

The Herald.

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Odd Verdicts.

Walla Walla Statesman: A prominent attorney today in discussing the Benson insanity case referred to the verdict in the Hoyt case as a "sort of a Tomfool verdict in which the jury thought the defendant was sane enough to be guilty of murder in the second degree but too insane to be hanged." In speaking of queer verdicts he recalled the case of a man named Murphy at Wallula, who had killed an Indian, and when tried for murder the jury brought in a verdict of assault and battery. In a case at Colfax before Judge Langford a man was tried for adultery. The jury returned a verdict of not guilty, but recommended the defendant to be reprimanded. "Reprimanded!" roared Judge Langford, "reprimanded! If the man is not guilty, what in the name of justice and common sense should he be reprimanded for? If the man is deserving of a reprimand you should have done it yourselves by finding him guilty. Bring him in guilty and then I will reprimand him. I am not going to reprimand an innocent man." These instances remind us of the verdict of the committee of clergymen who cleared Rev. Fulmer, at Kent, a few days ago for alleged familiarities with the young ladies of his flock. Exonerate him, but "deprecate the physical examinations" of the ladies that he instituted, "for the reason that he is neither a physician nor a surgeon." This resembles the case "down east," where the moral code has been derided from the "Blue Laws," and in which the minister was found "not guilty, but he must not do it again."

Bohemia up in Arms.

All Bohemia is up in arms against Hermann. Just before last election he sent to Cottage Grove friends what purported to be a presidential proclamation withdrawing the Bohemia district from the Cascade reserve and restoring to the public domain the mineral region of the Bohemia mining district. Accompanying the letter was an alleged proclamation, purporting to be by the president of the United States, in which it was stated that certain lands included in the Cascade timber reserve, were restored to the public domain, and to be taken under the land laws of the United States. As soon as Hermann's letter and the proclamation were published people interested in the Bohemia mining district began to make inquiries at the land office at Roseburg and elsewhere about the matter. But no such order had been received, and up to the present time the Bohemia mining district is within the Cascade reserve.—Salem Statesman

Thinks She's in Torment.

Pana, Ill., Jan. 24.—The strangest case of insanity on record in this section of the state is that of Mrs. Catherine Miles, the wife of a well-to-do farmer of Greenwood township. After her trial yesterday she was ordered sent to the asylum. She has been insane for

ten days and her particular hallucination is that she is dead and in torment. At times she shrieks and cries with pash, as if suffering fearful punishment. Eye-witnesses turn away, unable to bear the sight of the woman's apparent torment. A few nights ago, Mrs. Miles, who is a large woman, attempted to burn her husband to death. Leaping from the bed in a fit, she dragged him from the couch by the hair and threw a lighted lamp on him, saturating him with blazing oil. The flames, however, were smothered by his rolling on the floor.

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