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A neat confession of school teacher Scott, at McMinnville, the other day—it takes a whole lot of moral courage to stand up and confess a wrong, and resolve to do better. Instead of being a sign of weakness, it denotes moral bravery. The majority will condemn young Scott. Those who are loudest in their condemnation of young Scott as a hypocrite, would probably be the last persons to confess they ever did anything wrong, out of a church or in one. Let him who is without fault leave the first dornick. There may have been men in Scott's church—men who were present, and judged him—who easily could have pleaded guilty to business hypocrisy, and it may be worse things than playing baseball on Sunday. But they probably lacked the grit to acknowledge their faults. It is easy to criticize and judge our neighbor, but a little charity bestowed at the right time is said to cover a multitude of sins. Humanity, as it is now constituted, likes nothing better than soaking some erring brother who is too much in the limelight, with a brick bat.

Yamhill has a walnut club, composed of the leading men of the county, and it is doing effective work. Yamhill now stands at the head in the number of acres planted to walnuts, and the varieties are the best known. Washington county should organize a walnut club, and plant more nut trees. There is big money in walnut orchards, in the Willamette valley, and the culture of that tree is no longer an experiment. All conditions favor its successful growth in Oregon. Within a few years, this state will lead California in the production of fine, marketable walnuts. Let Washington county have a walnut club.

The Portland & Salem electric line managers now say they will extend that line to Hillsboro at once. With a prospect of two electric lines for Hillsboro, this winter, things ought to keep moving in this part of the county. Hillsboro certainly has bright prospects. Of the two prospective roads, it is almost certain to get one. If two should come, so much the better.

Governor Chamberlain says he will not call an extra session of the legislature, and that ends the matter. The one thing to do now, is to get used to the holidays.

The Tramp by the Roadside

I hear the swell of music coming, softly,
Through the windows of a cottage, bow-
er-laid,
And the strains stir in me old-time
mem'ries—
Mem'ries of the days, when as a child, I
played.

I seem to see the home so long forgotten,
The home with low hung rafters, bare,
yet lit
By the flicker of the slow fire's burning
embers—
Ah, me! How well I now remember it.

How sore my heart was at the world and
custom,
And outcast was my heart from scenes of
old;
And yet, that burst of music from that
cottage,
Set warm the blood but now so slow and
cold.

O'er many miles my weary feet have
traveled;
In many climes I've watched the seasons
go,
But the sweetest touch my heart has ever
welcomed,
Was that music by the roadside, soft and
low.

It is not mine to have my vine and fig-
tree;
'Tis not mine to see my children 'round
me play—
But if Fortune ever gives me these fond
pleasures,
I'll owe it to that music 'cross the way.
—L.

NOTICE TO FRUIT GROWERS

The fruit inspector of this county has found that almost all trees are infected with fruit pests, and the law requires the owners, or persons having possession thereof, to destroy or eradicate such orchards or pests. You are, therefore, notified that unless such orchards or pests are destroyed or eradicated before the first day of March, 1908, I will proceed, under the law, to either cut down or destroy such orchards, or have the trees sprayed at the owner's expense.

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The Benardites of Jamaica.
There is probably no other race in the world so enthusiastic over religion and who enter so heartily into its forms and ceremonies as the negroes. They seem to lose all thought of their surroundings and throw themselves body and soul into their own peculiar forms of worship.

In Jamaica there is a very large religious sect called, after their leader, Benardites. Four times a year the followers of Benard are baptized in the water of the river Mona. Hundreds of these religious enthusiasts meet on the banks of the river before day-break, and as many as 600 have been dipped in a single morning. The price of a dipping is a shilling, so that at the rate of 600 a quarter the income to the leader and his church is a tidy little sum.

After the baptism the freshly cleansed and purified of sin form a line, and with gold embroidered banners and silken streamers waving above the long line of men and women they march, singing, to the church, which is situated a short distance back from the river. Hundreds of these negroes make up the long swaying and winding procession, which sings as it moves and eventually enters the church doors or distributes itself outside near windows and doors.—New York Herald.

Origin of "Hoodlum."
"Hoodlum," America's equivalent of the English word "hooligan," was coined at San Francisco very early in the seventies, but did not become generally popular in the United States until about 1877, by which time all certainty as to its origin was lost. One version is that the leader of the San Francisco "harrkin push" was a man named Muldoon, whose name a newspaper writer ingeniously reversed to christen his gang "moodlums," and a compositor's mistake of "h" for "m" did the rest. Another explanation is that "Huddle 'em!" was the San Francisco rowdies' cry when the police appeared, and a third alludes to a curious fez or "hood" worn by an eccentric character which the young rowdies adopted as their uniform.

Looking Ahead.
New Boarders—That bed's rather narrow for two. Landlady—Three have slept in it. New Boarders—Yes, but we haven't boarded here long enough yet to get that thin.

Spiteful.
Miss Elderleigh—Jane Jones is a mean, spiteful old cat. Miss Younger—What's the matter? Miss Elderleigh—I told her that my family came over in the Mayflower and she asked me if I was seacick.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

How to Speak Correctly.
Say the alphabet aloud, and when you have finished ask yourself if every letter would be perfectly distinct and intelligible to any one who might be listening. Here lies the fundamental principle of all speaking. Every element of every spoken word should be distinct and intelligible. In repeating the alphabet each letter ought to make a perfect escape from the lips of the speaker. Does it make such an escape when you say it? Do you send it out vigorously? Watch yourself as you speak each letter and see what happens to it. If it gives you the sense of hanging about your lips, or if it does not seem absolutely to separate itself from you, or if it drops into your throat, say it again and will it to go boldly out. Try to think of it as being outside yourself as a thing apart. When you succeed in thinking of it in this way, if you don't care for words or if you have never thought about them, you will have taken the first step toward the mastery of good speech. To speak well you must love words and their elements. You must love individual letters.—Harper's Bazar.

Frankness.
"I believe in being absolutely frank with everybody," said the aggressive man.
"Well," answered the peaceable citizen, "I suppose that sort of thing is largely a matter of temperament. If I were as good a hand in a fight as you are, maybe I'd be that way too."—Washington Star.

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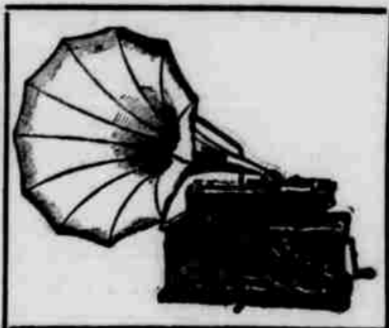
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ing and setting aside Monday, the 18th day of November, 1907, as the day for hearing objections to said final account, and for the final settlement of said estate. Dated this 17th day of October, 1907. CHARLES BERNARD, Executor of the Estate of Frank Bernard, Deceased. E. B. Tongue, Attorney.

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