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Modifying the Homestead Act

As a means of making homesteading more attractive, the law of 1892 has been modified so as to permit the settler to get a title after three years' occupation, instead of five, as formerly, he will be allowed to be absent from it for five months each year, if he wishes, and the acreage which is required to be cultivated is reduced.

These are important changes. As was to be expected, they were proposed by Western members and received most of their support in the West, which is the section in which the homestead act chiefly operated.

It would be difficult to overestimate the value which the free homes act of half a century ago conferred on the West. It attracted millions of people here who, otherwise, would have been much slower in coming. Through its operation homes have been scattered through all of the states on the sunset side of the Mississippi, where most of the government land of 1862 existed. Thirteen states have been created west of the big river since that law went on the statute book.

One of the objects of the liberalization of the homestead act is to diminish the wave of American farmers who are crossing the line into Canada to locate there. It is estimated that an average of 100,000 Americans have moved into Canada annually for the past few years. While the figures may not be actually quite as large as the Canadian boomers pretend, yet the movement is too great to be permitted to continue without some effort to lessen it.

Comparatively little desirable lands can now be obtained under the free homes law, but anything which increases the settlement on such lands as still exist deserves praise.

Growth of Foreign Population
Surprise is expressed because the foreign-born population of New York City increased faster in the ten years ending with 1910 than did the natives. There is no real cause for surprise in that circumstance however.

The same thing was often seen in the past. New York is not only the largest city of the country, but it is the principal entrance point for immigrants as well as for merchandise. More races are represented on the streets of New York than are found in London or Constantinople. More tongues are talked there than Babel ever dreamed of.

But although New York is growing three times as fast as London, and much faster even than our Western wonder City of Chicago, the proportion of population increase in the past ten years being 28 per cent for Chicago and 38 per cent for New York, the foreign population of the bigger town is smaller, relatively, than it often was in the past. While it is about 40 per cent of the total of the inhabitants of that town now, it was 59 per cent of the total in 1860. New York has quadrupled in population since then, and the natives in it have increased much faster than have the foreigners in this half a century. The gain of the natives over the foreigners is true of the entire country.

tion for many millions more of them. It would be better for the immigrants as well as for the East, where most of them locate now, if a larger proportion of them came West.

To Make Murder Unpopular

Massachusetts has an excellent plan for cutting down the number of murderers. It cuts the murderers off just as soon as it gets the requisite evidence against them. Pleas of emotional insanity will not save them if proof of their guilt is obtained. Brain storm, temporary or protracted, has shielded many men and women slayers in the forty-three years which have passed since the temporary mental irresponsibility was successfully invoked in Macfarlane's favor in New York, but that excuse does not get acceptance in the Bay State.

"Hanging for murder is played out in New York," exclaimed Jack Reynolds, an obscure slayer in the big city a third of a century ago. That immunity did not work in his case, because he put up a challenge to jury and judge which they dared not dodge. He suffered the extreme penalty, not so much for his crime as for his truth telling, for a score of murderers in that state had escaped within Reynolds' recollection, although brought to trial.

Richeson's murder of the Linnell girl in Massachusetts was worse than a crime, it was a blunder. Had it been committed a few miles away, in New York, he probably would have been acquitted before this time, on some sort of subterfuge, and be walking the streets a free man. A comparative stranger there, Richeson perhaps was excusable for not knowing that it enforced honestly, rigorously every statute which was on its books, bad and good alike. Had he taken the precaution to consult any of the natives or old residents before he committed his crime his mistake would have been avoided. Gov. Foss does not believe in capital punishment, but he enforces the law as he finds it. A person can hate the death penalty and still believe that no murderer of recent times deserved it more than does the miscreant whose sentence Gov. Foss refused to commute.

CASCADE COUNTY
Estacada means business. Salem record showing under date of June 26, filing of initiative petitions for a law creating Cascade County by slicing off a part of the eastern side of Clackamas. It is now up to the Commercial Club to tell the voters of the state that Clackamas County generally does not want to be butchered; that it is for the best interests of all that Clackamas remain intact and that it is only the desire of a comparatively few that the matter has come up at all.

This will cost a considerable sum and an advertising man should be employed to carry on the work, for to defeat a measure of this type we must play the same game as those who are working for it. We cannot, however, praise those who are handling the matter for Estacada; their labor has been handsomely rewarded to date, but we naturally must wish them nothing but final failure, after which we hope they will see it is all for the best and continue their royal efforts in furthering the fame and interests of old Clackamas.

An old epithet runs in this fashion: "I was well, wanted to be better, took medicines, and here I am." A considerable part of the 15,000,000 voters of the United States, though hardly a majority are apparently ready to censure the party that controlled all departments of the government from 1897 until the present House was elected. That was a period of sixteen years, and the executive branch is still Republican. What will Republicans have to say for themselves if called on to deliver the keys to another party on March 4 next? It will be something better than was ever said before under such circumstances. How stands the treasury at this moment? By the end of the month, which is also the end of the fiscal year, the surplus will be considerable.

During the sixteen years all American dollars were made as good as gold. The war with Spain was fought and paid for. It is needless to go into the details of the resulting territorial expansion. Nor is it required to give a long table, expressed in billions, of the general progress of the country. Tested at any point the answer is the same. Business is active all along the line, and the masses are steadily employed at good wages. What a contrast with 1897. In that year the Republicans took hold, with promises to improve the situation, in all respects. They have fulfilled the pledge more amply than was expected. Good times were restored and so thoroughly that the building and completion of the Panama Canal became possible. This link between the oceans looked in 1896 like a dream of the distant future. If there must be a temporary Republican valedictory—which is improbable—it will be a thrilling review of great achievements.

Nine times out of ten there is so little contest for the vice presidential nomination that the conventions are glad to select an amiable rather than an aggressive candidate. A Berliner can breakfast at home and dine in Vienna after an aeroplane flight at an average speed of nearly a mile a minute. Nothing phlegmatic about it. Cuba's escape from chaos is again to be credited to a powerful and friendly neighbor that keeps its navy up to date.

"Where Rolls the Oregon"

Stop not, O wanderer in thy search for nature's grandest sights. Upon the banks of Rhone or Rhine, where gleam the Alpine heights. And linger not along the Nile upon the desert sands. Nor pitch thy tent on Mississippi's broad and flowery lands. But hither come upon this mighty river's rugged shore! Behold its banks in evergreen and hear its water roar! Then look above and feast thine eyes upon the trackless heights. Where over the realm of man yet fearlessly the eagle lights. The woods that reach from snowy peaks to vales of fertile land. Have still the breath of purity as from their Maker's hand. The pyramids raised on this river's side since time began. In silent greatness shame the proud but pigmy works of man. Go stand before each waterfall that thunders through its shower. And feel the thrill of wonder there, the awe of nature's power; Then dream no more of grander scenes beneath yon falcon skies! The Maker wrought His master art in better things than these. ANDREW FRANZEN.

STARVED CALVES MAKE ROBBER COWS.

Are beef breeds of cattle more prepotent than dairy breeds? This question has come to me after examining many animals. On the range, at least 90 per cent of the beef type from good sires are good feeding stockers. In swine and sheep the percentage of good animals is equally large. Here the exception is usually found in animals whose growth has been retarded by some unfortunate condition, generally lack of food. On the range the "dogie" or motherless calf is ill-shap'd and never makes a profitable feeder. The "pee wee" lamb may be simply a late lamb, but in most cases is one whose body was shrunken and "set" by lack of food. Many a pee wee derives its bird name from short feed and long drives around a forest reserve. My observation has been, says a writer in Farm and Home, that where a robber cow is found, it is safe to assume there has been a robbed calf. Many of the vicissitudes of the average skim milk calf. Every case of scours is simply indigestion, or in other words, a training of the stomach and digestive organs to fall to assimilate food. That pail of cold or soured germ-laden milk that was refused for a time until hunger made it desirable is training the stomach still further along the same line that made pee wees and dogies. Many little calves are prisoners, in dark pens, with filthy bedding, and with a ration unfitted to their growth and ability to properly digest food. The calf, improperly raised, comes back at its owner as the robber cow, and we blame the cow rather than ourselves, which is much more human than humane, and more of a solace than financial gain. Modest Abbe Delle. It is said that the French Abbe Delle once had in his household a very quick tempered relative, with whom he sometimes had animated disputes and who sometimes went so far as to throw books at the abbe. The abbe must have been a person of great amiability and self control. Once, when a particularly large and heavy volume was thrown at him, he caught it gracefully and said: "My dear friend, I must beg of you to remember that I prefer smaller gifts."

A Small Boy's Invention.

Sir Hiram Maxim began to invent almost as soon as he could creep. When but a small boy he invented a sort of sextant made of wood, with sights, a piece of thread with a bullet at the end and an indicator for the thread to swing along. On a dark night he took his instrument outside, and while he sighted it to the north star his little sister read the indicator. "Forty-five, Hiram," she called out. This meant they were living in 45 degrees north latitude. The observation proved to be perfectly accurate.

LATCHSTRING OUT FOR ANTLERED HERD

ALL PORTLAND AND ITS ENVIRONS TO WELCOME MIGHTY ELK HOST

\$125,000 FUND FOR ENTERTAINMENT

Joy and Goodfellowship will Reign Supreme From Arrival Of First Delegate Until Close

(BY SHAD O. KRANTZ)

PORTLAND, Or., June 27, (Special.)—Now that the big Republican convention is over and the Democratic convention is near an end, the attention of a great part of the country will center upon Portland where the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will begin its annual grand lodge convention Monday, July 6.

Every one of Portland's 275,000 residents has shared in the work of preparing for the invasion of the city by the Elks. Not only have the members of the Portland lodge, who have the arrangements in immediate charge, given their time and attention to the task but the business men and private citizens have assisted them materially.

Portland has raised an entertainment fund of \$125,000 of which \$25,000 was contributed by the local lodge, the balance by merchants and individuals. This will be spent in dispensing characteristic western hospitality to the city's guests.

Probably the greatest crowd that ever attended a national convocation of Elks will assemble in Portland. This is true for several reasons. One is the fact that this will be the first time the Elks have held their convention in the Northwest. The Northwest has numerous attractions. The Portland Elks are preparing to show their guests many of them. From the time the first delegate arrives until the last one departs joy and goodfellowship will reign supreme. Every entertainment feature planned by the Portland lodge will be free to all visiting Elks and members of their families. The week's festivities really will open Sunday, July 7, with trolley trips and automobile rides to various points of scenic delight in and near Portland.

Monday will be devoted to the formal reception of the visitors and the opening of the grand lodge sessions by an elaborate musical and oratorical program in the Immense Armory of the Oregon National Guard. The remainder of the week will be occupied with a series of unique attractions that will keep the whole city on the alert.

An event of Tuesday will be a spectacular electrical parade consisting of 17 brightly illuminated floats some of them symbolical of Elkdom and others typifying life in various of the world's leading nations. This pageant was prepared by the Elks at a great cost and undoubtedly will be one of the most brilliant features of the entire week.

On Wednesday all registered Elks will be conducted on a free excursion to the Oaks, an amusement resort on the banks of the Willamette, where every concession will be opened and the antlered band allowed to roam in and out at will. A monster barbecue will be served for which fully five tons of fresh Columbia river Salmon will be baked. A corps of workmen already is busy preparing the ovens for this detail.

The annual parade, which is the climax of every Elk reunion, will take place Thursday, July 11. Advance information received from various lodges in the United States indicates that more than 25,000 members of the order will participate. James R. Nichol, of Cambridge, Mass., grand esquire of the Elks, has arrived in Portland to take charge of the parade. Liberal prizes have been offered for various features. Considerably friendly rivalry has developed among lodges on the Pacific Coast for the honor of having the largest number of men in line. San Francisco, Seattle, Tacoma, Spokane, Oakland and Los Angeles, are in the competition. The Portland lodge and all lodges in Oregon are barred from all contests. Prizes also will be offered for the tallest, the shortest, the fattest, the leanest and the oldest Elks, with plenty of entries in each class.

A trip to "Council Crest" a resort on top of a hill 1200 feet high and within the city limits; together with naval parades, automobile races, an aeroplane flight and various attractions of lesser delight will be crowded into the busy week.

An army of decorators now is preparing the city in a garb of purple and white—the official Elk colors—and when the first of the visiting thousands enter Portland's gates his eyes will meet a sight such as he has seldom seen. An ambitious "Court of Honor" embracing 12 of the principal city blocks will be the most prominent scheme of ornamentation. Every public building will be attired in banners of purple and white blended with national colors.

Portland is a growing city and has ample hotels to accommodate its convention crowds. Reservations already made will demand much of the hotel space but the people of Portland themselves will provide relief. They will open their homes. The Elks maintain a bureau through which rooms in private residences may be rented by visitors whether they are Elks or not. While more than 100,000 persons may be attracted to the city for the full convention period it is probable that fully 250,000 will be here on the day of the parade.

5 DECREES GRANTED

Amended decrees of divorce were granted Tuesday by Circuit Judge Campbell in the cases of Martha Tromblay against Joseph A. Tromblay and Frances Haner against Francis J. Haner. Decrees were granted in the cases of Martha White against Clayton A. White and Marion Wendel against William Wendel and Hannah J. Easton against Alex Easton.

"I Am Well"

writes Mrs. L. R. Barker, of Bud, Ky., "and can do all my housework. For years I suffered with such pains, I could scarcely stand on my feet. After three different doctors had failed to help me, I gave Cardui a trial. Now, I feel like a new woman."

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ELKS TO ENTERTAIN ANTLERED VISITORS

OREGON CITY LODGE IS MAKING PREPARATIONS FOR GRAND RECEPTION

DR. A. L. BEATIE HEADS COMMITTEE

First Delegations Will Arrive From South Sunday—Medford Men To Gring Famous Band

Oregon City Lodge, No. 1189, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, is making elaborate preparations for the reception and entertainment of visiting Elks, who may come to Oregon City during the session of the Grand Lodge at Portland. Dr. A. L. Beatie heads the reception committee for next Sunday when big delegations from Medford and Klamath Falls, en route to the Grand Lodge, will spend a portion of the day in Oregon City.

It is planned to have the basement of the new Elks home ready for occupancy by next Sunday and refreshments will be furnished to the visitors there, and the Commercial Club rooms and the Elks hall will be open to the visitors. The Klamath Falls delegation will arrive here on the Southern Pacific at noon and remain until 1:15 P. M. and the Medford Elks will reach Oregon City about 5 o'clock for a short stay. The Medford contingent will be accompanied by their famous Kazoo band of 25 instruments and as this is the first time this aggregation of near musicians has been so far away from home they are expected to be a very exciting bunch and may have to be furnished with police protection.

The following members of Oregon City Lodge will care for the Southern Oregon crowds on Sunday: Dr. A. L. Beatie, W. H. Howell, G. R. H. Miller, William R. Logus, M. D. Latourrette, O. D. Eby, James H. Cary, C. W. Evans, Charles Clyde Mount, Eber A. Chapman, Charles U. Wilson, Ootoot Miller, C. W. Kelly, B. T. McCablin, Mortimer Park and M. P. Chapman. One Elk has been appointed for each day of the Grand Lodge session to arrange for the reception and entertainment of the visiting brothers during the week. The chairman for the several days are authorized to name assistants from the body of the lodge. Every day, except Thursday, is provided for, as the big parade will be held Thursday and it is probable that every Elk will stay close to Portland. The chairman of the committees for the week are: Monday—E. E. Brodie. Tuesday—B. T. McCablin. Wednesday—G. L. Hedges. Friday—E. J. Noble. Saturday—Theodore Omund.

BROTJE IS ACQUITTED OF SELLING WINE

John Brotje, charged with selling wine to four Oak Grove boys, was discharged Thursday at a trial held before Justice of the Peace Bigham. Attorney George C. Brownell represented Brotje. The four boys were taken in charge after having been found lying near the electric railway track. They had a jug of wine and they told the officers that they obtained it from Brotje.

Animal Species.

Geologists declare that in prehistoric times there were on this planet 21,000,000 different animal forms. Naturalists have classified 312,000 species, and there are now 470,000 forms, of which 90 per cent are insects.

PEACE OF MIND.

Peace is better than joy. Joy is an uneasy guest and is always on tiptoe to depart. It tries and wears us out and yet keeps us ever leaving that the next moment it will be gone. Peace is not so. It comes more quietly, it stays more contentedly, and it never exhausts our strength or gives one anxious thought.

"The Evolution of the Schoolma'm"

Those of us who remember her of more than 25 years ago cannot help looking at her modern successor with wonder and a little of the suspicion with which the old regard the new. How daintily she tripped upon the country lane toward the white school house to begin her day's work! There was nothing in her appearance to distinguish her from the ordinary country lass except the thoughtful brow betokening deeper incursions in the realm of learning. If her wider mental reach impressed her with a sense of superiority among the youth of the land she certainly was too well bred to vent it in words.

At that time fads and fashions could not enter through the sacred portals of the school house. Studies were not obscured and colored by the fripperies of so called embellishment. Arithmetic consisted in clear statements of the relation between numbers; grammar was a plain elucidation of the principles of language; and spelling was held in such high esteem that perfection in it was an object of pride to young and old. All methods bore the stamp of the directness and the common sense of that generation. The influence of the school ma'm was not limited by the walls of the school room. Her authority in matters of learning was supreme in the community. In a dispute about points in obscure knowledge she was the oracle to know the truth. She was also credited with a keen discernment of the nicer proprieties of life among her sex, and as a moral light she stood not far below the minister.

Despite all this, she did not deem it beneath her dignity to be on the look out for "the right man" to pop the question so interesting to the feminine mind. And when he came she graciously accepted him and stepped from her pedestal to perform the duties of the housewife which were not drudgery because she did not think they were. She had reason for accepting the shelter of a home. Never could she hope to build one of her own efforts, for though her wages were equal to those of a good hired man, teaching usually was limited to the winter months. Happily she looked for her chief reward in the growth and fruition of the seeds she conscientiously sowed.

Why the modern teacher (she retains the name schoolma'm) receives at least double the pay of the present hired man is seldom explained at this age when most of us are either too busy or too lazy to search for causes. It certainly is not justified by results. The standard of intelligence has not risen. The young generation swallows patent medicine, and is fleeced at bargain counters and by political grafters even more than was the old. But the teacher, at any rate is an up to date woman. Intelligent rather than intellectual, world-wise rather than book-wise. She may be looked upon as the embodiment of woman's new won independence. Whether a suffragette at heart or not she is too shrewd to pose as one. Moreover she knows that additional rights and authority mean additional duties and responsibility, and that woman can get more by asking than by demanding. Like most of us now-a-days the teacher measures the reward for her labors chiefly by the figure on her monthly check and we cannot blame her for being like the rest of us.

Whatever may be her faults, she never lacks politeness nor does she disdain the other sex. She would ever consent to marry one if there were any personal gain in the transaction. But it is clear as moonlight that the average man is her inferior in intelligence and in earning power, and what woman who is able to stand alone would lean upon someone less strong than herself? But her mother was married and all her grandmothers before her up to Eve. Some how it runs in the family and heredity is a mighty force. Let us wait and see.

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PETRIFIED BODY FOUND IN BARN

(Exchange.) The petrified body of a young negro was found in a long coffin-shaped chest that has lain three months in the barn at the rear of the Andre house, this week. About three months ago Mr. Andre received a letter with one dollar inclosed, asking him to care for a chest until the owner called. Mr. Andre hauled the long box, which was marked "glass, do not stand on end," to his barn, where it lay half forgotten. This week it was noticed that the screws had been drawn from the chest's contents, and removing a large canvas cover revealed the remains of a nude negro.

Further investigation revealed a hand printed letter that told the following story: "Count and Countess De la Jeune were camping on an expedition along the old Pembina trail by the Snake River in Marshall County, Minn., in 1865, with a retinue of servants. One, a man, became suddenly insane, shot and killed the countess and as her negro maid attempted to escape, fired a fatal bullet through her jugular. The murderer's mania was caught, and the remains of his two victims buried in the swamps.

In 1894 as the county ditch diggers of Marshall County were excavating to drain the district, they came upon the two petrified bodies, one of a white woman, evidently very beautiful, and the other of a negro, buried together. Both bodies were in a state of complete petrification. The authorities took charge of the remains and that of the Countess De la Jeune is now in a Chicago museum.

The body of the negro disappeared for some time and is supposed to have come into the possession of a traveling show company and exhibited in its museum. The body, when found in Andre's barn, was wrapped in a canvas sack which stated that within was a "Human Petrified Body Found Along the Old Pembina Trail on the Snake River in Marshall County, Minnesota." The owner of the curiosity has not claimed the body and it is expected that it will be placed on exhibition at the Jamestown County fair in July.

The body is that of a well formed negro, apparently about 20 years old. The features are clear and the white teeth stand out strikingly between the black lips. Her two arms lay crossed upon her breast. Although the negro weighed about 120 pounds in life, the petrified body weighed over 200 pounds.

LIME SHOWER IS SURE CURE

When the first chick shows symptoms of the gapes, stretching the neck and gasping for breath, place the entire brood in a small box, cover it with a piece of burlap and sprinkle dry, air-slacked lime over the burlap cover. Gently shake the cloth, so the lime will sift through and thoroughly fill the air inside the box. The aim is to have the chicks breathe this lime laden air, which is sure death to the worms lodged in the chick's windpipe. After two or three minutes, the cover may be removed, and the chicks returned to the hen or brooder. T. Z. Richey, in Farm and Home, says report every evening, until all symptoms of the trouble have disappeared.

Where chicks have been yarded on the same ground for two or three years in succession, one may expect an outbreak of the gapes, unless efforts are made to thoroughly renovate the soil and kill the worms in the ground. The safest plan is to move the runs to new ground each season. Where this is not possible, the ground should be spaded frequently and thoroughly limed.

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