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Was He to Blame?

An influential city Journal, with the above question as a heading, after announcing that Senator Mitchell is under investigation for alleged complicity in timber land frauds, proceeds to print several columns of matter having no bearing whatever upon supposed fraudulent transactions in which the Senator is alleged to have had part, but reciting things as having occurred most that thirty years ago, very injurious to the Senator if believed. What good motive prompted the publication of these stories in this connection we do not know. We don't say it was sinister, though the recital could not possibly contribute to the development of the truth, or to the trial conviction of justice in the case, under consideration. Through inadvertence and wrong arrangements connected with the case brought against Mr. Mitchell by the Grand Jury at Portland, such things as tend to prejudice his case, in the minds of many people, though it were instances, persons may not be conscious of their influence. This every person having part and clear conceptions of the rights of accused men, seek to avoid. We disclaim any attempt at defense or apology for Senator Mitchell. His day in court will come, when full opportunity will be afforded him to show himself innocent, if he is innocent. But he is entitled to such treatment by us as every other person accused of crime may rightfully claim—the right to be presumed innocent until proven guilty. If we know of facts bearing upon the case to be submitted to the jury, facts that need to be known by the jury in order that it may arrive at the truth of the offenses charged, let them be produced.

We read in the Journal Mitchell, but for such a treatment of the Mitchell case, we would not have been surprised to see the Journal, in its issue of the 10th inst., to have printed a full and complete account of the case, and to have given the facts as they are, and not to have printed such a long and tedious article, which is a disgrace to the Journal.

Working for Irrigation

Senator Fulton is working like a Trojan to secure the passage of laws by congress to remove obstacles in the way of the completion of irrigation schemes in Oregon. The Klamath irrigation involves the use of water from navigable streams and lakes, to do which requires a special act of Congress.

Senator Fulton is in constant touch with government engineers, and is determined that every preliminary difficulty shall be removed and that the construction of these works shall not be delayed.

It is a common thing to see some of our citizens, who are not doing any business, but who are busy with their own affairs, and that the bill is thought well of by the lawmakers, and has a good prospect of passing. If this has been your habit, and you have an idea of liking your will, you had better attend the business soon. Forty-nine, properly laid on, may not leave you able for further enjoyment of that pasture.

The people of the northern part of Grant county are moving to leave that part of Grants territory erected

into a new county by the legislature now in session.

The House Committee on appropriations is cutting estimates wherever and all, they can, the purpose of this is no doubt, to strengthen the resources of the government for the expenses of Canal work. This is as it should be. Let it never be forgotten, that we intend to complete the Panama Canal without a hitch or a moment's halt.

George Sorenson, accused with offering ex-United States District Attorney John H. Hall a bribe of \$5000 to quash the proceedings in the land fraud cases, was arraigned before the U. S. District courts last Thursday and plead not guilty.

Portland had a snow storm; it was clothed in white to the depth of about an inch—gee whilkens, we can beat that all "holier." Lakeview had 5 inches of snow a couple of weeks ago.

Judge Jas. A. Fee, of Pendleton, one of the Presidential electors, of Oregon, was elected to carry the vote of Oregon for Roosevelt to Washington.

Crook county cattle men are yet agitating the long since exploded theory of leasing the public lands as a solution of so-called range troubles.

An address from Washington, D. C., indicates that the term of Congress will be long protracted.

We heartily approve of government control of railroad freight rates. It is coming, sure.

Paisley Pointers.

John Prader, one of Summer Lake's progressive farmers was attending to business in Paisley on Wednesday of last week.

H. E. Dunlap passed through town one day last week with a fine bunch of cattle that he had purchased in this part of the county, mostly from W. E. McCormack.

H. I. Sherlock came in from the desert last week where he is wintering sheep. He reports plenty of grass and sheep are doing well.

A show that didn't show, stopped over one day in Paisley last week. The good people were attending church and the others doesn't go out at night.

The Woodmen of the World installed their officers on Thursday, Jan. 12. We understand there was a grand ball at the hotel, and the members of Woodmen and their friends enjoyed the Woodmen by appearing on the scene with some excellent refreshments. A program was rendered and dancing was indulged in all the wee small hours. The following is the list of officers installed: Past Consul, L. A. Moss; C. C. A. A. Withers, A. L. A. S. Benefield; Banker, J. J. Moore; Clerk, C. L. Withers; Ewart, W. M. Marsters; Watchman, J. A. McDonald; Sentry, Frank Farrow; Managers, F. W. Wiedey, E. C. Stichel and W. Y. Miller.

H. A. Brattain is expected to leave in a few days for Southern California. He will take along a fine bunch of good horses to be disposed of in the California markets and will be absent two months.

W. E. McCormack is a frequent visitor in town. He has disposed of his sheep and will give his attention solely to the sheep business in the future.

Wayman Withers has closed a contract disposing of his 1905 clip of wool. We understand the price was 16 1/2 cents.

What threatened to be a disastrous fire was averted by the prompt action of the citizens here on Sunday about 2 p. m. The ceiling in Chester Withers' house caught fire from a defective fuse and when discovered had gotten hold of the joists and rafters, but by prompt action the house and contents were saved.

LEGISLATIVE NEWS

The first day of the 23rd, session of the Oregon legislature was spent principally in an endeavor to organize. The lower house succeeded in electing its speaker, which was Mills of Multnomah. The Senate failed to elect a president, but on the second day, the opposing forces came together and elected Senator Kuykendall.

The first bill introduced in the upper house of the Oregon legislature, and the first bill to pass both houses was an emergency bill introduced by Senator J. A. Laycock. Upon motion of Representative Steiner Senate Bill No. 1 by Laycock, was brought up in the House and passed unanimously. This bill was to amend the code in regard to the time of levying school tax. The bill was to arrange for counties that had not filed their levy at the proper time, Jan. 1, 1905, in which to do so. The bill provides for this year only.

A bill to create a special commission of three, whose duty it shall be to prepare a revision of Oregon's revenue laws, and report to the next legislature has been introduced in the House of Representatives by Representative Capron. Oregon's revenue laws might be revised with profit. Oregon should have a reasonable base for taxation of incomes and licenses for state purposes.

In all the most progressive states the trend of most enlightened public sentiment is in this direction, to place the weight of supporting the government upon those who enjoy greatest protection and are best able to bear it.

Shook has introduced a bill to provide for a deputy sheriff for Klamath county.

Mayor of Columbia county has introduced a bill in the House giving each county a district attorney, and stating the salary each district attorney shall receive.

Bingham has introduced a bill in the house changing the law regulating the bonding of cities from cities of 25,000 population to any incorporated city in the state.

Steiner introduced a bill in the House that settlement be admitted to Cascade Reserve in headquarters of Multnomah river.

Representative Steiner will probably be appointed by the committee as chairman of a sub-committee of the committee on Medicine and pharmacy.

A petition is being presented requesting our Representative H. E. Steiner to secure, if possible, an appropriation of \$50,000, to be placed at the disposal of the Governor, and to be used in the employment of secret service detective men in running down perpetrators of crimes committed in killing stock on the range.

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The Delineator
For February, with a beautiful art cover and a varied table of contents, is a most attractive number. As a special feature, Lionel S. Mapleson gives an account of Grand Opera on its travels, a paper that is full of humor as well as of genuine interest and is strikingly illustrated. The romance of Chopin and the beautiful Countess Delphine Potocka is charmingly related by Gustav Kobbe in the "Composers Series," and in an interesting paper Allan Sutherland tells something of the origin and romance of that matchless hymn of Henry Francis Lyte, "Abide With Me." There are also good stories by Mary Stewart Cutting, Anne O'Hagan and Owen Oliver, in addition to the children's corner, which includes one of L. Frank Baum's "Animal Fairy Tales" and a "Son Riley Rabbit" story by Grace MacGowan Cooke. Some of the early Spring styles are shown, and of further interest to women is the chapter on "The Making of a Housewife," containing a world of suggestion. The department "Good Looks," which discusses the forehead, and Mrs. Theodore W. Birney's contribution on "The Mistakes of Mothers" are other items especially helpful.

An Editor's Opinion of the Royal Gorge.

Edith Taylor Weathered, in describing a recent trip over the Denver & Rio Grande Railroad, says in "The Elk-station":

"At last the goal of the ambition of years has been reached—marvellous, wonderful, grand and inspiring Royal Gorge is on either hand. The only disappointing thing is you only have one pair of eyes, while the train darts in and out of the tremendous chasm. If any who have never seen it are wondering how it looks just go and see. Thousands have tried to describe it, yet every attempt falls short of giving the subject justice."

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\$10 Reward.
For a black heavy set mare brand ed [redacted] (hat) on right shoulder and J2 on right stifle. Delivered to F. O. Bunting at Drews valley. On a suitable reward will be paid for information leading to the recovery of said mare.
52-20 C. A. BUNTING, Merrill, Ore.

Land Scrip for Sale.
Forest Reserve scrip for securing title to timbered or agricultural land for sale at lowest market prices. H. M. Hamilton, The Portland, Portland, Oregon. 463

\$2,000 Reward.
\$2,000 reward offered by the Lake County Wool Growers Association for the arrest and conviction of any person or persons guilty of killing or maiming any sheep belonging to any member of this association by order of the Executive Committee.
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