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MAN WAS BORN TO MUSTLE.  
He is of few days; but quite plenty.

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There are mean men in this world who willingly pay what it costs to keep hired girls just to see their wives bossed around.

A woman who got married to a widower two months ago has run away, deserting her eight helpless step children. Cruel woman!

A Texas man succumbed to heart failure when they told him oil had been found on his farm and he was rich. Well, he died happy anyway.

A HUNGARIAN killed himself on his wife's advice. And yet there are people who claim that women are losing their influence in the home.

C. P. HUNTINGTON'S estate has made so much money since his death that Russell Sage must be tempted to die and save expenses while his fortune keeps on piling up.

TELEPHONES are to be reconstructed so as to provide for sight as well as hearing. This will have a tendency to still further increase the annoyance resulting from cross wires.

EITHER 500 children were named after Mark Hanna in the last four years, or 500 parents have considered him an easy mark for a contribution to the well being of their little Marks.

A TEXAS farmer had a suggestive lunch last spring and planted 300 acres to Irish potatoes. Now he could run for Congress or do any other foolish thing he wanted to without exciting adverse comment.

HON. C. W. FULTON, of Astoria, has publicly announced his candidacy for the United States senatorship, to succeed Senator Simon. Mr. F. has been industriously fixing up his fences for several months past.

EVERYBODY seems to imagine they have a license to bump the Ben Davis apple, still there are many orchardists in Jackson County who can attribute a good part of their bank accumulations to the productivity of this variety of apple.

EDITORS who smoke need not fear cancers. An English physician says the cancer comes from smoking the high-priced cigars that royalty uses—say the \$1 a piece kind. The three-for-ten kind that editors smoke contain no cancer germs. They don't contain much of anything aside from floor sweepings, old copper rivets, plate glass chippings, cheese rinds and work apron ravelings.

EVIDENTLY the higher cultivation is in need of some polishing up. A lot of cows were lately shot by a party of New York hunters under the impression that they were a herd of deer. In view of this and the many casualties of the Maine hunting fields, natural history ought to be insisted on as a necessary branch in the schools, or the fool hunter kept out of farmers' pasture fields.

THE New York Evening Post finds that one hundred and fifty thousand pianos were sold in the United States in 1901, many of which went to the west, especially Oregon, Kansas and northern California. The record for pianos established in 1892—one hundred and twenty five thousand instruments—has heretofore been made insignificant. The fact that the people of the west have heretofore bought organs, and that the general prosperity has put pianos within their means, argues well for the state of things in this section.

A KANSAS newspaper man expresses his thanks to a fruit grower for some Ben Davis apples, which

leads the discriminating Topeka Capital to ask, "What do you think of a man who returns thanks for a gift of Ben Davis apples?" Perhaps the editor felt that he could afford to be polite, neighbor. He didn't have to eat the apples. The Ben Davis has a reputation almost everywhere that is not to be envied, still the Oregon Ben Davis is not so bad. Of course it is not so good as other varieties we produce, but possibly it could be worse. However, the Ben Davis is a good producer and a fairly good seller—at a price considerably lower than the Newtown, Spitzenberg or Baldwin.

SENATOR MITCHELL has reported from the special committee of western senators and representatives a bill prohibiting Chinese immigration from any of the insular possessions of the United States. The section creating the most discussion was No. 2, which was finally adopted by the committee to read as follows: "That from and after the passage of this act the entry into the American mainland territory of the United States of Chinese laborers coming from any of the insular possessions of the United States shall be absolutely prohibited, and such prohibition shall apply to all Chinese laborers, as well those who were in such insular possessions at the time of the acquisition thereof by the United States as those who may come there hereafter, and those who may be hereafter born there." The bill in a general way extends indefinitely the exclusion law. It was referred to the senate committee on immigration.

AN OVERFLOWING TREASURY. At a time when the chief nations of Europe are looking for new objects of taxation so as to make income meet outgo, the United States is confronted with an overflowing treasury, and with the advisability of abolishing some of its taxes. Secretary Gage has just made a comparison between the conditions now and those which existed at the beginning of the Republican sway. On April 1st, 1897, which was the beginning of the first month after the Republicans entered power, the treasury had a cash balance, including the \$100,000,000 gold reserve, of about \$150,000,000. At the present moment the treasury has \$296,000,000 of cash including the gold fund, which is, under the law of 1900, fixed at \$150,000,000 or nearly twice the cash it had at the earlier date.

But this is only one of the many respects in which the country's financial condition has been improved since the Republicans resumed sway in the government. The money in circulation at the time the Republicans entered power was \$23.14 per capita. It was \$28.73 at the beginning of December, 1901, and it is doubtless higher than that point now. Moreover, the sort of money which is in circulation has improved in the interval. While the gold and gold certificates in circulation at the beginning of McKinley's first term was \$554,000,000, it was \$914,000,000 at the beginning of December, a month ago, and it is at a higher mark to-day. In the Democratic days which ended early in 1897 gold was hoarded in a large degree. Almost everybody who had it hung on to it, because he feared the country's currency would drop to the silver basis, and that gold would go to a premium. The Republicans' victory removed that peril, and consequently gold circulates as freely as metallic money could in a country like this, which prefers paper, when it is worth its face value in gold, as it

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LIME  
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is now, to any sort of hard money. The country's foreign and domestic trade has grown in a proportionate degree, although Secretary Gage did not refer to this fact. The merchandise exports, which were \$882,000,000 in 1896, in the last year of democratic sway, have recently been in the neighborhood of \$1,500,000,000. The growth in the country's domestic activities has been equally marked, as shown by the immense increase in bank clearances and railroad earnings in the past four or five years. Records in pig iron production, in all the metallic and textile manufactures, and in all the other great interests, have been broken frequently since the Republicans entered office a little less than five years ago. Of course, a comparison between present conditions and those for the early part of 1897 is hardly fair for the Republicans, for the Republican victory in November, 1896, brought a complete rally in all sorts of business, and sent the level of the treasury's cash and of the country's great activities up. But even taking 1897 as a starting point, a sweeping and comprehensive improvement has been scored since then, which will stand as a striking tribute to the sanity and courage of the Republican party.

**Academy Notes.**  
The third term opens Feb. 10th. Thora Smith, one of the successful teachers of the county, entered school this week for the purpose of taking advanced studies.  
Miss Lulu Jones, of Jacksonville, who has been sick at her home, since the holidays, has resumed her work in the commercial department.  
The roll monitors are Cassie Plymire, Myrtle Rogers and Fred Patterson.  
More blackboard was put on in Prof. Samuels' room this week.  
The boys' Excelsior Debating Club will render a special program next week.  
Program for Adolphian Society this week:  
Song..... By Society  
Recitation..... By Secretary  
Reading of the minutes..... Bertha Lyons  
Recitation..... Bertha Lyons  
Essay..... Jesse Taylor  
Reading..... Bell Williams  
Recitation..... Hilda McCurdy  
Essay..... Mattie Hoekersmith  
Song..... Male Quartet  
Comic recitation..... Roland Mitchell  
Reading..... Letah Williams  
Reading of the paper..... Rita Dodge  
Recitation..... Rita Dodge  
Song..... By Society

**To Voters.**  
I am supplied with all necessary registration blanks and will fill out same free of cost. The law requires that you must register before you can vote at the next June election.  
R. T. LAWTON,  
Medford, Oregon.

**For Sale or Trade.**  
Span of 1000 pound horses, seven and eight years old, for sale or to trade for stock hogs. Apply to J. E. Lamborn on the Prall place, north of Medford.

**Rooms to Rent.**  
I have furnished and unfurnished rooms to rent. Suitable for light house-keeping, millinery or dressmaking. Near business center of city.  
A. M. LODER.

**E. S. Wolfer,**  
Job Work in  
PLUMBING and  
STEEL METAL  
East 7th St., MEDFORD, OR

**HAVE A CIGAR?**  
"We will go down to Shearer's place and get one,  
**The RIALTO CIGAR STORE**  
keeps only the best."  
A Box of Fine Cigars or  
An Elegant Pipe  
Would be highly appreciated by the head of the household. Try him and see  
**H. C. SHEARER, Proprietor**

**Meeting of City Council.**  
The newly elected city council met in special session on Tuesday evening of this week. Those present were Mayor Crowell, Councilmen Wilson, Willeke, Ulrich, Toft and Demmer. J. R. Wilson was elected chairman, to serve in absence of mayor, and J. W. Willeke was elected to serve as chairman in case of absence of both mayor and chairman.  
James Brandenburg was re-elected street commissioner with bonds fixed at \$500.  
Treasurer Strang's bond of \$5000 with A. A. Davis and W. I. Vawter as sureties was approved.  
Recorder York's bond of \$2000 was approved.  
W. E. Phipps was appointed city attorney.  
Eugene Amann was appointed Chief of Police, and his bond of \$500, with J. A. Perry and James Brandenburg as sureties, was approved.  
Complaint was made by J. G. Taylor to the effect that water from the Union livery stable hydrant was injuring the brick wall of his adjoining store. Matter was referred to committee on sewers and drains with power to act.  
The following resolution was unanimously adopted:  
Resolved, That the mayor be requested to instruct the chief of police and any police officer of said city not to enter any saloon at any time, except to make an arrest or to quell a disturbance, and that any such officer found disobeying this order will be suspended from duty, and shall not draw any pay during the time he is so suspended.  
COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS.  
The following committees have been appointed by Mayor Crowell for the coming year:  
Finance:—Willeke, Ulrich, Toft.  
Streets and alleys:—Wilson, Demmer, Willeke.  
Sewers and drains:—Ulrich, Toft, Wilson.  
Lights and water:—Deuel, Willeke, Wilson.  
Health:—The Mayor, Demmer, Toft.  
Fire:—Toft, Deuel, Ulrich.  
Ordinance:—The Mayor, Willeke, Demmer.  
Buildings in fire limits:—Wilson, Deuel, Toft.  
Public buildings and parks:—Demmer, Willeke, Ulrich.

**Notice of Teachers' Examination.**  
Notice is hereby given that the county superintendent of Jackson County will hold the regular examination of applicants for state and county papers at Jacksonville, as follows:  
FOR STATE PAPERS.  
Commencing Wednesday, February 12th, at 7 o'clock a. m., and continuing until Saturday, February 15th, at 4 p. m.  
Wednesday—Penmanship, history, spelling, algebra, reading, school law.  
Thursday—Written arithmetic, theory of teaching, grammar, bookkeeping, physics, civil government.  
Friday—Physiology, geography, mental arithmetic, composition, physical geography.  
Saturday—Botany, plane geometry, general history, English literature, psychology.  
COUNTY PAPERS.  
Commencing Wednesday, February 12th, at 9 o'clock a. m., and continuing until Friday, February 14th, at 4 p. m.  
FIRST, SECOND and THIRD GRADE.  
Wednesday—Penmanship, history, orthography, reading.  
Thursday—Written arithmetic, the-

ory of teaching, grammar, school law. Friday—Geography, mental arithmetic, physiology, civil government.  
PRIMARY CERTIFICATES.  
Wednesday—Penmanship, reading, orthography, arithmetic.  
Thursday—Art of questioning, theory of teaching, methods, physiology.  
NOTICE OF EIGHTH GRADE EXAMINATION.  
Notice is hereby given that the eighth grade examination of applicants for county diplomas will be held at the various school houses on Feb. 5th, 6th and 7th, 1902.  
P. H. DAILY,  
County Schools Superintendent.

**OLD and NEW**  
You can always find what you want at our  
**SECOND HAND STORE**  
We carry New goods of all kinds  
We charge you nothing for looking at our stock.  
EADS & SONS  
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We furnish them  
For FAMILY and COMMERCIAL ORCHARDS; also to NURSERYMEN and DEALERS  
Best and most reliable stock grown  
Send for Catalogue and prices  
**PACIFIC NURSERY CO.**  
TANGENT, OREGON

**Wood Choppers,**  
When you are buying tools for the devastation of the giant forests of Southern Oregon it is essential to have the best, else how are you going to make any money out of the business? If you haven't seen my  
**AXES and SAWS**  
You haven't seen the best—and cheapest  
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Phone Main 171  
**H. G. Nicholson**

**SUNNYSIDE HOTEL**  
EAGLE POINT, OREGON  
Having purchased the property on the south side of Butte creek, opposite the flouring mill, and re arranged the building, we are now prepared to accommodate the public, and solicit a share of their patronage  
**A. C. HOWLETT, Prop.,**  
EAGLE POINT, OREGON

**A Winter Trip**  
To Southern California and Arizona via the famous Shasta Route is one never to be forgotten. Renewed acquaintance with this section will ever develop fresh points of interest and added sources of enjoyment under its sunny skies, in the variety of interests and added industries, in its prolific vegetation and among its numberless resorts of mountain, shore, valley and plain.  
Two trains leave Portland daily, morning and evening, for California. These trains are equipped with the most improved pattern of standard and tourist sleeping cars, and the low rates place the trip in reach of all.  
For illustrated guides of California and Arizona winter resorts, address  
R. B. MILLER, G. P. A.,  
Portland, Ore.

Probably the largest contract ever let in this country for the transplanting of big trees is that just entered into for the World's fair at St. Louis. The site of the World's fair is Forest park, in which there are many large trees. To preserve as many of the trees as possible, and to have their shade in the broad avenues of the exposition, the director of works will have 700 trees, each from 12 to 18 inches in diameter, lifted and replanted where they will remain permanently. Special machines will be used, and the transplanting will be done while the trees are dormant and the ground is deeply frozen, so as to carry as much earth as possible with the roots. Very great care is required for a successful operation, and the trees will be given the best care and attention in order to assure their thrifty growth. The trees are principally maples and elms.

**His Particular Muse.**  
He had been calling on a young lady and had been talking against time for several hours, not noticing that she was, to say the least, slightly wearied. "Do you know," he said, after completing a monologue of several thousand words and thinking a little fatigued would be appreciated, "while talking tonight I have felt as if I were inspired by one of the muses. And which one do you think it is?"  
He looked searchingly into her beautiful face. The modest blush for which he was watching proved to be a wide yawn, which grew wider as she answered:  
"I guess the muse that inspires you tonight must be Euterpe."  
He didn't really know anything about mythology, so he couldn't tell just what she meant. But when he got home he took down his encyclopedia, and there in cold type, staring him in the face, he saw:  
"Euterpe—the muse who presided over wind instruments."

The kennel of St. Bernard dogs, valued at \$50,000, and owned by Frank J. Gould, at Lyndhurst, the country seat of Helen Gould, at Irvington-on-Hudson, is to be disposed of by Feb. 15, when the building will be transformed into a cooking school for the free use of poor girls, says a New York dispatch. The kennel, which is a large Colonial cottage, finished in hard wood, is to be enlarged and improved. There will be a big range and plain tables, and Miss Gould will employ experts to teach.

**West Side Evaporator**  
Medford, - - - Oregon  
I have Dried Fruit and pure Cider Vinegar for sale  
**L. F. LOZIER, Prop.**

Assemblyman Pondry has introduced a bill in the legislature of New York dealing with fraudulent oil companies. New York papers, says an Albany dispatch, have published extensive advertisements of alleged oil companies, and these advertisements, on their face, brand the companies as fraudulent. Many laboring people, with a few hundred dollars saved, have been caught. Most of the alleged bogus companies have fields located in Texas, but a few are in California. The bill provides for dealing with the evil by stringent state regulations.

Least attractive among the insects which give light are the so called "electric centipeds"—black crawlers with many legs, which have been likened to serpents' skeletons in miniature. They move in a snakelike fashion, forward or backward, leaving behind them a bright track of phosphoric light. However, they are most accustomed to appear in the daytime, when the illumination they afford is not visible.

**Unfortunate Error.**  
"What do you mean by this, sir?" demanded the angry advertiser. "What's the matter?" inquired the publisher of the Bangtown Bugle. "This advertisement of 'our delicious canned meats from the best Chicago houses, you've made it read 'horses.'"  
—Philadelphia Press.

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