

L. T. Robinson vs. Roy Parker et als. Demurrer overruled and allowed until Thursday morning to answer.

Albert Bennett vs. Ada Bennet. Default entered, and cause referred to Charles E. Runyon to take testimony.

M. Walton vs. David Washington et al. Default and decree as prayed for.

C. Melzer et al. Default and decree prayed for. Benton Bowman appointed referee to sell land.

Christena Nelson vs. Ole Nelson. Decree amended.

W. A. Spence vs. E. H. Jetn. Demurrer over ruled and defendant allowed until May 1st, 1904, to file answer.

Luella M. Wilson vs. Lester F. Wilson. Default and reference.

State of Oregon vs. James Harper. District Attorney returns not a true bill and debt is discharged.

Breck vs. Robinson. Sale confirmed.

Montague vs. Schieffelin. Motion to dismiss complaint allowed and debts allowed judgement for costs.

A. G. Watson. Habeas corpus case withdrawn from calendar for the reason that it is prematurely filed.

Lecture by Dr. E. L. Tiffany.

Dr. E. L. Tiffany, of New York, a Presbyterian minister, is in Oregon for a three month's lecturing tour in behalf of the local option movement throughout the valley. He spoke last night to a small audience as the general public did not learn of his intended lecture. He is a forceful speaker and ought to have had a full house. It may be that he will return later by request.

Real Estate.

Adam Shaver to Oren W. Shaver 23 acres in sec 14 t 2 s r 1 w.....\$ 1
 George Vanderzanden to John Verboort 80 a in t 2 n r 3 w 3000
 Frederick W Hartrampf et al to Joel Forbes lots 1 bl'k 18 Forest Grove..... 1175
 Newton J Walker et ux to Myron L Roberts 8.42 a in sec 14 in t 1 n r 4 w..... 650
 Marie Frantz to Nickolans Bildy w 1/2 of nw 1/4 of the nw 1/4 of the d l c of Wm Walker and wife in sec 12 t 1 n r 2 w 20 acres..... 1200
 Jeannette Meier to Charles Deitz s w 1/4 of s w 1/4 sec 14 the s w 1/4 w 1/2 of s e 1/4 and s e 1/4 of s e 1/4 of sec 15 t 2 s r 1 w except 29 1-6 acres.... 5000
 Earl B Hawks et ux to Amber Johnson 100x201.75 ft lot 1 bl'k 38, Forest Grove..... 300
 Lucy Woodward to Frederick W David et al 11.50 acres in Orms Brown d l c..... 1400

Lorena Gleason to A B Todd 42.35 acres in T G Naylor d l c No 37 t 1 s r 4 w Will M 3176
 E M Tongue et al to Miles Watrous lots 18 block 1 Highland Add' to Hillsboro 50
 S E Hines to George Vanderzander 80.30 acres in sec 32 t 2 n r 3 w Will Mer..... 3200

Gem Peddlers of Ceylon.

I was sitting one afternoon on the beautiful wide veranda of the Galle Face hotel, Colombo, in Ceylon.

A light hand touched my shoulder, and a barefooted Cingalese stood before me.

"Would you like to buy some stones?" he asked in his pleasant voice.

These peddlers of gems are very numerous in Ceylon. They are not allowed to enter the hotels, and I once saw one of them actually beaten out of the Oriental in Colombo. Hence it was that before addressing me my Cingalese friend glanced furtively up and down the long veranda to see that he was unobserved by the minions of the hotel.

He took from beneath his blouse a bundle of white cloth, which he opened, displaying about a pint of rubies, carbuncles, moonstones and catseyes. As I had nothing to do I looked through them after explaining to the sable merchant that I had no intention of buying. The collection must have been worth many thousands of dollars, judging by individual specimens, but apart from his merchandise the barefooted vender, costume and all, might have been assessed at about 5 shillings.—Exchange.

He Had Figured.

"I was after a tract of coal land in Tennessee," said the lawyer, "and I had every reason to believe the owner, who was poor and shiftless, didn't know the value of it. I expected to pay \$15 an acre at the highest and was therefore much surprised when the old fellow said:

"'Stranger, I'm askin' jest \$100 an acre fur my land, and nobody kin have it fur a cent lessa.'

"'But how do you get any such value?' I asked.

"'I git it by figgerin'."

"'How do you figure?'

"'Easy as grease, sub. I've bin over every foot of it and counted the trees.'

"'Yes, but the trees are worth very little.'

"'And I've counted the holes in the ground.'

"'But the holes are no good.'

"'Counted the trees, sub, and counted the holes, sub,' he went on, 'and whar thar's trees thar's possums, and whar thar's holes thar's woodchucks, and it's \$100 an acre or you kin hunt your own meat.'

Rubinstein's Free Seat.

A pianist who was pre-eminently successful in his day was Rubinstein, who traveled nearly the whole world over delighting people with his genius. He was very much annoyed by requests for complimentary tickets, but most of the time he maintained his composure, even though justly irritated. It is told of him that just before one of his recitals in London he was accosted by an old lady in the entrance hall and thus addressed:

"Oh, Mr. Rubinstein, I am so glad to see you! I have tried in vain to purchase a ticket. Have you a seat you could let me have?"

"Madam," said the great pianist, "there is but one seat at my disposal, and that you are welcome to if you think fit to take it."

"Oh, yes, and a thousand thanks! Where is it?" was the excited reply.

"At the piano," smilingly replied Rubinstein.

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