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#### OFFICIAL PAPER OF THE CITY OF PORTLAND

#### WHY NOT?

F. THE MUNICIPAL AUTHORITIES of Portland should order an expert investigation of the several departments of the city government, similar to that which has been made by the county, they would probably have the cordial approval of the taxpayers. The people would like to know precisely what becomes of the city's revenues. Where does the money go?

The annual and semi-annual reports of various city of ficials shed some light upon the subject, but not enough. It is not enough to know that expenditures are kept within speaking distance of receipts nor to know how much it has cost to run the police department for the previous year The city's books should be experted in the same manne that any other large business is checked up, by carefu expert investigation. If there has been waste, irregularity or misuse of funds, it will be brought to light.

There is a widespread impression among the people of Portland that the city government is not economically administered. The results are not commensurate with the high rate of taxation, and the impoverished condition of the city treasury excites much dissatisfaction and comment. If criticism is unjust, if the affairs of the city are in fact being administered with economy and prudence, this would be made apparent to the public by an expert in vestigation and city officials should be heartily in favor

The city may well profit by the experience of the county. The reports of the expert who has been at work at the courthouse have brought to light many abuses preunsuspected. Considerable sums of money will be recovered by the county which, but for the expert's investigation, would have been lost altogether. Many loos methods in the conduct of public business have been discontinued. The benefits of the county's house-cleaning have been unmistakable. It is fair to assume that the city would profit quite as much if it follows the county's ex-

#### THE COUNTRY'S WHEAT CROP.

HE WHEAT CROP of the United States is nov being harvested. In the Pacific northwest it will be a bumper crop, but according to present estimates will fall below the average of the past three or four years in the country.

The wheat product of the United States in the past few profit, years has ranged from 500,000,000 to 750,000,000 bushels, its Now of the hay crop averages about \$450,900,000, and that of the cotton crop has reached \$530,000,000.

James J. Hill recently estimated this year's wheat crop at not over 600,000,000, which is now reckoned a short crop, and Mr. Hill is regarded as a pessimist; yet he may not be far wrong. The shortage, as compared with the years since 1899, is attributed chiefly to continuous and drenching rains and windstorms in the Red River valley, and in called protection. the great grain belts of Kansas and Nebraska, where the crop, though very large, will be less than in some former years. But even 600,000,000 bushels is not a very light crop, for in 1893 it was scarcely 400,000,000 bushels, and several years since fell below the 600,000,000 mark. The greatest yield was in 1901, 748,460,000 bushels, while it was 670,600,000 bushels in 1902 and 637,000,000 in 1903. These yields were above the average, for in 1900 the harvest was only 522,000,000 bushels, and in 1899 547,304,000. In three years during the past eleven, the crop has fallen below

So with even only 600,000,000 bushels this year there will be plenty for ourselves and a considerable quantity for exels or more, will make a fine showing.

### HEAVY COST OF WAR.

TT IS ESTIMATED that the war in the far east is costing Russia now \$1,000,000 a day, and the expense is constantly increasing. If, as some experts think, the war will be prolonged through many months, the aggredebt for many years—and most of her people are none too otherwise might be theirs.

The late Mayor Samuel M. Jones, or

Rule," following his election as mayor

and the laboring element voted for him

and he proceeded to apply to the con-duct of public business as far as possible

permit him entering another campaign.
"Why!" shouted Jones, "I am physic-

Mayor Jones was born in Wales 58

years ago, and came to this country with his parents when he was three

rears old. He disliked his father's busi-

ness of farming. He learned the ma-

Lima, Ohio, where he invested in a fac-

tory for the manufacture of oil well supplies. Seven hundred men applied

his little factory. This insight into the appalling conditions that surrounded the

lot of the workingman overwhelmed him. Thereafter he took unto himself the rule

of doing by others as he would wish to

hours a day is sufficient for a man to work, gave his men maximum wages

and a week's vacation every year, made them a present of from 5 to 10 per cent of the entire amount of yearly profits.

took their families out for lake

He established Golden Rule park,

where good muste and good speaking are provided the year around. He once said:

"We cannot come nearer to a just sys-tem of production and distribution than

by adopting the creed of St. Simon: From each according to his ability; to each according to his needs."

From the Chicago Journal.

Beveral ladies were engaged in decorating the church when news was brought them that a goat was making

toward men" design in pretty leaves, which was standing ready for removal into the building.

The sexton, who was assisting, imme-

Pennsylvania oil regions in 1864

the 12 tobs he had to give out in

ally, intellectually and spiritually bette

Golden Rule principle which had

Toledo, won his sobriquet,

STORIES OF "GOLDEN BULE" JONES | the attack in the most approved style. REMARKS SOMEWRAT MODIFIED. 'Make haste, Johnson, and get up, said the pastor's wife from a place safety; "It's starting to eat again." "Let him eat again, ma-am." gasped the sexton, "I'm goin' to wait till he's got some good will to man inside "im."

## From the Newark News

distinguished his private life.

His family physician met him in the Boody house in Toledo last spring and Mrs. Gresham tied the rowboat at "Good morning, Mrs. Hopkins," said to the thin, worn woman, who came

than I ever was before in my life. One of you hold my hat as high as my head." "Mornin,' Miss Graham," said the other, and, drying her hand, she held it out. "You all back for the summer, A traveling man took the hat and Mayor Jones proceeded to kick a hole in

t, and then offered to stand on his "Yes, we got here this week."

"Where you stoppin'?"
"Same place—the Lake house. How are you and yours?"
When you won't you 'Oh, tol'able, thank you. Won't you

"No, I'll not stay. I've just rowed over to see if you'll do our washing this summer as you did last."
"I'm sorry to disappoint you, Miss Graham, but I don't believe I'll take in

to accommodate you, but I'm out o' the washin' business. You see," she added, with a sigh, "an uncle o' mine died out in Californy last winter—maybe you read about it in the papers—an' he left us nigh on to a million dollars, so I

ly that the perfect performance of the ordinary duties of city government, which arouse little or no cause of their ordinary and enexciting nature, are the real thing to get the public money's worth.

Clean streets, good sidewalks and crosswalks. satisfactory sprinkling, plenty of street lights, excellence of police and fire protection, artistic care of parks, thoughtfulness in such little matters and parks. ters as park music—these are the fun-damentals of good municipal adminis

Carelessness, inexact methods, lack of system in the common things, are the chief sin of city methods. Sidewalks that don't "gee," gaps in them, dirty al-leys, dreamy street-cleaning—these tell the story of the real character of the ad-

ministration.
Disciplined, exact. systematic

well off now. Russia was not well off financially to begi with, principally on account of the great cost of the Si berian railway, and expenditures on Port Arthur, Vlad-

But Russia is also losing heavily in indirect ways through the interruption to industries occasioned by the war, and the idleness and restiveness of the people not engaged in it. One wealthy Moscow man, it is reported, spending several thousand dollars a day in aiding his former factory hands, so as to keep them from rioting. The volume of Russian goods delivered to railways for export has declined greatly, and the railway tonnage has

and divert large percentages of expenditures to their own

shrunk 25 per cent. It is estimated that railway loaders and carters to the number of 60,000 have been discharged and that nearly 400,000 laborers and artisans of all kinds are already idle. On the other hand, owing to these conditions, the constabulary must be increased throughout the empire, to

War is a very expensive thing, aside from the lives lost, and it is well that it is so. The very cost of war will operate as a preventive of war, and aid the efforts being made to preserve the world's peace.

#### PROTECTED MANUFACTURES AT HOME AND ABROAD.

HERE IS one important and significant fact that the standpatters for a high protective tariff, for the present tariff law, dodge. The Republican rgans won't mention it, or if they do they make lame and insincers explanations.

This fact is that protected manufactured articles, suc as agricultural machinery, sewing machines, steel rails, glass and metal wares of various kinds, and many others, are sold in foreign countries much cheaper than they are

A Russian, a Hungarian, a Tibetan, a Brazilian or ar Abysinian, can buy these protected things cheaper than the American living a mile from the manufactory can buy

It certainly costs considerable to transport these things to far-distant countries. And it is certain that unless in exceptional cases these articles are sold abroad at -

Now these facts, and this subject, are going to be thoralue ranging from \$350,000,000 to \$450,000,000. The value oughly inquired into, investigated, and talked and written about, during this campaign.

The people are going to be told and shown what the standpat policy means, and is doing. The time is near at hand when the Republican party cannot successfully dodge this matter longer.

The tariff should be reformed, and not by the friend of this system of robbery of the people by means

The people will not stand pat much longer.

### THE FIGHT IS ON AGAIN.

UST as every one had settled into the comfortable viction that the great packers' strike was ended, that reason, justice and common sense had replaced the spirit of pugnacity which has marked the past few days. word comes that the strike, instead of being settled, is more decidedly on than it ever was and apparently farther. away from solution. If there is now added to the other awkward questions a suspicion of unfair dealing the whole situation will be seriously complicated.

If both parties to such a controversy are dispos the fair thing by themselves and each other, there is no good reason why the strike should be prolonged; but if this were true there would be no good reason why it ever started. But the packers should at once relieve themselves of the charge that they have attempted to take shap judgment in having the strike declared off and then failing to live up to the understanding. This would greatly embitter the fight, while at the same time it would gate cost will be enormous, and will burden Russia with withdraw from the big packers some of the sympathy that

The telephone had gone wrong again and the senior partner, who had worked himself up to the necessary pitch of anger, had announced his determination to go to the exchange and demand an

He walked there, and on his way com posed the following speech:
"Now, look here, what the dickens does this mean? Here we have been the rickety little pier and went up the ringing away at that machine of yours weed-grown path from the lake to the and all we can hear is a buzzing over the wires. Do you think I pay your heavy rates for the exercise of ringing that confounded bell? If you don't send that confounded bell? If you don't send round at once and have the blithering thing seen to, you can take the whole of the useless arrangement away and I'll write to the papers teiling them."

> When he got there he was confronted by a neat, pretty young lady, who asked him, with a pleasant smile, if she could do anything for him.
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> This is what he said:
>
> "Well—er—our teleph

> er-our telephone is out of order, and it's rather inconven-ient. I should be very much obliged to you if you would send a man round to ee to it as soon as possible.

Jesse Lewisohn is a collector of ple tures. The other day he was convers-ing with Robert Henri, the painter. "Art galleries and exhibitions," Mr. Lewisohn said, "are interesting places to haunt. I wish I had noted down all

to haunt. I wish I had noted down and the odd comments I have heard in them, "Only last week I stood behind two young women from the country in a pic-ture shop. One of them called the other's attention to an atroclous animal

"Two dogs; after Landseer, she read from the frame. I can see the two dogs, but where is Landseer?" "The other young woman studied the painting closely." Where is he? she asked. I guess

this must be one of them puzzle pic-

## From the New York Times. Marshall P. Wilder tells the story wife who told her husband that the c a wife who told her husband that the cat had eaten the pie that she had baked for

him.
"Never mind, my dear," replied the husband; "I will get you another cat."

From the Chicago Wournal.
One half th' world is 'tryin' somethin' fer nothin' an th' other tryin' t' give 'way nothin' fer some

## Small Change

No fatal heat prostrations here, how

Longing for a sea breeze and a sea

It is a good time now, if ever, to be

Those green mountains with snow crowns look good.

ivostok, Dainy, Harbin and elsewhere. Besides, it is pop- The settlement of the stockyard ularly supposed that most Russian officials are corrupt, strike was a sensible thing.

Will arbitration cause another rise When a pretty woman is on trial, is might be well to blindfold the jury.

If money talks, Candidate Davis can

The murmur of those mountain trous streams is almost compellingly inviting

Russia is having nearly as much

Nobody needs to consult a calendary to know that it is the summer time Senator Platt of New York is 71 years old. In a few years he may run for vice-president.

If people of eastern cities were only Igorrotes, the meat question would be settled, for awhile.

Candidate Davis believes in the gold standard, but in how much of it, for

Now Raisuli is carrying off many cat tle, but none of them are American cat tle, so our government will not inter

The Chicago Chronicle has come out as a Republican paper. It has been so in fact, though not in open profession

Some Republican organs are doing a body is trying to pull it down.

church plate at Esopus for the past 15 years, without ever the shadow of a suspicion that he took out more than

The men who play baseball such afternoons as these should be well paid somehow. The presence of plenty of pretty summer girls might be the most acceptable sort of reward.

#### INCREASES BAINFALL

From the Pendleton East Oregonian. ment and cultivation of the arid regions of eastern Oregon having a tendency to increase rainfall? and is the denudation of forests on the coast decreasing rain-fall in some districts in that part of the fail in some districts in that part of the state? It is true that portions of Umatilla county, north and west of Pendleton are increasing in fertility every year. Land scarcely considered worth plowing 1. years ago, is now considered to be the safest and most certain wheat land in the county. Where it yielded from five to 12 bushels in 1890 to 1895, it now yields 18 to 25 bushels and it is needless to say that prices have inneedless to say that prices have in-creased accordingly. Wells have been recently found on farms in that dry district, upon which numberless holes were bored years ago, which did not show a sign of water. All this shows increasing moisture and greater precipithe gradual settlement along the outer borders of the arid district will slowly reclaim the entire area as cultivation induces moisture and the natural rain fall of the county is increasing. tilla county is experiencing a natural transformation for the better.

### DIDN'T READ THE PAPERS

From the New York Sun.
The last man in New York to hear of
the Slocum disaster arrived at the Battery pier at 7, o'clock Saturday even

"What time does the General Slocur leave for Rockaway?" he asked th "What's that?" said the gateman sharply. He thought his ears had de-ceived him. But the man repeated his

question.
"I've been reck'nin' on a trip to Rock-away all the week," he said. "It uster leave from here, but I've been waitin' quite awhile, and it don't show up."

"You'll have a good long wait for it, all right," said the astonished gateman. "The Slocum burned and sank with

"The Slocum burned and sank with more than 1.099 people aboard most a month ago. You'd better wake up."
"You don't say so," returned the inquirer with a faint note of surprise.
"Sorry to hear it. Guess I'll have to go by train after all, though I don't like

This was too much for the gateman.

Say you're an odd fish," he exclaimed. "They want you over at the aquarium. Where do you live, aryhow?"
"Right here in New York," the stranger replied. "But I don't get a chance to read the newspapers much."

### SONNET OF A PARM MAND.

S. E. Kiser in Chicago Record-Herald. How glad I am to be a toller where There ain't no smoke to make your collar black-Gosh! how that sun does beat down

my back!-Where every prospect pleases, and the Is always pure and bracin'-I-declare

My tongue feels almost dry enough to Git up, there, Fan, or I'll give you whack!-And all you have to do is laugh at care

pity them poor slaves that work away Up there in town—gee! how my head

And what they earn the selfish bo I've saved aix dollars since the first of May, And seems as though my blistered

One of Senator Davis' Pads.
From the New York World.
Benator Davis has many little fads,
nd one of them is the picking up of
ld horseshoes. He never allows him-



### THE MAKING OF A GOOD WIFE

(By Beatrice Fuirfax.)
Tucked away in the depths of every
girl's heart is the thought that some
day she will marry the man of her
choice and live happy ever after.
There is nothing to be ashamed of in

Many a man has lost heart and courage simply because he could not keep pace with the demands of his wife. The young wife finds it hard to realise that she cannot have all the luxuries she had

in her father's house.

Even if she does not actually complain, she looks hurt and surprised when the husband hints that expenses are running a little too high.

He loves her and wants her to have

as many pretty clothes and comforts as she has been accustomed to, and that Try and remember, girls, that if you wish to help your husbands to success you must be content with small beginnings. is the beginning of the trouble. Try and remember, girls, the

choice and live happy ever after.

There is nothing to be ashamed of in this—a woman's thoughts turn to love and marriage as naturally as a flower to the sun.

But even though it is so often in a girl's mind, I doubt very much if she begins to realize what it all means.

Even at the altar the solemnity of the vows she makes, weighs but lightly on her mind.

She loves the man and means to make him a good wife, but her ideas of the

Your husband, absorbed by business cares, will not always remember to kiss you and tell you he loves you, and that you keep house beautifully.

wife.

The woman who is a good wife and mother is filling the highest vocation that is granted to woman. There is no career equal to it.

We do best that which we are most an should be at her best when fulfilling the duties of wife and motherhood.

The good wife should be her husband's comfort, strengthening him when he is weak, softening him when he is hard, walking proudly by him in success, giving him tenderest love and sympathy in adversity.

Cares, will not always remember to kiss you and tell you he loves you, and that you keep house beautifully.

Then is your chance to prove the stuff of which you are made.

Don't cry and neglect your duties because your efforts are not sufficiently appreciated.

Just bear in mind that business worries are worries that cannot be pushed aside. It is because he has loved you and married you that his cares are so engrossing. He has promised to proving him tenderest love and sympathy in you are made.

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She should spend his money wisely, remembering that every cent represents work and thought on his part.

His good name she should hold more precious than gold.

ble at his shrine.

Don't be cross—nothing kills love like a cross wife; make home comfortable and attractive, and then your husband will be loath to leave it and glad to return to it.

If you don't make him welcome some other woman will and that is the begin-

other woman will, and that is the begin ning of the end.

For all of this devotion you naturally

husband.

Don't think for one moment that I am

Don't think for one moment that I am one side.

The husband owes his wife just as much love and attention as she does him; but, as Kipling says, "that is an-other story," and will come later.

### DINKENSPIEL SEES FITZ

By George V. Hobart. (Cepyright, 1904, by W. R. Hearst.)

I haf yust holded a short gonversationing mit Bob Fitzchimmons on der
supcheckt of hope deferred maketh der

Ven I met up mit Bob he vas pasting a picture of der mayor of Philadelphia on a punching bag und getting ready to took a leedle eggsercise.

Bob Fitzchimmons has a vunderful

cipal vun of dese is a self-chumping Dis kangaroo seems to reflect der

vas red like a sunburst, since Mayor Veavor passed Bob der ice pitcher. "It vas so difficulty, so eggstremely difficulty to earn a living dese days." Bob eggstlaimed bitterly as he vatched his pet kangaroo chew up der boxing gloves vich Bob vould use no more for-"Here at home was leadle months to

soaked a jaw for nearly a year!"
Bob sighed bitterly. "Here vas I sitting at home mit no vun to hold an argument mit eggscept a cuckoo clock vich strikes und den

feed, und I haf not swatted a rib not

"I should be ould in der vorld mit a flag wrapped around my middle distance, reaching for der gate receipts."

Bob brushed away a tear of regret.

"Dare is der baby crying for a new dress, und, curses on der luck! I hat not been able to land a right hook for so long dot I forget der odor of arnical" Bob's eggspression vas full mit der sadness of longing for der unlongable. "Here is now a new hot summer ing us und not an eye blacked."

(By James Montague.)

Tony, he's de pedier w'ot comes along Two cent! Swe-e-et! Tony has ter sell, cause he gets dead crasy an' can't do a t'ing but yell

Out cuss words in Eyetalian; but, if they knowed it, he Is poity near as human as a guy like

For once, one winter mornin, when

ter keep warm baby w'ot someone had left in all de storm. see him take it up de street and down a cellar way To w'ere he had a bed an' stove. An' it

now at night I go down dere, wen Tony's wolk is t'rough, we sing songs to dat dere kid, an'

A Guinny woman Tony knows, she keeps de baby days, But all de bills fer milk and closs, wy until he goes to sleep.

young kid dat he Sh'ud t'ink dere wasn't nuttin' else

Efen der pet kangaroo seemed to pa

Yust den Bob's automobile chuffer rushed in mit a telegram.

Bob opened der message vile der per kangaroo opened der second boxins Bob read der message like dis: "I haf yust heard dot you haf resigned der prize ring forever und vish to congratulation

Zion und beat sinners und der English lankvich to a pulp? No mayor could efer stop vun of my talk fights. Yours mit luff, Dr. Dowie." Bob put der message down und for moment all vas still.

Den der pet kangaroo and Patsey, der French chuffer, vent ould der vindow as fast as der skeeter screens vould let

"Can such dings be in a free country!" e eggsclaimed. "To tink dot der bread vinner of der family is put to dis cruel altivation!"

Der cuckoo came ould of der clock, but

seeing Bob's face it vent, back mitout saying a vord.
"I vill leave dis land of oppression und go on der stage," he sighed.
"Perhaps vun lucky morning der
author of my new melodrama vill put up
a short kick abould my electrocutionary

A sveet smile played hide und seel mit Bob's freckles und den all vas

From the Burns Times-Herald. The present uncertainty of things will not permit men who have an interest in advancing this section, who desire its development and settlement to conncientiously advise settlers to come and take up their homes, as much of our best land is held up at present by the gov-ernment and Carey selections and not

pen for entry.
It is an injustice to this section It is an injustice to this section for the government to keep the land tied up and prevent the settlement and development of the great Harney valley with its opportunities and possibilities. The big \$0,000-acre tract withdrawn awaiting action of officials to report favorably or unfavorably upon the proposed reclamation by the Harney Valley Improvement company under the Carey act and the many thousands of acres withdrawn from entry by the government awaiting an investigation of the proposed fillyles valley reservoir, are proposed Silvies valley reservoir, are the best vacant lands in this valley. In proposed Silvies valley reservoir, are the best vacant lands in this valley. In fact there is very little desirable gov-ernment land outside these where set-tiers could take up lands in any great

quantity.

There are people who think the development of this section at a standstill and interpret it as being natural and that it is because of lack of merit. Such is not the case, however, and investigation of the cause will disclose the fact that it is the government that is retarding the deviopment of Harney valley. Just as soon as the government decides on the matter of reclamation we will go forward at a rapid rate.

tered lady; "I've kept my age a se since I was 24." "Yes; but one of these days you

"Well, I think that when a wome has kept a secret for 20 years she com-pretty near knowing how to keep it."

## Oregon Sidelights

La Grande has 10,000 feet of new Sherman county crops are even better

The best crop of the Grande Ronde

How much will Mr. Belmont chip in to the Parker campaign fund?

Now it is apricots, and next peaches and pears, that are to be canned.

Of the five saloons recently in Tilla-mook, two have gone out of business.

A Spray man is breaking a large num-ber of horses to take to the Alberta

Surveying for the proposed big arti-ficial lake north of Ashland is in progress. Now it is announced that the hop grop will be big, after all. Another case of

Nearly all portions of Marion and Polk counties will soon be in connection telephonically with Salem.

Plentiful and timely spraying will rid the fruit trees of pests and make Oregon the best fruit state in the union.

A sawmill near Hilgard employing 30 Mr. Henry S. Ward and wife of The Dalles, aged 76 and 66 years, respect-ively, have been married 50 years.

Lake county, the Herald claims, raises

The Corvallis sawmill is receiving over 3,000,000 feet of fir, maple, oak and ash logs, and expects to do business on a large scale. The Tillamook Headlight argues that saloons do not bring business to a town, out on the other hand are an injury to other kinds of business.

A Dalles party caught last Saturday 541 trout in the Klickitat—one man 102, another 98. Why can't women and girls fish successfully—for fish?

Union county has six flouring mills requiring about 2,500 bushels of wheat a day. The county will produce enough grain to keep them all busy for a year. Within the past month the Pendleton flouring mill has disposed of nearly all its stock of 40,000 barrels of surplus flour, besides its usual output of 600

The Union woolen mills will ship away \$50,000 worth of products within the next three months. Their manu-factures are considered to be among

factures are considered the best in the country. climbing and potatoes are growing rapidly that as you stand between rows you can frequently hear coming from a hustling hill the impatient cry, "Lay over!"

down from Prospect ranch happy as a clam in high tide, the grass on the hills is the best in years and all his calves this season are belfers and Jabe says

Cove, Union county, is right in its Cove, Union county, is right in its giory just now, and about 1,500 acres of fruit greet the eye of the traveler and lend additional life and prosperity to this thrifty gardenspot. There is no better soil in Oregon than at Cove, and no finer fruit is raised anywhere.

## Advice to the Lovelorn

BY BEATRICE FAIRFAX.

Dear Miss Fairfax: A short time ago I met a young gentleman who was very nice to me. He asked me if he could swered "no," that my people would not like it, but that I would meet him out-

side quite often.

I have been going with him in this manner since last November. Christmas he presented me with a gold watch and chain. Hearing that young ladies must not receive presents of jewelry from gentlemen unless they were en-gaged. I sent them back.

I have never had any word with him

since, but we have met once or twice and have spoken in a manner as though we were just acquaintances. Now, dear Miss Fairfax, kindly advise Now, dear Miss Fairfax, kindly advise me as to what I ought to do, as I would like to renew this acquaintance with this young man, having knowledge of his habits, which are good, salary also. He is two years my senior and in my mind is a suitable companion for me. B. F. You are in the wrong in the first

You are in the wrong in the first place by not allowing the young man to call on you at home. If he is nice, then surely your parents would prefer your receiving him at home to your meeting him on the street. That is not a nice thing for any girl who respects herself to do. You were quite right in returning the lewelry. There is only one right way for you to renew your acquaintance with him, and that is gain your parents consent to his calling on you. Then invite him to your home.

Dear Miss Fairfax: Some time ago I attended a ball in company with three young ladies who were my guests, and two gentlemen went home with us. The one I knew very well, the other only about two months, and he went home with myself and the two girls. It seems he was married and did not live with his wife. I did not know it, and when I found it out did not speak to him again. This has made a great deal of trouble between my husband and myself. At that time I was not married or engaged to be married.

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A CONSTANT READER.

I do not think that your husband should blame you for what you knew nothing about. You need not have cut the other man; it would have been enough if you had simply showed him that you did not care for his attentiona. I think your husband should be reasonable and realize this.