

### JUDGE'S RULING IS LOOKED FORWARD TO WITH INTEREST

Property Rights and Status of Many Births May Be Affected in Result of Case in Gilliam County.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
 Condon, Or., Dec. 12.—The bar of Gilliam county is looking forward to the ruling of Judge Smith of Baker, sitting in place of Judge Butler, in the case of Sadie Minton vs. John Knox, with a great deal of anxiety.

L. L. Minton was granted a decree of divorce from Sadie Minton about April 25, 1909, and thereafter, she alleges, John Knox promised to marry her. The complaint also alleges that thereafter John Knox seduced her under the promise to marry, and then failed to keep his promise, with the result that a suit for breach of promise to marry, and seduction, was filed by Bennett & Bennett of The Dalles, Judge Bennett appearing in person to conduct the case for the plaintiff and Judge O'Day and Jay Riversman representing the defendant.

Objections raised.  
 Just before the close of the case by the plaintiff, Judge Bennett introduced a certified copy of a decree rendered in the case of Minton vs. Minton, the introduction of which was vigorously opposed by Judge O'Day, on the ground that section 355 of Ballinger & Cotton's code provides that service of summons must be made upon the district attorney before the court could acquire jurisdiction, and as this did not appear from the judgment roll it was not only void, but absolutely null and void.

Affect Property Rights.  
 Counsel for both sides admitted that many hundreds of cases had been decided, in Oregon, under these circumstances, and the parties thereto again remarried and children were born under the first contract of marriage. If Judge Smith rules that the decree is void under these circumstances it will unsettle not alone property rights, but will likewise cause many children to have been born under unlawful wedlock, as the legislature cannot validate a void decree.

### ANNUAL AUCTION OF DEAD LETTERS

Usual Crowd Attends, Eager to Take Chance on Purchase "Sight Unseen."

Washington, Dec. 12.—That all men, and women too for that matter, like to take a chance at getting something for nothing was evidenced today by the immense throng that attended the annual public sale of accumulated packages in the dead letter office. Hundreds of people sought the chance to gamble in package mail. They jammed the sale room from the hour the sale began, until it was concluded. All kinds of property was bought, from state candy and hair tonics to breakfast foods and liver pills. Some jewelry, books and wearing apparel of more or less value went under the hammer, but the real bargains were few and far between.

The public sale of dead letter stuff has been conducted each year in Washington for many years and each year the crowds that attend the sale are larger. The vigilance of the postoffice department in suppressing all enterprises that partake of the nature of a lottery has led to an agitation in recent years to do away with the dead letter auctions, which are by many persons considered as much of a gamble as anything ever devised in the lottery line. But the sales of unclaimed parcels at public auction are directed by law, and there is apparently no way in which they can be abolished except by repealing the statute.

### 500 MUTINEERS AT RIO UNDER ARREST

(United Press Special Wire.)  
 London, Dec. 12.—Loyal Brazilian troops are in full possession of Combra Island, the scene of Saturday's mutiny, according to advices received today by the Brazilian minister here. Nearly 500 mutineers are under arrest. The dispatches state that during Saturday's fighting approximately 150 mutineers were killed. When the prisoners were marched out of the barracks

at Combra, a concerted break was made and a dozen more were shot. The Brazilian hospitals are filled with wounded sailors and soldiers, several of the land batteries having been shelled. It is reported that many casualties occurred among the spectators, many thousands of whom gathered to see the bombardment of the mutineers by the loyal ships in the harbor.

### Indians Seek Warmth.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
 White Sulphur, Wash., Dec. 12.—That the chariot process of clearing land is a success, Sally Frank will readily aver, for in clearing up beyond Indian Hill, Sally, with two young bucks and a papoose, pitched her teepee over a stump under which a char fire had been started. "Heap big stump burn all time—him no go out—keep Sally and papoose warm when big snow come," said the squaw in explanation of her selection of strange camp ground. The stumps give little smoke and warm the earth all around.

### CANADA FARMERS TO STATE VIEWS

Large Representation to Tell Parliament, at First Hand, What Farmers Want.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 12.—In order that there may be no mistake concerning their views on important public questions affecting their interests, the farmers of Canada are going to Ottawa to confer directly with the members of the Dominion government and parliament. Tonight a special train leaves Winnipeg with a delegation of half a thousand representative farmers of Manitoba, Alberta and Saskatchewan. At Ottawa the western farmers will be joined by a delegation of several hundred representing the eastern provinces and together they will set forth their ideas as to what is best for the agricultural community and the public at large on the questions of the tariff, reciprocity with the United States and preference on British goods.

The farmers, it is said, will advocate reciprocity in natural products and in timber and free trade in agricultural implements with the United States. A demand will also be made for an increase of the preference on British goods, with a stated annual increase until free trade with Great Britain is obtained. The western farmers will also recommend that the terminal elevators at Port Arthur and Port William be conducted as a public utility and that the proposed Hudson's Bay railway be constructed and operated by the government.

### ENRIQUE CREEL NOT CAPTURED BY REBELS

(United Press Special Wire.)  
 Los Angeles, Dec. 12.—Enrique Creel Jr., son of the Mexican minister of foreign affairs, is not a prisoner in a rebel camp, according to the following telegram received today from E. L. Doherty of Los Angeles, who is touring Mexico: "Creel Jr. has been visiting his father in Mexico City. He traveled in my

car to Chihuahua yesterday. He was amused at the report of his capture." Doherty's telegram also declared reports of revolutionary successes were parts of revolutionary successes were Mexico, he said, were again normal. Local Option in Saskatchewan. Regina, Sask., Dec. 12.—One of the most strenuous Prohibition campaigns ever conducted in western Canada culminated today in the local option elections in many of the chief cities and towns of Saskatchewan. Regina, Saskatoon, Moose Jaw and Prince Albert are included among the important places voting on the saloon question.

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