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The hypocrite would not put on the appearance of virtue if it was not the most proper means to gain love.— Addison.

JETTY AND CANAL.

IT IS now suggested, since it is probable that the jetty at the mouth of the Columbia will need all the money that congress is likely to appropriate for the Columbia river, and since up-country interests naturally demand that work on the Celilo canal be not deferred, that the state appropriate money with which to continue work on the canal, so that all the appropriation can be used on the jetty.

When very rich and strong men acting as a corporation insolently transgress the law and injure multitudes of weaker individuals, and are punished only by fining the corporation, while individuals guilty of really less heinous offenses are not only fined but sent to jail, the public is justified in supposing that the square deal is only an iridescent dream.

A VAIN WARNING.

THE New York Press, an able and leading Republican newspaper, takes a different view of Mr. Bryan's position on government ownership of railroads, and of the question itself, from its contemporaries of that party.

justice to land a few big-rebaters in prison and to make that practice as odious as robbing the mails will swell daily the army of converts to the Bryan program.

In any case there will be a contest between the government and the railroads, as soon as the government refuses to be run by them, but, says the Press, "if private ownership persists in writing its own terms and forcing them on the people through railroad lackeys in congress, we believe with Mr. Bryan that the voters two years hence will commission a president to take the first steps toward government ownership."

This will be ignored or derided by the combined standpatters of all sorts, for their greed and gluttony have blinded them to the consequences of their fatuous service of the people's enemies, but the Press may ere many years reprint its warning under the caption: "We told you so."

Several soldiers have sued proprietors of amusement resorts because the uniformed young men were not admitted or were ordered out, and their officers are backing them up, insisting that Uncle Sam's uniform must be respected.

Vice-President Fairbanks last night bubbled effervescently on the subject of government ownership of railroads, which he terms "a radical departure from the sound principles which have hitherto guided us."

When the city puts off its apparently inevitable contest with the Southern Pacific railroad over the Fourth street alleged franchise, the longer it will be surrendering rights and revenues to which it has long been in justice entitled.

Portland's bank clearings were over 14 per cent greater this week than for the corresponding week of 1905, and the corresponding week last year was considered something of a record-breaker.

The minions of the czar are becoming more and more heartless. Not satisfied with taking red flags and bombs from the anarchists the police are stealing the terrorists' automobiles.

Harriman buys the St. Paul railroad every few days, according to report, but his sales of it are kept secret. How he can buy it so often without selling it in the meantime is a mystery.

It isn't much use to argue with a man who really believes that the Dingley tariff caused prosperity and increase of wealth. What he needs is primary lessons.

No terms of settlement of the Cuban question will be considered adequate that do not inform the people where the rebels got their arms and ammunition.

Now that everybody is done laughing at that spelling reform edict, will Mr. Roosevelt kindly tell us what he thinks of government ownership of railroads?

A lot of New York Democrats seem to be trying a good deal harder than is necessary to insure Democratic defeat in that state.

It is hard to estimate how many tea cups have been sold through Sir Thomas Lipton's efforts to "lift" that challenge cup.

The Republicans are everywhere endorsing both Roosevelt and the senators who opposed him and threw him down, or tried to.

The people of a city, not the railroads, should own and control its streets.

The prune crop in most parts of Oregon where it is extensively raised is a record-breaker.

A Little Out of the Common

THINGS PRINTED TO READ WHILE YOU WAIT.

Bible Must Be Washed.

From the London Chronicle. The custom of kissing the Testament was in vogue for a long time, and is still to be seen in some of the courts.

Handicap in Matrimonial Race.

From Family Doctor. A physician is responsible for a statement to the effect that the number of divorces in the proportion of three to two, and that this conclusion is proved by statistics.

St. Louis Has Odd Distinction.

The city of St. Louis is not in any county. Under the Missouri constitution of 1875 the city was separated from the county. In 1876 it was created a separate municipality.

Another Case of 23.

Owners of straw hats have a moral and legal right to use them until the close of summer, the official date of which this year is September 23.

Pointed Paragraphs.

From the Atchison Globe. A dog fight is a good deal like a suit fight. Both dogs really want to quit.

Evil Days Coming.

From the Cleveland Plain Dealer. I'm putting off the evil day in quite the usual sort of way: I don't seem to know when they are due.

The Play

By Johnston McCulley. Last night Mabel Day, prima donna of the Stewart opera company, sang two songs during the performance of the Victor Herbert opera "Babette" that brought down the house.

A Donkey in Office.

A certain king had a philosopher upon whose judgment he depended. It happened that one day the king took it into his head to go hunting, and after summoning his nobles and making preparations, he called his philosopher and asked him if it would rain.

Notes by the Way.

By C. B. Thomas. In buying a dog be careful to examine his teeth. If they are strong and sharp, pick another dog. You never can tell when your dog may conceive a dislike for you.

A Dumas Anecdote.

Alexander Dumas, the elder, tells this story in his diary: "One day Victor Hugo and I were dining with the Duc Decazes, and among the guests were Lord and Lady Palmerston."

A Little Novel of the East.

After the Best Models. The soft footfall of a double-decker camel rang out noisily on the desert air.

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