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## BETTER HAVE MET M'BRIDE.

James J. Hill would better have met Governor McBride, of the State of Washington. He was rather churlish, in refusing to do so, and he was manifestly unwise and unjust when he said that Governor McBride was one of the men he did not care to come in contact with. It is probably recognized as an error, for Mr. Hill's best friends in the State of Washington, smong them Col. Alden J. Blethen, of the Seattle Times, desired that the governor and merger president confer, or, at least, greet each other in a friendly interview.

If the people of the State of Washington possess one lota of self-respect. they will resent the action of Mr. Hill from the Columbia River on the south to the British Columbia line upon the north, and from the boundary line of Idaho and Montana upon the east, to where the Pacific washes the shores of the state upon the west?

Governor McBride was elected to the lieutenant-governorship by the people of Washington, with the full knowledge that he would go up to the chief executive's chair in the event of death or removal of Governor Rogers. The latter died, and Mr. McBride became the governor. As such and as a man of personal high standing he is entitled to respect. He deserves no such insult as that which was offered by Mr. Hill, and the latter has made a serious mistake by presenting such an affront.

James J. Hill is growing old. Apparently, he is growing old very rapidly, and has forgotten the courtestes that usually are interchanged between even those whose interests are at variance. Prominent politicians do not fail to preserve the amefities when meeting opponents, and frequently, always, when governed by good breeding, exemplify the doctrine that gentlemen may differ, but yet act as gentlemen towards gentlemen.

Let no man reckon upon strengthening his position by such action. It causes the flush of honest indignation to overspread the countenances of fair-minded people everywhere, who will probably spring to the defense of Governor McBride in this instance.

## NO ROOM FOR IDLERS.

Judge Hogue sentenced several young men to jail or to pay fines and work them out by the day, for the good and sufficient reason that they were merely street loafers. They resent this action, quite naturally, because they do not realize that it is a social crime to remain idle when others must labor to support those who do not contribute their just share to the feeding and clothing of the world. Indeed, the "vag" law is one of the most important upon the statute books. It could be used to expunge from this list of criminals many a fellow who otherwise easily permits his name to be added to those who infract law.

Who that is idle should not be punished? Only him who is ill, or who for misfortune cannot work. Others should be compelled to work, and failing voluntarily so to do, the law should step in and impose upon the lazy, good for nothing fellows such unpleasant conditions as will make work more agreeable.

Judge Hogye may well set up such a rule, and follow it unvaryingly. He will send many a man to work, who now hangs around questionable resorts, and in therefore, being idle, ready to retrograde further into actual crime.

Imagine an able-bodied man idle in these Northwestern states, when the wheels of industry are humming, the fields are white with the grain of opportunity, and demand for labor is greater than the supply!

Consider the man doing nothing, when all self-respecting persons are working with might and main to add somewhat to the productiveness of the region, and win for it its just position in the forces of the nation!

Let Judge Hogue continue to find worthless fellows who have nothing to do, when employers everywhere are troubled only to secure men to do the work offering upon every hand. He will be supported by the representative people of this city.

lanta.

A TRUST'S PROFITS. trust realizes a greater

est order in the British Empire. Lord Roberts argued that he had not sought the honor, and, coming unsolicited, there should be no such exorbitant fee exacted by the officials of the court. It transpires that even the ordinary knight must pay considerable money in fees to court officials, the custom having become lex non scripts in England. Usually the recipient is able to pay the fees, and Lord Roberts could do so, but objects upon principle, for he has received from the English government large sums of money in re-

who wear the decoration of the high-

ward for his services in South Africa. -Alaska's needs are being presented in Washington City by delegates from that territory. They should be heard, for that they come from a region

wherein conditions are crude, but possibilities unlimited. Numerous alterations must be effected in laws gov-

erning the territory, before progress can be commensurate with possibility. Limitless stores of gold are in the ground in every corner of the enormous scope of country from the Linn caual to the upper locations upon Bering Sea. Other resources there are, and all awaiting the efforts of the

sturdy people who brave the rigors of the Far North, and compel success from unwilling nature. The story of the development of Alaska has been one of courage and tenacity of purpose. An epic poem could be written,

without doing violence nor exaggerating the truth.

-----Tom Reed once cut Jerry Simpson of Kansas to the guick. Simpson was making a speech in which he savagely attacked the big Maine statesman, Reed being in the House sitting at his desk at the time. Mr. Reed took no notice of the excoriations of Mr. Simpson, but went on writing. Finally, Mr. Simpson cried: "Tom Reed, are

you going to take notice of what I am saying?" Mr. Reed said nothing, but, after adjournment, remarked in response to the query of the Associated Press/ reporter: "Tom and Jerry may

mix in a barroom, but not in the House of Representatives." The Journal believes in "toting fair." This paper will give a hearing to any injured voice in its columns. No man

or no woman should be denied since his arrival here, has made a thorough investigation of the entries made at this office, and has found everything "equality of opportunity" in his or her effort to lighten the burden upon his perfectly satisfactory or her shoulders. The Journal aims to be a fair newspaper to one and all. Union Republican: The Eastern Oreunion Republican: The paper a gon Teachers' Association appointed a

# THE TABASCO COLUMN.

............... A Kansas man kicked his friend, the sheriff, in the hip pocket, the sheriff's pistol, concealed therein, went off and shot the kicker in the leg, proving the eternal fitness of things.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson says the Republican party believes in tariff reform, whenever it is necessary." There is a joke in this if you can get somebody to tell you.

John C. Havemeyer dropped out of the sugar trust, because, as he said, no man ould be a Christian and stay with it. It took John's conscience a long time to get ripe.

The glory of a man is his strength.

the glory of a woman is her hair, and

# Should Change the Way.

Athena Press: For some reason or other we often read that some man or other has "disappeared suddenly." It would be truly remarkable to read of one

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BY K. K. K.

JUST BETWEEN OURSELVES.

Dancing parties are to be the thing this

week. Beginning with the Carpe Diem af-fair this evening at the new Woodmen

Parsons' Hall. The Tres Joli Club has its

third hop at the Western Academy of

Music the same evening. Wednesday night there are six events of importance

-the Concordia ball at the club rooms

the O. U. T.'s doming party at La Rowe

Hall, the Guests' dance at the Norton, New Century Club's affair at Parsons'

Hall, at Burkhard Hall the dance of the

Carnation Social Club, and Company B.'s

December party at the Armory. Thursday Miss Buckenmeyer has a New

the Kangaroo at Burkhard promise a

A Christmas House Party.

A Christmas house party was given by

the.

THIS AND THAT.

days in Portland, leaves for

jolly good time.

Later, whist was

the first prizes

prizes falling to Mrs

present were;

Buckley.

Mrs. M. E. Bucktey,

# OPINIONS OF OTHER EDITORS.

# Oregon Horses.

That American horsefiesh is rapidly growing in favor in foreign markets statistics prove. Within the last six years Great Britain alone spent \$25,000,000 in the United States in the purchase of horses, independent of the many millions she spent for mules. Last year not less than 75,000 horses were shipped from this country to England.

# Exportation Light Before 1895.

Until 1895 the expertation of horses from the United States was not an important item, but since then it has grown into something enormous and Great Britain is only one of the many foreign countries whose recognition of the superiority of American horseflesh is attested by large purchases. Boer War Demand.

During the last six years American shipments of horses to other countries have been as follows have been as follows South Africa, 34,765; Canada, 8,435; Cuba, 4,436; British Columbia, 1,578; China, 2,317; Philippines, 1,578; Japan, 1,535; British West Indies, 190, and others scattering. Germany, France Russia and Austria are likewise included among the number

Germany, France. Russia and Austria are incruise included among the number of foreign purchasers of American horsefiesh, but they have just begun to make purchases and have only invested up to the present time in trotting stock. The Boer war stimulated the American horse market to a great degree of activity. The Spanish war caused a flurry and the supply today is shorter in the

West than it has been since 1875.

Farmers out rateing horses when the hard times of 1884 came on. In 1893 over 10,000 head of horses were driven out of Oregon, to Oklahoma and Indian rses were driver out of Oregon, to Oklahoma and Indian Territory, in search of sheep feed and more range. Today the large

Today the large bands are dwindled down to one-fourth their original size. The price is up and the supply is down. Good brood mares in Oregon are worth almost as much today as they were before railroads were built into Oregon.

# The Pony Oraze,

The pony has come back into popularity. The demand for small saddle stock, not necessarily Shetlands, is brick in the cities of the East and Middle states, and pony raising has bright prospects ahead of it. In the West where feed is cheap and range is plentitul this industry can be successfully relied on.

## Sanatorial Election and Mays Law.

The approaching betton of a United States Senator to succeed Senator Simon naturally brings the law to the front, mays the Baker City Democrat. There among Eastern Oregon legislatorson the Mays law and r not the Mays law had a fair test at the June election, a diversity of op) on the problem whet when Gov. Geer was ominated for the Senate by a vote of the Republicans, matters the opinion of Hon. J. L. Rand, Senator from this On this and other district, was asked

Mr. Rand replied

"I am In favor of the election of a United States Senator by a direct vote of the people thomselves and the nearer the election can be obtained from the people the better in my opini-nance of the Mays Law I do not know whether I am in favor of a contin-i would be in favor of legislation, or amendments to the Constitution, in in the tions and elected by the ve United States Senators nominated in the state conven

Mr. Raud was also asked his opinion on the proposed sheep grazing law and in reply to this the prospective Senator said:

"I do not know whether there will be any attempt to have any legislation regarding the ranging of sheep within two miles of a dwelling, or not. I under-stand that if such legislation was presed in this state it would have the effect of practically driving the sheep business from the State of Oregon. If this be true, 1 am not in favor of any legislation that looks to the favoring of one class as against another. I believe the sheep industry of this state should not be destroyed for the benefit of any other industry.

### The Christmas Journal.

La Grande Chronicle: Hon. Thomas McNutt, special agent of the General Land Office, Department of the Interior, The Christmas number of the Oregon Daily Journal, of Portland, is a lorge newspaper. It contains much local matter, general news and miscellaneous matter. The Journal is coming to the front, and taking a place alongside the leading newspapers of the Coast .- Day ton Herald.

## A Warning.

It is only a matter of time when some fond parent will be summoned to the coroner's office to identify a but tonhole, as that will be all there will be left of some of the young hopefuls who frequent the Southern Pacific depot

and climb on moving trains .- Oakland

### Successful Hunting.

Gardiner Gazette: Charley Perkins and Ourself are "high boat" in this season's duck shoot, by one good duck day night and and a coon. Mr. Perkins wears the blue ribbon for bagging the most good ducks, and the agure colored callco that now adorns our manly front shows wh killed the mallard and the coon.

A stranger calling himself Onley Harweek, with special New Year's matinee, grave this week passed a bagus check for \$8.50, drawn on the First National for \$8.59, drawn signed by C. S. Marsden, on the Hotel Nash bar. He eluded arrest by skipping out .- Democratic Times.

### The Deadly Coyote.

others also lost several head of sheep

# PORTLAND PEOPLE MUST BE ACTIVE.

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SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22, 1902-Editor Evening Journal: The frequency with which many citizens of your and this city call upon each other, leaves but little that transpires unknown, hence the suggestions that follow in this letter are intended chiefly for those less fortunate in leaving their homes, but

nevertheless should impress all. It is quickly noticeable, after arriving here, that the commercial pulse is at It is quickly noticeable. But it fever heat, and that all California is throbbing with its good effects. But it has not always been so. It has become a result, by energy and harmony of action, and indomitable pluck. It has required patience and ceaseless efforts, to turn the tide of emigration, and of capital to develop the great resources, none greater than your own, or more favored by nature. All that has been undertaken has not been realized, but undaunted, they continue trying.

# TRANSPORT BUSINESS.

A recent example, in which this city was but partially victorious, was the agitation associated with the transport business. The papers were unsparing in their taunts, at the oversight of trade slipping away, which for the past few years had netted profits of millions to the city, and each public body and cit-izen bestirred itself here and at Washington, proving what co-operation and harmony may accomplish. Nor was the important work carried on by the citizens only, but they received important aid from railroads having terminals in this city.

# LIBERAL ADVERTISERS.

In the matter of advertising, no stone is left unturned. The state supports an exhibit of minerals and their by products on display on entering the city, which must attract the attention of mining men and investors, and its value is attested by the inspection it receives as indicated on the register by citizens from all parts of the world. The display is a study, systematically arranged. and at once inspires conception of the riches and varieties of minerals ex-isting in this state. Our state should not be behind in doing a duty, which must bring its own reward. On another Section of the immense dock has been exhibited a citrus fruit display, grown only in Central and Northern Cali-fornia. It has been the general impression that this class of fruits could only be grown in Southern California. This impression has greatly attracted at-tention and emigration to the South. But the display arranged artistically and fantastically, will soon convince a public that other parts of the state have the required elements to grow oranges, lemons and like fruits, and mater-nally increase the emigration and wealth of Central and Northern California. This instance is cited to arouse the interior counties of Oregon to the necessity of their helping themselves, if they desire to make the world know that the fertility of their soll is rich is products, and thereby invite attention of new enpital.

# MARVELOUS GROWTH.

The growth of this city for the past five years is really marvelous. On all sides great structures are rearing their heads, while many are in course of construction. That the city is enjoying a real estate boom is conceded, and it is a current remark to hear of men getting great advances on purchases made short time before. The feeling is growing that values cannot continue to advance indefinitely, and when values begin to recede, many will find themselves worth materially less than their paper profits at present indicate.

The city is being conducted on the principle that large cities establish. The walks being intended for the use of pedestrians, are kept free of all classes of obstructions, whether of bicycle racks, open hatch-ways, or other obstruc-tions, too conspicuous by far in Portland. There is entirely too much sentitions, too conspict tions, too conspictous by far in Fortiand. There is entry too inten sent-mentalism in the matter of conducting our public affairs. We have too high a regard for the opinion of our neighbor, and dislike to wound his feelings, even if conscious that by so doing, we would be rendering a public good. When our fair city throws aside its swaddling clothes and properly exploits her sivantages and does things, she will begin to take rank amongst the fairest of one world. cities LEO FRIEDE.

> flects credit upon Director Moore and Stage Manager Dills, Mr. Wyngate is not in the cast. He has left the company.

> > Town.

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# "Irish Pawnbrokers."

"Trish Fawnbrokers." Markham McGuff Bobby Bryant Bridget Brannigan Coe Conlan Young Murphy Joe Ward Miss Angelena O'Flaherty Marmaduko O'Flaherty Marmaduko O'Flaherty Marmaduko O'Flaherty Levi Murphy Joe J. Sullivan Gridiron Grogan Henry Wakeman Honora Hennessey Fred Wilson Mrs. Angelena O'Flaherty I Wanta Case Lon Delmoro Meadowbrook Hunt W. H. Spencer Policeman Mulroony Eddle Brown Cordray's was crowded on Sunday af-

Cordray's was crowded on Sunday af-ternoon and night, "The Irish Pawnbrokers", being the bill, with Sullivan and Mack and Mazie Trumbull as the stellar attractions. The audience evinced considerable deligat with the hilarious fun of the piece, and laughed from beginning to end. It's another from beginning to end. farce comedy, without plot. Individual song and dance and several numbers of that character by half a dozen chorus girls, added to the comedy of Sullivan

and Mack and Trumbull, make up the potpourri that is called "The Irish Pawnbrokers." Miss Trumbull, well known here and

seen frequently heretofore, just as bright and chic as ever, with that same .....William Bernard ......Howard Russell ......William Lamp ......Robert Siddle winsome smile and lightness of foot, and lacking only a musical quality of voice to be perfection in her line of Bennett Southard Wade Rhine Fred Mower W. F. Scheller work. It is a pity that the gods did not deal out to her better vocal talent, that she might shine more brilliantly .W. F. Scheller William H. Dills as a star in the burlesque world. Mayne Taylor, who does the Mrs a very good volce and sings quite well. She responded to an encore on Sunday afternoon, with "On the Road to Mandalay," one of the sweetest songs any woman ever sung, but which Miss Taylor sings less effectively because she inclines towards making it a character song, instead of rendering it in the accepted, legitimate style which has made it loved over the However, coming in the midst world. of so much comedy, it is a very pleas-ing bit of manaic, and is appreciated by those who prefer that sort of thing to There is also a pretty song by Joe Ward and the six chorus girls, representing a midnight scene, which is exceedingly good. Sullivan and Mack are just the same Sullivan and Mack they were when they began to bring their "show" to the Coast, and everyone who attends farch-cal comedies of "The Irish Pawnbrokers" sort knows what that means. keep people laughing, with their Celtic brogue, and succeed in maintaining the center of the stage without tiring the audience, which may be judged from the fact that the people remain to the bitter end. Honora Hennessey, by Fred Wilson is a good bit of character work that is appreciated by everyone. The others are ready utility parts, and merely fill in the interstices between the comings and goings of the five before mentioned. It is a safe guess that "The Irish. Pawnbrokers" will do a good business during New Year's week and and with a record equal to that of the week just gone.

tendents will work with a like committee from the western division of the State Teachers' Association. ' This exhibit and the work of preparing it will operate to help the fair, and at the same time help the schools of the state. Small Forger. National Mecca.

Mr. McNutt,

Bragg

Umatilla

Baker

the

Democratic Times: Washington City the Mecca for the colored race and white cranks. The convening of Con-gress always means an influx of people who have buzzing brains, craving stomachs and empty pockets.

Found Land Office All Bight.

who was sent here several days ago

to inquire into and examine the al-leged fraudulent entries made at the

United States Land Office in this city, of which Hon. S. O. Swackhamer is receiver and Hon. E. W. Bartlett is

Teachers Will Exhibit.

Lewis and Clark Fair an educational

These three County Superin-

is still with us.

committee of three—E. E. Bragg Union County, J. Feyton of B County, J. F. Nowlin of Uma County-to arrange to bring to

egister.

exhibit.

Owl.

on Thursday. Launcelot Jones St. Julian Jones John Worth Squire Belcher, ... Kneeland Pray Dr. Sawyer Ernest Hardman Frank Hardman

Bank of Ashland, and purporting to be

profit from its billion dollars of capitalization than is produced annually in the state of Oregon from farms, orchards, mines, fisheries, fivestock ranges and lumber mills. Oregon produced approximately \$60,000,000 in 1902. The steel trust reported considerably more as profit upon its capital at the end of its first year.

Such a comparison staggers one. It appears to have been suggested by the imagination. Yet cold figures carry out the assertion.

The Standard Oil Company secures more profit from its operations than the State of Oregon produces. John D. Rockefeller receives much more us his own annual salary than all of the people of this state are able to bring into the form of tangible wealth during one whole year's labor.

Institute another comparison. The steel trust or the Standard Oil Company have more total profits from a year of operation than both the State of Oregon and the State of Washington, with perhaps the state of Idaho thrown in to make good measure.

How much of these enormous divimuch profit that is not legitimate?

tual material valuation of plants plus trust, its ability to control production lication be readable and sought by the in a given line.

It does not result from honest competition for trade.

ipulation alone justify intense hostillty.

Atlanta, 161. Number of retail saloons, Portland, 267; Seattle, 187; Atlants, 104, Amount of license, Port-

2; Seattle, 6; Atlanta, 1. Vagrancy, Portland, 197; Seattle, 936; Atlanta, 2,190. Housebreaking, Portland, 24; Seattle, 63; Atlanta, 68. Larceny, Portland, 301; Seattle, 342; Atlanta, 302. All other offenses, Portland, 1,509; Seattle, 4,536; Atlanta, 1,724. Total arrests, Portland, 3,364; Seattle, 9,175; Atlanta, 15,537. The total arrests made in Portland for the year was a triffe

and battery, Portland, 213; Seattle,

218) Atlanta, 22. Homicide, Portland,

over one-third the total for Seattle, and but one-fifth the number for At-

Henry G. Hayes, the oldest reporter in Washington, has deserted the post which he has honored for more than, 39 years. He has reached an age that compels cessation of his accustomed toil. Mr. Hayes has been recognized as one of the most influential writers in the United States. He was never an editor, yet he exerted a power that increased as the years passed, and his knowledge of the public men and methods of legislation became more complete. His career is one that raises the reporter into a position of prominence, and illustrates the possibilities before the man who masters dends declared by the great trusts his detail and labors long and faithconstitute legitimate profit, and how fully to acquit himself creditably. Let none despise the reporter. He is the In the first place the capitalization man who makes the newspapers what of these trusts is largely water. The they are. He is the "man behind the

capitalization does not represent ac- gun," and the man behind the gun never receives just reward of apprereasonable sums added to represent ciation. Every wise newspaper manthe labor of organization. The profit ager acknowledges the importance of sible because of the absolutism of the are faithful and diligent will his pubmasses.

Newspapers are nowadays filled Such comparisons as that herein in- with stories illustrating the brilliant stituted compel thought by the citizen wit of the late Tom Reed. Probably, who has practical knowledge of the this sharpness of will was one of the world and who knows what power most potent forces that kept him from such institutions may exercise. Their the White House. It was a weapon potentiality for evils in political man- that he was tempted to use when it might make a personal enemy. Men may forgive being worsted in an

encounter when the successful oppon-An interesting comparison is insti- ent preserves the self-respect of the tuted by the East Oregonian between defeated. But thrusts that turn the Portland, Seattle and Atlanta, Ga., as act into ridicule are seldom forgiven. to the number of arrests made in each The sting of his thrusts rankled in place during the year 1901: Number many a public man's breast, and made of policemen, Portland, 53; Seattle, 78; an enemy of whom might as well have hands over the cash been a friend and admirer.

There is a state of the second Lord Roberts, "Bobs," refuses to pay Long. \$400; Seattle, \$600; Atlanta, the traditional fee of \$5,000 to secure \$1,000. Cases of drunkenness, Port- the stall awarded to Knights of the land, 008; Seattle, 1,186; Atlanta, 4,242. Garter, with which honor he was in-Disturbing the peace, Portland, 192; vested. These stalls are set apart in Scattle, 1,888; Atlanta, 7,963. Assault St. George's Chapel, Windsor, to all chattered the youth.

butter, is both. This loke a kindergarten compared to some butter. The preliminary appropriation for the Panama Canal, means that the first thing

is for the commission to launch it with champagne. If women would do their Christmas shopping any time after the Fourth of July, it would add to the happiness of the clerks.

As New Years approaches, will the weather man kindly tell us whether to buy skates or an umbrella for the girl,



The clerk who dreamed last night his salary had been raised had a good time of it, as long as the dream lasted.

Gentlemen, the weather changes every 15 minutes, while the weather guesser only has one chance in 24 hours.

possible under the trust regime is pos- his reporters, and knows that as they family, while her husband sliently prays the baby will not wake up.

> Venezuela prefers The Hague Tribunal to hospital service with all Europe supplying the ambulances. ----

The Aurora Borealis needn't get proud while the Salvation Army bonnet irradiates tim atmosphere;

Senator Fulton says that anything com ing to an Astoria man's net is either fish. or salmon. 20

ancients. virility?

don't have to-the law goes after them.

When a man foots his wife's bills he

# TEXT WAS APROPOS.

boy had been to church and was still hearth at home. "What was the text?" asked his mother. "Many are cold, but few are frozen."

from the same cause

ish Women under direction of Stephen S. Wise will meet Wednesday, December 31, at 2:30 p. m., at the Selling-Hirsch Buflding. The study is to be 'Esther. All interested are kindly invited by the Coun cil to be present.

The members of the First Presbyterian Churches have invited the congregations the different Presbyterian churches throughout the city to the mother church Tuesday to meet Dr. J. A. MacIntosh, D. Hall, there is a dance for every night this week. Tuesday the Assembly Club is to give its second party this year at D., of Philadelphia,

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LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

### \* Pests at Theatres.

Portland, Dec. 27, 1902.

To the Editor. In this evening's (Saturday) Journal, I notice a very timely comment upon the annoyance caused by Year's party at Parsons' Hall, while on Friday the Quel Que Soit at Parsons, and the premature donning of wraps during the action of a play, and I heartily agree that it is extremely unpleasant to have one's view obstructed and one's hearing interfered with by such thoughtlessness on the part of others.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rodgen at their residence, No. & East Thirty-ninth street No matter how distasteful this may be. however, it seems to me a slight offense when compared with the rude disturbance on the evening of the 24th. The cosy home was decorated with holly and ivy, caused by the "smart" person who at-tends concert or theater for the sole the festoons blending with the folds of a beautiful American flag which was draped purpose of sneering and proclaiming aloud how little she knows-for, alas, it is across the alcove between the dining and sitting rooms. Under an arch of small generally a woman who does so.

On Christmas Day I attended the mati-Indian baskets stood a lighted tree loaded with sweets and numerous useful and nee performance at The Baker Theater. handsome gifts for the favenile members. When the curtain went up there were two vacant seats on my left. The play ad-vanced and at the time when interest The distribution of these gifts was the most pleasant feature of the evening. mayed by the elders. had become fixed, two young women appeared and the people in our row kindly The card score resulted in the capture R. F. Straus and rose and allowed them to take their long consolation

waiting places. Then, misery! From the moment of R. F. Straus and Grandpa Strain, A delicious luncheon their arrival till the close of the third was served on small tables. Music and act, they kept up a running fire of adverse criticism about the play and playgames closed an evening long to be renembered by those in attendance. Those ers, their walk, their talk, and cos tumes-sparing no one on the stage-

"Grandpa" and "Grandma" Straus, Mr. all loudly enough to cause people in four and Mrs. Harry Rodgers, Mr. and Mrs. rows to glare in helpless disadjoining R. F. Straus, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Straus, pleasure. Especially during a bit of ten-Mrs. E. B. Van Hack, Mrs. C. Giger, Mrs. M. E. Buckley; Messrs. Harry Straus, Robert and Frank Rodgers, Alderness or unusually good piece of acting this would-be wit sparkle and flow, till, in the scene between the two broth-ers-splendidly portrayed by Mr. Wynbert Giger and the Misses Bertha Straus, Emily and May Rodgers, Bessie Jones, Baby Helen Straus and Master Lionel gate and Mr. Bernard-patience was worn out, and one young man had the good sense and moral courage to exclaim that "those people gave him a pain," and

added an invitation to keep quiet or go Professor and Miss McKinley are down

After a few remarks of pity for the audience who never got to see anything better, they lapsed into silence and the play was allowed to end.

'Are you glad you came?" one asked. "Um-yes-you bet!" responded the other, sotto voice. "IIm-yes

This is only one of many instances that I have observed and the public will indeed be indebted to The Journal Mr. James Gavin Dickson left Portland on the 11:45 train last night for Tacoma. Mr. William Holt, who, with Mrs. Holt if, through its columns these annoying has been spending the Christmas hollbreaches of etiquette may be reduced or better still, abolished-and doubtiens the Tacoma actors who, after all, are only men and Thursday night. Mrs. Holt will be here women, would appreciate the courtesy of close attention and kind appreciation. Hardman, and bot bernard does it well. The staging of the play deserves elabfor another week at least as the guest of Miss Jessie George, 616 Market street. The Bible Class of the Council of Jew-

Tred Oakhurst ... Delaney Jus Wirt The Crossman Child . Will Peake 

TONIGHT'S ATTRACTIONS.

The Marquam Grand-The Original Bos-

Baker-! Temperance

Cordray's-"Irish Pawnbroker." Sulli-

COMING ATTRACTIONS.

The Marquam Grand-Bostonians, Tues-

The Baket-"Temperance Town," for the

week, with special New Year's matinee.

Cordray's-"Irish Pawnbroker," for the

"A Temperance Town."

Wednesday matinee, in

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van and Mack, and Mazie Trumbull,

tonians in "Robin Hood."

Charles Hoyt's play

Hood:"

Hardman

'Maid Marian."

on Thursday

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Robin

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Biting satire, corroding irony, temperance admonition and merciless rebuke to the remainder of the program hypocrisy are the moral and ethical elements of "A Temperance Town," a Hoyt play, given at The Baker Sunday matinee and night to capacity houses, and that is the bill for the week. It tells of affairs in a small Vermont prohibition town where is a saloon and where there are those who would keep it open as well as those who compel its owner to cease the sale of spirituous liquors. Among the former are thoroughly soaked fellows whose rags and poverty and general worthlessness attest the evils of rum,

while on the opposite side of the dramatic picture, and sharply in contrast, too, are black-frocked, small-mouled, sycophantic, selfish pretenders to the name of Christian, who make a mockery of the name of the lowly Nazarene which they profess, but which they do not exemplify.

The piece offers most of the opportunity to the men, and of the men, William Bernard and Howard Russell, re-spectively as Mink and Binge Jones, have the center of the stage for the greater part of the time.

Mr. Bernard has a habit of always interpreting an assigned part correctly, and has run the gamut of characters. Mink Jones is something great as characterized by Mr. Bernard. It is original, yet true to life, and that it is funny is proven by the unlimited laughter by the audience Mr. Russell as Binge was widely different from the usual Binge as shown by others who have essayed it, and it also was a very good quality of work.

Lamp strode forward into favor with Portland people in the character of Jack Worth, lover of Ruth Hardman. Miss Countiss as the latter was what

she always is, sweet, effective and pleasing. The fourth act offers her the only good opportunity in the play, and in grasping it she accomplishes one of the best bits of acting that she has been known to do, notwithstanding that she has borne herself brilliantly in whatever character has been given her. Carlyle Moore is simply great as Uncle

Joe Viall and Judge Doe. Mr. Dills, in addition to stage manage-ment, takes the part of Crossman, and sustains it with his usual excellence. Bennett Southard again has a good part as Pray, and does it well, Mr. Mower, Mr. Siddle and Mr. Mann appear to advantage, while several who have minor parts are satis-

# factory. There are words of praise for Mine Gleason (Mary Jane Jones), as always heretofore, and Miss Esmond (Arabella, the legally-inclined girl), is another bright bit of work by that winsome fotress. Miss McNeill meets the requirements of a minor part as Mrs. Hardman, and Dot Bernard does a does a

A WOMAN, orate and favorable criticism, and re-

# HIGH-PRICED POTATOES.

The romance of potatoes is but im-perfectly understood by the majority of those who eat them every day. Nor do they usually occur to the speculator as a basis of operation. Yet the history of the variety known as "The Northern Star" is one of the fairy tales of finance. It was brought out last year, says a London paper, by a grower in Markinch, in Fifeshire, who parted with a few tons at the extraordinary price of £1,210 a ton. To this rate, which works out at about 10 shillings a pound. he religiously adhered. At this rate, two pounds were purchased by a firm of lealers belonging to Bardney, near Lincoln. From these two pounds they have this year grow 130 pounds they have this year grow 130 pounds, and are so pleased with the result that they have bought a quantity more at the rate of 5500 a ton. Two other growers, Mr. Kime of Manham-le-Fen and Mr. Blades of Epworth, purchased a ton at the same figure, and have paid more for subsequent consignments After this he story of the King Edward VII potato, which began to sell at £12 10s m ton and rose to £40, seems quite tame, though it would have been sufficiently remarkable under any other circum

# XENTUCKIAN'S INVENTION.

stances.

(Exchange.) To make a large cork fit a small bottle it is common practice to trim the sides of the cork. Generatly the knife in duil and the cut irregular. A simpler way is to cut a six wedge-shaped piece out of the cork at its lower end. If the cork is very large, cut out an additional wedge at right angles to the first. This will make a perfect nonspilling

from Eugene for a few weeks. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Patullo left for Tacoma yesterday. Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hill are visiting their son, Rev. Edgar P. Hill, D. D., at 64 Alder street. Mr. Emily Holbrook is home again after a six-months' visit with relatives in New York.

(Baltimore American.) It was since the coal famine began. The vering when he reached the cheerless

It is said butter was unknown to the Then how account for the

Some men go to law, and some men