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WE'RE NOT SO BAD AFTER ALL

The severe shock recently suffered by the estimable Queen of Great Britain and Ireland regarding the scandalous state of affairs in the management of her drawing-rooms has created considerable discussion in the English newspapers over the prevalence of corruption among the so called upper classes.

The shock which shook the Queen was the immediate result of an investigation which revealed the fact that certain titled men and women, close to the throne, were engaged in selling the right of presentation at sums ranging from \$1,000 to \$10,000.

What bothers the English newspapers is, perhaps, that, following so closely upon the revelations in the Hooley case, this evidence of corruption among the nobility renders useless temporarily a large amount of "copy" regarding the moral decrepitude of a Republican form of government as exhibited by the exposures made by newspapers in the United States.

The worst phase of the situation from a monarchical view point is the fact that the more intelligent people of the United States have never been associated as a class with the corruption alleged to be prevalent on this side of the Atlantic.

WYLERISM OR M'KINLEYISM

There is no longer any mystery about the dilatory tactics of the Spanish commissioners at the Paris conference. It is not a mere case of "manana," doing nothing today which can be put off until tomorrow.

Nowhere will the election returns be awaited with such feverish anxiety as in Madrid. Sagasta and his cabinet, the Queen Regent, and the Cortes know perfectly well that a defeat of the American administration is their one forlorn hope.

While the war fever was coming on the people were eager and united, but now that hostilities have been suspended and a chance given for sober second thought how do the American people feel? Do they still

stand by the president and his expansion policy? An old Spanish proverb says that republics and weathercocks are alike fickle, and Spain's own Republican episode of a few years ago has evidently emphasized this proverb at Paris.

The Spanish conferees at the French capital are waiting for what next week Tuesday will bring forth. The best known American state, New York, has in the field for governor, Theodore Roosevelt, whose name is familiar to every Castilian hidalgo.

In view of all this nothing could be more timely than the danger signal Mr. Frederick W. Seward has just hung out. "Most of us," he says in a letter to the New York Tribune, "are assuming that the war is over."

THE FRENCH CRISIS.

Will France be able to avert the impending peril of a military dictatorship? That will depend upon the quality of contemporary French statesmanship.

In the play of "Richelieu" Bulwer causes the great cardinal to declare that "Beneath the rule of men entirely great the pen is mightier than the sword," an epigram often misapplied and perverted.

France's great need in the existing crisis, as in all other crises threatening the creation of a military dictatorship, is wise, determined and patriotic statesmanship.

The Spaniards have abandoned all hope of retaining a grip on Porto Rico and Cuba, and are now going to struggle to hold a coaling station, at least, in the Philippines. But even this will be denied them.

AMERICA WINS IN PARIS.

The Americans have gained an important victory in Paris by forcing the Spaniards to bear the entire Cuban debt. American views also regarding all matters relating to Porto Rico and the Island of Guam have been accepted by the Spanish commissioners.

Upon the Philippine question the Spaniards will undoubtedly make a desperate stand. Here is where the coming election in the United States will affect the decision of the Paris conference.

There are a few Indians on hunting expeditions in the Ize country, but these Redskins are now perfectly harmless if they are not molested or imposed upon. The lawlessness has not extended beyond the small band of braves which was practically exterminated in the Deer creek combat.

From this time, therefore, until after November 8th the proceedings of the peace commissioners at Paris will have an absorbing interest for Americans. It is the intention to take up the Philippine matter next week.

The pattering of the rain upon the roof last night was a welcome sound to all, and our streets today show the effects of the little shower, being free from the dust which has so annoyed us during the past months.

Prominent citizens of Missouri have become interested in behalf of young Jesse James. The interest which prominent citizens of Missouri exhibited in the father of this young man cost the state, according to the estimate of leading citizens of St. Louis, an incalculable amount of money.

When you ask for De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve don't accept a counterfeit or imitation. There are more cases of piles being cured by this than all others combined.

SETTLERS ARE SCARED.

Families Removing to Canyon City From the Ize Region.

A Canyon City telephone message to the Baker City Democrat says that women and children are being brought to that town for safety from the Ize section, about twenty miles distant, where the recent trouble occurred, resulting in the death of two or three white men and several Indians.

So far, the Canyon City informant says, six wagon-loads of settlers have come here for refuge. The fugitive settlers report that the Indians are gathering in force in the vicinity of Ize, and that the signal fires of the Redskins can be seen every night on the mountains surrounding the settlements.

From the current reports it is rumored that a shepherd was killed by the Indians last evening, at a point not far from Ize.

The most trustworthy information leads to the belief here that there will be no general uprising of the Redskins, and that all there is remaining of the difficulty, terminating with the desperate and bloody battle on Deer creek, is a big and general "scare" among the people living in the thinly settled sections.

The East Oregonian is a paper which can always be depended upon to say just what it thinks. It's a great wonder Jackson has not long since been discharged from newspaper circles on account of his close relationship to the "Father of Our Country" when it comes to telling the truth in regard to the "pickle tree."

The Air Ship Reaches Pendleton.

"The management of the 'Air Ship' company has been honest with the people, in that it has correctly stamped its playhouse wares and attempted no deceit as to the nature of the production. 'A screaming farce comedy' was the brand put on the theatrical goods sold Tuesday evening.

"Yet the public demand these things. And the theatrical profession must supply this demand, since it is not a missionary society to reform the people's tastes. So long as there is a market for farce comedy, so long will there be a quick response by the profession. So long as the seats at a 'bald headed show' are in best demand, so long will farce comedies of the 'Airship' type come around.

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Falls Alike on the Just and Unjust.

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OUR REFORM SCHOOL.

The Manner in Which it is Carried On—Should be One for Girls.

The Dalles has added another boy to its list at the state reform school, George M. Bonner, a lad of 12 years having been taken to Salem on Sunday by Sheriff Kelly. This makes about a dozen incorrigibles which have been sent from our city in the past few years to be "done over" by the superintendent and teachers there, and it is certainly the best move to make.

Those who have visited this institution find it conducted in a most systematic manner, and not in a way that would repulse the boy as he enters, but rather commends itself to him as the months go by. The superintendent is firm, but not burly; the matron kind,

The Racket Store.

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READ SOME OF OUR PRICES.

Table listing various goods and their prices, including Corsets, Corset Steels, Eight hundred Parlor Matches, One dozen Clothes Pins, 30 feet Clothes Line, Copper Bottom Wash Boiler, Galvanized Tub, Clothes Ringer, Oil cloth, 1/2 yards wide, per yard, Shelf oil cloth, per yard, Best machine oil, 4 oz. bottle, Coffee pots, 21-quart granite dish pan, Granite preserving kettle, Granite ware of all kinds, Steel curry comb, One dozen good glass tumblers.

And so the whole stock goes in all kinds of notions, such as ribbon, lace, silk floss, side combs, finishing braids, belts, dolls, purses, etc., also tinware, spring balances, files, spirit levels, hand saws, bits and bit braces, lamps, china ware, etc., etc. Goods exchanged for fresh ranch eggs.

THE DALLES, OREGON.

and the teachers and officers well chosen. The building is situated in a beautiful spot, and the surroundings the very best that could be found. Every hour of the boy's time is employed with his studies and work given him to do about the premises, while sufficient time is given for recreation, when the inmates are allowed to go to the play grounds or otherwise amuse themselves, under the supervision at all times of the officer in charge.

The writer was much amused, when visiting the school, at a remark made by a very bright, fine-looking lad to whom she was talking and of course interrogating, when he said: "Oh its good nough here; but there ought to be a reform school for girls, boys allus gets all the blame, and the girls is just as bad." While realizing that the boy was hardly old enough to understand how far wrong he was in the latter part of his statement when he said "boys gets all the blame," the contrary having been proven in the case of our Father Adam and Mother Eve and being verified every day since, we coincided with his first remark, "there ought to be a reform school for girls." Superintendent Gardner, of the Boys and Girls Aid Society in Portland, realizes this fact perhaps more deeply than any one else. This society is doing a noble work under the greatest of dif-

iculties, and Mr. Gardner is often at a loss to know just which way to turn when day after day are brought to him girls who do not come under his direct supervision, being too old or too incorrigible for that institution to look after. They are also not criminals, and therefore should not be placed where they are compelled to meet such characters as are found in the Magdalene Home, which is one of the grandest institutions to be found anywhere on the globe, but not the 'one in which to place girls not willfully wrong, but young and foolish. A place between the Boys and Girls Aid Society and the home should be instituted in the state where, as the boy said girls that are "just as bad" could be sent.

Fruit Trees. Mt. Tabor Nurseries.

W. S. Elkins, general salesman, will deliver fruit trees, etc., at The Dalles, November 8th, at Archer's stable, near the depot. Also at Dufur November 11th, next. If you want vigorous, healthy and true-to-name stock call at the above places as dated. Mt. Tabor grafts and buds from their own bearing home trees.

Report of District No. 5, Hood River. Following is the report for the month ending October 25, of school taught in district No. 5. Number pupils enrolled, 42. Average number belonging, 29. Average daily attendance, 32. Number days taught, 20. Number days absence, 19. Number times tardy, 2. KATHERINE E. DAVENPORT, Teacher.

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