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## The Wrong Idea

Some town editors still have the idea that the average farmer cannot understand words of more than one syllable, and that as a class he differs in intelligence from his town brothers.

Town editors need not worry over the lack of intelligence of their country readers; the success of nationally circulated farm magazines, that publish tehnical articles, and articles in no whit edited down to their rural readers, proves that the farmer as a class today is able to read big print without a reading glass.

Our hunch is that the average of intelligence, of patriotism, high esteem entertained by the citiaye of efficiency, is as high in the country as in town.

We believe that the farmer who has sense enough to successfully manage his complicated business in these strenuous days has sense enough to understand about anything any town editor is able to dish up; and that the day of the old farm paper, with its rehash, its sloppy editing, its miserable cuts, its Sis Hopkins jest as it was the battle ground of the columns, and its fake ads, has passed.

The farmer is conservative, he has to be to remain in business, but he is not so hide-bound that he cannot progress. And, with the increase in rural prosperity, and the formation of juven- bravery of Scottish fishermen when ile agricultural clubs, and the wonderful work of the county agents the adoption of labor-saving machinery, and the magic carpet of the automobile, that brings the farmer to the city in two United States War Savings Stamps. hours, there has come a new enlightening in even the back reg- Five dollar Stamps cost \$4.23 at any ions, and though the townsmen may not see it those who know bank or posteffice. They increase in the country, and are really a part of it, do.

Personally our only fear is that as an editor we will not be able to do justice to the new spirit of progress of the new agriculture. We are not at all worried over the necessity of writing or her a War Savings Stamp. It will "down" to our readers; they are not that kind; indeed, we doubt leach the lesson of saving and investif there are any of that sort left in this enlightened country.

#### The Art of Reading. the people from and much to dis newspepers. Infor metton into the hom They have promoted the art ing and stimulated the desire to read

more. At the same time the very multirude of books and periodicals has cultivated a desultory method of read ing, a desire to skim over everything and digest little or nothing. Classic writings, the great books of history, biography and fiction have in a measure gone out of fashion. "Solid reading." as it is called, is not often indulged in, and the names of great writers, whose productions will live always, are unfamiliar to many of the present generation.

The excuse is that we live in a very rapid age, and there is no time to read heavy literature. The reason is that most persons have lost their taste for history, for blography,-for good reading. They have partaken of the froth for so long they have lost the taste for the substantial .- New York Herald.

#### Dundee Honors Beatty. The Lockit Book of the burgesses

of the city and royal burgh of Dundee, Scotland, was opened the other day, and to the names of high oistinction already inscribed therein the name of Earl Beatty was added, "in recognition of his great services to the empire and in testimony of the zens of Dundee for his distinguished achievements in the service of the state." Dundee received the distinguished Admiral and Countess Beatty with all the exuberant enthusiasm of a city on the borders of the North sea. which was the theater of operations. grand fleet. Earl Beatty spoke of the rapidity and efficiency with which the ship-repairing resources of Scotland had been converted to the services of the fleet, and paid a tribute to the acting as minesweepers.

Make your Christmas presents mean something this year. Give value constantly and induce the recipiert to buy more.

Instea of giving your boy or girl a useless toy for Christmas, give him ment.



ALASKAIIS ARE MAKING GOOD They Show Marked Inclination Toward Good Citizenship and

Patriotism. What the Alaska natives are doing and are willing to do as proof posi-

tive of their fitness to live under the Stars and Stripes is impressed on all who come in contact with the natives and their numerous activities along lines of advanced citizenship and patriotism. By way of a minor illustration that shows which way the wind blows with them : The antives in Juneau, through the press, advocated the killing of dogs, that there might be more food for htten consumption. They advised their native friends to protect the der from their dogs that might hill over during their helpless conation following this last winter's deep shows, when many starved and all were weakened for lack of food. Down at Kake the natives have only about one-third to one-quarter the number of dogs that they had last yenr. One who went through the willage last fall and again this spring remarkey on the fact that there were almost no does in town. "Yes," said a representative citizen, "the natives became convinced that from a sanitary standpoint and an economical standpoint they were keeping too many pets. As a result of this conviction they began reducing on dogs and improving on health and food supply. Another point that impresses even a casual observer is that the natives all take local newspapers and read carefully-often very slowly-the events that are taking place locally and throughout the world. If a native is not a regular subscriber to a newspaper, you may be sure it is because he cannot read one word of English or any other printed language.

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OREGON

Franklin Had His Doubts. The following speech was made by Benjamin Franklin at the convention which adopted the United States Constitution:

"Mr. President, I confess that I do not entirely approve this Constitution, but I am not sure that I shall never approve it. I have experienced many instances of boing obliged by better information or fuller consideration to charge opinions even on important subjects which I once thought right and found to be otherwise. In these sentiments I agree to this Constitution, with all its faults, if they are such. I doubt, too, whether any other convention we can obtain may be able to make a better Constitution. The opinfons I have had of its errors I sacrifice to the public good. I enoust help expressing a wish that every member of this convention who may have of jections to it would with an on this menatan doubt a little of his non infallfiffitte and an ale to manifest er. un limity put his name to the later.



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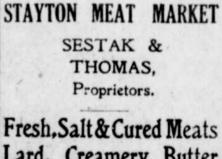
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All Druggists, %c. Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

### NOTICE TO VACATE STREET

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has applied to the council of the town of Stayton, Oregon, for an ordinance vacating the following portion of Seventh Street, to-wit Beginning at the Northeast corner of block 9, in-U. Whitney's Addition to the town of Stayton, Oregon: running thence South 200 feet; thence East 60 feet; thence North 200 feet; thence West 60 feet to the place of beginning.

That the council will act on said petition on or after 30 days from the date of the first publication of this notice. Any person wishing to file objections to said petition should file the same with the recorder on or before ; the 16th day of February, 1926. S. H. Heltzel, Petitioner

By order of the Coucell Jan. 8-15-22-29-Feb. 5-12