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THE JOURNAL'S PLATFORM

A Trinity of Events Which Would Make of Portland the Mightiest City of the Pacific Coast.

- First—Deepen the Columbia river bar. Second—Open the Columbia river to unimpeded navigation at and above The Dalles. Third—Dig an Isthmian canal.

PATRONIZE HOME INDUSTRIES.

THE EXTENT and variety of the manufacturing done in Portland is a matter of surprise to every one who makes an investigation of it.

In a case of this kind, and it is only one of many, there should be no trouble in deciding what to do. The local product should receive the preference, first, because it is a home product, second on its merits, third, because of the encouragement it affords manufacturers to enter the business and fourth, because we are helping to build a home industry which will give employment to more of our own people and at the same time increase the taxable and actual wealth of the city.

The products of Portland have reached such a high standard of excellence that on their bare merits they can hold their own against competition. It is therefore an easy thing to encourage them for we may do so at no extra cost to ourselves, oftentimes at a saving, and they are usually superior in quality.

If we do not ourselves help to build up our manufacturing industries we cannot hope that others will go out of their way to do it for us. There should be intense loyalty to all the interests of Portland manifested by everybody living here and no better starting point for its expression could be found than in patronizing home industries and giving them every encouragement to prosper and expand.

A FULL-PAID FIRE DEPARTMENT.

THE MAYOR'S RECOMMENDATION in favor of a full paid fire department should receive the hearty concurrence of the council. It is another concession that should and must be made to the growth and importance of the city.

Under the system which prevails it is impossible for Portland ever to have a fire department which will rank in efficiency and effectiveness with this branch of the municipal service in other big cities.

An efficient fire department, fully equipped and alive to the demands of the service, must mean a lower premium rate on fire insurance, because that sort of service insures a lessened property loss and therefore a lessened risk on the part of the insurance companies.

A HERBY ACT.

One Man with a Little Penknife Facing an Angry Mob of Lyceum.

Clarence H. Mateon, in the American Monthly Review of Reviews, tells us that in the spring of 1893, an angry mob surged through the streets of a small Western city.

A negro, accused of a heinous crime, lay in the county jail. The mob rushed for the prison, but was beaten off by an armed force.

Meanwhile, a handful of law-abiding but determined men, in behalf of the Kentuckian, had gathered at the outskirts of the mob.

into the stairway of an office building. Those in front tried to push the negro back, but the momentum of the Kentuckian and his few friends was too great, and half the distance to the stairway was speedily covered.

The negro was saved. It afterward developed that he was not only innocent, but that the very crime of which he was accused was a myth.

Reflections of a Bachelor. From the New York Press. It takes a widow who dyes her hair to help an innocent man suspect a girl who bleaches hers.

DIET AND CANCER.

From the London News.

Of the 27,457 who died of cancer in England in 1901 probably the majority were operated upon by cutting out the diseased part.

OVER AT JOE CHESAK'S. From the Edge (Wis.) Press. Mike Wenicka of this town has made a yearly contract with Joseph Chesak to haul all of Joe's goods from Edge to certain price per trip.

The Typical American Girl—Who and What She is

William Allen White in Woman's Home Companion

In arranging the typical American man, scientific and literary anthropologists give him the odor of the soil, with all his quickness of mind and depth of heart and gentleness of soul.

The real typical American girl is not a society girl. Portraits typifying her as such are untrue. She has her social diversions; she has her parties and picnics and her social merry-go-round of pleasures.

From public indifference comes official indifference and managerial laxity. Then follows the calamity and the scapegoat is hysterically sought to be offered as a sacrifice to the heedlessness for which the public at large is in no small degree responsible.

The typical American girl, then, is one who is charming and good looking, one who lives in the spirit of fraternity and who works for a living.

OTHER GREAT THEATRE FIRES.

December the Month in Which Four Have Gone.

From the New York Sun. In the great Chicago fire, of October, 1871, only 209 lives were lost.

To the minds of New Yorkers, the Chicago disaster stands out as the most burning of the Brooklyn theatre, in December, 1876.

Another American theatre fire which was of importance in its way was that which destroyed a theatre at Richmond, Va., in 1811.

Curiously enough, this Richmond fire, the Ring theatre fire and the Brooklyn fire all occurred in December, like the Iroquois theatre fire.

The Brooklyn theatre fire was on the evening of December 5, 1876. The theatre was on Washington street, near Johnson.

The play was "The Two Orphans," in which the principal was Kate Claxton, who is still on the stage.

The number of the identified dead was 370. Many of these and the unrecognizable remains of a score more were buried at a public funeral in Greenwood cemetery.

The two Continental fires—that at the Ring theatre and that at the Paris Charity Bazaar—have been described as typical of the countries in which they occurred.

The Ring theatre was burned on December 5, 1876, while a large audience was viewing the performance of Offenbach's comic opera, "Les Contes d'Hoffmann."

The Paris Bazaar fire of May 4, 1877, made a black page in the history of horrors, not so much because there were 191 persons killed, but because many of them were of the flower of French families.

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All these things the American girl has brought to her home to beautify it, to make it happy, to make it healthful, to glorify it.

And finally, because of all these things, and many of her trainings, she makes the best wife and mother. She goes to her husband not a child of ignorant innocence, but a woman who has touched life at many points, and who knows how to respond properly to all its varied demands.

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FULTON AND THE LAND LAWS.

Some of His Arguments Meet With Little Favor.

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In answer to the first statement of Senator Fulton, regarding the rigidity of the law governing flings under the timber and stone act, it is only necessary to cite the thoughtful reader to the bold-faced corruption which has been proven in the courts of this state within the past month.

October 6, 1865, Bowery theatre, New York.

March 22, 1867, Winter Garden theatre, New York.

June 19, 1867, Varieties theatre, Philadelphia, Pa.

October 8, 1871, Adelphi theatre, Boston.

October 12, 1880, Academy of Music, Chicago.

October 31, 1882, Park theatre, New York.

April 25, 1883, Arch-Street opera house, Philadelphia.

November 29, 1883, Windsor theatre, New York.

February 27, 1886, National theatre, Washington.

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Presidential Choice of Democrats in Congress

From the New York Times.

Inquiry among Democratic senators and representatives shows that there exists a strong feeling of hopefulness for the success of the Democratic candidates for president and vice-president at the election of 1904.

This hopefulness for success is supplemented by the belief that President Roosevelt, who it is admitted on all sides will be the Republican candidate, will be obliterated by the action of the national convention in selecting candidates and formulating a platform.

But while the Democrats believe they see a chance for their nominees in 1904, they realize that candidates must be selected who will inspire the confidence of the people, and that principles must be announced that will not create alarm for the future in the event of Democratic success.

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As a rule, the gentlemen approached declined to be quoted as a personal preference for candidates, but all agreed that the candidate presented and earnestly supported by the New York delegation would be the nominee of the convention.

From the New York Times.

Advice to the Lovelorn

BY BEATRICE FAIRFAX.

Portland, Or., Jan. 5.—Dear Miss Fairfax: Will you kindly inform me through the columns of your paper whether it is perfectly correct for a young lady to ask a gentleman to marry her, during leap year.

It would certainly be very important for any young lady to ask a gentleman to marry her during leap year or any other year. A marriage resulting from such a proposal would never be a happy one, as the gentleman would propose to you himself if he cared for you.

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Native Can Teach Americans.

From Justice, Manila, P. I.

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