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ANOTHER PIONEER PASSES.

Death has claimed M. H. Kirtley, another of La Grande's early pioneer residents and one of her prominent citizens. He came to this valley when it was in the process of making so far as modern methods and modern buildings go, and he witnessed its growth assisting in every way that he could to make La Grande the splendid little city it is today.

The deceased was one of those thoroughly generous men who never turned down a friend and never sought out little things over which to disagree. Blessed with the broad vision of a westerner the whole world looked bright to him and the bigger the enterprise or the undertaking for this community the more zealously he supported it.

His friends are many and he was entitled to every friendship for he treated everyone well. No man, who had undergone a long business career, had fewer enemies.

The large number of friends join The Observer in extending earnest and profound sympathy to the wife and children who are called upon at this time to part with the loyal husband and loving father.

WASTING TIME IN KICKING

In the bewildering confusion of books of "inspiration" a convenient but inadequate term for the many volumes that attempt to teach men and women how to order their lives better, Arnold Bennett's effort in this direction is titled "The Human Machine" has an interest all its own. In the first place, Mr. Bennett practices what he preaches. His brain is a veritable machine which turns out novels, plays, short stories, observations on current events and much practical, homely philosophy as is contained in this particular book.

Mr. Arnold's main point is that most of us waste a lot of time and effort in hating people not worth hating, in kicking against things that are not worth our attention, in nursing grievances that are not worth the thought of sane, intelligent beings. The energy thus thrown away could be applied with far better results to the serious business of achievement.

To those who occasionally do some of that self-searching which is so wholesome a corrective to the tendency toward self-praise, the thought often comes that the fight which so many wage against their environment is not only useless but silly. What if we do not happen to like the conditions that fate has given us? They are themselves and we cannot make them over according to our own private pattern. Anyway, the world would be



Glacier National Park over-shadowed everything in the New York Travel and Vacation Show, which was held in the Grand Central Palace March 20th to 29th. The uniqueness of the Great Northern Railway's exhibit of Uncle Sam's new play-ground was a marvel to New York decorative artists. The ten Blackfoot

Indians, of course lent, much color to the Glacier National Park Exhibit. Besides the Indians the marvelous beauty presented by the scenic photographs and paintings made the Glacier Park booth easily the attraction of the Show. The Indians pitched their tepee in the middle of the Exhibit and the visitors to the show

at all times of the day and night while the Show was open, thronged about the reekins. The attendance to the Show averaged ten thousand daily. Judging from the enthusiasm shown, Glacier National Park, the tourist travel to that place this year will break all records.

very uninteresting and prosy if it did not contain personalities unlike our own. The whole point that Bennett makes, and to which we must assent in our clearer moments, is that we were put in the world to get along with it and that the world is under no obligation to get along with us if we persist in working at cross purposes with it.

Roosters will be banished from Winchester, Mass. The people of Massachusetts have no desire whatever to wake up.

Chicago doctor says Brunettes cannot be conquered. Yes, indeed, there is Jack Johnson.

Mayor Shank of Indianapolis is going into vaudeville. Where did he ever play ball?

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Gardens of the Bosphorus.

The gardens of the Bosphorus are one of the most characteristic features of that river-like strait. They have, moreover, a definite cachet of their own. This is largely prescribed to them by the nature of the soil on which they are laid out. The banks of the Bosphorus slope sharply back to a height of some 400 feet and are broken by valleys penetrating more gradually into the rolling tablelands of Thrace and Asia Minor. Few of their houses, therefore, do not enjoy some view of the water and of the opposite shore, rarely more than a mile or two away. The gardens of the houses are accordingly laid out with reference to those views and are determined in form by the steepness of the hillside on which they lie. They are terraces—that is, one or many according to the size of the garden.—Scribner's.

He Wouldn't Respond.

When Joaquin Miller's play, "The Dumbies," was produced for the first time the play caught the crowd's fancy, and at the end of the second act there were great cries from the audience for "Author, author!" The manager looked around for Miller, but could not find him. He sent several of his assistants all over the theater to hunt Miller up and bring him before the footlights to address the glamorous audience.

After some time spent in searching, Miller was spied sitting among the crowd way up in the gallery, where the calls of "Author!" were most numerous. Upon being asked to go down and address the audience, Miller refused, saying that wild horses couldn't drag him down there.—New York Sun.

Value of Merriment.

The mere physical act of laughter quickens the circulation and the breathing, supplies the body with more oxygen and stimulates every organ. Good humor dispels ill health. Our moods or humors affect the health for good or ill. The meal eaten to the accompaniment of family quarrels or depressing arguments is infinitely less valuable than the one taken in pleasant company.—Indianapolis News.

Guided by a Touch.

On the Pampas and indeed all over South America a saddle horse is never guided by pulling at the bit. The pressure of the reins on the neck is made to serve the same turn. The reins being held in the left hand, when moved, a mere twist guides the horse. A touch on the right of the neck makes the horse go to the left, and vice versa. On the well trained animal a touch of the hand on the neck serves the same purpose.

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CHILD WEDDINGS IN INDIA.

Candy Kept the Baby Partners Quiet During the Ceremony.

Four hundred marriages were performed simultaneously at the last wedding celebration at Surat among members of the Lewa Kuabi caste. None of the brides was more than twelve years of age, the majority being from one to seven years old, while the bridegrooms varied from three to nine. Most of the contracting parties sat or lay on the laps of their parents during the ceremony and were given sweets to keep them quiet.

The caste only celebrates every ten or twelve years.

These baby brides, of course, do not join their husbands when they are married. They wait until they reach the age of ten or eleven, when there is a second marriage. Should a baby bride's husband die before she reaches the age for the second marriage she becomes a widow and has to remain so all her life. In such cases the widow at once loses caste. Her ornaments are taken off her, and she becomes a sort of outcast, hardly treated, looked down upon and generally made a household drudge.

The husband, on the other hand, should his baby bride die before the second marriage, may marry again. In fact, he is expected to do so within a few months of the death of the bride.—Bombay Cor. Philadelphia Ledger.

A Sincere Provider.

Bobbie S. was visiting with a neighbor while his mother was in the city on a shopping trip. Bobbie and two other children played at housekeeping in the backyard, and in the course of the housekeeping Maria believed she needed supplies.

"Bobbie, you go for some ice cream and lemons at the grocery," commanded Maria, and Bobbie obediently trotted into the alley at the rear, as Maria believed, "Jes' playin' he was goin' to the grocery."

Ten minutes later, Mrs. S., with whom Bobbie was visiting, went to the telephone, and the voice of her grocer inquired:

"I guess Bobbie has lost the money for the ice cream and lemons he came after. I can't find any change in his pockets. Or did you want the things charged?"—Indianapolis News.

"Stagger" Oil.

From the beginning of September until November a small fish called "stagger" is caught in considerable quantities off the island of Dunamunde, at the mouth of the Dwina river, in the gulf of Riga, and also near the island of Sengallen, in the Dwina river, near Dunaberg, Russia. The fishermen make an oil from this fish which is very useful in the leather and harness industry as a preservative. The name of this fish is "Stichling" in German, the common name is "kasearge," and in some communities it is called "stagger."

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