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Money and time are the heaviest burdens of life, and the unhappiest of all mortals are those who have more of either than they know how to use.-Johnson.

TAFT AND THE TARIFF

RESIDENT TAFT will probably revise the tariff downward somewhat, in spots. It is reported that in consequence of his mand hides, ore, coal and oil will go on the free list, and there will be a cut in the duty on lumber—but as to the latter both houses had reduced the present rate of \$2. Very likely, as Mr. Taft scans the bill, or bills, he will insist on other additions to the free list, or sharp reductions. He must do this to keep his promise of revision downward. If these raw materials are to be free of duty, then so should manufactures such manufactures should be greatly reduced. That is clear. But them combined, for all will be more that breaks into the solld circum- or less dependent upon it. He says There is steel, for example; it needs even now the power of one Ameri-

reform a good deal farther, and finally, it may be hoped, to its logical conclusion, which is no protection at all, except what is purely incidental.

A NEEDLESS TRIAL

been any evidence against young 'Murgatroyd sufficient evidence should have been looked that he could positively prove a com- no doubt behind this movement is plete alibi, as he did; why was not the master mind of J. P. Morgan.

TRUSTS

ECRETARY of the Interior Bal-Hager has made a further and congresses, a majority of each of been withdrawn almost indiscrimtinulely, and upon insufficiant investisation and knowledge, so he transterred the business to the Geological
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A Kansas Martyr.

From the Atchison Globe.
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ON TO SEATTLE

parade at Seattle tomorrow. There is assurance already that the crowd will be more than sufficient to make a very live event of Portland day at the exposition. Reservations have far overtaxed the capacity of the railroads, though nore motive power and added cars were hurried into service. Men and women who count heavily in the affairs of Portland and the northwest are to make the journey and magnify the importance of Portland day. The trip is a thousand times worth the effort. The sight of the exposition is many times worth it. It is world's granary of art, production, invention and discovery. It is a year's education crammed into a few hours. It is a tour of the world's workshops, laboratories and fertile fields made in a day. It is information as to what the earth is and a magnificent exhibit. The doing in science and art supplied for state line between Oregon and Washhome consumption in , tablet form. It is an opportunity to learn more in a few bours about the triumphs of men and nations than can be imbibed from books and literature, effective as they are, in months of two states and the two cities are costudious application.

Much that men learn is acquired by success, and that is why Portland mixing. It is impossible to rub day at the exposition is to be an against polish and progress without event that will count heavily when succeed in forcing congress to becoming more or less polished and the final story of this last of the inprogressive. Newton, accustomed to ternational shows in the northwest trace the movements of the planets is written.

tected as well and more surely than different kind of congresses are combefore. This is the substance of his statement, and it is satisfactory because Mr. Ballinger is a very dependable man, and knows what he

is a notable article by John L. Matthews in Hampton's magazine, in power trust will be the greatest of all the trusts, greater than all of vallating high tariff wall, and other that no other man in America, nor duties will have to come down; too. yet any European monarch, has

tion that will not be dependent upon a power monopoly. As coal vanishes, this water power trust gains in force, and acquires terrible strength before it is observed. In a day, almost, it will be in the saddle." The article proceeds in con-HERE SEEMS never to have siderable detail to show how this is being brought about,

for indictment and prosecution. Indicate that there is much truth in water consumers that business prin-Or if sufficient for indictment, the all this. For a generation J. P. Morgan has been practically the into and weighed carefully before treasury department of the United patting Columbia county and the States. Every secretary of that depound man's father to very heavy partment and every president has expense for the trial. Another called him in whenever in trouble or doubt, and followed his advice lowly homes of Portland shall be of the monkeys in a very friendly fashlief, had pointed at Murgatroyd as whenever given—to the great advanthe probable murderer, and one or tage and enrichment of J. P. Morgan fortunate in life to pay only for two women who, reports seem to in- & Co. But recently, reports indidicate, are unworthy of confidence, cated an alliance in the railroad and had a selfish, sinister motive in world between Harriman, Rockefelfastening the crime upon Murga- ler and Morgan, and this must introyd, said that he had boasted of clude the Vanderbilt and Gould inkilling a man. This appears to be terests. Indeed, Mr. Harriman makes all the evidence the prosecution had no secret of the intention to consolito go on. Besides, the defendant date, practically under one control, disclosed the fact before the trial all the railroads of the country; and

that fact investigated, and when it Observe that it is a period of elec-was found to be true, why should not trification of railroads—or the bethe case have been dismissed? It ginning of such a period. In a few is by no means the duty of a district years most or all the trains will be attorney to try to convict every ac- moved by electricity, generated by compelled to pay for water other cused person, but rather to ascer- water power; and these water pow- people waste. An eminent but untain from an independent, impartial ers will be obtained, in one way or acrupulous statesman once declared point of view the fact of guilt or another, and brought under one to a friend that the secret of sucinnocence. That young Murgatroyd great central control, forming, as was innocent seems to have been this writer says, the king of trusts, dacity, audacity." There is a newspretty clear before the trial began, the trust that will dominate all the other trusts. Can't it be done? It WATER POWER-A TRUST OF seems impossible, but it is scarcely puted issues in its own favor by more so than such trusts as new exist seemed 20 years ago, or less, fundity, profundity, profundity." And in this connection note our

satisfactory statement regarding which, almost continuously for the change of policy as to the forty years, has been not only will- is established on a business basis, withdrawal of lands containing val- ing but apparently eager to legislate with waste eliminated, enough uable water power sites. Under his in the interest and for the benefit predecessor large areas of lands, ap- of these trusts. This monster years to purchase all the parks and proximating 1,000,000 agree, had trust would please an average con-been withdrawn almost indiscrim-gress better than all others. Be- And after the purchases are made

ORTLAND WILL be on dress and the laws of the universe, could not understand why Pembroke could find so great pleasure in little stone dolls. And Newton, not Pembroke, discovered the law of gravitation, and is an immortal. We have Pembrokes in Portland who will be benefited by going over to Seattle, where, for a day, the stone dolls will be lost sight of in the contact with men who contemplate planets. There is a public mind in that city that will do all Portland good to see, feel and know. There is a spirit there that mixed with the Portland spirit would make a miltant combination, and a few days of life with the live wires of Seattle would help along such a result.

Besides, the exposition is partly Portland's. It is not all Seattle's. Oregon has a splendid building there ington, and the border lines between Portland and Seattle, are only imaginary things. Nobody can see, feel or find them. They are as thin as air or the vanishing mirage. The sharers in the usufruct of the fair. Then there is the social phase. They should be co-promoters of its

additional legislation will be pro- numerous. There are signs that a ing. And the people are becoming more intelligent, alert and vigilant And finally, when the trusts have done their perfect work, and when this great trust of trusts has been fully perfected, if it ever shall be Speaking of water powers, there the people may say: "Much obliged; you fine gentlemen have done a good job; we'll pay you what we think is which he predicts that the growing right for this work, and just take it

PEARSONS AND CARNEGIE

AVID K. PEARSONS will literally carry out the plan Carnegie Ills coleration for free raw matches. The same of the proposed for himself some sons kindly for his help to these schools in their times of need.

ITS OWN PROFUNDITY

DECAUSE THE JOURNAL advocates equal privileges for all in the use of water in Portland, it is called "shallow" by the Oregonian. If it be "shallow" Various occurrences and reports to ask in behalf of taxpayers and ciples be applied in the distribution of water, if it be "shallow" to suggest that a system of sound and lowly homes of Portland shall be given equal right with the more whatever water they use, then The Journal prefers to be accounted "shallow" rather than the pillar of ponderous profundity that the Oregonian assumes itself to be. There is not the slightest doubt but the public sentiment of the city emphatically favors economic distribution of water, postponement to as distant a day as possible of another water bond sale, more interest charges and more pipe lines to Bull Run, and the fair and square privilege to every water consumer, high or low, to pay for the water he uses and not be cess in affairs was "audacity, aupaper not a thousand miles from Portland that essays to settle all dispompously avowing its own "pro-

If those in authority in the city will see to it that water distribution money can be saved within a few

more than half an hour before the train started, and people by hundreds were on the platform and hastening to the train. It was well known that several thousand people wanted to go on this excursion; the railroad held itself out as ready to carry them, but didn't do so, was not prepared to do so. Needed accommodations were not furnished.

There is a certain expense in the maintenance of pipes, repair of the ing accounts that is inevitable in the water system. If the cheapened cost by meters universally placed should not meet this distribution cost, the meter rate could be advanced. The power to adjust the revenue to fit the cost is in the hands of the board. A proper minimum rate and the accurate adjustment of the meter rate would nicely balance revenue and expenditure, and with the waste eliminated and each consumer paying for what water he uses, the system would be as nearly-perfect as things ever are in human affairs.

Some men are just naturally mournful and you couldn't squeeze their faces into a pleased expression if you were to run an asphalt paving roller over them until the first Tuesday after the rirst Monday in the month of November.

Over at Pendleton there used to be a man who had been playing hookey from the cemetery for 10 years, and I never saw a mournfuller person in my life. No one could look at him without bursting into tears. I remember once going to his house on business which lasted two hours and when I returned home I two hours and when I returned home I cried for six days and nights without feed or water, including holidays. I frequently tried to tell him a joke and would wind it up by singing a funeral

would wind it up by singing a funeral dirge.

But the old man finally mourned his life away. He shuffled off his mortal coil one dark gloomy day just as twilight gathered. He decided that he didn't need his mortal coil any longer, so he shuffled it off. And that was the only funny thing he ever did. Just before he kicked his final kick he said. "I hear the angels playing on golden harps. It is a beautiful tune; it sounds like a spittoon." Then death came to his relief. If it hadn't he would have been killed by authority of the poundmaster for springing such a chestnut as that.





Owing to the perfect weather there as a goodly crowd of pleasure seekers as a goodly crowd of pleasu the city park yesterday. Standing in front of the ion.
"Hey, there; what's your name?" he inquired a couple of times.
The monkey was very busy and didn't answer right away, or else it falled to catch his meaning.

The man turned to a bystander and inquired: 'Them things can talk, can't "Sure," replied the well meaning by-stander. "Talk their heads off once they set started."
"Hey, there," said the man turning again to the cage, "What's you name?" But his efforts to establish friendly relations were unavailing as the last visitor left the park.

This Date in History. 1767—Gideon Granger, postmaster general of the United States 1801-14, born in Suffield, Conn. Died Degember 31, 1822,

1775—An election for councillors was held in Massachusetts.

1810—The king of Prussia issued a decree forbidding American vessels to enter his ports.
1854—The Chinese insurgents made an attack on Canton, 1864—General Sherman's army adanced upon Atlanta. 1870—France made formal declaration f sear against Pruesia. 1874—On account of the Carlist in-urrection Spain was declared to be in a state of slege. a state of siege. 1894—The house refused to recede on the Wilson tariff bill, and instructed its conference committee to yield noth-

1908-Celebration of the 300th anniversary of the founding of Quebec

COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

SMALL CHANGE

Hurrah for Tart; he's taking a hand. It seems that there are also Young Will anybody ever dig up the Ro Go it, Harriman; go it, Hill-into entral Oregon. Look out for some weather next fall. But with an income tax the income But often disagreeable things last more than Three Weeks.

The sugar trust smells even worse than Standard Oil these days. A news item says Korea lacks law-ers. We could spare her some. It's the best time you'll ever have to buy a piece of ground for a home. Still another week of the horrible tariff. But it will be over soon now. A petrified Indian has been found in corgis. He has long been a good

Yet every married man who leaves him family temporarily in an interior town and comes to Portland don't do like that. The Philadelphia North American (Rep.) heads a full double column edi-torial, "A Party Betrayed." What did you expect, greeny?

Representative Hawley is somewhat of an athlete and is a member of a congressional baseball team, but he never tackled Uncle Joe.

Salem Journal: T. T. Geer joins Harvey Scott in condemning us to eternal punishment for praying for rain. The worst punishment anyone could fear would be to spend an eternity with either of these two gentlemen.

It ought to be easy to make a rhyme, a fingling word-chime in the summer time; a rhyme, short or long, that hints of a song—or maybe more like a tomtom gong—of beauties seen in the silvery sheen; of skies so blue, and hearts so true; of clouds that float, and the floating boat (that's rocked, and the screams); and of lovers' dreams, and of hayrick rides, and blushing brides, and the hammock hugs, and the ants and bugs; and of whispering breeze, and fruit laden trees; and of salt sea air, and folks nearly bare; and of beach hotels, and rural cowbells, and the end seat hog, and the frog in the bog; and the iddot who, soon's one's warmed through, asks everybody he meets, "It it hot enough for you?"

OREGON SIDELIGHTS

Siuslaw people want a new county. Potato growers see large crops shead. Salem is getting its first steel build-Dallas handle factory running full A new La Grande residence will cost Lebanon morels couldn't stand a pio-ture show. Man near Eugene is platting 73 acres into acre tracts. Sugar beets planted near Enterprise are doing fine. Huntington is going to fire some of Big hay crop in Powder river valley; other crops good. Corvallis merchants will try to get a bridge scross the Willamette.

Authorities are wrestling with the weed problem in Union county. weed problem in Union county.

Ten acres near McMinnville sold for twice what it did two years ago.

Medford expects to ship 275 carloads of pears, worth around \$1000 a car.

More news: The Salem Journal says the Albany Herald is a "live paper."

An 846 inch branch of a cherry tree near Estacada had 50 large cherries on it.

Let nothing stand in the way of Salem getting a first class hotel, as present conditions are making daily votes for the removal of the state capi-tal, says the Journal.

Woodburn has reason to rejoice, says the Independent. Crops are good, market prices are high, extensive street and water works improvements are promised, this will be a feeder for the Scotts Mills coal section, and an electric line will be in here before the close of the

Arlington Record: Judge Mariner is said to have the best wheat in his neighborhood, evidently the result of up to date methods. Notwithstanding the protracted drought in that locality, the yield will be quite up to the average of seasonable years. The best and cheapest fertilizer is brains.

third sessions of the organization which was known as the Transmissouri Dry Farming congress prior to the conven-tion at Cheyenne, Wyo., last February. tion at Cheyenne, Wyo., last February, This report is a comprehensive review of the work of the congress and con-tains, in addition to the addresses and at Cheyenne, the complete report of Statistician W. H. Olin, in which a rewiew of the actual results of dry farm-ing throughout the world is given, together with suggestions and recommendations to dry farmers that will be found invaluable to those hardy settlers who are invading the public lands of the west and transforming the for-mer socalled desert into productive

by the Dry Farming congress, which will hold its fourth sessions and the Second International Exposition of Dry Farm Products at Billings, Mont., October 25-29, 1909. Those who desire the handbook may send \$1 to Secretary John T. Burns of the congress for membership. The members receive not only the handbook but the semi-monthly Dry Farming Congress Bulletin, the only of spinion which always marks the late ficial "dry farming" newspaper published in the world.

Our Commercial Morality. Our Commercial Morality.

From the Wall Street Journal.

One of the most striking features of our industrial history in the past 12 years has been the deterioration in the quality of some products. It is admitted from Harvard Divinity school in 1875 and spent the next three years mitted that we cannot make a cement in study at the universities of Berlin.

of a kind equal to that obtainable not of a kind equal to the second of in mitted that we cannot make a cement of a kind equal to that obtainable not make it at least we do not put it on the market. Not only have prices of semmedities advanced but the average of semmedities advanced but the semmedities of semmedities and instructive that the semmedities of semmediti

The contents of the book are conventionally classified and indexed so that any reference to any subject relating to dry farming may be found without delay. The book, issued as a handbook of information for farmers, is sent without extra charge to the members of the congress in good standing and may be purchased for \$1 a copy by others intercested in the subject. It is published by the Dry Farming congress, which

John Graham Brooks' Birthday.

The REALM FEMININE

Don't Throw Cold Water. THERE anything much more depressing than the weman who throws cold water? To be able to enter into the spirit of the occasion has done more toward making woman popular than any other one

One evening, as some young women and their escorts were sitting out in omusement park watching merry makers shoot the chutes, a man and wife stopped beside them. She was tall wife stopped beside them. She was tall with short curly hair. She wore a short wash incket with a dark skirt and waist, and for decoration, carried a bunch of flowers held resolutely in her right hand and about six inches in front of her. He was just a plain man. One of the friendly sort who wanted a good time and some one to share it.

The couple watched a few minutes and then he could not resist asking the young women if they had ever "shot" the chutes. They had, so had he; it was lets of fun! He wanted to go again and had been trying to persuade his wife to go and see for herself how much fun it was, but she would not and he was terribly disappointed. He watched a little longer and when it seemed that he could not stand it another minute, he asked the young women if they did not want to go again. Of course his wife had told him two or three times to go on if he wanted to and she would wait for him. That is always so encouraging, and one; especially a man, does so like to go for a good time by himself. Half of the fun is in having some one to enjoy, it with you; and when a poor one man who has taken his wife on a "pleasure exertion" is forced to sak strange young women to enjoy some of the reatures with him because his wife will not one might suppose that she would beware. Not so this lady.

The young women, feeling that discretion was the better part of valor, made some sort of excuse for not accepting just then and devoted their energy to persuading the wife. They told her how lovely it was; of course there was no danger to it or it would not be there: that it did not feel as it looked; and even made fun of another woman who was making a scene because she did not want to go and was very effectually dampening the spirits of the party. All without effect. She was not to be moved and finally they went away on further pleasure bent—she victorious and he disconsolately casting backward slances or genuine longing at the alluring chutes.

The young women agreed that it would not be strange if that man were to seak with short curly hair. She wore a short wash jacket with a dark skirt and waist,

to indemnify himself as best he can He wishes to maintain his own standard or comfort at least. He wants the raw materials for his manufacture as cheaply as possible. He has, in fact to maintain a margin between income and expenditure, and to do his he is producing a mere resemblance to what he was selling 10 years ago; while at the same time, as for instance in the case of the weighing frauds of the American Sugar company, he may resort to unfair means in dealing with his neighbors.

There is a moral rot thus engendered which must necessarily spread. It is impossible for the employe in the financial department to observe practices which he knows are indefensible ethically, constantly used, without his self deterlorating. The result is that the evil spreads with an ever widening influence, and all that education or religion can do to curb it will not plant the seeds of healthy growth fast smough to choke the weeds.

It is a terribly high price to pay for what our theory considers the correct system of stimulating commercial growth. The responsibility upon our ulers is a terrible one, but the existing the choice of the subject of the manual that all the correct system of stimulating commercial growth. The responsibility upon our ulers is a terrible one, but the exist. There is not the faintest pretense of principle on either side, except in a few honorable instances. No trond and milgithened general policy is laid down. All that shapes itself out of the most painful exhibition of politics at its worst seen in a generation, is that callous indifference to public of the most painful exhibition of politics at its worst seen in a generation, is that callous indifference to public of the most painful exhibition of politics at its worst seen in a generation, is that callous indifference to meak of the worst climate in the world for the ways marks the later stages of moral deterioration.

"May you be just—se happy yourse?"

"May you be just-as happy yoursel" as ye like to see anybody else."—Rob-ert Burns.