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GOOD EVENING.

"Men think there are circumstances when we may deal with human beings without love, and there are no such circumstances. One may deal with things without love. We may cut down trees, make bricks, hammer iron without love. But you cannot deal with men without it." TOLSTOI.

GOOD NIGHT.

My little lass with sleepy face Comes stumblingly to say "Good Night." "O daddy, leave the open door, "I want to see the light!" On some still night of twilight peace, When I grow sleepy suddenly, I hope the Heavenly Father's love Will leave a light for me.

HOW SCHOOLS HAVE GROWN.

THE federal bureau of education has made public the report of an investigation into the educational progress of the nation in the last decade with results nothing short of sensational. Between 1900 and 1910 the annual income of the public schools of the country, for instance, has nearly doubled, being in this year probably near the half billion dollar mark. The value of public school property has more than doubled, and is now well over a round billion.

BACKWARD CHILDREN

THE recent conference in New York of the National Association for the Study and Education of Exceptional children indicates the care that is being recognized as necessary to develop the individuality of children and especially those who are apt to fall in the general courses of the schools.

It is becoming more and more to be appreciated that the child who falls behind in his work is not always the one who lacks intelligence or skill. Particular temperaments fall in the ordinary routine of the classroom, often because of exceptional ability which needs to be recognized. Delicately imaginative children frequently suffer injustice at the hands of teachers who are not able to give them proper attention on account of the crowded conditions or the lack of adequate training and facilities.

It is the part of a competent educational system to take these exceptional cases into consideration as well as those that are more ordinary and normal and respond readily to the average school methods. The intelligent consideration of these instances should work a much needed reform and bring good results.

SEVEN COME ELEVEN!

(From Eugene Guard). Six railroads building to Eugene! Since luck lies in odd numbers, some enterprising reporter should get to work on the seventh.

OVERLOOKING THE GOOD.

We keep so busy watching for mistakes the foolish make That we seldom notice him who does his best; When a brother yields to weakness we are always wide awake, Everybody huris a lance against his breast.

We keep so busy looking for the evils that prevail That the good receive no notice and no praise; We pay so much attention to the foolish that we fail To notice them that walk in wisdom's ways.

We keep so busy thinking of the follies of the weak That we overlook the merits of the strong; Having learned to take for granted what is good, we merely seek A chance to point our fingers at the wrong.

WITH THE TOAST AND TEA

GOOD EVENING.

No one thing does human life more need than a kind consideration of the faults of others. Every one sins; every one needs forbearance. Our own imperfections should teach us to be merciful. HENRY WARD BEECHER.

WAITING.

I never knew a night so long That daylight did not break In beauty o'er a smiling world To kiss my heart awake.

And I have seen the blackening cloud Across the skies afar, And never waited yet in vain To find the answering star.

And so I trust that out of pain And sorrow shall arise Some morning beauty of delight, Some star of glad surprise.

Women of the Portuguese province of Mozambique, in Africa, make a white cosmetic by grinding a certain kind of wood in water and claim it removes wrinkles and prevents eruptive blemishes.

GEO. BEALE.

No other joys are known to him like that of raising fruit. It gives him recreation and brings in the cash to boot.

With apple tree and spade in hand he always wears a smile, For country life appeals to him as being worth his while.

Investigations by the Geological Survey of the erosion of numerous drainage basins of the United States show that the surface of the country is being worn away at a rate of about an inch in 760 years.

THE SLAVE TO BUSINESS.

He seeks no recreation In regions picturesque, He puts in his vacation Straightening up his desk.

SPEAKING THE TRUTH.

If no one ever told a lie, what would the pastor find to say when you and I cut loose and die, and he orates above our clay? As things are now the pastor speaks in terms of praise, without reserves; he says while tears bedew his cheeks, the dead man had the finest curves! "His passing was a loss to all, the world is darker since he's gone; beloved in cottage and in hall, he was a peach, so help me John!" With weeping eye and gnashing teeth he hands the corpse a large bouquet; if all people told the truth, what "The dead one was a friend in need, he cheered the widow and her child, in every thought and every deed, he showed a heart, clean, undented. A figure grand and strong he stood, a beacon to the human race, ambitious to be doing good, to make the world a better place." Thus speaks the pastor, and, in sooth, he if all people told the truth, what would the worried pastor say? —WALT MASON.

NOTICE TO CONTRIBUTORS.

We must again advise all who send us anonymous communications that the same will not appear in these columns. It is difficult enough to succeed in business with one's eyes open and a definite knowledge of the people and circumstances one is up against, without sponsoring the ambiguities, whims and pet theories of those we do not know, and who are, apparently, so conservative they dare not father their own sentiments and back up the public expression thereof.

THE PEOPLE'S FORUM

The Times will be pleased to publish letters from its readers on all questions of public interest. Each letter must be signed by the writer, and so far as possible be limited to 200 words. In publishing these letters it must be understood that The Times does not indorse the views expressed therein; it is simply affording a means for the voicing of different opinions on all questions affecting the public welfare.

THE WATER COMPANY DENIES STATEMENT

Editor "Times":— I wish to take issue with the statement which appeared in the "Times" of last evening to the effect that the Water Company had given out instructions that the fire hydrants could not be flushed on account of the water that would be wasted thereby. Never has such a statement been issued from the officers of the Water Company or from its employees. The nearest approach to any such information was to caution those who handle the hydrants in regard to the manner in which they close them, as serious damage has often been done to water mains by the water hammer caused by rapid closing of hydrants and gate valves. Large cast iron mains have frequently been broken by this agency, through the injudicious handling of hydrants and gate valves. COOS BAY WATER COMPANY, By Jas. H. Flanagan, Manager.

The Associated Press

SOME INTERESTING INFORMATION CONCERNING THE GREAT NEWS GATHERING ASSOCIATION THAT SERVES THE READERS OF THE COOS BAY TIMES.

"The Associated Press organization is probably the most democratic one in the world. It is purely a partnership arrangement without any profit in view, organized under the New York law, but with the sole view to the collection of the news at a joint expense and the distribution of it by individual and joint expense. "Each Associated Press paper is required not only to pay so much money each week, but to furnish promptly all the general news in its locality, the money amount per week based upon the size of the city, the cost of the operator, a fixed charge for membership dues running from \$5 to \$12.50 per week, depending upon whether the paper receives the report by 500 or 2000 words, or by what is known as the leased wire service. The leased wire goes all day in the evening newspaper and all night in the morning papers, that is, nearly all day and nearly all night. For instance, on Saturday the wires in the State Journal office were busy from 7:30 in the morning until after 5 o'clock and the wires in the capital office are busy all night long up to 2:30 o'clock and sometimes as late as 5 or 6 or 7 o'clock.

"The Associated Press is one of the very, very few associations which is organized absolutely without any expectation, desire or ability to earn a profit. It buys news and many other things, including the service of people, news reporters and telegraph operators, but never sells anything! Perhaps, that is the reason that it never declares a dividend nor issues a share of stock. If a big war comes on the expense of the Associated Press increases and the cost to each member is increased in proportion to the size of the city in which the paper is published. In a general way one of the fixed charges used in regulating the assessment of a newspaper receiving Associated Press reports is a charge of say 40 to 50 cents per 1000 people. If the United States census gives the population of a city at 50,000, a paper of that city would pay on a basis of 40 cents per 1000, \$20 per week; to this would be added the cost of the operator and other local expenses. To this is added the fixed dues as stated above for general expense and a certain proportion of the cost of the wires on the entire circuit on which the member in question is located.

"There is a strange thing about this Associated Press. It has to buy everything and has nothing to sell! It never sells news. It only distributes it to its members and to no one else. That's the difference between the Associated Press and these others. "You hear sometimes of the United Press, the Scripps-McRae service, the Luffin or the Sun service, etc. "Every one of these services is managed and controlled by a stock company for profit! Each of these companies sells the news where it may. "Several of these organizations are first class and give the Associated Press good stiff competition, but most of them buy a little news here and there and sell a great deal more than they buy; but they are not organized on the mutual basis. "The Associated Press pays enormous sums for its news and yet, remember, it's nothing. During the recent Portuguese revolution the Associated Press paid as high as \$1.15 a word for news from Lisbon. It paid that to get the news for its members and then when its members printed the big news in their newspapers the other associations grabbed it for nothing and sent it out to their members."

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The Boy Who Has No Santa Claus

By ROBERTUS LOVE

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The boy who has no Santa Claus, So wistful, oh, so wan he looks Through wondrous windows, making pause To gloat upon the picture books— "The Giant Killer," "Mother Goose." Alas, poor urchin, what's the use?

I saw him standing yesternight, His nose against the frosty pane, Enamored of the fairy sight. So fond, so friendless, oh, so fain To grasp and beat the painted drum He dreamed of seeing Santa come.

So long he stood and looked within I thought his yearning gaze must charm The stalwart soldier made of tin To rise and follow through the storm And, standing guard above him, make His dream come true ere he awakes.



The jumping jack, the candy cane, The bugie and the hobbyhorse— I'd think they would be sick with pain And sorrowful with deep remorse Because they did not steal away And in his equal garret stay.

The boy who has no Santa Claus, Oh, sadder far his sorrow is Than all our grownup woes, because We have no wishes such as his. The useless years of childhood, oh, We cannot feel, we cannot know!

Oh, Little Johnny Loney Boy, I'm sad and sorry for you—po! You shouldn't miss the perfect joy Of Christmas, for the years are slow. If I'd the making of the laws I'd give each boy a Santa Claus.

Doubled Expense. "He does an awful lot of kicking about the expense of Christmas presents. He yells twice as much as any other man in the office." "Perhaps that is because he is leading a double life."

Once is Enough. Christmas comes but once a year, it is true, but it takes three days to recover from its effects and the rest of the year to get ready for the next one.

A Christmas Truth. At Christmas the small boy will love the giver without any regard to his being cheerful or grouchy.

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