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If This Is Done the "Iron House" Will Be Allowed to Sell Beer Against Which There is no Embargo in the Agreement.

Forest Grove, Ore., Jan. 17.—The expiring act of the old Forest Grove council, at its final meeting last evening, was to declare that the "Iron House," the abode of the now defunct "Commercial Club," must close. This mandate does not become effective until tomorrow, and the day after the new council will be in power. Indications are that one of its first acts will be to grant a license for the sale of liquors in the Iron House, but if this is not done the "Commercial Club," a co-operative organization for the purveying of "booze," will be revived. It is possible that the authorities of Pacific University may invoke the aid of the courts in an effort to bring about prevention of the sale of intoxicating liquors in Forest Grove, and in this way the council may be restricted from granting the license. If this is done, a special license will be granted authorizing the sale of beer at the Iron House, for it is known that the college agreement with Forest Grove cannot prevent the sale of beer.

EAST INDIAN METHODS.

A Servant's Subtle but Unsuccessful Scheme For Revenge.

A trade journal tells a story of an adventure which nearly cost one of its correspondents in India his life. The Indian merchant was a wealthy man who had got on well with the natives, but two of his servants had had a quarrel over a girl whom they both wooed. The merchant interfered in the fight. The unsuccessful suitor, Laj, began to make trouble, and his rival, the husband, warned the merchant against him. Nothing happened for some months. Then the merchant went away on business. On his return he was told that Laj had been caught in his bedroom and locked up.

In the east this meant trouble. The merchant called his servants and had a thorough search made of the house. They examined every trunk, bureau and bedstead, every picture, statue and crevice in the wall and crack in the floor, expecting to find a hooded cobra or other poisonous reptile. They scrutinized every knob, handle and garment to see if it had been smeared with poison or with juices which attracted venomous creatures. Then they searched the wine cellar, the pantry and the storeroom. But they found nothing.

The merchant was tired and after eating went to the cabinet where he kept his cigars. It was a large case of teak and plate glass, with an old fashioned silver Indian lock.

As he was about to insert the key in the keyhole Laj's successful rival, who had been active in the search, cried, "Look out, sahib; some one has been meddling with that lock!"

They examined the keyhole and found traces of wax. When they opened the case the merchant found everything apparently untouched. Five boxes of cigars were unopened. He had opened the sixth before he went away and removed a few cigars. As he took this box up he noticed on it the marks of fingers.

The cigars looked as if they had not been disturbed. He was about to take one when he noticed that something was wrong with the head. A second and a third were like the first. In each a small, almost imperceptible rose thorn had been inserted, and on it was a dab of brown salve still moist the same color as the cigar.

"Do not touch them, sahib," said the Indian. "They are poisoned."

The merchant sat down and wrote a note to the police. In half an hour an officer appeared with Laj under guard. The merchant stated the case to the officer and, taking one of the cigars, handed it to Laj, with the command, "Take it and smoke it."

The man turned gray and refused. His guilt was proved.

Nothing to Fear.

Judge Rockwood Hoar, brother of Senator Hoar, was noted as a wit as well as a jurist. Shortly before his death, as his daughter entered his room in the morning, he said: "My dear, I had a dream last night, and in it I saw the angel of death sitting at the foot of my bed. At first I was horribly frightened, but as I gazed at my visitor my fears vanished. He wore a fur cap."—Brooklyn Life.

The Opportunity.

It was night. They—he and she—were sitting on the porch looking at the stars. "You know, I suppose," he whispered, "what a young man's privilege is when he sees a shooting star?" "No," she answered. "I haven't the slightest idea. There goes one!"—Chicago Tribune.

THE BRIDE'S PORTION.

At One Time It Was Stated in the Wedding Announcement.

It was a common custom in the eighteenth century, especially during the reign of George II., to insert notices of marriage stating the bride's portion in contemporary periodicals and newspapers both in England and Scotland.

Almost every number of the Gentleman's Magazine at that time contained several of these records, of which the following, in 1731, is a specimen: "Married, the Revd. Mr. Roger Walms, of York, about twenty-six year of age, to a Lincolnshire lady, upwards of eighty, with whom he is to have £8,000 in money, £300 per annum, and a coach and four, during life only."

Sometimes the notice merely describes the bride as a lady with a "good portion" or a "genteel fortune." One of the latest notices was in *Aris' Birmingham Gazette*, July 14, 1800, which recorded the marriage of Mr. Canning, undersecretary of state, to Miss Scott, "with £100,000 fortune."—*London Telegraph*.

A Confidence Dog.

A butcher narrated the other day a story illustrative of the intelligence of dogs.

"A patron of mine," he said, "had a collie that came to me one morning with a slip of paper in his mouth."

"Hello, doggie!" said I, and the collie wagged his tail and dropped the paper on the floor at my feet. I opened it. It was a signed order from his master for a piece of sausage. I gave him the sausage. He ate it and went home.

"Time after time the collie came with these orders to me, and finally I stopped reading them. Each, I presumed, was for a sausage, and each procured a sausage. I suppose, all told, the dog got as many as twenty pounds of sausages from me in two months."

"But the master, when I presented my bill, kicked. He said he had only given the dog about a dozen orders, whereas I must have honored nearly a hundred."

"Well, the upshot was that the two of us got together and did a little detective work. We watched the dog. And do you know what we found? Why, we found that this cunning dog whenever a sausage hunger seized him would grab up a piece of white paper—any piece he could find—and bring it to me."

"I had been careless, you see, never looking at the paper, and through my carelessness the collie had fooled me for two months."—*Philadelphia Bulletin*.

No Need to Speak to Him.

"Now, dear," said Mr. Polkley, who had just been accepted, "when shall I speak to your father?"

"You needn't bother," replied the dear girl. "Pa said he'd speak to you tomorrow if you didn't speak to me to-night."—*Philadelphia Ledger*.

The Bed.

The bed is a bundle of paradoxes. We go to it with reluctance, yet we quit it with regret. We make up our minds every night to leave it early, but we make up our bodies every morning to keep it late.—*Colton*.

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