

ECCLES PLEASED WITH PROSPECTS

PRESIDENT OF SUGAR COMPANY HERE YESTERDAY.

Optimistic Report of Conditions Given to Head of Sugar Company.

Grande Ronde and Willows valleys are producing the largest and best crop of sugar beets since the factory was installed in La Grande, according to a report given to President David Eccles of the Amalgamated Sugar company, who was in La Grande yesterday conferring with General Manager F. S. Bramwell. Mr. Eccles left last night highly pleased with conditions in this and Willows counties and Mr. Bramwell is likewise pleased at the signs of satisfaction given by the president of the company.

There is plenty of water now to handle the crop and the hot weather is hurrying the growth so that there is no plausible reason why the crop should not be the bumper of the history of beets in this state. The company will also harvest about 100,000 bushels of grain.

Kiddle Slightly Better.

Clyde Kiddle is reported today as improving by slow degrees. His condition is all that could be expected at this time. Mr. Kiddle was operated upon a few days ago for appendicitis.

La Grande Team Defeated.

Baker proved too much for La Grande yesterday when she won from the pennant winners, score 2 to 3. The La Grande team expects to have Baker here for a return game soon.

New Bishop of Dallas.

Dallas, Texas, July 17.—Distinguished churchmen from many dioceses today attend the consecration of Rev. Joseph P. Lynch as Roman Catholic bishop of Dallas, in succession to the late Bishop Dunne. The solemn service was held in the cathedral of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The consecrating prelate was Archbishop Blenk of New Orleans, who was assisted by Bishop Morris of Little Rock and Bishop Gallagher of Galveston. The sermon was preached by the Very Rev. Michael S. Ryan, president of Kenrick seminary, St. Louis. At the conclusion of the ceremony the visiting prelates and priests were entertained at dinner at the Oriental hotel.

The Right Rev. Joseph P. Lynch, the new bishop of Dallas, was born near Chicago, in 1873, and early in his career he was engaged in the practice of law. Deciding to enter the church he took a theological course at Kenrick seminary and was ordained a priest about 11 years ago. After his ordination he became attached to the Dallas diocese and a year ago was made vicar general. He has been the active bishop since the death of Bishop Dunne.

Bryan Asks Questions.

Lincoln, July 17. Many pertinent questions, including the tariff, direct election of senators, the tariff for revenue only and the Standard Oil decision will be asked prospective presidential candidates in Bryan's next issue of the Commoner. Bryan will send out thousands of copies of the paper throughout the country.

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MONSTER ELK NEAR THE CITY

LOCAL MEN DISCOVER BEAUTIFUL SPECIMEN SUNDAY.

Within Two Hundred Yards of Huge Bull Elk Near Morgan Lake.

Enthusiasm of viewing a splendid type of the monarch of the forests were enjoyed by J. E. Reynolds and Albert Hunter yesterday near Morgan Lake. The two men were less than 200 yards from the huge bull elk when they first saw him; even then the elk had not located his admirers. He stood still for about two minutes and then ambled down the edge of the timber in plain view of the two gentlemen who, had they so desired, could easily have felled him with a bullet. His antlers were exceptionally fine and the body, too, was much larger than the average elk. He was the largest ever seen by either of the two men and as he had his side to them for some time, they got a splendid view of his body. In view of the fact that he was so close to civilization and of such an unusual size, the men were thrilled with the experience. When last seen he was headed for the dense timber on a slow trot, and his grace and poise, his toss of antlered head were indeed inspiring say the two men. Neither of them have ever seen antlers any larger than this beautiful animal carried.

RESEMBLES A MERMAID.

If the Dugong Had Long Hair It Would Make a Real Sea Woman.

The old stories about mermaids do not seem so improbable after all when one looks at a full sized dugong. The only thing it lacks to make it a real sea woman is long hair.

This enormous fish has flippers instead of fins and rudimentary arms. The flippers end in four distinct fingers and are startlingly like the human hand. The shoulders of this weird marine creature slope in to a short but perfectly defined neck, on which is set a round head. The eyes are like a human being's in shape and expression, but very much larger. They are set far apart on each side of the head and have a brown iris swimming in a white ball, but are lidless. The dugong has no nose, but the forehead is broad and well developed, and while the mouth is "fishy" in shape there is a distinct under lip.

The dugong is twice the height of a tall man when it is full grown, and a mother dugong moving about through the water holds her baby tenderly in her "arms" pressed to her breast, just as a human mother does.

Glimpses of this strange inhabitant of the sea no doubt gave rise to the old time belief in mermaids. The dugong is rapidly becoming extinct, but still can be found in fairly large numbers in the Indian ocean. — New York Press.

SICKROOM PLANTS.

Why They Should Be Put Out of Doors During the Night.

In his random suggestions to his students, printed in the Medical Record, Robert H. M. Dawbarn, M. D., tells why it is considered best not to keep flowers or growing plants in a sickroom at night. Flowers give off moisture taken up from the soil; hence air becomes somewhat humid if many—particularly growing plants—are kept in the room. Flowers having a method of breathing, they use up the oxygen as human beings do and in exchange give off carbonic dioxide as waste matter.

The action of sunlight upon the stems, leaves and all green parts of flowers is to store carbonic dioxide within the plants and release oxygen. Thus in daylight there is a fair balance between the carbonic dioxide and the oxygen given and taken, leaving neither good nor ill results. But during the entire night the plant continues to breathe, and until the return of daylight the oxygen is used just like an additional person breathing in the room, thus leaving less oxygen for the use of the invalid. Therefore the standing order to remove all plants and flowers at night is based upon the facts of plant physiology and is right.

Chateaubriand's Early Struggles.
A new discovery has been made about Chateaubriand—nothing less than that he once sold stockings on commission. It was in 1790, when he was still an officer in the royal service. He had a debt of honor, amounting to £200. He wrote to a distant

ALLEGED HORSE THIEVES TAKEN

SPAIN AND McGRATH GIVE BONDS, OTHER NOT.

Third One of Party, Mr. Morris, in Jail—Jury Adjourns.

Union, July 17.—(Special)—John Spain and Henry McGrath have given bonds in the sum of \$2,000, pending their trial on a charge of horse stealing. The third of the group indicted at La Grande late Saturday evening, known as Gibe Morris, could not meet the bonds and is now in jail at La Grande. All are well known in Union county, Mr. Spain having become particularly well known because of his abilities as a bad horse tamer.

With the return of the fourth indictment late Saturday afternoon, which Union men with horse rustling, the grand jury has taken a recess until next Monday at which time it is believed the jurors will be called together again and circuit court opened for the summer term. The fourth indictment has not been made public but it is thought the men accused will be arrested this afternoon and perhaps arraigned tomorrow or the day after.

The men indicted Saturday forenoon were not given opportunity to plead this morning as originally announced. The pleadings will be held probably at a nearby date.

relative, one La Morandais, who manufactured stockings in Switzerland, appealing for help on the ground that he must either pay that debt or blow his brains out. La Morandais, instead of sending him money, sent him 109 dozen pairs of stockings, offering him a liberal commission if he would sell them among his distinguished friends. He gratefully accepted the offer and succeeded in disposing of the merchandise. There is reason to believe that he managed to plant a good deal of it on the stores department of his own regiment. — Westminster Gazette.

The Clever Brahman.

Speaking of the great power the Brahmins in India possess in localizing thought, a prominent Brahman once said: "We would consider a game of chess as played in this country mere child's play. An ordinary Brahman chess player could carry on three or four games at a time without inconvenience. The usual game played by the Brahmins consists in checkmating with one pawn designated when the play begins. I have seen a man perform a long problem in multiplication and division, at the same time noting the various sounds and discussions going on about him in the room. I have seen a man compose a triple acoustic in Sanskrit in a given meter, at the same time having three well versed men trying to overthrow him in his argument on religion."

Somewhat Unfortunate.

"There are some times, in my life when I have felt that fate is indeed ironical," said the man who was seldom troubled by his debts.

"Do you refer to any special occasions?" inquired one of his oldest creditors.

"One of them came last week when I was in Chicago," said the cheerful debtor. "I had a money order for \$25, and the only person who could identify me was a man to whom I owed thirty." — Youth's Companion.

Contradicting a Proverb.

"People can't expect to get something for nothing," said the ready made philosopher.

"My landlord manages it," replied Mr. Crowther. "He makes me sign a contract to pay a full year's rent whether I live in his flat or not." — Washington Star.

Respect For the Aged.

"What's the matter, Miss Darlington?" asked the village wag. "You never laugh at any of my jokes."

"I have been taught never to laugh at the old and decrepit." — Chicago Record-Herald.

Dodged His Duty.

Cholly—While I was milking on your daughter last evening, Mr. Butts, your dog growled at me. Old Butts—Did he bite you? Cholly—Oh, no—only growled. Old Butts—I'll have to get rid of him and get another. — Chicago News.

Social Lemonade.

"She" is noted for her social lemonade.

"What's that?"
"Saying sour things in a sweet way." — Toledo Blade.

SPANISH LAW.

The Snub It Gave a British Consul in Cuba Some Years Ago.

The haphazard character of Spanish law is well illustrated by the following case: Some years ago a young English sailor, accompanied by an American and an Irish sailor, went on shore at Havana. When returning to their ships they were attacked by Chinamen. The American struck one of the Chinamen on the head with a stick, and the man died. The Spanish authorities did not trouble to discriminate, but sentenced the three men to two years' imprisonment.

The British consul, being unaccustomed to Spanish ways, took up the case of the Englishman very strongly. The authorities thereupon, possibly to teach him a lesson, tried the men over again and gave them twenty years each.

The Englishman after three years in a Cuban prison, during which time his companions died of yellow fever, was transferred to Ceuta to serve the remainder of his time. After some years he and a fellow prisoner, a Spaniard, escaped, but they were recaptured. The food provided in the convict prison of Ceuta consists of two meals a day of garbanzos—chick peas—occasionally flavored with a tiny bit of salt pork, a remarkably healthy if not appetizing diet, and the Englishman came out of prison in particularly good health. After his twenty years' unjust imprisonment he married a Spanish woman. — London Family Herald.

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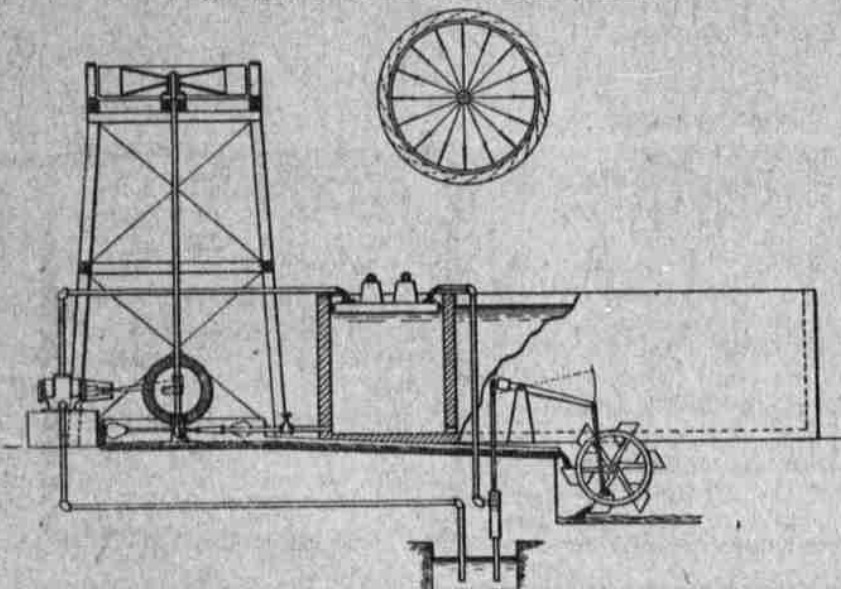
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