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OPINIONS OF OTHER EDITORS.

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

PORTLAND PEOPLE MUST BE ACTIVE.

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 time to transpire 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.

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, among them Col. Alden J. Blenheim, of the Seattle Times, desired that the governor and merger president confer, or, at least, greet each other in a friendly interview.

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.

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 governing 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 Llanad 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 quick. 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 exhortations 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 woman should be denied "equality of opportunity" in his or her effort to lighten the burden upon his or her shoulders. The Journal aims to be a fair newspaper to one and all.

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 could be a Christian and stay with it. It took John's conscience a long time to get ripe.

During the last few years American shipments of horses to other countries have been as follows: South Africa, \$4,765; Canada, \$4,438; Cuba, \$4,438; British Columbia, 1,573; China, 2,317; Philippines, 1,973; Japan, 1,538; British West Indies, 190, and others scattering. Germany, France, Russia and Austria are likewise included among the number of foreign purchasers, but they have just begun to make purchases and have only invested up to the present time in trotting stock. The horse was 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.

The approaching election of a United States Senator to succeed Senator Simon naturally divides the ways to the front, says the Baker City Democrat. There is a diversity of opinion among Eastern Oregon legislators on the Mays law and on the problem whether or not the Mays law had a fair test at the June election, when Gov. Geer was nominated for the Senate by a vote of the Republicans. Mr. Geer and other matters the opinion of Hon. J. L. Rand, Senator from this 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 themselves and the nearer the election can be obtained from the people the better in my opinion it is. I do not know whether I am in favor of a continuation of the present method of election, or amendments to the Constitution, to have United States Senators nominated in the state conventions and elected by ballot."

La Grande Chronicle: Hon. Thomas McNutt, special agent of the general Land Office, Department of the Interior, who was sent here several days ago to inquire into and examine the alleged fraudulent entries made at the United States Land Office in this city, of which Hon. S. O. Swackhamer is registrar, is still with us. Mr. McNutt since his arrival here, has made a thorough investigation of the entries made at this office, and has found everything perfectly satisfactory.

Teachers Will Exhibit. Union Republican: The Eastern Oregon Teachers' Association appointed a committee of three—E. E. Bragg of Union County, J. Peyton of Baker County, J. E. Nowlin of Umatilla County—to arrange to bring to the Lewis and Clark Fair an educational exhibit. These three County Superintendents will work with a like committee from the western division of the State Teachers' Association. The exhibit and the work of preparing it will operate to help the fair, and at the same time help the schools of the state.

National Mecca. Democratic Times: Washington City is the Mecca for the colored race and white cranks. The convening of Congress always means an influx of people who have buzzing brains, craving stomachs and empty pockets. 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 who disappeared gradually.

JUST BETWEEN OURSELVES. BY K. K. K. Dancing parties are to be the thing this week. Beginning with the Carpe Diem affair at the new Woodmen Hall, there is a dance for every night this week. Tuesday the Assembly Club is to give its second party at the Parsons' Hall. The Tree Joll Club has its third hop at the 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 domino party at La Rowe Hall, the Guest dance at the Northrup, New Century Club's affair at Parsons' Hall, at Burkhart Hall the dance of the Carnation Social Club, and Company B's December party at the Armory.

A Christmas House Party. A Christmas house party was given by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rodgen at their residence, No. 46 East Thirtieth street, on the evening of the 27th. The cozy home was decorated with holly and ivy, the festoons blending with the folds of a beautiful American flag which was draped across the alcove between the dining and parlor. The evening was spent in Indian bazaar, a light refreshment table with sweets and numerous useful and handsome gifts for the juvenile members. The distribution of these gifts was the most pleasant feature of the evening.

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. A wife fears a burglar will disturb the family, while her husband silently 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 the atmosphere. Senator Fulton says that anything coming to an Astoria man's net is either fish, or salmon.

It is said butter was unknown to the ancients. Then how account for the venality? Some men go to law, and some men don't have to let the law go after them. When a man foots his wife's bills, he hands over the cash.

TEXT WAS APPOBOS. (Baltimore American). It was since the coal famine began. The boy had been to church and was still shivering when he reached the cheerless hearth at home. "What was the text?" "Many are cold, but few are frozen," chattered the youth.

Exportation Light Before 1905. Until 1895 the exportation 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. Beer Was Demanded. During the last few years American shipments of horses to other countries have been as follows: South Africa, \$4,765; Canada, \$4,438; Cuba, \$4,438; British Columbia, 1,573; China, 2,317; Philippines, 1,973; Japan, 1,538; British West Indies, 190, and others scattering.

The Pony Craze. The pony has come back into popularity. The demand for small saddle stock not necessarily Shetlands, is brisk 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 ranges is plentiful this industry can be successfully relied on. Senatorial Election and Mays Law. The approaching election of a United States Senator to succeed Senator Simon naturally divides the ways to the front, says the Baker City Democrat.

Found Land Office All Right. La Grande Chronicle: Hon. Thomas McNutt, special agent of the general Land Office, Department of the Interior, who was sent here several days ago to inquire into and examine the alleged fraudulent entries made at the United States Land Office in this city, of which Hon. S. O. Swackhamer is registrar, is still with us. Mr. McNutt since his arrival here, has made a thorough investigation of the entries made at this office, and has found everything perfectly satisfactory.

The Christmas Journal. The Christmas number of the Oregon Daily Journal, of Portland, is a large 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.—Dayton 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 butchered child. We would like to see all there will be left of some of the young hopefuls who frequent the Southern Pacific depot and climb on moving trains.—Oakland Owl.

Successful Hunting. Gardiner Gazette: Charley Perkins and Orsuff are "high boat" in this season's duck shoot, by one good duck and a coon. Mr. Perkins wears the blue ribbon for bagging the most good birds and the white ribbon for the coon. Now adorns our manly frock shows who killed the mallard and the coon.

Small Forger. A stranger calling himself Only Hargrave this week passed a bogus check for \$500, drawn on the First National Bank of Ashland, and purporting to be signed by C. S. Marsden, on the Hotel Nash bar. He eluded arrest by skipping out.—Democratic Times.

The Deadly Coyote. Oakland Owl: Coyotes have killed over 200 sheep and goats for A. E. Smith in the last six months. George Carline and others also lost several head of sheep from the same cause.

Wish Women under direction of Stephen S. Wise will meet Wednesday, December 23, at 2:30 p. m., at the Selling-Hirsch Building. The study is to be "Ester." All interested are kindly invited by the Council to be present.

Members of the First Presbyterian Church have invited the congregations of the different Presbyterian churches throughout the city to the mother church Tuesday to meet Dr. J. A. Macintosh, D. D., of Philadelphia.

Letters From The People. Poets 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 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.

No matter how distasteful this may be, however, it seems to me a slight offense when compared with the rude disturbance caused by the "smart" person who attends concert or theater for the sole purpose of sneering and proclaiming aloud how little she knows—for, alas, it is generally a woman who does so. On Christmas attended the matinee performance at the Baker Theater. When the curtain went up there were two vacant seats on my left. The play advanced and at the time when interest is kept up a running fire of adjectives, their walk, their talk, and costumes—sparing no one on the stage—allowing enough to cause people in four adjoining rows to glare in helpless displeasure. Especially during a bit of tenderness or unusually good piece of acting did this would-be wit sparkle and flow, till, in the scene between the two brothers—splendidly portrayed by Mr. Wynne and Mr. Bernard—Bessie Jones came 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 home.

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—yes—bet!" responded the other, sotto voice. This is only one of many instances that I have observed—and the public will indeed be indebted to The Journal if through its columns these annoying breaches of etiquette may be reduced better still, abolished—and doubtless the actors who, after all, are only men and women, would appreciate the courtesy of close attention and kind appreciation. A WOMAN.

TRANSPORT BUSINESS. A recent example, in which this city was but partially victorious, was the agitation associated with the transport business. The papers were unspurring 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 citizen beheld itself here and there, and the feeling is growing in the minds of the citizens only, but they received important aid from railroads having terminals in this city.

LIBERAL ADVERTISEMENTS. 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 at 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 existing 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, which has been exhibited a citrus fruit display grown only in Central and Northern California. It has been the general impression that this class of fruits could only be grown in Southern California. This impression has greatly attracted attention and emigration to the South. But the display arranged artistically and factually, will soon convince a public that other parts of the state and have the required elements to grow oranges, lemons 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 soil is rich in products, and thereby invite attention of new capital.

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 but a short time before. The feeling is growing that such advances cannot continue to advance indefinitely, and when values begin to recede, they will 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 are being tended for the use of pedestrians, are kept free of all classes of obstructions, whether of bicycle racks, or other obstructions, too conspicuous by far in Portland. There is entire too much sentimentality 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 contrary to what is so doing, we would be rendering a public good. When our fair city throws away her money in the purchase of clothes and properly exploits her advantages and does things, she will begin to take rank amongst the great cities of the world. LEO FRIEDE.

fects credit upon Director Moore and Stage Manager Dills. Mr. Wynne is not in the cast. He has left the company.

"Irish Pawnbrokers." Markham McGuff, Bobby Bryant, Bridget Brannigan, Cos Conlan, Young Burns, George G. Conlan, Miss Margaret O'Flaherty, Miss Marmaduke O'Connell, Miss Marie Trumbull, Miss Mary O'Connell, Miss Mack, Lord Murphy, Joe J. Sullivan, Griddon Grogan, Henry Kulkman, Miss Margaret O'Flaherty, Miss Wilson, Mrs. Angelina O'Flaherty, Miss I. Wanda O'Connell, Miss Mayme Taylor, Miss Lillian O'Connell, Miss Edna Meadowbrook Hunt, W. H. Spencer, Policeman Mulroony, Eddie Brown.

TO-NIGHT'S ATTRACTIONS. The Marquam Grand—The Original Bostonians in "Robin Hood." The Baker—"Temperance Town." Charles Hoyt's play, "William Denton." Cordray's "Irish Pawnbroker." Sullivan and Mack, and Marie Trumbull.

COMING ATTRACTIONS. The Marquam Grand—Bostonians, Tuesday night and Wednesday matinee, in "Robin Hood." Wednesday night in "Maid Marian." The Baker—"Temperance Town," for the week, with special New Year's matinee, on Thursday. Cordray's "Irish Pawnbroker," for the week, with special New Year's matinee, on Thursday.

"A Temperance Town." Lancelot Jones, William Bernard, John Worth, Howard Russell, Squire Belcher, Robert Siddie, Benjamin Pray, Bennett Southard, Dr. Ernest, Wade Rhine, Ernest Hardman, Fred Mower, Frank Hardman, W. F. Scheller, Fred Oakburn, William H. Dill, Uncle Joe Viall, Carlisle Moore, Judge Joe, Carlisle Moore, William H. Dill, Gus Wirt, Learned Sprigg, Albert Mann, Marjorie, Ernest, and Mattie, Arabella, Elsie Edmond, Roxana, Lillian Rhoads, The O'Connells, Dora, George, Will Peake, F. Jones, Foreman of the Jury, Gus Wirt, Sheriff, William F. Scheller, Ruth, Mrs. M. C. Carline, Mrs. Hardman, Elsie, Graham McNeil.

Blings, snipes, corroding irony, temperance admonition and maxims, rebuke to 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 there is a saloon and where there are those who would keep it open as well as those who would close it. It is a dramatic picture, and sharply in contrast, to the black-frocked, small-souled, 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, respectively as Mink and Blinge 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, it is true to life, and that it is funny is proven by the unlimited laughter by the audience.

Mr. Russell as Blinge was widely different from the usual Blinge as shown by other who have essayed it, and it also was a very good quality of work. Mr. Lamp strode forward into favor with Portland people in the character of Jack Worth, lover of Ruth Hardman. Miss Conlan 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.

Carlisle Moore is simply great as Uncle Joe Viall and Judge Doe. Mr. Dill in addition to stage management, 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. Siddie and Mr. Mann appear to advantage, while several who have minor parts are satisfactory.

There are words of praise for Mina Gleason (Mary Jane Jones), as always heretofore, and Miss Edmond (Arabella, the legally-inclined girl), is another bright bit of work by that winsome actress. Miss McNeill meets the requirements of a minor part as Mrs. Hardman, and Dot Bernard does a little in the play and does it well. The staging of the play deserves elaborate and favorable criticism, and re-

HIGH-PRICED POTATOES. The romance of potatoes is but imperfectly understood by the majority of those who eat them every day. They usually occur to the speculator as a basis of operation. Yet the history of the variety known as "The Northern Star" is full of interest. It was first 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 \$1.19 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 dealers belonging to Barmby, near Lincoln. From this firm they have this year grown 130 pounds, and are so pleased with the result that they have bought a quantity more at the rate of \$1.50 a ton. Two other growers, Mr. King of Manham-Pen and Mr. Dingles of Epworth, purchased a ton at the same figure, and have paid more for subsequent consignments. After this the story of the King Edward VII potato, which brought \$1.25 a ton and a ton and rose to \$40, seems quite tame, though it would have been sufficiently remarkable under any other circumstances.

KENTUCKIAN'S INVENTION. (Exchange). To make a large cork fit a small bottle it is common practice to trim the sides of the cork. Generally the knife is dull and the cut irregular. A simpler way is to cut a six-sided wedge 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 stopper.