

P RINTING has style and tone, as much so as any other industry based on artistic skill and high quality of working material.

I NKS, you know, enter largely into the quality of the finished product, and it has long been the Observer's policy to buy the best inks on the market and skilled blending of the best inks insures high quality in the finished product.

M ACHINERY of the best make is as necessary in the production of good job printing as the printer's individual artistic propensities and the inks. The best presses on the market for job printing purposes are now installed in the Observer.

T HE FINISHED PRODUCTS TELL their own tale by their neatness and "classy" looking appearance. Let the Observer's "finished product" talk to you.

BARD SINGS TO ROOSEVELT

New York, Jan. 19.—(Special)—Future historians probably will spend years of research and waste reams of good paper in attempting to solve the mystery as to whether Col. Theodore Roosevelt of Oyster Bay, N. Y., did or did not say at the already famous Aldine association dinner that he would be a candidate for the republican nomination for president.

Three hundred guests were present at the banquet and nearly three hundred versions of what actually was said already have appeared. One subject that was touched upon vociferously, however, was the attitude of the postmaster general in relation to the second-class postage rate, the sentiments of the diners being expressed in the following song with which the chief guest was greeted:
Oh, tell us, Colonel, if you please
Are you a candidate?
And what would be your sure decrees
Upon the postage rate?
The times are hard, our hope is frail;
We often cogitate
Why Outlook goes by fastest mail—
Review of Reviews by freight?

We wonder if your views are sound,
and what's the best you'll do?
The World must go for a dollar a pound,

The Evening Post for two!
For us, the best of magazines,
You'll cut the rate in two?

If we can have these nectarines,
Then, Colonel, we'll vote for you.
The railway officials who have a grievance against the postmaster general as pronounced as that of the publishers in view of his proposal to pay for main transportation on the basis of cost as determined by him with an allowance of six per cent on the direct cost of train operation, but with no allowance to cover capital investment, terminal charges, dead space in postal cars, and all other expenses, are now looking for a poet laureate who can present their cases against official discrimination with equal effectiveness.

New York, Jan. 19.—(Special)—That New Yorkers are acquiring the disappearing habit with alarming rapidity is indicated by figures compiled by the police department, which show that during the past year no less than 3,192 persons disappeared from their homes in this city. More surprising still is the fact that only 520 of those reported as "missing" were found. So far as any official records go the other 2,672 have vanished into thin air.

Occasionally of course a disappearance of particular note attracts the attention of the whole country as in the case of Miss Dorothy Arnold. The records show, however, many more surprising cases of which the public rarely ever hears. One of the most remarkable of these is the case of an Italian woman with her four small children walked out of her home last April to purchase some small supplies and has never been heard from since. The fact that all five should have disappeared so completely is considered particularly remarkable by the police who point out that it is about ten times more difficult for even two persons to disappear together than to vanish alone, and that for five to disappear at once is almost an impossibility. With an average of nearly nine persons disappearing every day New York has undoubtedly set a new record in this particular field.

New York, Jan. 19.—(Special)—Whether New Yorkers are growing more temperate or more economical is a question which is open to discussion. There is no doubt, however, that they are doing one or the other as indicated by the great shrinkage during the past year in the imports of champagne. Hardly enough of the beverage supposed to be New York's particular thirst quencher was brought into the whole country last year to have supplied this city a few years ago. Less than 240,000 cases made up the total, an amount which Father Knickerbocker could pretty nearly have gotten away with himself half a decade.

A man who knows what all the importers are doing said that one of the big houses which imported 60,000 cases as recently as 1910 brought in only 8,000 cases in 1911. Another establishment imported 50,000 cases as against 100,000 cases a year ago. A third which imported 40,000 cases in 1910 brought 25,000 last year.

Undoubtedly the panic of 1907 has had considerable effect in decreasing the consumption of "bubble water" here but New Yorkers are also shamefacedly owning up to a growing fondness for beer, the consumption of

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which increased greatly last year. Should the use of the supposedly aristocratic beverage continue to decrease at the present rate and the use of beer to increase, New York may yet behold the unbelievable sight of banquets at which the toasts are actually drunk in malt liquor.

New York, Jan. 19.—(Special)—New York's famous Fulton market, which during the 90 years of its existence, four generations have bought and sold hundreds of millions of dollars worth of foodstuffs, is soon to pass. When New York was young, Fulton market took the place of the old Fly market, which got its name from the Dutch "vlei" (valley). The Fly market in 1699 was further down the river near Malden Lane. Many years later the market was moved to Fulton Slip so as to accommodate the Long Island farmers who brought their teams over on the Fulton ferry. Fulton market was established under chapter 75 of the laws of 1817 for the purpose of supplying the "common" people with the necessities of life at reasonable prices. A big fire had swept away the building originally on the market site and farmers and marketmen earnestly petitioned that the land be taken for a market. Of late years, however, the market which is still owned by the city, has not produced suf-

ficient income to pay expenses. In addition the ancient building is in such a state of decay that only very expensive repairs could save it from condemnation.

Mother Blakeslee Hurt.

(Union Republican.)
Mrs. C. W. Blakeslee, formerly of Union, now of La Grande, fell and broke her hip last week, and has been in great pain since. Her son-in-law, W. H. Stafford of Union, was sent for and remained three or four days with Mrs. Blakeslee, who is reported yet in a very dangerous condition. She is 85 years of age.

Elgin Public Library.

The Elgin Library association has made a good beginning with about 150 volumes of new books. Another shipment of forty or more volumes will be received in a short time. The books now on hand are an excellent collection of volumes of fiction, history and adventure.—Elgin Recorder.

BETTER THAN SPANKING

Spanking does not cure children of bed-wetting. There is a constitutional cause for this trouble. Mrs. M. Summers, Box W, Notre Dame, Ind., will send free to any mother her successful home treatment, with full instructions. Send no money, but write her today if your children trouble you in this way. Don't blame the child, the chances are it can't help it. This treatment also cures colic and aged people troubled with urine difficulties by day or night.

SPECIAL CAR AT PORTLAND

BUSINESS MEN COMPLETING SUCCESSFUL TOUR.

Election of John Collier as Vice President Attracts Attention.

La Grande's business delegation touring Southern Oregon this week is at Portland today, awaiting the banquet to be given by the commercial club of Portland in their honor tonight. The trip has been credited as the most successful junket ever undertaken in Oregon by Oregon business men. In a telegram dated at Roseburg last night, Mr. Dennis says: "Reaching here at noon the La Grande business delegation is making its last stop of the Southern Oregon tour, before entering Portland where a grand climax to the most successful junket ever held in the state takes place when the Portland Commercial club gives an entertainment Saturday evening. The election of John Collier as vice president of the Oregon Mer-

chants' association, occasioned much attention at the banquet where 300 business men of Oregon dined."

The party will leave Portland tomorrow morning, arriving here tomorrow night when the trip will have been completed.

Treasurer's Call for County and Scalp Bounty Warrants.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned treasurer of Union county, Oregon, has funds on hand with which to redeem all county and scalp bounty warrants which were endorsed prior to the first day of November, 1911.

Interest ceases on the above warrants on the 20th day of January, 1912.
JOHN FRAWLEY,
Treasurer of Union county, Oregon.

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FRATERNAL ORDERS MEET

I. O. O. F. HAVE INNING THIS EVENING.

Tomorrow Is Moose Day When Specials Will Carry Delegates.

Two important fraternal events will transpire in the immediate future in La Grande. Commencing with tonight the I. O. O. F. lodge will entertain the grand warden and Past Grand Master Alexander of Pendleton who officially represents the grand master of the state. A banquet will follow the reception of the officials and at this reception the Rebekahs will be guests of honor.

Moose Day Tomorrow.

Commencing late tonight with the arrival of the train from Baker, Moose of Eastern Oregon will commence to pour into La Grande for the big installation tomorrow afternoon. About 500 Moose are expected to be present at that time. The special train anticipated from Baker will not be run but the delegates will come on the delayed train tonight. The special will come from Pendleton, however and few Moose members of Eastern Oregon will be found anywhere in Eastern Oregon save here. Following the organization at the Arcade theatre, the Moose will attend a monster banquet at the K. of P. hall. This will be held about 4 o'clock and some of the most prominent citizens in Eastern Oregon will be present and participate in the after-dinner speeches.

St. Mary's Church.

Third Sunday after Epiphany.
Low mass 8:30 a. m.
High mass 10:30 a. m.
Sunday school 2:30 p. m.
Sermon and benediction .. 7:30 p. m.
Low mass, weekdays 8:00 a. m.
Confessions, daily 7:00 to 8:00 a. m.
Confessions Saturday 3:00 to 9:00 p. m.
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