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AN HONEST JUDGE.



Always listens to all the evidence. In this case the public is the Judge and we've proven to the Court's Satisfaction that we can undersell (or sell a higher class of goods) than anyone in the city in Men's and Boys' Clothing, Furnishing Goods, Hats, Caps, Boots, Shoes Trunks, Valises, etc

which we buy direct of the manufacturer and sell to the consumers at prices from 16 2/3 to 33 1/3 per cent less than else where.

The OSGOOD MERCANTILE CO.

The One Price Clothiers, Hatters And Furnishers. 506 and 508 3rd St., Next to Griffin & Reed's Book Store. Astoria.

THEY SAY there isn't a slower city on the coast than Astoria. They'll say directly our clocks are slow. Then next, we suppose, they'll be saying that there isn't a slower store on Third Street than 502--our citizens book store. We must be awfully slow. We don't know how to buy our blank books from manufacturers who use scraps in covers or have ill-paid binding. Our manufacturers don't know how to make the common cheap sorts and have us sell them for first class. They're afraid to--that's a fact. We don't want to know how. But we're wide awake enough to buy the best, and slow Astoria is wide awake enough to buy it from us.

Griffin & Reed.

CALIFORNIA WINE HOUSE.

Fine Wines and Liquors.

I have made arrangements for supplying any brand of wines in quantities to suit at the lowest cash figures. The trade and families supplied. All orders delivered free in Astoria.

A. W. UTZINGER, Main Street, Astoria, Oregon.

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\$2 FOR AN \$80 LOT!

BY BECOMING A MEMBER OF HILL'S LOT CLUBS YOU CAN GET A FIRST CLASS LOT IN HILL'S FIRST ADDITION TO ASTORIA. LOTS WILL BE DELIVERED WEEKLY. NOW IS THE TIME TO PROCURE A

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The Packers of Choice Columbia River Salmon

NAME.	LOCATION.	BRAND.	AGENTS.	AT
Astoria Pk'g Co.	Astoria	Astoria Pk'g Co. Kinney's John A. Devlin.	M. J. Kinney.	Astoria
Booth A. Pk'g Co.	Astoria	Black Diamond Oval.	A. Booth & Sons	Chicago
Columbia River Pk'g Co.	Astoria	Locktail.	Cutting Pk'g Co.	San Francisco
Elmore Samuel	Astoria	Magnolia White Star.	Elmore, Sanborn & Co.	Astoria
George & Barker	Astoria	Edwina Palm Deadmona.	George & Barker	Astoria
J. O. Hawthorn & Co.	Astoria	J. O. Hawthorn & Co.	J. O. Hawthorn	Astoria
J. G. Megler & Co.	Brookfield	St. George.	J. G. Megler	Brookfield, Wn
Fishermen's Pk'g Co.	Astoria	Fishermen's Standard Fishermen's.	Fishermen's Pk'g Co.	Astoria

THE DISPUTED LETTER

Alleged to Have Been Written by Miss Pollard.

SHE DENIES ITS AUTHORSHIP

The Testimony of Experts--The Letter Will Be Offered in Evidence.

Associated Press. Washington, March 27.--The defense in the Pollard-Breckenridge trial took a new tack today and ventured upon the troubled sea of expert testimony. Two witnesses well known in Washington, Dr. E. M. Schaffer, deputy coroner of the District of Columbia, and Edwin B. Hay, an attorney, who is something of a local Chauncey Depew, appeared for the Kentucky congressman, and their statements were directed to support the contention that the hand of Madeline Pollard penned the black-bordered letter written in 1884, which she has most emphatically denied twice on the stand. Great stress is laid by the defense upon the authenticity of this letter, not because it runs counter to the testimony of the plaintiff that Col. Breckenridge first called upon her at the Wesleyan academy of his own volition, but because they think that she has been proven false on one important detail, and that her whole statement will be impeached. The signature to the letter also goes to support the opinion of the statement of the defense in minor detail, that Miss Pollard had adopted at that time the name of Breckenridge as a middle name. This letter, which figured in the case, and which the defendant will fight to get before the jury, is as follows:

"Wesleyan College, July 20, 1884. "To Dear Col. Breckenridge: Your letter came to me Saturday. I am glad you told me it will be inconvenient to come out here to college, for if you had gone to ever such little trouble to listen to what sometimes overburdens a school girl's mind, you might be inclined to be provoked with yourself. A preacher's opinion of any little affair of mine would cause premature gray hairs, where your opinion might clear away all doubts and fear and let me be quite free-hearted again. I have prepared you for a divorce case, but listen, it is worse than that. If a certain person should advance funds for my tuition here at school for three years, under promise that I marry him at the expiration of that time, could he do anything if I would not marry him, and refund all he had advanced? I know you think, why the deception? But on no other terms will I agree. When a girl wants nothing but a good education and the means to obtain such are denied her, what is she to do but take the only chance she is ever likely to have? I liked your face, and I am sure I would like you, and if at any future time you are in the city, and would care to come around, remember that home faces are always welcome. I am, very respectfully yours, "MADELINE B. POLLARD."

For the first time, today a keen cross-examination by Judge Wilson, whose work has been awaited with interest by his fellow-lawyers, was brought into play. It was first exercised on Major Moore, chief of police, who was called back to dispute some of Miss Pollard's statements regarding two interviews in his office, during which Col. Breckenridge repeated his promise to marry her, and afterwards Mr. Wilson stirred up such a cloud of verbal dust around the expert testimony of Dr. Schaffer that the witness hardly knew whether the letter purported to have come from the plaintiff or defendant, or the reverse. Tomorrow bids fair to be the great day of the trial, when it is expected the silver-haired defendant himself will take the stand.

THE MOHICAN AND YORKTOWN.

Vallejo, March 27.--Telegraphic orders were received from Washington tonight directing the United States steamships Mohican and Yorktown to proceed to Port Townsend.

THE SEALING QUESTION.

Washington, March 27.--A leading member of the senate committee on foreign relations, who is also a personal friend of Admiral Walker, discussing the mission of the admiral to the Pacific, said today that while he had no authority to speak authoritatively for the admiral or the state department, he

believed his mission had more to do with the Behring sea question than with Hawaii. The Behring sea question is by no means in a satisfactory condition. England is apparently not taking steps to put into execution the regulations of control of the seal fisheries, and it begins to look as if that country was preparing to evade the spirit of the international agreement, and that it would use Canada for this purpose.

JUDGE DUNDY'S ORDERS.

Union Pacific Employees Want the Court to Set Them Aside. Omaha, Neb., March 27.--The Union Pacific employees this afternoon filed an answer moving to set aside the orders of Judge Dundy. Statements made by the receivers in relation to the wage schedule, etc., are denied. The document is signed by the chairmen of the engineers, firemen, conductors, telegraphers, trainmen, switchmen and the Knights of Labor, and attorneys. They also deny any intention of striking. The difficulties of the telegraphers are not yet all over. There is no agreement on the wage schedule. That part of the dispute, therefore, will come before Judges Caldwell and Sanford along with the schedules of other employees. The case will come up Thursday.

WEATHER CONDITIONS.

Washington, March 27.--The weather bureau, in its weekly snow chart, just issued, says: North Dakota and Northwest Minnesota are covered with nearly a foot of snow, and over portions of upper Michigan there is more than a foot and a half of snow, while the southern limit of the area covered extends northward into Ohio and Western Pennsylvania. The last decade of the years 1881 to 1894 has been characterized by a most remarkable temperature, extremes occurring that have never been recorded since the establishment of the weather bureau.

PENSION DECISION.

Washington, March 27.--Assistant Secretary of the Interior Reynolds rendered a decision today which will greatly enlarge the pension rolls. It will admit to pensions a large number of insane, idiotic and permanently helpless minor children of deceased soldiers where pensions of the former had ceased by children attaining the age of 16, prior to the act of June 27, 1890. The decision has the effect of restoring these dependent persons to the rolls during life or continuance of disability.

DIFFERENCES SETTLED.

Omaha, March 27.--This afternoon the telegraphers reached a full agreement with the receivers of the Union Pacific and ended their long session with Receiver Clarke, General Manager Dickinson and Supt. Korty, having settled the wage question to the satisfaction of all concerned. An agreement and contract will go to court for confirmation tomorrow. Until the agreement is filed in the court nothing can be ascertained as to the details of it.

BUFFALO SLAYER CAUGHT.

Washington, March 27.--What is considered the most important arrest and capture ever made in Yellowstone National Park was reported to the secretary of the interior today. After making a slight resistance, the poacher, Ed. Howell, surrendered and was brought to Mammoth Hot Springs, Wyoming, where he is now confined pending instructions from the department. Five freshly killed buffalo were found where he was taken.

RAILROAD WAR SETTLED.

Chicago, March 27.--The trouble between the western lines was fully adjusted today. The east-bound rates between Chicago and California will be restored April 8, and the west-bound rates April 15. The outcome of the controversy has been a complete victory for the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe, the Northwestern and Union Pacific conceding what was demanded of them. The latter road also promised that the depressing influence it has of late brought to bear upon trans-continental rates shall be withdrawn.

TO REDUCE SALARIES.

Washington, March 27.--Representative Boon, of Minnesota, introduced a bill for the reduction of compensation of persons in the government service. The bill recites that the unit of value of money is decreasing and that private wages are falling, while public salaries are kept up to their old figures. It provides that salaries from \$1,000 to \$5,000 be reduced 25 per cent, and those from \$5,000 to \$20,000 reduced 33 1/3 per cent, and all above \$20,000 to be reduced 50 per cent.

IRRETRIEVABLY LOST.

Washington, March 27.--Secretary of the Navy Herbert has received a dispatch from the officer of the wrecking vessel which departed from Boston to save the hull of the Kearsarge, which stranded on the Roncador reef, stating that the Kearsarge had been burned and was a total wreck.

WITHOUT A QUORUM

The O'Neill-Joy Election Contest the Cause

A SPECIAL RULE TO BE ADOPTED

Although 260 Members Were Present, the House Adjourned without Effecting Anything

Associated Press.

Washington, March 27.--There was another day without progress over the O'Neill-Joy election contest case in the house, owing to a lack of a quorum of democratic members, and at the close of the proceedings it was as far from completion as when it first began. Roll calls followed each other in rapid succession, but while there was known to be 260 members on the floor, the nearest the democrats came to a quorum was 172--seven less than a quorum. Late in the afternoon the democratic members held a consultation, and the result was the committee on rules was directed to come to the assistance of the house, and tomorrow morning a special rule will be brought in, covering not only the O'Neill-Joy case, but probably also the Hilborn-English case, from the third California district. At 4:57 an attempt to get a quorum failed and the house adjourned.

DISCOURAGING FOR COXEY.

Denver, March 27.--"Gen." Hamilton, the Denver lieutenant of Coxeys' army, gathered 50 men in the court house square today, and offered to get some G. A. R. men to act as his lieutenants. Failing in this, he asked, "Will my men serve?" Receiving no response, he started to walk off in disgust. "Have you got any sand?" inquired a rag-stained follower, shaking his fist in his face. "I have." "Then why don't you call to arms?" "Because I have been notified that if I get my crowd inside the city limits it will be arrested." The doughy general tripped away, amid the jeers and hoots of the crowd. The prospects of his getting his "army" in motion are not very bright.

CHINESE WEDDING.

Denver, March 27.--A Chinese wedding, under the American laws and customs, the first of its kind to take place in Denver, was celebrated today. Lock Wing Yuen and Little Lin Sou were the contracting parties. Lillian is the first Celestial born in Colorado, and is 16 years old. When her father betrothed her to Lock a few weeks ago she appeared to her American friends for protection, but after a brief courtship she became a willing bride. The groom is as old as his wife's father and is wealthy.

THE DENVER MUDDLE.

Denver, March 27.--The populist city committee held a meeting this evening and it was learned that the gathering was opposed to Police Commissioner Rogers, because of his evident desire to run the whole party. Later a delegation called upon the governor and demanded that H. M. Behymer be appointed chief of police. The governor says he will recommend the new fire and police board to appoint Behymer chief rather than John F. Farley, to whom the place was offered yesterday.

CONTRACTS CONFIRMED.

Olympia, March 27.--The supreme court today handed down an opinion in the case involving the legal rate of interest on county warrants issued prior to June 7, 1893, when the law reducing the rate from 10 to 8 per cent went into effect. The court holds that as a warrant is in the nature of a contract, 10 per cent shall be paid upon all warrants issued prior to the date of the change. The court says: "We have no idea that the legislature contemplated that public obligations of this class should be repudiated. The statutes make provision by which counties can fund indebtedness at as low a rate as money can be procured. In the meantime, under

the law, counties can do no less than meet obligations. Having contracted to pay interest on warrants at 10 per cent, that rate is due the holders." Judges Hoyt and Anderson dissented.

SENATOR COLQUITT'S FUNERAL.

Washington, March 27.--A distinguished company gathered in the senate chamber this morning to participate in the funeral services over the remains of Senator Colquitt. The president was absent, but all the members of the cabinet, except Lamont, were there, together with the members of the supreme and diplomatic corps.

KANSAS POPS IN CONVENTION.

Kansas City, Mo., March 27.--The populist state convention met here today. Every congressional district except the tenth was represented. Four hundred delegates were present. Pierce Hackett, of Bates county, was temporary chairman. The usual committees were appointed, and a recess taken till the afternoon.

RAISING THE WIND.

Maximo, Ohio, March 27.--Coxey's army, which left Louisville at 9, arrived here at 10, has 143 men by actual count in line. It is expected the command will arrive at Alliance early this afternoon. There Coxey will take the train for Chicago to sell some horses. He expects to be absent two days.

CONDITION OF TRADE.

New York, March 27.--The hop market is dull. San Francisco, March 27.--Wheat, 32 1/2 to \$1.06 1/4. Liverpool, March 27.--Wheat firm; demand moderate; holders offer sparingly. No. 1 California, 5s 11 to 5s 10; red western winter, 4s 9 1/2 to 4s 11 1/2.

FAST HORSES.

San Francisco, March 27.--Following is a summary of the races today: Five furlongs--Palm Sunday, 1:02 1/4. Half mile--Pa' Murphy, 0:49 1/2. Mile--Red Foot, 1:42 1/2. Six furlongs--Motto, 1:13. Five and one-half furlongs--White Stone, 1:09 1/2.

WILL HE VETO IT?

Washington, March 27.--Seven of the ten days allowed by the constitution for the consideration by the executive of a bill have passed since the seigniorage bill was laid before the president, and still there has been no action on the measure.

A NOTABLE WEDDING.

Philadelphia, March 27.--The marriage of Jules Patenotre, French ambassador, to Miss Louise Elverson, daughter of James Elverson, publisher of the Inquirer, occurred this afternoon.

COXEY'S ARMY CHEERFUL.

Louisville, Ky., March 27.--Coxey's army all reported for breakfast this morning, and seemed satisfied with the rations of potatoes, ham and sausage. The weather is moderating, and good cheer seems to prevail in the ranks.

SATISFIED WITH THE CONSTITUTION.

Washington, March 27.--The house committee on judiciary laid on the table the proposed amendment to the constitution recognizing the supreme authority of Almighty God.

BRADY INDICTED.

Portland, March 27.--Frank C. Brady, who was arrested some time ago in Kansas City, was today indicted for embezzlement of \$25,000 while secretary of the Sunnyside Land Co.

PENSION MONEY.

Washington, March 27.--The secretary of the interior has issued a requisition on the secretary of the treasury for \$10,221,000, to be used in the quarterly payment of pensions on April 2.

JAG CURE MEN ARRESTED.

Denver, March 27.--The internal revenue office has caused the arrest of Uszell's jag cure establishment, on the grounds that they were selling liquor without a license.

INDIANS HANGED.

Albuquerque, March 27.--Three Navajo Indians, charged with butchering D. M. Smith, the Indian trader at Defiance, were today hanged here.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.--Latest U. S. Gov't Report.

Royal Baking Powder

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