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#### THE GRAND JURY SYSTEM.

The uselessness of the grand jury was never more clearly demonstrated than in the case of the United States vs. Miss Berger, in which Judge Bellinger directed the trial jury to return a verdict of not guilty. Seven indictments returned, and not evidence sufficient to be submitted to the jury! The expense of this farce to the United States was undoubtedly large enough to have paid the salary of a good prosecuting attorney several months.

The grand jury in the state court is many times worse than a useless expense. If the salary of prosecuting attorneys was made large enough so that attorneys of experience and ability would in all cases accept the office and give that officer power to bring criminals to trial by a presentment, and the trial judge power to remove inefficient prosecuting attorneys and appoint suitable ones in their stead, the laws would generally be much more satisfactorily enforced and a very considerable share of the expenses of the court wiped out. Now witnesses in all criminal cases pending at the beginning of the term are, in most judicial districts, subpoenaed to appear on the first day of the term, and are usually kept in attendance until after the trial. This often keeps witnesses in attendance two or three weeks.

If the while preliminary investigation, now made by the grand jury, were left to the prosecuting attorney, it would be better done, and the case set for a day certain, witnesses subpoenaed to appear on that day, and thousands of dollars saved at each term of court. But we suppose that we shall have to continue under the present system until we dare call a constitutional convention.

In the U. S. courts a trial can now be had on a presentment, and the administration could save a heap of money by always placing a competent man in the office of U. S. attorney and doing away with grand juries.

#### ANOTHER CONSPIRACY.

Some years ago the railroad corporations of this country, which have no proper place in their anatomy to be kicked, and no spiritual entity to be damned, conspired to undo the great West by demoralizing mules and debasing horses. Since then the price of horses and oats have fallen and fallen, and this magnificent country brought to the verge of ruin. We recently suggested the free coinage of horsehide as the sure panacea for the ills which this conspiracy has brought upon us, and the great journals of the country were kind enough to join us, and the scheme seemed sure of being adopted by congress. But now France has conspired with some of the bloated gold leeches of Wall street to further do us up by introducing horseless carriages, a diabolical piece of mechanism which kills by fright the horses which it tries to cheapen.

When will the nations of Europe cease to interfere with our monetary schemes? Let us declare our independence of them again. Let the government place its brand on every horse in the land and declare it worth fifty dollars; or if the Astoria canneries must have the flesh for canning, let this good government put its stamp on the hide, then we will have money in plenty; and if Van DeLashmutt's silver mines are not enhanced in value, his horses will make him rich again, all Oregon will prosper and shout itself hoarse.

#### THE JURISDICTION QUESTION.

If the question of concurrent jurisdiction over the waters of the Columbia were carried to its logical conclusion there would be no salmon fishing by Oregon fishermen. The law of Washington requires the fisherman to take out a license. To obtain a license the applicant must have been a resident of Washington for six months; hence Oregon fishermen can get no license from Washington, and in fishing without one are guilty of an offense against the Washington law, and liable to arrest anywhere on the Columbia. The Astorians better look both ways, or the Washingtonians will retaliate and all Astoria be landed in the jails of Washington.

The controversy is beneficial to the fish; let the good fight go on to the extreme, and the royal chinook will flap their tails and rejoice.

If the supreme court exercised greater care in the matter of admission of attorneys to the bar, a vast amount of useless and wasteful litigation would be avoided. Besides this, a good deal of expense made in the prosecution of dishonest lawyers would be saved. At least one lawyer is now in the penitentiary and another is on trial in Portland for larceny. Almost any one can be admitted to the bar in Oregon, and it is poor credit to the bench and bar that such is a fact.

#### WATER COMMISSIONERS MEET.

Meters to be Placed All Through Town A Full Report of the Proceedings.

When President Mack, of the water commission, called the meeting to order last night, Commissioners Crossen, Ward, Nielsen and Chrisman were present. The minutes of the previous meeting met with no objection and were approved. The first business that came before the commission was the auditing and payment of bills against the board and the following were approved and warrants ordered drawn: W. R. Brown, digging ditch, \$82.48; Mays & Crowe, supplies, \$213.66; W. H. Young, labor, \$5.45; Dennis Bunnell, labor, \$1.80; Maier & Benton, supplies, \$13.79; I. J. Norman, salary as superintendent, \$75; H. Laffin, helper, \$55; Hugh Chrisman, secretary, \$5. Mr. Borget, as city treasurer, handed in the following report of the condition of the water fund:

June 1	To cash on hand.....	\$2,606 87
June	From water rents.....	1,041 25
	Total Cash.....	\$3,648 12
	CONTRA.....	
June 1	By warrant No. 64.....	\$ 1 20
"	" No. 65.....	75 00
"	" No. 66.....	55 00
"	" No. 67.....	5 00
"	" No. 68.....	6 30
"	" No. 69.....	101 76
June 3	" No. 70.....	25
"	" No. 71.....	50 50
June 8	" No. 72.....	5 25
June 25	" No. 73.....	1 00
June 28	Interest on bonds, No. 70.....	750 00-1,050 90
	Total cash on hand.....	\$2,223 27

Of the cash on hand \$2,700 is drawing interest at the rate of six per cent in French & Co.'s bank.

In addition to the amount of cash reported on hand there are over \$1500 in warrants drawing 8 per cent interest. These, of course, represent assets. From the whole report it can readily be seen that the finances of the water fund are in good condition and it is only a matter of time when the bonded debt shall be entirely paid. The secretary's report was read and adopted. A warrant was ordered drawn in favor of the city for the payment of the interest installment upon the bonds. The amount was \$750.

When this routine business was disposed of, the matter of the water meters came up for discussion. Meters will be placed throughout town as quickly as possible and it is hoped in this way to regulate the waste of water. Regarding the rates it was moved and carried that the charge up to 200,000 gallons remain as it is at present, 16 1/2 cents per thousand gallons. The rate for water over 200,000 gallons and up to 300,000 was fixed at 12 1/2 cents and for any amount over 300,000 a rate of 10 cents per 1000 gallons will be charged. The secretary was authorized to make notification of the new schedule.

The board decided to instruct W. H. Wilson to proceed on the note of the city held against George Watkins.

A motion was carried that Superintendent Norman be ordered to lay on Eleventh street, from Union to Liberty, the two inch pipe, which had been taken up on Fourth street.

As this completed the business before the commission a motion to adjourn, was quickly carried.

#### THE CHURCHES.

The Baptist church, Rev. O. D. Taylor pastor, will hold services at 11 o'clock tomorrow morning. All not worshipping elsewhere are cordially invited. Sunday school follows the morning service. No service in the evening.

Methodist Episcopal church—Rev. John H. Wood, pastor. Services at 11 o'clock a. m., and 8 p. m.; Jun'or League at 5:30 p. m.; Epworth League at 7 p. m.; class meeting Sunday at 10 a. m. All are cordially welcomed.

Calvary Baptist church, Union and Seventh street, Elder J. H. Miller, pastor—Preaching every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. All are cordially welcomed.

The Congregational church, corner of Court and Fifth street—Sunday services at the usual hours. At 11 a. m. worship, and a sermon by the pastor, W. C. Curtis. At 8 p. m. a lecture on Japan by Sann I. Hirota, a native of Japan. (A contribution will be taken.) Sunday school immediately after the morning service, and Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor at 7 p. m. Topic, Faith in God—what it is, what it does. Heb. xi: 1-7, 32-40, xii: 1-2. All persons not worshipping elsewhere are cordially invited.

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#### Advertised Letters.

Following is the list of letters remaining in the postoffice at The Dalles uncalled for June 29, 1895. Persons calling for the same will give date on which they were advertised:

Allen, Wm D	Anderson, Henry
Brown, Wm	Cover, Mrs Clara
Gulliford, J S	Hamilton, H
Hubbard, O L	Lake, G L
Mentley, Gus	Morgan, A W
Muncy, A	Nann, M
Naber, Miss Emma	Riechlin, F A
Revers, Harry	Sanders, A J
Sudenberg, John	Stout, F H
Smith, Willie	Smith, C E
The Editor Dalles	Warren, E C
Pub Co	Weeks & Baldwin
	J. A. Crossen, P. M.

Over 350 men are now employed at the Locks. The water has long been out of the canal and men are at work fixing the floor of the portion just below the bulkhead. A dredger is at work at the extreme upper end and can be moved to any part of the canal. A bridge will soon be built across the excavation so that trains can cross and then the taking out of the bulkhead will be begun. Everything looks favorable to an early completion of the undertaking.

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