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A Strange Pirate Story.
In the museum at Kingston, Jamaica, there are some tattered ships' papers, brown with age and salt water, and a small tin canister. These articles attest the truth of the strangest pirate story ever told.
In 1799 the crew of the Nancy brig were apparently honest traders, but did some piracy now and then on the side. One day they found it necessary to go into Kingston for supplies. Before doing so they naturally removed all traces of their buccaneering trade. Among other things they threw overboard this tin canister stuffed with papers taken from ships they had sunk, with comments written on the margin by the pirate captain.
Later in the day a British frigate was becalmed near the spot, and the sailors spent their leisure catching sharks. Presently they hauled up a big fellow, not him open and found the tin case with the papers inside. These were taken to the captain, who as soon as a letter sprung up sailed into Kingston harbor, found the Nancy brig there and had the crew tried, convicted and hanged in chains at Port Royal.

Lace-making.
The first of lace-making dates back to the days of Greek maidens who watched the spider make its web and copied the pattern with fine threads of flax. The art has developed to the point of producing brussels point, which is so delicate in texture that the dryness of the air makes the threads brittle; therefore the makers of the finest kinds have to work in damp cellars, using magnifying glasses. On the altar cloth and vestments of the church will be seen the most beautiful of the old lace point as it was made by nuns in their convent cells and dedicated to the use of the church. Every one familiar with the painting of "Queen Elizabeth, the Dress Lover," which shows her with high ruffles embroidered with gold threads. The portraits of Queen Charlotte, Mary II, the youngest of the royal line, of balloon-like swarthy complexion, Queen Victoria preferred to try away in lavender dresses the piles of laced linens.

A Swinton-Dana Story.
The first of the newspaper question was asked by a brilliant journalist, the late John Swinton, for many years managing editor of the New York Sun. In a column on Mr. Dana, "Swinton" said Mr. Dana one day: "I need a first class editor. How much are you willing to pay, Mr. Dana?" asked Mr. Swinton. "I want a first class man \$125 a week," answered Dana. "But you cannot get a first class man for that," protested Mr. Swinton. "Why not?" asked Mr. Dana. "That is what I pay you, but don't you consider yourself a first class man?" "Yes, Mr. Dana," rejoined Mr. Swinton. "If I were a first class man I should be paying you \$125 a week." "That \$125 a week practically worked the ruin of Mr. Swinton's opportunity as it may be said to mark the limit of the same quality of brains for a newspaper editor—and also the limit of something else more vital, for the difference between Dana and a Swinton defines statesman—Arthur R. Kimball." Atlanta.

Their Pleas Calling Out.
The speeding train came together with a staff, sickening thud. A moment later the engine pair sat facing each other in the confused furrow.
"Well, what are you crying for?" asked the man. "The lady wept anew. It is our best falling out," she sobbed. —Commercial Tribune.

Words, Not Words.
Father (to boy)—Didn't I tell you if any of the other boys said anything to make you angry, you should count twenty before you said anything?
Young—Yes, sir, but I didn't need to say anything before I'd counted twenty—the other boy yelled "Enough!" —Philadelphia Press.

A Little Short.
"I'd like to know why it is," said young Ardup to his father, "that every time you make a pair of trousers for me you get them a little short."
"Suppose," replied the knight of the feathered game, "it's because I usually find you that way when I present my bill!"

The Countess Descend.
De Caidie—The family of my brother-in-law, the prince, is descended from Dallas Casar.
Miss Bile—And it hasn't finished descending yet, has it?—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

"When you see a man clapping his hands and stomping his feet in de amen co, watch him de nex' day when he gets out de sugar!—Baltimore News

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MAN HAS BORN TO HUSTLE.
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It is becoming as great a fad among fashionable women to have their jewels "stolen," as it used to be among prominent actresses.
It must be pretty hard for the Russian people to get up a great deal of enthusiasm over the birth of an heir to the throne, while the reports from the war are chronicling disaster after disaster to the Russian arms.

It is not necessary to tell anyone who Roosevelt is. We all know him. His life and career is an open book, familiar to all Americans and there is not a sullied page in it.
Whatever faults the Republican party may have had, it has never been reduced to the necessity of running its national candidates upon a platform dictated by telegram by one man.

The Democratic papers are full of syndicate editorials concerning Judge Parker's career and personality; but they are remarkably silent on the subject of issues affecting the welfare of the nation.
"We have made the deed square with the word," said President Roosevelt in his speech of acceptance. No better record nor one more to be proud of could have been made by man or party.

The claims of our Democratic friends of a majority in the electoral college reminds one of the story of the boy who was catching rats. He said: "When I get the one I'm after, and two more, I'll have three."
The Japanese have lost heavily in their attacks on Port Arthur through the explosion of mines. Now they are driving cattle across the mined ground in hopes of exploding the hidden mines, and are said to have been successful in the effort.

The Republican candidates stand upon a solid platform made up of policies which will be for the good of the people. The Democratic candidates haven't anything to stand on, unless it is that famous telegram and it isn't big enough for both of them.

Some imaginative correspondent has evolved from the smoke of battle (or something else) in the Orient the picture of a beautiful woman leading a charge of Cosacks against the Japanese. The world is now waiting for the tardy appearance of the woman who is due to surprise the defenders of Port Arthur in their resistance.

Missouri recently celebrated the eighty-third anniversary of her admission into the Union. The great state was in 1821 a wilderness of the Far West. She is now a prosperous and populous commonwealth and is scheduled as the fifth state in the Union. Her 60,557 inhabitants eighty-three years ago have expanded into 3,500,000. Her story past and present has just been printed in a thick volume of 600 pages by the

World's Fair Commission. The story is good reading, not only for loyal Missourians, but for patriotic Americans generally. It is a tale of energy and growth and development of resources of which the country may well be proud.

Our Democratic friends claim that the cost of living has grown with the increase of wages under a protective policy. That may be true; but other things have grown, for instance the savings bank deposits—made mostly by the wage earning class. Under the Democratic "low cost of living" policy, from 1893 to 1894, the deposits in the savings banks of the United States dwindled from \$1,785,150,977 to \$1,747,961,800. From 1897, when the Republican party took the reins of power, to 1898, the deposits had increased from \$1,939,376,035 to \$2,065,631,298. Now, in 1904 these deposits stand at \$3,935,04,845, as against \$1,747,961,280 ten years ago. A billion and a quarter reasons, each one of the gold standard value, why the people of the United States should keep the Republican party at the head of the government.

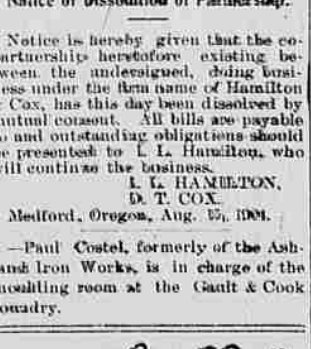
The Movement Toward Honesty.

William Allen White analyzes some of the opposition to the re-election of President Roosevelt in an article on the Postal Frauds in the September McClure's. Roosevelt's "unreasonable" in dealing with crimes against the state, his prosecution of thieves and law-breakers, has organized against him dishonest forces in high circles and in low circles. The appearance of one honest man in a group of thieves produces the instant crystallization of the group.
Mr. White finds a homely and practical meaning in Roosevelt's action in the postoffice business, namely, that when a thief steals from the American government, if there is a law to punish him he must prepare for trial, and if guilty go to jail. That is why Roosevelt is regarded as an unselfish man in certain business circles, where business methods and traditions license acts which, scraped off the veneer of high finance, are mere stealing.
The encouraging conclusion is reached by Mr. White that "the movement is toward common, old-fashioned honesty seems to be a general movement. It seems to be springing from the people, and to be making itself manifest through men like Roosevelt and Briestow and Folk and Jerome and the Chicago crowd, headed by "Billy" Kent, and hundreds of lesser lights known to the people of every community; this movement is using the party system to its ends with much practical skill; and also the movement toward political decency is clearly growing strong in the great newspapers and magazines of the country."

Notice of Dissolution of Partnership.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, doing business under the firm name of Hamilton & Cox, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. All bills are payable to and outstanding obligations should be presented to L. L. Hamilton, who will continue the business.
L. L. HAMILTON,
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Medford, Oregon, Aug. 25, 1904.

—Paul Costel, formerly of the Ashland Iron Works, is in charge of the mauling room at the Gault & Cook foundry.



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ADDITIONAL PERSONAL.

F. J. Bean, of Gold Hill, was a Medford visitor Thursday.

Mrs. D. G. Karnes visited relatives at Woodville this week.

C. W. Knighton, of Trail, was in the city Wednesday upon business. Senator and Mrs. E. V. Carter, of Ashland, were in Medford Thursday.

Mrs. L. J. Sears and daughter, Miss Fay, returned Wednesday from a visit at Ashland.

H. F. Stancliff, of Phoenix, was in Medford Thursday with a load of his excellent fruit.

C. M. Ruch, postmaster and merchant at Ruch, was in Medford Tuesday, and while here paid into The Mail's good roads fund \$1.50—having squared himself for three years with this paper.

J. A. Whitman came in from the Oro Grande mine Sunday. The clean-up at the mine is progressing favorably, although somewhat slowly, and the prospects for a satisfactory yield are good. He left Monday evening for Portland on business.

Wallace Woods left Thursday morning for a months' visit in the East. Among the places he will visit will be Kansas City and St. Louis. Mrs. Woods and Mrs. Ashael Hubbard, who have been visiting in the East several months, will return with him.

A. W. Shearer was in from Steamboat this week on business. He and his brothers are prospecting in the vicinity of the old Steamboat mine, where several rich pockets have been taken out. They are running a tunnel to strike the ledge lower down and expect to find something of value when they get in.

C. W. Palm, A. Eisenhart and M. L. Alford, who, with their families, have been camping for the past several weeks at the head of Butte creek, returned home Friday evening last. They report having had an elegant time, with fish and game galore.

D. J. S. Pearce and son, Mel, of Poorman's creek, were in Medford Tuesday. Mr. Pearce will leave the first of next week for Klamath Falls, to bring home his son, Dan, who was so severely injured by a falling derrick several weeks ago. The young man is rapidly recovering from his injuries.

Miss Frankie Barnes returned from Portland this week and is visiting Medford friends. Miss Barnes attended the State University at Eugene last year, and this coming year she will teach in the Portland public schools.

John Daily, of Engle Point, was in the city this week, after boxes and paper for packing his crop of Yellow Newtown apples. He will have about 3000 boxes of this kind of fruit and he has contracted to sell them at \$1.25 per box. Including the trees which Mr. D. put out last year he has about forty acres of land planted to orchard.

Merchant D. B. Russell and family returned Monday from the Dead Indian country, where they had been enjoying life for several days. Mr. Russell killed three fine deer and caught plenty of fish. He reports that the deer are very plentiful in that locality—says their tracks are as numerous as are sheep tracks around a stock ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Amann and their niece, Miss Bertha Brandenburg, left last week for Oakland, Calif., where they expect to remain for several months. Mr. Amann's health has not been first-class for some time and it is in hopes that a change of climate may prove beneficial that the change is made. Miss Brandenburg will undoubtedly attend school there.

H. C. Stoddard, an electrician of ten years' experience, has entered the employ of the Condor Light and Water company and will make Medford his headquarters. Mr. Stoddard will have charge of the installation of all electric motors put in by this company in the valley and when installed he will have the superintendency of the lines operated. He is a very pleasant gentleman to meet and is just making friends both for himself and the company. He is right now soliciting for the sale of power in the several towns of the valley, as well as among the farmers who may need power for irrigating purposes.

The Food Value of Nuts.
Nuts are not only the cheapest source of energy; they are the best. They are made up of fat and what is called "protein." The little husks on the nuts are not nourishing, but they should be eaten with the nuts because they help in digestion.
But nuts are so hearty a food that they should never be eaten except as the chief dish at a meal; they should not be taken at the end of a heavy meal nor between meals. It is quite foolish to eat nuts after a meal as it would be to eat a beefsteak after a three-course dinner.
Nuts can be made into soups, can be used in sandwiches, salads and in other combinations both attractive and wholesome. They should be eaten with salt and eaten with all sorts of fruit. A whole wheat pudding with chopped nuts in it makes a meal by itself.
Nuts will keep you warm, give energy, and, if you do not work too hard they will increase your flesh, but do not eat nuts in excess, unless you are up next, for they are a substitute, not a food accessory.

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ALUMNI MEETING.
A meeting of the Medford High School Alumni was held at the K. of P. hall Wednesday evening, August 24th. Those present represented the classes from 1893 to 1904, 1896 alone being without a representation and 1895 having the largest. The evening was spent very pleasantly by the re-united classmates in talking of school days and singing school songs. Light refreshments were served in the banquet room. At the close of the evening a business meeting was held. Julia Fielder was elected president, and Leon Haskins, secretary and treasurer for the coming year. Twenty-four members were present.

Excursion Rates to the East.
The Southern Pacific Company will sell excursion tickets to St. Louis and Chicago as follows:
The fair from Medford to St. Louis, going and returning by Portland, is \$7.50.
From Medford to St. Louis and return—one way by Portland, and either go or return by Ogden or El Paso, \$81.
From Medford to Chicago, going and returning by Portland, \$82.50; one way by Portland, go or return by Ogden or El Paso, \$83.50.
From Medford to St. Louis and return; from Chicago, go to Chicago and return from St. Louis by Portland \$80; one way through California by Ogden or El Paso, \$83.50.
These tickets will be on sale upon the following dates: May 11th, 12th and 13th; June 16th, 17th and 18th; July 1st, 2d and 3d; August 8th, 9th and 10th; September 5th, 6th and 7th; October 3d, 4th and 5th. These tickets are good for ten days going and good to return any time within ninety days. Stopover privileges will be allowed going anywhere east of Oregon and California, and returning will be allowed anywhere.

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