

THE ASHLAND TIDINGS

FRIDAY, APRIL 29, 1898

RAVENS OF MIRTH

"All the world's a stage, but the fare does not suit everybody."

At the Mint is where you see the silver heads among the gold.

Johnnie stole one panicle, and got six speeches without speaking.

An attached couple that is always separating—A pair of alleys.

Best thing to do when you go shopping with ladies—Take notes.

The Shah of Persia never feels hungry when he writes poetry.

A bolt in the kittle is worth two on the rack.

What is the invisible blind? A policeman when he is wanted.

What town in Massachusetts need not fear small-pox or measles? It's Haddam.

How can you make an overcoat last? By making the undercoat first.

Why was Adam the first in the market business? He had the first pair of ribs.

Why was Eve like Sunday? She was the first of the week.

When a burglar prisms open a safe and does not find a prize it is a disagreeable surprise.

"Papa, have you got legs?" "No."

"How do they like them?" "With their breeches, my son."

As a rule lawyers are a brave class of men. It's conscience that makes cowards of us, you know.

Friend—"Stagger!" The son was up hours ago." Old mother—"Yes; but it wasn't up all night, as I was."

The gushing girl who said: "Let me kiss him for his mother," was satisfied with his another.

Teacher—"What does sea water contain besides the sodium chloride that we have mentioned?" "Fish."

It is said there are more lies told in the sentence, "I am glad to see you," than in any other six words in the English language.

A pretty girl turned up her nose at her poor but deserving lover and it froze in that position.

Nine times out of ten, the woman who is worth her weight in gold marries a man who is not worth his weight in scrap iron.

"What is Smith doing now?" "He is traveling with a circus."

"Pretty hard work, isn't it?" "No, he has nothing to do except stick his head in the lion's mouth twice a day."

Teacher—"What is an engineer?" Boy No. 1—"A man who works an engine."

Teacher—"What is a pioneer?" Boy No. 2—"That man that works a plow."

"Pa, who was Shylock? Great good-bye! You attend church and Sunday-school every week, and don't know who Shylock was? Go and read your Bible like a man!"

"She—"You awkward brute! You have dropped your bread and butter on the floor." He—"That's all right, my dear. Nobody will get it. I have my foot on it."

A fashion paper says that women are going to wear their hair in a bun that they did three centuries ago. That was, if I recollect, on their heads.

A Wonderful Case.

From the Sunday Oregonian. A case of unusual scientific interest is reported from St. Vincent's hospital in this city.

About six weeks ago a woman came to that institution suffering dreadfully from an internal swelling which nearly doubled her size and made breathing impossible in any but an upright position.

Efforts had been made by inexperienced practitioners in the remote district where she lived, to relieve her by the method ordinarily used in cases of dropsy, namely, tapping. Entrance to the abdominal cavity had been made by boring through the muscular wall, just below the ribs, with such violence that the ovarian tumor inside, for such it was that caused the poor woman's distress, had been punctured and a share of its contents permitted to pour out.

Five days later the cavity was entered by use of the knife, and the operation known among surgeons as ovariotomy, performed. A tumor and its contents, the whole weighing 6 1/2 pounds, was removed while the patient was under the influence of anaesthetics.

Of course the chance of recovery after such a severe operation and the dismemberment of so great a weight of matter, was slender, a mere thread, but proved sufficient, and on Friday last the patient left the hospital for her home entirely cured, though, of course, still weak and nervous.

Medical records furnish few instances where ovarian tumors so enormously developed and of such long standing (nine years) have been removed without fatal results, the patients often dying on the operating table. The woman so remarkably and happily relieved is Mrs. Alice Moxey, a resident of Harney valley, in the extreme southeastern part of the state, and the surgical operator was Dr. Henry E. Jones, the chief physician of St. Vincent's hospital.

A Game of Grab.

A Washington dispatch of recent date contains the following: "The New York World continues its attacks on the Pacific railroad this morning. Those articles are said to be written by Major Reddington, recently dismissed from the interior department. This morning's dispatch says that some members of the house committee on Pacific railroads have been making a careful study at the interior department of the facts in the case, so that they can judge of the extraordinary claims of the Pacific railroad lobby in the interest of the funding scheme. It has been found that the roads have been doing all they can to get securities now in the treasury out of their hands, so that they will be beyond the reach of government claims. The government has now a better chance for asserting its rights than it will ever have in the future."

Of the privately land grant of the Union Pacific \$1,635,630 worth of land re-venued, and \$11,969,096 worth of the Kansas Pacific R. R. As there has been sold 6,414,363 acres for \$14,663,388 since 1850, and as out of the proceeds of these sales and those of preceding years land grant bonds have been anticipated at a premium 12 per cent., leaving about \$9,000,000 in cash and mortgages notes in the hands of the land trustees, it would seem to be a good policy on the part of any government desirous to secure part of a rapidly maturing and increasing indebtedness, to take proper steps to secure this \$9,000,000, and to have the benefit of the proceeds of all sales of the \$13,500,000 worth of land still left. By this process the government would secure \$22,000,000 of its claim of \$48,864,250.

If no steps are taken to secure these assets, the Union Pacific company, emboldened by its course in the past, proposes to use them in anticipation of some \$13,802,000 sinking fund bonds issued in 1874, and due in 1887, carrying 8 per cent. interest, and selling at 29 per cent. premium. No one could have criticized similar conduct if the first mortgage bonds have been anticipated, thus reducing the amount of the claim on the road ahead of the government lien, but to sell assets, covered by the government mortgage, and use the proceeds in anticipation of bonds behind it, is perversion of the assets to an almost, shameful degree.

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