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Up in Minnes. a justice of the peace has fined himself for selling baking powder without a label. Evidently he is "absolutely pure."

An Illinois preacher says the recent drought was a punishment for the sins of the people. If so, methods must have changed since Noah's day.

We hope the fact that the Secretary of War is investigating the canteen subject means that the soldiers will ultimately get some root beer.

Considering that Kentucky republicans had the support of the entire country only about a year ago, their decline and fall are marvellous—but deserved.

Here is some crank writing in the magazines about the defenselessness of the United States. He ought to have published this some four or five years ago, before the Spanish war.

Perhaps a lottery was the best way, after all, for the United States to adopt in disposing of land that belonged to some one else who didn't want to part with it. The two seem to go together somehow.

Count no man a hero until he is dead. Examples of the reverse may be found in current history in Great Britain and the United States.

While the democrats are reading Mr. McLaurin out of the party, they should not overlook the Hon. Charles A. Towne who has also joined the heresiarchs.

Of course Admiral Sampson can prove it all by means of Captain Chadwick, who, you know, was the only captain present at the battle of Santiago—according to Sampson's report.

Curious that a prohibition state like Maine should be building the biggest schooner in the country! At Bath, too, of all places!

Mr. Hanna it is said, is worrying over the fact that the present summer could not have been postponed until the last year of the next democratic administration.

Every time the Chinese debt is re-announced the amount is materially increased and the time of payment extended a few years. Posterity will have to do some clever financing in behalf of China.

The bother with the new government places that are going begging is that any man who comes up to requirements can earn four times the money elsewhere. Uncle Sam is spendthrift and economical in spots.

A Nebraska middle of the road populist has been appointed to a fat federal office and the republicans out there are kicking. Can't they understand that Senator Hanna always makes a point of keeping his anti-election promises?

Rumors of European intervention in South Africa are thickening and as a consequence 70,000 men are to be withdrawn to defend northern India. Light seems to be dawning for the Boers, at last.

The giving to Lord Roberts a half million dollars strikes the average American as unwarranted. When it was supposed that he had ended the war, such a proposal might have been more reasonable, but today it is hard to say for what he deserves reward.

The articles now printed in the German papers might have been practically copied from those in the American press some years ago when the tariff question was an issue in our politics. And the comments of the American press today might have been copied from those of the German press of a few years ago. Evidently it makes a good deal of difference whose ox is gored.

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

Washington, D. C. July 29.

New members of the House have for many years been astonished at and have sometimes viciously attacked the luxuries with which Senators have surrounded themselves, but when the improvements now underway on the house side of the capitol are completed, as they will be before congress meets, the disposal as Senator, so that such attack will not be in order. The new ventilating system and fixtures connected with the chamber of house will probably be the most elaborate and costly ever put into a building, they include the very newest ideas in sanitary ventilation. The newest desks for members are to be of mahogany, finished in the finest style known to the cabinet maker, and 15 pair of mahogany doors, costing \$2,500 will replace the old doors, and under each the old wood sills will be replaced by fine marble. The skylights will be enlarged and the galleries reconstructed. So much for the house proper. In the basement, the old house bath room is being dismantled, and a most luxurious outfit installed, with all the modern fittings, including wall of the finest Italian marble, tubs of porcelain and nicked plumbing, and in one corner will be an up-to-date Turkish bath. In short, the house will have the usual luxuries found in expensive clubs, which long ago played their part in getting the senate called the "Millionaires Club."

Capt. Lucien Young, U. S. N., Commandant of the naval station and Captain of Port of Havana passed through Washington on his way to his old home in Kentucky, where he will spend a short vacation. He said of affairs in the Cuban metropolis: "Everything in Havana is quiet and affairs are running like clockwork, under the direction of American officials. The Cubans are assimilating American ideas, and there is no good reason to suppose that when they take up the reins of local control they will not conduct matters in a wise and proper manner."

The annual report of the commissioner internal revenue for the last fiscal year is calculated to arouse the envy of the officials of other governments, many of which which each year faced a deficit. The total amount collected from internal revenue taxes was \$306,871,669—greater than ever before—\$11,565,561 greater than the amount received during the previous year, and the cost of collecting this enormous lot of money was only \$4,737,192.

The commissioners of internal revenue has issued special regulations for the collection of internal revenue taxes upon taxable Porto Rican products shipped to the U. S.—this tax will not have to be paid upon Porto Rican products consumed at home until congress extends the internal revenue laws to Porto Rico.

Every time there is an ineluctable inauguration day, there is a change to a more reasonable time of the year for out of door exercises. Heretofore, this clamor has been allowed to die out gradually, but the committee which had charge of the last inauguration is still keeping it up. Its chairman has submitted a plan to the commissioners committee, to be composed of all the governors of states and territories and fifteen representative citizens, which shall select a suitable day and memorialize congress to take the proper steps towards a constitutional amendment making it inauguration day. Unless these gentlemen tire of well-doing, there is a possibility of the next president being inaugurated in more pleasant weather than usually prevails on the fourth of March in Washington.

If everybody should be as well pleased with the opinion and recommendations which the Schley court of inquiry, as they now profess to be with the personal of the court, it would be a beautiful ending of a more or less ugly and disagreeable matter. Of the personnel of the court—Admiral Dewey and Rear Admirals Kimberly and Benham for judges, so to speak, and Capt. Lemly, who has been judge advocate of the navy for nine years, for Judge advocate—nothing but commendation could be spoken, not only because of the eminent careers of the officers, but because neither of them has ever been drawn into expressing an opinion of the Sampson-Schley controversy. Such men will form their opinions and make their recommendation

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solely on the evidence presented before the court. Secretary Long is entitled to all the more credit for selecting such an irreproachable court, because he believes and has openly said that Schley was guilty reprehensible conduct during the West Indian naval campaign. The court will meet Sept. 12 and its sessions will be open. Opinion differs as much as to how long it will sit as to what the finding will be. Whatever it may be, no punishment can follow for anybody, as the naval regulations provide that no officer shall be punished who is not brought to trial within two years of the date of the offense. Secretary Long has issued an order, which should have been issued long ago, forbidding officers of the navy to publicly discuss and express opinion upon the Sampson-Schley matter.

Never Left the Road. An old negro in a neighborhood town arose in prayer meeting and said: "Brederin and sisterin, I been a mighty mean nigger in my time. I had a heap of ups and downs—specially downs—since I jined de church. I stole chickens and water millins, I cussed, I got drunk I shot craps. I slashed udder coons wid my razor, an' I done er sight er udder things, but, thank the Lawd, brederin and sisterin, I never lost my religion."—Ex.

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Notice for Publication. LAND OFFICE AT OREGON CITY, OREGON, July 1, 1901. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the County Clerk of Polk County, at Dallas, Oregon, August 13, 1901, at 10 o'clock A. M. Paul Berman, heir of Charles Berman, deceased. H. E. No. 11011.

Notice for Publication. First pub. June 14. Last pub. Aug. 16. TIMBER LAND ACT, JUNE 3, 1879. United States Land Office, Oregon City, Oregon, June 6, 1901.

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1879, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as amended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1901, Mary R. Wright, of Polk County, Oregon, has this day filed in this office her sworn statement No. 524, for the purchase of lot 3, of section 14, in township No. 9 S., range No. 8 west, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish her claim to said land before the Register and Receiver of this office at Oregon City, Oregon, on Monday, the 26th day of August, 1901.

She names as witnesses: Thomas E. Wright, of Polk County, Oregon; Frank S. Wright, of Polk County, Oregon; John Rhodes, of Falls City, Oregon; Albert James, of Falls City, Oregon.

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Notice for Publication. First pub. Apr. 28. Last pub. Jun. 26. TIMBER LAND ACT, JUNE 3, 1879. United States Land Office, Oregon City, Oregon, April 19th, 1901.

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1879, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as amended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1901, Charles D. Berry, of Portland, county of Multnomah, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 525, for the purchase of the S W 1/4 of section No. 22, in Township No. 9 S., Range No. 8 W., and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the Register and Receiver of this office at Oregon City, Oregon, on Friday, the 31st day of July, 1901.

He names as witnesses: B. E. Williams, of Dallas, Oregon; Hermon Johnson, of Independence, Oregon; E. C. Rippsmith, of Dallas, Oregon; Geo. A. Wilcox, of Independence, Oregon.

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