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Mamma—Yes. She and another girl were exactly even in the written examination, but it was decided that Emily shrugged her shoulders more correctly like the French.—London Tit-Bits.

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ALONG THE COAST.

Items of General Interest gleaned From the Thriving Pacific States.

To Exclude Convict-Made Goods. The Manufacturers' and Producers' Association, of San Francisco, Cal., has entered upon a vigorous campaign against convict-made goods being placed upon the free market. Circulars are being sent throughout the state, accompanied by a postal card, which is to be filled out and returned to the association by the receiver of the letter. By filling out this card an agreement is made to exclude from business establishments and homes all stores known to have been made by convict labor. Recent investigations made by the association disclosed the fact that among other things large quantities of shoes made by convict labor in Oregon were being sold not only in San Francisco, but throughout the state of California, and it is principally against this trade that the circular letter is directed.

Sharp Advance in Oatmeal. Flour and feed merchants of Vancouver, B. C., last week announced an advance of 20 cents per barrel in all grades of oatmeal. Heavy orders will have to be filled from the north shortly, and American dealers have been asking for quotations from British Columbia merchants with a view to having the orders filled in Vancouver. The supply of oats held on the coast is not large, and higher prices followed the inquiries from Seattle and Pacific coast points. As many tons will be required in the north before the new crop is ready, another advance in both oats and oatmeal is looked for. No attempt has been made to corner the market.

Mill Will Not Close Down. D. A. Merriman, president and general manager of the mill mill at Everett, Wash., received word from the headquarters of the American Steel Wire Company, in Chicago, that 2,000 tons of wire rods were about to be shipped to Everett for the mill at that point. This mill has been running night and day for the past two weeks, and there is not enough wire rods on hand to keep it running more than a month longer, so it was feared that the mill would have to shut down, but this shipment of rods, however, will be sufficient to keep the mill running continuously for at least three months.

Southeastern Oregon Wool. The wool market has opened up in Red Bluff, and the prevailing prices range from 6 1/2 to 7 cents for fall clips, and 11 to 12 cents for the spring clips, only a small quantity selling at the top price. It is expected that by the end of the week the whole spring clip of Tehama county will be in. It is evident that the Lake county market will not be as lively as that of the spring of '98, owing to the fact that there still remains so much unsold wool. Figures gathered from the various wool centers of Oregon give a total of 6,000,000 pounds remaining unsold from the clip of 1898.

Cold Storage Plant. Olcott Payne, the Northwest agent of the Frick Ice Machine Company, of Waynesboro, Pa., is at present in Lewiston, Idaho, preparing plans and specifications for the cold storage plant to be established at Vineland by the Lewiston Ice & Cold Storage Company. The company will put in an ice-machine plant having a capacity of ten tons, with a cold storage warehouse attached, and provided with ample facilities for handling the fruit crop along the rivers and other cold storage business. The plant will be installed and ready for business early in July.

Electric Lights for Republic. The San Poi Mining & Water Company has secured a franchise and right of way from the commissioners of Ferry county to string wires, set poles and introduce electric lights throughout the town and suburbs of Republic. The company is composed of Spokane men and a few Republic men. The works are to be placed at near San Poi lake. Contracts are being made with private people for placing lights in their buildings and places of business. The capacity will be 1,200 16 candle-power, and must be in operation by August 1, 1899.

Big Orders Placed. The Pacific American Fisheries Company, of New Whatcom, has placed an order for 7,000,000 cans with the Pacific Sheet Metal Works. They will also soon be manufacturing 60,000 per day at the Franco-American cannery, and 50,000 per day at the Friday Harbor plant. One hundred and fifty thousand boxes will be manufactured by the Puget Sound Sawmill & Shingle Company, and Morrison Bros., of Ferndale, will make 50,000 for the fish company.

To Bond the City. The city council of Edmunds, Wash., has introduced an ordinance for the issuance of \$6,200 coupon bonds to raise money to construct a system of waterworks. The bonds are to be issued in denominations of not less than \$100 nor more than \$1,000, and made payable in not more than 20 years from date. They are to bear interest at a rate not to exceed 6 per cent per annum, payable semi-annually.

New Bottling Works. L. L. Daus will establish a branch of the famous Daus bottling works, of Boise, Idaho, at Welser, and will open at that point in the manufacture of all kinds of carbonic drinks. He has with him a complete soda plant and bottling outfit, and will be prepared to do a large wholesale business. It is thought that this branch establishment will soon exceed the mother establishment, owing to the ideal location at Welser.

The Star Cheese factory at Brownsville, Or., manufactured 3,000 pounds of cheese during the month of April, and it out some good news to a number of farmers. M. Weber and W. T. Schran cleared an average of \$2.50 per head for their cows, which shows the paying advantages of a first-class cheese factory. Many farmers are furnishing milk regularly to the factory and are realizing good profits.

The new brick plant to be installed by Messrs. Linn and Trueswell, at Trull, B. C., has arrived, and the boiler and engine being placed in position.

Bound Elections.

An election was recently held at Red Lodge, Mont., at which a proposition carried to bond the city in the sum of \$25,000 for the purpose of constructing water works in that city. Another proposition to bond that district for \$10,000 for the purpose of erecting a brick high school building will soon be submitted to the qualified voters of Red Lodge. These latter bonds are to be redeemable in 10 years, and payable in 20 years, and are to bear interest at a rate of 5 per cent.

Yakima Hops. There is a full acreage of hops in this vicinity this year. The Yakima hop crop will probably amount to 18,000 or 20,000 bales. About 4,000 have been contracted for the season. Arthur Poole made contracts at 11 cents last week as follows: Captain Dunn, 80 bales; Frank Marble, 70 bales; E. S. Hill, 150 bales; A. W. Morrison, 80 bales; George Siverly, 30 bales. He reports negotiations progressing favorably for several hundred bales more.

New Mining Company. Articles of incorporation have been filed by the Empire Mining Company, with a capital stock of \$1,500,000, divided into 1,500,000 shares of the par value of \$1 each. The company proposes to operate placer gold mines and leases of gold-bearing ore in Baker and Grant counties. The principal office of the company will be situated at Baker City, with a branch office in Montreal, Canada.

Bank Incorporated. The Kendrick State bank, of Kendrick, Idaho, filed articles of incorporation with a capital stock of \$25,000. The directors are M. C. Normoyle, D. C. McGee, Math Jacobs, A. W. Gordon and F. N. Gilbert.

PACIFIC COAST TRADE.

Portland Market. Wheat—Walla Walla, 57c; Valley, 58c; Blacmont, 59c per bushel.

Flour—Best grades, \$3.20; graham, \$3.65; superfine, \$4.15 per barrel.

Oats—Choice white, 44¢; choice gray, 42¢ 1/2 per bushel.

Barley—Feed barley, \$22.00; brewing, \$25.00 per ton.

Milutuffs—Bran, \$17 per ton; middlings, \$22; shorts, \$18; chop, \$14.00 per ton.

Hay—Timothy, \$3.00; clover, \$7.00; Oregon wild hay, \$6 per ton.

Butter—Fancy creamery, \$3.35; seconds, 27¢ 3/4; dairy, 25¢ 3/4 per store, 17¢ 3/4 per lb.

Cheese—Oregon full cream, 13¢; Young America, 16c; new cream, 10c per pound.

Poultry—Chickens, mixed, \$3.00 per dozen; hens, \$4.00; \$5.00; springs, \$1.25; geese, \$6.00; \$7.00 for old, \$4.50 for young; ducks, \$5.00; \$5.50 per dozen; turkeys, 15¢ per lb.

Potatoes—\$1.10 per sack; sweets, 2c per pound.

Vegetables—Beets, 90c; turnips, 75c per sack; garlic, 7c per pound; cabbage, \$1.25 per 100 pounds; cauliflower, 75c per dozen; parsnips, 75c per sack; beans, 30c per pound; celery, 70¢ per dozen; cucumbers, 50c per box; peas, 32¢ 3/4 per pound.

Onions—Oregon, 50¢ 7/8 per bushel; Hops—11¢ 1/2; 1897 crop, 4¢ 3/4.

Wool—Valley, 11¢ 1/2 per pound; Eastern Oregon, 6¢ 1/2; mohair, 27c per pound.

Mutton—Gross, best sheep, wethers and ewes, 4c; dressed mutton, 7 1/2¢; spring lambs, 7 1/2¢ per lb.

Hog—Gross, choice heavy, \$4.50; light and feeders, \$2.50; \$3.00; dressed, \$5.00; \$6.00 per 100 pounds.

Beef—Gross, top steers, 4.00; \$4.50; cows, \$2.50; \$3.00; dressed beef, 5¢ 3/4 per pound.

Veal—Large, 6¢ 7/8; small, 7 1/4¢ 8c per pound.

Onions, 50¢ 1/2 per 100 pounds
Potatoes, \$3.00 per sack.
Beets, per sack, \$1.25.
Turnips, per sack, 50¢ 3/4.
Carrots, per sack, 75c.
Parsnips, per sack, 85¢ 1/2.
Cauliflower, \$1.00 per dozen.
Celery, 35¢ 1/2 per lb.

Cabbage, native and California \$2.50 per 100 pounds.
Apples, \$2.50; \$3.50 per box.
Pears, 50¢ per box.
Fruit, 50¢ per box.
Butter—Creamery, 20c per pound; dairy and ranch, 19¢ 1/2 per pound.
Eggs, 18c.
Cheese—Native, 15c.
Poultry—Old hens, 16c per pound; spring chickens, 14c; turkeys, 16c.
Fresh meats—Choice dressed beef steers, prime, 9c; cows, prime, 8c; mutton, 9c; pork, 7c; veal, 8¢ 1/2.
Wheat—Feed wheat, \$2.00.
Oats—Choice, per ton, \$26.50.
Hay—Puget Sound mixed, \$7.00; 4c; choice Eastern Washington timothy, \$12.00.
Corn—Whole, \$22.50; cracked, \$24; feed meal, \$24.00.
Barley—Rolled or ground, per ton, \$25; 25¢ whole, \$24.
Flour—Patent, per barrel, \$3.35; straight, \$3.10; California brands, \$3.25; buckwheat flour, \$3.50; graham, per barrel, \$3.60; whole wheat flour, \$3.75; rye flour, \$4.50.
Milutuffs—Bran, per ton, \$16; shorts, per ton, \$16.
Feed—Chopped feed, \$21; 22¢ per ton; middlings, per ton, \$23; oat cake meal, per ton, \$23.

San Francisco Market. Wool—Spring—Nevada, 10¢ 1/2 per pound; Oregon, Eastern, 8¢ 1/2; Valley, 15¢ 1/2; Northern, 8¢ 1/2.

Milutuffs—Middlings, \$16; 20.50; bran, \$15; 16.50 per ton.

Onions—Siberian, 50¢ 90c per sack.
Butter—Fancy creamery, 17¢ 1/2; do seconds, 16¢ 1/2; fancy dairy, 15¢; do seconds, 14¢ 1/2 per pound.
Eggs—Store, 15c; fancy ranch, 16¢ 1/2.

Hops—1898 crop, 15c.
Citrus Fruit—Oranges, Valencia, \$2 @ 2.50; Mexican limes, \$4.50; California lemons, 75¢ @ 1.25; do choice, \$2.50 per box.

Hay—Wheat, \$18 @ 15.50; wheat and oat, \$15 @ 15; oat, \$14 @ 16; best barley, \$12 @ 13; alfalfa, \$11 @ 12 per ton; straw, 40¢ 20c per bale.

Potatoes—Early Rose, \$1.50 @ 1.75; Oregon Burbanks, \$1.65 @ 1.85; river Burbanks, 75¢ @ 1; Salinas Burbanks, \$1.10 per sack.

Tropical fruits—Bananas, \$1.50 @ 1.50 per bunch; pineapples, \$2.50 @ 4.50; Persian dates, 6¢ 3/4 per pound.

The Anonymous Letter.

66 Y Jovel. What a beauty! Who is this old man? The speaker stood in an admiring attitude before the picture of a young girl, while the one questioned answered briefly: "My sister."

"O, I say, Paul, that won't do. We don't put our sisters' pictures in frames like that."

"Don't you? Well, I do, O hang it, Burt, don't you see that I'm busy. I can't work while your tongue is wagging. Get out of here now, and if you won't show your face here again to-day you shall spend the month of July with me at my home, and then you shall judge for yourself whether that frame is too good for my sister's picture," and Paul Reynolds gave him a good-natured push toward the door.

"Do you mean that? Hurray! Why, that would be worth a lifetime banishment—no offense to you, old fellow," and Burton Smith mildly expressed his delight by turning somersaults across the room, walking back on his hands, then bringing his feet to the floor, he shot upwards and, catching hold of a bar above his head, he drew himself up and whirled around the bar with the proficiency of an acrobat, dropping to the floor with a shout of overflowing mirth.

"Get out of this, you rattlehead!" And, having him outside, Paul shut the door in his face, and heard him go downstairs at a breakneck pace which brought the good old landlady to the door in alarm, expecting to find somebody at the bottom with a broken neck.

"Sakes alive! That Mr. Smith again!" she exclaimed.

Burton's walk home had a tendency to quiet his hilarity, but that face was still before him, and after sitting in deep thought for an hour he sprang up with alacrity.

"I'll do it, by Jove! She can't feel deeply offended, anyway, and I'll sign only a part of my name. Better for the future's sake to be on the safe side. There, that'll do, I think."

Belle Reynolds stood with an open letter in her hand, and her eyes flashed angrily as she spoke her thoughts aloud. "Soft-headed idiot! Heard of me through a friend, indeed! This stranger—"

"Then something like the truth swept through her mind and her fun-loving mind reassured itself, and, going to her desk, she wrote:

"Mr. Charles Burt—Your most extraordinary letter savors strongly of the Wedding Bells class, but you forget to state whether your motive was for pleasure, pastime, or with a view to matrimony. Whatever your object may be, permit me to say that you are guilty of gross impertinence. My friend, Matilda Brindle, would call you 'sassy.'"

"Are you aware, sir, of the risk you incur by asking to correspond with a spinster of the tender age of 37? Let me enlighten you. I will honestly describe the picture which my mirror reflects, and then, perhaps, you will congratulate yourself on having found a person so frank as myself. My reddish-yellow hair, already thin on top, hangs in ringlets about my full-sized ears, my freckled nose is elevated by nature to a high degree, my teeth are conspicuous by the absence of not a few, and my greenish-gray eyes would be my one redeeming feature if I were not crossed-eyed. I am tall and commanding—most emphatically commanding. My joints are too large to allow my wearing rings, so don't send any. I am a strong-minded woman, sir, so think well before you further commit yourself. B. R."

When Burton Smith received this mocking epistle he dove both hands into his trousers pockets and stood gazing at his feet with a most dejected air. No acrobatic performances now, O, no. No occasion for them. But as the humor of the whole affair struck him, he threw back his head and laughed—he roared.

"The little mink! Serves me right, though. But how foolish she could make a fellow feel. Smith, you're an ass!"

The June days passed, the eagerly anticipated vacation drew near, and at last Paul Reynolds and Burton Smith found themselves in the quaint old town of Castone, where they were happily welcomed.

At first Burton rather stood in awe of beautiful Belle Reynolds. Her lovely face and graceful figure won universal admiration, and her sweet disposition endeared her to all. Burton Smith proved to be no exception. Their mutual love for all kinds of outdoor sports threw them together constantly, and they became firm friends. Then as the time for his departure drew near he began to realize that in leaving Belle Reynolds behind he was leaving all that had made life so bright for him during the last few weeks. Yet he felt that there was no reason why a comparative stranger should claim more than the friendship accorded him.

He would undoubtedly have gone back to business with his love untold had he not unexpectedly come upon Belle in the little vine-covered summer-house one morning with a wee-gone expression and traces of tears upon her fair face. She hastily explained that she had been indulging in a fit of loneliness at the thought of her brother's return, but the look and blush which accompanied her words gave him new courage, and, taking both her hands in his, he asked:

"May I hope, Belle, that you will miss me a little, too, when I am gone? Forgive me for speaking so soon, but you have become dear to me, and I am convinced enough to believe that you like me. Tell me, darling, that you can, in time, care for me, and I will try to be worthy of your dear love."

Whatever her answer may have been, suffice it to say that when they emerged from their secluded nook an hour later their faces bore evidences of their new-found happiness.

"By the way, Belle, I have not yet met your friend, Matilda Brindle. Does she not live in Castone?"

Belle stopped short in her walk and looked at him. "Then you are—"

"Charles Burton Smith, at your service." And he made a profound bow just in time to receive a sound box on the ear, administered by the little beauty beside him. Then she fled precipitately.

Soon after their return to the city Paul went to Burton's room, and seeing one of Belle's latest pictures in a costly frame, he shyly remarked:

"Eh, old fellow, changed your mind?"

"O, well, you know, she is not my sister." But the look which he gave the sweet face spoke volumes.—Boston Post.

QUER STUFFS

The most wonderful astronomical photograph in the world is that which has recently been prepared by London, Berlin and Parisian astronomers. It shows at least sixty-eight million stars.

When a Philippine woman of better class gets married, she sometimes wears as her wedding dress a costume of native manufacture that reaches in value up into four figures. It takes months to make a handkerchief or a sleeve, so microscopic and delicate is the fabric.

Travelers in Australia complain that almost the only trees in the continent are eucalyptus, and they afford little shade, as they have learned to turn their leaves edgewise to the sun. The botanical gardens in the cities are, however, declared to be dreams of beauty.

Recent investigations have shown that the principal source of the Gulf stream is not the Florida channel, but the region between and beside the islands of the West Indies. At Binton the volume of this warm water is sixty times as great as the combined volume of all the rivers in the world at their mouths.

Of the 19,410,554 cotton spindles in the country, Massachusetts has 7,907,388. Rhode Island follows with 2,132,250, while New England as a whole has 13,431,951. Of cotton looms the State has 182,183; wool cards, 1,896 sets; worsted combs 412, woolen looms, 20,538, and silk looms 843. It will be seen that Massachusetts has over 40 per cent of the entire cotton spindleage of the country. It has 22 per cent of all the wool cards, and shows an increase of sixty-one sets within two years. Of the 1,373 worsted combs in the country, Massachusetts has 412, or about 33 per cent, while New England has nearly 60 per cent of the total. The number of silk looms in Massachusetts has increased about two hundred within the last two years, but the increase in the number of looms which are working on cotton and silk or wool and silk must be much larger.

Ridiculed C. L. Davis. About the best true story I suppose the stories are true, as he swore they all were—told me by my friend the actor, otherwise known as "Alvin Joslin." He was in the lobby of the St. Charles in New Orleans when a man from Chicago stepped in front of him and looked over his head in search of an acquaintance who he supposed was in the hotel lobby. Davis, mistaking the Chicago man's purpose, remarked: "Ah, I see you admire my diamonds. This one"—indicating the stone on his shirt bosom—"cost me \$3,000. These"—showing his cuff buttons—"cost me \$2,500 each, and my wife has a trunkful up in our room."

The Chicago man did not say much, but that evening, by arrangement with the head waiter, Davis was placed at supper alone at a table where were several vacant chairs. Presently seven men, all commercial travelers, entered the dining-room, and each one had a large cut-glass fruit dish fastened on his breast, while glass prisms hung pendant from each coat and vest button.

Soberly marching to Davis' table, the seven men took the vacant seats and the Chicago man entertained the actor with: "Ah, I see you admire our diamonds. This one"—pointing to the fruit dish—"cost me \$3,000,000. These"—indicating the prisms—"cost \$250,000 each, and we have three carloads like them at the depot waiting to be side-tracked." Davis not only changed his table, but went to another hotel.—Courier-Journal.

Death for Coen Microbes. That little bit of tough skin on the business side of the little toe, that unfeeling barometer and indicator of pedal agony, the corn, is not simply the result of wearing boots too tight or too loose, as we have been taught to believe. It has a far more important pedigree than that, and actually boasts a bacillus—the corn bacillus. His identity has long been hidden, but a Trappist monk discovered the racial and his complete destruction may be looked for in the near future.

The peaky organism has been dignified with a name. Bacillus diabolicus it is called. Physicians will abbreviate that to D. I. The monk of La Trappe who found him out gives detailed instructions for the capture and punishment of the vicious mite for the benefit of suffering humanity. The prescription is composed of thirty grains of perchloride of mercury in solution and thirty drops laudanum de Sydenham. Place this on the affected spot and the career of the bacillus diabolicus comes to an ignoble end.—New York Press.

Kipling's Clever Sister. Rudyard Kipling has but one sister, now married to an English army officer in the staff corps stationed somewhere in India. She is a great beauty and familiarly known as "Tricksey." She is a very accomplished woman and has written several clever stories.

About the only difference between marbles and billiards is in the age of the players.

Thought He Had Won.

At a military bazaar an officer (thought he fancied a certain article exposed for sale at one of the stalls, and he was certain he fancied the lady who presided at the stall. He remarked, therefore, that he thought that particular article very pretty. The lady said: "Yes, it is very pretty. My mother sent it." "Ah, really," pursued the officer, determined to discover the name of the owner of the eyes that had bewitched him—"really, let me see—I think I have met your mother. Her name is—" "The queen of England," answered the lady. The officer did not wait for the fancied article—Spare Moments.

Steep Miles an Hour. A steam motor car, for trial on the railroads, recently made a trip, going at the rate of sixty miles an hour. This will probably be as much of a record as Foster's Stomach Bitters. It cures indigestion, constipation, nervousness, liver and kidney trouble.

A good Arabian horse will gallop in the desert for 24 hours in summer and 48 hours in winter without drinking.

Piso's Cure for Consumption is the only cough medicine used in any house.—D. O. Albright, Millburg, Pa., Dec. 11, 1898.

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There is at Werda in Dahomey a temple in which 1,000 snakes are fed by the priests.

A LIVING WITNESS. Mrs. Hoffman Describes How She Wrote to Mrs. Pinkham for Advice, and Is Now Well.

DEAR MRS. PINKHAM—Before using your Vegetable Compound I was a great sufferer. I have been sick for months, was troubled with severe pain in both sides of abdomen, severe feeling in lower part of bowels, also suffered with dizziness, headache, and could not sleep. I wrote you a letter describing my case and asking your advice. You replied telling me just what to do. I