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Trial by Jury.

The jury, like everything else, will on the whole reflect the average character of a people. Make the people better and better juries will be the result.

And that is about the fact. Iconoclastic tendencies may weaken the popular regard for the jury system, but to correct its abuse will be better than to deny a system that exists because it cannot well be supplanted.

The trial by jury means an open and public trial before twelve impartial men, temporarily selected from the mass of their fellow citizens, and presided over by a magistrate; their function is, under his direction, to determine (in Oregon) by a unanimous verdict, in civil cases, such issues of fact as are submitted by the court to their decision: in criminal cases to find the guilt or innocence of the accused by a general verdict of guilty or not guilty.

But while we condemn in part the pernicious tendency of a jury to disregard facts and pervert personal action, it must be remembered, in general, that there are necessary adjuncts. A good jury requires an intelligent, discriminating judge: it requires good material in the composition of the jury itself.

We all shrink from jury duty; no man whose time is worth anything wants to sit on a jury; all sorts of dodges and excuses are used and made to shirk the distasteful duty; it is human nature, but it is not right.

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A Lame Argument.

Dr. HAMMOND in a recent article in the North American Review, declared that woman's organization incapacitates her from telling the truth, citing in illustration that she will begin by telling her doctor that she hasn't eaten anything for breakfast, and after cross-examination admits a cup of coffee, a roll, and an egg, which "wasn't eating anything."

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NEW TO-DAY

Special Auction Sale

Monday, August 20, 11 A. M. Instructed by Mr. and Mrs. James Magee, I will sell, at their residence near Devlin's Cannery, to the highest bidder, for cash, a LOT OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

PARLOR:—1 Green rep Lounger, 1 Fine rosewood Marble top Table, 6 Parlor Chairs, 1 large Rocker, 1 20-day French Clock under glass cover, 1 large What-not, 1 Brussels Carpet, 1 large gilt frame Mirror, 4x2 feet, Pictures and Engravings; also 1 Five Oatmeal Melon and 1 Desk.

BEDROOM FURNITURE:—1 cottage Bedroom Suit, complete, 1 Dressing Bureau and Bureau Wash Stand, 10 single Bedsteads, Tables, Chairs, Wash Stands, Mattresses, Spring Beds, Blankets, Pillows and Toilet Sets complete.

KITCHEN:—1 Goldsmith Range No. 8, and furniture, Crockery and Glassware, Wash Tubs, Clothes' Wringer, etc.

Also 1 barrel Salmon and 3 cords of Wood. One Cabinet Sewing Machine, cost new \$95.

E. C. HOLDEN, Auctioneer.

FOR SALE. 500,000 First-class Red Brick. KILN SITUATED ON RIVER BANK. Can load on Burges' Steamboat from the kiln. Address F. H. REED, Portland, Oregon.

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Have a Full Line of Crockery, Glassware, Platedware, Cutlery, Etc., Etc.

Corner Chenamus and Genevieve Sts. SPECIAL AND PEREMPTORY AUCTION SALE OF Balance of Stock ON HAND AT SHERIFF O'NEIL'S, COMMENCING MONDAY, JULY 23, 2 P. M.

I have received positive instructions from the BONA FIDE OWNERS OF THIS LARGE STOCK OF DRY GOODS OF EVERY DESCRIPTION WITHOUT RESERVE Sale commencing on above day.

E. C. HOLDEN, Auctioneer. BANKING AND INSURANCE. I. W. CASE, BROKER, BANKER AND INSURANCE AGENT. ASTORIA, OREGON

OFFICE HOURS: FROM 9 O'CLOCK A. M. UNTIL 3 O'CLOCK P. M. Home Mutual Insurance Co., OF CALIFORNIA.

J. F. HITCHCOCK, President CHAS. E. STORVY, Secretary GEO. L. STORVY, Agent for Oregon Capital paid up in U. S. gold \$200,000

LIVERPOOL AND LONDON AND GLOBE, NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE OF LONDON AND EDINBURGH, OLD CONNECTICUT OF HARTFORD, AND COMMERCIAL OF CALIFORNIA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANIES

ASK FOR—Union India Rubber Co's CRACK PROOF RUBBER BOOTS. BEWARE OF IMITATIONS! Be sure the Boots are stamped CRACK PROOF on the heels, and have the FINE GUM SPRINGS on the foot and instep, which prevent their cracking or breaking.

TO THE TRADE! Messrs. Wm. E. Hooper & Sons BALTIMORE, MD., Have given us the EXCLUSIVE SALE for Pacific Coast of their Celebrated WOODBERRY TWINES & ROPE, Including a Full Line of COTTON SEINE TWINES, WRAPPING TWINES, SAIL TWINES, ETC.

Needle Brand Seine Twines. Palmetto Seine and Wrapping Twines. HENRY DOYLE & CO. 517 and 519 Market Street. SAN FRANCISCO.

Notice of Assignee. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE undersigned has been appointed assignee of the estate of H. F. Prall and R. F. Prall, partners doing business under the firm name of Prall Brothers, and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same, properly verified, to the undersigned at his office in the city of Astoria, Oregon, within three months from this date.

FRANK L. PARKER.

Fresh Fruits & Vegetables FANCY GROCERIES.

CITY BOOK STORE. We have to-day finished opening and putting in order the Immense Stock of Goods Bought in San Francisco by B. F. STEVENS.

STEAMER CLARA PARKER Eric Johnson, Master. For TOWING, FREIGHT or CHARTER apply to the Captain, or to E. P. PARKER.

John A. Montgomery, (SUCCESSOR TO JACKSON & MONTGOMERY.) DEALER IN Tin, Sheet Iron and Copper Ware. A General Assortment of HOUSEHOLD GOODS.

PLUMBING, GAS FITTING, AND CANNERY WORK Attended to Promptly on Reasonable Terms. CHENAMUS STREET, Next to C. L. Parker's Store. ASTORIA, OREGON

THE NEW MODEL RANGE CAN BE HAD IN ASTORIA ONLY OF E. R. HAWES, AGENT CALL AND EXAMINE IT, YOU WILL BE PLEASED.

CHAS. HEILBORN, MANUFACTURER OF FURNITURE AND BEDDING AND DEALER IN Carpets, Oil Cloth, Wall Paper, Mirrors, Window Shades, Lace Curtains, Picture Frames and Mouldings

MARTIN OLSEN & CO. DEALERS IN FURNITURE AND BEDDING. Corner Main and Squemoqua Streets, Astoria, Oregon.

CHAS. H. WILLIAMSON & CO. REAL ESTATE AND General Commission Brokers. Office on Genevieve street, in the rear of E. R. Hawes' building.

Leinenweber & Co., ESTABLISHED 1865. ASTORIA, OREGON, TANNERS AND CURRIERS, Manufacturers and Importers of ALL KINDS OF LEATHER AND FINDINGS Wholesale Dealers in OIL AND TALLOW.

Frank Fabre Has re-opened in the Old Fellows Building: Entrance on Cass street. Ice Cream, Ice, Etc.

W. E. DEMENT & CO. DRUGGISTS. ASTORIA, OREGON. Carry in Stock, DRUGS, CHEMICALS, TOILET and FANCY ARTICLES. Prescriptions carefully Compounded.

I. W. CASE, IMPORTER AND WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALER IN GENERAL MERCHANDISE. Corner Chenamus and Cass streets, ASTORIA, OREGON

Figures Never Lie! JEFF OF THE CHOP HOUSE RESTAURANT. Can prove by his books that he is doing the biggest business of any.

Drugs and Chemicals J. E. THOMAS, DRUGGIST AND Pharmacist, ASTORIA, OREGON. Homeopathic Remedies.

Astoria Oil Works. J. H. DEFORCE, Proprietor, P. O. Box 254, Astoria, Oregon. Manufacturer and Dealer in FISH OIL and SKID GREASE.

ME GIN JOHN & CO. Cor. of Chenamus and Denton Streets, ASTORIA, OREGON. Have the best facilities for furnishing CHINA LABORERS Of all kinds, of any firm in the city.

Boot and Shoe Store, NEW GOODS BEST STOCK Boots and Shoes. Finest and Largest Stock of Boots and Shoes.

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