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JUST A PLAIN THIEF.

The California nerve is superb. By its brazenness it excites admiration. Not long ago it startled the world by daring to dictate to the federal government.

Next week California, wide heralded as a land of sunshine, fruit and flowers, welcomes the world at its Portola festival in San Francisco.

And California, unabashed and unblushing, will welcome their words of praise and glory in a greater reputation for the quality of her fruit, with a petulant contempt for the rights of others.

REACHING THE BUYER.

The merchants who get the trade in these days of strenuous competition are the merchants who advertise, says the Polk County Observer.

So apparent is the utter worthlessness of some of the schemes worked by smooth-tongued strangers that the Observer office long ago adopted a rule that no such printing should be done on its presses.

It is possible that there is some merit in program advertising where the program is that of some local attraction or event, but ninety-nine times out of a hundred the schemes of traveling solicitors are grafts from start to finish.

The best advertisement of all—the kind that keeps the business world revolving—the kind that has transformed poor boys into John Wanamakers and Marshall Fields and George Peabodys—is the advertisement in the columns of your little old home newspaper.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

At the Nash—N. R. Quenton, Cleveland; F. E. Bruhat, Duluth; C. E. Mordyke, Indianapolis; H. J. O'Brien, Spokane; Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Mungler, Long Beach; B. G. West, Chicago; W. Sorrick, Berkeley; R. G. Smith, Grants Pass; F. B. Faulkner, A. E. Macy, Dexter; H. H. Horn and wife, Rockford; M. B. Swird, San Francisco; T. S. Townsend, Harvey Wells, U. S. Stilt, J. Slates, A. Ginsheimer, L. L. Goodman, W. R. Davey, Albert Lowry, C. C. Lowry, J. Forsythe, John T. Albert, V. A. Buell, Portland; William A. Sumner, Jr., Chicago; A. F. Nye, Seattle; Charles F. Parthe, Chillicothe; E. F. Saylor, Eugene; F. A. Phillip, San Francisco; John Jackson, Minneapolis; H. G. Mathews, Ashland.

Hirschberg, New York; C. C. Cashier, San Francisco; C. F. Willis, Ben. C. Dey, Fred Day, L. L. Goodman, Mr. Good, H. C. Zezrung, Oliver P. Conger, Charles P. Heiler, Portland.

MARK TWAIN IS IN POOR HEALTH

NEW YORK, Oct. 14.—A cablegram from Mark Twain to a London newspaper declining to take an active part in the agitation for reform in the administration of the Congo gives information concerning his health. The message, which was sent from his home in Connecticut, reads: "I would be glad if I were able to take an active part in your crusade, but I am obliged to refrain. The condition of my health has made it necessary for my physician to advise me not to take any part in any public movement, particularly one like that affecting the Congo, the effect of which could not be otherwise than disturbing to my general mental and physical condition."

PERSONAL.

There has been an exhibition at the Wiley B. Allen Co. store for the past three days one of the world's greatest achievements in the piano industry.

In the past we have sold every high-grade piano of an American brand and we have been paid more compliments by first-class artists on this wonderful Knabe piano than all others combined.

In the last three weeks we have sold and delivered \$5500 worth of our celebrated pianos and the citizens of Medford are to be congratulated. Since our arrival in your city the people here have awakened to their financial interest to deal with us. And when once you enter our store the quality of our goods are such that you cease to look any further on the piano question.

Just remember that our easy payment plan of \$6 per month will enable any person to have a piano in their home and give their children a chance of a musical education. Remember, this you owe to them. Don't forget the number, 112 West Main street.

THE WILEY B. ALLEN CO. J. F. Hale, Mgr.

Excellent Pictorial Pantomime at the Savoy.

On the stage the study of pantomime is one of the greatest assets of an actor. Words are the expression of thought, and thought is the expression of motion, and when the emotion fails to express through the body, words fall short of their purpose, leaving the actor a mere puppet of sound.

Attend the "Savoy" tonight and you will witness most excellent pictorial pantomime in "Comata, the Sioux," a biograph masterpiece; the "Fisherman," a marine drama fairly teeming with wonderful and realistic sea scenes of rare beauty.

Officers Elected. The C. W. B. M. met at the home of Mrs. T. W. Netherland, 510 South Fir street, Wednesday, and the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. E. R. Seely; vice-president, Mrs. J. M. Elmhurst; secretary, Mrs. Ben Garnett; treasurer, Mrs. J. K. Darnell.

TO BUY A PIANO

and know you are treated the same as your neighbor is a satisfaction. You can do this by dealing with SHERMAN, CLAY & CO., THE ONE-PRICE PIANO HOUSE, 134—WEST MAIN ST.—134 184

A Bit of a Bull.

The following entry was discovered the other day in the complaint book of a Melbourne club, which numbers several Irishmen among its members: "The hot water in the lavatory today was quite cold, and there was none of it."

It was in the handwriting of a well known doctor.

Obedyed Him.

Mr. Newlived—So you've been buying more useless truck! We have absolutely no use for those curtains. Have I not told you to stop buying things just because they were cheap? Mrs. Newlived—Yes, my dear, and I've obeyed you. Those curtains were not at all cheap.

Two Likes.

"I like your nerve!" gasped the beautiful girl, struggling against the inevitable. "And I like your cheek!" chuckled the young man as he continued the oscillatory exercise.—Philadelphia Record.

In a Big Hurry.

Benham—I believe in taking time by the forelock. Mrs. Benham—You say that you tear a sheet off the calendar before the month is over.—New York Press.

The Monkey and the Pie.

An Indian faker had a monkey that he had brought up from babyhood, says an English writer. The pair were fast friends, the monkey being a faithful attendant on his master and as good as a watchdog.

The Intelligent Mule.

"Some people think mules haven't much intelligence, but I know they have," was the story of a commercial traveler interrupted by a story teller.

The Top Hat.

Tall hats, "pearl up like the spire of a steeple a quarter of a yard above the crown," as a sixteenth century writer describes them, were known in the time of Elizabeth, and the Puritans affected them until they merged into the old fashioned beavers of our great-grandfathers' days.

Bursting Balloons.

The greatest danger of a high ascent in a balloon is concerned with the changing density of the atmosphere. On the ground the atmosphere presses on the balloon with a weight of about fifteen pounds for every square inch of its surface.

Doubtful Praise.

Mr. Faxon was the oldest patron of the "select boarding house" in which he lived, and his landlady sometimes referred people to him for a recommendation of her table.

When Lovers Watched the Corpse.

Most curious of the old time superstitions of New England was the custom of requiring lovers to watch the corpse. It associated the hopes of marriage with the silent vigil, was poetic and has only disappeared from the oldest towns within a generation.

Safer.

"Your political antagonist is calling you every name he can think of," said the agitated friend. "Don't interrupt him," answered Senator Seesham. "It is better to have a man searching the papers for epithets than going after your record for facts."—Washington Star.

BENSON'S BARGAINS

Strictly modern six-room bungalow in course of construction in Bungalow addition, lot 50x100, a modern beauty and a snap \$3600

Three years' lease and furniture first-class rooming house, 20 rooms, best location in the city; clears over \$100 per month. \$2400

One of the very best business locations in the city, corner lot 75x110, with good two-story frame building, clearing \$100 per month. A conservative, safe investment at \$11,000

Five room, bath, toilet, with all furniture, woodshed, sewer connected, close in \$2500

Business location, large corner lot in the heart of the city, with frame building, clearing about \$100 per month. Investigate \$8500

Seven lots, with small house, on Jackson street, at \$1500

Seven-room house, lot 60x100, on Twelfth and Fir; bath, toilet; a snap at \$2800

Six-room house, lot 50x100, close in, bath and all furniture; easy terms \$3350

Rare opportunity—Lot 100x100, two blocks from Central avenue and Main street; large 14-room building, in splendid repair; can be made to pay \$300 per month; boarding or lodging house \$6500

New, modern 9-room house in Bungalow addition, lot 50x160, with all improvements and furnishings \$3850

5 acres, close in, good 5-room house, all necessary outbuildings, 2 1/2 acres set to fruit, a fine location. Let us show you this property. Easy terms.

70 acres, one mile from Phoenix; 15 acres 2-year-old Newtowns, 10 acres 2-year-old Spitz, 100 Bartlett pears, 350 strawberries; 40 acres under cultivation; new 6-room bungalow with bath, barn 32x44; old 2-room house; barn 16x32; livestock, farming tools, hay in barn. Price \$150 per acre.

27 acres, 4 miles south of Medford, across road southeast from the Burrell orchards; 5-room house, good barn, chicken house, 9 acres of 3-year-old pear orchard, 15 acres alfalfa, large vegetable garden; berries, etc. Price \$6500.

40 acres, 16 miles north of Medford, 1/2 mile from Beagle; 8 acres cultivated, 4 in fruit trees from 2 to 10 years old; on two good roads; small house, barn, woodshed, etc.; two wells. This can all be cleared without a foot of waste land. 25 acres enclosed in woven wire fence. Will exchange. Price \$2000

Two fine building lots on West Seventh street; fine location; will sell on terms, \$25 down and \$12.50 per month.

28 acres of fine level land, only one mile north of the P. & E. depot; A fine location. Terms.

10 acres one mile from Medford on main traveled road to Ashland; Bear creek bottom land, set to apples and pears 2 years old. Bear creek flows along one end of the tract. The other end fronts on the road. Trees are strong and vigorous. Here is a beautiful site for a home. Terms.

RENTAL DEPARTMENT.

We have on file several applications for housekeeping rooms; also applicants for houses, furnished and unfurnished. If you have anything for rent, see us or telephone us at once.

Fire and plate glass insurance. We represent the best companies on earth.

We also have some good building lots, which we will exchange for a good driving team.

BENSON INVESTMENT CO Opposite Moore Hotel

BIJOU THEATRE BILLY EMPEY VAN, Manager. TONIGHT Friday and Saturday Wanted--A Wife A ROARING 3-ACT FARCE COMEDY ADMISION 10c AND 20c