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THE SACAJAWEA STATUE

UNDOUBTEDLY, at this distance of time, Sacajawea, the young Indian woman who accompanied Captains Lewis and Clark from Mandan to Astoria and return, carrying her young babe, and proving of the utmost service to them on many occasions...

The idea of a Sacajawea statue was a peculiarly appropriate and happy one, and that the design has been carried forward to successful completion reflects credit upon all who aided in the work...

A REMARKABLY MANAGED CONVENTION.

THE WOMAN SUFFRAGISTS have set a mark which other conventions will find it very difficult to follow. It has become a sort of fixed principle in the public mind that it is utterly impossible for a body of women to meet in public convention without disagreeable encounters, heartburnings and such an utter lack of conventional business methods as furnish food for the sarcastic and joy for the ungodly.

SUCCESSFUL WOOLERS OF MOTHER NATURE.

TRANSFORMATION, gradual but sure, is going on in the uses to which dry uplands of the west, those, we mean, not susceptible of irrigation, are being put. Or perhaps a plainer and more accurate statement would be that large aggregate areas of such lands are being put to agricultural use instead of pastoral uses or to no use, which change would have been thought utterly impracticable and impossible a few years ago.

NEED OF FRUIT AND MEAT INSPECTION.

NO MOVEMENT ever undertaken in the city accomplished so much good in such a short space of time as did the women of Portland when they started on their market cleaning crusade. There followed a most remarkable shaking up of the drybones and the result of the work was immediately apparent in the radical change of methods shown in many quarters in handling food products.

The \$100,000 Man.

From the Minneapolis Journal. The search for hundred-thousand-dollar men, one of the popular pursuits after the formation of the steel trust, has not yet run its course, though some of the finds have proved to be men who could sink a hundred thousand dollars quicker than they could earn it.

SMALL CHANGE

Sacajawea day ought to be a big one. A jury's verdict seldom ends an important case. The sunshine is hard on nothing but the hope, and more colorful in it would be all the better.

PEOPLE TO GET RID OF.

IT IS REPORTED that radical measures will be taken to clear the "north end" of certain elements, which still abound there, and the job cannot be done too soon or too thoroughly. Certain women, mostly negroes, are known to be persistent and audacious thieves and robbers, and the police know who they are.

REVISION OF THE TARIFF.

FEAR OF BEING shut out of foreign markets is beginning to arouse the eastern business interests to a realization that something must be done in the matter of the tariff and the panacea proposed is reciprocity. There was a time when reciprocity, honestly proposed and executed, would have done much, but that day is past or is rapidly passing.

OREGON SIDELIGHTS

The Gold Hill girls' band has received a set of fine new instruments from Boston. Hayrack rides fashionable in the country. A man is hunting for oil near Independence with a willow forked stick.

Fine Law Point in Cuba.

The fine points drawn by some of the Cuban judges are so fine you cannot see them with a magnifying glass. For instance the Guanabacoa crime, where the fact was shown that the murderer had his knife sharpened just before killing his man, and the judges held that this act was not premeditation, but simply preparation.

WILL THE JEWS COME TOGETHER

To the Editor of the New York Sun: Adolph Oppenheimer closed his analytical letter on "The Decline of Judaism" recently published in the Sun with the pertinent and timely question "whether it were not wise for the divided branches of Judaism, instead of continuing their present and apparently endless wrangle, to convene for the purpose of radically analyzing the various branches, eliminating the observance of obsolete ancient or national customs, etc. Since it was I who furnished the text to your correspondent's comment, may I be allowed, in old Jewish fashion, to write also a short supplementary letter to the editor of the New York Sun, who, unknown to me, forwarded the convocation of a Jewish synod, now under discussion in the Jewish theological world of this country.

LEWIS AND CLARK

En route up the Missouri river from their winter quarters at Fort Mandan, near the site of Bismarck, North Dakota, the party is close to the foothills of the Rocky Mountains. July 8—Last night there were several showers of rain and hail, attended with thunder and lightning, and about day-break a heavy storm came from the southwest, with one continued roar of rain and hail. The hail, which was as large as musket balls, covered the ground completely, and on collecting some of it, it lasted during the day and served to cool the water. The red and yellow trout are abundant and now ripe, although still a little acid. We have seen in this neighborhood what we have not met before, a remarkably small fox, which associates with the small wolf, but have not yet been able to obtain any of them as they are extremely vigilant and betake themselves on the slightest alarm to their burrows, which are very deep.

ALL HAVE THE RIGHT TO BE HAPPY

The second subject upon which our Jersey City reader asked me to write was "The Duty of Happiness"—a most excellent and timely theme. It is every man's duty to try and be as happy as he can. The light is "sweet," the sunshine is "a glorious thing," laughter and joy are "blessed things," and when these angels of gladness come our way we should never turn away from their smiles and greetings with them with appreciation and thankfulness.

Week's 'Graft' Events.

Tuesday, June 20.—President Roosevelt dismissed his minister Brown as 'in connection with Venezuelan mission, but refuses to remove Assistant Secretary of State Loomis, involved in the same transaction. Wednesday, June 21.—President Roosevelt in an open letter, issued Secretary of the Navy Morton, a self-confessed violator of the law, and the new head of the Equitable Life Assurance society. Thursday, June 21.—New York state legislature convened in special session to investigate charges of 'graft' against Supreme Court Justice Warren B. Hooper. Thursday, June 21.—Superintendent of Insurance Handrick reported that the charges of 'graft' made against the Equitable directors and officials had been established and sent the evidence to the attorney-general of the state and the district attorney of New York county. Thursday, June 22.—Attorney-General Mayer announced proceedings against Equitable officials and directors to compel restoration of the company's money illegally diverted to personal use. Friday, June 23.—President Roosevelt dispatches Assistant Secretary of State Loomis on a confidential foreign mission in which he is to be accompanied by his secretary, who has been recommended for his connection with a Venezuelan 'graft' by secretary Taft, the executive head of his department. A Bad Blunder. Complaint is made that salmon cannot pass the Golden Drift Mining company's dam. The fault is not with the mining company, which constructed a fishway according to plans furnished by Master Fish Warden Van Dusen, says the Grants Pass Herald. The company is willing to do anything it reasonably can to correct the defects in the fishway, if the warden will tell it what changes he desires. Though often requested to do so Mr. Van Dusen has not appeared. The run of chinook salmon will soon be on at its height and the noble fish will perish by the thousands in their effort to pass this fishway, but not enough will get up the river to supply eggs for the hatchery. There has been a serious blunder made by some one, which should be corrected at the earliest opportunity.