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GAME BUTCHERS' WORK.

Wanton Slaughter by Hunters in the Jackson Hole Country.

The American Field Journal upon the foreigners who come to the United States, seek out those localities where most of the big game is to be found, and then lay themselves down to the work of slaughtering it with rifles. A favorite resort of these game butchers is the Teton Basin. Here are found elk, deer and antelope, which are being killed off rapidly. The Teton Basin, Jackson's Hole, is much lower than the National Yellowstone park, and much of the big game migrates south to it, as a warmer climate is to be found in the valley. It is here that the hunters from abroad congregate, and in spite of the Wyoming state laws kill game wantonly. If these men would kill a couple of heads of each kind, taking care of the meat, and following up wounded game, little or no objection would be made.

These hunters, some of whom are Americans, pass through the national park on their way home with wagon loads of skins and horns. The law in relation to transporting game reads that "possession within the park of the dead bodies or any part thereof of any wild bird or animal shall be prima facie evidence that the person or persons having the same are guilty of violating this act." With this act behind him the superintendent could squelch the wholesale slaughterers of game in the region of the Yellowstone park. Capt. Anderson, the superintendent, is urged to make an effort to enforce the law. What would be better yet would be the annexation of the Jackson's Hole country to the Yellowstone park.

Gambler on the Ohio.

Gambler were common on the Mississippi river forty years ago. In recent years the river has seldom floated ships of the navy. Consequently, when the monitor Arkansas, one of the newest ships of its class, steamed up the river recently on its way to St. Louis, it attracted much attention. It astonished and delighted the people of Evansville, Ind., by making an excursion up the Ohio as far as that city, for not since the civil war had any ship of the navy touched at that port. Both the Mississippi and the Ohio are deep enough to float a much larger vessel than the Arkansas.

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FOUND GUILTY.

Jury Convicts The Four Conspirators at Portland.

Portland, Dec. 7.—It required just 28 minutes time for the jury in the land fraud cases to find a verdict of guilty, yesterday afternoon. The jury tried at 2:12, and at 2:40 delivered their verdict to Judge Bellinger. All the defendants excepting Marie Ware were found guilty as charged. Those convicted were S. A. D. Pater, H. G. McKinley, D. J. Tarpley and Emma Watson. It is thought all of the convicted parties will appeal to the supreme court.

Assistant Attorney General Henry recommended the acquittal of Miss Ware.

Senator John H. Mitchell and Congressman Ringer Hermann have been subpoenaed as witnesses to give testimony in further cases to be heard on December 15.

The closing hours of the land fraud cases were filled with dramatic incidents. It is declared to be the most bitterly fought legal battle ever waged in the federal court room here.

Attorneys on both sides have made hard fights and ever legal phase of the question has been exhausted.

Speaking of the possibility of involving high officials in the crimes, Henry said, in his closing argument:

"We have brought every one here who was necessary to the case, because the government of the United States is in earnest. We are seeking not merely to punish these defendants now on trial, but to put a stop to the robbery of the public domain. We propose to stop it, whether the robbery is committed by railroads, by United States senators, by congressmen, or by others high in place or authority. If we have taken the tools of bigger men and placed them on trial; if Pater is the tool of bigger men, we are trying him because we have the evidence against him. Whenever Pater is willing to follow the example of Walgamot and confess his guilt, then we will go after the bigger game, and you will find me here prosecuting the big criminals as earnestly as the little criminals."

Referring to Judge O'Day's frequent allusion to the large fee which Henry is to receive from the government, the attorney said that "every dollar I get will come honestly, while every dollar Judge O'Day gets will be the proceeds of the theft of these 11-100 lands."

The efforts of the defendants to shield themselves behind the statute of limitations were mercilessly ridiculed.

Special Agent C. E. Loomis and Forest Superintendent S. B. Ormsby were declared to be parties to the conspiracy. If not in the conspiracy, then the whole case of the government must fall to the ground. The defense could have called Loomis and Ormsby to the stand, if their contention were true, and if these two men had not been involved in the conspiracy. The government had not placed them upon the stand because convicted that they were guilty with the defendants, and that their testimony would be false. The defense had not dared to call them.

The penalty for the crime of which the defendant have been convicted is given in the revised statutes as follows: "If two or more persons conspire either to commit any offense against the United States or to defraud the United States in any manner, or for any purpose, and one or more of such parties do any act to effect the object of the conspiracy, all the parties to such conspiracy shall be liable to a penalty of not more than \$10,000, or to imprisonment for not more than two years or to both fine and imprisonment, in the discretion of the court."—Section 5440, Revised Statutes of the United States.

An Eastern Oregon man has been found guilty by jury of stealing horses by the carload. The animals were shipped from Durkee, a small station on the O. R. & N., near Huntington.

PORTAGE ROAD.

Open River Association Will Be Ready by January 1.

Day by day steps are being taken toward the construction of the portage road. The executive committee of the Open River Association has been in session in The Dalles for the past three days, going over the details of the construction of the proposed portage road with George McCabe, of the McCabe Construction Company, which is about to close a contract with the state board for building the road. Proceedings were not made public, but enough was given out that the statement can be verified that the McCabe company is prepared to take the contract, all that remains to be accomplished being for them to file the bond exacted for faithful completion of the work.

One of the board said that the bond would have been executed before this had not the state board exacted that the company file a bond executed by some surety company doing business in Oregon. This exaction has caused some delay, since the McCabe Construction company has in the past furnished bonds through a company that has no representative in the state, and to arrange with a surety company with which it is not acquainted, has caused considerable delay.

When J. A. Smith, president of the Open River association, was asked concerning the money that is to be raised by the association, he stated that it had virtually all been guaranteed and would be available when required. Owing to the specifications adopted by the state board the cost of the road will be at least \$10,000 more than at first estimated. The board has exacted that new 55-pound rails be used in the track, not only new, first-class rolling stock be used, and that the bridge work and trestles be constructed on the most approved plans.

Mr. Smith anticipates that all the preliminaries will be disposed of before January 1 and that construction will be started soon thereafter. Mr. Smith, Judge Marriner and Dr. Blalock, of the executive board of the Open River association, have returned to their homes, and do not expect another meeting of the board until such a time as the contractors are ready to perfect their contract.

Eccentricities of Lawson.

Boston, Dec. 10.—Here, in his home town, Thomas Lawson is not only known as a plunger, but a man of many eccentricities. Once he makes up his mind to do anything, nothing can change him. He made a stockfarm out of rocks at Scituate, costing \$2,000,000, because his wife lived the view. He bought a new variety of carnation for \$30,000 for his wife. He quarreled with the Standard Oil in 1901, and dropped \$10,000,000 in a few days through a sensational drop in Amalgamated. So his present raid is largely a matter of revenge. Lawson was born in Charlestown, Mass. His father was a carpenter. At 15 years of age the young man ran away from school. He got a job in a broker's office and made a small fortune when 16 in a "pool" with other State street office boys. He made his debut in the "street" 17 years ago in a fight against the Lawson Stock Service Company. He won the fight and engineered "reorganization" with himself on the inside. In 1893 he engineered the stock campaign for the Westinghouse Electric Company against the General Electric and cleaned \$2,650,000 in 50 days. He plunged in sugar and lost his fortune. He promoted a boom town in Kentucky that didn't boom. He then promoted Butte and Boston stock at 75 cents to \$2 a share, and bailed it to \$75. He finally interested Henry H. Rogers in the formation of the Amalgamated Copper Company to whom he sold his Butte and Montana stocks, cleaning up millions. He built a racing yacht for the America cup in 1901, but was not allowed to enter her.

Rural Delivery Service.

Thirty-thousand rural free delivery routes will be in operation in the United States on July 1, 1905, according to the report of the postmaster general. This service will cost the government a little more than \$21,000,000. In the next fiscal year, beginning July 1, 1905, 6000 additional routes will be established, making a total of 35,000. The cost of extending and maintaining rural free delivery in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1905, is estimated at \$26,000,000.

There are now pending in the post-office department 4000 petitions for routes awaiting action as compared with 11,000 when Fourth Assistant Bristow took charge of this division of the postal service.

The cost of the service is expected to decline proportionately from now on, due to the diminished available territory for rural routes. Up to the last six months special attention has been given to individual petitions, but lately country service has been given more consideration, especially in the northwestern and middle western states.

By the next fiscal year the officials expect to be up to date with their work. Routes have been established with such rapidity during the last 15 months that Fourth Assistant Bristow is only 4000 behind, and his orders are that these cases shall be disposed of as soon as possible.

Convicted For Gambling.

Walla Walla, Dec. 8.—The first person to be convicted under the gambling law of the state of Washington was brought to the penitentiary yesterday afternoon. It was William Mardon, who was found guilty of conducting a gambling game at Colfax and who will serve a term of one year in the prison. This is the minimum sentence for the crime.

The Journal of the American Medical association states that in 1903 there were 415 cases of tetanus or lockjaw caused by Fourth of July artillery in the hands of children. This year there were but 105 cases, but 91 of them proved fatal.

Crescens' Time Won't Stand.

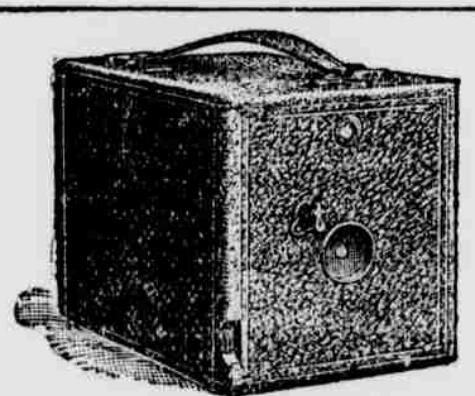
Chicago, Dec. 8.—George W. Ketchum, of Toledo, was found not guilty of establishing a fraudulent record for his trotting stallion, Crescens, at the Wichita, Kan., track on October 19, 1903, after a hearing of the case before the board of appeals of the American Trotting Association here to fight. The board declared that the evidence fell short of sufficiency in establishing criminal participation in the claimed fraudulent agreement for all illegitimate record, so far as Mr. Ketchum was concerned. While freeing Mr. Ketchum from the charge, the board found the officials of the Southern Kansas Fair Association, on whose track the race was run, guilty of complicity to establish a fraudulent record, and expelled from the American Trotting Association President C. H. Iwin and all the other officials connected with the Wichita track at that time. The expulsion of these officials also means that the world's records for trotting stallions of 1903, claimed to have been made by Crescens is not allowed by the board.

The nimrods of the town indulged in a bear hunt near here last week, says the Sodaville correspondent to the Lebanon Express-Advance. They chased bruin several miles, but failed to bring him to bay. His bearship has been indulging in fat goat quite freely near town during the past few days.

F. B. Holbrook, of Irrigon, superintendent of the land and water company's irrigation scheme at that place, and founder of the town of Irrigon; superintendent of the Irrigon Sunday School, editor of the Irrigon Irrigator and Ione Post, chairman of the Irrigon School Board, and one of the most enthusiastic irrigators in the arid belt, is a guest of Hotel St. George today, says the Pendleton East Oregonian.

The Oregon delegation in congress has agreed upon the appointment of Edward Hostetler as postmaster at The Dalles to succeed S. C. Patterson.

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