

Bowser Slips Down

Mrs. B. Proves That He Has Little Knowledge on General Subjects—School System Faulty—He Thinks Pedagogues Should Teach Something of Practical Use to Their Pupils

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THE Bowsers had finished dinner and returned to the sitting room, and the family cat had about made up her mind that there would be nothing doing and that she might as well get into the back yard and pick two or three fights, when Mr. Bowser casually remarked: "A schoolmaster was in the office to-day, and I had quite an interesting argument with him. It's funny how these old pedagogues insist upon looking on their pupils as so many bags to be stuffed with so much sawdust."



"I believe I could take a boy ten years old and put more horse sense into his head in five years than any professional teacher could in fifteen. I am one who believes that the present school system should be overturned."

"How do you mean?"

"Why, I can step outdoors and find half a dozen boys who can figure all sorts of vulgar fractions and rattle off all sorts of answers in geography, but not one of them could tell me how a brick is made. What we want is horse sense mingled with statistics. Our children ought to be taught that the North sea separates the British Isles from France, but they should also be explained to them why a barrel of flour holds only 196 pounds instead of 200. Outside of their books most school children are as stupid as donkeys."

"Your idea is all right," replied Mrs. Bowser, "and has been in practice for a good many years. Didn't you ever hear of the kindergarten?"

"No."

"Well, they teach by that method, and so do many of the public schools. If you were instructing a pupil would you tell him that the North sea separates the British Isles from France?"

"Of course I should."

"Then you would be wrong. It separates the Isles from Denmark."

"Not on your life! Geography was my favorite study in school, and I al-



HE RAN HIM DOWN THE STEPS AND OUT THE GATE.

ways took all the prizes. That's just like you. Whenever I make an assertion you are always ready to combat it."

Mrs. Bowser went into the library and brought out an atlas and proved her assertion correct. Mr. Bowser snatched up and swallowed at the lump in his throat and got out of it by saying he presumed the North sea had shifted since he was a boy.

"You were speaking about bricks a moment ago, Mr. Bowser. I agree with you that every boy ten years old should know how they are made. Can you describe the process to me?"

"Can I? Can I tell you what a turnip is? Don't run into silly questions."

"But I should really like to know."

"Well, bricks are made of clay."

"What kind of clay?"

"Blue clay, of course."

"Is that why bricks are red?"

Mr. Bowser saw that he had slipped a cog. Moreover, when he came to think of it, he couldn't tell anything further. He had seen brickyards and brick kilns, but as to the process of brickmaking he knew nothing.

"I will tell you about it," said Mrs. Bowser. "It is not blue clay at all, but white clay. After being dug—"

"Woman, do you mean to insult me?" demanded Mr. Bowser as he rose up to his majesty and glared at her.

"Of course not. I was simply going to tell you how bricks are made, so

Pit.
We were filled with consternation as we passed a habitation. At the hour of ten o'clock a recent night. There were voices hoarsely calling. With an anguish so appalling. That we hurried round the corner out of sight.

But a stately cop was roaming. Quite serenely in the gloaming. When we told him of the row, he answered: "Nih!"

For it really doesn't happen. That this people is a scraggle. But enjoying just a quiet game of 'pit.'—Portland Oregonian.

Housekeeper.—Considering how much I've done for you, I think you might say some word before you go.

Tramp.—I'd like to oblige yeh, mum, but think how often the wheel o' fortune turns over in this country.

"What's that to do with it?"

"Everything, mum. My grandchild-dren might get rich, and then it would be so much pleasanter for them to be able to say their grandfather was a gentleman o' leisure than to have to admit he was a wood sawyer."—New York Weekly.

LOCAL AND COUNTY

Borr, to Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Maxwell, of Mountaineer, April 1, 1904, a son.

When buying your spring hat be sure to go to Mrs. Vrooman's, Main street, opposite the court house.

Geo Summ's a Hillsboro boy who was in the Philippines, is in the city from Douglas, Eastern Oregon, visiting with John Berri.

G. E. Johnson, of South Tualatin, was in town Saturday and says the mill operated by Johnson Bros. will have a big season's cut this year.

Tues. Word, a traveling salesman, well known here, was in the city Monday. Mr. Word recently lost a son, Chas., aged twenty, in Portland.

Harry Woolford, of northeast of Buxton, was down the first of the week and Tuesday proved up on his eighty-acre homestead. His witnesses were John and George Lippert, John Woolford and Amos Mead.

The little two-year-old daughter of Henry Dethlefs, of beyond Blooming, fell last Saturday and fractured her right arm, just below the elbow. Dr. A. B. Bailey attended the child and it is getting along nicely.

Two or three days of nice weather—and then came rain. This means late putting in of crops, there being hardly any spring plowing as yet. However, no one is worrying much, as we always get a good crop in the Willamette Valley.

Geo B Buchanan, of the expert accountant firm of Clark & Buchanan, and whose firm is now experting the city's books, was in the city Monday. He states that C. E. Beckwith and Max Crandall expect to get through with Hillsboro's books the last of the week.

T. L. Christiansen, of Oakland, California, was in the city the first of the week. Mr. Christiansen is one of the heirs of the Capt. Christiansen estate, South Tualatin, and he is up helping to make a transfer of the property to Johnson Brothers, of the South Tualatin sawmill.

Speaking of old landmark—the old Simmons' house, built in 1852 by Wheeler Simmons, who married the widow of Mr. Hill, the founder of the town, was torn down recently by Mr. Sholes, who purchased adjoining property for residence purposes, and then bought the site of the old building. John B. Jackson hewed out the floor timbers, Mrs. M. Moore says, and dragged them on what was termed a "go-devil," to the lot. The same party also hewed out the ground timbers for the Kelsey house which was built north of town.

CITATION.

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON, FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY.

In the matter of the estate of William Reeves, Deceased.

To R. E. Catching, Marion J. Reeves, Cora B. Reeves, Clyde W. Reeves, and all other persons interested, Greeting: IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON.

You are hereby cited and required to appear in the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Washington at the Court Room thereof, at Hillsboro in the County of Washington on Monday, the 11th day of April, 1904, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, of said day, to show cause, if any you have, why an order of said Court should not be made authorizing the said Sarah E. Reeves, executrix of said estate to sell either at private or public sale, the real property belonging to said estate as follows, to-wit:

Commencing at the northwest corner of lot 4, in section 3, T. 1 S., R. 3 W., Willamette Meridian; thence south 90-25 chains to the northwest corner of land devised by William Reeves and wife to Charles Rockstraw, as recorded in Book "D" pages 124 & 5 of records of deeds for Washington County, Oregon; thence south 86 deg 42 east 15-79 chains; thence north 37 deg east 12 chains; thence north 70 deg east 20 chains; thence east to the center of Tualatin River; thence up the same to the south line of J. W. Lingenfelter claim; thence west to the place of beginning the above description intending to convey all the land owned by William Reeves at the time of his death, in sections 3 and 10, township and range aforesaid, and containing 279 acres more or less.

Witness the HON. J. A. ROOD, Judge of the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Washington with the seal of said Court attested this 8th day of March, A. D. 1904.

Attest: GEO. A. MORGAN, Clerk.

John M. Wall, attorney for the estate

SHERIFF'S SALE.

Notice is hereby given, that by virtue of an execution, decree and order of sale, issued out of and under the seal of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Washington, dated the 10th day of March, 1904, in favor of Geo. W. Patterson, plaintiff, and against John Northrop, Nellie Northrop J. A. Reid and Schulmerich & Koch, defendants, for the sum of \$200.00 with interest thereon from the 9th day of March, 1904, at the rate of 10 per cent per annum, to me directed and delivered, commanding me to make sale of the real property hereinafter described, I have levied upon and pursuant to said execution and order of sale I will, on Monday, the 10th day of April, 1904, at the south door of the Courtroom, in Hillsboro, Washington County, Oregon, at the hour of ten o'clock a. m. of said day, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in hand all of the following described real property, lying, being and situate in Washington County, Oregon, and more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

All of Block Four (4) of and in Highland Addition to the City of Hillsboro, Oregon, to satisfy the hereinbefore named sum and for the costs and expenses of sale and said writ.

Said sale to be made subject to redemption as per statute of Oregon.

Dated at Hillsboro, Oregon, this 10th day of March, 1904.

J. W. SEWELL, Sheriff of Washington County, Oregon.

Geo. R. Bagley, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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Notice Of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed in the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Washington County, his final account as Executor of the last will and testament of Charles A. Hartman, deceased, and that said Court has set Monday, the 14th day of April, 1904, at the County Court Room in Hillsboro, Washington County, Oregon, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. of said day as the time and place for hearing objections to said Final Account and for the final settlement of said Estate.

Dated at Hillsboro, Oregon, on this 8th day of March, 1904.

W. F. HARTMAN, Executor of the last will and testament of Chas. A. Hartman, Deed.

Geo. R. Bagley, Attorney for Executor.

PORTLAND AND RETURN 85c.

The Southern Pacific is now selling round trip tickets to Portland from Hillsboro for 85 cents good going Saturday P. M., or any train of Sunday, returning Sunday and Monday, giving all day Sunday and Monday in Portland. The same arrangement applies from Portland, giving all Portland people a chance to visit valley points at greatly reduced rates.

The Argus office for all kinds of job work.

Executrix' Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been by the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Washington duly appointed executrix of the last will and testament of A. O. Brown, deceased, and that she has duly qualified as such. Now, therefore, all persons having claims against the estate of A. O. Brown, deceased, are hereby notified and requested to present the same, with proper vouchers attached, to me at the law office of Hon. W. D. Hare, in Hillsboro, Oregon, within six months from the date hereof.

Dated at Hillsboro this 14th day of March, 1904.

ASENATH CAREY BROWN, Executrix of the last will and testament of A. O. Brown, deceased.

W. D. Hare, Attorney for the Executrix.

Call for Warrants.

Notice is hereby given that all Hillsboro warrants drawn on the General Fund and endorsed "not paid for want of funds" prior and up to December 30, 1903, are now payable at my office in the Valley-Morgan Block, and that interest will cease upon same after this March 31, 1904.

JOHN M. WALL, Treasurer of the City of Hillsboro, Ore.

Dated at Hillsboro, this March 31, 1904.

CONTEST NOTICE.

Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Oregon City, Oregon, March 5, 1904.

A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by John E. Leland, contestant, against homestead entry No. 10441, made November 2, 1890, for NW 1/4, Section 12, Township 3 N., Range 1 W., by Charles H. Lewis, Contestee, in which it is alleged that contestant is well acquainted with said tract of land, and "knows the present condition of the same also that said entryman never resided upon or cultivated or improved said claim as required by law or at all; that he died on or about the year 1890 and since said time the heirs and legal representatives have failed to make the necessary cultivation or improvements on said claim or to care for the same and have wholly abandoned said claim during said time, and that said alleged absence from the said land was not due to his or his heirs' employment in the Army, Navy, or Marine Corps of the United States as a private soldier, officer, seaman or marine during the war with Spain, or during any other war in which the United States may be engaged; and that said parties, the heirs and legal representatives of said Charles H. Lewis, deceased, are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegations at 10 o'clock a. m. on April 15, 1904, before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office in Oregon City, Oregon. The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed March 3, 1904, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice cannot be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.

Agnes M. Dresser, Register.

Administrator's Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed administrator with the will annexed of the estate of Henry Payogel, deceased, by the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Washington County. All persons having claims against said estate will present the same to me at the law office of W. D. Hare, Hillsboro, Oregon, within six months from the date hereof.

JOHN H. WILKINS, Administrator with the will annexed of Henry Payogel, deceased.

Dated this March 24, 1904.

W. D. Hare, attorney for administrator.

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Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed administrator with the will annexed of the estate of Henry Payogel, deceased, by the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Washington County. All persons having claims against said estate will present the same to me at the law office of W. D. Hare, Hillsboro, Oregon, within six months from the date hereof.

JOHN H. WILKINS, Administrator with the will annexed of Henry Payogel, deceased.

Dated this March 24, 1904.

W. D. Hare, attorney for administrator.

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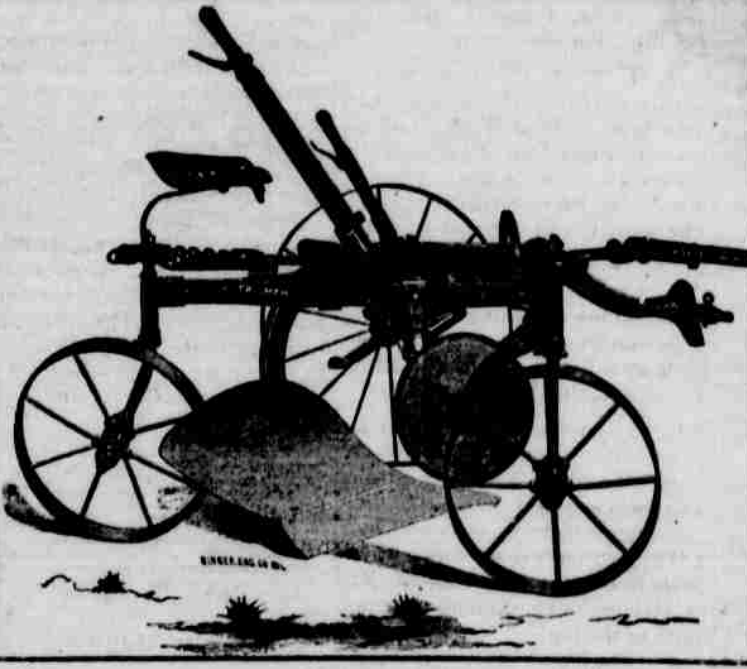


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