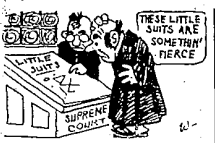


NEWS AND GOSSIP OF THE WEEK

Supreme Court's Little Suits Make Big Problems



WASHINGTON.—From small beginnings have arisen some of the most perplexing questions to be passed upon by the Supreme Court this fall and winter.

Thomas W. McComb had splendid luck doing haulings in Tintin town, Delaware county, Pennsylvania, a year or so ago. Probably to his surprise that day's outing will bring him to the Supreme Court. He was prosecuted for using an automatic gun in the hunt. In defense he attacked the constitutionality of the Pennsylvania law against the use of that type of weapon.

Mathias Schmiedler, a Chicago baker, is said to have made his leaves of bread a trifle to small one day and was fined \$100 for violating a city ordinance regulating the size of loaves. He will ask the Supreme Court to declare the ordinance a violation of the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

A burn on the back of Anne Sweeney of the District of Columbia foras

the basis of another suit. On its outcome will depend whether physicians are liable for burns by X-rays in photographing patients.

Over the meaning of the word "action" comes a case from the Hawaiian Islands. Arrests were made there for the alleged violation of a law requiring a license for sales at auction. The sales in question were made to retail fish dealers. The point is raised whether this was an auction, and if so, if there is a distinction between "public" and "private" auctions.

Whether the government must pay for the forage for two horses for the late Maj. Nathaniel H. McClan of the cavalry and for two servants is involved in another case. The point arises as a result of his reinstatement in the army. The horses and servants were acquired by him before he was reinstated in the army and before he was reinstated by congress.

The shipment of a wedding ring to Edward J. Croninger, a Cincinnati jeweler, to Atlanta, Ga., by the Adams Express precipitated a case which will determine whether express companies, since the passage of the Hepburn rate law, may limit their liability for loss of articles.

Whether the back of a bay window may form a "party wall" is the basis of a dispute between Lewis R. Simon and the City of Columbia, S. C., to determine whether the city is liable for loss of articles.

Postmaster General Hitchcock a Night Worker

It took one man, from a western city, nearly a week to find out something about Frank H. Hitchcock, the postmaster-general, that many Washingtonians acquainted with the inner workings of the postoffice department know.

This man went day after day at 9 o'clock in the morning to Mr. Hitchcock's office and waited patiently to be called. He waited for three days, but no one came. He then went to the postoffice and waited for three days, but no one came. He then went to the postoffice and waited for three days, but no one came.

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Some Good Things Left for the Hungry Ones

THERE are in the entire government service an army of more than 400,000 men and women. Of these more than 300,000 are protected by the civil service, some by law and some by executive order. Of the remaining 100,000 or so only 10,000 are protected by presidential appointees. The remainder are appointed by the heads of departments, but, of course, are subject to removal by the incoming administration.

Of the 10,000 direct presidential appointments, 7,000 must be confirmed by the senate.

In addition to this large army of office holders and government employees, all under the executive branch of the government, there are more than 1,000 appointments under the control of congress. Part of these the Democrats have, but they will gain more through the control of the United States senate.

President Wilson's available patronage disbursements will be much larger than the list which Grover Cleveland had at his disposal when he entered office in 1884, after the Democrats had been out in the cold for 23 long years.

In the sixteen years that have elapsed since Cleveland retired, the Democrats who were appointed to office by him have almost entirely been eliminated, except in offices and posts under the civil service, where many appointed under the Cleveland administration are still holding on.

Some of these Cleveland appointees are now filling the highest places in the classified service.

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THE MARKETS.

DETROIT.—Extra dry-fed steers, \$7.50; steers and heifers, \$7.00 to \$7.50; cows, \$6.50 to \$7.00; calves, \$6.00 to \$6.50; pigs, \$5.50 to \$6.00; hogs, \$5.00 to \$5.50; chickens, \$4.50 to \$5.00; turkeys, \$4.00 to \$4.50; ducks, \$3.50 to \$4.00; geese, \$3.00 to \$3.50; eggs, \$2.50 to \$3.00; butter, \$2.00 to \$2.50; cheese, \$1.50 to \$2.00; milk, \$1.00 to \$1.50; cream, \$0.50 to \$1.00; lard, \$0.25 to \$0.50; tallow, \$0.10 to \$0.25; soap, \$0.05 to \$0.10; kerosene, \$0.01 to \$0.05; oil, \$0.01 to \$0.05; coal, \$0.01 to \$0.05; wood, \$0.01 to \$0.05; hay, \$0.01 to \$0.05; straw, \$0.01 to \$0.05; grain, \$0.01 to \$0.05; fruit, \$0.01 to \$0.05; vegetables, \$0.01 to \$0.05; flowers, \$0.01 to \$0.05; clothing, \$0.01 to \$0.05; shoes, \$0.01 to \$0.05; hats, \$0.01 to \$0.05; jewelry, \$0.01 to \$0.05; books, \$0.01 to \$0.05; papers, \$0.01 to \$0.05; medicine, \$0.01 to \$0.05; food, \$0.01 to \$0.05; drink, \$0.01 to \$0.05; tobacco, \$0.01 to \$0.05; amusements, \$0.01 to \$0.05; services, \$0.01 to \$0.05; other, \$0.01 to \$0.05.

IMPORTANT ART OF ROPE SPLICING FOR MAKING HALTERS AND OTHER FARM WORK

Illustration and Detailed Instructions Given for the Home Manufacture of Useful Articles for Securing Horse or Other Animal, and for Other Various Requirements.

(By C. R. RUSH, Iowa College of Agriculture.)

To make a loop splice, double the rope where loop is desired. Through the short end of the rope make an opening by raising two of the strands and pushing the third strand down. Pass the long part of the rope through this opening in the same direction that the third or single strand runs (see Fig. 1). Draw down to about the size that the loop is desired. Now make a similar opening in the long part of the rope just above where the short end crosses, and pass the short end through (see Fig. 2). Draw this through and draw the two openings together. If all has been done correctly, a very smooth splice (Fig. 3) will be the result.



Fig. 1—Two-Loop Halter.

To make the eye splice, untwist the strands at one end of the rope about six inches. Then double the rope to the size of the "eye" desired. Arrange the strands at (a), (b) and (c) on the main rope (Fig. 1). Let the middle strand (a) lie along the main rope (Fig. 2). Now, holding the loop in the left hand, raise one of the strands (b) on the side nearest (a). Push (a) through under the strand which has been raised (see Fig. 2). Now, put strand (b) under the next strand beyond the one which (a) is under (Fig. 2). Next, turn the rope back, raise the

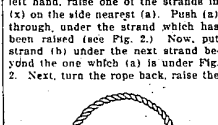


Fig. 2—Two-Loop Halter.

third strand in (x). Bring strand (c) down past this strand and then up under the strand in the same as in the short splice.

Now splice the three strands (a), (b) and (c) down the main rope the same direction as shown in (a) and (b). Each loose strand should now be under one strand for the main rope. No two should be under the same strand and no two should come out from between the same two strands.

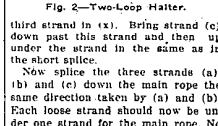


Fig. 3—Two-Loop Halter.

The end-splice is used as a permanent fastening in the end of a rope to prevent it from unraveling. The crown should always be used in starting the end splice.

To make the crown the strands are first untwisted about six inches, then one of the strands is doubled, to the right and left between the other two strands. (See crown, Fig. 1.) Then the next strand, (b) around the rope to the right is brought down across the loop and held along the main rope. Then the third strand (c) is passed through the loop made by (a). (See crown, Fig. 2.) If all has been done correctly the crown now appears as shown in the illustration.

End-splice, Fig. 1. Now draw the

crown tight by holding the main rope at (x) (end splice Fig. 1) and pulling the ends, one at a time until all are right. Take any one of the ends, pass it over the strand, which lies next



Eye Splice.

to it and under the next strand (Fig. 3). Turn the rope a little, take the next strand (c), place it over the main strand which is next to it, and under the next strand (a). Draw all three ends down tight (Fig. 3).

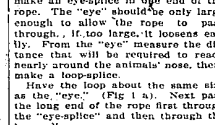
To make a two-loop halter, 12 or 13 feet of $\frac{1}{2}$ or $\frac{3}{4}$ inch rope should be sufficient. This halter has the advantage of being adjustable to various sized heads. It is not as satisfactory



Crown and End-Splice.

for steady use, however, as the loop halter, as there is some danger of its loosening so as to come off the head.

To make a two-loop halter, first make an eye-splice in one end of the rope. Then draw the only large enough to allow the rope to pass through. If too large, it loosens easily. From the "eye" measure the distance that will be required to reach nearly around the animal's nose, then make a two-loop halter.



Loop Splice Used in Making Rope Halters.

of the rope. The halter is now complete as shown in Fig. 2. (a) is the eye-splice, (b) the loop-splice, (c) the end splice, (d) the nose piece; (e) goes under the jaw and (f) over the top of the head behind the ears.



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