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MANY REASONS FOR THANKS.

"This is a day of Thanksgiving. La Grande people have abundant reasons for observing the occasion, as does the nation at large. True, at present there is a spirit of discontent in many quarters but it is not serious and in all probability will pass away."

In Union county there is peace and plenty. Some things which have improved upon, but generally speaking everyone is getting along in the world. The pang of hunger is not felt, and so far as known there is no suffering from cold.

The trouble with most of us is, we want too much in this world. We are dissatisfied unless we can have anything we desire. The majority of us have more than we actually need, but when it is possible to obtain there is no reason for not obtaining it.

When the larder is fairly well filled, when a cheerful fire is burning in the grate when we have sufficient clothing and proper environment, we contend there is good reason for offering up thanks to a kind providence.

NOT VERY PROBABLE.

Considerable has been said about the coming city election on the streets and when the socialist nominations were made Mr. Wines seemed likely as the standard bearer of that party to be chosen mayor. The days that

have elapsed have changed this condition and now it is not considered probable at all that he will be elected. The chief reason is that La Grande does not want to go into the socialist column. The business interests of the community will not vote that way, for there is a belief that once the news goes out of a socialist victory the city's credit will be more or less impaired, just as other cities have experienced in such cases.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY.

- November 30.
- 1667—Jonathan Swift, author of "Gulliver's Travels," born. Died on Oct. 19, 1745.
 - 1782—The American commissioners signed a preliminary treaty of peace with Great Britain, ending the revolutionary war.
 - 1819—Cyrus W. Field, projector of the ocean telegraph, born in Stockbridge, Mass. Died in Ardsley, N. Y., July 12, 1892.
 - 1829—Welland canal opened for navigation.
 - 1835—Samuel L. Clemens ("Mark Twain") born in Florida, Mo. Died in Redding, Conn., April 21, 1910.
 - 1840—Remains of Napoleon I landed at Cherbourg.
 - 1861—Jefferson Davis elected president of the confederate states of America.
 - 1862—James Sheridan Knowles, celebrated dramatist, died. Born at Cork in 1784.
 - 1885—Hostilities ceased between Serbia and Bulgaria.
 - 1900—Royal Canadian troops reviewed at Windsor by Queen Victoria.

"THIS IS MY 51ST BIRTHDAY."

William J. Poche.
Dr. William J. Poche, who holds the post of secretary of state in the Borden ministry, was born in Clandeboy, Ontario, November 30, 1860. He attended Trinity Medical college, Toronto, for three years, and took his final year in medicine at the Western university, London, Ont., being the first graduate in medicine of that university. In 1883 he moved to Minnesota, Manitoba, where he has since been engaged in the practice of his profession. Dr. Poche was an unsuccessful candidate for the Manitoba legislature in 1892, but was successful in his candidacy for the house of the commons in the conservative interest in 1896, and since then has been re-elected at each succeeding general election. He took a prominent part in the debates in the house of commons and in the party organization, and in 1901 was elected conservative whip for the west.

A REVERIE.

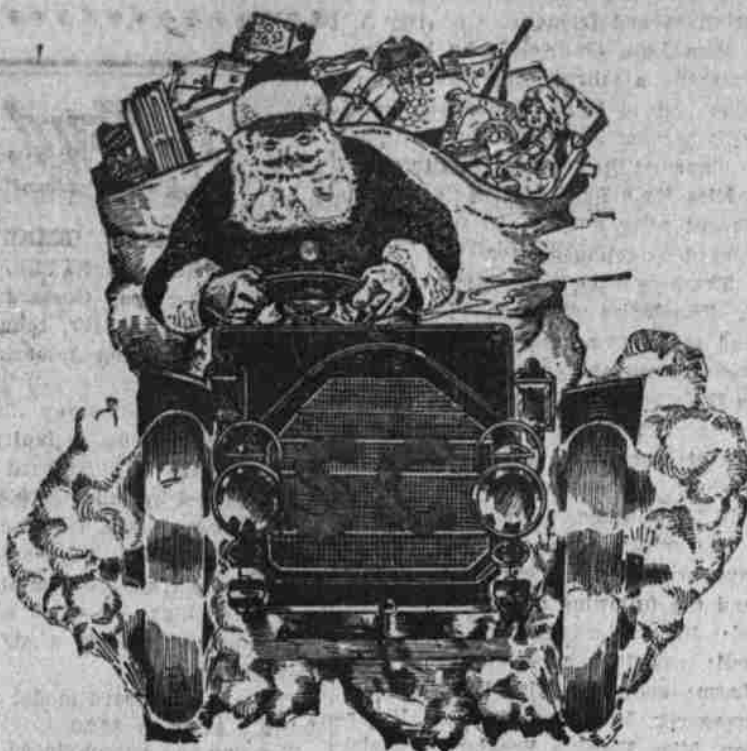
When all life's lessons are ended,
And each lays him down to sweet rest;
Will the sunlight and shadows be blended
Into a haven of bliss?

When the shadow of death is nearing,
And our eyes close in the dreamless sleep,
Will He Whose hand ever guideth
Our silent vigil keep?

Will we awake in eternity's morning,
And meet the loved faces of yore?
Will hand clasp hand in greeting
Upon that ethereal shore?

Oh, soul, in death, self-conscious!
Thou knowest the law supreme
That makes the reunion of spirits
Like the gladness of love's pure dream.

Thou knowest no hands are folded,

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North Pole, Nov. 28th, 1911.

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"BEYOND THE LAW"—Vitagraph. Western picture. Beautifully picturesque both in story and natural scenery.

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Earl Zundel, Asst. Cashier

and no eyes are heavy or sealed
When souls awaken respondent
In that land that shall be revealed.
—ELLEN H. CROSS.

Fights Scheduled for This Date.
Packy McFarland vs. Tommy Murphy, 20 rounds, at San Francisco.

Joe Jeannette vs. Andy Morris, 10 rounds, at Albany, N. Y.

Honey Melody vs. Kid Fleming, 12 rounds, at Bangor, Me.

Gary's Gift to Namesake.
Gary, Ind., Nov. 30.—The magnificent new Y. M. C. A. building here, a gift to the municipality from E. H. Gary, head of the United States Steel corporation, was formally dedicated today with interesting exercises.

\$100 Reward, \$100
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Fine acre tract, good orchard, nice new house, near Palmer mill, cheap and on easy terms.

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Modern six room house at Sixth and N. Very low price and best of terms.

Small cottage on N Street, splendid location. Can sell on installments.

Fine modern home on N street, close in; small payment will handle it.

Small property on Ninth street, belongs to non-resident and he is very anxious to sell it. Price very low and will take monthly payments.

We have some fine homes and vacant lots in every part of the city.

Business properties that are paying good interest and increasing in value; also money-making business propositions. We can save you money; come in and see us.

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