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A GENTLEMAN

I knew him for a gentleman
By signs that never fail;
His coat was rough and rather worn,
His cheeks were thin and pale—
A lad who had his way to make,
With little time for play;
I knew him for a gentleman
By certain signs today.

He met his mother on the street;
Off came his little hat,
My door was shut; he waited there
Until I heard him rap.
He took the bundle from my hand,
And when I dropped my pen
He sprang to pick it up for me—
This gentleman of ten.

He does not push and crowd along;
His voice is gently pitched;
He does not fling his books about
As if he were bewitched.
He stands aside to let you pass;
He always shuts the door;
He runs on errands willingly
To forge and mill and store.

He thinks of you before himself;
He serves you if he can;
For in whatever company
The manners make the man.
At ten and forty 'tis the same—
The manner tells the tale,
And I discern a gentleman
By signs that never fail.

AN EPOCH IN HISTORY

The surrender of Port Arthur on New Year's day marks an epoch in the world's history. The siege of the famous Russian stronghold by the wily Jap was a marvelous achievement in modern warfare, that has exalted Japan as a nation of prowess in the eyes of the civilized world. Japan has further shown its humanitarianism in allowing the Russians to retire with all the honors of war and it is to the credit of General Stoessel of the Russian army to give up the useless struggle rather than to make further sacrifice of human life. The people will look on and commend both nations for the wisdom of their action in ending one of the bloodiest conflicts known in the annals of war.

Surrender of Port Arthur paves the way to overtures for settlement through the peace conference of the differences and it is more than likely that war between the two nations is practically at an end.

If out of this conflict, Japan is allowed to grow and expand as her valiancy in arms has demonstrated her right, the result of the war will not have been in vain, for this is a case wherein a small, progressive nation, fettered by the dark clouds of superstition and Oriental customs, seeks to free itself and leap into

the light which surrounds modern civilization. If permitted to do so, she will lead the Orient out of the gloom that has kept her in darkness for ages.

The Rockford Register voices the correct idea when it says "If the next legislature of this state, or in fact, any state, would pass more stringent divorce laws compelling men to support their wives and children, there would be less suffering in the world."

In this issue of the Observer appears a statement of the business transacted on the rural free delivery route No. 1. Every reader of this paper should examine this report. It is an index to the growth of the county. It shows how closely allied the country is to the town. Where the country is on the increase the town if it exerts itself properly will also grow. We are all young and should still be in the growing age. The report shows an increase of over eleven thousand pieces over last year. There is good business for our merchants on R F D No. 1, and the Observer reaches them all every day and a big weekly goes out in the same direction every Friday.

Keep that glad hand working. Don't let it become stiff or useless. It is a power for good if properly manipulated. Your old time friends will be pleased to have you exert a little pleasure the next time you shake hands with them, and the new acquaintance will remember you longer if you give him the impression that you are glad to be on the earth and that you are willing that he should consume some of nature's ozone. This glad hand and hot air business counts with the stranger and the homefolks too for that matter, La Grande would increase in population a little faster if a little more of it was turned loose on the general public.



DEPART	Time Schedules LA GRANDE, OR	FROM
No. 1 8:20 p.m. No. 4 8:20 a.m. No. 1	High Lake, Denver, Ft. Worth, Omaha, Kansas City, St. Louis, Chicago and East.	No. 1 8:20 a.m. No. 4 8:20 p.m.
6:50 a.m.	Portland, Dallas, Pennington, Walla Walla, Dayton, Fomeroy, Colfax, Moscow, Spokane and points east and north via Spokane	No. 2 6:50 p.m.
No. 5 3:00 p.m.	Portland, Dallas, Pennington, Umatilla, Walla Walla, Lewiston, Colfax, Moscow, Wallac, Warner, Spokane and other points east and north via Spokane	No. 6 3:00 a.m.
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1/2 h. p.	\$ 37 75	5 h. p.	\$192 00
1 h. p.	44 50	10 h. p.	279 75
1 1/2 h. p.	95 50	15 h. p.	367 70
2 h. p.	104 15	20 h. p.	462 50
3 h. p.	128 85	30 h. p.	555 65

To this price must be added freight from San Francisco to La Grande.

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1/2 hp 3 phase	120 lbs	1/2 hp single phase	225 lbs
1/2 hp	155 lbs	1 hp "	270 lbs
1 hp "	242 lbs	1 hp "	275 lbs
2 hp "	345 lbs	2 hp "	380 lbs
3 hp "	425 lbs	3 hp "	465 lbs
		5 hp "	680 lbs
5 hp "	form K	810 lbs	form L
7 1/2 hp "	form K	950 lbs	form L
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