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Seventy-one men have been shot for deer in Wisconsin during 1907. There are 71 who know something of how the deer feels.

Treasurer Steele's friends worked hard in Clackamas county to secure new bond for him, and were successful. In view of the erratic actions of the past, men who refused to sign cannot be censured, however.

One exchange says that dressed pork is selling in that town for 7 cents a pound. To which a brother editor adds, facetiously, "There's considerable 'dressed pork' in every town in Oregon that you can't sell at any price."  
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In the panic of 1857 Henry Ward Beecher said to those who were hoarding their money and curtailing their expenses in every way: "Keep your carriages and horses and coachmen; you have money—spend some of it. You can't take it with you when you die, and if you did it would melt."

The state, in France, is forcing the church to give up property not necessary to or used for the purposes of public worship. Oregonians should apply this rule to the Southern Pacific Railway Co. Put an annual tax of a dollar an acre on available lands the company refuses to sell and see how quickly it will come into market.

About two thousand years ago there arose a great teacher who said that when you did your aims you should do it in secret, not letting your left hand know what your right hand was doing. But we do it different in 1907—we bring our aims to the platform with great pride while the choir sings a specially prepared cantata.

All those who are giving thought to the subject of good roads will be interested in resolutions passed at the recent annual meeting of the National Grange favoring the enactment by Congress of legislation making liberal appropriations for the improvement of public highways. The National Grange, with its membership of nearly 1,000,000, proposes to make an active campaign along this line.

The fly in the ointment has finally come to the surface. Chancellor Day's hatred to President Roosevelt is from personal grounds. A nephew of the Chancellor was dismissed the service in the infantry because of his many crooked deeds, and Day practically demanded that Roosevelt pardon and re-instate the young man. Roosevelt's refusal led to the Day attacks. His actions are natural to a man with a small soul.

There are a whole lot of people who are constantly crying for justice who would be in jail if they got it.—Brownsville Times.

Guess again, brother. If we had justice we would have no jails. Jails are a relic of barbarism; a testimony to the fact that we are hundreds of years behind the times in our treatment of the erring. No wonder Jesus wept over Jerusalem when he saw the treatment accorded the poor. He would likely weep today over the treatment we mete out to those who err. There is a better way, but we are too busy these days laying up treasures on earth to think of the "under dog."

State Senator Milt Miller is quoted as saying that if the question were put to a vote Oregon as a State would go dry. He further predicts that the liquor traffic will be abolished from the entire United States within ten years.

Whiskey is one of those things you can't stamp out. The more you attempt to force the issue the more certain it is to rebound as quick as you remove the pressure. Present plans for ending the liquor traffic are all of the "force" order; these will never win, and stay won. The Golden Rule is the only solution to the evil, and as there is no personal glory in that kind of a battle we may not hope to see it taken up from that side of the controversy for some time yet; and its end will not come until such time as the fight is carried on along those lines.

### THE PEOPLE'S TURN TO LAUGH.

If you draw the pendulum to the right or to the left of the strongest point of gravitation it will at once seek "its level." This is as true in things moral as things material. And if drawn to a considerable degree to right or left it will not stop at the center on its return, but will continue on past to a point but a few degrees short of the same extreme on the other side. This is also true morally.

A few years ago the people were crying for protection from the corporations. Now the corporations are begging for protection from the people.

The pendulum has swung to the other side. And what a holler the "interests" are putting up when it comes their turn to "take the horn." This is a funny world; and about the funniest people in it are the people who get rich at the other fellow's expense. They are very optimistic as long as they reap blessings, but let the pendulum swing to the other side, and the rain bring roses to the other fellow and thorns and thistles to them and their faces get as long as the moral law. The people are expected to smile even through adversity—for a sad countenance so depresses a moral shark; but when it comes their turn to "pay as they go" it is a moral crime to chide them for sadness.

But the pendulum is certain to cross the line on time, and if the "interests" will sow thistles they cannot expect to reap roses.

### PORTLAND BLUFF AND BLUSTER

A circular letter issued by the Portland Commercial Club contains the following:  
"Portland is particularly proud of the fact that she was first among the one hundred leading cities of the United States to pay every demand made upon her in coin, and from the first moment since the 'lid was lifted,' Monday, December 16, the amount of gold in each of the banks has constantly increased and now it is pouring in at the rate of \$100,000 a day."

We believe in giving the Devil his due—and his whole due, and his due on both sides of the fence. We doubt not that the above paragraph is true, but it does not express the whole truth. And, "as the worst is over," as

we believe, it may do no injury to now tell the whole truth.

The Portland banks were the first in the West to get the "shivers." It was they who first run to the Governor and implored him for holidays. And in their impertinence they talked of the move as a step towards protecting the country banks. It was not the country banks that needed protection, but the banks of Portland. And this is not all—it is doubtful if the Portland banks were in shape to care for themselves had their Eastern balances not been impaired. Portland, with all its brag and bluster, had got itself into a hole, and needed time to patch up the rent in its financial blanket.

But now, that the clouds have rolled away, it begins to talk loudly of its present condition, and in a tone that would lead one to think it had not just emerged from the "sick" class—that the sickness had been in the country around—and had never "teched me."

### Possum.

Preferably possum should be cooked over a wood fire in a log cabin and seasoned with the odoriferous blue smoke of hickory and ash as the lid of the oven is lifted now and again to give a glimpse of the promised viand to those who wait with whetted appetite for the coming feast. With the possum and taters there should be served either the ordinary Kentucky corn pone—if such an adjective may be not improperly applied to anything so rare—or the Olympian cracklin' bread of the hog killing season. In justice to the possum it must be said that neither corn pone nor cracklin' bread is necessary, but it serves well not only to mop up the gravy, but also to prevent the possum and the yams from melting in the mouth too rapidly for the flavor to be enjoyed in the fullest. The finest possums on earth are found in the woodlands of the Pennsylvanian district of Kentucky, and they reach perfection about the time the perfumed pawpaw becomes so ripe that it falls from the parent stem and reposes in all of its golden beauty in the orange tinted leaves that the earth has first claimed as tribute from the trees for her enrichment.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

### American Temperament and Art.

The majority of the men and women who gave American life its form and direction were not the children of an artistic race, though they were the heirs of a great literature. They descended from a people who have never pursued art as an end and whose first instinctive expression in meeting great experiences has never been artistic, but who have never divorced action from vision nor failed in the long run to match power in action with some kind of beauty in speech. From its English ancestry the country has inherited an ingrained and ineffaceable idealism of nature, which enormous tasks and hitherto incredible prosperity have at times smothered and blighted, but never destroyed. From other races have come richer temperament, quicker sensibilities, craving for joy and love of beauty for its own sake, which have already immensely enriched American art and are subsiding American life.—Hamilton Mable in Atlantic.

### The Wettest Trade.

The lot of the Ceylon pearl diver is not an easy one. Stones are suspended on a running rope over an outrigger projected from the boat's side in such a convenient position as to allow the

diver to place one foot within a loop affixed to the stone. The diver, having placed himself with one foot on the stone, with a net around his neck to hold oysters, draws in his breath, closes the nostrils with one hand and raises his body to give force to the descent. The manduck (or diver's attendant), in charge of the stone and nets, lets go, and the diver rapidly reaches the bottom, leaves the stone, which the manduck instantly hauls up and refixes, throws himself on the ground, creeping along, and fills his net with oysters. This done, he jerks the rope, which is pulled up by the manduck in charge, and the contents of the net are discharged into the boat. The diver meanwhile rises to the surface.—Ceylon Manual.

### THE CURRENCY QUESTION.

Down here in Cactus Center we have had a hot debate on reformin' of our money so enough will circulate.

It was started by Bear Hawkins, who allowed 'twas his belief that brass checks that called for likker would bring quick and sure relief.

Old Lone Star Thomas argued from the gold and silver side, and the talk got kinder heated, till the barkeep runs to hide; then the lead begins to scatter, and we sidestepped stratin' shot. While the ablebodied chipped in jest to keep the trouble hot.

So we argued for some minutes, and we laid out Chinese John (Some one said a "pro," had done it, and still others said a "con."), but we seed it warn't settled and a gun play was no use.

So Pecos Johnson calls us underneath a snag of truce.

"It's plain," said Pecos, smoothlike, as we tucked our guns away.

"That a compromise, good townsfolk, is the way to save the day.

So let's appeal to congress with our pons and with our lips

To stretch our legal tender with a lot more poker chips!"  
—Denver Republican.



The Stranded Aeronaut—Well, there's some good in the old fashioned telegraph system still, anyway.—Pete Mele.

### Business Instinct.

The sexton of a swell colored church in Richmond was closing the windows one blustery Sunday morning during service when he was beckoned to the side of a young negroess, the widow of a certain Thomas.

"Why is yo' shettin' dose winders, Mr. Jones?" she demanded in a hoarse whisper. "De air in dis church is suffocatin' now!"

"It's de minister's orders," replied the sexton obstinately. "It's a cold day, M's Thomas, an' we ain't goin' to take no chance on losin' any o' de lambs of dis fold while der's a big debt overhangin' dis church."—Harper's Weekly.

### WHEN OREGON HAD CAMELS.

In Days of Old, When the State Had a Tropical Climate.

That the whole of Interior Oregon was once the bed of the Pacific ocean has been proved beyond question by the investigations of Professor Thomas Condon, Dr. Diller and other noted geologists. That the region was later a tropical country has been equally well established.

Numerous discoveries of the bones of animals and rocks containing the perfect imprint of the plants of the tropics have been made, and it is no longer an occasion for surprise when well diggers or irrigation excavators unearth the fossil remains of a camel or a broad faced ox.

Within recent years many fossil beds of beautiful palm leaves have been found in eastern Oregon.

The Cascade hills, Blue mountains and Owyhees, once islands surrounded by tropical lakes, were covered with luxuriant growth, forests and flowering shrubs, for Knowlton tells us the magnolia and cinnamon and fig trees were there.

Today the soil presents a finely ground mixture of basalt and volcanic ash, containing the elements of most fertile soil, and when properly watered producing enormous crops of vegetables, fruits and grains common to temperate zones.

The climate has been changed, says Professor Condon, by the upfolding of the Cascade range, shutting off from the interior the softening influence of the Japan current and the drift of ocean fogs and clouds.—Sunset Magazine.

### Camera Made Bas Reliefs.

Carlos Baese, an Italian civil engineer, has originated a method by which bas-reliefs of the face may be obtained through the camera which look as though they were photographs of sculptures. The basic idea behind the photograph is that fact well known to photographers that a plate of gelatin, sensitized with bichromate, will swell in water and that it loses this property in proportion to the amount of light which is permitted to strike it. Signor Baese therefore projects the photograph upon such a film through two other plates, which are necessary to secure the proper illumination of the face. First he throws a powerful light upon the salient parts of the face and procures a negative. Then he casts the light upon the remoter parts of the countenance and obtains a positive. These plates, positive and negative, are placed together, and the light passing through them strikes the sensitized gelatin plate, and the bas-relief is the result.

### Magazine For the Deaf.

Although the Albion, a twenty-four page magazine for the deaf, is now on the streets of London, no newsboys are crying its merits. The magazine is owned by deaf men and women, conducted by a deaf mute editor, written by deaf writers, illustrated by deaf artists and sold by deaf canvassers in the interests of the deaf community.

Its editor is Evan Yellon, who was a factory hand and who is self educated. "The idea of a new venture," Mr. Yellon said, "is to provide a special magazine for a special public hitherto neglected by the general press, so far as its particular needs go, to bring into touch and fellowship the scattered units of the 120,000 or more deaf men and women in England and Wales, to protect them by means of co-operation against quacks and frauds and to assist them in obtaining suitable employment and remedies for deafness."

### The Antique She Bought.

In Cologne a few blocks from the great cathedral there is a little shop where one may buy old books, prints and curios of all kinds. An American tourist and his daughter bought some trinkets there a few months ago and were leaving the place when a little, apparently antique crucifix attracted the attention of the girl. She examined it, found that it was bronze, somewhat corroded, and was told that it was "very old." The emblem was purchased and brought home with other souvenirs of the voyage, and last week the evidences of antiquity were removed when the bronze was polished. The owners were surprised to find on the reverse side, scratched with a sharp point, "S. C." and parts of another indistinguishable letter and under these the words, "New York."—New York Tribune.

### Guests Fix the Price.

According to a publication devoted to the interests of hotel keepers, a novel scheme is to be tried by a boniface who, to quote his advertisement, possesses "a house of the first order—modern comforts, central heating, exquisite French cooking, superb view."

The proprietor will fix no prices either for the rooms or meals, and visitors only have to call at the office before their departure and pay "according to their judgment, conscience and sense of equity."

The new scheme will have a year's trial.—London Cable to New York Times.

### Hoarding Gold in Egypt.

Lord Cromer in a recent speech in London dealt with the question of the imports of gold into Egypt, some £2,000,000 of which was annually converted into jewelry. He illustrated the practice of hoarding which prevails in Egypt by a curious anecdote of a substantial yeoman who recently bought an estate for £25,000 (\$125,000) and half an hour after signing the contract brought a train of donkeys bearing on their backs the entire sum in coin, which had been buried in his garden.

### SHORT STORIES.

The average pig yields 112 pounds of pork.

The sale of women's gloves outnumbered that of men's seventeen to one.

Librarians say that people read more in November than in any other month.

Two locomotive engines could pass each other in any one of the four funnels of the new ocean liner, the Mauretania.

Officers at naval recruiting stations say that, as a rule, if three or more chums apply to enlist and one fails to pass the examination the others back out.

Professor Samuel G. Cook, instructor in a high school in East St. Louis, discovered that but six out of eleven were able to spell President Roosevelt's name.

A serious problem for the people of Canada to solve is the fuel supply of the future. No coal of any kind has ever been discovered in Ontario. In the older part of the province the timber is practically exhausted.

The Tilton (N. H.) firemen got their first bell alarm recently for thirteen months. The fire was in the Tilton seminary and was put out with a hand extinguisher. The last bell alarm in this village was Sept. 30, 1906.

### TALES THEY TELL.

A woman in Jasper county, Mo., took deliberate aim at a henroost robber and killed two of her chickens. The robber escaped.

General Watts, the famous three-year-old trotter, chews tobacco, a habit he learned from his groom. The horse has a good stomach and usually lies down after eating.

A man went into a Brockton (Mass.) restaurant recently and said his stomach was out of condition and he wanted a light breakfast. He ordered hot frankfurters and with it potato salad that had stood on ice all night.

A rooster stolen from Richard P. Bliss of Cleveland crowded so lustily that a policeman was aroused, who chased the thief a mile before he was captured. In the fight the thief used the rooster as a club on the officer, and the bird was nearly stripped of its feathers.

Bishop D. A. Goodsell of the Methodist Episcopal church is said to be the largest churchman in the world. He weighs 420 pounds. Once in a street car in Paterson, N. J., he got up to give a lady a seat, and three men and two women, the latter with market baskets, occupied the space he vacated.

### PLAYS AND PLAYERS.

Chrystal Herne is soon to appear in a serious drama.

Nat C. Goodwin says that good plays are desperately hard to obtain.

Clyde Fitch is at work on a new play for Grace George for next season.

William Travers, who is the husband of Blanche Walsh, is also a member of her company.

Consuelo Bailey is in the cast of "The Toy-maker of Nuremberg" at the Garrick theater, New York.

There are over 100 persons in the cast of "The Bondman." Hail Caine's famous play, in which Wilton Lackaye is starring.

Eugene Jepson, who made a hit in "Just Out of College," is playing in vaudeville in a sketch by George Ade called "The Mayor and the Manicure."

### USE OF CHEESE.

A pound of cheese is equal in food value to two pounds of beef and is generally cheaper.

A slight grating of cheese improves almost any dish such as poached eggs, roast potatoes, mashed potatoes and cream toast.

The difficulty of digesting cheese is lessened if it is cooked or served broken up or grated. A small pinch of bicarbonate of soda is sometimes added to assist digestion.

For a tomato and cheese salad, which is quickly prepared, cut the tomatoes in thick slices; sprinkle each slice with a little freshly minced Bermuda onion and the same amount of grated cheese. Serve with French or mayonnaise dressing.

### PITH AND POINT.

No one is content, because no one is content to die.

Being a good fellow has cost many a man a good job.

You can never judge from the size of the quarrel the value of the thing quarreled over.

How easy it is to put a false story in circulation! Don't assist mischievous and unreliable people.

What an uncommonly fine article of common sense a man has the day after he has made a fool of himself.

When an elderly woman begins a conversation by saying, "I raised my children without help," it is an intimation that she is tired taking care of grandchildren.—Aitchison Globe.

### New York City.

New York city has added 804 families to its population during the last month. It is estimated that the metropolitan district of New York city now contains 6,200,000 persons.

Paved streets of New York city are long enough to reach from the Atlantic ocean to Pike's peak.

It costs nearly as much to pay the salaries of the municipal servants of New York city as it does to support the entire army of the United States. The salaries amount close to \$70,000,000 annually.—New York Herald.

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