

NOTED LECTURER VISITS MEDFORD

Hon. John Barrett was greeted at the Baptist church last night by a large and representative audience of business and professional men, accompanied by their wives, who listened for more than an hour to a desultory discussion of the commercial, industrial and governmental conditions of the South American republics.

It was 8:30 when the speaker was most kindly and graciously introduced by Hon. William Colvig, president of the Commercial club; it was 8:45 when the distinguished orator had finished felicitating the people of Oregon upon the providential care that enabled them to enjoy existence in this Garden of Eden; it was 9:00 when the narration of his extensive travels and extraordinary personal experiences in being appointed United States minister was completed.

Being fairly launched upon a sea of eloquence, Mr. Barrett, who has had a wide experience as minister plenipotentiary and envoy extraordinary in Siam and in various South American republics, and who has crossed the ocean half a dozen times, gave valuable and interesting information regarding the industrial activity and governmental policy of the 21 republics on the Western Hemisphere, the United States being the 22d.

He drew many comparisons calculated to show that the government was pursuing a shortsighted policy in endeavoring to secure the trade of China and Japan and neglecting to establish closer relations with the Pan-American republic, giving statistics to show the vast extent of their commerce and the unparalleled benefits to be derived from turning attention toward securing it.

"Commerce is the life blood of the state, the county, the town." Comparisons were drawn between the natural resources, civic improvements, transportation facilities and universities of the United States and Latin America, showing Mr. Barrett's enthusiasm for the latter, even while assuring the people of Oregon that they are "some peanuts."

Mr. Barrett advocates a great convention in 1909 in San Francisco, which shall be composed of delegates from the chambers of commerce of the Pan-American republics and also from the Pacific coast states, whose object shall be cementing ties of mutual friendship based on a community of governmental and industrial interests.

The following letter will explain something about Mr. Barrett:

"Hotel St. Francis, San Francisco, Cal., Oct. 9, 1908.

"Dear Sir: I beg to confirm the following telegram sent this evening to the Medford Commercial club:

"I am instructed by my chief, Mr. John Barrett, director general, international bureau of American republics, thank you for kind invitation address people Medford under auspices Commercial club. He accepts and will arrive 5:24 Tuesday afternoon, leaving north next morning. Subject will be, 'What the Pacific Ocean Has in Store for Oregon.' In making your announcements, you can state Mr. Barrett has been United States minister to Siam, in Asia, and to Argentina, Panama and Columbia, in South America, as well as special diplomatic commissioner for the United States in different parts of the world."

"Of course, you are well aware that Mr. Barrett has been a resident of Oregon since 1890, and has represented Oregon in the diplomatic work of our country more than any other man in the state of Oregon. Mr. Barrett has been looking forward with sincere pleasure to meeting the people of Medford, having for a long time watched the growth of your city."

"As stated in the telegram, the director will arrive in Medford from Sacramento at 5:24 in the afternoon of Tuesday, the 13th, and leave on the morning of the 14th for the north.

"Yours very truly,
"A. E. ALEXANDER,
"Private secretary."

CARRYING OF EXPLOSIVES.
New Rule Goes Into Effect Tomorrow—Inspector Appointed.

On October 15 the transportation of high explosives comes under the supervision of the interstate commerce commission and a set of rules has been laid down for the railroads to follow.

As these high explosives have caused great damage to life and property, have caused entire towns to be wiped out, one of the important passages of the law states that these high explosives must be moved from the railroad station immediately upon the arrival. Therefore, when powder or other explosives is ordered, be ready to take it. Failure to do so will result in future shipments for the same being refused by the company.

If living at a distance, arrange with some one to take delivery at once and take to your store, for it cannot be left on railroad property. A powder inspector has been assigned to this territory and will enforce the law to the letter, and the

penalties are severe, so it behooves all concerned to be careful.

It might be well for those interested in the handling of high explosives to erect a powder house on the outskirts of Medford. There are three such buildings at Grants Pass.

ANIMALS ON TRAINS.
The Southern Pacific Has Adopted New Rule Regarding Them.

On account of the difficulty in the past of handling dogs and other animals in baggage cars, it will be necessary hereafter for the owners of such who wish to have the same move in baggage cars, to provide them with substantial collars and chains, or in strong crates, the same to be properly marked.

Each dog must be tagged to show the name and address of the owner, and the owner must present himself at the baggage car at destination and claim the animal immediately upon arrival.

In times past dogs and monkeys have broken or chewed the rope holding them and have jumped from cars and have caused the company a great deal of trouble.

The limit will be two dogs with one ticket, one monkey or one bird in a cage, and to be handled at the owner's risk.

No charge will be made for the carrying of these animals in the car, if the owners care to reimburse the train baggage man it is optional with them.

AUSTIN'S "POETRY."
Taking three out of a possible seven stanzas of the latest verses of Alfred Austin, poet laureate of England, Americans who love poetry will give a verdict that all seven must be bad.

The poet laureate may say that Americans are not proper critics; that they have no right to judge. Americans have that right. They pay for magazines in which verses are used as "fillers." They unanimously condemn these cut-to-size poems. They are qualified by that to tackle Br'er Alfred Austin. Moreover, Tennyson is a household word in America, and all educated Americans have read Poe. So have most educated Frenchmen. No Englishman, educated or board-school bred, ever heard of him. That is one of the reasons why Alfred Austin passes for a poet in England.

Alfred—we used to call a read poet by that name, and affectionately, but this time we mean Austin—has written the three stanzas quoted below. The other four that the kind-hearted editor of the Independent suppressed from the Associated Press copy may be left to that charity which draws a veil. Austin's three know stanzas follow:

When the plover flaps
O'er the idle plow,
And the woodpecker taps
On the rotting bough.

When the starved rook pecks
At the tight-stacked grain,
And the tattered nest flecks
The leafless lane.

Then, then will you love
Me, and still no less
When the grass waves above
My dreamlessness?"

Scan it! The outrages inflicted upon the prosodical values of English words are beyond counting. "Me and still no less!" That sort of verse is not Doric. There were Doric bards. This is worse than Boettling.

Poe would have taken delight in exposing the metrical solecisms in these stanzas. Any schoolboy who knows his Latin could do it. Look at the third stanza: If it is lawful and honest poetic artistry to make the first "then" short, and the long monosyllable "me" short at the beginning of the second line, then the poetaster who is rewarded by an annual cask of wine—is it Malmsey?—can say that all the versifiers who do take some pleasure in their craft are all wrong.

As to the poetic theme in these verses by courtesy, the Bowery is full of sentimental songs about "Will You Love Me When I'm Gone?" And they have far more poetic merit than the Austin atrocity. The truth is that England's laureled bard could not make his salt writing songs for Americans, even for that taste which calls for maudlin sentiment.

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♦ "STRAWS SHOW WHICH WAY THE WIND BLOWS." ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦
♦ A straw vote taken by Ed M. Andrews on train No. 13 between Glendale and Grants Pass yesterday resulted in 44 votes for Taft, 18 for Bryan, 5 for Debs and 1 for Chaffee. ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦
♦ When result was announced in the tourist car the occupants clapped their hands and showed their pleasure, ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦
♦ only one passenger refusing to say how he stood. ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦

For Chronic Diarrhoea.
"While in the army in 1863 I was taken with chronic diarrhoea," says George M. Felton, of South Gibson, Pa. "I have since tried many remedies but without any permanent relief, until Mr. A. W. Miles, of this place, persuaded me to try Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, one bottle of which stopped it at once." For sale by Chas. Strang

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

(From Sunday's Daily.)
J. C. Pendleton of Table Rock was in the city yesterday.

Norman Whiting returned yesterday after an absence of four months at Marshfield, Or.

J. H. Messler, deputy game warden, was in Grants Pass yesterday on official business.

Two more carloads of crushed rock for paving purposes were brought in from the quarry yesterday.

Thomas Riley, one of Wellen's farmers, was in the city yesterday, trading and meeting friends.

The notices have been posted announcing that there will be a presidential election held November 3, next.

The city warrants for last month have been signed and those entitled to them can get the same by calling on the city recorder.

Most of the buildings used in connection with the district fair have been torn down and the grounds will be cleaned up next week.

W. F. Entrops and family came in from Butte Falls Friday. They expect to leave this week for Texas, where they will spend the winter.

Rev. Edward M. Sharp, D. D., of the Mount Tabor church, Portland, Or., preaches today in the Presbyterian church at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

District Attorney B. F. Mulkey returned yesterday from Grants Pass, where he has been attending a term of Circuit court for Josephine county.

Mrs. B. Anderson of Gold Hill, who has been in Medford for the past week visiting her sister, Mrs. A. S. Rosenbaum, returned to her home yesterday.

William Ferguson, of the firm of Ferguson & Murry, Central Point liveryman, was in the city yesterday. He reports that their town is putting in many cement sidewalks.

The Rogue River Horticultural society held a meeting in the rooms of the Medford Commercial club yesterday afternoon. There was a large attendance of the members present.

Miss Louisa Calvin of Meadville, Pa., arrived in Medford yesterday, and tomorrow morning will take a position as teacher in the Medford high school. This will give the high school five teachers.

J. M. Cadzow of Potsdam, N. Y., who has been at Butte Falls for the past week on a visit to W. F. Entrop and family, will return to his home today, going first to Los Angeles and San Diego.

Mr. and Mrs. Fort Hubbard and Mrs. C. A. Hubbard returned yesterday from a six weeks' visit with relatives and old-time friends at Dallas Center, Ia. They returned by way of St. Louis and El Paso.

George Carder of Sedalia, Tex., is in Medford on a visit to his cousin, E. W. Carder, the Southern Pacific baggage man. It is not improbable that the visiting Mr. Carder will engage in business here. He and his father are market and stockmen in Texas, and they may both locate in Medford.

G. L. Schermerhorn is very busy these days endeavoring to straighten out business affairs for the Naylor Lumber company of Talent. All the old accounts are being taken care of as rapidly as possible and he hopes to soon have made arrangements for disposing of all the output of lumber from the mill to some Medford dealer.

(From Monday's Daily.)
H. C. Stoddard was at Grants Pass yesterday on business.

Miss Violet Stewart of Portland is in Medford visiting friends.

Mrs. John Smart and Mrs. Oscar Bunch, both of Fort Klamath, are visiting Medford friends.

Judge H. K. Hanna, who is holding court in Grants Pass, spent Sunday with his family at Jacksonville.

W. R. Johnson, one of the well-known stockmen and ranchers of Trail precinct, was in the city yesterday.

Mrs. L. Wade left yesterday for Portland, in answer to a message telling of the serious illness of her daughter, Mrs. E. McNeely.

Mrs. J. W. Peart of Oakland, Cal., who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Bennett of East Medford, returned to her home Sunday.

A. P. Dorling and family of Wray, Colo., are in Medford looking for a location. They will remain here—provided they are successful in finding a house in which to live.

John Bannish and family of Sheldon, N. D., are expected to arrive in Medford on the 15th. Mr. Bannish was here last summer and purchased the Ferguson home in East Medford.

James McClannahan is in the city arranging to have a large planer taken out to his sawmill on Elk Creek. He reports the mill doing nicely and cutting lots of lumber. A planer has

been needed for some time and the one he has bought is a first-class machine in every particular.

W. L. Orr, having been made a special deputy police officer, was detailed by Chief Shearer to take Fleming Hicks, the deserter, back to Vancouver barracks and left yesterday with his prisoner.

L. H. Brown and Charles Skeeters returned Sunday from a two weeks' prospecting tour around about Grizzly Peak, in the Siskiyou mountains. They saw a goodly bunch of bear tracks, deer scarce and gold scarcer than deer.

Mr. and Mrs. McShane of Red Bluff, Cal., left Sunday for their home after a few days' visit with E. P. Bennett and family. These people were on their return trip from Portland. Mr. McShane is a cousin of Mrs. Bennett.

Charles Caldwell, who has been employed at Russell's confectionery store in this city for the past several months, has made a shift and will now be found at the Emerick cafe. Herbert Hartzell has taken his place at Russell's.

J. H. Cochran, the life insurance man, is over at Klamath Falls on business—which will be mostly that of writing insurance—of which he always does a good stunt, which is an easy task when the merits of the company he represents are taken into account.

THE OLD MAN IN TROUBLE.

"Well," said the old man, "all I've got to say is—this here is about the strangest world I ever wuz in—an' no expectations! The ol' woman 'lowed that ef I drammed any more, an' they turned me outen the church ag'in, she shore would leave home an' me for good an' all, an' lo an' beho!—she's done gone and done it." And it warn't my fault nuther.

"You see, it thizaway: Let a feller once git the reputation o' drammin' a little—even ef it's fer his stumblers' sake, or maybe his rheumatism, or general tribulation—and ef he's goin' 'long, sober an' sorrowful, an' thinkin' 'bout whar his enemies are goin' to when they die, an' he slips up on a banana peel an' falls sprawnin', an' has to be help up, folks'll spread it all over the settlement that he had a dram too much, an' lost his head an' couldn't keep his feet! An' that's jest what happened to me—last Monday wuz a week.

"Well, the news got home to the ol' woman 'fore I got thar, an' when I walked into the door o' my domicile she wuz gone—with all her belongings. She even took the eight-day clock an' the family Bible, an' never so much as writ a line to say how come an' why! So, here I am, all to myself, an' having the only chance to be boss o' my own house that I've had in thirty year! I sorter feel like I'm on my honeymoon—as you might say—an' not a wave of trouble rolls across my peaceful breast."

"I reckon I'll be turned outen the church ag'in Sunday, but I'm so used ter it that I jest take it as one o' the afflictions o' the righteous, who ain't got no reward in this worl' but 'll crowd Abraham's bosom hereafter!"

CONTRACTOR GRAY BUSY.

Contractor R. W. Gray reports that he now has a crew of men at work on a new six-room bungalow being built for John Day on Oakdale avenue south, near the new Catholic church. The building will be 22x38 feet in size and there will be six large rooms, with all modern conveniences.

Mr. Gray has also just completed a 22x38-foot addition to Mrs. J. A. Thomas' rooming house on Holly street south.

Lumber has been placed on the ground for use in constructing a fine two-story home for Jeweler E. D. Elwood in Whitman Park. The building will be two stories high and Mr. Gray expects to soon have men at work on the building.

LAND BEING CLEARED.

H. F. Meader, superintendent of the Kaiser ranch, south of Medford, has 17 acres of foothill land slashed and the brush burned ready for the grubbing machine. This land will be cleared during the winter months and set to pears and apples.

N. S. Bennett has let the contracts for the clearing of 30 acres of foothill land near the above mentioned tract and this piece of new land will be set to grapes and peaches.

PEAR AND APPLE TREES.

N. S. Bennett of the Eden Valley Nursery, reports the sale of 7000 pear and 2000 apple trees to the Burrell investment company. This company has over 400 acres set to orchard, most of which is bearing, and the above-mentioned lot of trees are for the Edsall tract, one of the best hay and grain ranches in the valley.

BRYAN CLAIMS OHIO.

NEW YORK, Oct. 12.—Chairman Hitchcock of the national Republican committee, says he can see no justification whatever for hope for Democratic success in Ohio. He said the state as a whole will more than offset any local disaffection and that Republican success is assured.

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By working for \$5 a week Theodore, Jr., has already received \$5000 worth of complimentary advertising.

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It is just possible that during the campaign of 1912 Mr. Parker will have nothing more to say about the campaign fund of 1904, but just now it seems too much to hope for.

Poet Laureate Alfred Austin doubtless feels flattered every time he remembers that the American people stopped discussing politics long enough to notice all the faults in his new poem.

Alienists who would like to get a nearer view of a genuine case of "brainstorm" will have no trouble locating about 100,000 victims in Little old New York if the Glants fall to land that pennant.

Turkey imported over 6,000,000 pounds of soap last year, declares an exchange. At present it looks as if a few million pounds of the soft variety will have to be used on Bulgaria to smooth matters over.

The talk of war in the Balkans is likely to make the oldest inhabitant sit up and try to recollect just how many times during his lifetime he has heard of affairs being in a critical condition in that quarter of the earth.

The alliance Mr. Gompers has succeeded in effecting between the farmers' union and the labor organizations in Texas may have some political significance, but it is not at all likely that it will result in the growing crops confining their operations to eight hours a day.

In Wisconsin, it appears, the "poor man's candidate" for senator spent in the neighborhood of \$10,000 and came out at the bottom of the poll, having been distanced by two millionaires. Being that much poorer, he has also lost much of his strength as a poor man's candidate for anything.

One can hardly blame Evelyn Nesbit Thaw for the agitation she displays over her separation from her income. The very much photographed young woman may be unsophisticated, but she knows that new gowns, joy water and the latest style in headgear are not delivered to the needy by the ravens.

It is up to Mr. Rosewater to stand pat. If his editorial writer mistakenly attributed the words of the Republican platform to Mr. Bryan and proceeded to slash them mercilessly, he did it from conviction, or else proved his paper a common scold. It is better to oppose one's party views than to be shown insincere in one's own.

At a Lynn, Mass., wedding last week bright, new coins were thrown after the departing bride and groom, instead of the traditional rice and old shoes. In view of the fact that the coins do not hurt so much as the shoes, and that the bystanders prevent them from littering up the street, it looks as if the new custom ought to be encouraged.

A German scientist claims to have discovered in an Alpine cave evidence that men were living 100,000 years ago. He doesn't know what kind of men they were, but he can safely make one assertion that nobody will feel inclined to dispute, and that is that they have been a long time dead and missed a great deal of fun and excitement.

"If we read our exchanges correctly," says the Richmond Times-Dispatch, "a good many long-headed Democrats are sitting around hoping that Mr. Roosevelt will take the stump." And from where we are sitting we can see a number of Republicans making signs that they are hoping the very same thing. It would be a pity to disappoint both sides.

A New York man, who for years was exhibited as a "human ostrich" and filled his stomach with iron, glass and other things hard to digest, was compelled to give up that line of business after the doctors cut thirteen pounds of scrap iron out of his interior, and since then he has become a victim of epileptic fits. Possibly the man has made the mistake of worrying too much over the price of meat and vegetables.—Exchange.


In the celebration of Founder's Week at Philadelphia it was certainly taking an unfair advantage of that gentle old Quaker, William Penn. in parading 10,000 troops in honor of his memory, while thirteen warships, with bristling guns, also participated in the festivities. It was enough to make the old gentleman twist uneasily in his grave, for if there was one thing more than another that stirred his choler, it was war and its trappings in the uniformed soldier. However, William has long been dead.—Exchange.

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