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### Sible Thought For Today

THE SEVENTH COMMANDMENT—Thou shalt not commit adultery.—Exodus 20:14.

### Gathering Them In

Today La Grande and Union county people heard the sad news of the sudden death of J. D. McKennon, city commissioner of this municipality and one of the prominent business men for more than a quarter century, with the deepest sorrow and regret. They also learned of the death of one of the grandest old pioneer ladies whose Christian life has blessed and benefited our people for years. Grandmother Curry, after long suffering, has passed on. The old process of gathering them in continues. With some it is almost instantaneous from active life and good health to quick passing, and with others it is after the long, long suffering.

An outstanding figure for many years, J. D. McKennon was recognized as a strong character. His stand on questions was ever known, his activity in business was continuous. As a merchant he held his place in commercial circles; as a rancher he was one of the successful ones; as a broker and buyer of products he played the usual scale of profit and loss, but always smiled and kept on going. When elected to the office of city commissioner he had pronounced ideas and plans, some of which were adopted and many were not, but he was always outspoken and never left any doubt as to his position on any question. Mr. McKennon will be greatly missed in all circles, political, commercial and social.

Grandmother Curry's death is one that might naturally have been expected as she has been an invalid for many years, but it is none the less sorrowful for she was one of the sweetest and dearest old ladies we have ever known.

Her character was molded in the olden days when pioneer blood stood the test of any hardship, battled against adversity and always retained an abiding faith in a good God who doeth all things well. She never lost those beautiful traits, but as age and experience brought the ripeness of wisdom, it rounded out the pure thoughts of a noble woman, who, though physically infirm and unable to mingle with the throng, continued in her mental perfectness and her Christian purity. To spend an hour with Grandma Curry was to feel the presence of one whose life reflected goodness, and her blessing went forth to many people who visited her in late years.

### The Perfect Ruler

"There lies the most perfect ruler of men the world has ever seen!" cried Secretary of State Stanton, as he stood at the martyred president's death-couch.

The man who said that was the same Stanton who fought measure after measure proposed by his chief, who had made Lincoln's own cabinet a-1 of thorns, who in utter disgust at the president's policies had called Lincoln a "jackass." And the great-hearted Emancipator had endured it all, just as he endured the storm of public slander and misunderstanding that assailed him throughout his career, the faithful man and so was willing to over-see because he recognized Stanton as a man who took his limitations and forgave his faults.

Why did the hardened egotistical Stanton, in his moment of real comprehension call Lincoln "the most perfect ruler?" Because he had come to realize that Lincoln, along with intellectual power and understanding of human nature to greater than that of many, another statesman, possessed the supreme qualification of rulers—*the ability to sympathize and forgiveness.*

With malice toward none, with

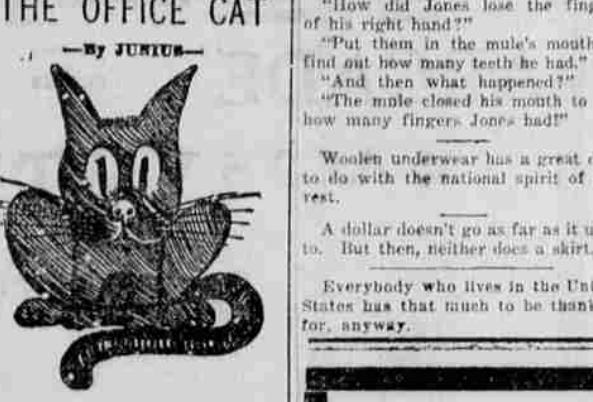
### IN THE OLD HOME TOWN



GRANDMA CURRY'S SECOND BIRTH DANCE IN HANDY TODAY. WAS THE LADIES SEWING SOCIETY HELD A GUILTING BEE AT THE PURDY HOME.

charity for all,"—that was Lincoln. And that is the kind of rulership the world needs today. It needs statesmen not only possessing the sentiment of charity—which in a weak man becomes sentimentality—but men big enough and strong enough, like Lincoln, to go ahead and give its expression in national and international affairs.

### THE OFFICE CAT



Tiny little pigtails,  
Tiny bows of green,  
Made the Rookie girls  
Funny to be seen.  
But one little Rookie,  
Became very roiled,  
Wouldn't wear the pigtail—  
They her beauty spoiled.  
So she wept profusely,  
Called for pa and ma,  
And they fired the Seniors,  
According to the Law.  
Pa and ma and daughter,  
Satisfied, went home,  
And the naughty Seniors,  
Came back to their own.  
Moral—  
Always be a good sport,  
When you go to High,  
Join in and do as others,  
Just be a regular guy.

The wearing by the winter girl of bells on her flapping goloshes is a fad that is said to threaten. With rings on her fingers, as the old song goes, and bells on her goloshes, she will have music wherever she slashes.

To avoid criticism get yourself a cave in the mountains; put a ten-foot board fence around it; then sit in the mouth of the cave and DO NOTHING.

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So the scientists have heard,  
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Till the space it fills is shy,  
Its presence  
And  
You  
Are glum,  
Oh, you never miss your sweetheart,  
Till the water soaks your hair;  
Oh, you never miss the zest  
Till your quip dies unaid  
In print,  
And  
You  
Are glum,  
Oh, you never miss you sweetheart,  
Till she's a missing little miss;  
Oh, you never miss the Garter  
Till your hose you in to wiss  
It slipping,  
And  
You  
Are glum,  
Oh, yes, we suffer a hiatus  
In our COLUMN constancy,  
But Contributor need spanking  
In their literary infancy  
And at some times,  
We  
Are  
Very glum.

### DYNAMITE ORDERED.

ELGIN, Feb. 12.—A carload of dynamite valued at \$5000 has been ordered from a local firm by the state for the construction of the paved highway between La Grande and Elgin. Work on the highway will commence as soon as the weather will permit.

### A JUDICIOUS INQUIRY

A well known traveling man who visits the drug trade, says he has often heard druggists ask a customer who wished to buy a cough medicine, whether it was for a child or a adult and if for a child, they almost invariably recommended Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. The reason for this is that they know there is no danger from it and that it always cures. There is not the least danger in giving it and for colds, croup and whooping cough it is unsurpassed.

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