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Then deem it not an idle thing A pleasant word to speak: The face you wear, the thought you bring, A heart that beats or breaks—John G. Whitler.

A HOUSE OF MIRTH

WHEN THE assemblies have a governor and a majority of the legislature in the saddle at Salem the people of Oregon will be an illuminating picture of the penitent and plucked. The majesty of the average citizen would be about as majestic as that of a barnyard rooster with his spurs removed, his comb in tatters and his tail feathers gone.

With the emergency clause attached, a bill "putting the knife" to Statement No. 1 would be hustled through the assembly legislature, the assembly governor would smile the bright sweet smile of the blessed, and with a murmured thankfulness to heaven and perhaps a stanza of poetry, he would affix his official signature and no power in the heavens, on the earth or under it, could prevent the measure from becoming the law of the state.

COLLEGE ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

IT IS important to have a reasonable number of educational institutions of the most exalted type, embodying all that is most advanced in human learning, and reaching out more and more to convert the unknown into the known. But it is folly to attempt to place all colleges and all universities to such a standard.

American college must become saturated with the same sympathies as the common people. President Wilson's expression finds its proof in the effort of the Carnegie foundation to raise all the colleges and universities in the country further and further beyond the reach of the masses.

The great need of the country everywhere is to make practical, utilitarian education as inexpensive as possible, to keep it close to the masses, to use every endeavor and encouragement to get the utmost number of them to avail of it, and to resist vigorously every attempt to take it away from them by raising it to a place where only the wealthy can afford it.

AT LOS ANGELES

LOS ANGELES is preparing to take full advantage of the opening of the Panama canal. She will have low dockage rates, every modern contrivance for loading and discharging cargo, ample storage, facility and welcome for all the newly organized and independent steamer lines that will enter into competitive transportation with the overland railroads as soon as the canal is opened.

GARFIELD ON WATER POWERS

FORMER Secretary of the Interior Garfield, a man faithfully devoted to the Roosevelt conservation policy, a man whose official experience should make him capable of judging the water power situation correctly, said in a speech in Denver Monday evening: "It is certain that an intolerable water monopoly will be fastened upon our people unless the public in both nation and state asserts its authority and controls the use of water."

governments or both, jointly, should control. In interstate streams, at least, federal control would seem necessary, for the constitutions and laws of two joining states might not be alike, or harmonious.

THE BLOT ON THE FLAG

BY ALL MEANS, all other business in congress ought to be laid aside and an increased tariff on beef be hurried through under suspension of the rules. Under the diabolical operations of unscrupulous Australian competitors, Australian dressed beef has invaded New York and forced a reduction of 2 cents per pound, a reduction that the struggling beef trust can ill afford to meet.

THEIR LUSTRE

WITH GREAT presence of mind Congressman Hawley of Oregon has wired an Albany constituent that the senate amendment carrying \$300,000 for the Oregon City locks will be agreed to by the house. While the news came late it is gratifying in that it shows that Mr. Hawley has in some way heard that the senate amended the house bill by making provision for the locks, a provision that was entirely overlooked in the body of which Mr. Hawley is a member.

MERE ACCIDENT

CENSUS enumerator made his count at a certain Portland home Monday. The family domestic was leaving and a new one was shortly to arrive. The first was counted, but the other was not, the enumerator remarking that she would probably be counted by some other census taker. As he left the house he met the new maid, inquired as to her identity, ascertained that she had not been counted, and placed her on the list. By the mere accident of a few seconds of time the case was not overlooked.

COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

SMALL CHANGE. Nowhere on earth, we guess, is there a "finer April." Some people want many months' notice of a new Fourth.

TANGLEFOOT

By Miles Overholt. A DOGGONE PUZZLE. It was raining, and the walks were muddy. A fashionably dressed woman walked up the street, her skirts muddied, but her hands were free and the skirts didn't seem to have any visible amount of support.

Former S. P. Dividends. For the first time the complete and amazing story of the devious methods whereby a railroad pays its enormous dividends is revealed in Charles Edward Russell's article in the May issue of the Southern Pacific and the old Central Pacific under the guidance of Ogilby H. Huntington, Leland Stanford, Mark Hopkins and Charles Crocker.

At last there was really a man under the bed when a woman retired. It happened at Central Point, and she had not looked under the bed before getting into bed. The man later than she, scared him, and though she has quit screaming, he is running yet. Ladies, always look under the bed.

"Big Noises" of the Days' News

By Herbert Corey. (Copyright, 1910, by Edwin Wildman.) Where are the whinkers of the politician of yesterday? Time was when honest reamony refused to listen to him unless he wore \$75 worth of natural hair on his chin at the prevailing rate of switches. Nowadays a person as ornamented would be doing pretty well to get a job as an aviary and furnish his own birds.

April 21 in History—Battle of San Jacinto

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OREGON SIDELIGHTS

Gold Hill is to have a mission furniture factory. Missy Dakin is coming to settle around Hermiston. There are 25 automobiles in Corvallis, 10 in Benton county.

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