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NAMING A GOVERNOR.

Nothing but death apparently can prevent Jay Bowerman from becoming governor of this great state. No candidate has ever attracted the people to him as Bowerman has in this campaign.

Bowerman has not gone before the people promising impossibilities but he has said he would do the best that an honest man can do in the office.

Opponents of Bowerman first tried to fasten petty graft, upon him and this was so thoroughly explained that not a leg was left to stand upon by his accusers.

Ed. Hoch, governor preceding Mr. Stubbs, was a sincere prohibitionist. He often said before he was thought of for governor that if he was in the gubernatorial chair he would call out the militia but what he would enforce the prohibitory law.

gubernatorial chair he would call out the militia but what he would enforce the prohibitory law. He was elected and the joints in the larger towns ran almost wide open the same as they had done for years before.

Regardless of what Elder Ellis may have to say, and regardless of what Governor William Roscoe Stubbs of Kansas may have to say, we know to a dead certainty that for more than 25 years after the constitutional amendment was passed prohibition did not prohibit in Kansas.

It pays to be fair. In all matters, and when the voters take a vote on local option next week they should know the experience of Kansas with prohibition as it really existed for years and years after the law was passed.

ELGIN'S APPLE SHOW.

On November 3, 4 and 5 the town of Elgin, a good neighbor to La Grande, is going to have an apple show. It is attracting attention from all over Eastern Oregon, just as it should for there will be on exhibition some of the best fruit ever grown in any man's country.

Elgin with her big red apple is an inviting place to visit, and more inviting to reside in. She is peopled with a good clever bunch of people and is a business center of great importance to Union county and the Grande Ronde valley.

Attend the apple show and you will enjoy it.

Wouldn't Deliver.

He was born in Dublin and lived in Ireland until about two months ago, when he came to Cleveland. Then he began to look around for a job.

"Come around in the morning and go to work," he said, "and if you can deliver the goods we'll probably keep you permanently."

The Dublin native went over to tell his cousin about it. He confided to him that he didn't believe he'd go back to take the job, after all.

Harvard University.

Harvard university derives its name from Rev. John Harvard, its earliest benefactor, who in 1638 bequeathed one-half of his estate, amounting to \$800, for the endowment of the college.

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Elizabethan Slang.

According to the latest edition of Webster's Dictionary the meaning of "lobster" is "a gullible, awkward, bungling or undesirable fellow." This meaning is supposed by most persons to be a modern development of slang.

An Eye on the Future.

A man with a swollen finger that had a deep abrasion under the ring called at a jewelry store to get the ring cut off. Before the operation was begun he said:

"Can this ring be mended so a pawnbroker will give me the usual amount on it?"

"It can be mended," said the jeweler, "but I doubt if you can ever persuade a pawnbroker to accept it afterward."

"Then I guess I'll take chances on my finger getting well with the ring on," said the young man and left the store.

"Incidents like that," said the jeweler, "show what a surprisingly large number of Philadelphians live with the pawnshop looming up just ahead of them as an unavoidable evil. Of all the people who need their rings cut off two-thirds of them ask that very question, and a large percentage of them take chances on blood poisoning rather than destroy the ring's value as a pawnable asset."—Philadelphia Ledger.

The Little Word "Yes."

"Yes" is a simple word spelled with three letters.

It has caused more happiness and more unhappiness than any other word in the language.

It has lost more money for easy lenders than all the holes in all the pockets in the world.

It has started more dipsomanacs on their careers than all the strong liquor on earth.

It has caused more fights than all the "you're liars" that ever were spoken.

It has procured kisses and provoked blows.

It has defeated candidates and elected scoundrels.

It has been used in more lies than any other expression.

It is not meant half the time it is said.

Will it continue to make such a record?

Yes.—Life.

His Sun.

Mrs. Buggins—Before we were married you used to say I was the sunshine of your life. Mr. Buggins—Well, I admit that you still do your best to make things hot for me.

The Convenient Excuse.

Hard luck is generally the name people give to the thing that happens when they have been acting foolishly. —Chicago Record-Herald.

Laughing cheerfulness throws sunlight on all the paths of life.—Richter.

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