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SOME NORTH POLE THEORIES

The Rochester Post recalls that many years ago "Symmes' Hole" was a part of the slang of the period. When a man disappeared people would say that he had gone down Symmes' Hole. The man who was responsible for this saying was John Cleves Symmes, an American and author, born in Sussex county, N. J., in 1870. He entered the United States army in 1802, served through the war of 1812, and distinguished himself in the battle of Niagara. After the war he settled down in Newport, Ky., and devoted himself to a theory. This theory was that the earth and all other planetary bodies are composed of a number of hollows, concentric spheres, open at their poles, and to support this theory the army officer wrote a remarkable volume entitled "Theories of Concentric Spheres, Demonstrating How the Earth is Hollow, Habitable Within and Widely Opened at the Poles." Before issuing this book Symmes issued a call for "100 brave companions, well equipped, to start from Siberia in the fall with reindeer and sleighs on the ice of the frozen sea; I engage we find a warm and new land stocked with thrifty vegetables and animals, if not men, on reaching one degree north of the latitude of 82 degrees. We will return the following spring."

But Symmes, like most prophets, was without honor in his own country. No brave men answered his call for an expedition to the North. He was undaunted, however, and after a series of public lectures he petitioned congress, in 1822, for a subvention in order to equip an expedition to the Arctic. Congress rejected his appeal, but some of his wealthy converts fitted out an expedition that reached a latitude of 82 degrees south, thus demonstrating the incorrectness of the Symmes theory. But the army officer was a man of one idea, hard-headed and obstinate. He was not convinced by the results of the expedition that sailed on the good ship Anawan, and he died in 1829, believing to the last the correctness of concentric spheres.

During his lifetime John Cleve Symmes was more or less ridiculed as a crank, but after his death the theory was taken up by other men, and in time they became rather widely accepted. Even as late as the early eighties the Symmes' Hole was gravely exploited by many students of the Arctic and Anarctic. The exploration of the last two decades, however, have effectually destroyed the theory. Shackleton, Peary and Cook have demonstrated that the Symmes theory is as ridiculous as the Ptolemy theory of the sun, or the Herodotus theory of the shape of the world.

Letter List

The following letters remain uncalled for in the Corvallis Ore. P. O., for the week ended Oct. 2, 1909:

Dave Craig (2), M. S. Larmore, Dr. McCausland, Mrs. Mary F. Mitchell, Margaret Sears, Mrs. H. L. Taylor, Miss Esther Taylor, Miss Maude Wilson, Silvey Woods, Mrs. W. S. Mulkey (Foreign).

B. W. JOHNSON, Postmaster.

GREAT STRIP OF GAUZE IN BODY

Depositions are being taken at Albany in a case pending in Oklahoma growing out of the peculiar fact that a physician in sewing up a woman's body after an operation is alleged to have left a piece of gauze 11 by 33 inches in size inside her body. Alice M. Elliott, of Lebanon, is suing Dr. U. L. Russell, of Guthrie, Okla., for \$20,000 damages for malpractice. The depositions are being taken before Attorney N. M. Newport, of Lebanon, who was appointed by the Circuit Court of Oklahoma County, Okla., as a special referee to take the testimony of witnesses in Oregon.

On June 14, Dr. Russel performed an operation on Mrs. Elliott at Guthrie, Okla. She survived the operation and soon afterward came to Oregon with her husband, S. H. Elliott, and located at Lebanon. During the year following the operation she experienced considerable pain at times in her abdomen, but her condition did not become serious until early in August, 1908. She suddenly became very ill and Drs. W. H. and J. C. Booth, of Lebanon, who were attending her, saw that an immediate operation was necessary to save her life. She was brought to St. Mary's Hospital in Albany and an operation was performed by Dr. R. C. Coffey, of Portland; Dr. W. H. Davis, of Albany, and Dr. W. H. Booth and Dr. J. C. Booth, of Lebanon.

When the physicians opened up the woman's body they were surprised to find a piece of gauze which had gradually collected into a solid mass and completely filled an intestine for a distance of about three inches. The gauze had clogged the intestine completely for probably 24 hours before the operation and had not the operation been performed immediately death would have resulted. After the gauze was removed Mrs. Elliott at once got well.

More of What Curtis Wrote

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rolled in 1906-1907 was 833. In 1907-1908 the enrollment was 1,156, an increase of 323, or more than 38 per cent over the preceding year. In 1908-1909 there were 1,350 students of whom 362 were women, and 123 graduates. A table has been prepared showing the occupation of their parents or guardians, of which the following is a summary: Farmers, including dairymen, horticulturists, etc., 41 per cent; architects, engineers, 14 per cent; mechanics, 11 per cent; merchants, druggists, bankers, hotel proprietors, 15 per cent; lumbermen and laborers, 10 per cent; clerks, bookkeepers and traveling salesmen, 4 per cent; lawyers, editors, physicians, teachers and other professions, 5 per cent. Practically all of the professions and trades are represented, but 95 per cent of the students come from the industrial occupations, and only 5 per cent from the professional classes.

"Eighty-nine per cent of the students are either wholly or partially earning their own way. At least 38 per cent are employed at the college or in the City of Corvallis during the entire year. The remainder seek employment during the vacations. It is frequently the case that students omit a year or two in order to accumulate sufficient money to resume their studies, and for

that reason they have been known to remain portions of six or seven years to complete their courses. The persistency and determination which carry young men and women through college under such circumstances indicate their character and promise well for their future success in life. The great majority of our students are mature for their age, and their industry, earnestness of purpose, responsiveness and general deportment show a sense of obligation and a spirit of loyalty, creditable alike to them, to the college and to the state of Oregon.

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Bishop Spalding Speaks at O.A.C.

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The Bishop was given tremendous applause as he sat down.

Others On Program

As a preliminary to Bishop Spalding's address, W. R. Boone gave a piano selection, and Bishop Scadding made a few remarks. At the close of the address, Prof. W. F. Gaskins sang "Thou Art to Me," by Chadwick, and Chadwick himself would have been pleased had he heard it. The interpretation was particularly fine, and Mr. Gaskins sang with much feeling.

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BEST LAND GOES FOR A SONG

The transfers real estate for the week ending October 2nd show that land in Benton county is going at a 10 cent bargain counter rate. 268.17 acres north of Corvallis for \$1, and 240 acres for \$10 is ample assurance to the newcomer that Benton land prices are not high; and of course assessments are not high, either. The record for the week is as follows:

John Coffee to Michel Coffee, undiv-

ided 1-5 of land near Monroe \$10.00.
 William Ryals to Ada Hecker, 94.57 acres north of Corvallis \$1.00.
 Same to Wm. F. Ryals, 269.17 acres north of Corvallis \$1.00.
 Mrtilda Ann Hale to Jenette L. Huggins and husband 35 acres near Alpine \$10.00.
 Jacob Leder to J. W. Ingle, lots 10 & 11 bl. 20 Job's Add., Corvallis \$10.00.
 Jenette L. Huggins to A. J. & B. W. Johnson, lots 27 Wells & McElroy's Add., Corvallis \$10.00.
 Logan Beck to H. B. Auld, lot 9 bl. 1 Rayburn's Add., Corvallis \$10.00.
 H. B. Auld to Lizzie Beck & Edna Bauer, lot 9 bl. 1 Rayburn's Add., Corvallis \$10.00.
 H. T. True and husband to Minnie E. Lee, part of bl. 5. College Hill Add., Corvallis \$10.00.
 John F. Allen to Ella Allen Springer, lot 9 Park Terrace \$0.00.
 Clara M. Harding to V. E. Watters, 240 acres north of Corvallis \$10.00.

be carefully considered and acted upon immediately if it has the merit it seems to have on the first proposition,

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TRESPASSERS.

As two of my registered sheep were shot and killed by hunters last year, and recently two of my best ewes were torn up by hunting dogs, I have therefore given strict orders to my men employed to gather evidence to prosecute all trespassers with gun or dog found on my premises, and particularly to shoot and kill all dogs found on the farms. So that no one may be taken by surprise, I publish this notice.

FIFTY DOLLARS REWARD is hereby offered for the arrest and conviction under section 36 on page 419 of the session laws of 1909, of any person found trespassing by hunting with gun or dogs on my farms.

TWENTY DOLLARS REWARD is also offered for the arrest and conviction of any person for tearing down, cutting, destroying or defacing this notice, posted on my farms Sept. 30, 1909.

9-30-D&W-tf M. S. WOODCOCK.
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Carver Would Build Another

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will suit him to come to Eugene and explain all the details of his scheme and if a time is named a meeting of the Commercial Club members, the Merchants' Protective Association, Asset Company and citizens will be called together to hear him tell them what he intends to do.

The matter was very favorably considered at the meeting last evening and it was the consensus of opinion that it is an excellent start for the proposed road to the coast. It is hoped Mr. Carver will name a date in the near future so that the proposition may

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