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THREE PETITIONS FOR CONSIDERATION.

The following headings for petitions to the city council are published for the benefit of our citizens. Their merits should be carefully considered by all interested parties, and properly discussed, before going to the deliberations of the city's legislators. They will be circulated for the people's perusal, and should be read with care and judicious consideration. Persons wishing to have their names appended will have the liberty to sign one or all the petitions, according as they may deem expedient with their judgment, shortly.

REQUEST NO. 1.

Believing that the inability of the Corvallis Water Company (through faulty construction of its pipes and works) to afford proper supply of water under their contract with the city of Corvallis for extinguishment of fires leaves the city in a dangerous condition, liable to be consumed by fire at any time without an adequate supply of water with which to extinguish the same; that the several fire companies of the city have become so discouraged in not having sufficient force of water to combat the flames that the fire department has largely lost its usefulness as compared with the heroic services of former years; that several associations of fire underwriters have largely increased the rates of insurance in Corvallis, basing their reasons thereon on the failure and inefficiency of said water company to supply the necessary water for fire purposes and the faulty construction of said water works; not being in favor of the city purchasing a faultyly constructed water works because the water company have not fulfilled their contract with the city and feeling that our homes, our property and business are liable at any time to be consumed by fire for want of sufficient water to extinguish the flames,

We, the undersigned citizens, residents and taxpayers of said city of Corvallis most respectfully hereby petition the honorable mayor and common council of said city of Corvallis and request that you employ a thoroughly competent engineer, who is the best posted expert that you can get on the improved methods of constructing water works and have said expert thoroughly examine as to the manner in which said water company's works are constructed and make a report thereof to your honorable body wherein said construction is faulty, giving the reasons why said water company does not or cannot fulfill its contract with said city.

After said report is made and you are fully advised as to the cause of the water company's failure to fulfill its said contract, then for you to request said water company to immediately put its water works in proper condition to enable them to fulfill said contract and supply said city with all necessary water as provided in said contract for the use of said city at fires and for all other purposes. If said water company shall fail or neglect to take immediate steps to comply therewith, then we request that you cause all necessary actions, suits and legal proceedings to be brought against said water company in order to cause said water company to fulfill said contract. And we most respectfully request that you proceed in this matter at once.

REQUEST NO. 2.

To Your Hon. Body, the Common Council of the City of Corvallis:

We, the undersigned citizens and taxpayers of said city, believing that the future prospects and development of a city largely depends upon its healthful condition and sanitary regulations, therefore most respectfully request that during the time you are taking the necessary proceedings as outlined in request No. 1, you will also begin and take all necessary proceedings to construct throughout said city a thorough and complete system of sewerage on the best and most improved plans with capacity in main sewers sufficient for the city's use for many years hence.

REQUEST NO. 3.

To Your Hon. Body, the Common Council of the City of Corvallis:

We, the undersigned citizens and taxpayers of said city, believing that we cannot build and complete at the same time, because of heavy burdens upon the people, all desirable public improvements,

and as a good sewerage system promises health, thus preserving the life of our people, it should be among the first improvements constructed, therefore, most respectfully request that after the sewerage system named in request No. 2 is completed or so far under way as you deem proper, you take all necessary proceedings which are practicable to cause a free wagon bridge to be constructed across the Willamette river at Corvallis and in the meantime that you take such immediate steps as you can to assist in getting the present owners of the ferry at Corvallis to make it a free ferry.

SPECIAL investigation by Bradstreet's of the conditions and prospects of New England's leading industries shows the influence exerted in several lines by the depression in general trade and changes in methods of doing business growing out of the growth of business and manufacturing in the west. Leather, boots and shoes and woolen goods trade reports are as a rule not very encouraging. In cotton manufacturing, trade and prospects are classed as fair. The paper industry is conceded to have suffered least from the prevailing quietness. The one New England industry which above all others is prosperous and running on extra time is that of rubber manufacturing. The reason for this lies in small stocks now carried and the practical stoppage of production, owing to the control of the market by a syndicate and to late political complications in Brazil. Paper mills are running on full time. The Maine pulp mills are especially well situated, and that state is rapidly becoming the center of this class of production. The spring trade in cottons promises well, and mills are now running on full time.

FROM the annual report of the fifth auditor of the treasury it appears that the expenditures for the consular service have exceeded the receipts for the first time since the year 1886. The expenses show an increase of \$63,112 over those for last year, and the fees show a falling off of \$61,510. The consular fees collected during the year amounted to \$978,142. The falling off was under the head of invoice and currency certificates. The decline in the amount of invoice fees would seem to indicate that there have been over 22,000 fewer dutiable importations of foreign goods into the United States in the year covered by the report than in the preceding year. According to the report there were paid to the states under the direct tax act during the year \$11,477,715.

CHARLES E. CRISP, of Georgia, has been elected speaker of the house of representatives, the thirtieth ballot being the decisive one. Mills followed closely as second in the contest, but the withdrawal of Springer made additional strength for Crisp, and thus secured his election. Crisp is a southern man of ability and conservatism, and his choice will bring the coinage question into prominence in the campaign next year. It means that the democratic party of the south and west are in direct opposition to the doctrinal ideas of ex-President Cleveland and his following on the money problem; and it virtually concedes that money and tariff will be the issue in the presidential race to follow. Crisp is certainly a safer, shrewder man than Mills.

The meeting of congress Monday foretold some interesting and important events before the close of another year. Its complexion in the house is made up mainly from the democratic party, and the republicans will have but little to do with the legislation of that body, but it will meet a stump in the senate and executive. The democrats will have a hard row to hoe in all respects the coming year.

A FRUIT grower in Umatilla county claims to have discovered a means of doing away with the destructive codlin moth. He floods his orchard every spring, and his theory is that the moth is drowned when ready to leave its winter quarters in the ground. As proof that this is efficacious, he states that his orchard is not troubled, but his neighbors are obliged to spray their trees repeatedly.

The mayor of Seattle has resigned his office and stepped down and out. The administration of the city government was a boring burden, and it soon had a telling effect upon his health.

FROM New Jersey and Tennessee come reports of men freezing to death already this fall. It would appear as though in those sections "a hard winter" is indeed probable.

FROM April to August last year, our exports of machinery to Brazil were \$214,821. During the same time this year they were \$824,104. The McKinley bill did it.

DOM PEDRO.

Pedro the Second, ex-emperor of Brazil, whose death is announced by the dispatches, was the head of the direct male line of the house of Braganza, the royal house of Portugal since 1640. Measured by his literary and scientific accomplishments, by his enlightened and beneficent political career, Dom Pedro was the best constitutional sovereign of his day and generation. He ended the slave trade by a decree in 1850; he won the free navigation of the River Platte for Brazil in 1852; he crushed that monster of cruelty, Lopez, the tyrant of Paraguay; his influence secured the passage of the preliminary measure of emancipation in 1871; he made free education almost universal through his empire; developed the commercial prosperity of his country; suppressed the political power of the clergy; placed the national finances in a good condition, and under his rule slavery was finally abolished, railways built, telegraph and cable lines built in every direction; and the navigation of the great rivers Amazon and Platte promoted. He banished the Jesuits and ordained that their property should escheat to the state. During his absence in Europe the action of his daughter, the regent Isabel, precipitated the revolution of 1889. She recalled the emperor signed a decree of general emancipation, and the planter class, who were ready for emancipation, but not until compensation had been voted, organized a revolt and proclaimed a republic. The emperor was forced to abdicate; the people knew that Brazil was safe under Pedro, but dreaded the succession of his bigoted daughter, the Countess d'Eu.

A WALL street broker of long experience and marked financial success lately talked about the millionaires he had met. For several years he was closely associated with Jay Gould and other millionaires, and said that the fortunes of Wall street men are greatly exaggerated in most instances. He doubted whether Gould could clear up his obligations and get out of the street with much over \$50,000,000. He thought Russell Sage might be worth the sum of \$70,000,000. Cornelius Vanderbilt is probably worth between \$125,000,000 and \$150,000,000, and John D. Rockefeller's interests are so widespread and so prosperous that nobody except himself really knows how rich he is.

FIVE years ago Rev. Hugh Pentecost was a Presbyterian minister of great prominence in New York. Doubts drove him to a Unitarian pulpit; then he became an agnostic. Our understanding of an agnostic is a man who doesn't know; doesn't deny or affirm, simply doesn't know. From an agnostic Pentecost became an atheist. From atheism he flung himself into anarchy, and was an anarchist in Chicago. As anarchist he was the editor of the Twentieth Century. Now he announces that he will cease to be an editor and will be a lawyer. The interesting question arises in Pentecost's career, "What next?"

CONSIDERABLE discussion is going on in England and in the eastern states over the fact disclosed by the recent British census, that while all other religious denominations in Ireland have decreased in the number of their membership during the last decade the Jews have increased 281 per cent. This great influx of Jews into Ireland is really a curious fact, and as yet no one has offered a reasonable explanation of it. It is evident that if it keeps on at the same rate for another decade or two Dublin will be a new Jerusalem.

MR. BLAINE is unquestionably the choice of a great majority of the republicans for the presidential nomination next year. The present floating reports indicate that the secretary is agreeable with the drifting sentiment of his party in his favor. Blaine and McKinley sounds pretty nice, and it may prove the winning card of 1892.

It is said that Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes is rapidly failing. Dr. Holmes is purely American, born and bred, and we look upon his literature as the product of a great and good man, noble and true to humane principles, and grand and glorious for brilliant manhood.

WOODRUFF, the defaulting democratic treasurer of Arkansas, stole \$290,513.62. The Arkansas folks are making great efforts to get back the sixty-two cents.

The gentle rain last Monday gently rained and "blowed" and blustered. Poetry, you see.

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Envy

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These facts are bitterness to the makers of the inferior baking powders; hence their advertisements, filled with malice, envy and falsehood, against the Royal.

Consumers recognize a case of "sour grapes."

They Eat as Dickens Told Them.

A good story is told at one of the hotels here about some of the English dines who are in the city in attendance upon the Methodist ecumenical council. It was noticed that at the hotel set down for dinner on the card posted in each room giving the rules of the house these English preachers would gather about the doors of the dining room and when they were opened would make a wild rush inside, and to seat themselves hastily at the first table they reached and to begin to eat as quickly as possible.

The landlord was puzzled to know the cause of this strange conduct on the part of his foreign guests. Inquiry developed the fact that these reverend gentlemen had before coming over posted themselves on American customs by reading Dickens' "American Notes" and "Martin Chuzzlewit." The scene in the latter descriptive of the effect of the hotel dinner gown causing everybody to quit whatever he was doing and make a rush for the dining room lest he should fail to get any dinner they took as gospel truth and were governing their own conduct accordingly. — Washington Cor. Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Parnell's Brother.

According to an Atlanta paper a seedy looking man, not quite fifty and wearing a discouraged and colorless slouch hat, with a suit to match, stood before the bulletin boards in Atlanta the other day to get a glimpse of dispatches about the death of Charles Stewart Parnell. The man was John Parnell, a brother of the Irish leader, who has spent the latter years of his life tending fruit trees on a little farm seventy-five miles from Atlanta. "I cannot believe that he is dead," said he. "The only thing that makes me believe the report is the statement that he died suddenly. There were twelve children in our family, six of whom are dead, and every one of the six died suddenly. Our sister Fanny, who died last, was found dead in bed. Charles, and in fact all of us, are subject to attacks of nervous prostration, and if he is dead this must have caused his death. He loved us all, and but a short time ago he wrote me a most affectionate letter."

Illustrated Reporting.

In connection with the suicide of General Boulanger, a feat has been accomplished by one of the Paris weekly papers which shows to what perfection of dispatch illustrated reporting has now been brought. On Wednesday, on the reception of the news of the general's death, The Illustration sent to Brussels two members of its staff, one a draftsman, the other a photographer. On Thursday morning these artists had photographed the general lying in state, as well as the hotel in the Rue Montoyer, and had even improvised a representation of the scene in the cemetery. They then took the train, and arrived in Paris on the same day with all that was needed for the illustration of that day's issue of the journal. An interesting detail is that the proof of the photographs were taken and the artist's drawing executed during the railway journey back to Paris.—London News.

Walking Back to the Big City.

Wrecks of the early winter theatrical season are already seen in New York—managers whose ventures have failed after a few nights out of town, tired looking actors who seem to have walked home, and bedraggled looking women, whose faces tell plainly of their disappointments. It is the old story of the plays, poor houses and the refusal of the ghost to do his weekly little pedestrian act. And yet in the main the theatrical outlook is very good, for with big crops comes plenty of money and an army of people to be amused. But it is the survival of the fittest. The poor plays are not patronized, and the managers of many come to grief. There are many familiar faces on the Rialto today, men and women who started off a month ago filled with hope. Some of them will be glad to shovel snow for a living before spring.—Foster Coates in Mail and Express.

A Turtle's Nest.

In the town of Patten, a place distant from tidewater over ninety miles, there is a great curiosity, known as the "turtle's nest." For fifty-two years a turtle has come annually to the nest to deposit her eggs. Over half a century ago she selected her nest, then in an open field, but now in a yard in front of a residence. A relative of the owner of the house branded the date 1841 upon the turtle's back, and it can be plainly traced now. She comes about the same date each year, and her first few days are passed inspecting the ancient nest, the yard and surroundings.

Later she digs a hole in the ground and there deposits her eggs. This year she left forty-two eggs, but as many were carried away and the others often disturbed, only about a dozen of the eggs hatched out. The owner of the house has been the little turtles, none more than twice the size of a postage stamp. The old turtle always departs after laying the eggs; the warm sand and sun serve as an incubator.

Hats Off in the Synagogue.

The recent question of "hats on" or "hats off" during public worship was settled at the annual meeting of the Anshe Chevra congregation, at the temple on Scholes avenue. The old Jewish custom of the male members of the congregation wearing their hats during public worship has always been in vogue in this congregation. A number of the younger and more progressive members have objected to the custom, and it has caused more or less discussion for several years. The older members held tenaciously to their hats, and the younger ones bided their time until they should have a sufficient majority converted to their views to change the custom.

The matter was brought up at the annual meeting, which was very largely attended. The hat question was discussed at great length, and several very warm speeches were made on both sides. It was finally put to a vote, and the members who are opposed to wearing hats were victorious by a decided majority. "The decision was that hereafter the congregation shall worship with hats off, but those who desire to retain their head covering will be permitted to do so."—Cleveland Leader and Herald.

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1. All names must reach us not later than December 10th, and all prizes will be mailed not later than December 10th.

2. Put the names of those living in different towns on separate sheets of paper, giving the name of the state and county in the top right-hand corner, and the number of names contained on the sheet in the top left-hand corner. Thus:

KANSAS

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" Charles Sample, box 310, " " "

" Amelia Warren, " " "

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