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THE OPEN DRAWBRIDGES.

THE QUESTION of keeping open the drawbridges unnecessarily is again being agitated. As a net result of the previous agitation nothing was permanently accomplished. For a time some attention was paid to the rules laid down with the consent of the county court, but matters have again dropped back into their old ways. Instead of making five minutes a limit of time to keep open the draws they are now often, kept open 20 minutes; instead of one boat three sometimes has a through before the draws are closed.

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While there are distinct rights which the rivermen inch the people who cross the bridges possess and shich the people who cross the bridges possess and ould also be accorded. Many of these people are great-inconvenienced by the present slipshod methods of ling the drawbridges. This is particularly true at the sh hours in the morning and evening. It is now prosed by the people most interested not to stop their itation until a hard and fast rule is made that during he hours the draws be entirely closed to traffic. This is rule in many other cities which suffer in the same and it should be made the rule in Portland. From experiences which the people have recently had it to apparent to all of them that unless the arrangethe apparent to all of them that unless the arrange-thereafter to be made is rigid and specific it is eas to waste time talking about it. The rule must tribitrary; if it is otherwise the old ways will in-libly be dropped into with a consequence that we need the same old agitation to get things back on tter basis. This time the matter should be settled know what to expect and act accordingly. The ople who use the bridges, and as they constitute such proportion of our population their wishes should be usidered in a matter which concerns them so deeply.

TACOMA AND ITS PEOPLE.

HIS IS TACOMA WEEK at the fair, and Tamans are much in evidence there, and certainly no visitors have been more welcome or

tainly no visitors have been more welcome of the discourse of the discours who come to the fair should if possible visit the ruget sound cities and many of them do so, and they all find much over there to interest and instruct them of the least of which is the "City of Destiny," as Tama used to be called.

The very name Tacoma is alluring, as the names o me towns are not. Tacomans should be glad that me pioneer named Boggs or something equally prosaic I not get his name fastened upon the town. But by any name Tacoma would be an admirable, interesting, ogressive, prosperous western city. Its commerce is ge and constantly and rapidly growing. It has a roor scarcely equaled for size and depth. Its manutures are numerous and important. It is situated in autiful surroundings and is the mart of a rich country. has grown recently faster than almost any city of its class in the country and will continue to grow rapidly show great recent gains. It is a celebrated rail-

At is a healthful city in all respects and has a bright for its size then for the quality of the exhibits which go inture before it. So not only "Watch Tacoma grow," but to make it up. note and remember why it deserves to grow.

THE DIVORCE EVIL A REAL ONE.

UCH COMMENT has been made upon the granting the other day by one of our circuit judges of 30 or more divorces in a single half a day's session of the court, and while about the same thing is

It is not necessary to agree with those who hold that

divorces should be denied in a great proportion of the cases where they are granted. Marriage ought to be made to mean a great deal more than it does to people who for slight or perhaps really improper reasons rush into a divorce court for relief from bonds and obligations which have become in some way irksome. In many cases the real cause of a divorce suit is purely selfishness and a desire for personal gratification or to gratify some

grudge or spite.

Marriage is an institution to be encouraged, and the nized more than it is by the lawmakers and the publi generally, and the way to bring about this result is to make it more difficult to obtain divorces. The frequency of divorces and the trivial grounds on which they are obtained, have indeed grown into a great national scandal and evil. We say national, for it exists in this country, or at least in many states, in a degree unknown in other countries. In Canada divorces are granted only by parliament, and only 400 divorces have been granted there in 25 years, all for one cause ,"unfaithfulness," and n the party at fault cannot remarry. New York has ut the same law, while in South Carolina no divorce is allowed for any reason, and children of people divorce in other states are held illegitimate. This is going too far, but in most of the states the other extreme has been reached, and there is urgent need of a reform.

IT IS FOR PHILADELPHIA TO SAY.

THE FIGHT, the preliminaries of which are now being arranged, between the reform and ma-chine forces in Philadelphia will attract wide-spread attention. In no other city has the machine been as firmly entrenched; in no city has it been so indifferent to public sentiment and so frankly corrupt. In Phila-delphia none of the politicians pretended to care what the public thought about anything; they cared nothing for what the newspapers said. They had the city by the throat, they stole what they wanted and so great was their power it never occurred to them that possibly the time would come when the reins would be wrested

When Mayor Weaver broke away from them their power suddenly began to vanish. For a moment they were stunned, but they have now gathered themselves together for what they know will be the fight of their

The decision in the case is passed up to the people of Philadelphia. What sort of government do they want? Do they want the corrupt form under which they have lived for so many years or do they want a government of honesty, intelligence and decency? It is for them to decide and their verdict will prove to the world whether or not they are worth while.

AN ADDED ATTRACTION TO THE FAIR.

VITH four more weeks of the fair, with the most delightful season of our year still ahead of us, we are reminded to emphasize the adof us, we are reminded to emphasize the advice we have lately been offering with great persistency, and that is for the people of Portland to take the opportunity which will soon vanish to visit the fair and there absorb all that it has to offer. It will be many years before another such chance is presented to them, very many before they will again be able to see such an exposition so close to home. For their own sake and for the sake of the exposition itself they should in a measure exhaust all it has to offer before they get out of the habit of visiting it.

There is added this week an unusual attraction that

But beyond all these and other material advantages that might be mentioned, Tacoma's population, according to general testimony, is as a whole of an exceptionally good class. It is a city of many fine homes, of excellent schools and churches and of refined society.

But those whose interest lies in other directions need not confine themselves to the livestock show. There are always to be found a vast variety of things to in-struct and amuse, to make it worth while to acquire the exposition habit.

Every one who visits the fair is struck with the exgoing on in all our large cities, and proportionally in smaller ones, such an incident may well be made the text necessarily follows that where large crowds gather there more or less litter will accumulate. This is particularly more or less litter will accumulate. But each day, indeed each quisite cleanliness of the grounds. They appear spick true of exposition grounds. But each day, indeed each hour, if they are carefully looked after the nest and there should be no divorces for any cause, or at most for only one cause, to perceive and agree that altogether too many divorces are granted, and for too trivial causes.

Greater scrutiny should be made into alleged causes and Portland fair.

Dodd Gaston in Topeka Capital.
have noticed that the girl who uses
for buit is a great deal more apt to
a bite than one who used salad. I try to be fair and impartial but I should not care to sit on a jury empan-eled to try a man who were side whisman feels pretty small after he has kisn. I imagine that he shrivels up simost nothing after he has spent an vening with a Virginian. evening with a Virginian.

I have noticed that after a woman is 60 her time is about equally divided between taking care of her grandchildren and looking for her spectacles.

Longfellow was unquestionably a great poet, but every time I look at his picture I forget his poetry in wondering how he kept his whiskers out of the rind that the taing that almoys the serings woman teacher most is the fear it she will look and act like one. have reached the age where I do care a great deal for fame. If I aid remember to have the wagon call my laundry in time to get it Saturnight I would be pretty well satis-

fied.

It is my experience that when a girl remembers the color of the tie the man wore the day before yesterday it is all right for him to ask to call again.

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An American Parallel. From the New York Evening Post.

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The riotous scenes at Tokio for two days past were not by any means the first demonstrations of their kind against an unpopular treaty. In fact, an instructive parallel may be found in events that took place not more than seven blocks from the site of the Evening Post building. On July 18, 1795, a mass meeting was called to protest against the treaty which Jay had just negotiated with England. While the speaking was under way an enthusiastic band which had been burning the treaty at the Battery came marching up Broadway, headed by the French and American flags, and joined the assembly. At about the same time Alexander Hamilton began to speak in favor of the treaty and urged adjournment. Stones were thrown at him from the now turbulent crowd, and one of them struck him on the ferehead. Thus 110 years ago an American secretary of the treasury enjoyed the same unenviable experience at the hands of his excited countrymen as the Japanese premier yesterday, and for very similar-reasons. Jay himself was burned in effigy at Boston and Philadelphia, and in the former city a federal editor's offices were attacked, as were those of the Kokumin Shimbun yesterday. It must be remembered, of course, that most of the demonstrations here were made before the treaty had been ratified, and if the senate had been sufficiently impressed by the topular hostillity it might still have been defeated. They camnot fairly be compared, therefore, to outbreaks over an act virtually completed and beyond recall. Yet the records show that the imaginary need for a second ratification by the house of representatives was here used as a pretext for prolonging the demonstrations, much as the equality visionary liope of an imperial refusal to ratify is given as justification for the Japanese outbreaks.

A Phrenological Point.

From the Phrenological Journal.
We have never yet seen a captain of variety crew who possessed a poof retreating chin, a weak or turned-use, a small neck, or a diminutivow or irresolute eyes.

Girl Marriages in India.

From the Chicago News. More than 250,000 girls in India, years of age or less, were already mar-ried when the last census was taken and of these necessarily many have be come widows. Between 5 and 10 years the number of married girls was well over 2,000,000; between 10 and 15 years had risen to nearly 7,000,000.

Most of the widows of tender years acome so before they know what widowhood means. It is only as they grow out of infancy that they learn the sad life to which they are con-demned, a life of misery which is in-conceivable to people of wastern coun-tries, yet is enforced by Hindoo cus-

Something as Good.

From the Detroit Free Press.

A lady who is a lover of books entered bookstore in Detroit.

"Have you the last Literary Digest?"

she asked.

The clerk was a young woman, and evidently a novice at bookselling.

"I'll see," she said, and presently returned to say the magazine wanted was not in stock.

or in stock.
"I'm very anxious to get a copy," said
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A Really Radical Change.

SMALL CHANGE

Wouldn't Tal An like to be Alice

On a \$10 wager a Pennsylvania man drank eight gallons of beer in 28 min-utes. This is gross intemperance. Eight gallons of beer ought to do a man a whole day.

And Dan McAllen is still alive, thou

The fair will be open 26 days yet enough to make a great record.

It won't stop at Bend. Hurrah for Hill.

Oregon is bound to come to the from

Wild geese keeping quiet. My, how fat they are.

Some people are still bothered abou

Folk is right; enforce the laws;

OREGON SIDELIGHTS

Malheur county is going to advertise

Amity Correspondence McMinnville News-Reporter: Our P. M. has been missing for a few days and some are afraid he has been held up on the Trail

Coos Bay News: Miners and compan men are wanted at the Beaver Hill min-Manager Chandler says he has work fo 100 more men.

Oakland Owl doing a better busines

Newberg Enterprise: Reports from different fruit dryers indicate that prunes are going to grade very high this year. Probably the difference in the grade will in a measure make up for the shortage in the crop.

Hundreds of bushels of vegetables "that beat the world" in one garden near Bend.

Landscekers plentiful around Gross man, Wallowa county.

The long-talked-of sawmill in northern edge of Crook county promise to become a certainty in the near future. The cost is about \$35,000.

Rattlesnakes numerous in Antelop Seven teachers in the Ontario public

District fair at Roseburg will be

In the Bend school district are 25 school children enrolled, as against \$1 a year ago.

"Grandpa" Carper appears to be get young again. He says he hopes he not have to live alone this winte Promise correspondence Wallows De crat. If he could cut the "r" out of middle of his name he might be

Longest dry spell experienced over.

Big vegetables in Lincoln county. Sherman county potatoes ripen late

The greatest sport in the world is trolling for salmon. J. C. Toel and Freddle Store caught four Chinook and 20 Silverside salmon on a single line in the lower bay Monday.—Coquille Recall. And, my; we are 700 miles away.

New brick building in Madras soon.

A VICTIM OF THE PSYCHIC

And then his triends of the psychic and the occult undertook to save him from the drink habit.

A Mrs. Kellog got after him with "Christian science;" somebody else tackled him with "Mental science," while the "reincarnation." his wife, proceeded to work upon him with "Theoremby."

timated that there would be a moral to my story, and here it is:

Beware of the "psychic!"

It is a dangerous thing to fool with! If fooled with long enough it will destroy your usefulness and wind up by making a lunatic of you.

Common sense and plain everyday reason are good enough for any of us.

Keep close to the earth. Don't attempt to ride off into the circumamblent ether astride of a moonbeam or a flicker of the aurora borealis!

Be satisfied with knowing how usefully and honorably to live down here on the earth, without trying for one moment to lift the curtain that nature has dropped between the finite and infinite.

Learn how to keep your stomacha healthy and your consciences clear, how to love one another and be honest and just, and a fig for the rest!

Our Treatment of the Envoys.

We have no desire to hear the ac-counts which the Russian and Japanese envoys will give at home of their treat-ment here. They are important perenvoys will give at home of their treatment here. They are important personages, representing sovereign nations, and here by our invitation. We begin by making a muddle of getting them to their destination, and then bottle them up in a barn of a hotel with limited accommodations and all sorts of silly restrictions as to the hours for going to hed, sipping beverages and everything else except intimate acquaintanceship with mosquitoes. It really seems as if we might have done better. Surely the government could at least have hired a suitable cottage for the use of each suite, and provided satisfactory food and drink. Even though none such was vacant at the time, we cannot think so meanly of our countrymen as to suspect that any number could not have been had for the asking. Of the personally conducted part of the performance we know little. The admirals and captains seem to have done well; anyhow, there has been no complaint. Of the landlubbers we feel less certain. Third Assistant Secretary Peirce seems to be in charge, and is regarded, correctly, we suppose, as the president's personal representative. Where did he come from? What was his experience? We hate to confess ignorance regarding anything or anybody, but the truth is that we never heard of him before and should like to be enlightened. No would we misjudge him. He has a hard job, and no doubt is doing his best. The question is whether his best is adequate.

Titian Beauties as Clews Maids.

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Prom the New York Press.

And now Mrs. Henry Clews, Jr., setting a fashion in nurses which making a deep impression in Newpomer, Clews is tail and willowy, and it two nurses whose mission in life is look after the Clews youngsters are the same sylphilike propertions. The have reddish-gold hair and large broweyes. Their uniforms are of light weight navy blue cloth, with full skir and long capes for outdoor wear. Small biue bonnets, that might have been borowed from a Salvation army lass, fir ish the costumes. The bonnets had at, blue bows across the top, and brow white mull strings to the uniform that he caught eyes in Newport, but the trinness of the nurses in face and figur They are remarkably pretty wome Indeed, in a beauty show they might blue ribbons other than those the wear.

Editor Bennett Has a Dog.

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From the Oregon Irrigator.

The Irrigator man is now the solo custodian, owner, manager and proprietor of a dog. One of the sort that is short of tail, long of ears and black and silky of coat. Mrs. Tom Richardson of Portland gave him to us. We say "him" for euphony, but his name is Juliette. He, that is Juliette, has a pedigree as long and angular as a rail fence. It begins in Berlin, Jumps to "Frisco, back to Paris, thence to New York, across the water again to London, Geneva, St. Petersburg, Tokio and to Portland via Honolulu. It began in the days of King Charles and is not

THE PLAY

is all plain now.

Not content with the ancient and accordance with the content was necting him a good living and lots to space. Davis sit at once became possessed or the idea that he would like, to go into "psyckics."

Accordingly in to psychics he went, head over heels—and while he was going into psychics his splendid jaw practice was going to the davil.

In the meantime Duvis was married to a woman whose language it is appropriate that? I should herewith quote: "I met my husband in my mest recensistage of reincarnation. We were at a meeting of psisons of the New Thought in New York, when I was called upon to speak, when I was called upon to speak, when I was called upon to speak and I felt that I had heard his volos in some period of existence long set?"

Botton of the "coult," and as a sort of crowning glory he had becomes the mean and a male chorus. The rong his of the "coult," and as a sort of crowning glory he had becomes the man and a male chorus. There were hand of a veal genuine "reincarnation when "sambo, "The Whyle Davis and a male chorus. There were hand of a veal genuine "reincarnation" with the same who had not a very more period of existence long set?"

Bott art I was well. Davis had gone days into the "psychic" and all other forms of the "occult," and as a sort of crowning glory he had becomes the husband of a veal genuine "reincarnation," when "sambo, "The Whyle Davis had come period of existence long when the cyes of Mma. Blavatsky sparkle with delight!

But unfortunately we must have more or less money is this world with which to pay our bills, and that the came when Davis found that the bills came that the had have made even the psyc of the had have made even the psyc or the had became that the had have made even the psyc or the had have made even the psyc of the had have made even the psyc or the had became the had have made even the psyc of the had ha

that of Doris Goodwin, an engaging little soprano who held up the show admirably.

There is plenty of rich comedy in "The Chaperons" and if you are of a musical turn of mind you will enjoy it down to the ground.

RACE WHITNEY.

"Captain Jiaks" at the Belance.

"Every once in a while the church and stage come plunk: together, and, do you know, I think it does them, both good, says Madame Tretoni, as she tries to overcome the prejudice of him Mademe Jinka, mother of the man she loves; and that is the only serious line in the play of the week, "Captain Jinks of the Horse Marines," at the Belance theatre, Clyde Fitch wrote it, Ethel Berrymore made it popular, Elisabeth Kennedy played it in Fortiand two dy years ago, and now Lillian Lawrence, as Madame Tretoni, is going to make theatre-goers speculate as to which is the most charming of the three.

"Captain Jinks of the Horse Marines" to the "crime of "72," and the stage people at the Belance wear queser clothes and talk the talk of 18 years ago; although it the Belance wear queser clothes and to be at General U. S. Grant for the players expressions that were evolved many years after Horace Greeley tried to be at General U. S. Grant for the presidency, Imagine a newsboy of New York in 1872 saying "Hully Gee," or inferming some one that he was "off his nut."

But then, Clyde Fitch is unorthodox, anyway, and triffing analyzonisms like that don't worry him much.

Captain Jinks" is a love story, It doesn't present to be more, and in pretending to be a pretty one it makes good its claim. Miss Lawrence looks of the presidency of the presidency has my him which the doesn't presidency has been deed at der St. Regis dot I doesn't man deed and early one papers of the beautiful time to read der St. Regis dot I dean American the tries to overce to save money dot I effer the truck T

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"Captain Jinks" is a love story. It doesn't pretend to be more, and in pretending to be a pretty one it makes good its claim. Miss Lawrence looks and acts and is a charming Tretoni; Will Walling playing the captain compels the world to love him because he is a good lover; John Sainpolis, simulating the Italian professor Beliarti, achieves an almost triumph, and Charlie Ruggles makes a hit as the newsboy in the first act and as a beliboy later. Louis Fro-

hoff does his "bit" in the first act in a manner to cause Stage Mannger Sainpolis to be glad he cast him for the direct reporter. And the other do quite well.

Marcha Marcha Trans on the first seems the dock of the Cunard Steamship company is discovered, and five reporters, an ewabor and three dandles from the horse marines are there to welcome to America Madame Tratoni, who is to make her New York debut as an operasinger. Captain Jinks makes a 1,000 hot with Charles Le Martins and Augustus Bleeker von Vorkenburge that he will have a filtration with the sons he asses her; he falls in every statistic and the cultum that afternoon. He tries to brite the custom house inspector not to bother her by searching her trunks, and goes to jail. Le Martine wants to marry her for her money, and does the villan act in mixing things for the gallant capital, who fights against adverse conditions of the custom house inspector not to bother her by searching her trunks, and goes to jail. Le Martine wants to marry her for her money, and does the villan act in mixing things for the gallant capital, who fights against adverse conditions of the custom house inspector more conditions. It doesn't seem to cause much comment that the first act has Madame Tretoni using the steamer dock as a dressing-room, and that she gas out gowns and shawls for a change of outer raiment in the open air and with docen strangers standing by It's simply down and shawls for a change of outer raiment in the open air and with adone strangers standing by It's simply and the stranger standing by It's simply and the str

Arbuckle's Practical Philanthropy.

The practical philanthropy of John Arbuckle, the head of the American Sugar Refining company, is shown in the offer which he makes in the World of an opportunity for a fortinght's outing at comparatively no, expense for working men and women. The Mary and John Arbuckle farm, at New Palts, New York, with its many advantages for recreation and amusement, is the place selected, and for the two-weeks stay there, including railroad and boat fare from New York and return. Mr. Arbuckle sets the cost at \$7.25 for women wage-earners and \$11.25 for men. This includes a free use of the golf course, clube and balls; tennis courf, net and racket; free boats and fishing on the Walkill river, and meals and rooms.

DINKELSPIELS CHATS WITH CELEBRITIES

LEWIS AND CLARK

Near the Columbia river. September 19—Captain Clark pro-

Victor Smith in New York Press.
We have 5,000 cabs in use. There are
75 cemeteries to take care of our dead,
and to prepare our souls for salvation
there are 1,010 churches. We have 176
pawnbrokers and 47 courts. Of social
and political clube there are 400. About