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Mere bashfulness without merit is awkward, and merit without modesty is insolent. But modest merit has a double claim to acceptance.—Hughes.

GETTING BUSY ALREADY

ALREADY the high tariff plun-

dumb press—fortunately now few in numbers—is devising arguments against the adoption of the income tax amendment by the legislature. Only 12 legislatures have to be won over to the allied predatory interests, which are getting busy wherever they can find space.

The Milwaukee Wisconsin, for example, is prompted to say that it is well that not a sufficient number of legislatures can vote on this measure under a year and a half, which will give "plenty of time for discussion and study"—and for other things. This organ makes it known, however, that the time and discussion should be utilized to beat the amendment. The income tax, it says, "will not work equitably without official machinery to prevent evasion. This would involve a larger violation of privacy than people in this country would be willing to submit to."

Here is a beginning, a hint. Beware of "nostrums," of "panaceas," of innovations, of anything whatever but the good old standpat system by which one man out of 100 is robbing them of billions a year.

There are objections to the income tax certainly; there are objections to any sort of a tax; but there is going to be some sort of a break-away from this system of high protection before very long, and an income tax may do as an entering wedge.

THE EVERLASTING TORY

IT IS impossible to get rid of the tory. In the revolution he opposed the colonial cause. We had him before that, we have him still, and we shall have him forever. He is everywhere and cannot be exterminated. He is a product of the unexplainable in human nature and is a fixity on this earth. Throughout all time he has made war, sometimes in stealth, sometimes in the open on liberty and reform.

With growth in knowledge, man more and more resents the principle of superiority of the few and inferiority of the many. In 1789 the United States began the business of governing through a constitution and other peoples soon began to copy. France followed and then Germany. Italy came along in her time and government after government was gradually forced by spread of the idea to concede parliaments, chambers of deputies and congresses. Imperial Russia battled against it, and the sultan resisted it until forced from his throne by his folly. Now, in far away Persia, a land at the uttermost ends of the earth, the people have, at the point of the bayonet, contested for a constitution, and won. In every contest there have been tories to resist the forward march of progressive government.

In New York the tories temporarily defeated Governor Hughes' effort for a primary law, but the defeat only made the issue more burning. Principles involving human rights are indestructible, and this one is rising up in New York to confound those who sought to destroy it. The tory politicians are doing everything possible to prevent it from becoming an issue in the elections this autumn. Conventions that they usually convene in September they are holding even now in the effort to hurry their henchmen into nominations. But everywhere people are bringing the primary issue to the front and are making allegiance to it a condition to nomination. Wherever the issue is clear cut the tories lose. In Otsego county a member of the legislature who opposed Governor Hughes' primary law program was buried under an avalanche of ballots by an independent who declared his unyielding allegiance to the primary principle. In Franklin county, the machine candidate, notwithstanding his support by the Republican news-

papers, met with an equally overwhelming defeat at the hands of an independent. Whether or not it comes to a fruition in New York in the coming election, the seed of the principle has been sown. By experience, men from Pennsylvania to Persia are swiftly learning the principles of equitable government, and are coming to know the tory spirit in its falseness to the rights of man. The reckoning is compelled more and more everywhere, and in the final clash torism has always to yield, just as in 1776.

THE JOURNAL CARRIERS' BAND

THOSE BOYS who, as members of The Journal Carriers' band, are factors in the demonstration made by Portland at the Seattle exposition today, merit applause and congratulation. They are a part of the busy life of a great city. They are not the sons of opulence and are forging their way in the world by their own efforts. Their spare hours are not spent in idleness, but are devoted to attainment of proficiency in music. No adolescent ever learned a bad habit from the harmonies of music. There is an uplift in the rhythm that is good alike for youth or age. Study of it is hours devoted to the world's entertainment and betterment, instead of being wasted in idleness or mischief on the streets. Idleness is the mother of mischief.

By their odd hours of musical pursuit the boys attained a proficiency and The Journal sent them in a private car to the exposition, where their youth and efficiency is winning them widespread plaudits. They are a type of lad that is the antithesis of the loafer and street skulker. There is an example that the sons of opulence or the child of the cottage may follow with profit. They are passing in safety through the period that is most perilous to youth. It would be a good thing for American citizenship if the country had more boys of their kind.

WASHINGTON'S SUPREME COURT

THERE ARE four Oregon boys among the supreme court justices of Washington, and the attack on the supreme court of that state is watched with much interest all over Oregon. They are Justices Chadwick, Mount, Dunbar and Fullerton. They are all young men who, after being educated in Oregon, went out into new fields and by sheer merit won their way to high positions. One of them, Justice Chadwick, is a Democrat whose popular administration of justice in the superior court of Whitman county won him a nomination and election last autumn over all Republican opponents and against an adverse Republican majority of 30,000 to 40,000.

The charges are made by a disappointed attorney because the justices ruled against him in a case at bar. He carried his complaint to the legislature, and alleged that the court was packed in the interest of corporations. At first the legislature ridiculed his grievance, but because of the atmosphere of investigation rampant in the state finally appointed an investigating committee.

Commenting editorially, the Spokane Spokesman-Review says that "the supreme court of Washington is held to be above reproach by the attorneys generally throughout the state." It adds that "considerable indignation is felt that any attorney should engage in throwing mud at the judges on what seems to be personal grievances, and it is expected that the action of H. M. De Wolfe and Govner Teats will be taken up by the State Bar association."

As young men, the Oregon members of this tribunal were of the highest character. That they were so regarded in Washington is attested by their promotion. It is easy for an attorney in almost every decision to find material on which to base an attack on a court. In every case one side wins and the other loses. If all defeated lawyers pursued the course of De Wolfe courts would be impossible and justice a dream to never come true.

The Journal was in error in a statement published yesterday to the effect that the Northern Pacific had failed to provide sufficient cars to carry the great throng of people who went to Seattle for Portland day. The early morning trains were run in sections and as usual every one wanted to go on the first section. This of course was a physical impossibility, and many were obliged to wait for the later sections. This gave rise to some unreasonable complaints which led to the mistaken criticism in the columns of this paper. It appears that the Northern Pacific officials had provided even more cars than were necessary and 11 cars remained empty in the depot after the morning rush was over. So complete were the arrangements that all trains got away promptly at the scheduled hours.

Ex-Senator Fulton, in another column, disputes statements made by The Journal's Washington correspondent in Sunday's paper. A main issue seems to be a question of what should have been the proper procedure with reference to civil war claims Oregon is prosecuting before the congress. Doctors always disagree over matters of the sort. It is the habit of men to differ in their views, not only on the great, but

the small things of life. According to his statement, when senator, Mr. Fulton, used due diligence in pushing this claim, as it was his duty to do. In this and all other matters it is the desire of The Journal to be just to every man, and for that reason Mr. Fulton's discussion is given publication. This newspaper's instruction to all correspondents is to tell the exact truth, all the truth, and to be fair to every man. It expects, and will be content, with nothing less.

Much has been heard in Portland about saving money for the taxpayers. A great taxpayers' meeting was held. And there has been much talk about a "business administration." It has been demonstrated that unmeted cities require more than three times as great a supply of water as do metered cities. To supply three times as much water requires three times as many pipe lines. By and by pipe lines are worn out and new ones must be built. And they have ultimately to be paid for, interests charges included, and the taxpayers and water consumers have to do the paying. What better means to save money for the taxpayers and what better opportunity to give Portland a real "business administration" than in applying a water system that will secure to the city the payment of a sound dollar every time 100 cents' worth of water is delivered?

In Milwaukee, on September 24, 1908, Candidate Taft said: "It is my judgment that a revision of the tariff in accordance with the pledge of the Republican platform will be, on the whole, a substantial revision downward, though there probably will be a few exceptions in this regard. As the temporary leader of the party, I do not hesitate to say, with all the emphasis of which I am capable, that if the party is given the mandate of power in November it will perform its promises in good faith." He made similar and even more emphatic statements on other occasions. What, as president, constitutionally invested with negative legislative power, will he do with the tariff bill?

At last a minister to China has been found in the person of Mr. Charles R. Crane of Chicago, who is described as "young, wealthy, a man of the world, a scholar, and an extensive traveler; one of the foremost American authorities on the politics and business of the far east; and whose knowledge of Russia, whose policies have embraced northern China, and are still to be reckoned with despite the late war with Japan, is profound." If all this is true, he is very likely just the man for that really very important post. There will be great changes of world wide interest, in China during the next few years, and such a man as Mr. Crane is described to be will be needed there.

An Omaha club is demonstrating a new use for alfalfa. The tender leaves and upper portion of the stalks are ground into a brown meal which is first run through a bolting machine and then bleached from a brown into a pure white color. Mufins made from the meal are said to be as efficacious as beef steak in fitting a hungry man for work. Most palatable cakes are also made from the meal, and thus it has come to pass that in the twentieth century alfalfa is good food for man, with a prospect that after a few more Paten corners in wheat and a few more discoveries, he may be eating any other old kind of hay.

The Iowa court of appeals has handed down a decision that "telephone companies are in business to supply telephones and not to dictate the quality of the language which shall be used over them." This ruling, which we think is in conflict with some decisions, perhaps of lower courts, will be received with satisfaction by the men—of course no women would do so—who want to express their opinions or sentiments to or about somebody else over the phone in terms emphasized by profanity, regardless of the sensitive morals of "central" or other listeners.

Mrs. Evelyn Thaw's apparently candid story, as published in The Sunday Journal, is not such as to commend her to people of good morals and regular conduct, but if she tells the truth, and her story is quite credible, Harry Thaw is not a fit person to let loose upon society. He is evidently a degenerate of a dangerous type, and would not be at liberty long before he would commit some other crime, or at least make life miserable or unpleasant for some better people.

The heart of the Portland fan sinks low with the news that two members of the Beaver baseball team have had a fight. There have been other discouragements that have been borne with fortitude, but when the physical resources of the team are expended in slugging each other instead of playing ball against their opponents, fandom will be inclined to protest.

The interstate commerce commission seldom if ever did a better or more called for job than that of ordering a reduction of express rates, on complaint of the Boise Commercial club. If the reduction does, have general application it should,

for abundant evidence from all parts of the country could no doubt be adduced to show that express charges are exorbitant and unreasonable. The Boise organization deserves the thanks of the country.

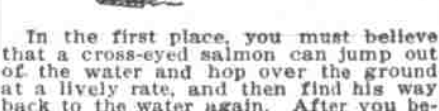
Nat Goodwin has an automobile which is fitted out with sleeping apartments for two, a kitchen and an icebox, and has a copper bathtub under the rear seat. A wicked paragrapher remarks that the actor's friends cannot understand why Mr. Goodwin determined to dispense with a private chapel.



BY MILES OVERHOLT.

THE STORY OF SMITH AND BROWN. A man whose name was William Smith once met a man named Brown. They had two plunks between them, so they both came to a fight. They rented furnished office rooms, and on their doors were signs. Proclaiming real estate for sale—their manner was best. They listed houses, lots and farms and vacant land galore. They made good real estate and advertised for more. And finally by lucky chance they bought a tract of land. One half of it was rocks and stumps, the other half was sand. But anyway they advertised: "Buy lots and seven in between." And when at last the land was sold and another sign appeared. It read: "Just visit Brownville and see the house we've reared." And now today, Smith and Brown, live Brown and Smith, retired. Their houses are much handsome, their lives are much admired. At Brownville and Smithville they're having daily rows. For there Pat Casey herds his goats and there the highest priced of the least satisfactory carpenter in the country.

"Standard Oil petroleum will be made into 'petrol butter' in a large refinery near Alton, Ill. It is claimed that the new 'petrol butter'—which may be readily believed. Get a farm, and depend on 'bobby,' she'll better.

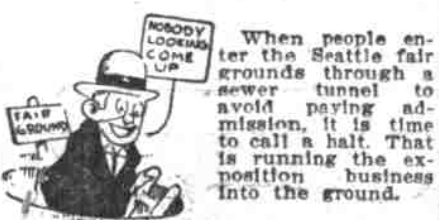


In the first place, you must believe that a cross-eyed salmon can jump out of the water and land on his feet at a lively rate, and then find his way back to the water again. After you believe that, the rest will be easy. Just take a good look at the Rogue river in southern Oregon, near Gold Hill, or, to be exact, at Ray's dam, and you will see a bad character. There isn't a man who would ever tell another story as long as he lived if his name was divulged. This is the reason why the straw-berries never looked better. The patch is right along the bank of the river, and I figured on marketing about a ton. Just after the berries had been picked I went down to the patch one evening to pick a few boxes of them, but when I got there I discovered there wasn't a ripe berry left on the plants. I couldn't see any tracks of thieves, but there was a slight depression in the soft earth.

In a few days I again went down to pick the ripe berries and just as I neared the patch I saw a big salmon stripping the plants of the ripe berries. I slipped quietly along behind some shrubbery and saw the fellow endeavor to grab Mr. Salmon. As I reached out to get him, when he looked up at me. That look he gave me, for the first time, and it flustered me so that I let him tumble back into the river. "Then I went home and loaded my shotgun and I never got a shot at him. The berries disappeared just the same. I thought I had discovered something I never got to market a single berry. "No, I never got to see him after that time, since the strawberries have all gone. The berries that something is sucking the eggs and milking the cows, and the other night I missed a dollar and six bits out of my pants' pocket."

"Speaking of dogs," said Lot H. Blodgett, "I remember the most interesting, although no one had been speaking of dogs. I reckon I've got the cutest dog that ever barked at a stranger. I'll tell you about it."

"Last summer I spent a great deal of time training Pronto—that's his name. Pronto is a gentleman, and he has been an enemy decided and unreserved; that he voted against her liberty, and voted, moreover, for an address to send 4000 Irish troops to cut the throats of the Americans; that he called the 'bushers' 'armed negotiators,' and stood with a metaphor in his mouth and a bribe in his pocket, a champion against the rights of America—of America, the only hope of freedom, and the only hope of the liberties of mankind. That defective in every relationship, whether to constitution, commerce and toleration, I will suppose this man to have added much private improbity to public crimes; that his probity was like



—should be recalled and names chosen bearing on the state of Oregon. The Bear is a part of the coat of arms of California.

There were two very appropriate names set in for those ships; viz: the Captain Grey and the Lewis and Clark with full explanation as to their appropriate character, etc.—names which should be handed down to the coming generation; names and characters that have been prominent in placing Oregon and the northwest before the world.

W. J. GARRISON.

This Date in History.

1629—Champlain, after the capture of Quebec, taken prisoner to England.

1689—Ireland declared itself independent.

1785—Mahmud II, sultan of Turkey, born. Died in 1839.

1787—James Whitaker, first Shaker preacher, died in Enfield, Conn.

1811—Benjamin Franklin Coston, inventor of the percussion cap, born in Philadelphia. Died there, November 24, 1848.

1850—William A. Graham of North Carolina became secretary of war.

1871—Bartholomew Columbus entered the Dominion of Canada.

1903—Pope Leo XIII died. Born March 2, 1810.

1908—British house of lords passed the old age pensions bill.

Randolph Guggenheimer's Birthday.

Randolph Guggenheimer, one of the foremost corporation lawyers of America, was born in Lynchburg, Va., July 20, 1848, and received his education in the schools there and in the law school of New York university. He located in New York in 1868 and four years later was admitted to the bar. From the first he made a specialty of corporation practice and real estate law. In 1882 he entered into a law partnership with Isaac and Samuel Untermyer. In 1889 the firm came into wide prominence by negotiating for the English syndicate that consolidated many of the largest breweries of the United States, and brought over \$100,000,000 foreign capital to the United States. In addition to his law practice Mr. Guggen-

COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

SMALL CHANGE

It's also the drowning season.

"Look up, not down." You may see an alrshup.

"But few men want to marry a 'no vote no wife woman' anyway."

President Taft doesn't like the tariff bill. Neither do most of the people.

Portland will be in evidence in fine form at the A-Y-P exposition tomorrow.

O you eastern immigrants, how do you like our Oregon nights? Can't you sleep, though?

A news item says the Mad Mullah is dictating terms. Wouldn't that make John Bull mad?

Whatever the tariff the country will not have congress on its hands much longer, at present.

Bryan's daughter is delivering one of his lectures. Why don't the suffragettes nominate her for president?

Now casualties in the air—or in falling therefrom upon the substantial earth—will become frequent news items.

A peculiarity about the June bug is that it doesn't make its appearance till after the first of July, a good many people are like that.

"I go, but I return," says General Bingham, deposed police commissioner of New York. Plagiarism; Cataline was reported to have said the same thing.

Greatest summer resort region on earth—all Oregon; cool, fragrant, breezy, comfortable. One feels like taking a vacation right at home all the time.

It is rumored that Dr. Eliot got \$10,000 a foot for making up that five foot shelf of books. Which doubtless makes him the highest priced of the least satisfactory carpenter in the country.

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"It was worth a pile of money to get rid of the corrupt political machine that long dominated Oregon," remarks the Oregonian. Plagiarism; Cataline was reported to have said the same thing.

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