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### PAY THE REWARD

The action of the authorities at Salem in refusing to pay the reward for the return of Merrill's body, has stirred up some talk of abandoning the chase after Tracy. This is not to be wondered at. If the state of Oregon sets a precedent of penurious quibbling over the payment of the offered reward and sneaks out of it on a technicality, it will have a demoralizing effect on any efforts to capture escaped criminals.

The reward was offered for the capture and return of the outlaw, alive or dead. The woman has returned the outlaw, dead. The fact that the woman did not kill him herself is no good reason why she shouldn't get the reward. It is all the same to the state of Oregon. True, the woman found the body accidentally. A man might run across Tracy accidentally. If he then effected his capture, would the state refuse to pay the reward? Supposing Tracy finds his capture inevitable and commits suicide. Will his pursuers be enured out of the reward because they only find his dead body? Tracy's body still warm would be of no more practical value to the state of Oregon than Merrill's body partly decomposed.

As the MAIL has remarked, if some of the pet Portland detectives had found the body there would have been no thought of refusing the reward on a technicality.

No one is going to get out and hunt outlaws for his health, for it isn't a healthy occupation; and unless his love of excitement be abnormally developed, he won't do it for fun. In such cases, rewards should be paid in spite of technicalities.

This act on the part of Supt. Lee, in refusing to pay the reward does not redound to the credit of the state and it is to be hoped that Governor Geer will order the reward paid to the woman at once, and assure the authorities who are after Tracy, that there will be no quibbling in paying the reward for his capture. It would do no harm to go one better and add another \$1000 to the standing reward.

Such action, as refusing to pay the reward, can have none but a demoralizing effect upon those now on the verge of capturing Tracy. Human society demands that such an honorable debt be paid without parsimony. The penurious idea lingering in men who hold trusted positions is abominable especially when the demoralizing effect on society is taken into consideration. It can but add more Tracys to the already large army of outlaws.

### GENERAL SMITH PUNISHED.

(Telegram.)

General Jacob H. Smith, who issued the famous "kill, burn and destroy" order in Samar, has been reprimanded and retired by the President, who had final authority in the matter. Smith having been found guilty of improper military conduct by a court-martial.

The President begins his summary of the case and his sentence of Smith by an apology for him and others who may have resorted to harsh measures, seemingly excusable on account of the provocation of the Filipinos, but he states that this affords no justification for retaliatory act of cruelty or barbarity, and that officers in high positions must be peculiarly careful in their bearing and conduct, "so as to keep a moral check over any acts of an improper character of their subordinates." He finds that while generally "the officers and soldiers have shown wonderful kindness and forbearance," there have been exceptions; "there have been instances of the use of torture and of improper heartlessness in warfare on the part of individuals or small detachments. In the recent campaign order by General Smith, the shooting of the native bearers by the orders of Major Waller was an act which sullied the American name and can be but partly excused by Major Waller's mental condition at the time. It is impossible to tell exactly how much influence language like that used by Gen. Smith may have had in preparing the minds of those under him for the commitment of deeds which we regret. Loose and violent talk by an officer of high rank is always likely to excite to wrong-doing those among his subordinates whose wills are weak or whose passions are strong."

The President concludes by complimenting General Smith's past record and regretting his indefensible language and conduct in the case under review.

In this, as in the Sampson-Schley case, the President has manifested his courage and independence, doing the right thing, though to do so was unpleasant if not difficult.

But the President is not a man who shirks from duty because of its disagreeableness or difficulty. His decision in this case will be generally approved by the American people and the civilized world.

### A Very Large Transaction

(Puget Sound Lumberman)

The largest mill and timber deal ever consummated on the Coast has just been closed in San Francisco. By this transaction the Scott & Van Arsdale Lumber Co. transfer its valuable properties to Eastern lumbermen. The property lies in Northern California in what is known as the McCloud river country. The transfer includes 115,000 acres of timber, McCloud River railroad, McCloud River Lumber Co.'s mills, Siskiyou Lumber Co.'s mills and the Siskiyou Lumber and Mercantile Co.'s property, lumber yards at Ash Creek, McCloud and San Francisco, and a yard and box factory at Upton. The new stockholders are the Carpenter-Lamb Co., Minneapolis; Anson-Hixon Sash and Door Co., Merrill, Wis.; Curtis Bros. & Co., Clinton, Iowa; Stewart Bros. and Walter Alexander, of Wausau, Wis. The sum of \$3,000,000 is stated as the amount changing hands in this deal.

### NEARING COMPLETION.

Coquille Bulletin

The steam schooner at Prosper is rapidly nearing completion under the able supervision of Master Builder Geo. Roes. In all probability the boat will be ready

for the water early in September. She is to be named the "Aurelia" and will be taken in charge by Captain C. C. Peterson. Only the best of cedar and fir timber is being put in her frame which is 14 inches thick. She is 158 feet long on the keel line and when completed will be 170 feet over all with a 34 foot boom. The depth of her hold is to be 11 feet 6 inches.

Her engines will be 14x32 feet with a stroke of 24 inches. Steam will be furnished by a Scotch boiler 11 1/2 x 11 1/2 feet in dimensions. She is expected to make about 11 knots an hour. An idea of her carrying capacity can be gleaned from the fact that she will take on 550,000 feet of lumber alone.

She is being constructed for Russell and Rodgers of San Francisco and will in all probabilities be used in the coast trade.

### MEN NOT REPORTING TO BE DISCHARGED

Judge Jackson Instructs Marshal Not to Enforce His Late Sweeping Decision

Charleston, West Virginia, July 25—The coal operators have posted notices in the Kanawha and New River fields that the mines will resume operations July 28th. Employees not reporting for duty may consider themselves discharged.

Also eviction proceedings will be taken against strikers occupying company houses.

Parkersburg, W. Va., July 25—Judge Jackson has instructed the U. S. marshal not to execute the order for arrest of Secretary Wilson of the United Mine Workers on charges of disobeying the injunction. This decision is due to a desire not to arouse more bitterness among the miners.

### TRANSFERS.

Fred M Underwood to L J Simpson e2 of sw4, nw4 of sw4, sw1 of nw4, sec 3 t 26, r 11, \$700.

Sol J McCloskey and wf to R C Dement, parcel used as right of way from Norway store to county road, \$1.

Wm Jenkins to Maggie Johnson, half of lot 8 block 10, Myrtle Point, \$400.

James Armfield and wf to John C Beattie, nw4 of ne4, sec 24, t 25, r 12, \$650.

J T McCornac to J D Spreckels & Bros 35 feet right of way along the railroad right of way at Cedar Point, Coquille river, \$100.

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### Travels by Sea.

Eli Swearingin and wf to J D Spreckels & Bros, parcel of land at Cedar Point in sec 2 t 28, r 13, \$150.

U S to James R Benham, e2 of se4 sec 24, t 27, r 12.

Laura Symonds-Huntley and hus to Daniel Giles, 31.18 acres in sec 9, t 29, r 12 in lot 5, \$1200.

John Anderson and wf to Matt Fredrickson, sw4 of se4, e2 of nw1 sec 33, t 24, r 11, \$1500.

H Sengstacken to Herbert Lockhart and 1/4 of Smith and Sengstacken place at ne corner of Front and A street Marshfield, \$10.

Mary F and Clifton Campbell to Chas and Matilda Black, Lots 4, block 25 Clement's plat of Marshfield \$400.

Jas A Lyons estate to Geo A Rurris Lot 11 block 24 Watkin's extension to north add to Coquille, \$45.00.

John P. Sheridan to Frank Bontin Jr und 1-12 of secs 5, 6, 7, 8, 18, T 27 R 13 Secs 1, 12, 13, 14, 25, 26, ne4 and e1-2 of se4 sec 35 T 26 R 14 \$11997.34.

Educate Your Bowels With Cascarets. Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever 25c. 25c. If C. C. fail, druggists refund money.

Arrivals by Alliance July 24: W F Shoemaker, W J Whereat, Mrs M J O'Brien, Mrs C Sanders, A Fanell, Mrs L Farsell, Mrs B Farsell, W C Ransom, E Allen, L. M. Davis, J Farrin, Mrs J Farrin, P C Linsen, Mrs A E Simpson, H B Girt, J H Wall, Bronte L Jennings, C R Bell, T J Fox, Mary Hague, L B Pedale, P Reichert, Mrs C H Fry, J W Cook, Annie Lehmonosky, W S Sgalla, G W Day, Mrs G W Day, W Chapman E Hansen, A Hanson, Rebecca Hanson, Mary Hanson, M. Wallaco, Mrs J T McCorman, Miss Grace McCormac.

Departures by Alliance July 24: Max Timmermann, C Moss, H Dudrichson, Geo Bettle, W S Marshall, Mrs Davenport, Mrs Walford, R Olsen, Thos Smith-R Desmond, M Wilson, E Bolderman, Mrs A Baker, J McKenna, Mrs McKenna, Miss McKenna, Roy McKenna, M. M. McKenna, Mrs McCorgan, Miss McCorgan, John McCorgan, J. C. Dolan, Walter Dolan, John Anderson and five in the steerage.

# Important to Consumers.

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