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THURSDAY, MARCH 10th, 1898.

ACCORDING to statistics prepared by the Chicago Tribune 166 persons (122 negroes, 33 whites and 5 Indians) were lynched in the United States during the year 1897-98 in the North and 146 in the South.

THE 30th will be the 31st anniversary of the signing of the treaty by which Alaska, or "Russian America," as it was then called, was ceded to the United States for \$7,200,000. The treaty was ratified on the 20th of June, 1867, and on the 9th of October following formal possession was taken at Sitka, or New Archangel, by a small military force under General L. H. Rouseau. The name of "Alaska" is said to have been suggested by Charles Sumner and is from the aboriginal word Al-ak shak, meaning "a great country."

REFERRING to the bill to provide for two more regiments of artillery, favorably reported by the house committee on military affairs, a late press dispatch says: "While Speaker Reed opposes any increase of the army, it is the belief now that he has been made to see the emergency and will allow the bill to become a law." If Speaker Reed has become such an autocrat at the national capital that no public measure can become a law that does not happen to meet with his august approval, then there ought certainly to be a revision of the house rules from which he derives his excessive authority. The time has not yet arrived in the United States, and we trust it never will, when there is need of an individual dictator of legislation at Washington.

At the time that the new revenue law was enacted, with its provision for the exemption from taxation of personal property to the amount of \$500 and the same amount on improvements on real estate, it was very strongly suspected that the chief object of the supporters of the bill was to exempt themselves from taxation and impose the entire burden upon "the rich," against whom the average Populist seems to entertain an unconquerable prejudice. The last legislative bargain contained comparatively few who would not have entirely escaped taxation on either real or personal property had the exemption clause of the revenue law been sustained by the supreme court. Had the old exemption law, exempting personal property only, to the amount of \$500, been allowed to remain in force it is not at all likely that its constitutionality would have been questioned, for while any exemption whatever is clearly in conflict with the constitutional principle that all property should bear its equal share of the burden of taxation, it is not probable that the supreme court would ever have been called upon to set aside the moderate exemption allowed by the first Republican legislature, which was averse to imposing any burden of tax upon the most necessary adjuncts of a poor man's home. There was no excuse for seeking to increase the exemption to such an amount that it was practically certain that the constitutionality of the measure would be questioned and the tax burden of every small holder of real or personal property in the state increased instead of diminished.

THE current number of the Review of Reviews contains one of the most admirable articles on "The Rush to the Klondike" which has yet been published. It was written by Sam Stone Bush and is illustrated by over thirty pictures of typical scenes along the principal overland routes. It is evident that Mr. Bush gained his information from actual observation and original sources, instead of trusting to hearsay and contradictory newspaper reports, as many other writers seem to have done. He accepts the ordinary estimate that 100,000 "prospectors" will go into Alaska this year and calculates their aggregate preliminary expenditures at \$60,000,000, or "four times as much as the probable total output of Klondike gold" during the same period. The immensity of the field for prospecting is pretty well shown by the statement that "Alaska embraces more square miles than twenty-one states of the Union, including the area from North Carolina northwest, taking in Illinois, and thence with the lakes to the North Atlantic coast of Maine." He figures that the placer area for prospecting is sufficient "to hide half a million men from one another by a distance to make each feel lonesome. There are 11,000 islands along the coast included in this Alaskan area, and with the numerous inlets they give a coast line 11,000 miles longer than the coast line—Atlantic, Pacific and Gulf—of the United States, or greater than the circumference of the earth." This is the estimate of Mr. Bush, but it looks a little large in comparison with the statement of the Encyclopaedia Britannica that "The numerous islands,

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creeks and inlets of Alaska lengthen its coast line to 7,900 miles, an extent greater than that of the eastern coast line of the United States." Attou island, the most remote of the Aleutian group, is as far west of Seattle as Portland, Maine, is east of Seattle. Describing in general terms the various routes, the writer gives his emphatic indorsement to that by way of the Chilkoot pass from Dyea.

A LATE London dispatch announces the purchase by Spain of two swift cruisers, which were contracted for in England by the Brazilian government and are now nearly ready for launching. It is also reported that Spain is to get Chile's finest warship, which has just been finished, and that she has purchased in France two heavily armored defense vessels which were ordered by Brazil for service on the river Platte. On the other hand, Representatives of the United States government are said to have secured options upon numerous naval vessels now nearing completion in Europe, some of them having been ordered by governments which are now unable to pay for them and others by governments which are not particularly friendly to this country. It is announced also that a contract has been entered into for the delivery of 400,000 tons of coal at Key West, and unofficial dispatches from Havana relative to the examination of the wreck of Maine say that "the more thoroughly the hull is examined the more convincing appears the evidence of the explosion from without." In view of these facts there would seem to be very little hope of a long continuance of "friendly relations" (?) between Spain and the United States. The situation is certainly very serious. It is hardly likely that any American entertains any doubt that a war with Spain would result in a victory for our cause and the loss to Spain of the last vestige of its once vast possessions in the New World. But that result, even if the war were of short duration, could only be achieved by the expenditure of a vast sum of money, the loss of many hundreds if not many thousands of lives, the not improbable destruction of an immense amount of property along the Atlantic coast, a blow at American commerce on the high seas which it is in poor condition to withstand, and a very serious loss to our agricultural interests through the inevitable contraction of exports. As between peace with honor and war with honor, the former is greatly to be preferred in every crisis of whatever nature, but it must be admitted that American patience has been sorely tried and that recent events leave little reason to hope for a long continuance of "honorable peace" with the treacherous Spanish nation.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.
Land Office at Seattle, Wash., Monday, February 7, 1898.
NOTICE is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of Superior Court, at Friday Harbor, Washington, on Monday, April 4, 1898, viz:
THOMAS DAVIS.
Homestead application No. 14,086 for the Sec 4 of Sw 1/4 Sec. 4 and Nw 1/4 of Ne 1 and E 1/4 of Nw 1 of Sec. 9, Tp. 30 N R 1 W.

NOTICE is hereby given that on Saturday, the 12th day of March, A. D. 1898, at the court house door, in Friday Harbor, in said County of San Juan, I will sell all the right, title and interest of the said William Wills and Mary Jane Wills, his wife, defendants, in and to the above described real estate, at public auction, to the highest and best bidder, to satisfy said execution and all costs. Given under my hand this 8th day of February, A. D. 1898.

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SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Superior court of the state of Washington for the county of San Juan, and to me directed and delivered, for a judgment rendered in said court on the 19th day of October, A. D. 1897, in favor of Eliza E. Simmons, plaintiff, and against George A. Lee and Helena Lee, and George A. Lee as guardian of the estate and person of Susie Helena Lee (a minor) and Susie Helena Lee and Mary A. Lee, defendants, for the sum of \$806.26 with interest at the rate of 12 per cent per annum from said 19th day of October, A. D. 1897, and the further sum of \$204.04 attorney's fees, and \$2.85 costs of suit, I have levied upon the following described real estate, to-wit:
The Northeast quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section Eleven (11), Township Thirty-five (35) North of Range Two (2), West of the Willamette Meridian, containing in all Forty acres, and more or less, and being in San Juan County, Washington.

Notice is hereby given that on Saturday, the 12th day of March, A. D. 1898, at the hour of 11 o'clock a. m., of said day, at the court house door, in Friday Harbor, in said county of San Juan, I will sell all the right, title and interest of the said George A. Lee, Helena Lee, and George A. Lee as guardian of the estate and person of Susie Helena Lee, and Susie Helena Lee and Mary A. Lee, defendants, in and to the above described real estate, at public auction, to the highest and best bidder, to satisfy said execution and all costs. Given under my hand this 2nd day of March, A. D. 1898. NEWTON JONES, Sheriff of San Juan County, Washington.

H. S. King and W. H. Thacker, attorneys for plaintiff.

First publication March 3, 1898.

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE.

In the Superior Court of the State of Washington, for San Juan County.
IN PROBATE.
In the matter of the estate of Thomas McKenna, deceased.
Order to show cause why an order of sale of real estate should not be made, and fixing time and place of hearing.

James L. Farnsworth, administrator of the estate of Thomas McKenna, deceased, having filed his petition, praying for an order of sale of the real estate of said decedent, for the purposes therein set forth.
It is hereby ordered by the said court, that all persons interested in the estate of said Thomas McKenna, deceased, appear before the said court, to-wit: Monday, the 28th day of March, A. D. 1898, at 2 o'clock p. m., at the court room of said court, at the court house in Friday Harbor, San Juan County, State of Washington, and show cause why they have, why an order should not be granted to the said James L. Farnsworth, administrator of said estate, to sell so much of the real estate of said decedent, Thomas McKenna, as shall be necessary to pay the debts and charges upon the same, and that a copy of this order be published at least four successive weeks in THE ISLANDER weekly newspaper printed and published and in general circulation in said San Juan County, and in open court this 21st day of February, 1898.

J. P. HOUSER, Judge.
STATE OF WASHINGTON,
COUNTY OF SAN JUAN.
I, E. H. NASH, Clerk of said Superior Court, in and for the County of San Juan, State of Washington, holding terms at Friday Harbor, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the original order to show cause as the same appears on record in my office.
Witness my hand and the seal of said court, this 21st day of February, 1898. E. H. NASH, (SEAL).
W. H. THACKER, attorney for administrator. Date first publication February 24, 1898.

Notice of Settlement of Final Account.

In the Superior Court of the State of Washington, for the County of San Juan.
PROBATE NOTICE.
In the matter of the estate of H. H. Smith, deceased.
Notice is hereby given that Mrs. Annie J. Smith, administratrix of the estate of H. H. Smith, deceased, has rendered and presented for the said Superior Court, in said County of San Juan, State of Washington, her petition to have estate settled and set over, and her final account as such administratrix, and in support thereof, holding terms at Friday Harbor, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the original order to show cause as the same appears on record in my office.
Witness my hand and the seal of said court, this 21st day of February, 1898. E. H. NASH, (SEAL).
W. H. THACKER, attorney for administrator. Date first publication February 24, 1898.

WITNESSES, J. P. Houser, Judge of said Superior Court, and E. H. Nash, Clerk of said Superior Court, and the Seal of said Court hereunto affixed, this 18th day of February, 1898.

SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the superior court of the state of Washington for the county of San Juan, and to me directed and delivered, for a judgment rendered in said court on the 25th day of January, A. D. 1898, in favor of John C. Bryant, plaintiff, and against William Wills and Mary Jane Wills, his wife, defendants, for the sum of \$628.27, with interest at the rate of 10 per cent per annum and \$79.51 with interest at the rate of 12 per cent per annum from the day of January, A. D. 1898, and the further sum of \$75.00 attorney's fees, and \$2.20 costs of suit, I have levied upon the following described real estate, to-wit:
The Northwest quarter and the North half of the Southwest quarter of Section Twenty (20) in Township Thirty-five (35) North of Range Three (3) West of the Willamette Meridian, containing 240 acres, situate, lying and being in San Juan County, State of Washington.

Notice is hereby given that on Saturday, the 12th day of March, A. D. 1898, at the hour of 11 o'clock a. m., of said day, at the court house door, in Friday Harbor, in said County of San Juan, I will sell all the right, title and interest of the said William Wills and Mary Jane Wills, his wife, defendants, in and to the above described real estate, at public auction, to the highest and best bidder, to satisfy said execution and all costs. Given under my hand this 8th day of February, A. D. 1898.

W. H. THACKER, attorney for plaintiff.
Sheriff of San Juan County, Washington.
H. S. King, attorney for the plaintiff.
First publication Feb. 10, 1898.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, Seattle, Wash., Feb. 7, 1898.
Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Superior Court at Friday Harbor, Washington, on Monday, April 4th, 1898, viz:
HENRY BRANAUGH.
Homestead application No. 14,068 for the Sec 4 of Nw 1/4 Sec. 4, Tp. 30 N R 1 W. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
Wm. Emch, Thomas Davis, Anthony Ohlert and J. D. Moore, all of Olga, Washington.

EDWARD P. TREMPER, Register. First publication Feb. 24, 1898.

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Notice of Application to Purchase Tide Lands.

Office of Commissioner of Public Lands | Olympia, Washington.
Notice is hereby given that Wm. B. Tiffany, of New Whatcom, Washington, filed an application in this office to purchase the following described Tide Lands, of the second class, situate in San Juan County, Washington, to-wit:
All Tide Lands of the second class owned by the State of Washington, situate in front of, adjacent to or abutting upon that portion of the United States government meander line described as follows: Beginning at the meander corner of fractional Sections 13 and 14 in Township 37 North of Range 2, West of Willamette Meridian a distance of 47.95 chains South of the corner common to Sections 11, 12, 13 and 14 in said Township and Range, and running thence along the said meander line in front of the east side of said Lot 2 as follows:
South 10 degrees, West 4.70 chains; thence South 12 degrees, West 4.60 chains; thence South 25 degrees, East 5.21 chains, being a total of 12.25 chains, to a point on said meander line where the boundary line between Lots 1 and 2 of said Section 14 would intersect the same.
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