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With the Toast and Tea

GOOD EVENING.
Women may be pardoned for
lack of common sense. The cul-
prit in them is the heart.
STAHLL.
AWAKENING.
It were joy to have lived, if only to
know
I had waked in this dusk of the
woods to the flow
Of a streamlet that leaps down its
deil to the lea,
Its waters a-sparkle and beckoning to
me.
To have waked in the forest and mar-
veled to hear
A bird at its matin-song glad some
and clear;
"From dawn-blue to sun-glow I've
haunted your dream
With the lure of Her love by the
margin of the stream."
To have slept in my sorrow and
wakened but now
With a kiss as of exquisite lips on
my brow
And Her call as of bells to a world
that's reborn,
And a beat in my blood like the
laughter of morn:
To have wandered and toiled in the
deep forest aisles,
To have counted in darkness the
wearisome miles,
To have slept for the dream's sake,
and waked with Love's word
At the lips of the stream, at the heart
of the bird.
SMART SET.
"Big news," said the assistant editor,
"Harriman has gobbled another
railroad."
"Make it a stick full," said the editor.
"What news feature do you see
to that?"
"The fact that there was a railroad
he hadn't gobbled."
"Make it a column."
"and when your guide lost your
party what did you do?"
"We all fired our guns and—
"Why didn't you fire your guide?"
"she is eternally disgraced, and
nothing short of a divorce will do her
now."
"what has happened?"
"she was giving a pink tea, and
her husband came home and painted
it red."
"some folks say it is my duty, for
the Peerless One to vote; if he isn't
chosen captain our ship won't stay
afloat; but a chap gets tired of voting
for the chap without a peer; I can
always vote for Bryan, so I'll vote
for Taft this year. Change is some-
times necessary, if this life we would
enjoy, and, although our sweetest
boon is voting for the Peerless One,
yet some little variation makes the
landscape seem less drear; I can al-
ways vote for Bryan, so I'll vote for
Taft this year. Even though our
children's children hang their heads
in deepest shame, blushing for their
rude forefathers, who at one time
jumped the game—who in gloomy
desperation voted down the peerless

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THE DEVELOPMENT CONGRESS.
Some things were talked over at
the Idaho-Oregon Development-Con-
gress, recently held in Marshfield,
which eventually may bring results.
The most important and significant
thing which came before the meeting
was Governor Chamberlain's recom-
mendation that the state of Oregon
pass initiative laws and build its own
railroads. This thought, however, is
not original with the governor, for
Francis H. Clarke, of Marshfield, sug-
gested it over a year ago in the Coos
Bay Times.
The matter of second importance
was the action of making a perman-
ent organization of the Congress.
Perhaps this is really the most im-
portant thing of all, since it insures
other meetings and sets at rest any
suspicion that the people of Idaho
and Oregon are not in deadly earnest
in their demands for more rail-
roads. When Mr. Harriman is ap-
prised of the significance of some
things which transpired at Marshfield
he will take a deeper interest in the
demands of Oregon. For instance,
the permanent secretary of the or-
ganization is C. A. Hardy of Eugene,
who is known and recognized as an
attorney who represents the Hill in-
terests in Oregon, and very likely
was at Marshfield at his employers'
suggestion, as well as in the legiti-
mate interests of development. No
opprobrium may apply to Hardy,
however, for at heart he is a booster
whose every effort is directed to-
wards greater things for Oregon, and
since he is in a position to advise
with other interests than those of
Harriman, it is plain the congress
made a wise selection in its secre-
tary.
The suggestion of state railroad
ownership sounds plausible and prac-
ticable to enthusiasts who grasp at
any novel idea advanced for the aid
of our large undeveloped territory.
But sober, candid reflection assures
the conservative Oregonian that the
proposition to build and equip state
railroads is not likely to prove the
required specific. If the railroads
could be built by the state the scheme
would work out advantageously. But
they cannot be built because every
isolated section of the state would
want a road built at once and the
movement would break up in a gen-
eral sectional row, for the voters
would not authorize the bonds re-
quired for so much expensive work
at once. If a movement of this na-
ture were launched, however, it
might hurry matters among the rail-
roads which intend building lines in
the state, and the effort could be
abandoned when full assurance was
given that the railroads would cease
jockeying the commonwealth and get
down to business.
The Development Congress could
make a bigger noise if it would for-
get Harriman altogether and make
overtures to the Great Northern,
Northern Pacific and the Northwest-
ern, all of which have an eye on the
traffic of the state. The Willamette
valley stands in need of another sea-
rt market and therefore favors a
road to Coos Bay. The interior
east of the Cascades needs
railroad as a starter for its
products, but Coos Bay
market outlet, since it is much
earlier than
The state at
available sea-
particularly the Willamette-
valley, was re-
resented at Marsh-
field and the Con-
gress may be set
down as the most im-
portant develop-
ment meeting ever hel d in the North-
west. It is sincerely to be hoped its
work will not languish and that its
members will hammer several rail-
roads into existence.—Wedderburn
Radium.
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