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OREGON'S INTEREST IN HUDSON.

Henry Hudson was England's pioneer discoverer, to blaze the track for English possession of Canada. His countrymen who followed, and pushed his discoveries onward, carried the British flag through Canada into Oregon.

No discoverer, in any region or in any time, surpassed the bravery of Hudson, nor went through more terrible sufferings. The icy agony of the frozen north, the inland sea that bears his name, the life-sapping struggle with hostile ice in regions dead to life, never before had encountered in the living records of men.

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generate is false so far as France and Italy are concerned, but it applies rather aptly to Spain. A nation which has been going down hill for 300 years must be pretty near the bottom by this time and can't blame anybody for calling it degenerate. Fewer priests, less talk and a great deal more work would prove blessings of the first order for the Spaniards. If they could direct their thoughts away from their ancestors a little while and forget all about seafaring, an amazing transformation would occur in the conditions of their country.

FREIGHT RATES YET TOO HIGH.

Railroad tolls, in the Pacific Northwest, between the interior and tidewater, have been reduced by railroad commissions of two states. But they are not low enough. They are based on the mountain haul across the Cascade Mountains. The freight rate to be based on the water-grade haul of the Columbia River. Some day that will come to pass.

The present unnatural state of things will endure only temporarily. Ultimately, railroad rates, like tolls on all other commodities, will reach a figure which depends upon the cost of the service rendered and nothing else. When they are fixed in any other way they are artificial and cannot be permanent.

Shippers will then pay a fair rate for a high-grade haul, instead of as now, water-level haul, for a hard uphill pull over the Cascade Mountains. The rates fixed by the commissions of Oregon and Washington are still too high.

JEWIS AND CHRISTIANS.

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not so frequent and are more speedily and surely punished. More and the so-called "mystical" and "occult" virtually unknown in Canada. Again, the law is a vastly more ascertainable entity there. Canada does not permit its judges to veto acts of the legislative body. When a statute has been enacted it is known to be the law of the land until it has been repealed.

It is interesting to see this revolt in the Christian Science ranks, from the orthodox doctrines and authority of Mrs. Eddy's church. That is the story of the heresy habit has invaded her circle. When the dissenting habit gets started there is no end to it. The Bureau of the Census report on religious bodies, 1906, cites that there was an increase in this country during the year 1906 of 6,600,000 persons in religious denominations. When theology begins to split up, the multiplication makes fast progress.

Mrs. Annie Besant has confided to some of her followers that she is a "concomitant" of a following and Bruno. The learned lady has also recently discovered that she lived during the time of Confucius, but does not recall the names under which she was living in that remote age. This latest discovery of the lady of mystery is vouched for by Mrs. Grant Sheridan of the Cleveland Theological Society.

Discovery and substantiation of the germ theory of disease has doubtless been of great benefit to mankind. There is, however, a debit side to the credit which has been so variously and valorously exploited, that when presented in black and white cannot fail to set some persons, notably taxpayers, to trembling. Take this case, for example, in which germ chasers by inference, health officers by title, warm at least two models in the city. The City Hall and elsewhere at municipal salaries aggregating a monthly total of \$1175.70. Relying, as we all do, upon our pure water, mountain air and equable climate to safeguard the public welfare, these health officers, numbering thirty men and one woman, look wise and draw their salaries under the assumption that they are thereby grand promoters of the health conditions, for which Portland, since its foundation, has been noted.

We have in this list of alleged public benefactors a sanitary inspector, who draws \$1000 a month from the city treasury. This official title may mean anything; in point of fact, it means nothing but the salary that attaches to it. We have a market inspector at the same salary. Walk up and down our streets, and you will find a host of markets of various kinds and try to discover what equivalent also gives in return for the \$1020 a year that is transferred from the city's strong box to her bank account. We have three school medical inspectors who make \$1000 a month each, and draw their salaries under the assumption that they are thereby grand promoters of the health conditions, for which Portland, since its foundation, has been noted.

After sixty years of continuous occupancy, Uncle Sam has decided to stay awhile longer in Vancouver. President Taft said so. He knows, Oregon agrees with him to a man that "there hangs over that great old post the memory of military men of renown." There are still living in this state a few men who not only know the Horn but also the present of the horn, and a trust is established under strict instructions, an estate may be held intact, in the outlook, for nearly a century.

Astoria is keeping step with all the rest of Oregon in the state's onward march. The Morning Astorian publishes a list of public and private buildings and industrial enterprises undertaken within the last nine months, whose total exceeds \$1,000,000. Among the principal enterprises are an expansion of the Hamann Lumber Company plant, \$200,000; modern hotel at the Wehrland estate, \$150,000; high school, \$75,000; Elks' block, \$50,000. For new homes, \$100,000 is being expended. Investment of \$1,000,000 in improvements this year gives force to the Astorian's claim that Astoria is the second city of Oregon.

Before Taft arrived in Chicago, the police jailed a lot of known criminals, including notorious pickpockets. In New York, the police rounded up and put behind bars similar characters in connection with the charge against Peary. If the authorities are able to get rid of these vermin any time they choose to do so, why can't they make a permanent job of it? Will it not be cheaper for the community to feed the pickpockets and burglars in jail than to let them prey on the public?

Home Secretary Gladstone has got himself into a ludicrous plight in his attempt to subdue the English suffragettes. This latest effort in this line consisted in an order forcibly to feed a number of women prisoners, who are locked up in the Birmingham prison and stubbornly refuse to eat. These pugnaz and stubborn suffragettes may be fools, but that does not excuse the Home Secretary for making an ass of himself in dealing with them.

There is some excuse for the little lad who, being teased and tortured by a big, husky fellow and finding remonstrance in vain, shoos his tormentor in self-protection. There is no excuse, however, for parental carelessness that permits boys to go about armed with deadly weapons.

The Mount Scott district will soon be supplied with Bull Run water. Movement in this matter last Spring would, perhaps, have prevented the "old well" from getting in its work in disseminating the germs of typhoid in that district.

When Seattle next asks the War Department to remove Vancouver Barracks to the Puget Sound metropolis, it may bolster its claim by charging that Representative McCredie is part owner of the Portland baseball club.

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That poor Eskimo who was driven to eat his kildie, never knew of the beauties of health food. "The color" reason. There are no newspapers in Eskimo land.

As the time approaches for Mr. Bryan's appearance on this coast, Hon. M.H. Miller, with him to worry if his comb, hackle and sickle are on straight.

Murderer Meyers, of Salem, has made the same kind of start as Harry Tracy, but he is not likely to duplicate that extraordinary record.

NO DRY ELECTION IN GRANT.

Petition for Vote Next Month Has Many Defective Signatures. Canyon City, Eagle. It is not likely now that there will be any election on the prohibition question in Grant County this fall, as the petition filed with the Clerk asking for a special election on November 2 was found to be insufficient as to the number of signatures and was not the proper compliance with the law in which to base an order for an election.

The petition was filed with the County Clerk on the 24th and was to come for hearing before the County Court on last Saturday. There were 20 names on the petition, 5 of which were stricken off for the reason that they were not legal petitioners. The required number for the election is 25 names. The names were stricken from the petition for several reasons. Some of them were not registered voters, as is provided for by the law, and others signed the petition one way and were registered in another way, so that it was not sufficient to satisfy Mr. Schroeder that it was one and the same individual. For instance, if John Doe signed the petition as John Doe, and the name John Doe did not appear on the registration, but the name J. H. Doe appeared, it was not considered sufficient identity to consider that it was the same individual. In other words, a petitioner should sign his name the same way that he registers.

Whether this is the legal interpretation of the wording of the law, only a correct opinion of the County Clerk could determine, and as no action has been taken and the time for the filing of the petition expired, it is not at all likely now that anything further will be attempted and the election will go over another year, or until November, 1910, when it is believed that it will be made a state-wide question.

AMERICAN ESTATES ARE ENTAILLED

Enormously Rich Estate Constitutional Law by Declaring Baby-Heirs. Brooklyn (N.Y.) Eagle.

A growing practice of selecting the youngest baby in families of millions as the heir is attracting attention in Europe and in this country. It is asserted, the prohibitions against entailed estates are, at least, partially set at defiance.

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A Boost for McCredie.

Keio Kelsonian.

For years Southwest Washington has desired a Congressman, and previous to the election of the lamented Francis Pickens, ten years ago, this section of the state made numerous efforts to capture the prize. After Cushman's first hour in the office, and so far as was in his power, he made no effort was made to defeat him for re-nomination. The section gave him a large majority of its votes, and each time he was looked upon as a personal friend and loved by all the politicians as well as the people.

Dishonorable Resignations.

Boston Post.

West Pointers and Annapolis cadets are fed and clothed and protected by the Government. We see young officers anxious to leave the Army and Navy to accept more profitable positions in private business. They cannot honorably take such action. The value of service given by individuals is due to education given by a government they are bound to serve.

Failure of Prohibition.

Hartey County News.

Pendleton has been dry territory the best of a legal standpoint, but appearances indicate that as a matter of fact liquor has been easily obtained there all the time. The grant of ten days, with the result that several indictments and arrests have been made, some of quite prominent citizens. Prohibition by any means is an account of a successful effort to evade its purpose and the drinker seldom goes dry if he has the price.

Alas! Poor Teddy!

New York Times.

(Scene: The Jungle. Time: When the news they talked of took. He waved them back. Of antelope— He murmured: "None." Rhinoceros? He roared: "Not!" "A zebra, tall?" "None of that." "Well, hippopot?" "None of that." "A lion—scared?" "Confounded bore!" "What then?" they cried. "A pole!" he sighed.

POLE STORY NETS COOK \$25,000.

And Telegraph Charges Make Large Additional Expense. New York Herald.

The Herald did not hesitate to pay \$25,000 for the news and narrative of Dr. Cook's triumphant march to the Pole, but on the contrary, considered that it had made an excellent bargain. It must be apparent, even to the veriest tyro in journalism, that \$25,000 is not an exorbitant fee for the exclusive account of that epoch-making achievement—the conquest of the Pole after centuries of untiring effort.

The money value of such a story cannot be estimated. It is worth any sum the explorer and writer might decide to ask. Had Dr. Cook chosen to announce the news of his success through an English paper he could have made a most profitable deal for the publisher. The Herald's share, such as the Daily Telegraph, which shared with the Herald the cost of Stanley's expedition to the Congo; the Times; the Morning Post; the Daily Mail; the Standard; the Daily Chronicle; do not play at expense when a big journalistic coup can be made. Probably any one of them would have jumped at the price, the exclusive of obtaining at all prices, the exclusive record of the first successful polar expedition.

An English newspaper could have taken the world's press in announcing the discovery of the Pole, it would have afforded some consolation for the disappointment caused by the story of an English explorer who so many gallant English explorers have failed. Undoubtedly Dr. Cook realized all this, but he wished his triumph to be wholly that of an American. He sent his narrative to the American newspaper identified with news of exploration and of all happenings abroad.

CHICAGO RAPS QUAKER CITY.

Says Philadelphia Was Foolish to Support Emma Goldman.

Chicago Record-Herald. Emma Goldman's chief reason for existence nowadays seems to be to cause big cities to make fools of themselves.

San Francisco, Indianapolis and Chicago and New York, among many others, have put the dunce cap on their heads when she has appeared.

Chicago Record-Herald. Emma Goldman has recently become wiser. Instead of sending a squad of police to raid the meetings at which she has been announced to speak, she has been announced to speak and discontinue in comparative peace.

But now comes Philadelphia with an earnest Simple Simon to deal with a whole lot of water. Just 200 Philadelphia policemen were deemed necessary the other night to keep Emma from doing 25 cents' worth of good chords, operatic in comparative peace.

Our dunce cities ought to be stood on their heads. It is not so much that they have learned the first principle of anarchy, which is: Give an able-bodied anarchist a chance and he will simply allow the first sucker to take him down. He will scrape the paint off a gambling-house door.

Dr. otherwise put: The only good anarchist is the one who can talk. We hope that the next time Emma honors our humble city with her presence she will receive an official invitation to keep her mouth open all the time.

Lesson of the Charivari.

McMinnville Reporter.

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Life's Sunny Side

"Excuse me, Mrs. Boston, but do you think you would excuse me if I stole a kiss?" "May I be permitted to hope that some day—" "Never, sir! You have very much mistaken me if you have inferred that I could under any circumstances encourage theft, but, er—if you should walk up like a man and in a straightforward way perform the act you speak of, I think I could condone the offense."—Boston Courier.

"Tillie—Jennie tells me young Wood proposed to her last night." "Little—I don't think I know him. Is he well off?" "Tillie—Oh, certainly is. She refused him.—Topeka Journal.

"Husband—How did you like my new play?" "Well—Oh, it was very nice." "Husband—Did you like the church scene? Wasn't it realistic?" "Wife—Intensely so. Lots of people about me went to sleep.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

"Kind Old Lady (talking to a tramp)—Have you ever made an effort to get work?" "Tramp—Yes, ma'am. Last month I got work for two members of my family; but neither of them would take it."—Human Life.

"Do you think that Greek has much value in modern education?" "Certainly," answered the young man with a college bag. "The Greek alphabet enables a man to know what frat he belongs to."—Washington (D. C.) Star.

"New Husband—Did you make those biscuits, my dear?" "His Wife—Yes, darling." "Her Husband—Well, I'd rather you would not make any more, sweetheart. His Wife—Why not, love?" "Her Husband—Because, angel mine, you are too light for such heavy work."—Chicago Record-Herald.

"Excuse me, ma'am," said the man at the door, "but I'm a dealer in second-hand pianos." "I have a piano, said the woman. "And if I didn't have one, I wouldn't buy a second-hand one." "I know," continued the man, "but the man who sold it to me had hoped I could induce you to sell yours."—Exchange.

"Jones is a connoisseur in cigars." "He must be. Otherwise he might make an occasional mistake and give away a good one."—London Echo.

"Tourist—So they buried the old chief according to the customs of his tribe?" "Native—Yes. Three whole days of it. His college class had charge of the ceremony. They had a football game with the Choctaws on Wednesday, a Marathon race on Thursday and on Friday released 17 assorted press dispatches. The man with the moving-picture camera gets the film of the funeral in shape the widow will send \$100 a month royalty. Not a bad snuff for the old man, eh?—Puck.

"But," said the merchant to the applicant, "you don't furnish any reference from your last place." "You wouldn't worry about that," replied the man with the close-cropped head and strange collar. "I wouldn't be here now if it hadn't been for my good behavior in my last place."—Catholic Standard and Times.

"Little Girl—Papa would like to borrow your lawn mower." "Subbubs—Tell your father I'm sorry, but I've made a rule never to let it go off my premises. But if he'd like to use it on our lawn, it's at his disposal any time.—Boston Transcript.

"Boarding Mistress—There anything wrong with that egg, Mr. Fourper? I see you according to it very critical examination." "Mr. Fourper—Oh, not anything wrong with the egg, Mrs. Skimpem. I was just looking for the wishbone, that's all."—Tit-Bits.

"I don't think my husband loves me as he used to." "Why not?" "He never thinks it a pleasure now to tie my shoe strings."—Detroit Free Press.

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"No Title to the North Pole. New York Tribune. Disputes over National title to the North Pole is, as we have already observed, quite futile. It seems to be pretty well established