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Truth is always consistent with itself, and needs nothing to help it out; it is always near at hand and sits upon our lips, and is ready to drop out before we are aware; whereas a lie is troublesome, and sets a man's invention on the rack, and one trick needs a great many more of the same to make it good.—Dr. Samuel Johnson.

**THE TRUST'S ROBBERY.**

Without advancing the wages of its employees one cent or adding aught to the quality of its product, the salt trust has raised the price of salt from \$2.50 in February, as quoted to Douglas Belts, president of the State Woolgrowers' Association, to \$10 per ton on April 1.

This is the brand of prosperity that helps one man and hurts a hundred.

The woolgrowers have labored incessantly to build up their flocks. They have invested money in fine breeds, improved their farms with all the conveniences and equipment necessary to the comfort and care of their stock. They have added wealth to the county and state in increasing values. They have offered the markets a better product and are just now in condition to reap a just reward from their labor and expense, when the octopus of greed grasps their profits and pockets the reward they have earned.

They must have salt. The trust controls the output. They must pay the price fixed by the trust or go without. And in paying the trust's exorbitant prices, they are unjustly forced to give up hard-earned wealth that should go into further improvements in herds and homes.

Will they still cling to the trust principle or is the lesson sufficient? Will they still support the cause that nourishes the trust, or will they join forces with the reformers who stand for the rights of the people?

It is said the nearest route by which to reach a man's vote lies through his pocket.

If this "hold up" of the stockman by the villainous salt trust is not enough to make them think deeply and seriously, nothing can do it.

They are robbed of profits which should be used in educating their families, beautifying their homes and improving their flocks.

The trust gives them no increased value for this increased price. The same salt that sold for \$2.50 per ton in February is now quoted at \$10. The trust knows that the season of the year is on in which the stockman must have salt and they force him to pay them a 300 per cent increase in price to get it.

Congress has done nothing to curtail the power of the trusts. The great boasts made by the republican leaders were empty. The people are being mercilessly exploited by increased prices for life's necessities, and will be until the common people themselves overthrow machine politics and make a few wholesome laws.

**GET OUT OF DEBT.**

At the closing session of the Mormon celebration in Salt Lake City, Sunday, President Joseph Smith made an appeal to Mormons to get out of debt and prepare for any financial crisis which might visit the country.

This is good religion for Gentiles as well as Mormons.

It is a creed that applies to all men.

The men who suffered most severely from the panic of 1893-4 were the men who were deeply in debt at that time. Under ordinary conditions their debts were not oppressive. They had purchased stock and land and made improvements on borrowed capital, to a large extent, and had the prices of their produce and the demand for it remained normal, they would have succeeded well in their ventures.

son, for a moment's reflection will show that the greater the amount of property assessed in the county and the more widely it is distributed, the lower the levy will be to raise the necessary amount. One of the vital benefits of a high valuation is that all property pays some part of the tax. Under low valuations a great amount of property escaped paying any tax whatever, under the exemption law. As the present assessment is being conducted, property heretofore not assessed is being added to the list, so the grand total will be distributed among a vastly increased number of individual property owners. This will result in a lower levy and a wider distribution of taxes among the citizens of the county. Other counties might follow the example of Unadilla to their profit.

**TOM JOHNSON, REFORMER.**

The people of Cleveland, Ohio, have again indorsed the principles of Tom Johnson, this time by 7,444 majority, in the home of the only Mark Hanna.

Johnson has proven himself to be the friend of the common people. He has made an honest study of their needs in the city of his home and has fearlessly made their needs his political creed.

Opposed to him are the plutocrats who look upon the common herd as so many horses, to be worked, while the vigor of manhood lasts, and then to be sent to the almshouse, if not other charitable door is open for them. At the head of this rank of political corruptionists, opposed to the people of Cleveland, stands Mark Hanna.

The municipal fight in Cleveland is waged about the street car fare and franchise question. Tom Johnson stands for 3 cent fares, the opposition for 5 cent fares, the same rate that has been charged since street railways were first built in Cleveland.

Tom Johnson represents progress; the Hanna forces represent the mossback capitalism that fights every innovation, no matter how worthy, which threatens to reduce personal dividends, in the interest of all the people.

The election of Johnson is a scathing rebuke to the fossilized forces arrayed against him. In a leading republic state, and in the best city in that state, it is refreshing to find the common people tearing away from the worn-out, thread-bare policy which has built up one man and one fortune at the expense of a thousand.

It would be a happy choice and one that the great mass of the plain people would welcome, should Tom Johnson be named as the standard-bearer for democracy. The record he has made in Ohio entitles him to consideration. In the stronghold of the enemy he has won laurels of which any leader may well feel proud.

**IMPROVING THE NATIONAL GUARD.**

General Funston, the newly-appointed commanding officer of the department of the Columbia, has received orders from the war department to detail regular army officers to serve as inspectors of the Oregon national guard. Not only will the drill and discipline be rigidly inspected, but arms, equipment, quarters and the official files, records and correspondence will be inspected.

This is certainly a move in the right direction. The citizens of the state pay liberally for the support of the guard and they have a right to expect the highest state of efficiency in the state militia.

At the beginning of the Spanish-American war it was found that a large proportion of the members of the various militia companies were unfit for service, through laxity in enforcing the requirements of the physical examination at the time of their admission. The war with Spain and our campaign in the Philippines taught us some valuable lessons. One of these was that the militia must not be a dress parade proposition or a social organization. It must be brought up to the requirements of the regular army, and be ready for instant service in time of need. It is quite probable that the out-of-date Springfield rifles now in use will be replaced by the government with the service magazine rifle. The exchange will be made without expense to the state.

**PUT YOURSELF IN HIS PLACE.**

The strike situation in Holland is assuming serious proportions. The government has ordered the mobilization of all the marines and three warships have been ordered to be in readiness for immediate service. In Rome details of soldiers are posted around the Vatican and detachments of cavalry are posted in the public squares and ten more battalions of troops have been sent for. The troops fired several volleys into an assembly of the strikers who refused to disperse. In Russia the civil authorities appealed to the regulars for help in the labor disturbances there. The artillery was trained on the rioters and 20 were killed and more than a hundred wounded.

All this on the eve of Easter when

we celebrate the resurrection of Him who came to bring peace on earth and good will to men. If mankind would adopt, as a working principle, instead of a theory, some of the precepts of the Prince of Peace, for example the sermon on the mount, the golden rule and others of that nature there would be no need to train the artillery on the strikers and send for additional reserves of troops. As Pope Leo said yesterday in reference to the strike in Rome:

"It is a sword with two edges." It almost always cuts both the one who wields it as well as the one at whom it is wielded.

It means forfeited contracts and loss of business to the employer and loss of income and the spending of carefully hoarded savings to the striker. The day will come when employer and employer will realize that their interests are identical instead of antagonistic.

The Baker City butcher who will fully distributed the meat of an animal affected with lumpy jaw, among his customers, should spend the remainder of his life at hard labor for the state. What punishment should be meted out, in justice, to a wretch who for the sake of \$50 profit, will menace the health of innocent families with beef unfit for use? It is a crime that is so vital to society that the question at once arises: Is business for private gain safe in the hands of irresponsible men? What limits should be placed on liberty? Should society be subjected to the greedy propensities of dealers who are willing to sacrifice public health, even life in their hunt for profit? The state must make an example of one of these vamps—sooner, the better for public good.

It is unfortunate that strife has arisen in the Red Cross ranks. People who accomplish things, and Miss Barton is of the number, do not always have time to enter into long explanations of their motives and actions. They are too busy accomplishing results, hence they are frequently misunderstood. Miss Clara Barton is a noble woman and has spent her life for humanity.

President Roosevelt for the next two weeks will be out of the limelight of publicity. With John Burroughs and a cavalry escort he will spend the time in the Yellowstone Park. Even to so strenuous a person as Roosevelt two weeks spent in the "natural denning throng" must prove a great relief.

Carter Harrison's election for the fourth time as mayor of Chicago, is a victory for municipal ownership. He has gone to work in earnest to settle the traction question. He is working for the city to own and operate its street car lines.

The Walla Walla-Dixie railroad is to be built, if indications are to be relied upon. It is the ultimate object of the company to get into Grand Ronde and Wallawa valleys. The rewards that await it are beyond computation.

**WOMAN'S KINGDOM IS THE BEST**

"Dux femina facti"—a woman led the deed—wrote Virgil his Aeneid 2000 years ago. I am not sure but the same might be said of the Lewis and Clark Centennial, for it was Sacajawea, the little Shoshone, who pointed her baby on her back, pointing the way to Lewis and Clark through the devious mountain passes that made possible this Centennial.

In answer to your inquiry, "What can women do for the Lewis and Clark exposition?" I answer, everything for the West to woman's kingdom. "I will sell my jewels to equip you," said Isabella when Columbus would seek America. A woman's foot first touched Plymouth Rock. An Indian girl braved the war club in Virginia and nightly brought food to the starving colonists. Not until Narcissa Whitman and Elizabeth Spaulding the first white women crossed the Rocky mountains, was colonization into Oregon deemed possible. They brought the home, "Go," said the bride of Jason Lee, when duty called him back to the states, "I did not marry you to hinder, but to help you." No wonder these women's graves are hallowed in the Columbia country. They led where thousands followed.

A woman founded Pacific University, a woman did the first extensive work for Oregon history, and women, the daughters of chiefs, made possible the old regime of the trading days when they said to their tribes, "Bring hither your furs." What can women do? In the pioneer days they spun and wove and kept the hearth fires burning. Today, factories and furnaces and division of labor is beginning to give them leisure to visit libraries and to study in great university-extension movements, the woman's club. Have you noted the club-woman, her eyes are brighter, she gets her work done quicker, she uses her head more and her hands less, she is the companion of her sons and daughters.

No other country is so blessed as America in women of leisure; a new force is here, intelligent, artistic, enthusiastic, just waiting to its birth right of action. As the pioneer mothers helped to make American history, so their daughters are making history still, awakening the dormant sense of art. And there lies woman's work in the Lewis and Clark Centennial, an appeal to beauty, beautiful homes, with just a whisper of that old-world sense that hid nymphs and statues among the shrubbery.

Sacajawea, the Birdwoman in bronze, with her baby on her back; Narcissa Whitman, resplendent in her Saxon beauty, crossing the mountains on her snow-white steed, in memory these are types and emblems of our new Northwest. The typical pioneer mother with her distaff and spindle, her reliefs of long caravans of men and women, of ox-teams and prairie schooners, of flocks and herds and peering Indians dashing by on horseback, possibly the Indian battle, the flight, the rescue, these are themes for the painter and the sculptor.

If the women take hold of art in connection with the Lewis and Clark Centennial it means an unparalleled development in art in Oregon in the next 50 years. It means wealth of beauty blossoming from the seedwork of the next two years.—Eva Emery Dye, in Oregon Daily Journal.

Dr. Willis A. Stillman, of Seattle, has been expelled from the medical society on account of unprofessional conduct. He gave expert testimony in a law suit which reflected on his brother practitioners.

**GENERAL NEWS.**

Much opposition is developed to the Panama canal treaty in Colombia. Harry Stratton has succeeded in breaking his father's will and will receive \$500,000 in cash from the estate. Rev. Charles Parkhurst in his sermon Sunday, said that many negroes would be better off if slavery still existed.

A new cabinet has been formed in Haiti, the old cabinet having resigned because they were censured by the senate.

A general strike has been proclaimed in Holland as a protest against the proposed anti-strike laws of that country.

Charlie Fleming, a 9-year-old adoptive boy, was kidnapped from St. John's parochial school, in Somerville, Mass., Thursday.

The recent cold snap in Maryland froze early vegetation and it is stated that there will be no peach or strawberry crop.

The enlisted men of the navy are to be given a net shore leave of 10 days when the battleships are docked in the month of April.

Andrew Carnegie has offered to pay the bills of all Cornell students, incurred by sickness in the typhoid fever epidemic.

The chief of police at Jersey City, N. J., declares that he will prosecute all theatrical managers who present "Tracy" plays.

Emerson Hall, the proposed new hall of philosophy at Harvard, has \$75,000 promised of the \$150,000 required to build it.

Arthur Pennell, the suspect in the Burdick case, who committed suicide, is now said to have been a defaulter to the tune of \$150,000.

The cottage at Tabor, Iowa, where John Brown lived for several years, and where he drilled his followers, has been destroyed by fire.

Mrs. Susan Uplike, of Akron, O., has confessed that she killed Andrew Fasmacht with a club, because he was playing "Peeping Tom" on her.

The farmers of South Dakota are organizing themselves into local organizations to fight the National Society of Equity of North America.

A thousand furniture-packers in Chicago wholesale and retail establishments went on strike Tuesday for a 10 per cent day and \$2.75 as a minimum scale.

A dispatch from La Guayra, Venezuela, states that the revolutionary leader, Boland, is only two hours distant from Caracas and a battle is expected soon.

A cyclone swept over the Piedmont region Wednesday doing great damage to crops and buildings. At Hanceville, Ala., eleven persons were killed and many injured.

The National Mule Spinners' Association voted Wednesday to indorse the position of the United States government and to support, financially, the Lowell strikers.

All four years of the course at Yale are to be elective hereafter. This rule will make it possible for a freshman to drop Greek and other unnecessary studies.

Frank Buchanan, the leader of the Bridge and Ironworkers in their strike with the United States Steel Corporation, predicts a general labor war throughout the country.

Herr John Most after serving a year's imprisonment has been released from the United States Prison at McAlester, Okla. He was convicted of writing an incendiary article on the death of McKinley.

One hundred and fifty men belonging to the Eighteenth Portuguese Infantry at Oporto, have mutinied because they were about to be sent to the Portuguese colonies in Africa.

The workmen's defense committee has declined to proclaim a general strike of all the United States against Holland, unless the tyrannical anti-strike laws are abandoned by the government.

About 9000 members of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners are on a strike in New York because of misunderstandings between their order and the Amalgamated Society of Carpenters.

Two negroes were killed, two seriously hurt and nine slightly injured by falling walls in a brick tenement house at Lexington, Ky., Thursday. The collapse caught the inmates asleep in their beds.

In a negro settlement near Waverly, Mo., Wednesday, a riot was started over two negroes running for aldermen. In trying to quell the disturbance the city marshal was badly beaten and one black was killed.

As a result of a long crusade, the board of commissioners of the District of Columbia yesterday adopted a regulation forbidding expectorating on the sidewalks, making a violation thereof subject to a fine of \$1.

Thirty persons were killed and 100 injured during labor disturbances Tuesday at a factory near Nishui in Russia. Troops were called out and artillery brought up and fired point blank into the midst of the strikers.

Close to 3,000 immigrants passed through Chicago Monday for the Northwest. Agents declare that the present year will see all records for immigration and settlement in the Northwest broken by a large majority.

Dr. Franklin H. Giddings, of Columbia University, predicts that in 50 years the cities and towns between Lynn, Mass., and Mount Vernon, Va., will have grown together, forming a continuous city joined by trolley lines.

Oscar Barcliffe, engineer of the train which collided with a trolley car at Newark, N. J., killing many school children, is a raving maniac in a hospital where he constantly mutters imaginary throtle levers and valves.

It is reported that the Macedonian revolutionary committee intends to proclaim a general insurrection in the European provinces of Turkey about April 29, where more than 100,000 men armed with rifles and dynamite bombs are in the field.

The total annual income from liquor licenses is \$20,000.

Portland Irishmen are preparing a royal reception for Joseph Devlin, the Irish patriot, who will visit that city about April 29.

Work will begin at once upon a new coast road which will extend from Grant's Pass, Or., to Crescent City, Cal., and on southward.

Mayor Williams, of Portland, has been asked to appoint a committee to arbitrate the differences between labor unions and employers.

The 2-year-old daughter of H. F. Cassidy, of Boise City, was run over and horribly mangled by an electric car Monday. She may recover.

The citizens of Colton, Cal., mangled themselves and drove the hoboes out of town with sticks, pieces of rubber hose and ropes for whips.

The fast mail trains on the O. R. & N. will hereafter stop five minutes at Multnomah Falls, for the purpose of allowing tourists to view the falls.

Robert George, of Astoria, was killed by a logging train Monday. He attempted to jump on the moving engine and fell under the wheels.

Asst. Sheriff Ed Marshall, of Astoria, seized 1000 pounds of salmon on the Clatskanie Monday, which had been caught in violation of the law.

Twenty-seven applicants, including women, are to be examined by the state medical board in Portland, Thursday for license to practise medicine.

Donald Ross, of Whatcom, Wash., committed suicide Monday by shooting himself with a 12-caliber rifle. Despondency and drink were the causes.

Employees at the insane asylum have petitioned for an increase of wages. The board of railway commissioners has the request under advisement.

The students at Whitman College, Walla Walla, Tuesday night played a supposed joke on the faculty by smearing limberger cheese about their meeting place.

Two boys hunting in the vicinity of Grand Rapids, discovered a large limestone cave, which promises to be as great in extent as the noted "Great Oregon Caves."

A Danish workman on the state-house, Olympia, Wednesday fell out of the third-story window a distance of 30 feet into a pile of lumber below, landing without a scratch.

E. A. Smith, of McMinnville, who was arrested for passing a check, on an oration said to be stolen from Senator Vance, will be held by the McMinnville College for plagiarism.

George Estes, president of the United Brotherhood of Railway Employees, who has been held in Vancouver, B. C., for interfering with his majesty's mail, has been released from custody.

The Astoria Fishermen's Union has decided that the price of the chinook salmon catch this season shall be 5 cents per pound for all fish weighing less than 25 pounds, and 6 cents for all over 25 pounds.

Two hoboes were arrested at Bonaville, Monday, for breaking into O. R. & N. freight cars. They were released on \$500 bond, as is a disreputable suspicion and their theft was soon discovered.

Thomas Drislane, the pioneer cattle king and old-time miser of Baker county, left an estate which is appraised at \$100,000. Among other bequests he leaves \$1,000 to St. Elizabeth hospital, \$2,000 to St. Francis Academy and \$500 to the Catholic church, all of Baker City.

The board of directors of the Musicians' Union at San Francisco, of which Mayor Schmitz is president, has placed the democratic state central committee upon the unfair list until that committee shall liquidate its indebtedness to the musicians for services in the last campaign.

State Attorney-General Webb, of California, has returned an official opinion declaring the use of the Bible in the public schools unconstitutional. Not only may teachers not use the Scriptures as a text-book, but even reading from them, as is the custom frequently at the opening devotional exercises, is barred.

**ALWAYS TIRED  
NEVER RESTED**

To be tired-out from hard work or bodily exercise is natural and rest is the remedy, but there is an exhaustion without physical exertion and a tired, never-rested feeling—a weakness without work that is unnatural and shows some serious disorder is threatening the health. One of the chief causes of that "Always-tired, never-rested condition" is impure blood and bad circulation. Unless the body is nourished with rich, pure blood there is lack of nervous force, the muscles become weak, the digestion impaired, and general debility occurs throughout the system. Debility, insomnia, nervousness, indigestion, dyspepsia, loss of appetite, strength and energy, and the hundreds of little ailments we often have are due directly to a bad condition of the blood and circulation, and the quickest way to get rid of them is by purifying and building up the blood, and for this purpose no remedy equals S. S. S., which contains the best ingredients for cleansing the blood and toning up the system. It is a vegetable blood purifier and tonic combined, that enriches the blood, and through it the entire system is nourished and refreshing sleep comes to the tired, never-rested body.

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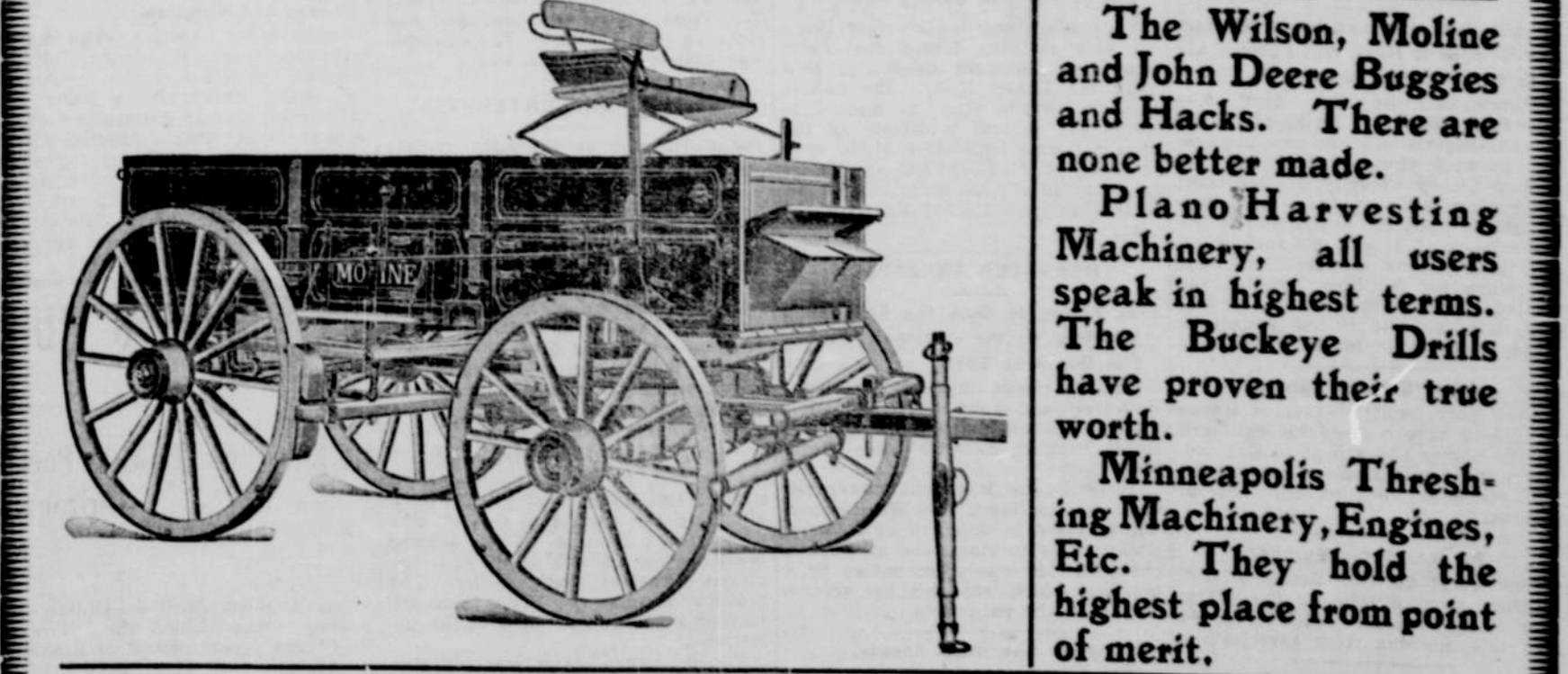
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