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PENNY-WISE ECONOMY.

Mrs. John Lane, Girding, in an English interview, at the false economies of her sex, relates the story of "a woman of massive intellect" who saved sevenpence by going to the suburban wilds of Shepherd's Bush to buy Brussels sprouts, and in the process so exhausted her energies that it took several days of rest and a fashionable physician to restore her. The type is not unknown in America. Countless indigestions are acquired by shopping all day in a department store, lurching meanwhile on the free food of the demonstration counters. The exponents of such economy are precisely the women who endure miserable weeks of rapid-fire servants rather than give one of them an extra afternoon off, or extend to her the liberty of the tea-chest or the ice-box for her visiting friends. When it comes to buying a dollar's worth for 99 cents the most massive intellect crumbles, and when there is a question of shaving two dollars off the monthly bills the kindest heart becomes steel.

This is one feminine foible, however, with the responsibility of which she is not to be charged. The art of spending a dollar to save two is acquired only by the habit of large dealing, and is impossible to any one in the position of economic dependence. Few wives have any settled allowance and fewer still are made to feel that they have an equal interest in the family disbursements.

A tea and coffee merchant in Chicago, whose economic sense was larger than his knowledge of human nature, lately opened a system of retail shops and offered his wares for twenty per cent below the current rates. The reduction, he announced, and quite truly, was made possible by the fact that he gave no trading stamps or other premiums. The experiment cost him many thousands of dollars. His customers said that the money they saved with him stayed in their husband's pockets, and could not be elicited thence for the purchase of necessary china, to say nothing of the brie-a-brac so passionately desired. That the husband's temper was endangered by bad coffee and the family wealth diminished in the process was a consideration beyond the servant-wife's comprehension or care.

Women will cease to save at the spigot when men allow them to save at the bung-hole.—Saturday Evening Post.

THE INSURANCE INVESTIGATION

The New York Insurance investigation has started out right. That is, it has begun by bringing out certain important facts without any apparent favor or discrimination as between the big life companies toward which public interest is directed. It is certainly a desirable fact to make plain at the beginning of the investigation that the management of the great companies is self-perpetuating and that their policyholders in the memory of man have never actively intervened to shift the control under any circumstances. It is not that this is news to observers of the insurance methods, but that it is a fundamental truth. It establishes a point from which all proposals of legislation must set out. The laws should, of course, provide for the greatest possible freedom on the part of the policyholders in controlling the management, and should make sure that full and exact information about company affairs is always at the policyholder's command. But they should go further than this and provide public control over the management, just as if no control by the policyholders was possible, either theoretically or practically.

The facts about the many high salaries paid by the big companies and the nepotism shown in the distribution of the fat places are old, but they are as unpleasant reading as ever. The investigating committee will doubtless have difficulty in suggesting legislation by which adequate pay for the officials burdened with the conservation of the huge properties of the companies can be granted and at the same time unnecessary salaries to a way can be prevented. Perhaps if a law can be found to hit at the system of high commissions and of rivalry for "bigness" the source of the spirit of wastefulness will have been reached.—Exchange.

THE MARCHING OF THE GRAND ARMY.

Reports from the Grand Army Encampment at Denver tell the expected story of the annual parade. Many veterans could not join the procession; others who made the start dropped out before the marching was over. There were, however, some 15,000 in line, which is a large number for any description of street parade.

It was large enough to make an impression from size alone, and of course the emotional interest that was excited was extraordinary. No one could gaze upon the line without having a keener realization of the coun-

try's history. These men appeared as a connecting link with a great past. To people of imagination and sensibility their mere presence there together was an inspired teaching that told of the mighty crisis of the civil war, the saving of the Union, the unprecedented growth and glory of the nation after a reunion that has made all sections one in a much truer sense than was ever possible before the trial of arms.

Probably the desire of the veterans to march is very largely explained by their own loyalty to the observance as a kind of symbolism, and we may be sure that the ceremony will not be abandoned except under the pressure of extreme necessity. But the pathetic aspects of the case become more conspicuous every year. It is plain that the exertion taxes the strength of many of the participants almost beyond endurance. It is plain, also, when comparisons are extended to the past, that we are dealing with a mere fraction of what was once the Grand Army of the Republic. And not only are the ranks greatly diminished but the years are counting now against men far beyond their prime. Such is the record from one meeting to another that the thoughts of the veterans must be more and more fixed on time's remorseless changes and the splendid host that has gone before.—Chicago Record-Herald.

IS MONEY EVERYTHING?

We exterminated the Indians because the land they occupied was needed. The superior race could not work out its opportunities except by sending the red man to his happy hunting ground. We are now engaged in forcing toward starvation a race in regard to whom no excuse exists. They do not occupy land the white man needs. We acquired control of them by accident. They were under rulers before who neither despised them socially, as the Americans despise them, nor what is more important, passed laws such as those which are stealing away their food. What Mr. Taft has really been about, in his triumphal tour, is not known, but his past record makes us hope he will bring new force to bear on Congress in the winter, on Congress, which is responsible for the sale of a distant people's welfare to enable already bloated tobacco and sugar magnates to grow more bloated. We boasted profusely of the "boom" that would begin its exhilarating career when once the Star-Spangled Banner presided over the destinies of these islands. We boasted, and then we passed the Frye bill, making the Philippine territory sufficiently foreign to pound with tariff laws and sufficiently American to be forbidden cheap transportation. It is greed, pure and simple, to which we are sacrificing every principle, not only of sympathy, but of the merest justice. Nothing short of free trade with us will be even a pretence of fairness, but if that is too much for the fat monopolists who control our Congress, let us at least make again the fight that was lost last winter, and endeavor to secure a reduction from the present deadly rates.—Colliers.

A PROPER CRITICISM.

A pair of two-legged brutes are scheduled to hammer each other to a finish at San Francisco this afternoon for one of the largest purses that has been hung up in many years. There are the usual predictions that crooked work may be expected, and unless there is more money to be made by playing fair, the rumors will probably be confirmed. Several centuries of civilization have not served to eradicate from the mind of man the desire to witness the infliction of physical pain on his fellow-man. Men who are lacking the advantages of education and breeding feel this desire much stronger than those who have lived in a higher civilization. For this reason the slugging match today will attract as select an audience of pluggies and all-round bad men as has ever gathered around a ringside. Sandwiched in with them, cheek by jowl, will be found a number of prominent men who stand so high in the affairs of commerce and state that their names will be carefully withheld from the list of those present. It is but fair to the Bat Mastersons and others of their ilk to state that their high-toned friends will enjoy the "mill" equally with the bad men from the country's numerous Bitter Creeks.—Saturday Oregonian. But think how the "many art" of self defence is promoted by these exhibitions!

PARENTAL FOLLY.

The fact that so many of our children of school age are not getting a full common school education is a serious matter; far more serious than the size of our navy or the Panama Canal or even the wordy campaigns of our trust-busters. But it is not so serious as it would be, were the school only, or even the chief, source of education nowadays. Like all large words, education is at once full and empty of meaning. And lamentably, often it is as near to a perfect vacuum as the efforts of men can induce Nature to tolerate. The very school education is a "get-breathe" nowadays, is swamped with the materials of education. And whether we go to school or not, we absorb and assimilate at an early age more valuable knowledge than the most learned could acquire a hundred years ago. The function of the school, high and low, is to teach, as it were, the mind to breathe properly, to draw in the right materials and to assimilate them thoroughly. And unless our children—whose parents are ignorant or worse still, chock full of silly prejudices—go to school, they are more liable to grow up with what they absorb doing them a minimum of good and much harm.—Exchange.

AS WOODBURN SEES IT.

The population of Clackamas County, as shown by the State census, is 20,877. The gain is less than expected, since the population in 1900 was 19,658. Clatsop, which had 12,765 five years ago, now has 16,045.—Ore-

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sonian. Clackamas has been controlled by a certain political power that has looked more for personal aggrandizement than to get the county on a good financial footing. Homeseekers are careful to inquire into the indebtedness of a county. The people are to be censured; for at every election they have had an opportunity to make a change for the better. A splendid chance presents itself at next Spring's Direct Primary election.—Woodburn Independent.

Of course the several hundred rural telephone subscribers to the various mutual systems that are in operation throughout the county are in no hurry to gain communication with the business people of Oregon City. This completing link in the extensive telephone system of the county was assured the rural subscribers by the Board of Trade some time ago and it was largely on this assurance that the rural lines enjoyed such a remarkable growth. But, presumably on account of the conflicting interests of several private telephone corporations that have largely usurped the privileges of entering this city over the different county roads, there has been nothing doing in this direction and on this account an injustice continues to be done the subscribers on the interior of the county. It is about time the outside subscribers were being given connection with Oregon City or that a reasonable excuse be given for the delinquency on the part of the local commercial organization that is supposed to be representative of the business interests in the city.

Judge Thomas A. McBride of this district circuit is now thought to be the man likely to receive the appointment as federal judge for Oregon. Judge Bean of the State Supreme Court seemed to be assured of the place a few weeks ago, but for some reason President Roosevelt has not acted, and that is now interpreted to show that he is not looking favorably on Judge Bean, but is looking for another man. McBride has the support of Senator Fulton and other leading politicians and his many friends are very hopeful of his selection. The Judge is very popular in this county and his friends will regret to lose him, even to go to the federal bench.—Forest Grove Times.

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OTHER SHIPS BLOW UP ALSO.

Admiral Togo's Flag Ship Goes Down With 600—Admiral Escapes. TOKIO, Sept. 12.—The Navy Department announces that the battleship Mikasa has been destroyed by fire and the explosion of her magazine causing the loss of 599 lives, including men of other ships who went to the rescue. The fire started from an unknown cause at midnight on Sunday night, September 10. Before the officers could be rescued the fire reached the after magazine, which exploded, blowing a hole in the port side of the vessel below the water line and causing the ship to sink. An investigation is now being held to determine the cause of the fire.

Mikasa Bore Brunt of Battle in Japan Sea.

Tokio, Sept. 12.—In the battle of the Sea of Japan the Mikasa was the heaviest loser of the Japanese ships, having 63 killed and wounded. She led the Japanese fleet into action and approached nearer to the Russians than any other battleship. The Mikasa was also the flagship of Admiral Togo after the great naval battle fought off Port Arthur on August 10, 1904, on which occasion the Japanese flagship also suffered the most but continued in the fighting line. On that occasion the Mikasa had four officers and twenty-nine men killed, six officers and twenty-nine men severely wounded and four officers and twenty-nine men slightly wounded.

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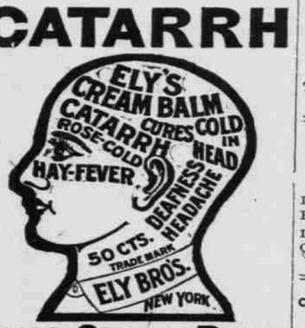
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