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REVIEW OF THE DISPUTE.

The Oregonian knows the utility of subterfuge and innuendo in commenting on the President's Message, and leaves it to its placid companion, the Telegram, to do that kind of work. The following editorial, which explains the matter fully, appeared in Monday's Oregonian, under the caption "The Venezuelan Question":

"A correspondent asks the Oregonian for a statement of the Venezuela question, for the benefit of myself and of others who have not followed the discussion from day to day? The Venezuela question has two aspects. One is the question as it presents itself to Great Britain or Venezuela in their relation with each other, and the other the Venezuela question as it presents itself to the United States.

Persons of mature years will remember well the picture presented in the old geographies of the British, Dutch and French Guianas, stretching along the northeastern coast of South America for a short space between Venezuela and Brazil. British Guiana was the westernmost of the three, being a narrow strip, which came nowhere near the mouth of the Orinoco river. The new Rand-McNally atlas gives a brief statement of the advance of the British claim as follows: "Prior to 1840, Pameron river limit of England's claim; 1844, proposed a line beginning a little west of the Pameron river; 1881, claim extended to include both Pameron and Maroco valleys; 1886, claim extended to include territory to banks of Guaima river; 1890, proposed line to begin at junction of Amacura and Orinoco rivers; 1893, proposed line to begin at mouth of Amacura and include the waters of the Yurari."

The delta of the Orinoco is thus invaded. The Venezuelan government maintains that the Essequibo river is the true historic boundary line of Spanish Guiana. This is to the eastward yet of the Pameron river, the point England laid claim to prior to 1840. The area of the territory between the Essequibo river and the Schomburgk line, within which Great Britain refuses to arbitrate—that is to say, the area of the disputed territory—is about three times that of the original British Guiana as it is bounded by the Essequibo. Though the area Britain seeks to acquire is three times the foundation tract, the commercial advantages of the mouth of the Orinoco and the forest and mineral wealth of the disputed territory is of greater significance than its mere size.

The Venezuela question, as it concerns the United States, is whether we shall allow Great Britain to acquire territory on the Western hemisphere in this way; that is, by merely putting her finger, as it were, on a desirable tract of land belonging to some weak government and saying, "This is mine; I will take this" and go on, maintaining her claim through her greater power, merely because she is stronger than the government she is encroaching upon. The question has brought the Monroe doctrine to its crucial test. For Great Britain undertakes to say that it is no concern of ours what little dealings, trades or what not she and Venezuela may have together, aggression or no aggression. President Cleveland and Secretary Olney have asserted that this country will not tolerate an act on the part of a European government which amounts to invasion and conquest. We have urged upon Great Britain that she submit the boundary dispute to arbitration, and have offered to act as an arbitrator, both of which suggestions she virtually repudiates.

From the reports, which are supposed to carry reliable authenticity, it appears England has four or five times changed the boundary line between British Guiana and Venezuela, each time extending it into territory claimed by the native government, relying upon its power to provide immunity from dispute. It is this high-handed procedure by England, on a par with the hiring of savages and paying a bounty for scalps of colonists during Revolutionary times, which naturally causes Americans generally to view with distrust the motives in the affair of the supposedly greatest nation on earth. It is England's attitude in these matters which makes Americans adhere to Cleveland's

interpretation of the Monroe doctrine, as in this principle is involved a question of future national safety, as well as of justice. England has several times fixed this line to its own liking and is again proposing to sit—as judge, counsel and jury in another change—one by which it would acquire rich territory now and for all time claimed by the weak South American nation. Cleveland has given the warning, Congress and the whole country are supporting him, and the line must be settled by arbitration, not by the occupancy of the territory in dispute by British troops. There will be no war as a result for England recognizes, or will, the justice of our defense to her aggressiveness. There will be no war, for Salisbury will eventually acquiesce.

It might be proper to remind our Forest Grove contemporary, The Hatchet, that the Grand Jury is not responsible for witness fees in circuit court cases, unless, of course, an indictment is founded upon grossly insufficient evidence. As to The Hatchet's strictures upon the body for censuring the sheriff over the escape of "certain prisoners," THE ARGUS concurs. But the main point The Hatchet evidently overlooked. This was in the Grand Jury making a note of its delay, attributing its cause to the non-appearance of witnesses from slow process through the office of the shrievalty. The fact of the matter is this: the grand jury was not engaged but a short time after the experts brought in their report. Had they adjourned and gone home to await the report of the experts, their extra mileage would have made the expense about the same, so it would appear that the county would not have been loser or gainer to any extent in either event. The sheriff's office is in no manner to blame for the time used by the jury although the body may have so thought at first blush. As to the work performed by the jury, no one doubts its excellency, and that all its time was well-spent, no one can dispute.

At a meeting of the Cooper's Union in New York city the other night, Dr. Lyman Abbott, and one Crosby came as near making asses of themselves as men can. Dr. Abbott should confine himself to his pulpit, when he has a right to designate as he wills. No one would call him down when covered with the cloak of the church. Cheap notoriety is what these fellows want, but they can't even get it. They think England is a peaceful nation and the United States is wrong in the interpretation of the Monroe doctrine. Messrs. Abbott and Crosby should move over the pond.

The man who says his "efforts will not only be appreciated but handsomely paid for" elsewhere as a threat to the populists of Washington county, seems to think the party of which he aspires leadership would sustain a heavy loss should he depart for green fields and pastures new. It is the opinion of all conservative people that he has been somewhat of a handicap to the party with which he has associated himself but all these "reform" editors have an idea they are vital to populistic life. Are they right?

Doubtless the assertions to effect that democracy is dead give the "reform" press much consolation, and as they do the democratic party no harm, no one can object. Just how these howlers are going to reconcile the charge that all who are not of their party believe allies of England, and the action of Cleveland and Congress on the Venezuelan affair is not plain to a man in a tree—or for that matter, on the ground.

The Hatchet is an excellent news medium, but something must be wrong with its editorial and reportorial staffs. They forgot all about the President's message—or else in ignorance of the matter were—on the Venezuelan affair, the most significant and important happening in national councils for many days. The lack of notice certainly can't be due to partisan motives.

The republican papers are still harping upon the slaughter of sheep, contending that it is due to the Wilson Bill. The fact of the matter is, mutton is a popular diet, and the percentage of slaughter raised each year under the McKinley law

SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Washington County.

Reinhold A. J. Neckritz, Plaintiff,
vs.
Mary White, Thomas Boggass and James Boggass, Defendants.

To Mary White, the above named defendant.

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF Oregon you are hereby required to appear and answer to the complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit in the above entitled Court by the first day of the next term of said Court, which will be the third Monday in March, 1896, and if you fail to so appear and answer, for want thereof, the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint, for a decree annulling the deed from the defendant Thomas Boggass, whereby he conveyed to you the East one-half (1/2) of Southeast one-quarter (1/4) of Section Seven (7) and West one-half (1/2) of Southwest one-quarter (1/4) of Section Eight (8) in Township Two (2) North of Range Four (4) West of Willamette Meridian, containing One hundred and sixty (160) Acres, in Washington County, Oregon, declaring the deed of said property from Plaintiff and wife to said Thomas Boggass, a mortgage on said property to secure payment of Seventy Five Dollars (\$75.00) with lawful interest, and directing said defendant, Mary White, to execute and deliver to Plaintiff, a deed of said property subject to said mortgage, and for such relief as may be equitable.

Made and published by order of the Hon. Thomas A. McBride, in open court this December 23rd, 1895.

A. R. VENNEDALL,
Clerk of the Court.
Attorneys for Plaintiff.

Sheriff's Sale on Foreclosure.

BY VIRTUE OF AN EXECUTION, I do hereby order of sale, issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Washington County, in favor of L. P. W. Quimby, plaintiff, and against Lulu Posson, Guy Posson and Wm. M. Ladd, defendants, for the sum of Twenty-Six Dollars and five hundredths Dollars (\$26.50) costs, and for the further sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars, (\$1500 U. S. gold coin, with interest thereon at the rate of Eight (8) per cent. per annum, from the 15th day of November, 1890, until the date of said sale, to wit: the 20th day of January, 1896, at the south door of the Court House, in Hillsboro, Washington County, Oregon, at the hour of 10 o'clock, A. M., of said day, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, the following-described real property, to-wit:

Beginning at a point twenty (20) chains South of the North line of Section Twelve (12) Township Two (2) South Range One (1) West and Nineteen and ninety-five hundredths (19.95) chains West of the East line of said section, thence westerly and parallel with the said northern boundary line of said section Twenty (20) chains thence southerly and parallel with the eastern boundary line of said section Ten (10) chains, thence easterly and parallel with the said northern boundary line of said section Twenty (20) chains, thence northerly and parallel with the said eastern boundary line of said section Ten (10) chains to the place of beginning, containing Twenty (20) acres to satisfy the hereinbefore named sums, and for the costs and expenses of said sale.

Said property will be sold subject to redemption as per statute of Oregon. Witness my hand this 18th day of December, 1895. H. P. FORD, Sheriff of Washington County, Oregon. S. B. Huston, of Hillsboro, T. H. Ward, of Portland, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

NOTICE is hereby given that all county warrants endorsed prior to July 22, 1895, are now payable at the office of the county treasurer and interest will cease on same after December 20, 1895. Dated at Hillsboro, Oregon, Dec. 19, 1895. J. W. SAPPINGTON, County Treasurer.

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SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Washington County.

Henry Brauer Plaintiff,
vs.
Minnie Kuehnel and Frank Kuehnel, her husband, and Sutherland, Anton Wicke, A. J. Wilcox, H. A. Elliott and F. X. Kuehnel, Defendants.

To Minnie Kuehnel and Frank Kuehnel, her husband and F. X. Kuehnel, the above named defendants.

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF Oregon, you are hereby commanded and required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled Court in the above entitled suit on or before Monday the 16th day of March, A. D. 1896, the same being on the first day of the next regular term of said court next following the expiration of the time prescribed in the order of publication of this summons and if you fail to so appear and answer said complaint the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief therein prayed for and demanded, to-wit:

For a decree that plaintiff have and recover of and from defendants Minnie Kuehnel and Frank Kuehnel, and of and from each of them, on a certain promissory note for \$500 made and delivered by said Minnie and Frank Kuehnel on July 31, 1893, bearing interest at 10 per cent. per annum, interest payable semi-annually, payable to plaintiff, on which \$25 interest has been paid, and on a mortgage given by said defendants Minnie and Frank Kuehnel on the following described real property situated in Washington County, Oregon, to-wit:

The south half of the west three-quarters of the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter of Section Four, Township Two, South Range one West of the Willamette Meridian, containing fifteen acres, to secure the same, the sum of \$585 and \$100 attorney's fee and interest thereon from this date until paid, and costs and disbursements herein; for a decree foreclosing said mortgage and ordering said mortgaged property to be sold and the proceeds applied to the payment of the said sale, costs and disbursements and attorney's fee herein and of said promissory note, and also for a decree that the above named defendants and each of them, or all persons claiming by, through or under them or either of them, subsequent to the execution of said mortgage, be barred and foreclosed of all claim, interest, right, title, lien or equity of redemption—save only the statutory right to redeem—in, on or to said mortgage premises, or any part thereof, and for such other and further relief as to the court shall seem meet and equitable. This summons is published against you by order of Hon. Thos. A. McBride, Judge of the above named Court, in open court and dated on the 6th day of December, 1895. J. R. STROMBERG, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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Julia Ann Beard, (widow of F. S. Beard, deceased) H. E. No. 872, for the Lots 6 and 7 of Sec 6 T 2 N R 3 W and E 1/2 of S E 1/4 Sec 11 T 2 N R 4 W. She names the following witnesses to prove her continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: G. F. Hollister, of Greenview, Oregon, W. J. H. Beach, " " " S. D. West, " " " A. Phillips, " " " 34-6 ROBERT A. MILLER, Register.

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Mike Genzer, H. E. No. 770, for the N E 1/4 Sec 21 T 3 N R 4 W. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Fred Wolf, John Binn, John Baillie and Joseph Kreh, all of Buxton, Oregon. 34-6 ROBERT A. MILLER, Register.

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Fred Burgdorfer, (one of the heirs-at-law of John Burgdorfer, deceased) H. E. No. 780 for the S 1/2 N W 1/4 and N 1/2 S W 1/4 of Sec 14, T 3 N R 3 W. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Olive Johnson, Charles Mason, Ambrose Cox and Ulissa L. Creecy, all of Dixie, Washington County, Oregon. 34-6 ROBERT A. MILLER, Register.

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Weinel Reichter, H. E. No. 778, for the S E 1/4 S E 1/4 Sec 10, E 1/2 N E 1/4 and N E 1/4 S E 1/4 Sec 15 T 3 N R 4 W. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: John Baillie, of Buxton, Oregon, John Binn, " " " Mike Genzer, " " " Martin Ginkard, " " " 34-6 ROBERT A. MILLER, Register.

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Fred Burgdorfer, H. E. No. 784, for the S 1/2 of N E 1/4 and N 1/2 of S W 1/4 of Sec 14, T 3 N R 3 W. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Olive Johnson, Charles Mason, Ambrose Cox and Ulissa L. Creecy, all of Dixie, Washington County, Oregon. 34-6 ROBERT A. MILLER, Register.

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