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PERVERSE. Lord, oft I come unto Thy door, But when Thou openest it to me, Back to the dark I shrink once more, Away from light and Thee. Lord, oft some gift of Thee I pray, Thou givest bread of finest wheat; Empty I turn upon my way, Counting a stone more sweet. Thou bid'st me speed; then sit I still; Thou bid'st me stay; then do I go; Lord, make me Thine in deed and will, And ever keep me so! —Lisette Woodworth Reese.

The indictment of the Portland commission men for violation of the anti-trust law is probably a faint shadow of what is to come during the next few years. The whole country has been aroused to the trust's evil and all parties, save the bull moosers, are awake to the necessity of action. The democratic party was especially strong in its pledge to take steps to restore competition and it is probable that firm action will be taken by President Wilson. The job must be done and will be done. If it is not done by the government it will in time be done by the socialists, the syndicalists or the I. W. W.

Many do not know it but alimony is not always paid by ex-husband to ex-wife. The payment in numerous cases is the other way. In the state of California there are 61 grass widows who pay alimony to their weary and bewailing former help meets. In Indiana 450 women pay alimony to former husbands; in Ohio there are 673 such cases; in Wisconsin, 566; Illinois more than 500; while in Pennsylvania there are about 50 cases though that state is the second largest in the union. The facts are vouched for by the census bureau and the bureau is neither for nor against the suffrage cause.

If a bill that has been introduced in the legislature is adopted the state will take over the Columbia and the Southern project, a land act scheme, and complete the reclamation of the land for the settlers. The appropriation is to be reimbursable however, so it will cost the state nothing. The move seems the best way out of a bad situation. The settlers went upon that project believing the state was behind the scheme and would safeguard their interests. No doubt the board tried to do so but under existing laws was powerless to perform such duty.

The fact a bill is now up to give the settlers relief is of more than usual interest because of the action of the legislature in passing the Thompson swamp land bill over the governor's veto. While the settlers on the Columbia Southern project are calling for aid the legislature has voted to bring about a repetition of the mistake down in Lake county. Such is lawmaking by the legislature.

Down in old Missouri there are people who like some in Oregon wish to hobble the initiative in Missouri and referendum. But also they are meeting with but little support. Commenting on their efforts the St. Louis Post-Dispatch says: "News of the scheme to submit a constitutional amendment hedging about the initiative and referendum with almost prohibitive bars and forbidding the submission by initiative of any proposition relating to the single tax reads like a tale out of the middle ages."

WITH DIAPYSON LUNGS.

When a son was born to E. A. Kieselhorst, piano man, he wired his friend, Col. E. S. Conway of Chicago: "Third pedal arrived this morning. Mother and son doing nicely." As a piano man, Col. Conway was up on third pedals, but there are third pedals and third pedals. He wanted to know what kind of a third pedal the little Kieselhorst was. "Loud or soft?" he wired back. "Loud," was Kieselhorst's answer.—Selected.

"Recent political progress has been away from constitutional checks on the will of the people. The overwhelming popular demand which has been voiced more or less by all the parties is for more direct control of legislation and greater freedom in the expression of the popular will.

"Nothing could be more obnoxious than the proposal that the people tie themselves up with a constitutional prohibition against permitting themselves to vote on any question of public policy." Doubtless the Tories in Missouri will be no more successful in crippling the initiative than they have been in Oregon. They should turn their attention to improving the legislature so that it will not be necessary for the people to resort to such extensive use of the initiative.

Pendleton will have baseball again and it is a pleasing prospect for we need the summer amusement. Now let us get a team that will play so well that if occasionally an umpire swipes a victory from them there will be victories to spare.

Pre-lenten stories from the east show the Devil may well afford a 40 days' rest.

TRY SOME OF THIS

THE OLD HOME PAPER.

When the evenin' shade is fallin' at the end o' the day, An' a feller rests from labor, smokin' at his pipe o' clay, There's nothin' does him so much good, be fortune up or down, As the little country paper from his Old Home Town.

It tain't a thing of beauty and its print ain't always clean, But it straightens out his temper when a fellow's feeling mean. It takes the wrinkles off his face an' brushes off the frown, That little country paper from his Old Home Town.

It tells of all the parties an' the balls on Pumpkin Row, 'Bout who spent Sunday with who's girl, an' how the crops'll grow, An' how it keeps a feller posted 'bout who's up and who's down That little country paper from his Old Home Town.

Now I like to read the dailies an' the story papers, too; An' at times the yaller novels an' some other trash—don't you? But when I want some readin' that'll brush away a frown, I want the little country paper from my Old Home Town.—Denver Post.

Not Needed. "Do you carry burglar insurance on your home, Bildad?" asked Wiggle. "I used to, but since the twins came I've given it up," said Bildad. "Nobody sleeps at our house after dark so what's the use?" —Harper's Weekly.

Menning —? Gabe—What do you think of Carnegie's scheme to pension presidents who retire to private life? Steve—I'm for it. It's worth \$25,000 a year to keep some of them in retirement.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Poor Woman. "My wife read me a curtain lecture last night." "Eh! Does she read 'em?" "She has to read 'em now. Her memory is falling."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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The Evidence. "Did you have a nice walk with Mr. Smith Lizzie?" "Why, mother, who's been telling you I met Mr. Smith?" "Nobody; but I notice you bring home his walking stick instead of my best umbrella."

Willin'. "Would you marry him if you were me?" "I'd marry any one that asked me, if I were you.—Houston Post.

Sure Sign. Mrs. Ames—Are they happily married? Mrs. Wood—They're still friends of the people who introduced them to each other.—Chicago News.

Poor Girl. He—I don't think Maude is looking like herself. She—Can you blame her Not That Kind. "Is your husband a Socialist?" "Indeed not. He just likes to go with me to make calls."—Detroit Free Press.

Waking Up. "Well, dear, I guess the honeymoon is over." "Why do you say that?" pouted the bride. "I've been taking stock and find I'm down to \$2.65."

Always Call Again. "Our sins are sure to find us out," quoted the Wise Guy. "Yes, but they have an unpleasant habit of calling again," added the Simple Mug.—Philadelphia Record.

The Fruit of Love. "That girl is a peach." "Ah! she is the apple of my eye." "Then I suppose you are going to make a pair."—Baltimore American.

Joyful Surprise. Wife—What makes you so happy? Did that letter contain a check? Hub—No; but it didn't contain a bill.—Brooklyn Transcript.

Nature Note. Little Dorothy had never before visited her grandfather, who lived in the country. The chickens occupied her undivided attention for half her first day at the farm. Finally she sought her grandfather and shyly asked: "Grandpa, do all hens eat with their noses?"

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Needed Time. "You told me to come back, and now when I come back you say you'll throw me out?" "Yes—I hadn't time before!"—Boston Transcript.

Progress. "Young man, do you know how to dance?" Young Man—Well, parson, I know the holds, but I don't know the steps.—Life.

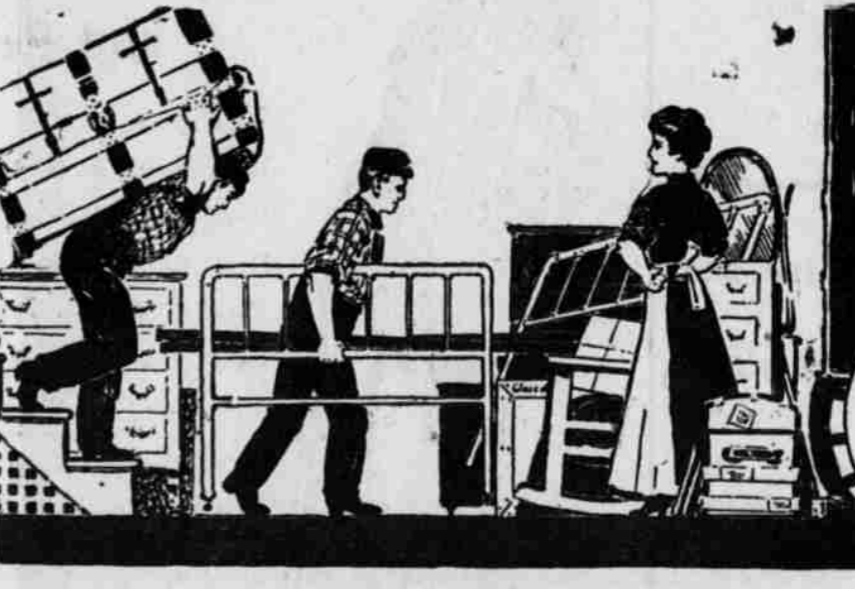
A Ready Answer. Beggar—Can you help a poor gent mister? Passerby—Hum! What sort of a do you call yourself? Beggar—A indigent, sir.

She Had. "Have you any unmarried daughters, Mrs. De Willoughby?" asked the visitor. "Oh, yes, Mr. Vanderbloom. My daughter Minnie was unmarried last week by Judge Cuttem of Reno," replied the lady.—Harper's Weekly.

Sent! Husband (with bad cold, reading out war news to his wife) I see the Bulgarians have taken a-a-techer-tis-rah! Wife—O no, dear; I think that must be a mistake—they took that place last week.—Punch.

What it Meant. "Jack and I have parted forever." "Good gracious! What does that mean?" "Means I'll get a five pound box of candy in about an hour."—Judge.

Real Brave. "Courageous, isn't she?" "Very! Why, she is engaged to marry a man named Triplett!"—New York Sun.



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