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CONCEALING THE PROFITS

It has been an open secret for years that many industrial concerns, both large and small, have various devices for concealing profits.

The analysis of the steel trust's statement of what it earns has been furnished by the bureau of corporations goes very deeply into this question of profits.

The twentieth century demands for governmental and state regulation, for proper working condition and for the highest wages compatible with a reasonable return on investment.

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Profits, therefore, is the very heart of both labor and the price problem.

JAPAN NOT "LITTLE"

Whenever the Japanese government becomes involved in a controversy of any kind with a great power it is the custom to speak of "Little Japan." Friends and foes alike use that expression.

This is all a mistake. Japan is not little. In area of course, the Japanese territory, occupied or conquered, is small by comparison with Russia, for instance, the huge empire which the Japanese defeated in a long and bloody war.

There are more than 52,000,000 Japanese, not counting the Formosans or the Koreans. They have more than 3,000,000 subjects in Formosa and more than 13,000,000 in Korea or Chosen, as they have named the country since its annexation.

Obviously such a nation needs no sympathy because of its littleness.

There is only one bachelor in the Wilson cabinet and there are three marriageable daughters in the Wilson family.

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New York policemen are trying to reduce their weight by marathon runs. The stunt is also said to reduce their sleep.

Lillian Russell says women should wear no jewelry. This is consolation for the old girl who is beyond the hope of an engagement ring.

EXPANSION A DIVINE RIGHT

(Continued from Page 1) of Gate City band, old soldiers, civic orders, Sunday schools and citizens,

marche from the Presbyterian church to the cemetery, where the graves were beautifully decorated with floral tributes.

The address by Rev. I. B. Self of Lostine at the cemetery was a feature of the program, as he was a veteran of the civil war.

At 2:30 dinner was served in the basement of the Presbyterian church by the ladies of the Cemetery association.

In the afternoon an exciting ball game was witnessed, when Enterprise crossed bats with Wallows.

A program of special moving pictures were given by Morelock's moving picture show, both in the afternoon and evening.

Union Celebration Big.

Union, May 31.—(Special)— Memorial services were very fittingly observed in Union. The members of the G. A. R. and W. R. C. met in the Odd Fellows' hall at 2 o'clock and with a large number of children in line laden with flowers marched to the Presbyterian church.

Preston Post, No 18, of the G. A. R. has 18 members. The post is in a thriving condition, notwithstanding its small membership.

These old veterans take great pride in their lodge and do much to keep it up to its high standard. There is a strong W. R. C. Miss Nellie Padak being the president. They have 97 members and have a fine lodge.

MRS. LEWIS BURIED.

Mother of Sixteen Children Laid Away Yesterday Afternoon.

With many friends and acquaintances in attendance, the remains of Mrs. William E. Lewis were laid away yesterday afternoon, with interment in the I. O. O. F. cemetery, Rev. E. C. Close officiating.

Maude T. Worstell Lewis was born in Harrisville, Harrison county, O., Feb. 17, 1874, and came to La Grande with his parents in 1878. She was married to William E. Lewis on February 2, 1892. To this union have been born 16 children, eleven girls and five boys, all of whom are living but two.

She became a member of the Christian church at the age of 14 but soon after marriage united with the Baptist church of which her husband was a member, and lived ever since a Christian life.

"Trusting in Jesus to the very end, with no fear of death or the grave, yet ever willing to endure trials of life, that she might serve her family to the very extent of her ability, and be a faithful wife and mother in the broadest sense of the term," is the way an acquaintances eulogized her.

Besides her husband and her fourteen living children, she leaves a father, a brother and two sisters to mourn her death.

In the passing away of a dearly beloved wife and mother, the husband and children have the love and sympathy of all who know them. She was loved by those who knew her best for her faithful Christian life and while they will miss a loving mother and guiding hand through their sweet young lives, yet they will never forget the lessons of purity.

truth and uprighteousness taught by her through all these patient years.

PAUPER SNOBS OF INDIA.

Beggars That Will Not Work Because They Are Aristocrats.

One-fourth of the Anglo-Indian population in India is supported by charity. For the Anglo-Indian thinks that work is beneath him, and really at heart he is a born snob.

He is a pauper purely and simply because he is an aristocrat. He has English blood in his veins and he wants to live like the English, and the English in India are the successful and the rich.

So the Anglo-Indian pauper is supported on a scale better than that of the faithful workmen among the Hindus and coolies, and the burden of the charity falls on the rich English.

There is another cause of this poverty also, apart from this strong false sentiment. That is the insanitary conditions of life which cause the death of the father of the household at an early age.

INGENIOUS SUNDIALS.

They Were Quite Popular in Paris in the Eighteenth Century.

Parisians have always been extremely devoted to sundials, and it is probable that the French capital possesses a greater number of these time indicating devices than any other city in the world.

Even in the eighteenth century the sundial was most popular in Paris, and fashion singled out for its choice the sundial of the Palais Royale. Every day at noon this was the center of interest of an eager crowd.

When the Duke of Orleans was altering the palace in 1782 the Parisians were much disturbed, thinking that they were to be deprived of their favorite sundial.

Buffon arranged an ingenious dial in the botanical garden. A globe which represented the earth was suspended by a hair. The hair was burned through by the sun at noon, and the globe fell upon a Chinese gong.

Little George was six years old, and the family was much interested in having him start to school, but he insisted that he was not going.

One day his grandmother said to him, "George, you are going to school with sister this winter, aren't you?"

"No, grandma, I'm not going to school at all. I can't read, nor I can't write, nor I can't sing, and I'd like to know what good I'd be at school."—Woman's Home Companion.

AMENDMENT NOW A LAW.

Secretary of State Bryan Proclaims 16th Amendment a Law.

Washington, May 31.—The seventeenth constitutional amendment to the constitution became effective today when Secretary Bryan formally proclaimed the direct election of senators now a law in the land.

Bryan signed the amendment at exactly 11, using four gold pens to write his name and the date in dif-

ARROW COLLARS

"NORFOLK" A very smart collar of the high back, low cutaway front type now so popular with men who know good style.

2 for 25 cents



MANHATTAN SHIRTS

"The shirts that stand the laundry test—they don't fade." \$1.50 to \$2.50

Advertisement for GORDON HATS and INTERWOVEN MEN'S HOSE. Includes text: "Sole agents for" and "Our stock is complete and shows all the newest shapes in straw, felt and stiff hats."

BULGARIAN TIES?

They are the season's latest novelty for summer wear. 50c each



ferent sections. Three pens were given as souvenirs, Bryan retaining the third. A number of those prominent in advocating the amendment were present.

Railroad Bill Up. Washington, May 31.—Senators Pittman, of Nevada, Jones of Washington, and Chamberlain of Oregon

Fighting Near Border. Laredo, Tex., May 31.—Couriers reaching here report a hot fight between the Mexican regulars and the constitutionalists. The battle took place today on the border.

Advertisement for FOLEY KIDNEY PILLS. Includes text: "Feeling Fine since I took FOLEY KIDNEY PILLS!" and "For Backache, Rheumatism, Kidneys and Bladder." Also includes a testimonial from Michigan Bar, California.

The Test of Time

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La Grande National Bank

Capital, \$100,000.00 Surplus, \$130,000.00 Resources, 1,100,000.00 DESIGNATED DEPOSITORY OF UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT. UNITED STATES POSTAL SAVINGS DEPOSITORY.