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SOLD INTO SLAVERY.

Daily Ledger.

A colored man in Knoxville is said to have sold himself into slavery. For $1000 he agrees to serve and obey his master until death. The agreement is in the form of a written contract, and is as valuable as the scrap of paper containing it. The white man will find that instead of buying a negro he has bought a gold brick. There are no human beings for sale in this country. There is no chance to give legal title. A man may sell his services but he may not make himself a thing of barter. To go through the form of entering into a state of slavery is to go through an idle form; slavery has been abolished.

The purchaser in this instance is clerk of a court and ought to have some knowledge of court procedure. If he lacks this knowledge he is likely to acquire it suddenly at an expense to himself of $1000. At any moment the negro choses to repudiate the arrangement he is at liberty to do so, and there is no statutory provision by which the speculative clerk can levy on the hide and wool of the party of the second part, and therefore whenever the matter shall come to a test the clerk will be out the sum he has advanced, and rightly served.

To permit such a transaction to stand would be against public policy. If men could sell themselves into slavery, the operation would not be rare. There are emergencies in which the temptation to take advantage of the possibility of securing money leads people to any extreme. If they could sell their bodies, they would do so. Possibly they have the power to sell their souls, but their visible proportions are under the jurisdiction of society.

THE NEW MEMBER OF THE U. S. SUPREME COURT.

Some important changes in the supreme court of the United States have taken place in the acceptance by President Roosevelt of the resignation of Associate Judge Horace Gray, of Massachusetts, who has been a member since 1882, and the appointment to the vacancy of Oliver Wendell Holmes, son of the distinguished author of that name, and for some years past chief justice of the supreme judicial court of Massachusetts, a position Mr. Gray also occupied before his elevation to the place he has just resigned on acount of age limit.

Justice Holmes bears a splendid reputation as a jurist, and the supreme court loses nothing of its character for erudition and fairness by his appointment thereto. Besides being learned in the law and possessed of a rare discrimination, Justice Holmes shows some of the qualities of his famous father. He is genial and witty. There is no doubt of his thorough loyalty to American institutions, for he bears three wounds, received on as many famous battlefields in the war for the Union. He was a commissioned officer at 20 years of age.

The farmers are doubtless congratulating themselves on the reduction in freight rates between the inland Empire points and the coast, says the Chronicle. But take warning—articles of incorporation were filed in New Jersey Wednesday of last week for a $120,000,000 trust of the manufacturers of harvesting machinery. There may be some comfort in this statement by the incorporators: "The manufacturers realize that their welfare and the interests of the farmers are identical. An advance in the price of agricultural machinery would injure the farmers and would react upon the manufacturers."

Office of C. Q. M., Vancouver bar racks, Washington, July 31, 1902. Sealed proposals in triplicate, will be received here until 11 o'clock a. m. August 29, 1902, for furnishing forage and bedding at posts in this department for year ending June 30, 1903. Information furnished here or by quartermaster at posts. U. S. reserves right to reject or accept any or all proposals or any part thereof. Envelopes containing proposals should be marked: "Proposals for forage and bedding at——" and addressed to undersigned. J. W. Jacobs, C. Q. M.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

All persons are warned against attaching log rafts or boom sticks to my boom in the slough at Svensen without my consent. The owner of the raft now tied there must remove same at once. C. C. MASTEN.

TIME SCHEDULES

Depart	From Portland.	Arrive
Chicago Portland Special 9:00 a. m. via Huntington	Salt Lake, Denver, Ft. Worth, Omaha, Kansas City St. Louis, Chicago and East.	4:30 p. m.
Atlantic Express 8:50 p. m. via Huntington	Salt Lake, Denver Ft. Worth, Omaha, Kansas City, St. Louis, Chicago and East.	8:10 a. m.
St. Paul Fast mail 6 p. m. via Spokane	Walla Walla, Lewiston, Spokane, Minneapolis St. Paul, Duluth Milwaukee, Chicago and East	7:00 a. m.

72 hours from Portland to Chicago No Change of Cars.

OCEAN AND RIVER SCHEDULE —From Astoria—

	All sailing dates subject to change For San Francisco every five days.	exc. Monday
7 a. m. Daily except Sun.	Columbia River To Portland and Way Landings.	4 a. m.

Steamer Nahcotta leaves Astoria on tide daily for Ilwaco, connecting there with trains for Long Beach, Tioga and North Beach points. Returning arrives at Astoria same evening.

G. W. LOUNSBERRY, Agent. Astoria.

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Leave	Depot, Fifth and Irving sts. Portland	Arrive
*8:30 p.m	Overland Express Trains for Salem, Roseburg, Ashland, Sacramento, Ogden, San Francisco, Mojave, Los Angeles, El Paso, New Orleans and the East.	*7:45 a.m
*8:30 a.m	At Woodburn (daily except Sunday), morning train connects with train for Mt. Angel, Silverton, Brownsville, Springfield, and Natron, and evening train for Mt. Angel and Silverton.	*7:20 p.m
7:30 a.m	Corvallis passenger.	5:50 p.m
‖4:50 p.m	Sheridan passenger.	‖8:25a.m

*Daily. ‖Daily except Sunday.

Rebate tickets on sale between Portland, Sacramento and San Francisco. Net rates $17.50 first class, without berth and $14.00 second class, including berth.

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YAMHILL DIVISION.

Passenger depot foot of Jefferson St.

Leave for Oswego daily at 7:20, *9:40 a. m.; 12:30, 1:55, 3:25, 5:15, 6:25, 8:05, 11:30 p. m. and 9:00 p. m. on Sunday only. Arrive at Portland daily at *6:35, 8:20, *10:50 a. m.; 1:35, 3:15, 4:30, 6:20, 7:40, 10:00 p. m.; 12:40 a. m. daily except Monday; 8:30 and 10:45 a. m. on Sundays only.

Leave for Dallas daily except Sunday at 4:30 p. m. Arrive at Portland at 9:30 a. m.

Passenger train leaves Dallas for Airlee Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 2:45 p. m. Returns Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

*Except Sunday.

R. B. MILLER, Gen. Frt. and Pass. Agt.

ASTORIA AND COLUMBIA RIVER RAILROAD.

LEAVE	PORTLAND	ARRIVE
8:00 a.m. *7:00 p.m. †2:30 p.m.	Portland Union Depot for Astoria and way points.	11:10 a.m. 9:40 p.m.
ASTORIA		
7:45 a.m. 6:10 p.m.	For Portland and way points	11:30 a.m. 10:50 p.m. 15:50 p.m.
SEASIDE DIVISION		
8:15 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 11:35 a.m. 5:50 p.m. †5:55 p.m.	Astoria for Warrenton Flavel, Ft. Stevens, Hammond, Seaside.	7:40 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 4:00 p.m. 5:50 p.m.
6:15 p.m. 9:40 a.m. 2:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	Seaside for Warrenton, Flavel, Hammond, Ft. Stevens, and Astoria.	9:25 a.m. 12:50 p.m. 1:30 p.m. 7:20 p.m. †6:50 p.m.

*Daily except Saturday. †Saturday only

All trains make close connections at Goble with all Northern Pacific trains to and from the East and Sound points.

J. C. MAYO, Gen'l Freight and Pass. Agent