

My creed is this: First—I believe that the great things that have been gained in these countless ages in which men have been dwelling on this planet—and I think that we have gained great things—have been accomplished by a very slow growth indeed. So let us have the patience of the tortoise.

MANCHURIA, BONE OF CONTENTION.

The eyes of the world are now turned upon that far away bone of contention, over which the European and Asiatic powers are growing—Manchuria.

Americans look lightly upon this country, for the reason that it is so far distant and comparatively unknown. They do not understand the possibilities of trade that lie locked up in this vast region, nor the importance of having the United States government gain a permanent commercial foothold there.

Manchuria is the northeastern province of the Chinese Empire. It is a vast plateau, enclosed by a range of mountains, 10,000 to 12,000 feet high on the north and west.

The province is 500 miles wide from east to west and comprises about 350,000 square miles. It lies between latitudes 40 and 50, north and ranges in altitude above the sea level from 400 feet in the south, to 2,000 in the great northern plains.

The climate resembles that of the northwestern portion of the United States, in general, the temperature ranging from 90 degrees above in summer, to 10 degrees below zero in winter. For three months the great rivers of the north are closed to navigation, on account of ice.

The western border of the country is formed by the Kih-Gan mountains a magnificent range, whose summits, averaging 8,000 to 12,000 feet high, are perpetually covered with snow. The northern boundary is formed by the Amoor river, one of the five great river systems of China. It flows northeast into the Okhotsk sea. Siberia encircles the province on the north and east and Korea shuts it off from the sea coast on the south, so the only place it touches tide water is at the northwest corner, where the Korean Bay, an arm of the Yellow Sea, pushes far inland.

Manchuria is a great oblong basin, through the center of which flows the Sungaria river, a feeder of the Amoor. This river drains the basin completely, as the Mississippi does the great American basin, and forms the principal highway for native traffic and travel.

Harbin, on the Chinese Eastern railway, is the inland metropolis and Nieu Chwang, near the Korean Bay, is the principal sea port.

The Chinese Eastern railway enters Manchuria at the northwest corner and traverses the entire width of the province in a southeasterly direction to Nieu Chwang and Port Arthur.

The country is well watered, having four large river systems—the Naur, Sungari and Amoor flowing northward and easterly and the Sira Muren flowing southward.

The country is adapted to wheat raising and livestock in the north. The soil is alluvial and apparently inexhaustible. The mountain streams are numerous and swift, and furnish excellent opportunities for irrigation. At Harbin the Russians have two immense flour mills and the native wheat sells for 60 kopecks or 30 cents, gold, per bushel.

The methods of farming are ancient and crude. Land that should produce 40 bushels of wheat per acre, under enlightened systems, now produces 15 bushels under the Chinese systems.

The need of agricultural and milling machinery is very great.

Manchuria is one of the oldest settled sections of country in the world. It has a written history covering 4,200 years. It is the home of the ancient Chinese kings, who belonged to the dynasty now in power in China.

For two thousand years it has been a charnel house of murder. All the criminals who escaped from China flocked into this rendezvous, organized robber bands and terrorized the surrounding country.

It is the home of the ancient Tartars, and until Russia invaded the province it was a chaos.

The demand for American products has constantly increased for the past five years.

While the native flour sells for 20 cents per hundred less than the American product, Manchuria imported \$195,000 worth of flour in 1902. American coal oil amounting to 800,000 gallons was imported in 1902, while in 1901 over 2,000,000 gallons were used. Russian oil is taking place of the American product at this rate.

Russia is building flour mills, neat packing houses, opening mines and introducing Russian manufactures. There is no more promising field for American capital than Manchuria. It is a prolific country of wonderful resources and should be civilized principally by Americans, and American arts.

HOMESEEKERS WANTED.

The brief remarks made by Mayor T. G. Hatley before the recent meeting of the Progress Club, should be a text and a creed for the city of Pendleton, until the population is increased to 20,000 souls.

The flood of immigration that is now rushing westward passes through

this city to other points, which have introduced themselves to the homeseeeker in the East.

Of the 20,000 homeseecker tickets written by the Harriman lines since the cheap rate went into effect, how many have named Pendleton as the objective point? Walla Walla, Spokane, La Grande, Baker City and other towns of the Inland Empire have thoroughly advertised their resources in the East, and have been rewarded by receiving parties of tourists which were attracted by the special features of the locality.

There is no lack of natural advantages in Umatilla county. There is no dearth of attractions and opportunities for investment. There is no reason why one-fourth of the flood of tourists who have passed through this city within the past sixty days should not have been entertained in this city and introduced to the splendid resources of this county.

Every city of importance in Oregon has gathered the minutest details in regard to the business opportunities and resources, educational facilities and other statistics, into attractive pamphlets and sent them whirling among the Eastern states. The result is that the names of these cities are on every tongue. They were made objective points for entire carloads of homeseekers, who had money to invest and who were ready to settle in Oregon on the slightest inducement.

Where this descriptive literature is circulated free of charge, and kept in conspicuous places where it can be read by the greatest number of people in the East, it seems that Pendleton could afford to issue one of the most attractive pamphlets ever sent out of Oregon.

The world-famous wheat and wool crops of this county, the manufacturing articles which have introduced the city to every community in the East, and the natural resources which appeal to investors, need only to be mentioned, to attract the widest attention.

"How to secure homeseechers and hold them" should be the theme of every public meeting held in Pendleton during the next year.

The first petition for a referendum on the portage road comes from Vale, Malheur county. It only contains 50 signatures and the secretary of state will keep it as a souvenir for Eastern Oregon.

The announcement in a Walla Walla paper that several freight teams had recently been loaded in that city, with supplies for Susan Valley, a tributary to Pendleton's stream of trade should cause Pendleton business men to look to their laurels.

The triumph won by the Scripps-McRae News Association in securing a wireless telegraphic news service on the coming yacht race between the Reliance and Shamrock III, is worthy of special notice. This association is making rapid progress in its field, which proves the constant growth of the demand for the afternoon paper.

The school book trust is shown to have sent \$40,000 into Missouri to influence legislation. Wherever it goes it breeds corruption. Its methods are always reprehensible, and it does not hesitate to resort to the use of money if it can find an opening for influencing business in that manner.

"Binger Hermann was removed from the Roseburg land office by President Grant in 1875, having served but one month more than half his term of four years," says the Eugene Guard. "He was speculating in public lands contrary to regulations. Thirty years afterward, in the year 1903, the present republican president turned him out of the general land office—and that, too, for cause. And yet, Oregon republicans were hunched into nominating him for congress. And out of them will vote for him. It is a most curious thing, this hold of Binger Hermann on Oregon republicanism." This is a campaign chorus from Mr. Hermann's own neighborhood.

The new press of the Oregon Daily Journal is now in place and will be started by next Monday.

"Jack-the-flipper" is a perennial product. He springs up in society like the poison weed in the field.

Seattle is so rotten that even the iron bars in the city jail cells seem to be affected. Two jail breaks in as many days is her remarkable record.

The law raising the price of Oregon school land from \$1.25 to \$2.50 per acre, goes into effect May 21. This significant raise in the price seems like a bit of willful irony, after the splendid heritage of the school children has been appropriated by favored land sharks.

The reason why homeseechers eat breakfast in Pendleton and pass on to Washington, without investigating this section of country, is that Washington, cities and cross roads have successfully advertised themselves. There is no other reason for it. Pendleton gets 25 cents for a breakfast and Washington gets a homeseecker with \$10,000 to invest.

The Harney county papers are justly proud of the fact that the Silvers river irrigation project is very likely to be reported favorably by the engineers in charge. It is one of the most promising plans in Oregon. It would open up to settlement a half million acres, and would mean the completion of a railroad into Central Oregon.

A trip around the world will soon be so commonplace, it will not be considered a crowning glory to the traveler. With the completion of the Siberian road, the globe trotter will lose his halo of fame, for it will be possible for people of moderate means on a month's vacation to encircle the earth. The cost now from London to

Shanghai, by way of the Siberian route, including fare, food, berths and all conveniences of travel, amounts to \$185. The water route cost is \$290.

The high school will not be abolished. Pendleton favors the widest scope for public school education. It is the free, open institution of the masses and cannot be dispensed with. The Academy is open to all. Every school patron in the city can take advantage of its excellence, but the high school is the natural refuge of the people, and must ever remain at the head of the public school system.

The National Civic Federation which was organized amid a flourish of trumpets two years ago, has proved to be a hollow mockery. Instead of promoting industrial peace, it seems to have engendered more bitter warfare. Since its organization the greatest strike in the history of the nation dragged along for eight months, unsettled, with some of the warmest promoters of the federation most obstinate in their refusal to surrender a point to the just demands of their employees. The whole aim and object of the federation seems to be to promote peace by destroying the power of the workingman, by dissolving his organizations. There is but one way to bring about industrial peace and that is to remember that every American citizen is the equal of every other American citizen, no matter how many dollars stand between them.

Every leading exchange in Eastern Oregon has reprinted the East Oregonian's editorial note on range conditions and the necessity of pruning down the large herds of stock and preparing the smaller herds in better condition for markets. This is the only salvation for the stockman. There is no use to fight over ranges that are absolutely inadequate to support the amount of stock now owned in Eastern Oregon. There is no use to hold on to large herds that must be sold at a loss as the ability to care for them properly decreases. Finished product is the cry of the day. Purebred is now shipping beef from Texas, a distance of 2500 miles. Portland has not had two weeks' visible supply ahead for eighteen months. The East Oregonian rejoices to see the Eastern Oregon press take up the fight for the improvement of the livestock industry.

A New York dispatch of May 11 gives the following touching account of a funeral that took place in that city Monday: "Lying in a rosewood coffin, his head resting on a pillow of flowers, the body of Tyras, a Harlequin Great Dane dog, was borne away to the dog cemetery at Scarsdale, followed by a procession of nine and a half miles, with about 40 mourners. Tyras belonged to an actor and character impersonator. The dog, 12 years old, had appeared on the stage in nearly every country of the world. He had been twice around the globe, had played before the Czar of Russia, the Empress of China, the Mikado of Japan and at the time of his death wore a beautiful collar given him by Cecil Rhodes." It has come to a pass in this country where the fashionable parasites of the large cities, do not know how to spend their money nor their time. In the absence of an inclination to engage in an art or an ennobling pastime, the distinguishing performances as that described above, are carried out. These 40 automobiles in the parade, loaded down with aristocratic idlers, passed at least a thousand of their fellow citizens who never saw the inside of a free library, a church nor a public school.

HUBBARD IN DENVER. The many local readers of Albert Hubbard's Philadelphia Journal of protest, which has appeared from month to month as an exclusive feature of the Post, will be delighted to know that this celebrated writer and orator is coming to Denver. The Post readers have come to know and admire "Fra Elbertus" through his scintillating wit and humor, as set forth in his own inimitable manner, and now they are to have an opportunity of studying the personal characteristics of one of the most talked of men in America.

Mr. Hubbard is to lecture at the Woman's Club Thursday evening, May 12, and the subject he has selected is "Roycroft Ideals." Nobody is so capable of talking of the Roycrofters, their work and their ideals as is Mr. Hubbard, as he created the Roycrofters, set up the standard of their ideals and mapped out the work they have to do.

"Work is for the workers," once said this leader of the Philistines, his flock, and he has seen to it that the idea was carried out at East Aurora, Erie county, New York, where the Roycroft shop is located, and the work they have done has been of a quality to make East Aurora as famous as the celebrated shoulder of Katisha, which people come from afar to see.

As a speaker "Fra Elbertus" is said to be as great or even a greater success than he is as a writer. Of his oratorical ability one of his critics has had this to say: "The man is seen at his best on the lecture platform." His printed words often seem flippant and needlessly ironical, but the countenance of Fra Elbertus shows only good cheer and kindness and his jests made every hearer better."

NAVAL WEAR AND TEAR.

The wear and tear on battleships in times of peace seem to cost more than the victor's losses in time of war. The damage inflicted on the American navy by the Spanish guns is less than that which it has suffered from its own guns since the treaty of Paris. This is likely to dampen the growing enthusiasm for naval appropriations. "In time of peace prepare for war" becomes annoying when preparation is more dangerous to life and property than warfare.

The Tribune does not attempt to place the blame for the defects in construction which lead to the bursting of rifled cannon, the breakdown of turrets, or bucking" of decks. There have been bad accidents on the Illinois, the Iowa and the Maine within a short time, and the Maine recently returned from its first cruise with its deck plates bent in by the

coil of the guns. "Some one had blundered." Naval writers have considered the development of naval science a contest between armor and projectiles. They seem to have forgotten the element of structural strength.

The United States can not afford to drop behind in the development of a navy, but naval constructors must improve their plans. Bridge builders allow for a strain greater than any that will be put on the structure. Shipbuilders should allow an ample margin of safety—Chicago Tribune.

AMORIS FABULAE.

He was a beast, And she was a beast; They loved and dwelt together. 'Twas a beastly life, But it was not hell— Beast-like all storms they weather.

He was a beast, And she was a soul; And she was an angel of God! Nay, she was an angel of God! She uttered no moan, but steadfast prayed— Till they couched her beneath the sod.

He was a soul, And she was a beast; A beast of the otopus-kind. His beak and his writing arms about His being, and drew the life-blood out— Then an angel stole his mind.

He was a soul, and she was a soul; And they dwelt in God's paradise. The skies were clear though the storm-wind swept. The rainbow shone through the tears they wept— They were foolish, and very wise. From "Oceanides," by Percy W. Sheild.

GENERAL NEWS.

An auto-mobile race is on between Paris and Madrid.

An expedition has just left from Berlin, Norway, in search of the north pole.

A rebellion is announced in Bolivia, of the usual South American proportions.

The British Isles have been quarantined against Argentine and Uruguayan cattle.

May 12 there was \$26,471,256 of gold in the vaults of the United States treasury in New York.

Archbishop Kain, of St. Louis, has urged St. Agnes sanitarium at Baltimore in hopes of mending his shattered nerves.

A grant of \$2,000,000 of land has been secured in Chihuahua, Mexico, on which to colonize Boers from South Africa.

The births in New York city during the first four months of 1902 were 2,000 in excess of the corresponding months of 1902.

Labor troubles in Valparaiso, Chile, have almost reached the proportion of an insurrection. Martial law has been proclaimed.

Ethel Clark, who was kidnaped from her home at Baltimore 23 years ago, has returned home and been identified.

The Great Northern Railway Company is advertising in Kansas City for 100 conductors, but so far there is no one to apply.

A sick native of Hawaii was beaten to death with a Bible. The native physician held that he was possessed of devil and took that means of casting him out.

In three counties in Western Pennsylvania the forests are on fire. Companies of fire fighters have gone to the fires from all the large towns of that part of the state.

In spite of Russian denials and efforts to suppress the facts, it has become known that 44 Jews were massacred in Kishineff and 84 others more or less seriously wounded.

G. F. Koryogay, editor of the Dalhart (Texas) Sun, shot and killed W. T. Keith, an attorney of that place. The quarrel originated in an article in the Sun. Keith began the shooting.

The Missouri court of appeals holds that a minister's salary in that state is not subject to a moral obligation, and cannot be collected by process of law from the subscribers thereto.

Two young men in New Jersey fought a duel with clubs to see which should have Miss Rosa Latzsky, who suggested the duel. While it was in progress, Rosa was being married to a third suitor. The duellists were both badly injured.

There is an epidemic of cattle mange in all the territory from Canada to Mexico and from the Rocky mountains to the Missouri river. The disease is characteristic of the large range herds. Vigorous measures are being taken to prevent the infection spreading.

A Jersey City man, on account of his weak heart forbidding the use of anesthesia, submitted to two amputations of an injured leg. The first below the second above the knee. The second was rendered necessary by gangrene. He did not lose consciousness at any time.

A burglar was discovered in a house in St. Albans, Vt. Two men residing in the house were awakened and each attacked the other mistaking him for the intruder. Both were seriously hurt, one with a club, the other with a pistol. The burglar escaped.

brought 20 tons of firecrackers. The customs officials are now weighing them and collecting the duty of 8 cents per pound, gross weight.

E. W. Powell, of Seattle, one of the most prominent Elks of the state, died at that city Tuesday, of cancer of the stomach.

O. Nickel, proprietor of a Portland tea store, cashed a bogus check for \$10 Tuesday. The forger has not been apprehended.

The first petition for a referendum on the portage road bill was sent to Salem Tuesday from Vale, Malheur county, and was signed by 50 citizens.

Tacoma is experiencing an acute beef famine. Local butchers are now anxiously awaiting cattle shipments from Texas, which were ordered in an extremely.

The messenger boys of Portland have struck for an increase of 1/2 cent on each message. The price now paid is 1 1/2 cents per message. The boys want 2 cents.

The master painters of Portland are hiring every non-union man who will work. The demand for painters is enormous, some of the firms having 50 and 60 houses engaged ahead.

Pierre Delorme, a half-breed of Vancouver, B. C. slashed his wife with a butcher knife, Wednesday. Thinking he had killed her, he cut his own throat, dying almost instantly.

A MILLION FOR AN ANGEL. It is said that John Farson, a Chicago millionaire, has offered \$1,000,000 to the servant who will stay in his family till he dies, who loves her vocation, who is good-natured and a diplomat who knows better than to discuss family affairs with other servants, who is always dignified, who is a good nurse, a good cook, a dress-maker, and who never sulks. Such a luxury would easily be worth the money to a man who can afford it. But angels are rare on earth, and even at \$1,000,000 a piece Mr. Farson may experience great difficulty in catching any.—Horse Capital News.

The Real Cause of Dandruff and Baldness. At one time dandruff was attributed to be the result of a feverish condition of the scalp, which threw off the dried cuticle in scales.

Professor Unna, Hamburg, Germany, noted authority on skin diseases, explains this theory and says that dandruff is a germ disease.

This germ is really responsible for the dandruff and for so many bald heads. It can be cured if it is gone about in the right way. The right way, of course, and the only way is to kill the germ.

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Mrs. Lakeside—Isaac Seckle? Mrs. La Salle—It seems not. She has been married to the same man three times in succession.—Philadelphia Ledger.

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