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Some people spend so much time wishing for success that they have no time to work for it.—Anon.

THE PEOPLE HAVE A FIGHT ON HAND.

THERE ARE evidences that the railroads in Oregon, particularly the Harriman lines, have thoroughly and systematically organized their forces to defeat or emasculate the bill prepared by the transportation committee...

SIGNS HUNG OUT.

WHILE PHRENOLOGY is not regarded as an exact science, and while it has been made use of by a great many fakers who had but a slight smattering of phrenological lore to humbug people...

LULL IN RAILROAD WAR.

IF, AS REPORTED, the Harriman forces have given up the fight against the building of the Hill north bank railroad, and will make no further attempts to hinder or harass the Hill enterprise...

relief, as it seems or as we hope; he has broken some of the Harriman fetters in this region, he is necessarily to be a great factor in our future development...

We know that Mr. Hill and his associates are not coming here from any philanthropic motives, or with the primary object of relieving us from our bondage; they are not spending these many millions of money without expecting due and full return and reward...

Nobody outside the offices of the high officials or attorneys of these roads, and perhaps none there, can tell to what extent the warfare is ended, or if in a measure ended just what the results will be...

As to the possession of the north bank of the Columbia for railroad building purposes, it would seem to have needed but very little time for any court to decide which of these contending giants had equity on his side...

MUSEUM DEVOTED TO MUSIC.

Vienna has shortly possessed a museum exclusively devoted to music. In the modern world, at least, no city could be more appropriately chosen for its musical associations...

GOVERNOR HUGHES.

FEW MEN will be watched more closely during the next year or two than the new governor of New York, Charles E. Hughes...

It is said that some of these warning signs, to any one even superficially acquainted with the relation between them and conduct and character, appear in an extreme degree in the features and on the cranium of the boy murderer, Albert Oleman...

A Little Out of the Common

THINGS PRINTED TO READ WHILE YOU WAIT.

Festival of the Dolls. A curious custom of the Japanese is that of the observance of a certain day in April of each year, called Dolls' day...

Onward. By Florence Earl Coates. Thank God a man can grow! He is not bound...

January 7 in History. 1868—English lost Calais to the French. 1748—Blanchard and Jeffries crossed English channel in a balloon...

James B. Angell's Birthday. Dr. James B. Angell, an educator and diplomat, was born in Leconte, Rhode Island, January 7, 1829...

Shirter Hours in Germany. Whereas, in the seventies of last century, the 12-hour day was the rule in the building trades in Germany...

People Read Papers. A recent bulletin published by the census bureau at Washington states that there are 19,824,757 copies of daily newspapers...

Immortality and Humanity. Portland, Jan. 5.—To the Editor of The Journal.—Introducing a few letters I wish to write concerning Immortality and Humanity...

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Letters From the People

Asks About Streetcars.

Portland, Jan. 4.—To the Editor of The Journal.—Please allow me space to say a few things in regard to the street car strike...

The St. Johns line is about the limit for rotten service, and always has been. Notice the nice outfit car they kindly donated to the people on that line...

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BIRDSEYE VIEWS OF TIMELY TOPICS

SMALL CHANGE.

Now is the winter of the railroads' discontent. The first installment of the hard winter was soft...

Only a week till Oregon will have the legislature on its hands. There's another consoling thought; no state census will be taken this year...

It was 13 years ago that Mr. Bourne was a member of the Oregon legislature. A new author of Shakespeare's plays hasn't been mentioned for a week or two now...

Still prosperity hasn't got around sufficiently to enable most people to have an automobile. Mr. Bryan is keeping still a long time, for him. Perhaps he is saving it to tell in Oregon...

President Roosevelt expects to make a few more number 8 footprints on the sands of time in 1907. This is also the year when further testimony will be taken as to whether Schmitz and Ruel can ever be tried or not...

Statistics show that women are longer lived than men. Why shouldn't they be? They almost invariably go home before midnight.

A Pennsylvania astrologer predicts the end of the world in two years. But a great deal can be done in that time. The Chester Thompson trial may be ended...

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OREGON SIDELIGHTS.

Vale will soon have a water and light system in operation.

Planting was done all through Deschutes in Harney county.

Many Washington county farmers will plant English walnut trees.

Silverton business men are trying to organize a Commercial club.

It is predicted that grain prices will be even higher yet this year.

Yamhill county farmers interested in walnut culture have effected an organization.

The fruit inspectors of most western Oregon counties evidently mean business.

Hornblaton was named after the name in one of Stevenson's stories, "Wear of Hornblaton."

Preswearer and Milton are both to dye and bring under control the Walla Walla river.

Over in Tillamook couples have the advantage of the opportunity to be married by Justice Goodspeed.

The dropping of a lamp started a fire in the grounds of a private church at Burns, but Jay Gould put it out.

Fifty dollars has been collected toward a bell and vestibule to the Mosler church. The bell is now rung on the front porch.

Two men have located 2,000 acres of horse-bearing land in Harney county and a town to be called Swan City is expected to spring up.

Some of the west side engines are nearly as old as some of the west side conductors and they are subject to heart failure, says the McMinnville News-Register.

A number of heavy taxpayers in the county are in favor of starting into the rock road system, says the Hillsboro Argus. They argue that 100 miles of good road, that would endure for time, could be built by bonding, and that it could be paid for in 35 years.

On the margin of a sheet of new bank bills received by the McMinnville National the other day was this notation in a neat lady's hand: "Do you want a good clerk? If so, write to —." The one lone bachelor of the institution will not say whether or not he has written to the romantic damsel.

Tillamook Herald: The publication of the delinquent tax list this year amounts to 163 lines, at 1 cent per line; this service costs the "dear taxpayer" just \$7.63, a decrease of several hundred dollars from previous years. The Herald gets all of this money in one lump and it is so much we don't know what we will do with it.

Just the Ordinary Woman

I wish that I had the distributing of some of Andrew Carnegie's medals for heroes. I would give one to just the ordinary woman. In true that she never married a titmouse in a storm...

For each of her children she trod the Gethsemane of woman, only to go through that slavery of motherhood which the woman endures who is too poor to hire competent nurses. For years and years she never knew what it was to have a single night's unbroken sleep.

The small hours of the morning found her walking the coils, or auring the crowd, or covering restless little sleepers, or putting water to thirsty little lips.

There was no rest for her, day or night. There was always a child in her arms or clinging to her skirts. Often that not she was sick and nerve-worn and weary almost to death, but she never failed to rally to the call of "Mother" as a good soldier always rallies to his battle-cry.

Nobody called her brave, and yet, when one of the children came down with malignant diphtheria, she braved death hundred times in bending over the little sufferer, without one thought of danger. And when the little one was laid away under the sod she who had loved most was the first to gather herself together and take up the burden of life for the others.

The supreme moment of the Ordinary Woman's life, however, came when she educated her children above herself and lifted them out of her shadow. She did this with deliberation. She knew that in sending her bright boy and talented girl off to college she was opening up to them paths in which she could not follow. She knew that the time would come when they would look upon her with pitying tolerance or contempt, or perhaps—Gold leaf her—be ashamed of her.

But she did not falter in her self-sacrifice. She worked a little harder, she denied herself a little more, to give them the advantages that she never had. In this she was only like millions of other Ordinary Women who are toiling over cooking-stoves, slaving at spinning machines, pinching and economizing to educate and cultivate their children—digging with their own hands the chasm that will separate them almost as much as death.

Wherefore I say the Ordinary Woman is the real heroine of life.

Perkeo. By Ella Wheeler Wilcox. Long ago lived Perkeo. Form and face devoid of grace—Poor his lot, I ween. Yet, despite his low estate, Perkeo was great.

His thought that humor wrought Merriment his art. And he knew where laughter grew. In the human heart Kings who found their glory ad, Perkeo made glad. Just to wile grave eyes to smile. And turn care to sport. Perkeo was bid to go. Like a lord to court. Evermore an honored guest—Knight of quip and jest. Dead to fame is many a name Great in days ago; Lost to sight are prince and knight—Perkeo lives on Still he seems to smile and quarrel. Ah, it pays to laugh!