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AERONAUTS AND THE LAW.

At a meeting in London this week the International Association of Aeronauts is arranging what it terms the "rules of the air." While such regulations as may be laid down are those of a private organization and binding on the members thereof only, they will probably be of extreme importance in fixing custom and moulding law. For aeronautics has been advancing with great leaps in the last year or two, and it will shortly be the duty of state and nation to consider the new methods of transportation and bring under their control the various airships and flying machines for the safety alike of those who drive them and those who dwell beneath them.

Many curious modifications of the law will come about when aeroplanes are developed to the point where they will have come into general use. Upon the surface of the earth travel is kept to certain roads and highways giving directions and holding traffic within fixed bounds. Even ocean and lake navigation follows lanes, sometimes prescribed by statute. But in the air barriers of fence, of shore lines, of ditch and shoal, are given no thought. The traveler will journey in whatever way it shall please him and at whatever altitude his machine and his courage allow. Careless steering, thoughtless maneuvering, and any lack of watchfulness might bring disaster to a score of craft. The federal government might be called upon to define areas of transportation, to regulate the height at which certain types of vessels shall move, and it may be compelled to police the air in places where traffic concentrates.

One of the great problems which the art of flying will create is the enforcement of tariff laws. With aeroplanes smuggling would become a thing of great ease. These machines could cross back and forth across the borders of Canada and the United States with such speed and with such secrecy that the entire customs service, if mobilized upon our northern frontier, could not break up the practice. Steamers at sea might dispatch by night aeroplanes with a few hundred pounds of costly goods. To distinguish these flying machines from lawful aeroplanes might prove an impossibility. Landing far inland the aeronauts would be in a position to defy all the tariff laws, however, severe, that this country might lay down.

What should be the rule of the road among the clouds? Must the dirigible balloon slow down and whistle a warning blast to the aeroplanes shooting out of a bank of fog? What should be the procedure of the helicopter, which rises straight from the ground, when it enters an area of heavy traffic? Perhaps the International Association of Aeronauts will decide these points—or may be it will postpone decision and leave the thousand and one queries for time and fate to answer.

KEEP AT IT.

One of the country's foremost and successful retail merchants declared in a recent public address that "Store advertising to be good, must be continuous, not spasmodic, but regular. The advertiser who keeps at it gets the buying public to look for his advertisements and to always expect something, and he should never disappoint them. I would as soon think of going out of business as I would of stopping advertising." This is the belief of all prosperous retailers, who individually and collectively proved that "Advertising

WITH THE TOAST AND TEA

GOOD EVENING.

To act the part of a true friend requires more conscientious feeling than to fill with credit and complacency any other station of capacity in social life.—Mrs. Ellis.

—TOO VIRTUOUS.

There was a man
Who thought he could
Evolve a plan
For staying good.
He wouldn't wink,
He wouldn't joke,
He wouldn't drink,
He wouldn't smoke;
He never walked
With wife or maid;
He never talked,
He never played;

Went home at night,
Stayed home by day,
So that he might
Not go astray.

He was so scared
Of sin, by Jing!
He never dared
To do a thing.
He had it clinched
He thought—till he
At last was pinched
For vagrancy!

—Exchange.

Everything comes back in time except the shawl.

When you don't like cold weather,
It's a sign you are old.

The women think that every time
a man goes into a dry goods store
he is robbed.

When you hear an extravagant
compliment you are disposed to
think there is a good deal in it.

Don't tell a friend in trouble that
every cloud has a silver lining, unless
you have time to stop and find it
for him.

That Chicago man who killed himself
because he had gray hair must
have misunderstood a friend who
advised him to dye.

It sometimes happens that when
children behave well at a table it is
because there is nothing on the table
they particularly want.

If a man doesn't run to politics he
is probably given to religious conventions
or lodge reunions. No one entirely
escapes the parade idea.

The Christian Chinese of Hankow
are reported to be contributing money
for the evangelization of Arkansas.
Now will Arkansas be good?

No man ever fell in love with a
suffragist. When you find a suffragist
married her husband fell in love
with her before she became a suffragist.

You often hear this said of a man;
"He's a dead one." That is, he is
slow, and doesn't amount to anything.
Look yourself over; are you a
dead one?

Nearly every young woman is attracted
to the man who talks well, but when
she chooses a husband she prefers one
who can make a noise like a bank account.

Every man who runs for office
says: "They are always talking of
the importance of nominating good
men for office. Now the people have
a chance; let them vote for me."

REJOICE.

He sang of the spring, the beautiful
spring;
"Rejoice, for the winter has fled!"
But his thick underclothing he took
off too soon,
And got a bad cold in the head.

helps to make the small business
big; the big business bigger, and
the biggest business safe." No matter
what the size of your business
may be you will be making a wise
investment to expend in judicious
advertising at least 5 per cent of
your entire year's receipts—it will
return to you greatly increased, but
the amount will depend with the
wisdom with which you advertise and
how you back up your published
statements. While it is true that a
business can be run without advertising,
as can a wagon without greasing,
you'll find it goes hard.

MYRTLE POINT POINTERS.

News of Upper Coquille Valley As
Told by The Enterprise.
A son was born to Mr. and Mrs.
Ben Perry at their home in Myrtle
Point on Saturday, the 13th.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Widby welcomed a daughter to their home
across the river on Monday, the 15th.

Mrs. Henry Strong went to North
Bend yesterday to see her son Clarence
who was operated upon at the
Mercy hospital Monday of this week.

The 20-months-old daughter of
Mr. and Mrs. James Johnson fell
from a chair at their home Sunday
and broke the bones of her left forearm
near the elbow.

Jesse Melton of Weiser, Idaho,
who was here last year, has returned
to Oregon and will probably make
this his home. He and Austin Ray
of Marshfield, were guests this week
at the home of their uncle, W. L.
Ray.

W. E. Pike returned last week
from a trip to San Francisco and
Portland where he had been on
business. During his absence he visited
with Mrs. Pike who is at Ashland.
He states that she is showing
some improvement in health.

News of the arrival of a handsome
baby daughter at the home of
Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Greves at Los
Angeles on February 5th, has been
received by Myrtle Point friends of
the family. Mrs. Greves was formerly
Miss Myrel Dixon, daughter of
Mrs. Fannie Dixon of this place.

Rev. Mr. Howard is expected in
from Portland this week to take the
temporary pastorate of the Presbyterian
church of this city, and will
preach at the usual hours next Sunday,
at 11 in the morning and 7:30
in the evening. The church here has
been without a pastor since the
removal of Rev. C. E. Botts to Washington
early last winter.

Henry G. Ploeger, proprietor of
the gent's furnishing store on East
Spruce street, has been very sick for
more than a week with a severe attack
of the grip, which took effect in
his head. The first of the week
the disease had settled in his eye and
it was thought that he might lose
his sight, but his friends will hope
that he will completely recover soon.

Geo. King's dog, Butch, who formerly
supported and maintained a
very glossy and silky caudal
appendage, now mournfully displays
but a bony stump of a tail. The insinuation
that King attempted to
feed him into his bologna sausage
machine is indignantly and emphatically
denied. Butch's tail was
twisted off by getting tangled up in
the driving mechanism of one of the
Coquille's gasoline boats.

The Improvement club has made
arrangement to offer another series
of prizes for the best flower gardens
in Myrtle Point the coming summer.
Prizes will be awarded next June.
Last summer there were a number
of very pretty flower gardens considered
for the prizes and the influence
for the civic improvement of
Myrtle Point was very beneficial. A
similar contest has been announced
at Cottage Grove, only that sweet
peas alone will be considered in
awarding the prizes. February 15
was the date set for planting the
sweet peas that will be entered in
competition.

The new constitution of Michigan,
which has just been ratified gives
tax suffrage to women. A large
delegation of women representing all
classes had a hearing before the
constitutional convention asking that
women have full suffrage with men.
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with 175,000 individual signatures.
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women tax suffrage.

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