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Hillsboro, Oregon

The baby in the street car was crying a natural baby wail, and the woman who was carrying it resented the commiserating glances of the rest of the car.

"What is the matter with the poor little dear?" asked one woman.

"It is annoyed to have to ride in a common street car, where everybody present can talk about it," snapped the custodian, pushing the button for the car to stop.—Buffalo Express.

His father's cash was tainted, and as soon as John learned it he took it to Manhattan and very promptly burned it.—Lippincott's.

Young Hankinson (making a call)—You have had that parrot a long time, Miss Laura.

Miss Laura—Yes, we have had him several years.

Young Hankinson—Quite intelligent, is he not?

Miss Laura—Very. He can imitate almost anything.

Young Hankinson—They have a remarkably clever parrot over at the "Astoria," Miss Laura. It can imitate the sound of a kiss to perfection. Is that among the accomplishments of your feathered friend in the corner?

Miss Laura (indignantly)—No, sir! He does not attempt an imitation of a sound he is not accustomed to hear, Mr. Hankinson.

The parrot—Wait, George, dear, till I take this bird out of the room.—Brooklyn Eagle.

"The old world's hesitations"—Don't know which way to go. Her appetite's just hung between the rosebud and the snow.

Oh, come along, my honey! Let's give her the right boost. If we all push together she'll find the sunshine road.—St. Paul Dispatch.

Blue—If we were only as lucky as the fireballs!

He—What especial luck have they had?

She—Her husband has been bitten by a mad dog, and now she can go with him to the Pasteur Institute in Paris!—Hester's Welt.

Playful little Earle rang the deacon's bell.

When the door was opened, on the deacon fell.

Twenty soft tomatoes spoiled his Sunday suit.

Wasn't Earle cute?

Playful little Earle tackled the wrong place.

From one who was waiting caught him face to face.

Earle went home howling. Oh, the welts he had!

Wasn't it too bad?—Pittsburg Dispatch.

The Manager—Can you make quick changes and double in a few parts? The Actor—Can I! Say, you know the scene in "Love and Lobsters," where the hero and the villain are fighting and a friend rushes in and separates 'em? Well, I played all three parts one night when the other two fellows were ill.—Toledo Blade.

Of all the bores about the worst is he who tells his troubles first.

Who will insist on being heard, And you cannot get in a word;

Whose tale of woes for hours endures, While you are aching to tell yours;

Who talks and talks about himself And puts you meanwhile on the shelf,

Nor thinks of giving way to you, Although you have some troubles too.

Of all the bores he heads the list. Confound the blooming egotist!—Somerville Journal.

"He loves me, he loves me not," murmured the romantic summer boarder.

"You must have picked a thousand dillies to pieces today," remarked the old farmer.

"Possibly I have."

"Couldn't you play the game just as well with potato bugs?"—Pittsburg Post.

"Mr. Brown's in good spirits," they said, and we knew

There was cause for his not feeling down. 'Twould have been rather queer if he hadn't felt glad

When the boat of good spirits were in Mr. Brown.

—Canadian Courier.

A sea captain and his mate went ashore on getting into port and made for the nearest restaurant.

They ordered soup. When it arrived the captain examined the curious look-

"Soup, sir," said the waiter. "Soup?" said the captain, turning to the mate. "Blame me, Bill, if you and me ain't been sailors on soup all our lives and never knowed it."—Every Woman's Magazine.

Two schooners, loaded to the decks with bags and cases of XXX, went on the rocks that hideous day. There was no hope for them, for they were absolute wrecks.—Puck.

(Timid old goat who takes a berth in the sleeping car listers.) Brakenham—Jim, do you think the Millcreek bridge safe tonight? Conductor—If Joe cracks on the steam I guess we'll get the engine and tender over all right. I'm going forward.—Harper's Magazine Fifty Years Ago.

She tied a ribbon in her hair. The knot was on the side. Before an hour had gone by That knot became untied.

He tied the laces in her shoes—Of silk they were and wide—But every little while, of course, Those laces came untied.

A marriage knot was tied one day. She thought it would abide. But just a single year has passed—That knot, too, is untied.—Yonkers Statesman.

Town Topics.

New York is to have the world's largest drydock. We didn't know that New York would support anything that is dry.—Detroit Journal.

The daily announcement in our columns of "Wanted—A white girl to cook" is eloquent recognition of our claim that the Houston girls are good enough to eat.—Houston Post.

All this talk of skyscrapers is rather tiresome to Charlestonians. The first skyscraper on the American continent was built in this town more than a century and a half ago.—Charleston News and Courier.

Facts From France.

Parisians eat nearly 9,000,000 pounds of mushrooms a year.

There are 4,264 sons of foreign fathers serving in the French army this year—exclusive, be it understood, of the Foreign Legion, to which nationality is no bar.

Wives of the new French ministers share in the honors conferred on their husbands, the degree of deference due to them being minutely established by the "Protocole."

Tales of Cities.

Street cars in Los Angeles, Cal., carry ranks which are used to help shove up the hills any heavy wagon which may become stalled on the tracks.

The population of Liverpool has increased from 517,951 to 769,357 in the past fifteen years, and during that time 48,510 new homes have been built.

Chicago makes the claim that it has the largest car works, the largest telephone manufactory and the largest piano and organ plant on the continent.

Still Another.

Timely and recurrent hitting of the hay. In shaking Morpheus mutually may confer robustness, scads and erudition.—Chicago Tribune.

Street Treatment.

Hewitt—Have they been treating your street?

Jewett—Yes; they have been pouring oil on the troubled macadam.—New York Press.

Handicapped.

I've plans for reading Tolstoy, And gladly I announce 'em, I'd call for all his novels, If I ever could pronounce 'em.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

A Fierce Break.

Gladys Stenog—Lost yer job, didjer, Tess! Whadjer do—make a mistake? Tessie Tyler—Yep! Called th' boss "honey" when his wife wuz in th' next room!—Puck.

The Right Combination.

A little pluck, a little luck, A little nervy grin And courage stout—with these look out—The man is bound to win.—Detroit Free Press.

A Sugar Coated Pill.

"How did you persuade your daughter to learn kitchen work?" "By calling it domestic science."

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Hillsboro, Jan. 2
Editor Argus: As I have had several inquiries in regard to a good sulphur and lime spray, I would say that I have found by severe tests by the Beaume scale that the Aetna brand stands the test O. K. This spray is made by B. Leis, of Beaverton, Oregon. I believe in patronizing home people when they make something they can guarantee—and Mr. Leis guarantees his spray to go 30 per cent. Beaume scale.

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BIG WATER RIGHT FILED BY O. B. GATES

Takes in the Elbow, Above Meacham, East Fork Dairy Creek

SOME DAY A BIG PROJECT

Supply Will Give Four Million Gallons Every Twenty-four Hours

O. B. Gates has filed on the water rights of East Dairy Creek, above Meacham's Crossing, at what is known as the "Elbow," and by engineering measurements, the creek will supply 4 million gallons every 24 hours. T. S. Wilkes, assisted by W. L. Soehren, went up and completed the survey last week, and the filings were made the first of the current week. Mr. Gates already has a contract with Forest Grove to take all the surplus water they have, but he anticipates furnishing water supply to Hillsboro, Banks, North Plains, Orenco, Reedville and Beaverton, and sooner or later expects to get mountain water into Cornelius, although that city has turned down his proposal, and, besides, refuses to allow him to pipe his water through the city, in order to get his aqua through from Forest Grove. The Dairy Creek survey was made to protect against shortage from the Forest Grove contract.

Mr. Gates expects eventually to run his pipe line from the Elbow straight through to Cornelius, a branch running to Banks. From Hillsboro, he will run his line to Orenco and Beaverton, and from Orenco to Reedville. The cost of the plant will be considerable, and will be used by farmers along the line where water is desired.

The promoter thinks that in time he will supply eight or ten thousand people, and he also believes that eventually Cornelius will feel disposed to grant him a right-of-way, as well as a franchise for sale of water in the city. He already has the county right-of-way for his line from Forest Grove to Cornelius. His filing on Dairy Creek is for the purpose of having another supply in case the Forest Grove reservoir falls short at any time, and he expects to build in the Dairy Creek section in the near future.

Peter Vandenberg, of West Union, was in town Monday.

A. L. Holcomb and wife, of Bethany, were in the city Monday.

Miss Lissa Taylor, of Banks, was a Saturday guest at the Schomburg home.

William Wohlschlegel, of near Scholls, was up to the city the first of the week.

Senator W. D. Wood has introduced (by request) a bill in the senate to change the name of the Oregon Reform School to the Oregon State Training School.

Hugh Smith, who was appointed road supervisor for South Forest Grove district, at the recent term of county court, was down to the city Tuesday morning.

Dr. Geo. Merryman, a Senator from one of the Southern Oregon sections, and who is practicing medicine at Klamath Falls, was out to Hillsboro, Sunday, the guest of his sister, Mrs. A. B. Bailey. He is attending the ses-

Grand Band Concert

— AND —

Basket Social at Reedville Hall, Saturday Night, Jan. 21

Given by Reedville Camp M. W. A. Music by Beaverton Band with the following Program

- 1 March—Caramba - L. P. Laurendeau
- 2 Andante and Waltz—Budding Flowers L. P. Laurendeau
- 3 Serenade - C. R. A. Hohman
- 4 Overture—Elsmore - McCosh
- 5 Schottische—Elkwood - McCosh
- 6 Overture—The Belle - Geo. Southwell
- 7 Hail Columbia

INTERMISSION 15 MINUTES

- 1 Quick Step—Garland - L. Raymond
 - 2 Andante and Mazurka—Evergreen, C. R. A. Hohmann
 - 3 Overture—The Bonquet - L. P. Laurendeau
 - 4 Chorus with Band Accompaniment—"In the Shadow of the Pines" - G. O. Lang
- Chorus to be Sung:—"Come Back to Me Sweet Heart and Love Me as Before—Come Back, Back to Me Sweet Heart and Leave Me Never More.—In Life's Dull Path-way, the Sun No Longer Shines. Come Love and Meet Me, In the Shadow of the Pines.
- 5 Negro Cake Walk—Uncle Remus - Marvin Bean
 - 6 Andante and Waltz—Sparkling Gems - Ripley
 - 7 Overture—Battle of Gettysburg C. R. A. Hohmann
 - 8 National Air—Red, White and Blue

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