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OLD FRIFNDS AND NEW FASHIONS

It has not been so very long ago when nearly every newspaper in the land strove to be in some sort a family paper, and, weekly or daily, each one earried its quota of miscellaneous information, sometimes in a column or department by itself, and sometimes as a means of filling out. A number of these miscellaneous items make the rounds of the press for years; for though they seem to die and are forgotten, they are revived again, and continue their travels as briskly as if they were the invention of the moment.

But the newspapers that consider themselves up to date have somewhat changed the method and style of what is called miscellaneous information, Articles and items that would formerly have fallen in this category have been taken out of their accustomed corners and are made to do duty as mild sentations. They have scare heads over them, and glare at the public from surroundings that give them a new and malignant emphasis. In this way they have lest all their old-time matter-ofact mildness and are compelled to contribute to our special wonder. Frequently, indeed, they are 'presented to as in the shape of editorial articles, and in that way are supposed to take on several degrees of additional importance.

Readers of newspapers do not have to be very old to remember the interesting items that have been concocted about our ol I friend the pin. Long columns of statistics, articles with economy for their moral, paragraphs of a historical character, and items without number have been written about the pin, so that this useful domestic instrument may be the subject and center of quite a reall familiar with the query, "What becomes of all the pins that are made?" statements to the effect that if all the

There is a very interesting game know, is simple.

t rese our old friends-or enemies, if you be false to any man." prefer it so-coffee, tobacco and alcohol play leading parts. For more than a sentury each succeeding generation has time ought to be the province of a newsseen warned that coffee is rank poison, paper. To tell even a part of it at and yet people go on drinking it at such times however subjects you to the ina rate that we must come to the con- uendo of being a fault-finder, an old an angel came in beauty to console: e usion that the views of the old citizen maid, or a common scold. During the cho had been drinking coffee by the campaign that is now upon us, it is the quart all his life have come to prevail. intention of the Country to tell the truth When told that coffee is poisonous, and shame the devil, let the chips fall -specially when drank in large quantit where they may. The Republican admines, his reply was that it must be a very istration in this county will be handled -low poison, for he had been drinking it without gloves as it deservidly should exception of the interval created by the the highest regard personally for the a soft, sweet voice came and whispered war, and he was never really a well man Republican officials of the county but

during the period of his deprivation. country in the course of a year drink every man. So the fellows who have 1,500,000,000 gallons at a cost of 10 cents records to defend had best get ready to gallon. This is very interesting in defend them and those who have sores f rmation, especially in the face of the exposed to the public gaze had best prediction, freely made, that the price cover them at once. if the aromatic berry is likely to be Inbled. If, as the reformers say, it is it a step from coffee to tobacco, it will over the Willamette valley on Saturday b) interesting to know that anonymous afternoon and night was a revelation to e temical investigators-it is queer how the oldest inhabitant in this part of the a lonymous your modern scientist can world. For hours the wind howled and o -have come to the conclusion that whistled through every branch and n cotine (named after Jean Nicot, its tree. Much small damage was done in discoverer) has nothing to do with the many places and the eyes of the natives not the party that makes the man. servous and muscular ills that afflict the opened to the power and effectiveness man with the cigar. The insidious rep of old Boreas when he unleashes the ile concealed in tobacco is in the shape winds of the sky.

of a gas-carbon monoxide gas-identi- DEMOCRATIC CONVENcal with the dangerous constituent of water gas; and to smoke one ounce of tobacco is to turn loose is pint of the fearful carbon monoxide.

In the by-laws of genuine reform, alcohol heads the list of deadly, poisons that do not produce their fatal results at once, but Dr. W. Hutchinson, secretary of the Oregon state board of health, declares that whiskey drinking is a good thing- a harmless luxury for the strong and the vigorous, though a poison Oregon City Courier and Weekly Examiner .. 2.50 to the weak, the worthless and the un-Oregon City Courier and the Cosmopolitan ... 2.25 desirable. In his view, alcohol is doing - 2.00 a great work in aiding nature to get rid of those who are unfit to live, and in 2.00 preserving those who are likely to be of s.50 some benefit to the country and the community.

We must politely protest against this pathy with, or stomach for the artificial highly-colored decoctions of man. who declares that cow's milk is poisonous to a high degree, being the medium Vote cast for Gov Precinct through which the most deadly diseases that afflict the human family are transmitted. Indeed, he claims that it is not only the medium, but the cause of disease, and ne cites, in support of his contention that in countries where no cow's milk is used there are no tuber. cular diseases.

Well, what is poor humanity to do? Our drinking water is full of microbes, our warm and comfortable dwellings are a constant peril to he alth, our food of every sort is dangerous, and everything we drink is likely to contain the spores of contagion. There is nothing left for us but to buy a dime's worth of peanuts, take a front seat in the gallery of life and watch our friends and neighbors play out their little parts.

It will be observed that the items of miscelianeous information have acquired from the "scientific" thought of the day quite a dogmatic tone. With this exception they are all familiar. We miss the figures about buttons, but that is because some scientist has invented suspenders that are fastened with a clasp, while another is the author of a button that does not need to be sewed on, showing that the world moves.

BE JUST AND GENEROUS,

Some of our Democratic friends whom we know love us as a brother, have seen fit to critise the editor of the Counter for being too intimate with some of the that by using good judgment and putting local Republicans of Oregon City. The up the best men the entire Democratic editor of the Counter has always sespectable body of literature. We are lected his company wherever he has been and we presume we will continue to do so. We are sorry to say it has and equally as familiar with the various not always been the best company that could have been found. We have yet to pins that have been lost could be found, learn that personal friendship for indithe world would be better and happier. viduals shall in any way warp the judgment or control the policies of men or walled push-pin, with which the children newspapers in party matters. If our amuse themselves, and it is a time- politics were made of that light mater- and all the beauty of the day brought delegates to the county convention pubconored custom that pins should take ial we would be ashamed to own it, to him no hope or inspiration. Above lished in this issue of the Courier. the place of currency among the young. We know the old story of "dog tray" upon a tall oak's bending boughs, a There were some errors in the report and sters. There can be no real boy's circus and the trouble that befell him on acunless the admission fee is calculated in | count of his associates; but do not feel | about in rioutous revelry, and fragrant | issue, the incorrect basis being taken for oins, and if you desire a front seat, you that that story applies in our case. We would do well to rob the household will continue to speak to our Republican fanned against his forehead and his found in these columns this week is the oin cushion and get a ticket of admission friends and when we meet them on the before the show begins. Moreover, street or in their places of business and "ome pleasing little superstitions depend shall at sundry and divers times wreson the pin to hold them together. For the with them and urge them to t is very well known that if you find a see the error of their ways. A man who in with its head toward you and insist was born and raised a Democrat of good guarded, unafraid, and chickens crowed named depends very largely upon the on picking it up, ill luck will be your old Southern blood, whose Democracy portion. The thing to do in such an is a part and parcel of his life, who has smergancy, as we have been informed never even voted for a school trustee by those who know, is to walk past the who was not of his political faith, who din, pretending that you failed to see it, has been taught that Republicans and and then, returning, pick it up with the Republicanism is "an abomination in soint presented to your feet. Thus, the sight of the Lord" has little to fear that would have been ill luck is changed from contact with people who may or tato good luck, and the reason, as all may not be his friends and who are of opposite positical faith. We remember But through it all in silence sat the man We shall not look very far in the Polonius advice to his son "To thine own of whom at first we spoke, as on his sewspapers before we come face to face self be true and it must follow as day brow sad sorrow sulked and sued for

To tell the truth all of the truth all the our times a day for sixty years, with the be handled. Not that we do not have because the truth about the adminis-We learn now that the people of this tration of the county ought to be told to

The eqinoctial storm which swept

TION CALLED

Primaries to Be Held April 4-Convention April 9th.

The County Central Committee of the Democratic party of Clackamas county met at the club room of the Jefferson Democratic Club Wednesday morning at eleven o'clock. A full attendance of the Committee was present and great enthusiasm was manifested on all sides. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Robert Beatle and its object stated. After a full and free discussion it was decided to hold the Lemocratic primaries to elect delegates to the county convention, on Monday, April 4th next, and hold the convention in Oregon City on the following Saturday, which is form of natural selection. Nature is a congressional convention will be held in pattern of sobriety, and we cannot be Portland on Tuesday the 19th day of the made to believe that she has any symmonth. The apportionment made out
mathy with or stomach for the artificial
and approved is one delegate for every ten votes and major fraction thereof cast and highly-colored decoctions of man. for Governor George Chamberlain in Over against the Oregonian secretary his race for Governor two years ago, and we would place Mr. Justine Ingersoli, under that rule each precinct will be gates in the convention:

> Delegates Chamberlain Abernathy Barlow Beaver Creek Canyon Creek Cascades Canby Clackamas Cherryville Canemah Damascus Eagle Oreck Gartield George Highland Macksburg Molalla Milk Creek Marquam Maple Lane Needv New Era Or City No 1 Or City No 2 Or City No 3 Pleasant Hill Soda Springs Springwater Tualitin mion Viola W Ore City 1721

The committeemen from the various precincts were enthusiastic and brought in good reports, the prevailing opinion being that this is a democratic year, and ticket might be elected, and that certainly some of it would be elected in any event. Preparations for the primaries are now being made by the various committeemen, to whom was delegated

LOST-LOVE.

Sitting out beneath a smiling Sunday sun, when all the world seemed wrapped in loveliness and light, his heart was sad carefully over the apportionment of blossoms blown from off a bush were the division. The apportionment as feet. Nearby a blood-red roseid rose correct one. Democrats in every part but bent to rob the bonded zephyr of its of the county should make it a point to breath, and lillies leaned to learn the attend the primaries and send their best lesson of lost love. Behind the scented men as delegates to the county convencedar where he sat, a robin romped, un- tion. The success of the ticket to be and chirped and charmed their lives persons who are put up as candida tes away. About the fragile fence which for the various positious. Cool, level-formed a farce of present and of past, a headed, practical men should be sent as formed a farce of present and of past, a honeysuckle bush was 'twined and clung as close as Clarissa to her child.

The peach tree blossomed all about, and on its boughs the mockbird sat in the best foot to be put forward. music majesty, as from its throat there thrilled a tune of lope and happiness. with a number of familiar items, and in follows night, that thou cans't not then sympathy. God's glorious sunlight came to seek in gleams of glaring gold and kindly kissed his furrowed forehead full and free, and in their dreams the daisies delved in solace for his soul. About his seat the velvet violets veered and viewed in fragrant fear, until at last

"Why sorrowest thou?" she questioned soft and low.

Reluctantly lifting his eyes until they met those of her who spake, he answered hoarse and slow: "Lost-Love."

The angel went, and left him in his wretchedness for awhile, but as he was about to turn to troubled thoughts again,

"Arise and come with me and be comforted, for I am God-I am Love."

The sad one sat and stared-but soon there stole upon his saddened face a sainted smile. Arising then and leaning on the arm of Love, he walked away from sorrow and from shame.-Ernest Camp, in The Dublin Times,

A man is not nessessarially honest because he'is a Democrat and he is not neccessarially a thief because he is a Republican. There are all kinds of men in all kinds of parties. It is the man at last that makes the party and

The Socialist County Convention will be held in the Woodmen Hall, April

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PARK

The great offer of the Gladstone Real Estate Association made to the people of Oregon, of one hundred lots to be selected by the purchaser in the handsome townsite of Gladstone, at an even \$100 per lot, \$10 down and \$10 per month with out interest, has attracted widespread attention. Already lots are being sold to careful, conscientious buyers, who not only know a bargain when they see it, but are taking advantage of the low price to get an elegant property where the location is ideal and the enhancement in values is sure to follow. Already Portland buyers are rapidly approaching Gladstone on the north. In two years time the electric cars will not be out of sight of handsome dwellings in the entire run of 12miles from Oregon City to Portland. There is no longer any doubt that the moter company will have a double track railway between the two cities by the time of the great Lewis and Clark exposition. Ask any fair man, consult your own good, common sense and there can be but one conclusion, and that is, that property between Oregon City and Portland is as safe as stock in the First National Bank of Portland. It is far better than money at Fiterest. Again, if you ask any fair and unprejudiced man, who does not own property of his own so situated as to be a rival for public favor, as to the handsomest suburb of Oregon City and with greatest promise for the future, and he will unhesitatingly say: GLADSTONE.

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H. E. CROSS.

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apportionment as published in the last

delegates to the county convention and if they do their work well and name a good ticket it will in all human probability be elected. Now is the time for



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