### EUGENE CITY, OREGON.

## A COMEDIAN'S JOKE.

Now He Recommended a Popular Wash-ington Hotel to a Fellow Actor.

Mr. Powers, the well-known comic opera comedian, perpetrated quite a little joke just before the arrival of the company in Washington. It is customary for the advance agents of theatrical or operatic companies to obtain the prices of the different hotels in each city and send this information back to the manager of the company, so that selection of residence may be made by the principals and members of the chorus. By some accident the list of Washington hotels did not reach the "Yeomen of the Guard" company and many members of the company were about to visit Washington for the first time. Said one of the men, an Englishman, to Mr. Powers, as the train was

approaching the capital:
"Tell me where to stop in Washington, old chap? Of course you have been there before, but I have not, don't you know?"

I didn't know any thing about it,"

said Powers, "until you mentioned it. Let me see, there are several hotels in Washington; there is Willard's, of historic renown; the Arlington, where President Cleveland rested before he was inaugurated. Then there is the Hotel Chamberlain, famous for its exquisite cuisine. Welcker's, too, is a favorite resort for the more prominent members of the profession. But as you are going to the capital of the United States for the first time I would suggest that you try the most exclusive place in town. Very few professionals stop there, but some of the best known and most noteworthy men in the country are regularly seen in its corridors. I have never remained there over night, as I stay with friends during my visits to the capital, but I always drop in and glance over the portraits in the picture gallery and take a turn around the green house."

"Picture gallery, green house. Why. that must be a doorid fine place. suppose the rate is pretty stiff." "Yes, rather; but if you tell them

who you are I think they will make a \$3 or \$4 a day rate.' "O, I could stand that for a week,"

said the innocent seeker for information. "What did you say the name of the hotel was, old man?" "It is called the White House. Any

cab driver in Washington will know where to take you. Just mention my name and don't let them bluff you at the door. They are very cheeky sometimes, especially if they don't know

It is said that on that same day a badly-used-up person who looked like an Englishman was seen to fly down the flagged walk leading from the portico of the executive mansion of Philadelphia avenue, vociferating for a cab to take him and his trunk away from the most "exclusive place in town."-Cor. Pittsburgh Dispatch.

## MAN'S HEAD-GEAR.

always been pre-eminently that portion of male costume around which our keep a good lookout ahead, anyway.' social amenities have circled. Politics Mrs. Blobson-"Why so?" Mr. Bloband politeness have been bound up with it, until it has become almost as Impossible for the followers of any cult to hold certain "views" without a hat to suit them, as to imagine an aesthetic without a dado. There is the Cardinal's hat and the Bishop's shovel, the student's trencher and the curate's felt, the low church and the high church hat, the Quaker's broadbrim and that peculiarly knowing type of head covering which, according to the County Court witness is the sign of "your perfect gentleman." In Chaueer's day the "Finundrish beaver hat" as much marked the merchant as the sou'-wester does the scafaring man in our own times. When the Puritans affected ample flaps and a steeple crown, the Cavallers adopted narrower brims and a superstructure decked with a resplendent feather. At a later date, the "Monmouth cock" and the "Ramilies coek" marked the macaroni and the man of quality, and though hate and "hat honor" are for the moment not so much wrapped up with punctillo as they were, yet it is still that portion of a gentlemen's attire employed to express courtesy or respect. A white hat is unquestionably a more reasonable color for the tall "chimney pot" than black. Yet it is not every man, even in summer, who has the courage to wear one, and, as any one who has attended a university celebration is aware, it shares with a red tie the especial animadversion of the sarcastic undergraduate. The hat of civilization is maligned, and ridiculed, and cariactured, and one of the chief joys in getting beyond the precinct of London is to cast it aside. In a pioneer settlement in America or Australia it is markedly absent. But one of the first signs of a frontier "city" emerging from its war with the wilderness is the resumption by its more self-respecting citizens of the discarded "stovepipe." General Grant, indeed, loved it so dearly that he would often sit on horseback, through some of the hottest fights, with this unwarlike helmet on his head. And now we hear of one of his countrymen trying the costly uncertainties of the law all for the "right" of wearing it in the theater, just as certain nobles have before now bought, at a great price, the privilege of standing covered in the pres-

-London Standard.

#### PUNGENT PARAGRAPHS.

-Soarandflop (grandiloquently) -"Yes; it pays to do right. Honesty is the best policy after all." Frankley— "Why don't you have it renewed."— Time.

-"I am opposed to all games of chance," said Rawson. "And yet you got married?" said Lawson. and that's why I am so strongly opposed to 'em. - Drake's Magazine.

-The Kansas Legislature contains ten newspaper men, who at once elevate its standard of intelligence and reduce its average percentage of wealth.-Kansas City Star.

-"I know my defects," said B-jenkins pompously; and as the bystanders looked at him admiringly, one of them whispered to another softly: "What an awful lot that man must know!"-Somerville Journal.

-Mr. Garrulous-"Why do people think the Sphinx typical of wisdom. George?" George (who is still suffering from the effects of curtain lecture) -"I guess it is because the Sphinx always keeps its mouth shut."-Harper's Bazar.

-She-"I must show you my new clock before you go." He (facetiously) -Some of my friends tell me I am homely enough to stop a clock." She

O, that won't matter! It can be
started again."—Life.

-"Can't you spare me a little money, papa?" "How much, dear?" "Well, want to buy enough material to make one of the new-fashloned bathing you want. Here is half a dollar."-Richfield News.

-"What shall we do if the price of flour goes up any further?" exclaimed Mrs. Kneadom to her husband. "I can suggest a simple remedy my dear," responded Mr. Kneadem, quietly. "Just continue your home baking and we need not anticipate any rise in bread." -Montreal Star.

-Young author-"Doctor, if I can't get some relief from writer's cramp I I shall have to give up my literary work. I have come to you for advice." Doctor (who has read some of his literary work)-"My young friend, quit writing entirely, and relief not only instantaneous but widespread will follow."-Chicago Tribune. -"You used to think a little more

of me and not quite so much of yourself in the days when you were courting me," exclaimed Mrs. Brown, tearfully, during the course of a little conjugal conflict. "You never said a truer thing than that," replied the brute. "I forgot myself entirely at that time or I never would have proposed."-Terre Haute Express

-Editor great magazine-"Here is a fine article on 'Modern Art,' but it is written by some unknown jay who lives in Pumpkinville." Assistant-"All right; I'll go out and find some great artist willing to put his name to it. Guess one will do it for \$100." "Very well; I'll send the jay fifty cents and tell him to keep quiet, and that maybe we'll take another article from him some day and let him use his own name."-Philadelphia Record.

-Blobson-"Ha, ha! Here's an article which says that before the close of the nineteenth century we shall see women running locomotive engines on An Article About Which Masculine Vanity why not? Don't you think they would our railroads." Mrs. Blobson-"Well, The hat, every one will allow, has make good ones?" Mr. Biobson-"In some respects, perhaps. They would son-Because they would have their heads out of the cab window all the time to show their new bonnets"-Burlington Free Press.

# A PECULIAR STONE.

It Possesses the Flexibility of a Piece of India Rubber

The Washington Star gives an interesting account of a stone belonging to the chief clerk of the War Department. It weighed about a pound, and was 13 inches in length, 24 in width, and 4 of an inch thick. On picking it up from the desk, when his attention was called to it, a reporter noticed that it bent slightly at the ends, and had the feeling of an elastic substance. On removing the wrapper, however, it was seen to be a hard, compact piece of the ends cut to points. The texture of the stone was fine, and presented no evidence of stratification, and was smooth over the entire surface. A knife-blade made no impression on the particles. There was no doubt as to its being a genuine stone, but it nevertheless possessed the flexibility of a piece of India rubber. When taken in the hand and shaken in the direction of its flat surface it would bend back and forth with a dull, muffled sound. The movement was more of a laxity in the adhesio,n apparently, than an elasticity. When held horizontally by one end the other would drop and remain in that position. With the two ends supported on rests the free center could be pressed half an inch below the middle line. With one end held firmly on the desk the other could be bent upward over an inch. The movement was not confined to the one directionin the plane of the flat surfaces-but the entire stone seemed to be constructed on the principal of a universal joint, with a movement perceptible in all directions under pressure.

# Where to Draw the Line.

"In the case of my unfortunate client, gentlemen," said the eloquent attorney for the defense in a murder case, "it is for you to draw the line between murderous rage and emotional insanity.'

And the jury rendered a verdict that they thought the safest place to draw it was between the head and shoulders. -Chicago Tribune.

### THE ARIZONA KICKER.

APOLOGETICAL-We are compelled to apologize to our subscribers for the hat lay on the ground; his long hair typographical appearance of the pres- was tangled and his face were a reent issue. Owing to the snow blockade, a keg of ink which we ordered weeks ago falled to reach us, and rather than miss an issue we compounded dressed him: a substitute. We don't seem to have hit the right proportions, or else molasses and lamp-black are not the proper substitutes. As it will be impossible for subscribers to make out any of the reading matter, we will solace them with the statement that but the waiting is tiresome." there is little or nothing worth reading. We hadn't much time to give to the paper last week, and it is just as well that we hadn't. It would have been time thrown away.

THE USUAL REWARD .- We understand that Arizona Joe, Colonel Hilton, Dick Fenshaw and other ingrates are going about with the statement that we were horse-whipped by the Widow Burnham one day last week. When we refer to these hyenas as living liars, we do so in all gentleness. We can't afford to get mad and kick such freaks of nature. Arizona Joe is wearing a collar we lent him from our slim stock, and if any one will rip the Colonel's coat down the back he will find one of our undershirt's surrounding the ingrate's body. When Dick Fenshaw struck this town he hadn't eaten any thing but pig-weed for three days, and suits." " "Il right, my dear. Get what he was trying to make a pack of cards cover his nakedness. We filled his stomach, gave him a coat and lifted him out of the slough. This is our reward. Sick transit! Sick gratitude! Sick hvena!

> WELCOME BACK .- Prof. Whitewater entered the Kicker office day before yesterday with beaming smile and extended hand after an absence of about ten months spent in the penitentiary. He was unfortunate enough, it will be remembered, to hurt some one in a lit- gave old Pete a lot of medicine." tle dispute at the Red Front Saloon. and the court thought it best for him to take a little vacation. The professor returns home looking in good health and filled with enthusiasm over the progress the town has made during his absence, We welcome him. A little State prison experience hasn't hurt him, nor won't hurt any of our towns-

CAN BE OVERLOOKED .- A few of our citizens seem inclined to censure Major Whitbeck, our chief of police, for being drunk on the streets yesterday. We don't believe that giving a man an office should deprive him of the rights and privileges of a citizen. If business is slack and the major feels like going on a spree the break can be overlooked in a community where half the eminent citizens sleep on their front doorsteps five nights out of seven. Those who criticise seem to be actuated by a spirit of jealousy.

A FALSE ALARM.-When the stage drove up the other evening the report got abroad that one of the passengers was a Chicago detective, and some forty or fifty of our leading citizens broke for the country on a canter. Most of them laid out all night, with the thermometer standing at four de- every thing in its place;" and if it grees below. The following casualties are reported:

Captain Johnson-Right foot frozen Judge Pelham - Both ears frost bitten and nose badly used up.

Prof. Sweeny-Broken leg, caused by a fall while running.

Major Adams-Ears, nose and seven toes frost bitten, and his spine badly wrenched.

Esquire Davis-Several frost bites, a sprained ankle and the probable loss of a portion of his beautiful Roman nose. - Detroit Free Press.

# SLAVES IN TURKEY.

Poor Girls Entired From Their Homes And Sold at Constantinopie

An extensive female slave trade is still carried on in Constantinople in spite of the consuls of the Christian powers. Hardly a week passes without the arrival of a white-haired courier. between 65 and 70 years old, accomsandstone, of a light yellow color, with panied by a convoy of young girls, mostly from poor families in Galicia, whom he has induced to come with him to the Turkish capital under the promise of a "splendid" situation or a "rich marriage." The Austrian consular officials, as well as those of other powers, have kept a wakeful eye upon this old scoundrel and stopped him from landing his "wares" in Constantinople itself. It is now discovered that he takes them to a spot where they are out of reach of European law-Kawak, the Turkish quarantine station on the Bosphorus. Here they are unshipped and sent ultimately to Constantinople by the land route to Bujukdere. Here not a soul is troubled about their deplorable fate, and their redemption from the horrors prepared for them is only possible through energetic foreign help. The "proprietor" takes them to a certain bourse, called the Casine, where his living wares are dealt with exactly as if they were dead matter or shares. The price for the "coarse wares," as they are brutally described, varies from \$150 to \$300. The price of the finer wares is higher, reaching the level sometimes of \$1,200. They are bought for customers in Smyrna, Alexandria, Cairo, and other places under Mohammedan rule. The "brokers" attempt to conceal the nature of their trade by deceptive advices; for instance, "Expect three dozen silver spoons," (which is tech-

### BASELY UNGRATEFUL.

From a Late Issue of That Ene How a Young Physician Violated the terprising Western Sheet.

An old fellow sat on a rail fence. His vergeful expression. A traveler, noticing the old fellow's hardness of countenance, stopped and thus ad-

"You seem to be worried." "Am."

"What's the matter?" "Got a duty to perform." "It must be an unpleasant one." "No, the duty is pleasant enough,

"Why do you wait?"

"See that house up yonder?" "Yes."

"Well, there's a fellow in there that I am going to larrup as soon as he comes out."

"He has done you an injury, I sup-

"He has."

"What did he do?"

"Well, I'll tell you. He came into this neighborhood about six months ago and began to practice medicine. I have been a practicing physician in this community for thirty years, yet I treated the upstart kindly. How did he repay me? With the basest ingratitude, sir. I'll tell you how it was. About two weeks ago old Peter Nolan was taken awfully sick. He was as sick a man as I ever saw in my life. Why, he had swamp fever, rheumatism, plearisy, and a number of other diseases. I was called in. As soon as I looked at him I saw that he had no show, and I told him that it would not be honest for me to give him medicine and take his money when I knew that I could do him no good."

"That was surely commendable," said the traveler.

"Of course; but mark the difference. That young snipe was called in. What did he do? Act with corresponding honesty? No, sir, he pitched in and

"And killed him, ch?" "Well, no; the scoundrel has about cured him."

"Yes, but that proves him to be a

good physician." "A good physician!" the old fellow exclaimed. "Why, blast him, he knew that I had said old Pete couldn't live.

He knew that my professional reputation was at stake. Why didn't he let the old fool die? Why did he want to cure him and ruin me? It was an unprofessional act, sir, and just as soon as he comes out of that house I'm going to whale him. I am not going to be insulted in my old age. I am not going to allow a young popinjay to ruin the profession. Wait till he comes out and you'll hear something drop."-Arkansaw Traveler.

### AN EXCELLENT MAXIM. Have a Time for Every Thing, and Do Every Thing in Its Time.

"To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven." Never was saying truer than this; never one of more universal application; never one the disregard of which would cause more dire confusion. "A time for every thing and every thing in its time," should be the companion maxim to "a place for every thing and were made one of the rules for living how much more could be accomplished in a stated period than if duties were badly that amputation is talked of. performed and various pursuits pleasurable or otherwise, followed without regard to the fact that there is "a time to every purpose under the heaven." Such, however, is the perversity of human nature, that we are perpetually taken possession of by a demon of longing to do a certain task or enjoy a certain pleasure in the time that we are positive, beyond a doubt, should be devoted to some other purpose. Who has not been the victim of this strong desire to do at a certain time "that which he ought not to do, and to leave undone that which he ought to do?" It seems too, sometimes, that the more insignificant the duty of the moment the stronger the aversion to doing it just then, the more powerful the temptation to put it off until some other time. We have felt grieved beyond measure at the thought of putting two or three needed tacks in a carpet, and have actually permitted ourselves to defer doing it not only weeks but months. We fancy eyebrows lifted in horror at this frank confession; but to those who lift them we would say, "Lethim that is without sin east the first stone." Such ones, too, we would urge to give thanks three times daily that they "are not as other men are."-Christian at Work.

A Profit-Sharing Railroad. There is one railroad in America, perated on a profit-sharing basis, and out two in the world. The American road is the Toledo, Ann Arbor & North Michigan, which with its prospective branches will cover the greater part of the State. The road pays to its officers and employes a dividend, the president alone being excepted. In order to obtain this dividend the employes or officials must have been five years in continuous service of the road. The way in which the matter is arranged is for the board of directors to declare dividends on the amount of salary received by each servant of the road as if that sum represented, not a salary, but an amount of stock of the road There are also provisions made for emploves who shall be injured in the service of the road and also for those who retire after twenty years continuous service. The plan has not been in operation two years yet, but it is regarded as successful. The employes favor it and the stockholders also. The employes nical for the "finer wares,") or "We send five vessels of 'meal," (a medium quality), or "eight sacks of potatoes," (the coarsest quality.)—Chicago Mail.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS.

-The water is colder at the bottom than at the surface. In many bays on the coast of Norway the water often freezes at the bottom before it does above.

-Napa, Cal., recently exhibited a curiosity in the shape of an apple inclosed in a small-necked bottle. The bottle was hanging in a tree and a twig grew into it, blossomed and matured. -A man was released from the Min-

nesota penitentiary the other day after serving ten years for a murder which his brother committed and recently onfessed on his death-bed.

-Among a pile of New York visiting ad invitation cards was one on which was engraved "Miss Alice D., at home Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesq.svs, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays

-The distance from ocean to ocean by the Nicaragua Canal is 169.8 miles; length of canal, 28.8 miles; length of lake, river and basin unvigation, 141 miles; length of summit level. 152 miles; elevation of summit level above sea, 110 feet; number of locks, six.

-A "gum matinee" was given at one of the St. Paul theaters on New Year's day, says the New York Sun. A package of tolu was given each lady at the door, and an eye witness reports that "the fair creatures allowed their agile jaws to reverberate to their heart's content." Thus does the drama gain new gauds and decorations in the vasty Northwest.

The life of a juryman is not all plain matter-of-fact prose. Sometimes it happens that quite an entertainment effectual one of condemnia is arranged especially for his benefit. Such an instance was seen in a Maine village the other day. It was in a horse case and the entire jury had to go out and see for themselves what kind of a record the animal could make on the track .- Lewiston journal.

-Smith (to friend)-"Gus, I'm going to commit suicide to-day." Friend (newspaper reporter)-"Thank goodness! I'll see you through it to the end. They said at the office this morning that they'd fire me if I didn't find a sensational article. What'll it be, pistol, poison?" Smith-"No; I'm go- short, sharp and decisive, a ing to read some of your press articles."-Drake's Magazine.

-The performance of Jules Verne's hero, who went round the world in what your left hand is doing eighty days, has been surpassed by an brag to the opposition drumms English post-card which lately returned | big order you took at the last from its very interesting travels. It Don't imagine you own the fr was mailed by a London gentleman on cause of a successful trip, and October 10th to a friend in Hong Kong, all, don't think you know it all by way of the United States and Yokohama, and reached Hong Kong on November 23d, when it was redirected ways. If you don't cell goods to to London by way of Brindisi. It was dispatched on November 25th and pecially if you leave a pleasant reached the original owner on Decem- sion behind you. This is a gos ber 24th-that is, within seventy-five to never lose your grip. days from the start. The card cost only three half-pence.

-A veteran African explorer says: The greatest danger to health in trop- they are capable of. Lose ical climates, or at any rate in Tropical Africa, occurs from catching cold. Two It may work for a while, but is other imprudences next to be guarded sin will find you out; and to be against are excesses of any kind in eat- a flar is equal to being known as ing or drinking, or exposing one's self | Honesty is the best policy. too much to the direct rays of the sun. Errors in diet are promptly and piti-extensively. Consider philos lessly punished with sickness; and that there is ample room for all whereas Europeans are all the better point is quite essential, as A. l in health for taking a good deal of exercise, they are easily liable to get sick if they expose themselves to the sun's rays without the protection of an umbrella, which is frequently done by new-comers out of foolish bravado."

#### FACTS WORTH KNOWING. List of Substances Liable to Spontane-

ous Combustio Cotton-seed oil will take fire even

when mixed with 25 per cent. of petroleum oil, but 10 per cent. of min- Rule. eral oil mixed with 10 per cent. of animal or vegetable oil will go far to prevent combustion. Olive oil is combustible, and mixed

with rags, hay or sawdust will produce spontaneous combustion.

Coal dust, flour dust, starch, flour (especially rye flour), are all explosive Wright, in Boston Budgetwhen mixed with certain proportions of air.

New starch is highly explosive in its comminuted state, also sawdust in a very fine state, when confined in a close chute and water directed on it. Sawdust should never be used in oll shops or warehouses to collect drippings or leakages from casks.

Dry vegetable or animal oil inevitably takes fire when saturating cotten waste at 180° F. Spontaneous combustion occurs most quickly when the cotton is soaked with its own weight of Secretary of the Interior. The oil. The addition of 40 per cent. of mineral oil (density 0.890) of great viscosity, and emitting no inflammable vapors, even in contact with an ignited body at any point below 338° F., is procedence observed by Cour sufficient to prevent spontaneous combustion, and the addition of 20 per cent. of the same mineral oil doubles time necessary to produce spontaneous combustion.

Secretary of the Navy should seats, bringing the former four the latter sixth—the rank alternation.

Patent driers from leakage into sawdust, etc., oily waste of any kind, or waste cloths of silk or cotton, saturated with oil, varnish, turpentine. Greasy rags from butter, and greasy ham bags. Bituminous coal in large heaps, refuse heaps of pit coal, hastened by wet, and especially when pyrites are present in the coal; the larger the heaps, the more liable.

Lampblack, when slightly oily and damp, with linseed oil especially. Timber dried by steam pipes, or hot ment reports concerning special water or hot air heating apparatus, ters of importance, appointment owing to fine iron dust being thrown off; in close wood casings or boxings round the pipes, from the mere expansion and contraction of the pipes .-American Miller.

# TIPS TO TRAVELER

How to Be furcessful in a s as a Commercial Way, Young man, if this is your be take some advice and store it the practical points you lare obtained regarding the goods

pect to sell for your concern. Remember that we are all he Hable to err. Do the best you a with Davy Crockett, be un right, and then go ahead,

When you strike a small bear imagine that you own it cause you represent a big hobig city. If you do, possible who find it good enough my enough for them may get as is you don't affiliate, and buy elar Modesty is the best policy. Don't get the notion that a

placed on your head in a jan-and a cigar stuck up in one co your mouth, is a sure indication merchant that you know how goods. In the first place, he a ject to the way it is introduc an objection either way may b introduction for you. Don't sit down at his desk if

him disengaged and fire of som vulgar stories you have heard road; it may be that he has he moral training, and by thesi arrive at the laughing point won't be any laugh at all. Don't use profanity; your ex

will understand the quality a goods without stamping the samples with three or four be a trade mark of this kind may Don't swear. If you must chew tobaccothme quid out before going inteas

business; do this out of respect property rights of others, and yourself from the imputation ness. Cleanliness is next to rel Don't make a confidantof ete ness man you meet; remember have a family, and desire to occasionally; and may also be scriber to a newspaper, and h with the entire budget of sta

about your business. Don't p much. Never let your right has

you are imparting. Talk h

Practice politeness. This is cellent commodity, and goes i tain firm this trip, you may m

Don't provaricate if a custom pects a greater performance for goods you are showing than you sooner than make misrepresen

Remember that this world is a are sceking to sell the same l goods you are handling, and are to compete in the same quarter. der to dispose of your wares it is necessary nor fair nor gentless undervalue the worth of your petitors personally, or the qual the goods they manufacture consumer, whom you do not directly, places the amount of vi the manufacture from each ! Therefore, adhere strictly to the

These are a few of the items mended for your guidance. have the capacity in other wa sense enough to paste them a gripsack and follow them, we gu you the respect of your employ courtesy of the trade.-Rich

#### THE AMERICAN CABINE A Peep at the August Body Wie

The President presides, sentel head of the long table, facing be his right are seated the Secret State, the Secretary of War and master-General; on his left as Secretary of the Treasury, the tary of the Navy and the All General, and opposite to him foot of the table, is the chair! secretary occupies a seat at a desk facing the southern winds near the President. The arrange is not in accordance with them establishing the Presidential sion. If the Attorney-Genera across the table-the order w strictly correct.

The sessions of the Cabinet formal affairs. No persons those named are permitted to est room during the councils, a official record of the proceeding kept. The business done or dis-covers all leading subjects be to the various branches of admition on which the President sire information or adviceoffice, and questions of generals istrative policy.—Edmund Altor

-A misfortune much sought by men-A young heiress.