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The work that will necessarily fall upon the members of the Civic Improvement Club, which has about completed organization, to make a success is of no small account and would discourage most men, but there are a sufficient number of women in the organization to force the experiment. No undertaking is too great for the average woman when she sets her head, and some of them are determined to make some changes in the appearance of Astoria. From the standpoint of civic improvement there is great work in Astoria. It is truly a "virgin" field. With her rush and bustle, busy Astoria has never thought of beauty. She has enough beauty around her. Her mountains, hills, valleys, rivers and ocean beaches are all things of unsurpassed beauty. Astoria being surrounded by natural beauty, unsurpassed beauty and grandeur that attracts the world, there may have been some excuse for the long delay in attempting to make the ragged city by the sea a thing of beauty also. But it is now the time. She is growing and will grow more rapidly in the next few years than ever before. A growing city is never beautiful at best. It will necessarily not improve in beauty itself. Now, of all times, is the time to make the start to improve its appearance. If started on the right plan and managed properly it can be made one of the prettiest cities on the Columbia. The civic improvement work, as stated before, is a great undertaking. It will require perfect organization and persistent effort. But, with the proper movement behind it, the work can be begun and carried out to the great improvement of the appearance of the city and to its great benefit. It is not a wild speculative scheme, originated in woman's fancy, but it is a practical plan, which has already been adopted all over the country and has been carried out to a practical success. It has met with strong opposition from old-timers and the nonprogressive, but the promoters have been patient and persistent until they have finally convinced the citizenship of the propriety of the movement, and, thus, with their aid, the most ragged, dilapidated villages and cities have been converted into things of beauty. A proper movement will accomplish the same results here. It will take hard work, but pluck, as it always does, will win in this case. Citizens who have an interest in the improvement of the appearance of the city are urged to attend the meeting at the City Council chambers, Monday evening, June 24, at 7:30 o'clock, at which time it is expected to form a permanent civic improvement league.

The modern gentlemen's club is a valuable institution. It gives many advantages to its members that cannot be obtained elsewhere half so cheaply. There are some advantages that cannot be obtained elsewhere for love or money. Every busy man needs recreation, both socially and physically. There is no better place for this than the club. When the business cares of the day are over the young man may go to the club. There he may rest, engage his friends in conversation, read, engage in some innocent game, or exercise the mind and body in most any way desired. The married man may meet his gentlemen friends there and entertain them in a comfortable and easy way to a better advantage than elsewhere. He may meet with men there whom it is necessary to meet and may keep posted on important questions at the club as he cannot elsewhere. The club, properly utilized, is one of the best institutions of modern times. But abused, it is one of the most damaging institutions to a community. The man who neglects his family, the companionship of his wife, who merely goes to the club as a lounging place, is the most miserable of men, unless it be the young man just starting out in life, who makes the club his home;

who remains there all of his waking hours and lays for this member and that one for a game, for gossip, for anything to kill time. The young man who has dropped all business or neglects his business for the club is to be pitied. The members get to knowing him as an idler, a failure, a young wreck—a rake, and while they treat him courteously, for only gentlemen usually belong to clubs, they have a contempt for him, and only endure his presence with a degree of gentlemanly patience. Go to the club when they may find him there as punctually as they do the steward. The steward endures his company solely because there is no gentlemanly way of getting out of it. Every club has this class. It is one of the evils of the club. It is the death of the hopes and ambitions of the unfortunate who falls a victim to the habit. With all the good realized from clubs, the weak who neglect their families and the young or thriftless who falls victims to idleness through the attractions of club life, give many an idea that clubs are places of gambling and dissipation, instead of places of moral, physical and intellectual development.

There is some reason against the theory that it was better to use caution in the capture of the escaped convict, even to the extent of permitting them to escape rather than sacrifice another human life. This theory may have been all right for the present and for those engaged in the chase, but what about the safety of others in the future? With these desperate men turned loose on society, they will turn to their old life of robbery and murder, and there is no telling how many innocent victims may yet fall before their unerring aim. An official is not elected for ornament and to draw his salary alone, but he takes the office of shrewdly with the implied promise to discharge his duty, even at the risk of his life. It is an office with which this duty is incumbent, and should the prisoners make their escape the sheriff who stood back when he had them cornered will be necessarily and properly to blame. It is easy to give advice and make comment at long range, but this does not lessen the duty of officers who have a duty to perform and do not do it, because it is risky.

While Portland and the East are sweating in the heat Astoria is enjoying balmy sunny days, without an extreme to break the peace and comfort of the citizens.

It has been suggested that Tracy and Merrill make a tour of the state before they finally escape and give all the sheriffs a chance to distinguish themselves.

They have not begun to figure on the cost of the escape of Merrill and Tracy, and the attempted capture yet.

A BOY'S WILD HIDE FOR LIFE. With family around him expecting him to die, and a son riding for life, 15 miles, to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, W. H. Brown, of Leesville, Ind., endured death's agonies from asthma, but this wonderful medicine gave instant relief and soon cured him. He writes: "I now sleep soundly every night. Like marvellous cures of consumption, Pneumonia, Bronchitis, Coughs, Colds and Grip prove its matches merit for all Throat and Lung troubles. Guaranteed bottles at the and H. Trial bottles free at Chas. Rogers' drug store."

A man without much mind always has a mind to do something he never does.

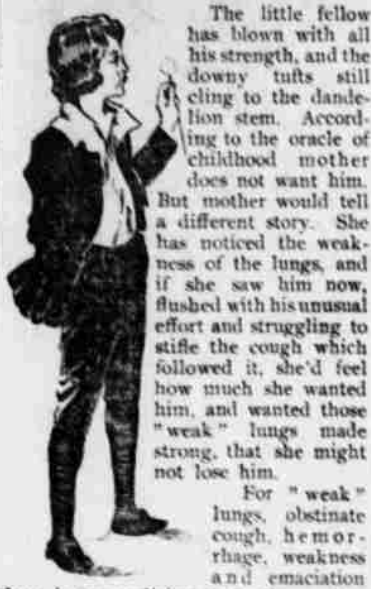
A PARSON'S NOBLE ACT. "I want all the world to know," writes Rev. J. C. Budlong, of Ashaway, R. I., "what a thoroughly good and reliable medicine I found in Electric Bitters. They cured men of jaundice and liver troubles that had caused me great suffering for many years. For a genuine, all-around cure, they exceed anything I ever saw." Electric Bitters are the surprise of all for their wonderful work in Liver, Kidney and Stomach troubles. Don't fail to try them. Only 50c. Satisfaction is guaranteed by Charles Rogers.

A drunkard not only injures himself, but his family and the community in which he resides.

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Some people regard a secret as they would a pound of candy—too good to keep.

"DOES MOTHER WANT ME?"



The little fellow has blown with all his strength, and the downy tufts still cling to the dandelion stem. According to the oracle of childhood, mother does not want him. But mother would tell a different story. She has noticed the weakness of the lungs, and if she saw him now, flushed with his unusual effort and struggling to stifle the cough which followed it, she'd feel how much she wanted him, and wanted those "weak" lungs made strong, that she might not lose him.

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The man who thinks he has married an angel may consider himself very fortunate if she turns out to be only a good cook.

On the first indication of kidney trouble stop it by taking Foley's Kidney Cure. Sold by Frank Hart.

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Two weeks in a vacation seems like a very short period, but it is a long time in jail.

During the summer kidney irregularities are often caused by excessive drinking for being overheated. Attend to the kidneys at once by using Foley's Kidney Cure.—For sale by Frank Hart.

One of the impossibilities is to take a photograph to please a homely woman.

FORTUNE FAVORS A TEXAN. "Having distressing pains in head, back and stomach, and being without appetite, I began to use Dr. King's New Life Pills," writes W. P. Whitehead, of Kennedale, Tex., "and soon felt like a new man." Infalible in stomach and liver troubles. Only 25c at Chas. Rogers' drug store.

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INTERESTING TO ASTHMA SUFFERERS. Daniel Bante, of Ottumwa, Iowa, writes, I have had asthma for three or four years and have tried about all the cough and asthma cures in the market and have received treatment from physicians in New York and other cities, but got very little benefit until I tried Foley's Honey and Tar which gave me immediate relief and I will never be without it in my house. I sincerely recommend it to all.—For sale by Frank Hart.

The eagle is no more in Kentucky, but there is just as much "old crow" as ever and it makes the boys more enthusiastic than the king of birds ever did.

Chronic bronchial troubles and summer coughs can be quickly relieved and cured by Foley's Honey and Tar. For sale by Frank Hart.

There are some men in this country always preaching economy to their wives who ought to first get something for their wives to economize with.

WAS WASTING AWAY. The following letter from Robert R. Waite, of Salem, Mo., is instructive: "I have been troubled with kidney disease for the last five years. I lost flesh and never felt well and doctored with leading physicians and tried all remedies suggested without relief. Finally I tried Foley's Kidney Cure and less than two bottles completely cured me and I am now sound and well." Sold by Frank Hart.

About the only use some men have for a head is that it makes a convenient peg to hang their hats on.

TEN YEARS IN BED. R. A. Gray, J. P. Oakville, Ind., writes: "For ten years I was confined to my bed with disease of my kidneys. It was so severe that I could not move part of the time. I consulted the very best medical skill available, but could get no relief until Foley's Kidney Cure was recommended to me. It has been a godsend to me." Sold by Frank Hart.

Some people get so untrustworthy that they cannot borrow a benevolent face.

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