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AS IT APPEARS:

The trial of Asa B. Thomson, receiver of the La Grande land office, charged with attempting to negotiate bribes in connection with his official business, is on at Portland. Ere this is printed, The Astorian believes that Mr. Thomson will have been acquitted. The Astorian trusts that for his sake and for the party to which he belongs that the case will have full and fair investigation, without prejudice, and that it will be allowed to go to the jury. But The Astorian will be greatly surprised if Mr. Thomson is not vindicated; not by any assistance from the bench, but because there appears to be no evidence of his guilt except that which is being adduced at the hands of witnesses, confessed perjurers, and whose testimony should have no standing in any court.

The Astorian does not wish to be misunderstood. Where there is misdoing, the perpetrator should be called to account. Personally, the editor of The Astorian might have strong sympathies one way or the other, but it has become very apparent that the special representatives of the interior department have to find a "Dreyfus" in Oregon or forever lose their jobs. Salaries cannot be paid to men who cannot find something to justify the annual course of Hitchcock in Oregon. Honest men like Governor Burke cannot be turned down for some narrow-minded grocery clerk, whose principal qualification is an exaggerated idea of his importance and whose slogan was that 99 per cent of mankind were crooked.

unless there can be a continuance of the dirty stirring-up which Oregon has received for nearly two years past.

No doubt there have been cases of fraud in connection with Oregon's land matters, but nothing can be accomplished by doing the detective act with bells through men of the calibre and promptings of Mr. Hitchcock's confidential agents in Oregon. Unless The Astorian is greatly mistaken, and it will chance its reputation as a prophet the Thomson case will loom up as the nimis ignis fatuus ever chased by Col. Greene, and backed up by a gang of disreputable blackmailers, who should be in the penitentiary. And if this paper mistakes not, they will have a difficult time in keeping out of that institution.

This paper does not pretend to say that the general land office has not special agents of worth. Indeed, under the circumstances, with the clouds of distrust hanging over Oregon's land matters, it is favorable to the settler that proofs should be passed up by a fair and impartial representative of the general land office. There are many of such in Oregon and they must not be confounded with Mr. Hitchcock's personal representatives.

Policemen in Portland, Oregon, are much dissatisfied with the new charter of that city, as it has prevented them from making "side" money. When George L. Baker, manager of the Baker Enterprises, produced "The King of the Opium Ring," at the Empire Theater, he offered to place seven policemen on a salary during the run of that play, the officers being wanted to add realism in a Chinatown raid. The opportunity was such that the policemen, who were not on night duty, were eager to accept, as they would be making as much for five minutes work at each performance as they received from the city for a day's services. A question was raised as to the rights of officers in doing outside work, and as a result the policemen had to forego the opening to increase their bank account. There is a clause in the charter which explicitly declares that all rewards, gifts, and presents given to officers, other than their regular salary from the municipality, shall be contributed to the police relief fund. Under the circumstances, there was nothing for Manager Baker to do but engage regular "spies."

The Bureau of Forestry has undertaken the preparation of a working plan for the 10,000-acre tract of the Mount Pleasant Hotel Company, in New Hampshire. The forests on these

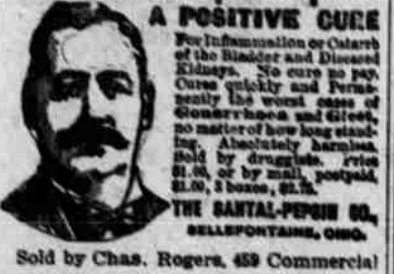
lands have been heavily cut, and the company desires to put them in the best possible condition both for the benefit of the forests themselves and for the scenic effects.

The interest the theatrical people are manifesting in the production of "Hitchcock" is but a just tribute to the greatest story from the pen of one of the great writers of the day. Those who have witnessed the play which is being presented this week in Portland, have none but the highest words of commendation for it.

The Astorian is under obligations to Senator Mitchell for the full text of the bill appropriating the sum of \$300,000 for the Lewis and Clark fair.

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| 5:30 p m | Stevens, Hammond and Seaside | 10:45 a m |
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