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CITY AND COUNTY.

Fourth Month Dunc.

The curious custom of joking on the first of April, sending the ignorant or unwary on fruitless errands, for the sake of making them feel foolish and having a laugh at them, prevails very widely in the world. And whether you call the victim a "fool" or "foolish" or you call the joke an "April fish" (as in France), an "April Gowk" (as in Scotland), the object, to deceive him and laugh at him, is everywhere the same. The custom has been traced back for ages; all through Europe, as far back as the records go. The "Fest of Fools" is mentioned as celebrated by the ancient Romans. In Asia the Hindus have a festival ending on the 31st of March, called the "Huli festival," in which they play the same sort of April pranks—translated into Hindoo—laughing at the victims, and making him a "Huli fool." It goes back even to Persia, where it is supposed to have a beginning, in very ancient times, in the celebration of spring, when they used to yearn for the "wise men cannot agree. The many authorities are so divided, that I see no way but for to accept the custom as we find it, wherever we may happen to be, and be careful not to abuse it. Some jokes are peculiar to particular places. In England, where it is called All Fools' Day, one favorite joke is to send the greenhorn to a bookseller to buy a "Life and Adventures of Eve's Grandmother," or to a cobbler to buy a few cents' worth of "strap oil,"—strap oil being, in the language of the shoe-making brotherhood, a personal application of the leather. The victim usually gets a good whipping with a strap. There was an old superstition in England that prayers for the Virgin at eight o'clock on All Fools' Day, would be of wonderful efficacy, and it is only mentioned by grave writers of old days. In Scotland the first of April is called "hunting the Gowk," and consists mostly of sending a person to another a long way off, with a note which says, "Hunt the Gowk another mile." The recipient of the note gives him a new missive to still another, containing the same words; and so the sport goes on, till the victim remembers the day of the month, and sits down to rest and think about it. In France, where the custom is very ancient, the jokes are much the same; but the victim is called an "April fish" because he is easily caught. In one part of France there is a custom of eating a certain kind of peas which grow there, called "pois chinchins." The joke there is to send the peasants to a certain convent to ask for those peas, telling them that the fathers are obliged to give some to every one who comes on that day. The joke is as much on the monks as on the peasants, for there is often a perfect rush of applicants all day. A more disagreeable custom prevails in Lisbon on the first of April, when the great object is to pour water on passers-by, or, failing in that, to throw powder in their face. If both can be done, the joker is happy. I need not tell you the American style of joking; nailing a piece of silver to the sidewalk; tying a piece of string to a purse, and jerking it away from greedy fingers; leaving tempting-looking packages, filled with sand, on door-steps; firing donkeys into an intermingling of wool; putting salt in the sugarbowl, etc. You know too many already. But this custom, with others, common in coarser and rougher times is fast dying out. Even now it is left almost entirely to playful children and uneducated classes. This sentiment, quoted from an English almanac of a hundred years ago, will, I'm sure, meet the approval of "grown-ups" of the nineteenth century:

"But 'tis a thing to be disputed, Which is the greatest fool reputed, The one that innocently went, Or he that him distinctly sent."

H. M. S., St. Nicholas for April.

WHO ARE VOTERS.

The school law of this State prescribes the qualifications of voters at school elections as follows: "Any male person shall be entitled to vote at a school meeting who is twenty-one years of age, and has resided in the district thirty days immediately preceding the meeting, and who has property in the district subject to assessment and taxation." Also, "women who are widows and have children to educate and have taxable property in the district, and who have resided in the district thirty days as aforesaid, shall be entitled to vote."

STANDING REWARD OF \$600.

To prevent, as far as possible, the robbing of mails, valuable packages, express matter, etc., from coaches, stages, trains or other conveyances, and to add security to life, person and property, the legislatures of three of the Pacific States and one Territory have enacted a law offering a reward for the arrest and conviction of any person or persons engaged in such an attempt, whether successful or not. Such legal enactments have been made by the legislatures of Oregon, California, Nevada and Montana. Substantially, the law reads as follows:

Section 1. The governor shall offer a standing reward of \$600 for the arrest of each person engaged in the robbery of, or in the attempt to rob any person or persons upon, or having in charge in whole, or in part, any stage coach, wagon, railroad train or other conveyance, engaged at the time in carrying passengers, or any private conveyance within this State, and for the arrest of each person engaged in the robbery of, or in the attempt to rob any person or persons upon any highway in the State of Nevada; the reward to be paid to the person or persons making the arrest, immediately upon the conviction of the person or persons arrested; but no reward shall be paid except after such conviction.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

We, the undersigned citizens of Mohawk valley, county of Lane, State of Oregon, do hereby declare and agree that we will discontinue hounding in our vicinity; we consider it our duty to protect the deer from being driven off or destroyed by the hounds. We further declare that we will not knowingly permit any person or persons to camp on our premises with the intention of hounding, nor to hound in our grainfields or enclosures. Therefore we respectfully ask those living outside of the valley not to bring any hounds in, and those living in the valley to get rid of their hounds or keep them from running.

AT THE TANNERY.

Mr. W. W. Haines is pushing business at the tannery in this place, the leather produced being mostly of that class used for harness and saddles, and is shipped to San Francisco, where it commands a higher price than the leather manufactured in this State. Last month a lot of over 1500 pounds was shipped. At the same place Mr. J. T. Witter has about 300 deer skins undergoing the process of tanning.

See the new advertisement of the Lane County Mercantile Association.

Brief Mention.

All fool's day to-morrow. It is also Easter Sunday.

Ex-Senator Kelly is now on route for the land of Webfoot.

C. W. Fitch has been recommended as a notary public for this county.

Hon. L. F. Lane arrived at his home in Roseburg, overland, on the 22d inst.

Peter B. Settle has been appointed postmaster at Belknap's Springs in this county.

Craib Bros. have just received a large stock of picture frames, oval, square, cabinet, etc., in all styles.

Jacob Turner has opened a boot and shoe shop in the new building adjoining Humphrey's stable.

The Seattle Dispatch thinks there was "too much laugh and not enough melody" about Madame Urso's pianist's playing.

Sam. P. Strickney, who visited this State some years ago with a large circus company, died in Cincinnati a few days ago.

We are told that a gentleman from San Francisco will open a stock of general merchandise in Mrs. Renfrew's brick building next week.

Mrs. Jas. A. Odell will open a private school in the District School building April 9th. Miss Ina Condon will take charge of the primary department.

According to the Statesman a knot of sixty year-old hoodlums in convention assembled, voted the last Urso performance in Portland, as a "mistake to say the least of it."

Postmaster General Key thinks that four years of faithful service as postmaster is only a good reason why he should be continued in office. This being the case we shall probably have our very efficient postmaster retained in office during the present administration. Running a postoffice and kicking newspapers is an exceedingly difficult to please all the customers, but we are satisfied that no one in this community could have given more general satisfaction than Mr. Peterson has. He is one of the very few Radical office holders in Oregon who can be commended for honesty and efficiency.

JURORS.

The following is a list of jurors drawn to serve at the April term of the Circuit Court, 1877:

N. Martin, T. C. Linton, J. R. Sloan, J. W. Cox, W. J. Scott, J. H. Brown, S. H. Saylor, R. P. Caldwell, H. N. Garote, R. Seala, J. F. Smith, A. J. Doak, J. B. Eucland, S. S. Lane, Fred Warner, Isaac Zimwald, J. W. McCracken, James Stiebel, J. A. Ebert, J. G. Powers, Amos Dunham, John G. Day, James Basser, J. A. McMahon, J. J. Harlow.

The Jewish Passover.

On Wednesday morning began the Hebrew Passover, a festival instituted in commemoration of the exodus of the Israelites from Egypt. The Hebrew name is Pesah. The festival will continue for seven days, and be observed by abstaining from the usual diet, and will live almost on unleavened bread. The Passover is observed as a season of thanksgiving and as a reminder of their long captivity and escape from bondage. It has some remarkable beneficiary sanitary effects, owing to the change of diet, and in a measure the health of our Jewish population, and their immunity from contagious and infectious diseases are due to this change. One of the special preservations of health is the Pesah. On this occasion the house has to be thoroughly cleaned, and all kitchen utensils have to be entirely overhauled. They are set aside for one week and their places supplied by those in special tin for this festival. The unleavened bread is prepared from nothing but flour and water and is just such an article as physicians highly recommend. For all of which information we are indebted to the Standard.

Notice to Sportsmen.

THERE IS A NEW GUN SHOP IN Eugene City opposite the Lucky Livy Stable between Pointedexter's shop and the Hook and Ladder building. Look for the sign of the red gun swung across the sidewalk. The undersigned is ready to do all kinds of repair work with neatness and durability; new guns made to order; small bore rifles for killing grouse and squirrels always on hand, also saws gummed and filed and door locks repaired at short notice. B. F. HENDRICKS.

Election Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT an Election for City officers for Eugene City, Lane County, Oregon, will be held at the Court House in said Eugene City, on MONDAY, APRIL 2, 1877.

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100 HEAD OF EXTRA MUTTON SHEEP for sale. The lot will be sold for \$220. Apply to L. W. GAY.

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I COLLECT SCRIP, INDIAN VOUCHERS, Bounty, New Orleans, and other prize money now due, and Post-office claims; obtain pensions for officers, soldiers, sailors, wounded and disabled; Will sell cranberry land with natural vines growing on it. Prairie, swamp and timbered lands at prices lower than usual. Rich placer gravel beds and quartz ledges for sale or trade. Also, will sell or rent a furnished hotel, or sell a steam sawmill ready for business. Apply to C. M. CARTER, Office Third and Main streets, Portland, Oregon.

MORNING, March 27, 1877.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE State of Oregon for Lane County. H. O. Tenny, Plaintiff, vs. Ella Tenny, Defendant. To Ella Tenny, the above named Defendant: In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby commanded to appear and answer the Complaint of Plaintiff in the above entitled suit, now on file against you, in the office of the County Clerk of Lane County, within ten days from the date of the service of this summons, if made on you in Lane County and within twenty days, if made on you in any other County in said State; and if served on you by publication, then you are required to appear and answer by the first day of the next term of the Circuit Court for the County and State aforesaid, to be begun and holden on the 3d Monday (the 16th day) of April, A. D. 1877, at the Court House in Eugene City. And the Defendant will take notice that if she fail to so appear and answer said Complaint, the Plaintiff will take judgment against her for the relief prayed for in said Complaint, to-wit: the dissolution of the bonds of matrimony now existing between Plaintiff and said Defendant. The service of this Summons is made by publication by order of Hon. J. F. Watson, Judge of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the Second Judicial District, made at Eugene City on the 31st day of January, A. D. 1877. FITCH & FAGAN, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

SUMMONS.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE State of Oregon for Lane County. Hannibal Kulausk, plaintiff, vs. Arthur I. Chapman and W. K. Leveridge, defendants. Suit in equity to foreclose mortgage. To the above named defendants, Arthur I. Chapman and W. K. Leveridge: In the name of the State of Oregon, you and each of you are hereby required to appear in the above entitled suit brought against you by the above named plaintiff in the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Lane County, and answer the complaint filed therein, by the first day of the next term of said court, to be begun and held on Monday the 16th day of April, 1877, at Eugene City, county and State aforesaid. The defendants will take notice that if they fail to appear and answer said complaint as above required, the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded therein, to-wit: That the plaintiff have judgment against the said defendant, Arthur I. Chapman, for the sum of 4,000 dollars and for the costs and disbursements of suit; that the usual decree be made for the sale of the mortgaged premises described in the said complaint, and that the undivided half of the south half of section 35 in township 17 south of range 4 west of the Willamette meridian, situated in Lane County, State of Oregon, by the sheriff of said Lane County, according to law and the practice of said court; that the proceeds of said sale be applied in payment of the aforesaid sum of four thousand dollars, the costs and disbursements of this suit and the expenses of such sale; that the defendants and all persons claiming under them, or either of them, subsequent to the execution of the mortgage on said premises, as set forth in said complaint, to-wit: The 18th day of July, 1866, (either as purchasers, incumbrancers or otherwise, may be barred and forever foreclosed of all right, claim or equity of redemption in the said premises and every part thereof; and that the plaintiff have such other and further relief in the premises as to the Court may appear equitable. Service of this summons is made by order of Hon. J. F. Watson, Judge of the 2d Judicial District, and of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Lane County, having date the 8th day of February, 1877. THAYER & WILLIAMS & THOMPSON, Attorneys for plaintiff.

SUMMONS.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE State of Oregon for the county of Lane. Mary A. Smith, plaintiff, vs. Michael Smith, defendant. Suit in equity for divorce and for the custody of minor children. To Michael Smith the above named defendant: In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby summoned to appear in said court and answer the complaint of the plaintiff filed therein, on or before the first day of the next term thereof, to be begun and held at Eugene City, Lane County, Oregon, on the 16th day of April, 1877. And it is ordered by the court, the Hon. J. F. Watson Judge thereof, dated February 26th, 1877, that service of summons in this case be made by publication in the Eugene City Guard, a newspaper published in said county, for six consecutive weeks, and if you fail to answer on or before the first day of the next term of said court following the expiration of the time prescribed in said order, namely, Monday, the 16th day of April, 1877, the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief prayed for in the complaint, namely: That the marriage contract existing between you and the plaintiff be dissolved and held for naught, and that plaintiff have the care and custody of the minor children of said marriage, and I give such further and other relief as to the court may seem equitable and just, and for the costs and disbursements of this suit. G. B. DORRIS, Plaintiff's Attorney.

SUMMONS.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE State of Oregon, for the county of Lane. Mary E. Tedrow, plaintiff, vs. Charles W. Tedrow, defendant. Suit in equity for divorce and custody of minor children. To Charles W. Tedrow, the above named defendant: In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby summoned to appear in said court and answer the complaint of the plaintiff filed therein, on or before the first day of the next term thereof, to be begun and held in Eugene City, Lane County, Oregon, on the 16th day of April, 1877. And it is ordered by the court, the Hon. J. F. Watson Judge thereof, dated February 26th, 1877, that service of summons in this case be made by publication in the Eugene City Guard, a newspaper published said county, for six consecutive weeks, and if you fail to answer on or before the first day of the next term of said court following the expiration of the time prescribed in said order, namely, Monday, the 16th day of April, 1877, the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief prayed for in the complaint, namely: That the marriage contract existing between you and the plaintiff be dissolved and held for naught, and that plaintiff have the care and custody of the minor children of said marriage, and have such further and other relief as to the court may seem equitable and just, and for the costs and disbursements of this action. G. B. DORRIS, Plaintiff's Attorney.

REFEREE'S SALE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT by virtue of a decree of the circuit court of the State of Oregon for Lane County, made at the November term, 1876, in the case of Margaret Howard and Catherine Skelton, plaintiffs, vs. Mary E. Hays, M. J. McConnell, W. L. Wood, Charles Wood, James Wood, Ellen Wood, Julia Wood, E. M. Wood, Wm. Wood, George E. Wood, Maggie Wood, Hattie Wood, Annie Wood, Lolo Wood and Margaret Wood, now Peace, defendants, and partition, I will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder at the Court House door in Eugene City, Oregon, SATURDAY, 7TH DAY OF APRIL, 1877, the following described premises, to-wit: Lots numbers 2 and 3 in Block No. 2 in Mulligan's addition to Eugene City, Lane County, Oregon. Sale to commence at 1 o'clock P. M. of said day. Terms cash, U. S. coin. GEO. M. COOPER, Referee.

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