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TIMBER LAND LOCATIONS.

The cases of E. J. Hyde and Frank Stone, the latter indicted under the name of C. F. Stone were up in the United States court at Portland Saturday, the prisoners being arraigned and pleading not guilty. They are charged with conspiracy to defraud the government, and Stone has nine counts in the indictment against him. One of these is subornation of perjury. As there is considerable land being taken under the timber and stone act, we mention the gist of Judge Deady's charge to the grand jury on this point, and that is, that while a person had an undoubted right to engage in the business of discovering land for would be locators, that the matter must be performed in good faith, and the locators not induced to take the claim by representations that the locator would find a purchaser for the land as soon as title was acquired. In making final proof on such claims the applicant must swear that he takes the land in good faith, and has not arranged, or bargained for the sale of the land. It is presumed that being induced to locate ands more, are comprised in the word under promise of speedy and profitable sales, and having paid the locator his fees, and the necessory expenses of publication etc., that the locator would play tag with his conscience, and that thus the timber agent is guilty of subornation of perjury. If as a matter of fact, the locator under such a condition of affairs makes final proof, there can be no doubt hut that the offence is complete. This is the first case of the kind from the pleading, intimidation and ever brought into the courts, and it may be possible, there being no precedent, that the indictments may fail, but this does not alter the fact that he who locates timber land except in perfect good faith, is placing a halter on his freedom by which it may be led to the pen.

CLASS LEGISLATION.

Class legislation is one of the unmixed and unmitigated evils of this country. The efforts of congress, and of the state legislatures all tend towards this evil. The scheming politician the conscienceless speculator besiege the law making bodies with bill after bill, most of them fair and plausible enough on their face, but carrying somewhere in their bewildering verbiage, a clause that may be construed by the technical hairsplitting judges for the benefit of one class and to the detriment of another. Just now a vigorous warfare is being waged upon the poor devils who are locating timber within five minutes of the same time her lands, and they are held and bound daughter aged forty-two became the down to the strictest letter of the law. Class legislation has made it a crime to mutual congratulations were being exacquire by doubtful means 160 acres of changed a telegram from a grand daughtimber land. Class legislation has made ter informed them that she too had it possible at the same time for a corpo- given birth to twins, and at the same ration like the Northern Pacific to acquire by failure to comply with the laws, lands valued at \$1,000,000,000. The citizen is examined, sworn, watched, doubted and questioned as to his future intention concerning his little plot of ground. The great corporation fails to and issue work oxen in their stead. He comply with its contract, tells the government to go to the devil, holds out millions of acres along the Columbia, which it had not earned and did not that the state of the weather has a great intend to earn, for nearly twenty years deal to do with the state of the Indians' and finally only allows the peoples repland on its own terms, that is to confirm | take more kindly to government rations title to what it had already taken with- and blankets. out earning. Class legislation of the rankest kind, yet we the people accept it, close our eyes and in most cases swear we like it. We have silver legislation, tariff legislation, one class of laws for the poor to obey another class of laws which the rich are to ignore. It is time that these evils be corrected if our government is to endure and it looks very much as if the party and the men who will were at hand.

AND THAT'S THE END ON'T

As we made editorial mention of the fact that Mrs. Collier had commenced mel, Illinois, to St. Louis, Christmas suit against the mayor of the biggest city day has not been heard from. The time in the Northwest, Mr. Van B. D Lash- of his trial trip has evidently been postmut, it is eminently proper that we note poned, for if he had started and failed the subsequent fact that the lady denies some note would have been made of it. any intention of suing him, and says that One thing is certain and that is if the only through the urgent and incisive thing is a success there will be consterinduced to sign the complaint at all, less, indeed, a roof could be built over and then only with the understanding the country. that it was only to be used in a quiet way to obtain a portion of Van B's.

public commendation for the act. It is understood that if this case is pushed to trial the defendent will meet it fully. Persons who have no moral injuries to be redressed, and whose only purpose is to blacken others or make them pay for secrecy, too often have their way."

It would appear from this that our distinguished contemporay consideres the immorality of dancing to consist in paying the fiddler, and the despicable portion of the transaction to be represented by the bill. Remarkable premises, worthy of a Dogberry, and a necessory conclusion admirably stated.

THE NEWSPAPER'S FOOD.

The printing office is a mill, the newspaper its grist. What an immensity of that ubiquitous article known as copy, goes into its capacious hopper to come out ground down seperated and labeled. The editors grind copy, the nimble and energetic reporter in highways and byways gathers up that which in itself is SILVERWARE, :: ETG. and the processes of nature he makes copy. The telegraph and the cable, from all parts of the world send for the mill their additions to the mill's raw material, copy. The compositors swear at it, the proof reader cusses it flatfooted, the devil pursues it as he does virtue, and like virtue once lost the devil himself could not find it. It goes into the office a conglomorate mess, joy and sorrow, births and deaths, marriages and divorces, successes and failures, floods and fires, heroism and crime, the daily happening on land and sea, and air, the ponderous debate of the antiquated senator, the arriest jest, the profound statement of the head of the nation, and the infantile gurgle of baby McKee, the tragic death, the seric comic ghost dance, all these things and thouscopy, and go to make up the daily feed of the omnivorious newspaper office.

A FEW NEEDED LAWS.

We believe in a fair election and an nonest count, that every citizen of the United states should be entitled to cast lic at the earliest date when such entries his ballot once and no more, and that in can be made. Look for advertisement exercising this privilege he be protected in this paper. undue influence of his employer and the political striker. We believe the Australian ballot system will, if it does not accomplish this result, at least be a great improvement on the present manner of conducting elections, and therefore add our voice to the rapidly increasing demand for the adoption of this system. With a good assessment law and the Australian ballot system, Oregon will be infused with new blood and vigor. The legislature will have done well if both these ideas are enacted into well if both these ideas are enacted into laws. As a minor issue a general Collections made and proceeds promptly incorporation act should be passed so remitted on day of collection. incorporation act should be passed so that our rapidly growing towns can incorporate without waiting for a session of the legislature.

A FAMLY AFFAIR.

The dispatches recently announced that a lady sixty-five years old had on Christmas day given birth to twins, and mother of bouncing twin girls. While

Senator Manderson has presented a petition which offers a solution to the Indian problem. The senator's idea is to take the Indians horses away from them suggests that an Indian deprived of his horse is harmless and this is in a measure true. Recent happenings show disposition, and Senator Manderson's resentatives in congress to forfeit this equine-ox would, no doubt, make them

Mr. Bancroft's "History of Utah" is a travesty on truth. His information was evidently obtained from the dignitaries and archives of the Mormon church. Mr. Bancroft is another example of a bright man whose intellectuality burned out so slowly that it was all gone before he missed any of it. His work on Utah had better for his sake never have been compel the clearing away of this evil written, for at the best it can be rated only as an historical romance, a fiction, pure, and exceedingly simple.

E. J. Pennington and his air ship which was to have sailed from Mt. Carpleadings of one lawyer Jones was she nation in the protective tariff, camp, un-

We are in receipt of The Dalles Daily way to obtain a portion of Van B's, wealth. This is bad for the plaintiff, and places her in anything but an enviable light. The Oregonian of Saturday in speaking of this case says:

"It may well be supposed that there are matters involved in a case of this kind which a man would prefer should not obtain notoriety. Nevertheless it is right to resist efforts to extort money in such cases, than which nothing is more descipable or immoral Portland bas.

We are in receipt of The Dalles Daily Chronicle, a new paper just started at that place. It presents a neat typographical appearance, well filled with advertisements and looks as if the people intend to support the new enterprise liberally. It is independent and published by a joint stock company.—Portland World.

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