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WORLD GLIMPSE

Manchukism dies hard in China. The mutineers are leaving a trail of blood in many places. President Yuan offers pardon to all who will take the pledge of loyalty and cease marauding.

Poor old South Pole! After hiding for all these strenuous centuries it had to surrender at last to the intrepid Saxon and be harnessed in his triumphal parade. The dash, the persistence the hardships and all the descriptive paraphernalia of the trip will make fine magazine reading one of these days.

Cannibalism stalks with rattling bones along the trail following close on the heels of famine in Persia; mothers obliged to eat their own children. Horrors!

A Portland man chose a bull-terrier in preference to his wife. That looks

hard on the face of it, but we are not informed if the woman was a thoroughbred or not. Possible both were evils and he followed the adage, "Of two evils choose the less."

Schmitz rejoices; Reaf sorrows. Is Dame Justice blind or drunk or both? That man Reaf has a heart, though, all right. His old Hebrew mother, an octogenarian, loves her son, to be sure; he loves his mother. Recently when out of prison to appear as witness in court, he was permitted to see her; he told her a lie as to his absence from her for so long of time. He said he had been to Europe on business, and had to return. "The recording angel dropped a tear on that lie and blotted it out forever," we think in the Observer office.

The chief of police in San Francisco is about to don his uniform for the first time. He says: "I shall feel like a jack-ass." Well, no matter how he feels, just so he continues to look natural.

One congressman has the courage of his convictions, we are sure. He would make it a personal offense for any mother to put a faint blush into the mouth of a child. Some of the lawmakers are a bit obtuse, but he is not. He is a gentleman, and he is a hero.

Hear this. A witness in the Lawrence investigation said the days he and his family eat are considered holidays by the children. Is this America, the home of the free?

Bert Franklin says Clarence Darrow gave him the money with which to bribe that juror. But, as among crooks who lies?

What with coal strikes and suffragettes England is having the time of her life. The latter department of irritation is likely to meet a cooling off time if the judges decide to give a lot of them seven years in the penitentiary. Zeal soon quits bubbling when such drastic measures are used to keep the peace. Principles and notions are two things. Suffragettes may be all right when its time comes, but its hour has not yet struck in England, and there are some things that cannot be forced. This is one. Now, on the other hand, it seems that that hour has come for all the west, and that woman's suffrage is almost a foregone conclusion in Oregon. Let it come; if the women can stand it we'll try to make our face good and endure.

The glamor of the Chinese banquet last Sunday evening was something more than a showy pageant. There was something sacred and honor binding in that fussy spatter of thousands of fire crackers. It was the witnessing of what no human ever saw before, and none ever can see again; the changing of 400,000,000 of people from the debit side to the credit side of civilization.

Mr. Roosevelt has been chopping trees for exercise. He may be imitating the great rail-splitter and cutting these trees for rails. He'll surely need

some fences. He is fencing already.

The Outlook says Mr. Roosevelt will take another cup of coffee. It means by that to say that he had enough when he was in office, but that now, having been without it for awhile is ready for the third cup. It is against his principles, it seems, to drink more than two at one sitting.

Meanwhile, Mr. Ex-President is earning some honest money for campaign, or other expenses by getting \$3.00 a day sitting as grand juror at Mineola, Nassau county, Long Island.

Scene in the grammar department of Uncle Sam's politics:

Uncle Sam, the teacher: "Teddy, stand up and recite. Decline the noun, 'Nomination.'"

Teddy—"Teacher, I never found that word in my book."

U. S.—"Well, you can decline it as well as any other noun, can't you?"

Ted—"No, teacher, I never learned that word. I can't decline 'nomination.'"

U. S.—"Well, then, let's take some of the verbs for conjugation; let's see, how's 'force' in the passive? Yes, that's a good word; you are a forceful fellow, Ted, and you can conjugate 'force' for me in the passive voice; there's a good boy, now. Just give a synopsis in indicative mood, first and third persons.

Ted—"Present tense, first person: I am forced; third person, he is forced had to surrender at last to the interpid mutineers are leaving a trail of blood Subjunctive, if I be forced. If he be forced. Say, teacher, I don't like the third person; I may be forced; I am forced, but he must not be forced. He shall not be forced."

Last Sunday the carriage containing the corpse of little Georgia Grieves almost tipped over as it turned into the street to the Masonic cemetery off Fourth. That is a swampy region and should be drained soon so that its permanence as a dry highway is assured.

The Men and Religion Forward movement is taking important proportions at present and the determined men back of it are sure to make it go. It is not a preachers' movement, but one originated, fostered, maintained, boosted, pushed, managed by the layment of the church and the friends of the things for which the church stand. This move has for its objective the best possible conditions for the people as a whole, and especially those of the adolescent age the growing and developing young folks of the community. There are covert forces in every community sapping the best life of the municipality, and the honest officialdom welcomes the moral support of the citizens. All officials feel the need of such backing.

MR. DAWSON ERRS.

In another location in this issue, Thomas Dawson writes in a vitrolle tone on employment agencies. Aside from designating employment agents as parasites and liars, he deems them not "bad fellows". We will have to agree with Mr. Dawson partially on that. That employment agencies throughout the larger cities are more or less prone to become parasitic but when he declares that there is no truth in such men as J. C. Black and S. M. Slough and others of this city, and calls them parasites he is ranting—ranting with diseased mind—a mind diseased, one would glean from the tone of his communication, by inability to get work that suits him. We have yet to be convinced that the La Grande men who last Monday said idle men were scarce, prevaricated and when Mr. Dawson rants and blasphemes the good name and reputation of some of La Grande's most conservative, industrious and truth-abiding men he is entirely "out of order" and impertinent. His general resume of the labor conditions is not all bad but when he calls good men liars he certainly is lacking in good judgment and ordinary decency.

TAX QUESTION.

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