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### Turkey Fails to Keep Faith.

George Lynch, a correspondent of the Associated Press in Friday telegraphed from Sofia as follows:

While Austria and Russia are jangling with the sultan over the details of the plan of control, the Macedonian refugees continue to starve and the Turk continues to drive the villagers across the frontier. The Russo-Austrian delay in submitting terms of control is nothing short of criminal, for every day's delay means a continuance of the Turkish campaign of extermination in Macedonia.

New that a plan has been submitted, the porte has started another campaign of delay. The sultan has held a council of his ministers, but withholds the result. A campaign of delay has been initiated, but the campaign of extermination continues. This is a serious charge, but it is susceptible of proof.

After visiting Adrianople, not being satisfied with the stories of the refugees still fleeing from the reign of terror existing there, I verified them in other quarters. The verification proves the refugees' stories to be not exceptional isolated instances. The migration of the terrorized Macedonians goes on, despite denials. It is impossible to believe that in this season of bitter cold the fugitives should continue to seek the frontier unless driven to flight by imminent peril.

With all the plausible excuses circulated in Constantinople, nevertheless the Turks continue the campaign of extermination. The porte declares it is supplying money for the rebuilding of ruined homes, but only the Turkish houses are being rebuilt. The powers' delay in submitting a plan of control is inexcusably criminal, and will be more criminal if the next three months are permitted to pass in parleys, protests and delays by the porte. Even now the Macedonian leaders, partly by necessity, manifest signs of ceasing hostilities, but the Turk has not held his hand. The flight of impoverished fugitives still goes on.

### Says Bible's Poet and Not History.

CHICAGO, Ill., Nov. 7.—That the story of Abraham and Isaac as told in the Bible is responsible for many of the murders committed by religious fanatics was the contention made by Dr. Emil G. Hirsch at Temple Israel. Referring to the story of the attempted sacrifice of Isaac by Abraham, Dr. Hirsch said:

"More harm has been done by that tale than any other in the Bible. We read every few months of some man who, in a religious frenzy, has killed his children, saying that he did so in order that he might make a sacrifice to God. The story of Abraham and Isaac has been read by those religious fanatics and has led them to commit their fearful crimes."

Dr. Hirsch lectured on "Was Abraham Real?" and contended that no such person ever existed. Abraham, he declared, was the personification of a nation, and the story of his life as told in the Bible is a story of the people of whom he was the type.

"We should realize that the Bible is a book of poetry and not a history," said Dr. Hirsch. "Its stories correspond to those that we find in the mythology of every nation from the ancient Greeks to the native inhabitants of North America. It is as a book of poetry that the Bible should be taught in the Sunday schools. The children should not be brought up to believe that every story in the Bible is true."

"Atheism has gained ground because of the manner in which the Bible stories are interpreted. When the children grow up they come to see that many of the tales can not be literally true, and, not knowing that the Bible is a book of poetry and not history, are led astray by such men as the late Robert Ingersoll."

Dr. Hirsch compared the stories told in the Bible to those told in Shakespeare's plays. "We know that such a person as Hamlet, prince of Denmark, never existed, and yet the play that bears his name is not the less instructive. It narrates the story of a struggle which an entire people had with the idea that a son must seek vengeance for the death of a father."

"So, too, the Bible stories tell of the struggles of the people. The story of Abraham and Isaac is a poetical version of the struggle to do away with the custom of offering human sacrifices to the Deity, which found its way into the creeds of nearly all the races. The other stories in the Bible and the biblical biographies are similar to the story of Abraham."

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### Wants to Change Mail Route.

It seems that another attempt is to be made to change our mail route from the old Coos Bay wagon road back to the Myrtle Point route. The inducement is held out that we will get our mail 12 hours earlier than by the present route. This, of course, would suit everybody. What we want is quick mail service, and the quicker the better. But the figures at our command don't seem to justify any such conclusion. It is said that if the people of Coos county unite in asking for it, an appropriation can be secured through the aid of Blinger Hermann, and that a first-class road will be built from Roseburg to Myrtle Point, connecting with a train from Marshfield, which will bring the Coos Bay mail in 12 hours ahead of the present schedule. Inducements of a somewhat similar nature were held out to us before, and we all know what the change resulted in.

We would be pleased to see a good road connecting Myrtle Point with Roseburg. We believe such a road would benefit the county generally, and county aid, for such a road, we think, would meet with the approval of a majority of the taxpayers. Let us have the road, if we can secure it on reasonable terms, and then when it is finished, and when the stages and automobiles are making phenomenal time over its smooth surface, we can change the mail route on short notice. In the meantime it might be better to hold fast to that which is good.—Marshfield News.

### ASSASSIN TOM HORN.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Nov. 7.—There were sensational developments this afternoon in the case of Tom Horn, the range detective, who is sentenced to be hanged on November 20 for the murder of Willie Nickell in Iron county, when his attorneys petitioned Gov. Chatterton to commute the sentence of life imprisonment. A large number of affidavits were submitted with the appeal, and in a number of cases the affidavits charge that Tom Horn did not kill the boy. Miss Gwendolin Myrtle Kimmel, school teacher, who lived at Iron Mountain when the crime was committed, but now of Kansas City, swore that Victor Miller, a son of Nickell's neighbor, confessed that he killed the boy. Ollie Whatman, and Iron Mountain ranchman, makes the same statement. Some persons who testified against Horn swore that they were duped. Witnesses also swear that Horn's confession was a put-up job, and that he really made no confession at all.

### FROM SOUTH AFRICA.

New Way of Using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

Mr. Arthur Chapman writing from Durban, Natal, South Africa, says: "As a proof that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is a cure suitable for old and young, I pen you the following: A neighbor of mine had a child just over two months old. It had a very bad cough and the parents did not know what to give it. I suggested that if they would get a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and put some upon the dummy teat the baby was sucking it would no doubt cure the child. This they did and brought about a quick relief and cured the baby." This remedy is for sale by A. C. Marsters & Co.

### Chrysanthemum Exhibit.

Arrangements have been completed for the chrysanthemum show to be given by the ladies of the M. E. church, at the Opera House on Thursday and Friday evenings, November 12 and 13. The following is the list for which prizes will be awarded:

- Class I.** Best collection of potted plants. Best exhibit of single potted-plant (any variety.)
- Class II. (Cut Flowers.)** Best floral design of fraternal order.
- Class III.** Best specimens of white, pink, yellow, bronze and red chrysanthemums.
- Class IV.** Best specimen, Good Gracious, Philadelphia, Mrs. E. G. Hill, Nervous, Queen, Golden Wedding, Modesto, Maj. Bonaffon, Helen Bloodgood, Florence Davis, W. H. Robinson, Mrs. Wm. Simpson, Mrs. G. W. Child, Vivian Morell, and Golden Gate chrysanthemums.
- Class V.** Best bouquet of chrysanthemums.

### Notice to Contractors.

Sealed bids will be received by the Board of School directors of Dist. No. 4, Roseburg Oregon, until 2 o'clock p. m. Nov. 2, 1903, for the erection and completion of a High School building according to plans and specifications, prepared by Chas. Bargar, Architect, Albany Ore. All bids must be accompanied by a certified check payable to school District No. 4, Roseburg, Oregon, for the sum of \$250. As a guarantee that in the event the contract is awarded, the contractor shall furnish an approved bond, equal to 75 per cent of the contract within ten days after the awarding of the contract.

Proposals for the same, plans and specifications, may be seen at S. C. Flint's, Roseburg, Oregon, or at the architect's office. The building shall be completed by September 1st, 1904.

The board reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Signed S. C. Flint, Chairman, Board of Director Dist. No. 4 CLARA DILLARD, Clerk. 75-N2

### Notice.

At a regular meeting of the directors of school District No. 4, the clerk was authorized to open books for subscription to warrant loan of \$20,000, said books to be open Oct. 1st. Subscribers can subscribe for amounts of \$50 or multiples thereof. Warrants will draw interest at the rate of 4 1/2 per cent per annum and will be payable as follows: \$2,000 each succeeding year until all are paid. For other information apply to CLARA DILLARD, Clerk. 75-1

### Keep Up the Bridges.

Douglas county has just been sued in the circuit court at Eugene for \$11,000 damages by Frank Gorrell, whose team, with himself, fell through a defective bridge killing the horses and seriously injuring Mr. Gorrell. A jury has returned a verdict in his favor for \$6,000. The result of this case should serve as a general warning to the county courts of the state that to be on the safe side, county bridges must be kept in constant repair. Twice every year the commissioners should go over and carefully examine every bridge in the county or require the same to be done by the road supervisors so that such accidents as befell Mr. Gorrell may be avoided. It sometimes costs less to keep bridges up than it does to let them decay and cripple the traveler who banks on his receipt as immunity from being dashed to death or crippled for life by a falling bridge.

Lane county bridges, with perhaps a very few exceptions, are said to be in good repair. Let us keep them so even if it does cost in immediate outlay a sum that seems expensive.

### Good Roads and Bridges.

Good roads and bridges will bring us more of the substantial class of farmers than any other sort of advertisement or inducement we can hold out to the new comers.—Eugene Register.

The above is good round common sense and we hope that from this time on there will be no complaint in Douglas county. We know that our Commissioners court was trying to retrench and reduce taxation and save every cent it could and this fact should be taken into consideration for the members of the court are very conscientious in all that they undertake. They may err but if they do it is from the head and not from the heart; and while we deplore the accident and the damage assessed against the county, we should remember that the court is doing what it believes to be its whole duty by the taxpayers of Douglas county.

In case of annexation, Canada would bring the United States a left-handed lot in the shape of a debt amounting to \$350,000,000, which is about one-third of the interest-bearing debt of the United States. Canada's census of 1901 showed a population of 5,371,315, which is 1,900,000 fewer than New York and 1,000,000 fewer than Pennsylvania had in 1900. Canada is not a large proposition as far as population is concerned, but in area, canals and debt it is quite sizable. The dominion is handing out subsidies to railroads so liberally that a quiet expectation to be annexed some day might be suspected. Canada is so nearly an independent nation that the differences constantly annoy it, and it feels so big in diplomacy and finances that its sense of proportion is defective. Under the circumstances, it should try to cultivate a spirit of courtesy and good humor.

### Inat Sand Bar.

The editor of the Gardiner Gazette visited Roseburg lately, and called on Congressman Hermann, to whom he submitted a few questions regarding the anticipated improvement at the mouth of the Umpqua. In answer to the question of what he thought of the possibilities of the Lower Umpqua, the Honorable Binger's reply was very characteristic. He said: "Well I will tell you. I think they are simply immeasurable. I cannot command the words to express my faith in the future of your country. The only obstacle that confronts you there is the bar at the mouth of the river. 'Tis upon this that the commercial prominence of your harbor is now hanging. The one and only thing you need to open that entire country is deep water on the bar, and you may rest assured that I shall let no grass grow under my feet when I have reached Washington, until I have laid my plans more definitely in the direction of some improvement to that end.—Marshfield News.

### There is no doubt that Senator Hanna will maintain his place at the head of the national committee through the campaign of 1904, if his health permits. The fact, however, that he has recently been physically shaky, and consequently has not been able to take quite such an active part in his own canvass for the Senate as he desired, makes it appear that he will feel unable to stand the strain of the management of another presidential campaign. His triumph as the campaign manager in 1896 and 1900 is such an unusual distinction that he may feel that a victory or two more would not give any further honors to him. He already heads the list of American party managers. Somebody else may have a chance to organize victory for the Republicans in 1904.

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### Wood! Wood! Wood!

The PLAINDEALER wants 20 tiers of wood at the office, and any man who wants to pay up a year's subscription can bring in a tier of wood and the business will be transacted.

### Hardscrabble News.

O. C. Ellenburg is with us again. Sadie Peasley came over from Drain last week. Mrs. Jennie Wade, of Scottsburg, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Boak. Mrs. L. M. Ritchey was visiting friends in upper Hardscrabble this week. Mr. Mock, Miss Grace and Mr. Goy Mock came home from Elmira Saturday.

### Bill Swearingen is in our midst quite often of late. He says he is looking for a housekeeper and that bachelor life is not as pleasant as it should be.

B. L. Ritchey has rented his mother's ranch and his cherry "gee-up" as he farms the hillsides is pleasant to hear. Mr. and Mrs. John Tracy and wife and Mr. and Mrs. John Hedrick were guests of Wm. Ellenburg Sunday.

### Mr. Chas. Mock was visiting friends in lower Hardscrabble Sunday.

Howard Smith, of Sunnydale, was in the valley last week. Byron Brwn, agent for Bliss Native Herbs, canvassed this valley Friday.

Monday morning the residence of Mrs. Cook caught fire from a defective flue, but with the assistance of Uncle Jake and Robert the fire was soon out and no serious damage done.

Our school is progressing nicely under the management of Chester Putnam, who seems to be well liked by all his pupils. BLOSSOM.

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