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#### Robert Fulton's Time.

Steamboats had been run successfully on American waters before Robert Fulton took the famous Clermont up the Hudson 100 years ago. But somehow it seemed to be the hour for steamboating, and a new era in navigation dates from Aug. 11, 1807. There were great discoveries in electricity before Edison entered the field, but nevertheless Edison's name will always stand at the head of inventors who revolutionized things. It requires a certain amount of education for the world to take up with startling innovations. Edison found the way partly open, but yet he worked many years before people would believe what he demonstrated before their eyes.

Fulton had himself advertised the steamboating idea by his experiments abroad before the successful trip of the Clermont. Twenty years before Fitch had successfully operated a steam vessel on the Delaware. It may be said that steam was wanted when Fulton got to work, but that Fitch was ahead of his time. Fulton's field was well chosen. New York was a great money center and the Hudson river a magnificent scene for a demonstration. Tens of thousands of people were compelled to make the trip annually between New York and Albany or some point on the upper Hudson. So there was a paying business awaiting Fulton's enterprise of 1807, and the innovation succeeded quickly because it filled a want of the time.

Those who are familiar with the composition of the smokeless powder used by the American navy know that it is less likely to deteriorate than the powder adopted by several foreign governments. The former consists mainly of gun cotton and the latter of nitroglycerin. Compounds of the one show little disposition to undergo change. Compounds of the other are notoriously unstable. The suggestion that the accident on the Georgia was caused by spontaneous combustion in the ammunition was therefore beyond belief, says the New York Tribune on the authority of government ordnance experts.

That Union Pacific has earned 17 per cent on common stock and Southern Pacific 12 per cent may reconcile investors to Harrimanism. But the shippers who paid the money in have not lost interest in federal interference.

While the emperor of Korea went through the motions of resigning his job, he undoubtedly felt just like the average hired man when informed that his services are no longer required.

Even though he has been shot at twice, it is not believed that the president of France will hereafter lug around a six shooter under his coat-tails.

#### Law Should Be Above Suspicion.

The courts are the last resort for people who think that their rights are being denied them. Allowing for differences of opinion and clashing interpretations of the statutes, disputants patiently carry their cases from one court to another, believing implicitly that justice will be done at last. But it is a great misfortune when a large part of the public come to the conclusion that rulings in the higher courts are one-sided. It has been so charged in more than one of the recent issues between the corporations and the people. Not only the citizens of North Carolina, but those of other states where the railway fare disputes have come up, are interested in the question as to what branch of the government shall have the final word upon "fair and reasonable" rates. The reviewers of the law are not superior to the makers of the law; hence it is not essentially judgment, but expert opinion, which they are empowered to render.

The right and wrong of this matter will be difficult to adjust, especially since it has been pointed out that the federal government is bound to interfere in cases where the states fail to protect the public interest. It has been said that the surest way to have a bad law abolished is to enforce it rigorously and show up its imperfections—that is to say, the people will smash a bad law when they see it. Wisdom and justice, then, must prevail at the bottom of our institutions, and they should prevail at the top. Higher courts should be above suspicion, and they will escape criticism. It is a part of the duty of being right to avoid even the appearance of wrong.

#### Learning.

**Boker**—I won \$50 from Bings last night playing poker.

**Joker**—Why does Bings know how to play poker?

**Boker**—Not yet.—Lippincott's Magazine.

About this time no one cares to dispute the arithmetic man who says that every inch of the human surface contains 3,500 perspiration pores.

The unwritten law continues to be more written about and discussed than the laws that have been formally set down.

A French syndicate is investing \$50,000,000 in Japan. This is reason enough for France's effort to head off that war.

Of course the airship will be used in war after it gets through "discovering" the north pole.

Mr. Rockefeller pleads, "I tried to do right," and hades still yawns for the trier.

#### Summons

In the County Court of the State of Oregon, For the County of Klamath.

In the matter of the Estate and Guardianship of Mary Parkinson and Frank Dewey Parkinson, Minors.

Order to show cause on application of Guardian for Order of sale of Real Estate.

It appearing to the Court from the petition this day presented and filed by Nina Parkinson, of Palo Alto, Santa Clara county, California, the Guardian of the persons and estates of the above mentioned Mary Parkinson and Frank Dewey Parkinson, Minors and residents of Palo Alto, Santa Clara county, California, praying for an order of sale of certain real estate situate in the County of Klamath, State of Oregon, belonging to said wards, that it is for the best interests of said wards that such real estate should be sold and that the proceeds of such sale be put out at interest, or invested in some productive stock to their credit or benefit;

It is hereby ordered that the next kin of said wards and all persons interested in the said estate, appear before this Court on Monday the 16th day of September, 1907, at the hour of 9:30 in the forenoon of said day at the court room of the above entitled Court, in the Court house at Klamath Falls in said County of Klamath, State of Oregon, then and there to show cause, if any exist, why a license should not be granted for the sale of all the right, title and interest of the and each of the minors, being an undivided one-seventh interest each in and to the s½; s½; s½; and lots 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, Sec. 28; n½; s½; s½; and lots 1 and 2 of Sec. 27 all in township 29 S., R. 7 E., W. M., the interests of said wards in said premises, being subject however, to an unassigned outstanding dower right therein.

It is further ordered that a copy of this order be published in the Klamath Republican, a newspaper of general circulation published in the County of Klamath, State of Oregon and circulating therein.

Dated August 24th, 1907.

J. B. GRIFFITH, Judge.

First publication, August 8, 1907.

Last publication August 29, 1907.

J. O. STEAINS, Attorney.

#### Notice for Purchase of School Lands

Department of the Interior, United States Land Office Lakeview, Oregon, July 24, 1907.

Notice is hereby given that the State of Oregon has filed application to select the lands hereinafter described, as State School Indemnity Lands, to wit:

List No. 229, for the s½; n½; Sec. 20, Tp. 34 S., R. 18 E., and s½; e½; Sec. 27, n½; n½; Sec. 29, Tp. 35 S., and lot 2, Sec. 2, s½; n½; Sec. 11 Tp. 36 S., R. 17 E., and n½; n½; Sec. 31, Tp. 28 S., R. 11 E., W. M.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before the 13th day of September, 1907.

J. N. Watson, Register.

The above notice will be published in the Lake County Examiner and the Klamath Republican, both weekly newspapers of general circulation, published at Lakeview and Klamath Falls, Oregon, respectively, for the period of five successive weeks, before the 13th day of September, 1907.

J. N. Watson, Register.

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