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O. N. PRESTON OF FREEWATER

THE DEAD VICTIM.

Father Was Endeavoring to Force

Martin to Marry His Daughter

Was the Cause.

Thursday evening Grover Martin, a

dentist assistant of Milton, shot and

killed O. N. Preston, a Freewater farmer. The tragedy originated, according to reports, over family troubles, Martin having kept company

Last Tuesday Preston went to the

dentists office where Martin was em-

ployed and demanded that he (Martin)

with Prestons' daughter.

SHOT HIM



South Side Main Street,

gand had been being

Washington, D. C., on the day precednitely determined, and was satisfac-tory to the authorities there." Mr. Jackson continued: "This

means that the larger part of \$121,000 is to be spent in the Garden City during the course of the present summer. In other words, Mr. Wood advises that we are to handle the contracts for abor and material here, and, very naturally, we shall give every preferince to Walla Walla business inter-

"The original appropriation," Mr. Jackson explained, "was \$95,000 but extras subsequently allowed by the covernment increased the amount to he sum mentioned."

LAWSON'S STORY.

The History of How the American Peo-ple Were Robbed of \$36,000,000.

Twelve months ago I made to the American people in the "Foreword" of my story, "Frenzied Finance," a promise to expose the operations of the most nefarious and destructive band of brigands this or any other country has been oppressed with.

The "System" met my promises with ridicule, and their birelings from one end of the land to the other chorused, "He will never dare tell."

In the June number of Everybody's Magazine, published on the 20th of May, I tell the first great crime of Amalgamated in a double chapter of 24,000 words. I give in a brick-andmortar style the details of this act by which the American people were robbed of \$36,000,000 through the agency of the biggest national bank in America, the National City ("Stand-ard Oil") bank of New York.

I feel-and I think you will agree with me when you have read what I

the whole American people that they -every man, woman and child-know

son last night, "and therein Mr. Wood stated that he had returned from Washington, D. C. on the day proved this fact and the further one that I ing the dictation of his correspondence and that the matter of the foundation (for I have nothing to sell and no office for the work at the fort had been defi- or other thing to ask of the American people), you cannot see it in the light of a public duty to do all in your power to get the June chapter of my story to the people of your community. If so, I leave to your good judgment the way and the means to do so. THOMAS W. LAWSON.

DECORATION DAY.

Will Be Appropriately Observed By Gettysburg Post, G. A. R.

the members of Gettysburg Post No. 33, G. A. R., old soldiers and citizens. The old soldiers will form in line on Main street at 10 o'clock a. m. and march to the cemetery, where special services will be held and the graves decorated with flowers. On returning from the cemetery all will go to the Christian church where the program of the day will be concluded. The dining room in the church will be turned over to the public and all who care to may bring their basket dinner. The G. A. R. men request that all who can, bring flowers for decorative purposes, that no grave in the cemetery will be without flowers on that day. The program follows:

Choir. Song -Prayer Rev. Ellis. Choir. Song Reading Lincoln's Gettysburg Speech G. B. Marquis. Oration -Arlie Pennick. Solo -Address Rev. Baker. Rev. Ellis. Address Song Choir. Address Rev. Jenkins. Choir, Song

Commercial Association Meeting. Tonight is regulra meeting night of the Athena Commercial Association, and all members are requested to attend for the reason that there will be So far I have given a year of my business of importance to transact.

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marry his daughter, he being her seducer, so it is said. On the evening of the tragedy Mariin was at the home of David Clark, and Preston requested him to call Martin out. Soon after the two men engaged in an altercation. Martin was on top of Preston when Clark went to separate them. Clark gives the following story to the East Oregonian:

"My daughter has been working at Mr. Kirk's. Thursday night she 'phoned to us and said that she and Grover Martin would drive down and come to supper. They got here about 6 o'clock. I was out on the lawn doing some irrigating when my neighbor, Mr. Preston, called across, 'I wish you would tell Grover Martin to come out a moment, I want to talk to him.' I called Grover out.

"A moment later I saw the two men fighting in the road and I heard some of the women folks scream. I ran out to the road. Grover had Preston down and was striking him some heavy blows in the face. Preston was very bloody and he said to me, 'Take him off; take him off.' I said to Grover, 'He's had enough. Ho's "squawked." Let him up.' Grover said, 'Wait a moment.' But I interrupted him and said, 'Let him alone, he has had enough,' and then I pulled Grover off. Preston lay there, so I took hold of his arm to help him up. Permanent Injunction Against Med- As he sat up he picked up a stone, and I said, 'None of that, Preston,' and I

dling With Stubblefield Estate.

Battle

the Stubblefield estate, looking to-ward a division of the Stubblefield county. The trustees of the estate estate, was rendered by Judge Brents last night. The decision so far as Mrs. Stubblefield from serving the citation. Stubblefield is concerned ends all hope of the estate being put to any other use than provided for by Mr. Stubble-field. In March of last year Mrs. the injunction permanent.

Walla Walla, May 22.—A decision perpetually enjoining Mrs. Cassann Stubblefield, her attorneys or any of her agents from bringing or institut-ing any suit against the trustees of

states that a report from the front pulsed the Japanese attacks. Accordsays that the Russians attacked several Japanese posts in the neighborhood of the present fighting has been coufined the Liao river on May 20. An attack to the left. on Tangshed was repulsed with loss to the Russians of 300.

Advices received from General Linievitch, at St. Petersburg, state that There have been several collisions at a general engagement is in progress Changtu, but no material change in all along the line of the Russian left the situation. The Russians are reflank, and that two divisions are en-gaged with the Japanese. So far the strength at Kungchuliang. flank, and that two divisions are en-

London May 22 .- A Tokio dispatch | Russians have held their own and reing to reports Oyama is moving against the entire Russian line, although up to ick, J. D. Bennett and N. T. Manela

Tokio reports attacks made by the Russians upon Chientzu and Ching Yang Pao, but both were repulsed.

Pendleton, May, 22 .- From 181/4 to | erable wool was bought for prices rang-223% cents per pound was paid for wool ing from 14 to 16 cents. Douglass Belts 223% cents per pound was paid for wool in the great sale held here today, and approximately 500,000 pounds were dis-posed of. The prices paid are several cents above the figures brought by most of the clips that were already sold, and are away above the prices given at the beginning of the season, when consid-

Descendants of Sacajawea

and his wife, Sacajawea, who guided Lewis and Clark across the Rocky Shoshone Indian guide. John T. Charmountains to the Pacific coast, and boneau, now a resident of Coyle, Oklahaps half a hundred letters have been Clark expedition left the winter quarwritten by the editor of the East Ore- ' ters for the Pacific ocean.

Athena, Oregon

After two years of tireless search the East Oregonian has discovered the descendants of Touissant Charbonean and his wife Sacajawee, who enided who after returning to Ft. Mandan homa, is one of eleven surviving childwith the Lewis and Clark expedition, dropped out of history and until this to the Bird Woman at Ft. Mandan in with the Lewis and Clark expedition, dropped out of history and until this discovery have not been known. Per-February 1805, before the Lewis and Sheriff Blakely took him back to his

slipped my hand down his arm and took him by the hand. He drop-ped the stone. I helped him up. Just s he got on his feet I heard the report of the pistol and Preston dropped. I said, 'Oh Grover!' Grover said, 'Mr. Clark, I had to.' Mr. West. my neighbor, came running out and I and Mr. West and Mrs. Preston carried him into his home. Mr. Preston was talking low when we carried him in so I did not hear what he said."

W. S. Banks, who helped dress the dead man, says that his nose is badly broken and his chest very badly bruised. There are marks of five heavy blows. Rev. H. C. Cleveland, who visited the scene early this morning, picked up a loaded slingshot. It is supposed that Mr. Preston's nose was broken and the other bruises made with the slingshot. Mr. Preston ilved about two hours.

Friday the coroner empanueled a jury composed of Earl A. Williams, and they gave the following verdict: "We, the jury, respectfully find that

O. N. Preston died about 9:30 p. m., May 18, 1905, at his residence one mile north of Freewater, as the result of a pistol shot wound on the right side of the chest close to the nipple, which was fired by Grover Martin about 7:30 p. m., May 18, 1905 near the home of David Clark. "We find that O. N. Preston has

been the aggressor in this affair and also find that the shooting was not committed entirely in self defense."

Saturday morning the preliminary examination was held before Justice of the Peace Miller, and Martin was bound over to await the action of the circuit court, without bail, on the charge of murder.

The law firm of Peterson & Peterson appeared for defendant and Hailey & Lowell conducted the prosecution, with the aid of Judge Kirkland of Milton, in the absence of District Attorney Phelps.

Murder in Second Degree.

Enterprise, May 22,-After being out nearly 24 hours, the jury in the case wherein James H. McBain was accused of shooting without cause the Trost brothers who jumped his claim, returned the following verdict:

"We, the trial jury in the above entitled action, hold the defendant guilty of murder in the second degree. "Polk Mays, Foreman.

It is reported that the first ballot taken stood 10 to 2 in favor of murder in the first degree, and stood cell he remarked that he would rather hang than be sentenced for life.