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BEING ON TIME.

There are few, if any rules of conduct more important and yet more neglected than that of promptness in keeping appointments.

Time is cheap, and we are apt to think we can flinch it as we will. But it is always ourselves we rob, not Time.

The old fellow with the scythe ever gets all that is coming to him. And there is many a bad scar on our fortunes when he has had to prod us up to the mark.

Maybe you can waste your time by being late in keeping engagements, and feel that the loss, if any, is your own affair. But it is also the affair of the man you keep waiting.

You waste his time, too. If your time is worthless, maybe his is not. He may conclude that his time is worth more to him than you are.

It is easy to drop into the habit of careless disregard of exact time. Perhaps most people have an easy way of thinking that any time within a half hour or an hour of the time appointed will do very well.

In many cases it does not matter. But one never knows until afterward whether it matters or not. And through false politeness we are un-

ally assured that it does not matter even when it does.

It may be hard to acquire the fixed habit of being on time, but it can be done and it is worth while to do it.

Great business men have this habit. Napoleon would not have been Napoleon but for his unfailing promptness.

Men of great affairs, whose time is most completely taken up, are usually on time. It is they who know best the value of time and the importance of saving it by being prompt.

It is only the idle and careless, whose time is of least value to them, who can afford to waste it by looseness in keeping engagements.

OUR BILLION DOLLAR SESSIONS.

If the treasurer of the United States were told that he would be hanged if he could not give an exact statement as to the condition of the national treasury he would have to take the hanging, for he could not come nearer than \$50,000,000 to an estimate.

Our national finances habitually are in such a shape that nobody is in a position to give accurate statistics. The departments ask for huge appropriations without knowing or caring where the money is coming from; congress authorizes huge appropriations without knowing or caring how they are to be raised. There is no attempt at a relation between income and outgo. There is no scientific balancing of credit and debit. It is all done by rule of thumb. In the riot of money seeking by various branches of the government and money spending by congress there is not a semblance of a plan. We have "billion dollar" sessions without taking the trouble to find out what we are getting for our billion. We don't even ask that a specific program be adopted in the first place and adhered to within a few millions or so. In other words, we think we are so rich that we can appropriate and spend, spend and appropriate, totally without the safe guards that other countries have seen fit to provide.

The United States is the only civilized world that has no budget system. That is just one reason why ex-President Taft's excellent message

on the subject should command more than ordinary attention. Others are the deplorable lack of system or method in our expenditures, the utter absence of any check on useless expense, the general ignorance, even among those high in the government of the conditions of the finances.

Wealth does not justify waste. The richest corporation in the world could not afford to run its business as the United States manages its finances. It is time to insist on knowing where all our dollars go.

BEASTS OF THE JUNGLES

The Arcade theatre offers for today and tomorrow an exceptionally strong wild animal picture in which the actors appear in scenes with a lion, tiger, elephant, parrot and monkeys.

The story revolves about an American engineer, whose daughter rides off on an elephant and is lost in the jungle. The little girl, after wandering in the jungle, finds herself suddenly staring into the fiery eyes of a snarling and spitting tiger. A number of very interesting scenes follow in which the parents make frantic efforts to locate their child. In the meantime the little girl makes friends with the tiger and becomes its star boarder. The parents come upon the scene and, complying with the pleadings of their daughter, take the tiger into the family. The scene shifts from India to Africa, where the American engineer is commissioned to build a railroad across the Transvaal. The tiger, of course, goes along with the family. In Africa, among other scenes, a lion attacks the house and the climax is capped by a sensational struggle between a man and the beast. Eventually the lion is burned in a trap.

The program closes with Poole & Poole in vaudeville and a very clever Thanhouser comedy.

Notice to Contractors for Bids.

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the undersigned until 8 o'clock p. m., April 2, 1913, for the construction of approximately 400 lineal feet of cement walk to be built on the north and west sides of the west half of block 12, Coggan's addition, which lies on the east side of Tenth street, and the south side of Washington avenue. Bids must be accompanied by a certified check for five per cent of the amount bid.

By order of the council March 12, 1913.

L. E. WARNICK, City Recorder.

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Woodmen of the World will have a special meeting for the purpose of organizing a team. Also regular meeting Friday evening. 3-18-2t

WOOD NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the district school board of school district No. 1 of Union county, Oregon, will receive up to 7:30 o'clock p. m. of March 28th, 1913, sealed bids for furnishing said school district No. 1 with 500 cords of four foot split yellow pine and red fir wood, said wood to be cut while green and not later than June 1st, 1913, free from large knots and acceptable to said school board. Said wood to be delivered, 300 cords at high school building, 100 cords at Fourth ward school and 100 cords at Riverside school and to be corded up neatly and closely where directed by

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board. One hundred cords to be delivered by July 1, and all on or before September 1, 1913. Bids to be left with school clerk. Board reserves the right to reject any or a bids. ARTHUR C. WILLIAMS, School Clerk. M 18 19 20 21 22 24 25 26 27 28 '13

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