John Kendrick Bangs Gives Joyful Reading at the White

Temple.

CIVES SELECTIONS FROM HIS OWN WORK

Reads From Unpublished Articles as Well as Famous Ones and Causes Frequent Outbursts of Laughter and Applause.

The Portland public, or that portlon f it that attended the second of the M. C. A. course of lectures last night at the White Temple, had an op-



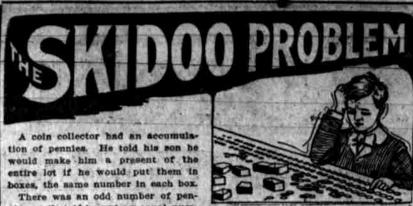
John Kendrick Bangs.

vorks of one of America's greatest hu-horists, selected by the humorist, read and interpreted by that same dignitary. John Kendrick Bangs, most widely

Houseboar on the cays." Grew a tair souse—one that filled the auditorium of the church without at all growding it—ind sent the auditors away well pleased. They had not been hilarious, although interruptions to the readings were frequent, as some more brilliant witticism than the rest compelled the laugh. But what they will prize most of all in the that they will prize most of all in the sperience of last night will be the fact that they have heard the great humor-tinterpret his own work.

tions from various works of the the possibilities of antediluvian animals for a menagerie, by P. T. Barnum and Noah, from the "Houseboat"; there was the Christmas morn of the year \$868; a day at Oyster Bay, the account of which was published in the New York Herald, but never in book form—Mr. Bangs says it was written in the wilds of Maine hunting grounds, and is never likely to appear in any volume— and the or two other selections from works published and unpublished. They served to illustrate various sides of the author's nature, and the humorous exthor's nature, and the humorous ex-aggeration, amounting almost to a cari-cature, that seems to be the prevailing note, though by no means the only witty one, of them all.

The selections were read without the lightest apparent straining after efect, without even any apparent attempt it elecution—yet with such art as to oring out in the almost nonchalant man-



nies so that if he put an equal numnles so that if he put an equal num-ber in each of two boxes there would be one penny left over; in a like man-ner he figured on 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 16, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 and 22 boxes, but in every case if he put an equal number in each box there would be one (only one) penny left over. The son gave it up and told his father he thought it impossible to perform the feat. His father replied: "SKIDOO—23 for you." The son then out the entire lot of pen-nics in 23 boxes, the same number in each box. How many pennics were

To make the problem plain: The entire number of pennies was a number, which if divided by any number from 2 to 22 inclusive there will be a remainder of one (only one) and if divided by 23 there will be no remainder. Address all answers to PUZZLE HOLTOR, The Journal, Portland.

The prizes are worth working for and winning. To the person who sends in the best solution of the Skiddo problem, \$10 in bright new pennies will be given; for 23 others, beautiful "23" stickpins are the award; and others will get 23 pennies just from the mint.

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SKIDOO WORKERS WILL DISCUSS PROBLEM WITH THEIR TURKEY

Couch school, a lot of us did it in an sive and add one.

Hoping it is not skide for me and thanking you in advance for the thoutr's interesting, too. The answer is 23 mand pennies.

To you. We're goin' to divide the We're goin' to divide the ney. Betye can't guess what each'll get. Us boys know.

"BOBBY BROWN, "For 7 Other Fellows." Robert, Robert-and the seven other boys—the puzzle editor is pained—posi-tively shocked. The idea that pupils would take time from their studies to find the solution of the skidoo problem! The fact that the puzzle is interesting has nothing to do with the case; the school problems should be considered interesting, and should be taken up with pleasure by the scholars. It is fortunate that the skidoo contest is fortunate that the skidoo contest is nearing an end, as the boys and girls seem to be giving more attention to it than they are giving to their studies.

"The one thing above all others that I have to be thankful for," writes Mrs. Greig of Sellwood, "is that I have finally solved the skidoo puzzle. I never saw anything like it; it's the hardest thing I ever undertook. The answer is

The answers to the skidoo problem are getting more interesting each day. The twenty-threeskies are numerous, and figures do not fib, 23 could easily be the answer. Among those who say 23 is right are: Earl Brice, 1750 Hodge street; Emma Fleck Lents; P. M. Roush, Rainier; John B. Gibbs, Forest Grove; Thomas McCann, Worcester building; Viva Dafoe, 340 E. Sixth street; Frederick C. Coales, Ashland; T. S. Moars, Tualatin; E. E. Weber, 142 Russell street,

shade of meaning. In other words he read with the highest art.

Those who attended with the idea that they would hear something of the audience were also disappointed, agree-Sam Jones type of speech, were disap- ably. The only originality in the even-

"Skidoo is too easy for us boys in | common multiple from two to 22 inclu-

Many of the mathematicians who have been working on the skidoo problem insist that 529 is the correct answer, and the ease with which the solution works out that way is very encouraging. Some of the 529-ers are Alice E. Johnson, 423 Mechanic street; Rose Cota, 390 East Clay street; H. A. Curtis, Astoria; B. C. Moser, Pendleton; L. O. K., Kingston; Harry M. Miller. Portland hotel; Robert G. Grant, Chamber of Commerce; Susan S. Metcham, Baker City; Arthur Pearson, 660 Gantenbein avenue; Mrs. Emma Walt, 520 a Pavorite, Too.

Salem.

Many Polks of Many Minds.

that of Here are some answers that clearly indicate that there is a wide difference of opinion on the subject of the Skidoo problem: Albert M. Merrill, University ly solved the skidoo puzzle. I never saw anything like it; it's the hardest thing I ever undertook. The answer is 2,708,858,880. I'm thankful it is done."

Mrs. Christine Packer, Lents, writes Lents, 279,553,087 pennies in each box; Mrs. Christine Packer, Lents, writes that the puzzle is not hard, and that one is the answer, and in the same mail Fred Wallace, R. F. D. No. 1, Aurora, gives the same answer.

The way Mrs. Packer and Mr. Wellace figure it out is very convincing indeed; and made the puzzle editor wonder if one wasn't the right answer. But Harry Merwin, 273 Porter street, sends in each box; J. R. Bowman, an even number of pennies in each box; y. A. Gerfin, O. R. & N. Co., 5,354,228,850; Clarence Marks, and this is the answer he gets: 1,124.-060,727, 777,807,580,000 pennies in each box; Clarence uses them appear to prove this); Ralph Wettelaird, 334 Tillamook box, so the puzzle editor is still in doubt.

They Bay 23.
The answers to the skidoo problem are getting more interesting each day. 407 in each box; Tracy Staats, Dallas, 1,163,962,801 pennies in each box.
Other answers have been received from the following: Anne Carmody, 66774 Hood street; S. Leronge, 620 Savier street; William True, 744 East Savier street; William True, 744 East Pine street; O. J. Lindsay, Roseburg; John Steen, Lebanon; George Rac, 251 Tenth street; Velma Edwards, Cor-valis; O. Beck, Sheridan; Meta Rache, county clerk's office; N. E. Watkins, Corvallis; L. N. Lund, Vancouver, Wash.; W. S. Riles, Montavilla; E. Wat-If it takes seventeen yards of baby ribbon to make a baby elephant's smoking jacket, how far must a feather fall to break a 14 bill? This is the correct answer to the skidoo problem; but the correct solution is to find the least 479 State street, Salem.

ing lay in what the author was able to produce in the mind of the hearer that the latter had not seen in the works before. The entertainment lay in the clever manner in which this was done.

In a word, it was "an evening with Bangs".

TURKISH RUGS

AT A BARGAIN

Discriminating Shoppers Offered Un-That Railroad Delays Furnishing Cars Needed.

The rug-importing house of Jabour & Co., \$41 Washington street, is easily in the lead this season with a choice collection of rars and worthy novelties in rugs, carpets, Florentine and Cluny laces, embroidered patterns and other decorative novelties designed to please the most captious of Christmas shoppers in this line. The importance of this discount sale may be best realized by those who have patronized the Jabour store and have been convinced of the fact that this rug house gives customers the real worth of their money. To meet the demand for art goods there has just been received from Parfa a splendid line of goods, all of which will be included in this sale. A substantial and creditable gift for ne home of a friend is a Turkish rug and no house in the West can compare with Jabour for prices and patterns. If now outfitting a new home, flat or one room or if you are interested in knowing how economically to transform the appearance of a too-familiar room and would like to make it cheerier, let us advise you. We have rugs at prices to suit all tastes and purses. We have imported rugs and carpets with a view to suiting the most discriminating and fastidious customers and we now offer you unusual opportunities, which cannot possibly last long, to make selections for your holiday purchases now. Everyone who visits the store will be amply repaid for the time spent in examining and comparing our prices and gestrable and at the right prices for shirt-walst patterns, kimonas and fancy laces. The cream of the novelless is found here and shoppers are invited to call early and take advantage of this chance. Out-of-town inquiries will be given prompt attention and letters cheerfully answered.

Arilagton wedding.

(special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Ari usual Inducements to Buy Rare Oriental Eugs at 25 per cent Discount.

Arlington Wedding.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Arlington, Or., Nov. 29.—The wedding of W. H. Morrison and Mrs. Hattle Snodgrass Wristen was solemined at high noon yesterday at the residence of the bride's parents, Rev. Moorehead officiating. The groom is well known in business circles, holding the position of foreman for Kerr, Gifford & Co. at Condon, and the bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Snodgrass, ploneer residents of this section. Both young people are very pupular throughyoung people are very popular through-out the county and left on the evening train for Condon, their future home.

the shippers by their own negligence. He says that in a number of cases, which are cited by the stockmen, the which are cited by the stockmen, the trouble has been that he received notification of the intended shipment only one day before the arrival of the stock and that he did not have time to get the cars into the yard for them. Mr. Lawrence says that while there has been a large number of cars tisd up, both in the north and the south, that they can be furnished the shippers if reasonable notice is given him. The tie-up in the north caused by the floods and in California by the delay in unleading at San Francisco, has worked a hardship on this section of the country, but traffic conditions are being righted with as great rapidity as possible.

CITY'S PUBLIC DEBT

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Carlyon has signed a new contract with the water company for furnishing the city with water for fire purposes, which reduces the rental to \$50 a year for hydrants hereafter, installed by order of the city. The city council has also form a by the delay in unleading at San Francisco, has worked a hardship on this section of the country, but traffic common school fund. Interest is thereby reduced from 6 per cent per annum.

OLYMPIA REFUNDS CITY'S PUBLIC DEBT

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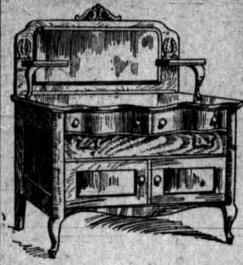


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there are only a few, we would ad-vise early shop-

Baker County Cattlemen State That Railroad Delays Furnish-

On the other hand Agent Lawrence says this loss has been brought upon

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daughter's hip, was prevented by the
application of Bucklen's Arnica Salva,"
yays A. C. Stickel of Miletus, W. Va.
"Persistent use of the Salve completely
cured it." Cures Cuts, Burns and Injuries, 25c at Red Cross Pharmacy.

Illustration shows one of the handsomest brass beds on

the market. The headboard is 68 inches high, filled

with beautiful scrolls and heavy straight fillers set off

with 2%-inch husks. It is made of the best quality

brass and finished in the finest quality French lacquer.

JEWELRY **CUT GLASS AND** ART NOVELTIES

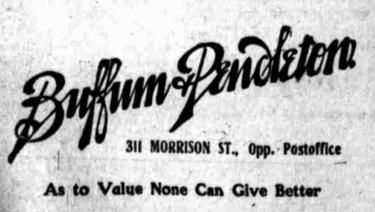
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