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WEATHER

Western Oregon and Washington—Fair; slightly warmer, except near coast.
Eastern Oregon and Washington, Idaho—Fair, continued warm.

JEROME ON ROOSEVELT.

District Attorney Jerome, of New York, had to travel a thousand miles into the South for an opportunity to criticize President Roosevelt. He did his little stunt before the bar association of Georgia where he was reasonably certain of a sympathetic audience; and the text of his stricture was the recent criticism of the president upon the ruling of a federal judge, upon a matter well within the presidential purview and in a case brought by the government. Mr. Jerome has suffered a good deal, since his acquisition of the great metropolitan office he now holds, with undue expansion of the cranium, and has pretty nearly achieved the belief that he is in the class of which presidents are made; hence his readiness to indulge in such pyrotechnics as he got off in his Georgia speech. President Roosevelt is, as Mr. Jerome says, no lawyer, but he is something equally as good, and, under certain conditions, a blamed sight better. He is a man of common-sense with the reciprocal courage to express himself. He has the right to constitute himself the rigorous critic of every man in the federal service if he is convinced there is error, or worse, at hand. That is what the people expect of him, and what they honor him for. There is no profession so sacred as to be beyond the pale of criticism, and if there is, it has ceased to be a profession and has become a fetish. This morbid clinging to high-fung ethical standards is one of the "life-buoys" of the professional stickler of today. No lawyer, doctor, clergyman, engineer, scientist nor man of other high pursuit needs such bolstering if his life and work reveals his own innate honor and lofty attributes; he is recognized and appreciated at once and everywhere. It is an excellent thing for the people that we have a president whose keen judgment may be relied on to expose the weaknesses and delinquencies that might otherwise remain unobserved, and whose resolute spirit is equal to the task of "squashing" the sickly sentimentality that would spare the professional huckster from the due penalty of his blunder or his sin.

THE KEY-NOTE SOUNDED.

If, as is asserted in the dispatches from Russia, the next election there is to be called, and executed, upon the basis of universal suffrage, then indeed has the key-note of Russian freedom been sounded. It is hard to conceive such a concession in that land of tyranny; but it is in line with the inevitable, and once it is granted, there will be no harking back to the restrictions of the old regime. That established, as a working principle in the organism of the empire, there are a hundred concomitant privileges that will naturally swing into existence and become fixtures in the new program of development. These collateral advantages once secured, the great country will be opened up to the world of science and commerce and education and political freedom in a manner never known there before and she will take her place among the real powers of the earth, and for the good of her people and humanity.

THE EIGHT-HOUR DAY.

The eight-hour day is fast becoming an accepted principle of the labor world of America; the government itself has adopted it, enforced it, and provided penalties for its strict observance. This means much for the government is the one, potent administrative force in the country that could successfully herald and champion the principle. The trade-unions, of themselves, could never have wrought its general application and they owe much to the federal recognition it has received. As a real, active, basic maxim of the business life of the country, it is, and will be, immensely valuable; for by its formal and universal engagement throughout the realm of human employment will come in time, the abandonment of the fierce and exhaustive pressure under which all businesses are driven now, to the utter relief of the laborer, whether he be desk-man or ditch-man or employer. The principle is good, wholesome; and reciprocal for the man who can come up to his work, fresh and hearty and eager, is infinitely the better servant and gives more, compensating return for his wage, than the man borne down by the exactions of the "driving" system of the present.

EDITORIAL SALAD.

Hasten the moulting period and you will hasten winter egg production.

Let us see that all the animals have drink when they want it, this sultry weather.

Don't get overheated and then drink a lot of cold water. Sip a little and wait till cooled off.

Clover hay and alfalfa make fine green food for the hens in winter and it will pay to save some for that purpose.

Don't be too anxious to get the best of your neighbor every time on a bargain. Let him have the best end once in awhile.

Which are you—a "will," or "wont's" or a "Can't!" The man who tries always gets ahead of the fellow who can but doesn't.

In feeding young chickens the fowls will grant green food next fall and winter and plant a few mangels, carrots, onions and cabbage for that purpose.

What does it cost to produce each crop grown on your farm? Every figure it out! It's worth-while. The result may be a surprise an da hint for next year.

A 3-year-old colt was sold a few days ago for \$40,000. It should be remembered, however, that Edison has on several occasions put the horse out of business, just the same.

It costs about 22 cents per bushel to ship wheat from Omaha to Liverpool, England, and about 15 cents of that is for railroad freight and elevator charges in the United States.

A recent test made by the Pennsylvania Experiment Station, says Bulletin No. 76, shows that Harvest King, a red, smooth chaff wheat, gave the largest yield of grain of any variety tested.

Four thousand different varieties of potatoes have been planted on the farm of Luther Burbank, the Santa Rosa, Cal., horticulturist, constituting part of the 12,000 species of the tuber family which Burbank will experiment with this year in his plans to give the world another new potato.

The most valuable thing the farmer or his wife has is health. Bank stock counts for nothing by the side of it. Everything they can do to preserve their bodily vigor is so much added to the sum total of life. Sound health means happiness, comfort in the house and out-of-doors, and years full of enjoyment.

The Department of Agriculture states that in France a prize of \$2000 was offered for the best method of killing house-flies. It was won by a suggestion to use oil stirred in water in vaults and cesspools. For manure the oil is mixed with sand or phosphate scattered over the piles. This prevents egg-laying or hatching, as most of this is done in manure piles.

DOWIE IS REJECTED.

NEW YORK, July 20.—A cable dispatch to a morning paper from Berlin says:

At a meeting yesterday of the members of the Christian church communion, founded by John Alexander Dowie on his visit to Berlin it was decided unanimously to throw off allegiance to the prophet and to form a distinct mission with the title of the Free Evangelical Church of Believing Christians.

The Lesson of the Russian Revolution

By
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THIRTY years ago I ventured the prediction that Moscow was destined to be the revolutionary storm center of Europe. The ashes of the Tuileries were hardly cold when I hazarded that forecast. The breakup of the Russian empire, as it has hitherto been known, can hardly fail to give a powerful stimulus to the movement in favor of the formation of **SMALLER STATES ON THE BASIS OF NATIONALITY.** The separatist movement in Hungary, like that in Norway, which has been held in check for years by the dread inspired by the existence of the Russian Colossus on the eastern frontier was left free to realize its ideals when the danger of Russian aggression disappeared. Norway is already lord in her own house. Hungary has already advanced far in the same direction. If Hungary becomes a sovereign independent state, Austria-Hungary disappears, and out of its ruins who can say how many nationalities will strive to attain their independence?

The consequences of the Russian revolution and of the war which precipitated the revolution will affect America most **IN CHINA.** The great yellow empire, with its 400,000,000 subjects, was the prize for which Russia and Japan contended in the recent war. Korea and Port Arthur were but trifles. The dread of Japanese domination in China led Germany and France to make common cause in ejecting the Japanese from the mainland of Asia. All the European powers feel more or less that the exploitation of China by European capitalists is imperiled by the apparition of a victorious Japan upon Chinese territory. **THE PEACE OF PORTSMOUTH TRANSFERRED THE OVERLORDSHIP OF CHINA FROM EUROPE TO JAPAN.** The results were not long in making their appearance. Japanese military instructors were imported by the Chinese provincial authorities for the purpose of drilling the Chinese troops. China also wishes to be lord in her own house. Already the Chinese are talking about China for the Chinese, "Asia for the Asiatics and **THE PACIFIC FOR JAPAN**"—these are corollaries of the effacement of Russia, the significance of which Americans and Australians will be the first to discover.

Out of the welter of blind and bloody anarchy into which Russia is drifting peace and order may come. After a time, how long no one can say, after an unexampled slaughter of human beings by famine and sword, Russia will emerge in some more or less recognizable shape and slowly begin to find her new place in the community of nations. If the new Russia, which will emerge **PURIFIED BY HER BLOOD BATH,** sobered by her afflictions, should forswear militarism, abandon the fond dream of reconstructing her navy and abolish the monstrous tariff which has choked the life out of her peasantry, then the world may witness a scene of recuperation and of development such as may parallel the industrial progress of the United States after the civil war.

FOR RUSSIA IS A NATION WHOSE RESOURCES HAVE BEEN ONLY SCRATCHED. THE LATENT ENERGIES OF HER PEOPLE, STIMULATED BY LIBERTY AND EDUCATION, MAY CONFER INSTANTANEOUS BENEFITS UPON CIVILIZATION AND HUMANITY.

NATURE'S WARNING.

Astoria People Must Recognize and Heed It.

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