

FEATHERED ARISTOCRACY TO BE ON VIEW

Chickens of Every Variety to Be Shown at Oregon Poultry Association's Annual Exhibition



BUFF COCHIN BANTAMS, OWNED BY W. P. SNOOK.



WHITE PLYMOUTH ROCK COCK AND HEN, OWNED BY PORTLAND BIRD CO.



SILVER-LACED WYANDOTTE COCK AND HEN, OWNED BY O. R. BALL.



FOUTER PIGEON, OWNED BY CHARLES STEINER.



BARRED PLYMOUTH ROCK COCK, OWNED BY E. J. LADD.

CHICKENS of every variety from the standard New England Leghorns to Buff Orpingtons, the latest and of the breeders of fancy fowl, will be shown at the annual exhibition of the Oregon Poultry Association in Portland from Tuesday next to the following Monday. One thousand chickens have now been entered and from the variety and the competition in certain kinds of breeds the show is heralded in advance as a success. Birds have been entered from every one of the counties, B. C. to Petaluma and Santa Cruz, Cal., and as far east as Salt Lake and Denver.

All other chicken shows have been held already and the prize-winners are long sent here. The last and conclusive competition of the Winter will be at this show, and the American authority on the subject, Harrison Cooper, president of the American Poultrymen's Association, will be here to award the prizes. His judgment is final and it is rarely that a man whose word has so much weight on the subject of poultry is mistaken in a section. Birds that he finds highest in their class at the coming show will be worth much more than if any one else had judged them.

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fine specimens near at hand, and these are being combed and spruced for the show. Walla Walla's show closed last night and a load of first winners will arrive crowing from there tomorrow morning. All day Monday feeders, breeders and carpenters will be busy getting the place of exhibition at First and Main streets in shape for visitors.

The chicken show is becoming one of the most important events of its kind during the winter months. In 1902 there were very few thoroughbred birds in Oregon and the output of eggs and young fryers was lamentably poor, but since the association has been formed and an incentive to breed thoroughbreds

has been offered, even the culls that are found cooped at the commission-houses show the evidences of good breeding, and it is hardly a scrub bird seen among them.

There are also cats, pigeons, ducks and turkeys shown, but the hen, producer of the oldest known breakfast food, is queen. As art is coming to the point where the useful is recognised first, so with the breeding of fancy fowl. Tumbler pigeons costing \$5 and more, are still sought by the fast-hunters, and some as expensive as this will be seen at the coming show, but the hen that can lay the greatest number of big eggs and can tip the scale at eight pounds at the same time is recognised

much sooner for its qualities and receives the popular applause.

"There is just one trouble with our show," says J. C. Murray, secretary of the association. "It is almost too late in the year. It should have been in the early part of January. At this time every one is beginning to mate the birds and breed, and a good many do not like to disturb the pens. However, we have had as big an entry list as we could account for. It is we have held our exhibition before the others. The show would not be so important. As it is, the winners here will be considered by all chicken-raisers on the Coast the best of their kind."

THE DOCTORS WHO CURE

THREE WIVES LAY CLAIM TO FRANK GARDNER

Pioneer Pacific Coast Actor Has Fortune of Millions—Eastern Attractions Heading West.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 5. (Special Correspondence).—The oldtime theater patrons of the Northwest who remember the first time "Cad, the Tomboy," was presented along the Coast will recall Carrie Swain, the leading lady of the troupe, and Frank Gardner, the manager. Since that day the careers of Miss Swain and Gardner have been meteoric in the extreme. Their stars have shot promiscuously across the heavens in such uncertain lines that the courts of America are soon to be called upon to straighten out the tangle. Miss Swain first made her appearance in San Francisco at the Bella Union in 1873, where she did "Tiptops," "Spills" and acrobatics. George Gardner came to the city in 1874, as a man of striking appearance. He became attentive to a Miss Annie Graham, leading lady at the California in those days, and their marriage was reported. Miss Swain had done her turns at the Bella Union with her husband, Sam Swain. She was next heard from in Leadville, Colo. and later in Chicago under Gardner's management. Her marriage to Gardner was announced in 1876. This made a fortune for the Swaino mints. Soon after the marriage Miss Swain made a second fortune in Australian stocks. They went to Paris and lived like princes. Tod Sloan for a time had charge of their stables. Now trouble has come. Gardner and Miss Swain quarreled over a matter of money. Gardner, Miss Swain, Miss Annie Graham and a Pittsburg woman each claim to be his wife. There is said to be several million dollars at stake. Gardner is now on his way back to San Francisco to present her claims, which have been prepared by Attorney Joseph Redding, of San Francisco, who has been abroad fighting the case for the past two years.

United States Army post. The scandal continues to grow, and no one can tell what the end will bring.

Two attractions widely varying in character appear on the near theatrical horizon. The Florida is soon to see the Weber & Fields Company from New York. The estate will consist of Minnie Maddern Fiske in her heavy roles, which have been the great event of the theatrical year in New York and Boston. With her new play, "The Sign of the Cross," their eccentric burlesques, have never crossed the Mississippi River. The dullness of the season in the East and the great prosperity of the Pacific Coast have caused the Weber & Fields to winter in San Francisco on Monday night. They will bring all their stars, including Lillian Russell, Fiske, Weber, Louis Mann and the Weber & Fields comedienne. Minnie Fiske was to have opened the new theater leased by Harry Bishop, but it will not be completed in time. She will bring "Mary of Magdala," which will also appear in Denver later. Headed toward the Coast with a future date reserved are Mrs. Leslie Carter with "Du Barry" and Blanche Bates with "The Daring of the Gods." Edward Morand, who has been the most successful of the most successful engagements with Harry Calne's "Eternal City." Fischer's Theater will endeavor to hold its own during the Weber & Fields season by placing on the stage "The Sign of the Cross," Polyz the work of a local author.

state was six or seven, a mere half dozen, that would still fit in your pockets. By leaps and bounds have orange trees spread over the land, until it is assured that this season will witness an output in excess of 100,000 boxes. The groves are no longer confined to Southern California, but are proving paying investments closer and closer to the Oregon border.

John B. Colton, one of the six survivors of the famous Jayhawkers of '48, is in San Francisco from Kansas City. He will go to Laytonville, Cal., where the reunion will be held. It will comprise but three men. The two others of the ill-fated party, each with a wife and children, are on the desert where almost within reach of aid, are John Groscup, who lives at Laytonville, and Lorenzo Dow Stevens, of San Jose. Colton and Groscup are the only ones left of the party. Colton, who is secretary of the organization, is the only one of the survivors who can do much traveling. He accordingly will be the one to meet the majority of them together, he can for an annual reunion. The aged men spend a few days together, talk over the hardships of their terrible voyage across the plains to California, and then the time is quickly gone by. As years go by death diminishes the membership and now but six remain of a once numerous company.

After a prolonged illness, Mrs. Jean Bruce Washburn, known as "the poetess of the Yosemite," died in San Francisco this week. Mrs. Washburn was the first woman to assume the position of a poetess into it on horseback several years ago. They were so enchanted that they made their home in this wonderful beauty spot until the death of her husband. After her death a year ago, Mrs. Washburn gave many of the poetical names to points in the valley. She was the first to call the trees and plants until Mr. Washburn. Her poems largely bearing on the beauties of the valley are well known throughout the United States.

San Francisco is shortly to have another hotel which will rival in magnificence the finest in the city or in course of erection. The Bishop block, which stands between the Palace Hotel and the Examiner building and across the street from the Chronicle, has been purchased by Herbert E. Law and will be remodelled. The property at present yields an income of \$90,000, and the price paid by Law is \$1,000,000. The new hotel, which is now under construction, will be called the Grand Pacific. The transfer of the Bishop block is the largest on record in this city made by any individual, with the exception of the Hawaiian islands which were recently purchased by James L. Flood, on which he is erecting the finest office building in the world.

"Darkest Africa." It is very evident that the writer has eliminated the Bible from his mind. He has no regard for the obligation to tell us that the old Jewish law does not apply to the gentiles. Any boy or girl out of Sunday school could have found the same line in the Bible, as they do that Christ himself said he have not come to destroy the law and the prophets, but to fulfill." Being fulfilled the law was not the purpose of our Saviour said "yet a new law I give unto you" and that new law is fully described in the New Testament, and it includes the ten commandments. The disciples were enjoined to preach it to all the world, to the Jews first and also to the gentiles.

The writer intimates by innuendo that if a man does not go to the fair, he will be drunk and will waste his time in listening to the preaching of the fair, and will be a meddling busybody. Such a man that would prefer his accustomed haunts to the fair anyway, so he would derive no benefit from its being open. If a majority of the people are going to the fair on Sunday, open it by all means; but in arguing the advisability of so doing, let us draw the line at facts and not tell the people that it is their duty to go by which they can be kept out of mischief.

W. E. TYRRELL.

An Impertinent Poem.
Counsel Bluffs Nonpareil.
(To William B. Hearst.)
Men have worked days and nights with their
heart and their might
In a struggle for fame.



The public cast in the pool of Army activity by Lieutenant Hector Robicheux has stirred the waters to greater turbulence than even that gay young officer anticipated. The charges of unbecoming conduct made against Captain Houston V. Evans have brought into the conflict an element of the most delicate nature, a maid to the Colonel. Mrs. Madden, mentioned in the charges which caused Robicheux's dismissal from the Army, alleges that Evans forced his attentions on her. Mrs. Madden's maid drew her attentions on him, and placed him in compromising situations. Mrs. Madden's maid tells a tale of a midnight visit of the Captain to her mistress in which the servants were aroused to drive away the uninvited guest. Mrs. Madden's maid, a French charge and beamishes a good name. Never has such a scandal broken out in a

California is facing a problem that is practically new to her, and has not as yet worked out a solution. The rainfall for the season has been plentiful from San Francisco down to Los Angeles, and there has been a wonderful lack of moisture. Even should rain fall now it would not produce a hay crop sufficiently large to supply the stock on hand. The crops of the state will produce an average yield, but dealers have large contracts on hand for shipment to the Philippines and other foreign markets. A part of the state of the northern overflood. As a result, the Los Angeles dealers have turned their attention to the export market, and prices are bound to lide over the season. Prices here already begun to rise. Sales were made last week at \$16 a ton, and now those who can get them are getting \$18 a ton. There has been a famine in oats in California all season, and Oregon has been supplying the deficiency. The southern portion of the state has had no trouble with the largest orange crop in the history of the industry. Figures showing the growth of orange culture are surprising. In 1870 there were only 100 acres of oranges in California. It has since grown to 100,000 acres. In 1900 there was a small experiment station near Los Angeles where the Government planted a grove of 100 trees. This year the grove grew to 100,000 trees. The crop of 100,000

rest at St. Louis and later at Portland will be an arch made of specimens of all the arches of the state, from the oldest to and other of this state's structural materials, each piece being marked with the name of the place where it was quarried or made. It will stand 10 feet high, 10 feet wide and 10 feet thick. The question has already come up, so highly is the arch prized, as to a permanent resting place for it, after the Portland Fair. The Portland Fair board of directors, has offered the fair commission \$3000 for the prize. San Francisco desires it for Golden Gate Park, but has made no monetary proposition as yet.

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A new usefulness for women has been found by Miss Meta Woodworth, of Berkeley, who has become a lecturer in domestic sciences on the University of California campus. She has been lecturing since Miss Woodworth received her diploma from the University of Illinois only last June, her training being particularly in that branch of domestic science, literature and arts in addition to the work in domestic science. Miss Woodworth has been touring the state with the university extension service, and has been visiting some 35 farmers' institutes. The subjects of her talks have been general and she has not adopted any one line. One tour will be made in the fall.

The Grind, Need or

C. H. Chandler, a business man of Portland, spent a few days of this week in San Francisco.

A. J. Chalmers, of Portland, has been elected vice-president of the freshmen class at Stanford.

Mrs. Joseph Myrick, of Portland, was a guest at the Palace Hotel for a brief period during the week. Mrs. Myrick was from Los Angeles, where she will visit her son.

S. B. Wrenn, a box manufacturer, from the Oregon metropolis, was in San Francisco during the week on business affairs.

Myrle Bancroft, of Falls River, Or., and his bride are spending their honeymoon in California. They arrived in San Francisco Golden state until the end of February.

Mrs. Allan Lewis, of Portland, who has been extensively entertained during her visit here to her mother, Mrs. Lewis, gave a farewell luncheon at the University Club yesterday to some 30 friends. Mrs. Lewis has been joined by her husband and they will visit at Del Monte for some time.

Judge J. J. Murphy, of Salem, and his son, Chester, the well-known athlete and attorney, are guests at the Palace Hotel.

Application of Old Testament Law
PORTLAND, Feb. 10.—The Editor of

They have been carved:
 You have slain the whole game,
 You have risen in state; you are strong
 You are great
 By a throw of the dice.
 For each man and each task it suited you
 To ask
 Simply this: "What's the price?"
 Men have fought; men have died; they have
 taught; they have led
 With the eyes on you
 Long and late, full of care, for the Priest
 den's chair
 They have heard heart and soul.
 It should halo a life old in service and
 strife—
 Not for you such advice.
 With your hand full of gold, brzen, bare
 faced and bold,
 You have asked: "What's the price?"
 Men have laid down their pride; they have
 suffered and died;
 The have led straight and true
 Just to safeguard their fate when they kn
 at the
 Where no winner sits through.
 And you've let us ask: When you've finish
 your task,
 Void of all sacrifice,
 And you've laid your stand—with you
 checkbook in hand,
 Will you ask: "What's the price?"

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