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WHY PRICES ARE HIGH. The record of the range of prices from the year 1890 to the present time raises the question: What is property? If the cost of everything one buys advances in proportion to one's income, the gain is not evident.

So far, legislation can affect prices to aid the producer, while the consumer has been left to shift for himself. If Congress were to adopt the opposite point of view and legislate for the benefit of the consumer, the producer might make less money...

We are continually deceived by thinking of money solely in its units of value instead of in its purchasing power. The figures given by the United States Bureau of Labor show that \$1 on the basis of the cost of every article of trade...

High tariffs, obsolete shipping laws, lax corporation laws are some of these dams and the trusts add other dams. All contribute to raise prices until the consumer is paying "all that the traffic will bear."

DUBLIN'S WELCOME TO THE KING. Mixed sentiments were expressed by the people of Dublin when King George and Queen Mary visited them. The banner, "Welcome, We Want Home Rule," was carried by the people.

For many years British sovereigns shunned Ireland as a rebellious province in which their lives would not be safe. Only towards the close of her reign did Queen Victoria visit the island.

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UNION OF THE CHURCHES. The union of Christianity is one of those dreams which are good to strive for, though its realization is not within the range of probability.

Freedom of thought is essential to progress. It has produced many men who were called "heretics" and who have been burned at the stake.

No longer do we hear the words: "Can Taft come back?" The cry is now: "Taft has come back."

A HEAVY TOLL. The automobile is trellis as a servant but most relentless as a master. Chained to power, it tugs constantly at its leash and frequently slips it in the most unexpected places.

TOO MANY WOMEN. In the population of England the females outnumber the males by more than 1,117,000. Similar facts have been noticed in Massachusetts and several other states of the Union.

Baseball teams from the warships Louisiana and New Hampshire played at Copenhagen in presence of the King and court and a great gathering. Denmark has supplied us with a pugilist of the first rank; she may send us a pitcher next.

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holders out to that portion of the street that had been paved to prove that the work was up to the standard.

Another Story of Shipwreck. Summer shipwreck has again been added to the list of disasters on the Pacific Coast. Another vessel—perhaps unseaworthy, perhaps because there was "Dutch courage" at the helm—has been driven upon the rocks in a calm sea with loss of human life and property.

County Judge John W. Sewell, of Washington County, was remarkable in that his whole life of nearly sixty years, with one brief interruption, was spent in his native county.

H. W. Stone's Chautauqua address on the boy draws a rather gloomy picture of the boy of the present in contrast with him of the past generation.

The 40 marines who deserted at New York asserted their inalienable right to celebrate the Fourth of July, which was effectually denied by the withholding of their pay.

Baltimore is raising a fund of \$100,000 to secure the next Democratic National convention. Baltimore has gone out of fashion as a convention city since Greeley was endorsed by the Democrats there in 1872.

There is a multiplicity of kings in the vegetable kingdom. We have long had King Corn, King Apple and King Bing Cherry. Now we have King Potato assuming the crown.

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GREAT GROWTH IS NOW PROMISED

Pioneer Contrasts New Development of Central Oregon With Early Efforts. SALEM, Or., July 3.—(To the Editor.) The writer confesses a great personal interest in the Oregonian's reports of the development meeting as reported at Prineville on July 2 by its staff correspondent, and was especially glad to read that some names mentioned by Mr. Bennett have been known well and favorably for 36 years in working for development in and around Prineville.

The writer has had much to do with development in Central Oregon in his 37 years in Oregon, and has no doubt of the great increase of homes now promised. It is a good thing to advertise the development of Central Oregon as a healthy, cultured country, as it was advertised as a hunters' and trappers' country when Peter Skene Ogden made his second expedition into the center and western portion of Eastern Oregon.

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Advertising Talks

By William C. Freeman. A brother and sister recently had a rather spirited discussion about advertising, and she wanted me to decide which was right.

The brother claimed that a very old and well-known business house was lagging behind in the business race because it did not adopt modern advertising methods.

The sister claimed that it wasn't necessary for this conservative and high-class house to do any advertising at all—that people knew they could get the finest kind of merchandise without advertising.

Country Town Sayings by Ed Howe. (Copyright, 1911, by George Matthew Adams.) After a woman has been married a year or so, there is this sort of look on her face: "I wish I had known some things sooner."

Half a Century Ago. From The Oregonian, July 10, 1861. An attempt was made night before last to burn the unoccupied houses in the northwest corner of Fourth and Taylor streets, owned by Dr. Davenport.

Brad's Bit o' Verse. "There are no times like the olden times," said folk of the dreaming ways; but the present to me is fair to see, and today is the best of days. Life was sweet, I know, in the early glow, with its wealth of hope and truth; but the rugged noon is as fair a boon as the dewy dawn of youth.

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