

THREAT THAT IS EFFECTIVE

Ceylonese Creditors Have a Remarkably Effective Method of Enforcing Collections.

The natives of Ceylon is an intractable creditor. He possesses an irresistible method of securing payment without recourse to the bailiffs, citations, judgments, duns or summonses which fall like hail about the ears of European debtors.

The Ceylonese creditor betakes him to the house of the man who owes him money, holding in his hand some leaves of the neungala, an extremely poisonous plant, and declares that, unless he is paid on the spot he will poison himself.

The debtor pays up without hesitation. At home he would of course simply laugh in the face of the shoe-maker or tailor who made such a threat, and tell him to go ahead; but in Ceylon there is a local law which imposes an enormous fine on anyone who is the cause of the suicide of another. And there is no case on record in which a creditor was permitted to carry out his threat.

The question, however, seems to be whether in the face of an obstinate refusal to pay, the creditor would not be wiser to lose his money than his life.

Ferocious British Guiana Fish.

British Guiana is noted for a rare fish, the piranha, which, though hardly bigger than a herring, is ferocious to the point of incredibility. It will attack other fish and bite large pieces out of their fins and tail, will assault the steering paddles of a boat, and has been known, when in force, to kill men. The piranha is a notorious cannibal, devouring any of its comrades who may be wounded or in difficulty.

One traveler in British Guiana tells that in crossing the Essequibo his boat wounded a wild hog that was swimming across. A shoal of piranhas settled upon the unfortunate hog. In a minute the water seemed to be boiling, so great was the activity of the little demons as they tore away pieces of the flesh.

But even the piranha has its uses. Some Indian tribes leave their dead in the river for the piranhas to strip the bones, and then preserve the skeleton, dyed red, as a family heirloom.

Origin of the Compass.

In the reign of the Chinese emperor, Ho-ang-ti, in 2008 B. C., a certain celestial discovered that if a narrow splinter of lodestone, or natural magnetic iron ore, found in Asia Minor, was placed upon a piece of wood and the latter allowed to float in a bowl of water, the iron would invariably point in a north and south direction. This crude device was improved by the addition of a circular wooden card on which 24 rays were drawn. Each one of these lines was given a name, and the whole thing was called a "ting-na-ching," which is the Chinese word for compass. The south point of the circle was dignified with a distinguishing mark. In the same manner an arrow pointing today indicate the north point of their compasses by a four-dolls or an arrow. The Chinese compass of the present day shows only the 24 points given to it 5,000 years ago.

NOTICE OF MEETING OF COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION.

Notice is hereby given that on Monday, September 11, 1922, the Board of Equalization of Multnomah County will attend at the office of the County Assessor, at the Court House in Portland, and publicly examine the assessment rolls for the year 1922, and correct all errors in valuation, description or qualities of lands, lots or other property, assessed by the County Assessor. And it shall be the duty of persons interested to appear at the time and place appointed. If it shall appear to such Board of Equalization that there are any lands or lots or other property assessed twice, or incorrectly assessed as to description or quantity, and in the name of a person or persons not the owner thereof, or assessed under or beyond the actual cash value thereof, said Board may make proper correction of the same. If it shall appear to such Board that any land, lots or other property assessable by the Assessor are not assessed, such Board shall assess the same at the full cash value thereof. HIRAM U. WELCH, County Assessor. Portland, Oregon, Aug. 15, 1922.

St. Johns Grocery

(Formerly C. S. Bucy's Store)

202 South Jersey street, Corner Leavitt

Phone Empire 0528

WE DELIVER FREE

Trade at the Store Where Your Dollar buys the Most

WE SELL THE BEST FOR LESS

Drop in and see Our Specials for Friday, Saturday and Monday. Satisfaction or your money back.

ST. JOHNS AUTO EXPRESS

Ernie Phillips and Ray Bilyeu, Proprietors

Furniture Packed for Shipment.

Local and Long Distance Hauling.

209 S. Jersey St.

Office: Empire 0072 Res. Empire 1448

Frederick T. Notz

Essie H. Notz

Drs. F. T. & E. H. Notz

Chiropractic and Electro Therapy

Office Hours: 10 A. M. to 12 M., 2 P. M. to 5:30 P. M., 6:30 P. M. to 8 P. M.

OFFICES: 514-515 Dekum Bldg. 309 N. Jersey Res. 721 S. Jersey

PHONES: Broadway 5324 Empire 0097 Empire 1271

Dr. F. P. Schultze, Res. Em. 1131 Dr. D. S. Swart, Res. Em. 283 Office Em. 0379 Office Em. 0379

Drs. Schultze & Swart

PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS

1-6 Bonham & Currier Bldg.



Choice Groceries

A full line of the choicest groceries at most reasonable prices, constantly on hand.

We give S. & H. Green Trading Stamps with All Purchases

L. Simmons & Co.
Quality Grocers

Geo. W. Crockwell, M. E.
Naturopath, Spinologist

706, 720 Dekum Bldg.
Electric Treatments
SPECIALTIES
Stomach trouble, Chronic disease and Female complaints.
No matter what your trouble is I can help you; I have cured hundreds! why not you?
Consultation and examinations Free. "Pay as you can."
No knife. No operations. No incurable case taken.
Free treatments this week.

Dividend No. 2

Another Red Letter Day

July 1, 1922 was another Red Letter Day for the owners of our 7% Prior Preference Stock.

Checks for thousands of dollars were mailed out by us to our Thrifty Customers and Patrons in payment of the Second Regular Quarterly Dividend on their holdings in this sound and attractive security.

Consult our Investment Department at once and get on our Mailing List for the Next Dividend on October 1st This Stock Yields 7.3%

Investment Department
Portland Railway
Light & Power Company
Room 605 Electric Bldg.
Portland, Oregon

Wakefield & Hedlund

Builders and Designers of Modern Bungalows

Phone Empire 1737.

Reasonable Estimates 626 E. Richmond St.

Cards of thanks notices are charged for at the rate of fifty cents each. Persons desiring to have such notices published should make a note of this.

School Days are upon us once more

Your children must be well dressed that first day. A favorable impression must be made with the Teachers and Principal as well as among the scholars.

This is the eleventh hour but we can dress your boy from top to toe and your girl we can supply with all the accessories.

GIRLS' SCHOOL SHOES

Priced \$2.50 to \$5.00 According to Sizes

HOSIERY

Several qualities in Buster Brown and Hole-proof Brands

Priced 25c to 75c

FREE

A PENCIL and RULER with each purchase of SHOES or HOSE

Children's Umbrellas

Underwear for all Ages

Tablets, Paints and Crayons

BOYS' SCHOOL SHOES

Heavy Durable Shoes for the wet weather or the Finer Dressier Shoe, all of good wearing leather, not the cheap flanky kind.

Heavy Shoes - \$3.50 and \$3.75

Boys' Bergmann Shoes.....\$4.75

Boys' High Top Shoes.....\$5.00 and \$5.50

Boys' Fine Shoes. \$3.50, \$4.00 up to \$5.00

Special Line of BOYS' SUITS, Age 7 to 17

PRICED AT.....\$7.85

Some Men's Patterns in this Week

Bonham & Currier

MISS PLASKET, Buyer Dry Goods Dept.

L. E. ROSE, Mgr. Men's Dept.

SEE

The Home Mercantile Co.

---for your Lime, Cement, Plaster, Brick and all kinds of Building Materials, Paints and Varnishes for your Houses.

FEED of all kinds for your Poultry, Horses, Cows, Etc.

Lawn Mowers, Garden Hose and Sprinklers for your Lawn and Gardens.

Boxes for Your Berries

Call and see our stock and get our prices

The Home Mercantile Co.

200 W. Burlington Street

FUNERALS



Beautiful gray or black adult casket, hearse, box, 2 autos embalming and refined service for....

\$75

Higher priced funerals in proportion. We manufacture caskets. Beautiful New Floral Chapel. Private Family Rooms. Lady Assistant. Complete Auto Equipment.

MILLER & TRACEY

Broadway 2691 Independent Funeral Directors 5 1844 Washington at Elm Street, Between 20th and 21st Street, West Side

Please Telephone your Orders Early and help us give you better service

C. J. MUCK, Grocer

Fancy and Staple Groceries

"OUR MOTTO"

Quality--Price--Service

Phone Empire 0118

217 S. Jersey St.

Phone Empire 0118

WARNING!

A LOAD OF WOOD

---According to the City Inspector can be any amount.

Pay little attention to price. Watch your ticket for the measure you get for your money.

St. Johns Lumber Co.

J. W. Herwick C. O. Herwick
Phone Col. 582 Res. 1025 S. Jersey
J. W. HERWICK & SON
Wood of all Kinds
BRICK, SAND AND GRAVEL
Columbia 118 Woodlawn 3401
BROWN'S Delivery and Transfer
St. Johns, Oregon

Residents of St. Johns having taxes and city liens to pay in Portland can make their payments without inconvenience by availing themselves of our services. We will pay same and secure your receipt without inconvenience to you. Fee, 25c. References: Any St. Johns Bank--Peninsula Title, Abstract and Realty Co., by H. Henderson, Manager; 402 North Jersey Street.

Keep Your on ROGERS

The Sunset Cash Grocery

THE STORE OF QUALITY, PRICE AND SERVICE

N. HALPERN, Proprietor

111 Philadelphia St.

Phone Empire 1148

Free Delivery

Friday and Saturday Specials, We Close All Day Monday

- | | |
|--|---|
| Pure Cane Sugar, 14 Pounds..... \$1.00 | 3 lbs. of our Best Coffee..... 93c |
| With One Dollar's Worth of Groceries | Dry Onions, 10 lbs..... 25c |
| Best Butter..... 46c | Coffee, lb cans 38c; 3 lb. cans..... \$1.10 |
| H. W. Flour, Sack..... \$1.49 | Matches, Big Boxes, 6 for..... 29c |
| Crown or Olympic, Sack..... \$1.98 | 8 Rolls Toilet Paper..... 25c |
| Tomatoes, 2 1/2 Size can, 2 for..... 25c | Full Cream Cheese, 1 lbs. for..... 25c |
| Federal Milk, 5 Cans..... 44c | Cider Vinegar, 3 Bottles..... 25c |
| Walnuts, Extra Good, 2 lbs..... 33c | Fountain Gray Rubbers, 4 Doz..... 25c |
| Corn Flakes and Post Toasties, Pkge..... 09c | Economy Jar Caps, 1 Doz..... 24c |
| Shredded Wheat, 2 Pkgs..... 25c | New Potatoes, 12 lbs..... 25c |
| 5 cans Standard Corn or Peas..... 60c | Cider Vinegar, 1 Gallon..... 40c |
| Delmonte Pork and Beans, L. S., 12 cans..... 95c | 8 lb Sack Salt..... 15c |
| 5 lb Box Graham Crackers..... 76c | Sea Foam Washing Powder, 2 Pkgs..... 45c |



If You Want Your Meat Order

to get the proper attention bring it here. Whether it's for one pound of steak or chops or for a large roast, we will fill your order in a polite manner, and we'll deliver it promptly, too.

ST. JOHNS CASH MARKET

GEO. W. IMBODEN, Prop.

109 North Jersey Street Market Phone Columbia 21

Member Builders Exchange
W. P. Greene & Son
Contractors & Builders
625 E. BUCHANAN STREET
Portland, Ore. Phone Empire 1025

Pulley & Zurcher
Plumbing, Heating & Tinning
We Repair Aluminum Ware
Phone Col. 92 207 S. Jersey St.