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Whatever the system, however, it is results that the people of modern nations want, and in this respect, while we in the United States take a just pride in the conduct of our postal service, we must acknowledge that in some matters we have not reached the degree of convenience provided by the British postoffice. The criticism of the Mail that "few people praise the United States postoffice, which has no parcel post at all, leaves its telegraph service in the hands of private companies, and is in most directions far behind the European standard," may be taken for what it is worth. In general we are anything that gives us temporary annoyance. We know that the postoffice department is doing the best it can and is increasing facilities as fast as opportunity and means permit,

Just in this connection it is urging an communities, so that instead of the man having to look out for the postoffice the office will look out for him. How advanced the British system is in this respect may be gathered from the fact At any drug store. that in Great Britain the postoffice serves an average area of 5.8 square miles and 1867 inhabitants, while in France the average is 43 square miles firemen lately dragged the sleeping inand 4122 inhabitants. The average in mates from death. Fancied security the United States is not stated, but it and death near. It's that way when may be taken as more dispreportionate than that of France, as compared with Great Britain. There is a natural our rural service were much more extended, in the great stretch of our territory and the comparatively sparse population in much of it, but we can vastly reduce the proportion if we will, The movement for the rural service is gaining strength and the demand for it is spreading in every state and community where it can be established. It will be a long time before, as Great Britain, the postman will be found plodding through every country lane and byway, but it is within the power of people in the country to secure a postoffice at their doors by backing the department in its efforts and insisting on the appropriation asked of congress of money to carry on the work.

Only a few days ago announcement was made that there would be established at Philadelphia a hospital for victims of tuberculosis. The endowment of the institution will be ample. The whole country will lend its approvstudy and treatment of tuberculosis is one of the most important subjects that could engage the interest of humanity. Now it is stated that there is to be similar institution in New York. It will have an endowment of \$1,000,000. The donor chooses to keep his name secret, making plain that his idea is not the erection of a monument to himself. According to mortuary reports one-seventh of all deaths in this country result from consumption. The investigation that can evolve the means of baffling this disease will be valuable beyond all estimate. One thing science has done. It has demonstrated that a year." They regulate the Kidneys. consumption is not of necessity fatal, Purify the blood and cure Rheumatism There was a time when the one stricken thought there was nothing for him to them. Only 50 cts. at Chas. Rogers do but make his peace and prepare to drug store.

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A recent English paper contains an interesting article on appendicitis, which it claims attacks all classes, and is extremely prevalent at this time, as is proved by the statistics of the grea London hospitals. The number of cases reported from St. Thomas' hospital in 1899 was 35, with three deaths. In 1895 these had increased to 70, with 13 deaths, and in 190 to 161, with 27 deaths At St. Bartholomew's the reports show only three cases and no deaths in 1890 while in 1900 there were 122 cases, with only one death; 96 of these were surgi cal without a single loss of life. It Guy's hospital, the first figures given are for 1999-99 cases and no deaths while in 1901 there were 171 cases and 13 deaths. There is one point in this report that seems rather strange. At Guy's hospital in 1900, with 40 operations there was not a single death, and in the same year at St. Bartholomew's hospital there were 96 surgical cases and no deaths, while at St. Thomas hospital there were 89 surgical cases and 10 deaths. These three hospitals report in that year 225 operations, with only 10 deaths, and all of those, as has been shown, occurred in one hospital Plainly from these figures the operations is not a ery dangerous one; in fact, Sir Frederick Treves, one of the greatest authorities on appendicitis in the United Kingdom, performed 100 consecutive operations successfully. On this showing, appendicitis is a disease that has increased enormously in the last dozen years, not only in this country, but on the other side of the Atlan-

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Nora Fitspatrick, to register the title to the following described lands and premises, being a tide island, situate in the Columbia river in the county of Clatsop, state of Oregon, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a point 73.31 chains north and 55.17 chains wast from the quarter corner between sections No. 19 and No. 20, in township No. 9, north of range No. 6, west of the Willamette Meridian, and running thence north 48 degrees 30 minutes west 13.50 chains, along the line of low water mark; thence north 71 degrees 45 minutes west 14 chains along the line of low water mark; thence south 29 degrees 15 minutes cast 3.80 chains along the line of low water mark, thence north 71 degrees west 5.55 chains along the line of low water mark; thence north & degrees west 5 chains along the line of low water mark; thence south 45 degrees cast 8 chains along the line of low water mark; thence south 16 degrees west 5 chains along the line of low water mark; thence south 24 degrees east 9.50 chains along the line of low water mark: thence east 3 chains along the line of low water mark; thence south 15 degrees east 4.50 chains along the line of low water mark; thence south 68 degrees to minutes east 13.50 chains along the line of low water mark; thence north 79 degrees east 1.99 chains along the line of low water mark; thence south 76 degrees east 11.40 chains along the line of low water mark; thence north 37 degrees 35 minutes east 6,29 chains to low water mark; thence north 65 degrees west 4.50 chains along the line of low water mark; thence north 47 degrees 30 minutes west 7 chains along the tine of low water mark; thence north to degrees west 4.93 chains along the line of low water mark; thence north 59 degrees east 1,30 chains to the place of beginning, together with all riparian rights, water rights, wharfing rights and priviliges bordering on and adjacent thereto, to the channels of the Columbia river.

To John O'lirien, W. E. Tallant, Sanborn-Cutting Co., and to all whom it may concern, take notice: That on the nineteenth day of January, A. D. 1903, an application was filed by the sald Nora Fitzpatrick in the circuit court of the state of Oregon for Clatson county, for initial registration of the title to the lands and premises

above described. Now, unless you appear on or before the 23rd day of February, A. D. 1903, and show cause why such application shall not be granted the same will be taken as confessed, and a decree will be entered according to the prayer of the application, and you will be forever

barred from disputing the same. Witness my hand and seal of the circuit court of the state of Oregon for Clatsop county, this 19th day of January, A. D. 1903.

J. C. CLINTON, Clerk. FULTON RROS., Attorneys for Applicant

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

United States Land Office, Oregor City, Oregon, Jan. 5, 1903.

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the states of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington territory," as extended to all the public land states by act of August 4, 1892,

LAURA B. KIDDER. of Portland, county of Multnomah state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office her sworn statement No. 6005, for the purchase of the southeast 1-4 of the southeast 1-4 of section 33 and west 1-2 of southwest 1-4 and so 1-1 of sw 1-4 of section No. 34 in township 5 n, range No. 9 w of W. M. and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish her claim to said land before the Register and Receiver of this office at Oregon City, Oregon, on Monday, the 6th day of April, 1903; She names as witnesses: Wm. Luce, Robert M. Fry, Lester M. Leland, and

Edward J. Elliott, all of Seaside, Ore-Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 6th day of April,

1903. CHAS. B. MOORES, 1-13-3-20 Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Land Office at Oregon City, Oregon, January 3, 1903.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the register and receiver at Oregon City, Ore., on February 26, 1903, viz:

THOMAS E. DWIER. H. E. No. 13,953, for the southeast quarter section 11, township 5 north,

range 10 west. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: John Vollmer, Bartholmew J. Burke, Chas.

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