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PAINTS

vestigations

Agri. Col. Corvallis, Oer., 20.-The new bulletin on Economic Geological Rees of Oregon. Extension 8 No. 5, issued by the Ore-State Bureau of Mines at the on Agricultural College, of Prof. H. H. Parks is dit, is just off the press. It ook of 120 pages illustrated fine cuts, and is sent free. request, to all residents of state who are interested in ubject.

shington, on the north s annually \$28,750 through State Geological Survey ingating her mineral retes. Her mineral production foximately \$17,000,000 an-"says Prof. Parks in the duction. "California, on both, spends annually \$30,through her State Bureau of s investigating her mineral arces, and the value of her al production annually is 0,000. Both these states vestigation for many years. regon has spent to date, a of Mines investigating nineral resources, and has an a mineral production of apmately \$4,000,000. Is it ila to think that some relaexists between the mineral ction of a state and the spent in investigation of at the State of Oregon by ng off the mineral resources political boundry line?"

----"Age Cannot Wither." sull stick to that old ten-year

s of yours, I see, Blithers," said "Why don't you get a me and Blithers, "I've sort of that there is more style to a codel horse than there is to a

el tar."-Harper's Weekly.

there was a colored man living on a plantation in Tennessee called Courtney St. Leger. This aristocratic name seems so out of place for a negro slave that a word of explanation is necessary. It had been derived from Colonel St. Leger, who had owned the man

in Louisiana, and a previous master named Courtney, for at that time negroes took their names from their owners. Now, Courtney had had a wife on the Courtney plantation, and from her he

had been divorced by the fact only that he had been sold to Colonel St. Leger. While under the colonel's ownership he had married another wife, and a few years later he had been sold to a Mr. Harland of Tennessee. Not long after he had been bought by Mr. Harland he concluded to take a wife from among the women owned by that

gentleman. Susan Clarke, whose name had come to her from a former master, had been bought in New Orleans. How many husbands she had had would not have been known on the Harland plantation had it not been that Pete Lefevre, one of her fellow slaves in Tennessee, and his wife Phoebe had been bought at the same time with her and knew of at least two that she had had under different ownerships.

Courtney and Susan concluded to blot out their remembrances of past connubial bliss and trials by taking each other for lawful partners. Missey Harland, as they called their mistress, was a good woman and would maintained their bureaus like to have stemmed the current of such marriages among her slaves, but the system of slavery was not condu-\$1,200 through the State and she was obliged to take the situasive to squeamishness on the subject, tion as she found it. So long as couples were sold apart there were to be found cases wherein a strict regard for the letter of the divine institution of marriage was not observed. So when permission to marry was handed in at the manor house it was granted. The wedding took place in an Episcopal church.

The rector was colored, and the wedding guests were also people of color. ame? Is it possible that chancel, the groom with a magnolia in er Nature discriminated his buttonhole, the bride in a white muslin gown given her by her mistress. The ceremony went on glibly till that part of the service was reached in which the clergyman says:

If any man can show just cause why they may not lawfully be joined together let him now speak or forever after hold his peace. Then Pete Lefevre arose from among

the wedding guests and said: "I know why Court St. Leger shouldn't marry Sue Clarke. Fust off, Pete, he got three wives areddy, and

Sue, she got two husbap's I knows on and"-The remarks were interrupted by you do.

ger yo' cum hyar fo' t' mak' distu'bance in de house ob de Lord? Yo shut up dat red and black mouf o yourn or dis hyar congregation gwine to put yo' out!"

"How can I be asked to show just cause why Court and Sue mayn't lawfully be jined togedder and yo' say yo gwine put me out ef 1 do?" Ben scratched his head, looked like

a bull just about to lift a rail fence with his horns and finally said: "Dat part o' de ceremony wa'n't meant fo' niggers at all. It war meant

fo' white folks." "You's all wrong," said Mose Tucker, coming into the frag "White folks don' pay no mo' 'tention to dat dan niggers. De finest people an' de richest people in de worl' hab de mos' husbands and wives." "How dey do 't?" asked Uncle Ben.

"By divo'ce-jist as easy as fallin' off'n a greased log. But dem kind o' weddin's tak' money. Dat's de reason de richer dey air de easier it air to

swap husban's and wives." "Bredderin'," said the parson, looking benignly over his spectacles. "you's all gwine wrong. De Lord ain't no suspecter ob pussons. He hab de same inw fo' de white man and de nigger. It's de interfretation wha' mak's de difference. De white man interfrets de word accordin' to his possessions, de nigger accordin' to his necessities. De interfretation in dis case is dat it is all right fo' Pete to show just cause but accordin' to de interfretation Court and Sue libin' under de auction hammer, de Lord ain't gwine to hold 'em to de same account as dem as is worf

a million dollars. Now, yo' Pete, yo' shet up or I gib my divine permission as pastor ob dis chu'ch fo' to put yo' out

Pete subsided, the ceremony proceed ed, and at its conclusion Court and Sue sailed smilingly down the aisle and out of the church.

"Pa'son." said an old darky to the officiating clergyman, "dey war anudder freological p'int in de sarvice yo' didn't say nuthin' about." "Wha' dat?"

"Why, it's 'let no man put asunder.' Dat don't mean notten 'bout de las' time de man or de woman war put asunder: it only mean dis time. And dis time don't hab nottin' to do with de nex' time nudder." "Jes' so, brudder. Yo' dead right."

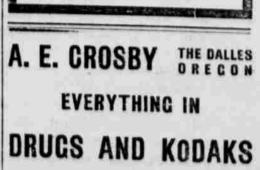
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