

TO SWAMP THE LORDS.

A Threat That Always Brings England's Upper House to Terms.

To override the veto of the house of lords by a wholesale creation of peers is a plan that has been often threatened, but hardly ever put into practice. It certainly places the king in a very unenviable predicament—so much so that in 1719, after a crisis of the kind, George I. caused to be introduced into the lords a bill for limiting the power of the sovereign to create peers, a sort of royal self denying ordinance.

The measure was twice passed in the lords, but twice rejected by the commons, which was lucky, for had it been carried it would have made the house of lords an almost unchangeable body, entirely beyond the control of king or minister or commons.

The nearest approach that was ever made to "swamping the lords" was in 1832, when the fate of the great reform bill trembled in the balance. Over and over again the measure had been passed by the commons, only to be rejected by the lords. The country was furious. Payment of taxes was refused. Riots broke out everywhere.

The prime minister, Lord Grey, went to the king and begged him to create new peers to carry the bill. His majesty refused, and the ministry resigned. The king, however, presently changed his mind and, fearing a revolution, agreed to the creation of a hundred new peers, "or more if necessary." Then, very reluctantly, the upper house gave way, and the bill became law.—London Family Herald.

THE DEATH DICE.

A Murder Case In Which They Returned a Just Verdict.

The German emperor some time ago presented to the Hohenzollern museum the "death dice" with which one of his ancestors decided a difficult case in the seventeenth century. The history of these dice is generally given as follows:

A young girl had been murdered. Suspicion fell upon two young soldiers, Ralph and Alfred, who were suitors for her hand. They both denied their guilt, and even torture failed to extract a confession from either.

Then Elector Frederick William decided to cut the knot by means of the dice box. The two soldiers should throw for their lives and the loser should be executed as the murderer.

The event was celebrated with great solemnity. Ralph had the first chance and threw sixes, the highest possible number. The dice box was then given to Alfred. He fell on his knees and prayed. Then he rose to his feet and threw the dice with such force that one of them was broken. The whole one showed six, the broken one also gave six on the larger portion, and the fragment split off showed one. This was a total of thirteen, one beyond Ralph's throw. The audience held its breath in amazement.

"God has spoken!" cried the prince. Ralph, appalled by what he regarded as a sign from heaven, confessed his guilt and was sentenced to death.—Chicago Record-Herald.

Got What She Wanted.

"I can stand for some things, but not for everything," said the clerk as he watched a stylishly dressed young woman leave the store.

"What is the matter?" asked the proprietor, who had walked up unobserved.

"That woman who just left hustled up to the counter and asked to see men's shirts. I showed her every style and color we carry. After inspecting the entire stock she rose and thanked me sweetly, adding: 'I didn't wish to purchase any. You see, I am making my husband some shirts, and I wanted to be sure I was doing them right. My husband is very particular about the finish of his shirts.' And they say married women are so considerate."

The boss smiled and walked away.—Boston Traveler.

The Sun.

It is computed that the temperature of the sun would be expressed by 18,000 degrees of Fahrenheit's thermometer, or about ninety times the temperature of boiling water. This is about five times the temperature that man is able to produce by artificial means. The light given off from the surface of the sun is reckoned as being 5,300 times more intense than that of the molten metal in a Bessemer converter, though that is of an almost blinding brilliancy, or, if we compare it with the oxyhydrogen flame, the sun sheds a light equal in brilliancy to 146 times the intensity of the limelight.

Plant That Feigns Death.

In South America there is a plant, a species of mimosa, which resorts to death feigning, evidently for the purpose of preventing grass eating animals from eating it. In its natural state this plant has a vivid green hue, but directly it is touched by a human finger or by any living animal it collapses into a tangle of apparently dead and withered stems. Among British wild plants the most sensitive to touch is the insectivorous sundew of English bogs.—London Globe.

Kind Critics.

"How did Jones get such a reputation both as a singer and an artist?"

"He sang before the Painters' club and painted pictures for the Musicians' union."—Cleveland Leader.

Reason Enough.

"Why does she think he has such a splendid future?"

"Because she has promised to marry him, I guess."—Houston Post.

Send the Press to a friend.

Started In Business.

"Father thinks I ought to go in for business a bit," remarked the gilded youth.

"Made a start yet?"

"Oh, yass, I've ordered three business suits and had my name put up at a commercial club."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Her Instructions.

Conductor—Ticket, please. Passenger—Certainly, sir. Here is the key of my trunk, which is in the baggage car. In the pocket of my second best dress is my mileage book.—Harper's Bazar.

Life and a Living.

Many a man has made a good living who has made a poor life. Some men have made splendid lives who have made very moderate and even scanty livings.

A Hard Task.

"Now, sir," said an Irish barrister with severity to a loquacious witness, "hold your tongue and give your evidence clearly!"

Helplessness consists largely in being unable to overcome sudden.

Men and Horses Perish.

Fire starting in the old Exposition building in Portland early yesterday morning swept over a territory embracing seven city blocks. Two men perished in the flames and six more are missing, and 145 horses, stabled in the basement of the building were cremated. The property loss is placed at half a million dollars. The Multimash club house, six residence hotels and other buildings were destroyed.

SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County. Flora Stover, Plaintiff vs. Edward C. Stover Defendant.

In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit within forty-two days from the date of the first publication of this summons upon you. Defendant will take notice that if you fail to appear and answer or plead within said time, plaintiff, for want thereof will apply to the court for a decree of divorce, a dissolution of the bonds of matrimony now existing between you and the plaintiff, and the plaintiff will ask the court to award the plaintiff the care and custody of plaintiff's and defendant's minor child, and for \$15.00 per month permanently, as alimony.

This summons is published pursuant to a certain order made and entered in the above entitled Court at Pendleton, Oregon, on the 14th day of July, 1910, the first publication is to be on July 15, 1910, the last on August 26, 1910.

Homer J. Watts, Atty. for Plaintiff.

Notice for Publication—Isolated Tract.

(Publisher.)

PUBLIC LAND SALE.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR. U. S. Land Office at LaGrande, Oreg., July 7th, 1910.

Notice is hereby given that, as directed by the Commissioner of the General Land Office, under provisions of Act of Congress approved June 27, 1906 (34 Stat., 517,) we will offer at public sale, to the highest bidder, at 10 o'clock a. m., on the 1st day of September, 1910, at this office, the following described land:

Lots 3 and 4, Sec. 5, T. 4 N., R. 35 E. W. M., Serial No. 07115.

Any persons claiming adversely the above-described land are advised to file their claims, or objections, on or before the time designated for sale.

F. C. Bramwell, Register, Colon R. Eberhard, Receiver.

Notice.

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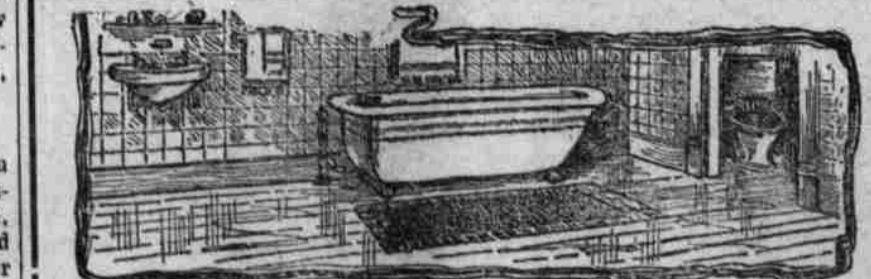
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