ASTORIA, OREGON:

SUNDAY ..... Juries, Etc.

Some one has said that Betermal siderable for while the co vigilance is the price of liberty." applied to the payment of The remark continues to be quoted and to be taxed at a because it cannot be improved, party making such disposal, does a newspaper comment upon in that particular instance.

fore him are the arbiters of his rhetoric of counsel it would be in fate. To cast aspersions upon a less degree than juries usually their deliberation; to malign their are. motives, or to impute improper in- In criminal cases under such but did what they were sworn to would have no lack of basiness. do, to render a verdict to the best. The time has arrived for a new of their judgment, would betoken departure. The genus of this egotism, we disclaim.

ing forms. Great and sudden innovations

may be neither necessary nor expedient. But when people look at this thing in its true light reform will ensue. Lawyers attached to the jury system will raise objections but will readily fall into the newly prescribed methods of procedure. Legislatures will bear in mind that law is to be en acted for the benefit of the people at large, and not for the sole accommodation of a single profession. The trial of civil actions without a jury is already preferred in a few states. In these cases matters of the greatest moment are involved with a result of less complaint than where jury trial obtains. In some states nearly all civil cases except those sounding in tort, that is, brought for wrongful acts, where the amount of damages to be reare nearly always waived, and the cause is decided by the judge "to hear, try and determine" as a referee. In the enterprising ter-

The Daily Astorian, ritory of Wyoning, where women can vote, and where Mrs. Dupiway would find excellent result, a law was ensected about six vers ......AUGUST 19, 1882 which requires a linguicertain day of the term, i demonsed a form, twill-

(To avoid wounding the feelings successful in his suit. This meass cover, I large What-not, J Brusof the sensitive let us here dist ure has been found to work admir- sels Carper, I large gill frame claim any intent to connect the ably. Juries are waived, to the Mirror, 4x2 feet, Pictures and Ennoun "vigilance," with the adject- curtailment of time and expense, gravings; also I Five Octave Meive use of the word as applied to a which latter item is to the tax BEDROOM FURNITURE:-1 "committee") As with liberty so payers a considerable one. In cottage Bedraver Suit, complete,

with safety, which lies even closer case a purty to a suit is too poor I Dressing Baccau and Bureau to the first law of nature. For to make such a deposit, the court Wash Sead, to single Bedstead this reason, and toward that end, has power to dispense with the rate tresses, Spring Bods, Blankets,

to the public, of which the journal is the exponent, to mirror the public mind.

Men for whose conjuges we Men for whose opinions we suspicion of complicity tograrding One Cabinet Sewing Machine, have high regard, have told us results. This system would lessed cost new \$15. they considered our remarks in the grounds of appeal, fewer cases vesterday's issue as tending to would be reversed, business would cast a stigma upon the jury in the be disposed of more rapidly, ex-Hayes case, and make the jury- penses would be less and justice [ men the subject of obloquy. Such expedited. At the original trial intent was foreign to our purpose, witnesses could be examined in and, we trust, is not the case, as far less time than at present, connregards the twelve men who sel would not have to be so frebrought in that verdict last Thurs- quently heard on the question of day night upon which we com- the admission or the exclusion of mented. These men swore to try importinent and irrelevant testithe case according to the law and mony which might affect a jury facts: the testimony, they listened but could not affect a court. The to attentively: the arguments of judges would have their reputation counsel, they heard, and noted; the at stake. No judge likes to have charge of the judge was given his decisions reversed by an appelthem to guide them in their de- late court of higher jurisdiction. liberation; they occupied a most They frequently prefer to have Will take SALMON in loss to suit shipsolemn and in some sense a most juries try the cases in order that person and son and the treats, for the painful position, and for their ver- they themselves may be relieved dict they are not to be questioned. of a large nortion of responsibility. This much is their due. It is a They are not readily affected by Portates of Prelight and Insurance position of the greatest responsi- eloquence or appeals to sympathy bility, in which a man finds him- in their own courts. They can self, when a juror in a case where easily unravel the webs of sophisthe defendant is on trial for his try woven by connecl. If they life, and the twelve silent men be- should be affected by the logic or

fluence were a grave offense a system, justice would be IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT I HAVE THIS against the public good, and an meted out more certainly and outrageous breach of journalistic speedily, a less number of innodecorum. Our comments were cent men would be convicted, such as the nature of the case and fewer guilty would escape, crime the whole chain of circumstances would decrease-for the certainty suggested. A newspaper writer of punishment is more dreaded by is like any other man; if he lacks criminals than the amount of itjudgment he can not help show and those conservators of justice ing it. To attempt to belittle the the logal gentlemen, who hold her individual members of a jury that robes and chant her canticles,

a lack of sense that, without any afternoon of the nineteenth century will devise a better system than the present. Herrie I But all causes have results, and reform may be inexpedient, but, resulting effects. To counteract as an experiment at least, a generthe possible effect of such a ver- al law restricting yet further the diet was uppermost at the time. causes subject to jury trial would This too, in a direct line of thought be of present good. Let there be concerning the jury system. This also provision that two-thirds of system its self is on trial. Some the jury may find a verdict, inof the most advanced thought of stead of demanding unanimity as 500,000 First-class Red Brick. the age has assailed its efficiency. at present. This is in the line As we said yesterday, we say to- of reform, and is now in vogue in day, that it will be time to pull California. Let it be that judges down when we have something alone would decide legitimate better to put in place of the razed cases. They could not shift reedifice, and that the only reason sponsibility upon the shoulders of for the present continuance of the a jury, but well educated for their jury system is that while its inef- positions and well paid for their ficiency is beginning to be con- services, they would be held to ceded, its successor has not been strict account for their "findings found. Change does not imply of facts as well as of law." progress, and the jury system ex- Should a judge err in his decision, ists because of wise conservatism the case would be in better trim regarding the subversion of exist for the appellate court than it tried by a jury, and the judge himself could be more readily reached by that which we insist is the highest court on earth-Public

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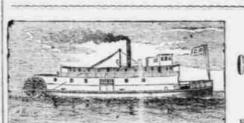
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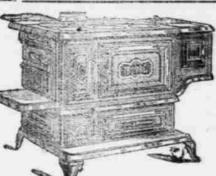
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