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The Cause of Success

Speaking of the success of the western apple over that grown in the east the Oregonian says:

The apple crop in some sections of the middle west is a failure. This is notably true in Kansas—the freak state, where the yield of the soil is either phenomenally large, swamping all transportation facilities, or discouragingly meager.

In Illinois it is said that the apple crop is larger than usual, but, it is added, there is no market for the product, except at prices that will not pay for picking and shipping. This at first thought, is astounding, if true, for with a short crop of apples in states immediately west of the Missouri river, and the great cities of Chicago, St. Louis and Kansas City in the market belt of the Mississippi valley to be supplied, it would seem that a large apple yield in Illinois would mean substantial profits to orchardists.

The trouble, no doubt, is in the quality of the apples grown. Comparatively speaking, growers do not raise apples there. That is to say, the scientific principles of apple growing have not been applied to the orchards of the eastern valley of the Mississippi. The gnarled trees in many orchard tracts have fought for their lives, unaided by the farmer, for years against the bitter winters and summer droughts of that region; in their neglected condition they bear but gnarly, crabbed fruit. Pruning, as known to the horticulturist of the Pacific northwest, is unknown there; spraying is too much trouble to the farmer who depends for the returns from his labors upon the corn crop. The apple crop is not the crop sought for by these farmers. Corn, pork and wheat and dairy products they can depend upon and time is not wasted on apples.

Again, those eastern farmers have not learned, and, indeed, have not had the incentive to learn how to 'put up a fancy pack of apples such as carries buyers off their feet,' so to speak, with eagerness to buy, and makes the mouths water of the dwellers of New York, to the tune of 25 cents per apple—cheerfully paid. This art was developed upon the Pacific coast, primarily at Hood River, though every apple growing section of Oregon and Washington now sends the 'fancy pack' in carload lots to eastern markets.

For these reasons apple growing pays and will continue to pay in the Pacific northwest. First, we have a climate in which highly cultivated and hence susceptible orchard trees do not winter kill. Next, we have methods of cultivating, pruning, spraying thinning, picking and packing, reduced each in its line to a science. Dominating all is the enthusiasm that these methods and their results in fine, slightly and toothsome fruit and in sudden fortunes has developed.

Railroad Rates

An interesting turn in the continual warfare going on between the railroads and the public in regard to rates has just developed itself through the employees of the railroads, who have taken action supporting the latter. We do not believe the railroads are very near the verge of bankruptcy, but it would seem that the long fight is resulting in some reaction in their favor. A recent editorial in the New York Sun presents this side of the controversy by saying:

The investing public, which owns the securities of the railroads, although more than a million strong and having the sympathetic support of business men generally, has not been strong enough to secure in all cases fair play for the railroads. The doubt entertained concerning the value of railway securities is sufficient proof that the government is not under control of the owners of the railways.

Now enters a third influence to demand fair play for the railways, namely, the employees of the railways. The great railway

brotherhoods, through their officers, have prepared a memorial calling attention to the fact that, while everything the railway has to buy—labor and material—has gone up in price, the only thing they sell—transportation—has gone down, and that this process cannot go on indefinitely without menacing railway wages. Will the brotherhoods be able to do what the railway managers and railway owners have been unable to do—that is, guarantee fair treatment to the railways when rate orders are being made?

Car Shortage and Storage

The shortage of cars is proving a serious matter to growers and also to shippers. In many instances growers have no place to store their large crops of fruit and they have had to be left out of doors. This is the first year that car shortage has been serious at Hood River and also the first year that has demonstrated that more storage capacity is necessary. While a more plentiful supply of cars would have helped the situation very materially this year, it is very apparent that even with sufficient cars it will be necessary to provide much greater facilities for shipment in the near future.

Old Timer's Dream Comes True

The days of bronze and bugles And the four horse rocking stage Have given way to steel rails Across the plains of sage. Jim Hill has blown the trumpet A mighty powerful blast And the boys in Eastern Oregon Can ride the rails at last. For years we've used the buggy Behind a white-eyed skate, With sixty miles between towns And the hours a growing late. We've made the Prineville country, Have driv' to Bend and Burns Across the alkali deserts, Making all the twists and turns. We have driv' it in the Winter When the snow was two foot deep, When the chill blood in our bodies Refused to flow or creep. We have driv' it in the Summer When the sun was burning hot, When the sage brush was sizzling And the horses wouldn't trot. We have made the town of Harney In the valley of that name, Have driv' from Vale to Shantko For orders—not for fame. We have driven over mountains And along the Old Deschutes, Have made the town of Rosalind Beyond the Lava Buttes, But the time is coming, Brothers, When we'll hear the whistles shriek, And we'll make a town in two hours When it used to take a week, For Jim Hill is building railroads All o'er that fertile land, And towns amongst the sage brush Will grow to beat the band. Will make it on the cushions At forty miles an hour Instead of in a buggy With only two horse power. So now, all you old timers, Who have driven this state for years, Stop and say you're thankful And shed some joyful tears, For the stage and buggy's fading Into the dimming past And we can all ride in steam trains Through Oregon at last.

THE HUMAN TOOTHPIECE

"Bill" Campbell, June 20, 1910, Oregon Council No. 84.

Gave Interesting Address

E. S. J. McAllister, a well known Portland attorney, spoke here last Friday night in place of John Manning, the Democratic candidate for Congress. Mr. McAllister did not have a large audience but his address was highly enjoyed by those who heard it. It was along the lines of political economy rather than a campaign speech and left the audience a good many things to think about in regard to economic questions.

A Correction

We are reminded by O. P. Dabney, who is writing a story of the Alaskan country, that several names of places in the Northland were incorrectly spelled in last week's issue. New Metlakatla should have read New Metlakathla, Ketchikum should have been Ketchikan, Killisim ought to have read Killisno, and Faku should have been Taku.

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Gems In Verse

OLD FAVORITES.

A SONG OF HARVEST. PAINTER of the fruits and flowers, We thank thee for thy wise design Whereby these human hands of ours In nature's garden work with thine!

AND thanks that from our daily need The joy of simple faith is born; That he who smites the summer weed May trust thee for the autumn corn.

GIVE fools their gold and knaves their power. Let fortune's bubbles rise and fall, Who sows a field or trains a flower Or plants a tree is more than all.

FOR he who blesses man is best, And God and man shall own his worth Who toils to leave as his bequest An added beauty to the earth.

AND soon or late to all that sow The time of harvest shall be given. The flower shall bloom, the fruit shall grow, If not on earth, at last in heaven. —John Greenleaf Whittier.

COLUMBUS.

STEPHEN'S cloistered hall was proud In learning's pomp that day, For there a robed and stately crowd Pressed on in long array. A mariner with simple chart Confronts that conquering high, While strong ambition stirs his heart, And burning thoughts of wonder part From lip and sparkling eye.

What hath he said? With frowning face, In whispered tones they speak And lines upon their tablets trace, Which flash each ashen cheek. The questioner's mystic doom Sits on their brows severe, And, bursting forth in visaged gloom, Sad heresy from burning tomb Groans on the startled ear.

Courage, thou Genoese! Old Time Thy splendid dream shall crown. Yon western hemisphere sublime, Where unknown forests frown, The awful Andes' cloud wrapped brow, The Indian hunter's bow, Bold streams untamed by helm or prow And rocks of gold and diamonds thou To thankless Spain shalt show.

Courage, world finder! Thou hast need, In fate's unfolding scroll Dark woes and ingrate wrongs I read That rack the noble soul, On, on! Creation's secrets probe, Then drink thy cup of scorn And, wrapped in fallen Caesar's robe, Sleep like that master of the globe, All glorious, yet forsaken. —Lydia Huntley Sigourney.

APPARITIONS.

WHICH oftener on Helena's rock At midnight came with phantom knock. The field unwon, the cast-off queen—Which, Waterloo or Josephine? —Mablon Leonard Fisher.

AMERICA.

STRANGE new world that yet wast never young, Whose youth from thee by gripping need was wrung. Brown founding of the woods, whose baby bed Was prowled round by the Indian's crackling tread, And who grew strong through shifts and wants and pains, Nursed by stern men with empires in their brain, Who saw in vision their young Ishmael strain With each hard hand a vassal ocean's mane; Thou skilled by freedom and by great events To pitch new states as old world men pitch tents, Thou taught by fate to know Jehovah's plan, That man's devices can't unmake a man! —James Russell Lowell.

A SOUTHERN GIRL.

HER boots are slim and neat, She is vain about her feet, It is said; She amputates her r's, But her eyes are like the stars Overhead. 'TIS a matter of regret She's a bit of a coquette Whom I sing, On her cruel path she goes With a half a dozen beaux To her string.

THE singing of sweet Phyllis Like the silver laughing rill, And her breath like the lily's in the dawn.

O. P. & N. OREGON SHORT LINE AND UNION PACIFIC TIME TABLE

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