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MAN WAS BORN TO MUSTLE.

He is of few days; but quite a plenty.

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ENGLAND never did like things American. The latest thing that she objects to is the Yale stroke and it begins to look as though that is about the only perceptive antagonism she really has for it.

LAURIER, who will be the next premier of Canada, interviewed regarding the intentions of the incoming administration says that tariff reforms will constitute the most important work before them. Revisions will come gradually and slowly.

ROYALTY is rushing into the professions at a rapid rate of late, whether from fear of decaying sovereignty and consequent diminution of annuity or from love of profession is not proclaimed. The Prince of Wales has procured a degree which certifies that he is a doctor of laws while a German prince has betaken himself to the priest-hood.

SAN FRANCISCO is having trouble with peddlers, and they are agitating a law down there that will make it a criminal offence for a peddler to enter a house fortified by a sign, "No peddlers need apply." It is said that plenty of residences are so placarded, and it is thought that the law suggested will clear the vision of the hawker class wonderfully.

THE Pacific Northwest, a publication gotten out by the Pacific Northwest Immigration board, of Portland, has been received. It is a very nicely gotten up affair, profuse with illustrations and good reading—both of which are intended to foster a better opinion of our people for this their own good land and to encourage immigration to the Pacific Northwest from eastern cyclone swept states. Some of the publication's statistics, we are lead to believe, are caught from irresponsible sources or back number publications. This conclusion was reached when we read in it that Medford had a population of "about 1000." By way of correction we will rise to exclaim that something over one year ago Medford's population was over 1800—actual count—and the population must be "ABOUT" 2100 now.

THE Chautauqua session at Ashland, which begins on Thursday of next week will furnish a treat for very many people of Southern Oregon who will not fail to at once recognize the high literary merit of the attraction, which is assured by the many well-known and eminent names which dot the program. The management is certainly deserving of much congratulation for having been enabled to arrange for entertaining visitors by such well-known talent, and there should be no apathy in the matter of furnishing sufficient patronage to make these things possible. Next to our schools, there is nothing that should more attract every person interested in educational matters than the Chautauqua sessions. The management states that there has been announced speakers and instructors as have pledged themselves to be present, but it is expected that other prominent educators than those named will be in attendance.

THE father of the new navy is becoming despondent over the prospects of keeping the democracy in

line on the sound money issue and is willing to acknowledge that the adoption of a free silver platform is a forgone conclusion. The only hope of the gold faction has been that they held enough of strength in the convention to prevent a nomination under the two-thirds rule, but the prospects of contests from Michigan has threatened to place them in a hopeless minority so far as even that ray of hope is concerned. But even if there was no prospect of the silver men gaining a clear two-thirds vote in the convention there is little prospect of anyone else controlling the nomination, since each convention makes its own rules, and the convention would probably return to the majority rule in preference to being tied eternally in a dead lock. The two-thirds rule is looked upon as a time-honored and cardinal principle of democracy, and yet the history of its beginning shows that it was adopted then for the purpose of shutting out a prominent aspirant for the presidential nomination, and succeeding conventions have adopted the rule until it has come to be regarded as almost inviolable, but those in control of the convention will hardly permit this rather arbitrary custom to stand long in their way.

Another Conflagration.

Another blaze has been registered for Medford; another bend, has been doing his devilish work; another time the minds of our people have been driven into that channel of thought which suspects someone of being guilty of having destroyed property and has committed a crime—but to detect the criminal is another point and one which our town officers have labored long and well to solve, but as yet there is that same mystery surrounding each new listed fire.

Last Saturday morning, at about four o'clock, our good people, who were sleeping the sleep that's liable to get awake in about an hour—were awakened by the clanging of the fire bell and the tooting of several whistles, and within a space of time that was not long the streets were crowded with people.

The fire was located in the saloon building owned by S. A. D. Higgins and occupied by W. J. King, and while the fire boys were not long in playing the fire with a good stream of water, the entire roof, ceiling and a good bit of the ends and sides were consumed. In the building was a stock of liquors and cigars, a billiard table and a pool table, a fine bar and bar fixtures and besides these there were all the fixtures usually found in a saloon—all of which were damaged to a considerable extent some articles totally destroyed. The saloon has not been doing business for the past month because of a remonstrance to the insurance of a license having been filed with the city council about the date of closing.

The fire, presuming from the fact that it broke through the roof near the rear end, was started in the rear room, but just how it started and who applied the match is a matter past finding out. The building was twenty feet by fifty feet in size and only one story high, but, notwithstanding this fact, things were considerably heated thereabouts and nearby buildings were none too safe.

There was an insurance of \$1250 on stock and bar fixtures, payable to Mr. King, and an insurance of \$1200 on the billiard and pool tables, payable to Mr. Higgins. In the building was a fine piano, valued at \$500, owned by Mr. King, upon which there was no insurance. This piece of furniture was gotten out but not until badly damaged, if not ruined completely. Mr. King was paid \$890 by the insurance company—the difference between these figures and those of his insurance representing the goods he was damaged and the reduced stock he was carrying at the time of the fire as compared with the stock carried at the time the policy was written. The loss to the building has not yet been adjusted.

Always a Sure Winner. Under the above caption appeared itself a line full of complimentary remarks the following very conclusively worded lines of praise for Judge Crowell, which are found in the columns of the Democratic Standard, published at Coshocton, Ohio:

"The many friends of Hon. W. S. Crowell, hereabouts, will be pleased to hear of his having been elected county judge, after one of the liveliest local campaigns ever held in Southern Oregon. Two years ago the democratic vote in that county was four hundred less than the republican and six hundred behind the populist. Senator Crowell's popularity overcame these great odds, for he was the only democrat elected in the county."

Do Not Use the Water.

Section 2, of ordinance No. 116, passed June 1, 1892, by the town council reads as follows: "It is hereby declared unlawful for any person or persons to use any water from the water works for any purpose, whatsoever, during a fire, except for the purpose of extinguishing said fire."

The penalty prescribed in the above case is a fine of not less than \$5 nor more than \$25. It is therefore not only a misdemeanor to use water during a fire but is as well very derogatory to the preservation of property.

W. T. YORK, Town Recorder.

Co Trade for Hay.

I have one back to trade for part hay and balance cash.

H. G. SHEARER.

A LITTLE OF EVERYTHING.

A son of Ex-President Tyler is in prison at Richmond, Va., charged with murder.

Gustavus W. Smith, who was a Major-General in the Southern army during the civil war, is dead.

The secrecy of the confessional has been upheld by a recent Canadian supreme court decision.

An earthquake and tidal wave in Japan drowned 27,000 people at Yezo and injured 8000 more.

A canvass of the delegation to Chicago gives 575 silver votes to 328 single standard supporters.

San Francisco has raised the \$25,000 to secure the next national session of the christian endeavorers.

Acetylene is being used in Paris tramcars for lighting purposes and is proving satisfactory beyond expectation.

Spanish liberals have introduced in their senate a motion censuring the attitude of their government toward Cuba.

A nine pound spheroid aerolite planted itself in terra firma at Alliance, Ohio, last Friday. It was of meteoric iron.

The Illinois democracy will push the candidacy of Judge McConnell, of Chicago, for the democratic free silver nomination.

The new national party, an off-shoot of the Prohibition party, has organized its State Committee in Boston by the election of officers.

Senators Dubois, of Idaho, and Mantle, of Montana, together with Representative Shafroth, of Colorado, are at Chicago, working for Teller.

James B. Gentry, the actor who murdered Miss Yorke in February, 1895, was found guilty of murder in the first degree by a Philadelphia jury.

Ninety men were buried in a colliery at Wilkesbarre, Pa., on June 28th. Rescuers dived at the choked gangways for three hours, and finding no bodies, gave up in despair.

A Salt Lake bank (private) failed last week with liabilities at \$250,000. This was formerly the American national bank, but went out of the national system two years ago.

Many of the leading republicans of South Dakota condemn Senator Pettigrew's actions at the St. Louis convention, and yet the feeling prevails that things in the Dakotas are pretty uncertain.

The long distance telephone circuit has been extended to St. Louis and that city has been placed in speaking communication with all the principal cities east of the Mississippi river.

The Massachusetts legislature is in session every year and the sessions usually last five or six months. In this respect the Bay state is more sorely afflicted than any other state in the union.

A three-year-old child was killed near Chicago the other day by a bicycle scorch. A loose four-ounce stone was snapped up by the wheel and hurled with such force as to cause death.

Six thousand Sioux, the remnant of the most powerful fighters of the American Indians, celebrated the 20th anniversary of the destruction of Custer's command, at Big Horn, on June 25th.

David Belasco secured a judgment against N. R. Fairbanks, the Chicago millionaire, for training Mrs. Leslie E. Carter for the stage. He is allowed interest at the rate of five per cent from 1890.

The records on railroad construction shows that 747 miles of railroad has been constructed in the United States the first half of the present year, against 620 miles constructed last year.

Two or three bicycle firms in New York went into bankruptcy last week, and on the heels of this report comes the undenied statement that high grade wheels are to be from \$10 to \$30 lower next season.

The expected financial crash has come to British Guiana. It has been brought about by the boundary troubles and the sugar depression. Currency notes have gone to a discount, and £5 notes are selling for less than £4.

The Chicago city council placed a tax of two per cent on the gross premiums of all insurance companies for the purpose of better supporting the fire department. The companies have retaliated by adding five per cent to the rates.

The pan-Præbyterian council, in session at Glasgow, has resolved to petition the British and the United States governments in favor of the establishment of a permanent board of arbitration to settle disputes between the two countries.

Villard is given credit for another scheme—this time for a continuous line of railroad from the Atlantic to the Pacific coast. His

scheme is to again get control of the Northern Pacific and buy the Baltimore and Ohio at receiver's sale.

President Echols, of the A. P. A. has said that since the fight over the indorsement of McKinley it is the intention of the organization to stay out of politics, and it is not probable that any nomination will be endorsed by them. Members will be permitted to vote for whom they please.

A dispatch to the "World" from Havana says: The period within which, according to General Weyler's edict, all countrymen in Pinar del Rio must go into the towns or go to the insurgents expired to-day. Hereafter all who are found in the country will be held to be enemies. People are forbidden to take out food for Artemisa.

There are 4000 factory hands now on a strike at St. Petersburg. They are quiet and peaceable, but determined to obtain their demands. It is stated that 10,000 workmen in the province of Tver have resolved to go to the railway, when the czar returns to St. Petersburg, and stop the train and throw themselves on their knees to induce the emperor to receive a memorial of their grievances.

A poll of the delegates to the democratic national convention places Boies and Bland as the two leading candidates for the presidential nomination. Bland has 156 votes pledged and Boies 139. Necessary to a choice 620. There are 930 delegates and of this number 368 are doubtful, and the remainder are divided among Pattison, Whitney, Mathews, Stevenson, Blackburn, Russell, Teller and Turpie.

The Nail Association has been in session in Chicago. Within the past month the association has bought in the Boakes mills of New York and Philadelphia for \$600,000 and the Pittsburgh Wire Company for \$750,000. The association has attempted, it is alleged, to dictate to the manufacturers of nail machinery. The manufacturers threaten to establish mills of their own. It is said that they demand a share in the profits of the trust as the price of inaction.

The following "State flowers" have been adopted by the votes of public school scholars of the respective states; Alabama, Nebraska and Oregon, the golden rod; Colorado, columbine; Delaware, the peach blossom; Idaho, the syringa; Iowa and New York, the rose; Maine, the pink and cone tassel; Minnesota, cypripedium or moccasin flower; Montana, the bitter root; North Dakota, the wild rose; Utah, the legro lilly; Vermont, the red clover and Washington, the rhododendron. In addition Rhode Island and Wisconsin have adopted a state tree, the maple being selected by both.

Li Hung Chang has been interviewed concerning what he thinks of Bismarck, and says: "Two things puzzle me about Prince Bismarck. The first was the Chancellor's acknowledgement that his son, Herbert, would rather be a politician than follow his father's wish that he should devote his life to farming, and second was Bismarck's expression: 'When a monarch is an impetuous statesman he is able to do good in many things; if otherwise, nothing will succeed.' The vicerey will leave Holland Saturday. Meanwhile several thousand letters have accumulated at his rooms at Kaiserhof which will probably never be opened."

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