton is seeking to obtain her divorce on the ground of drunkenness.

It is Bickerton's contention that the entire trouble between himself and his wife has been caused by her many admirers. She is said to have invited a Mr. and Mrs. Rees to live with herself and husband to spy on him. Mrs. Rees, when asked to do so, refused, and Mrs. Bickerton is said to have been very angry. Mrs. Rees is said to have been a prominent part in the management of the Bickerton business, and Bickerton believes he alienated his wife's affections.

Ruth Leibe has filed suit to obtain a divorce from Henry Leibe. She says that last month he knocked her down while she had the baby in her arms, and that he often cursed her. She asks \$500 damages from Leibe. She was unaccompanied by a third interest in lot 18, block 3, Brainerd tract. The couple married October 24, 1905.

Ask Stay of Judgment.

Attorneys for W. C. Gibson, recently convicted in the Circuit Court of robbery, filed two motions yesterday, one in arrest of judgment on the verdict, and the other to obtain a new trial, on the ground that there was no testimony to show that Gibson had a loaded revolver in his possession, and that therefore the verdict was contrary to law. The reasons for the stay of judgment is that Gibson was unable to make known to the court or to his attorneys facts within his knowledge which might have cleared him. It is asserted that a disease of his mind was responsible for this.

Calls Letter a Libel.

Suit to recover \$15,000 damages for libel on account of a letter written by A. H. Reudy, and printed in a local paper, has been filed in the Circuit Court by John L. Schuylerman. The letter was printed under the caption, "One of Brother Reedy's Kind," and is characterized by Schuylerman as "false, untrue and defamatory." In the letter Reudy said: "I have a vivid recollection of how I was robbed of thousands of dollars, while the methods of the Title, Grab & Bust Company were being lauded to the skies by this same disciple of high finance."

Forecloses Big Mortgage.

Percy H. Blyth has brought suit in the Circuit Court against the Colonial Investment Company to foreclose a \$25,000 mortgage. He asks \$250 attorney's fees, \$462.10 taxes and interest on the \$25,000 at 6 per cent from September 5, 1907. The property in question is on the Cornell road.

Suttler's Trial May 14.

Nathan H. Suttler will be tried in the Circuit Court May 14 on a charge of killing Henry Shaffer. The latter was shot about a month ago at his home on the East side while he was resisting arrest. Suttler pleaded not guilty yesterday morning. Suttler was a policeman when he did the killing.

\$4.95 SPECIALS

At Le Palais Royal, beautiful new net waist and silk petticoats, worth \$7.50, 25 Washington street.

Mr. Nottingham Explains.

PORTLAND, March 29.—(To the Editor.)—I notice that you made a mistake in today's Oregonian by saying that I opposed Statement No. 1 in the County Convention. I wish to state that I was not a member of the late convention, nor of any other political convention in my life. C. W. NOTTINGHAM.

VERY FIRST BAD SIGNS

SERIOUS KIDNEY TROUBLES FELT IN THE BACK.

Prescription Which Anyone Can Prepare at Home to Overcome Kidney Disease.

Take care of backache. A great many cases of kidney complaint are reported about here, also bladder trouble and rheumatism. An authority once stated that pain in the back, loins or region of the kidneys is the danger signal, nature hangs out to notify the sufferer that there is something wrong with the kidneys. Only vegetable treatment should be administered and absolutely no strongly alcoholic patent medicines, which are harmful to the kidneys and bladder.

The following prescription, while simple, harmless and inexpensive, is known and recognized as a sovereign remedy for kidney complaint. The ingredients can be obtained at any good prescription pharmacy and anyone can mix them: Compound Sarsaparilla, three ounces. Shake well in a bottle and take in teaspoonful doses after each meal and at bedtime.

This preparation is said to restore the natural function of the kidneys, so they will sift and strain the poisonous waste matter, uric acid, etc., from the blood, purifying it and relieving rheumatism. Backache will be relieved, the urine will be neutralized and cleared thereby overcoming such symptoms as weak bladder, painful, frequent and nocturnal urination.

This is worth trying and may prove just what many people here need.

SPRING SALE OF AXMINSTER CARPETS

Select your new Spring floor-coverings from these attractive carpet values—sale ending tomorrow in the Carpet Section—Sixth Floor.

BIGELOW AXMINSTER
600 yards of this famous weave, offering the choice of seven patterns, in Oriental designs and rich two-tone effects. Regular price \$2.20 yard. Sewed, laid and lined, per yd. \$1.60

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SAXONY AXMINSTER
500 yards of these floor coverings, in five popular patterns and colorings; regular price \$1.60 yard. Sewed, laid and lined at, yard \$1.00

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COMPLETE HOUSE FURNISHERS
GREAT SALE THIS WEEK OF MISSION DINING-ROOM FURNITURE



Today in the Drapery Dept., SALE OF DRAPERY AND UPHOLSTERY GOODS

While the festival people plan to distribute probably 150,000 of these programmes among the hotels, restaurants, stores, factories and other establishments, it is expected that the public school children will make use of at least 100,000 of them.

Letters are now being prepared by Captain Speier, chairman of the water carnival committee, to be sent to the owners of every dock on both sides of the river from above the Madison-street bridge down below the Steel bridge, requesting them to arrange for a uniform scheme of decoration and illumination for the entire week, and particularly for the great marine pageant, on the night of June 2.

was promptly turned down, as he was born in Japan. He is a writer, 28 years old, residing at 228 Burnside street. There are only seven more days in which to register for the primaries, including today. The books will close promptly at 5 P. M., April 7. County Clerk Fields is keeping the office at the

If Baby is Cutting Teeth Be sure and use that old well-tried remedy, Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup, for children teething. It soothes the child, cures the pain, always kills colic and diarrhoea.

Courthouse open until 9 P. M. in order to give busy citizens a chance to sign up.

PASSES THE 26,000 MARK

Registration for Primaries Will Close After Seven Days More.

VETO LIGHTING ORDINANCE

Mayor Expected to Reject Bill Passed by Council Last Week.

That Mayor Lane will veto the ordinance passed at the last session of the City Council relative to city lighting seems a certainty. Investigation of the measure reveals the fact that it contains no maximum rate to be charged by bidders, and this alone is

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This evening—if the weather permits—between the hours of 7:30 and 10:30 o'clock.

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COR. TENTH AND WASHINGTON STS.

To the accompaniment of Brown's orchestra, living models will parade the beautifully draped windows on two sides of the building, displaying the most exquisite French models—evening gowns worth hundreds of dollars, street costumes, such as grace Fifth avenue at Easter time, picture hats, street hats, jackets, skirts, and all the little accessories now fashionable in Paris and New York.

This elegant spectacle of fashion and beauty can be seen from either Tenth or Washington street. Costumes to be changed every eight minutes.

FILE THEIR DECLARATIONS

Candidates Officially Make Known Their Intentions.

Willard H. Chapin has filed with County Clerk Fields his declaration of intention to run for State Representative on the Republican ticket. He favors the Republican vote for C. H. Allen, B. C. Altman, Fred J. Brady and L. D. Mahone, candidates for Representative, have filed their declarations, promising to support Statement No. 1. John D. Wilcox has filed his declaration to run on the Republican ticket for State Senator, promising to uphold Statement No. 1.

CHILDREN WILL ASSIST

Asked to Distribute Rose Festival Advertising Matter.

Though the school children of the Portland public schools have been debarred from taking part in the Rose Festival next June, a way has been found whereby they may assist very materially in swelling the crowds of visitors which are expected to throng the city the first week of June.

SUIT TO ENJOIN THE CITY

Merchants Will Attack the Vehicle Tax Ordinance Today.

Death of Christopher Fliedner.

Christopher Fliedner died yesterday at his home at Stewart's station, on the Mount Scott railway, at the age of 72 years and 3 months. A widow and four children survive him: Miss Anna Fliedner, Miss Claudia Fliedner, Mrs. H. G. Brockman and W. P. Fliedner. The funeral will be held this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock from Holman's parlors.

Free candy with children's shoes at Rosenthal's.

Metzger, jeweler, optician, 32 Wash.