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Bible Thought. For Today THE SIXTH COMMANDMENT.—Thou shalt not kill. — Exodus 20:13.

Bird Protection Pays The migratory bird act is having the desired effect, according to a recent statement. The act not only forbids shooting wild birds during the migration periods but forbids holding bird game in cold storage beyond a certain date after the open season.

The law has been enforced fairly well in most places. Violators have been punished promptly and out-of-season shooting has been generally stopped. Natural wild life has had a chance to recuperate, and a number of birds recently in danger of extermination are now increasing rapidly.

When protective measures of this sort are proposed there is often opposition from both market hunters and sportsmen. Yet it has nearly at all times been found that, under proper regulation, there is better hunting and a steady supply of game for the market in season instead of a growing scarcity and ultimate disappearance of the wild life.

One Way to Build Homes The most ambitious home-building project ever contemplated is now under consideration in New York City. It calls for 1,500 model apartment houses containing 45,000 four-room apartments, and costing \$100,000,000, to be rented to workmen's families at moderate rates. It looks now as if the project will really be undertaken. It is of unusual interest in its spirit and method, as well as its scope.

The promoter of the plan is Samuel Untermyer, a corporation lawyer, who wants no profit out of it. The money is to be obtained from life insurance companies, at low interest. A big contracting firm has offered to provide the plans and superintend the erection of the buildings at actual cost. Building trades unions are willing to work on the jobs for less than their established wage rate, or give extra time for nothing. Manufacturers of nearly all the materials needed have agreed to cut their prices far below the current market quotations. Money will be saved at every step.

The most remarkable thing about it is the generosity discovered in groups after group of men who have been subjected to severe criticism for their alleged extortion in the past. Evidently there is more goodwill in the average American whether financier, professional man, business man or workman, than most of us have supposed.

Honest Abe Abraham Lincoln's place in history becomes greater and more firmly established as the years roll on. Americans revere his character and teachings with an intensity that rapidly is making him a legendary being. Through his personality and plain homespun philosophy were concentrated largely on problems that were almost exclusively American at the time, he is becoming as great a character in world history as in the history of his own country.

The 114th anniversary of Lincoln's birthday occurs February 12. It will be celebrated in many countries. While his contribution to the spread of democracy was of infinite importance, Lincoln's greatest heritage to us and to future generations, was his gospel of honesty, fairness and toleration.

He was born in Kentucky in a log cabin. His rise from this humble origin to his power during his life and his place in history, after death, should be a constant reminder that what counts most in America is a man himself—his character and his service to the common good.

All of us except the seismographs can get along just as well without any kind of earthquakes. Still, if there must be quakes, we're for the kind they gave us last time—at the bottom of the Pacific ocean.

Automobilists want roadside telephone poles abolished. There's no limit to the natural curiosity of inanimate objects. Those poles are always rising up and swatting an innocent species.

The war indemnity is dragging German industry" complains a German. But from the way Germany is cutting down the dose, there doesn't seem to be much danger of the patient's recovery.

IN THE OLD HOME TOWN



ASHER SNODGRASS HAS A BUSINESS PROBLEM THAT WORRIES HIM

going on tonight, Biffkins? Biffkins—Very little—my wife's dressing for the ball. — Wayside Tales.

Princeton Personal. Just when Os Peachlow had saved enough money to get a pair of suspenders somebody stole his pants.

His Career. There was a young person named Ted; Automobiling had gone to his head; Wreathed in gasoline smiles, He spent thousands of miles, And he'll probably scorch when he's dead!

But Nearly Every One! Bride—Now, you did not have someone to kiss you every night before you were married. Groom—No, not every night. — Wayside Tales.

Interpreting the Einstein Theory In connection with recent earthquakes in Mexico and California, a dour preacher in Houston, Texas, has evolved an ingenious theory which, one must admit, fits very well existing circumstances. He addressed his flock as follows: "Brothers an' sisters, we have received another warnin' not to go posticalin' into de ways ob Providence. De eart, bredders, revolves on its axles, an' it takes a right sma' greaser to keep it lubricated. So de good Lord put petroleum inside de eart to keep de axles greased.

"Den, bye an' bye, long come all dese hyah lie companies, punchin' holes in de ground, clear down into de hearin', and quensecantly all de lie come squirtin' out. Past thing we know dere's a hot box an' de eart squeaks an' rumbles an' grunts an' dat's de earthquake. If dey don't quit it party soon dere won't be no moah grease left and de eart will stick tight on its axles an' won't go 'round no moah."

In Virginia two men are imprisoned in a mine, according to the public prints. They are, reports say, in a vaulted chamber, the natural temperature of which is about 70 degrees. A two inch pipe has been driven through the rock to this chamber, through which food and drink are passed. Electric wires and a small electric light bulb have also been passed through the pipe. The men have plenty of fresh air, plenty of food and drink, tobacco and matches, and a light.

What He Needed. When Farmer Bassett decided to send his son to college, and selected one exploiting the advantages of its physical training system, he had a plain talk with the president. "John don't need no setting-up exercises. He sets up too late already, so I'd rather you'd cut them out. But say, if you've got any good getting-up exercises that are a sure thing, go to it with John!"

It may be several weeks before requests reach them. In the meantime the prisoners say that they are all right, and not worrying. Why should they worry? No cold weather, no taxes, no high cost of living, no dodging automobiles, or trying to start 'em on cold mornings, no telephone calls in the chilly midnight, no fuss, no bother. Grab handed them daily, without having to work. It would be a little difficult for us to go down a two inch pipe, but any time the two fellows want a companion we will volunteer!

Next to Nothing at All. Voice (over the phone)—What's USE SLOAN'S TO EASE LAME BACKS

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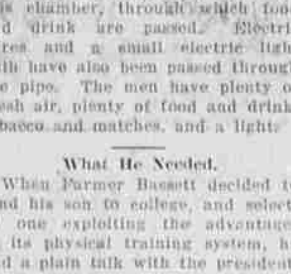
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Sloan's Liniment (Genuine)

THE OFFICE CAT —By JUNIOR—



Just Thirty Years Ago in the Grande Ronde Valley

February 12, 1892. The Union county teachers' meeting convenes in La Grande tomorrow. Everything bespeaks an interesting and enjoyable time at the St. Valentine's hall in Slaters' hall tomorrow evening.

Bud Kirtley sold his 160-acre farm below Island City this week to E. K. Holmes, a late arrival from the east, for \$5000 cash.

The Egin train was delayed about thirty hours on the return trip Tuesday caused by snow slides and demolition near Imbler.

The present condition of Adams avenue and Depot street leaves no room to doubt the fact that a great amount of improvement will be necessary this summer to make them fit for public travel.

A gentle rain commenced to patter Tuesday evening and the rain was followed by a chinook east made the two feet of snow look sick and put a hump in the backbone of winter that threatens total annihilation.

Born: In La Grande, February 4, 1892, to the wife of John Williamson, a son.

Obit: In La Grande, February 4, 1892, to the wife of Franz Siemon, a son.

A drive whist party in honor of Miss Mollie Procheta was given by Mrs. Hattie Eckley Wednesday evening.

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Over 20 New Distinct Patterns
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NEW Spring Skirtings

Wool, Silk and Cotton Fabrics

For the woman or miss who is anticipating a new skirt for either early spring wear or summer sport-wear, the time for selection was never more opportune. Here are silk or wool skirtings in beautiful patterns and colorings. Black and white is very prominent in the wools.

The better pieces are in quantities sufficient for only two skirts insuring your distinction.

Silks Are in a Wondrous New Assortment

Canton Crepe, Georgette, Crepe de Chine, Taffeta and Sport Silks

So many bright new shades that promise to be so popular this season are shown in these new silks. Canton Crepe, 42 inches wide, is in black, brown, white and blue. This is an exceptional quality, the finest we are able to procure, very heavy. Priced at \$4.50 yard. Our 42 inch Crepe de Chine silks at \$2.25 yard is one of the best qualities obtainable and is now shown in all the bright new shades. Heavy Taffetas are in many new and wanted shades—also in changeable colorings for petticoats, breakfast robes, etc. It is priced at \$2.00 yard. And there are sport silks for skirt, figured crepes for dresses and blouses and satin striped silks in flesh and white for undergarments. Your inspection is most earnestly requested now while all is new and fresh with the opening of a new season's merchandise.

"RATINE"

For Dresses or Skirts

A material of much importance in the wash fabrics this season is Ratine. This rough looking material promises great popularity as a dress fabric. We are showing it in colors as well as white. Priced at 75c yard.

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