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Neither a borrower nor a lender be. For loan of loans both itself and friend; And borrowing dulls the edge of husbandry.

BEYOND UNDERSTANDING

PORTLAND IS shocked by yesterday's murder. Human depravity went its limit in the crime. The lives of a whole family sufficed out on such a motive is the last word in human infamy.

There has been no punishment for the destroyer of the Holtzman child, but there ought to be. There ought to be swift retribution for the destruction of the four latest victims.

There are units in the human family who pass understanding. Endowed with intelligence at birth, there is reason for all to be intelligent.

LEONARD P. AYRES, EDUCATOR

LEONARD P. AYRES, educator, has had a busy life during his 33 years. After graduating from various educational institutions he began teaching in Porto Rico, and became superintendent of Porto Rico schools in 1906.

His first topic is "Vacation Schools." Children to the number of 250,000, he says, drop out of school each year without having finished their courses.

It is our colonel's notion that if any nation offends our honor, to "clinch 'em." These agitators for peace treaties and smaller armaments, he regards as mollycoddlers.

FIR BEETLES AND PARASITES

THE STORY published a few days ago in Washington papers, and reprinted in Oregon that Professor Trevor Kineald of the University of Washington had discovered a parasite that waged successful war on the pine beetle.

gain of half a pound of weight a week, many of them eight or ten pounds during the term. But the amazing fact was that these children had no trouble in keeping up in their studies with the children in the usual elementary schools.

The last topic reached by Mr. Ayres is as to a possible remedy for the universal ignorance as to results of the present systems of teaching in our schools. He instances this: Nobody knows, he says, the best ratio of humidity in schoolroom air.

OUR QUOTA

THREE ATLANTIC liners sailed Thursday from New York, having on board 2200 first class passengers, bound for the corbination. It was a great outpouring of Yankee dukes and duchesses, princes and princesses, lords and ladies.

BRITISH FINANCES

THE BRITISH budget, recently laid by the chancellor of the exchequer before the house of commons, is one of the most remarkable ever proposed.

THE SCHOOL CHILDREN

IT IS TO THE school children that Portland owes acknowledgment for one of the most beautiful events of festival week.

THE GUN AND THE PRICE

SMALL HARMONICA in his vest pocket protected W. H. Wannebo against a pistol bullet at St. Johns Thursday night.

THE COLONEL

THE COLONEL renews his criticism of the peace treaty. He does not want any proposed agreement to tie us up so we can't fight.

DOLLAR GOVERNMENT

OTHER ILLUMINATING information comes out of Ohio. Eight additional indictments were returned by the Columbus grand jury yesterday for alleged bribery in the state legislature.

Fat People Not Fat Witted.

It is frequently averred that fat is detrimental to the brain and consequent a foe to intellectual activity. But in this case some of the greatest men of the world have been plump even to obesity.

company will next install a bigger liner with a rose festival, a mardi-gras and pageants every day on the promenade deck.

In a chop suey restaurant, a customer insisted on pouring his cup of tea in a bowl of sugar, and when he refused to pay the damages the proprietor bored him full of holes.

Letters From the People

The Tax on Lighting Companies. To the Editor of The Journal.—Some great papers and citizens are telling us that the tax on a gross income tax in the form of a license is a foolish procedure on the part of the people of Portland.

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Spinners of Asbestos.

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COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

SMALL CHANGE. Bigger and happier crowds than ever. All visitors agree that Portland is the real Rose City.

OREGON SIBERIAN 3

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A Criminal Statute

Attorney General Wickham's statement that the government will try to secure criminal convictions of violators of the Sherman anti-trust law as a result of the supreme court's decision in the Standard Oil and Tobacco trust cases is further proof of a new attitude of mind in Washington.

Until Mr. Taft became president no attempt was made to enforce the Sherman law as a criminal statute. In his special message to congress January 3, 1908, Mr. Roosevelt denounced the advocates of criminal prosecution as defenders of the trusts.

One of the favorite methods of the latter class of assailants is to attack the administration for not procuring the imprisonment instead of the fine of offenders under these anti-trust laws. The man making this assault is usually either a prominent lawyer or an editor who takes his hobby from the financiers and his arguments from their attorneys.

Shortly after Mr. Taft succeeded Mr. Roosevelt the government began criminal proceedings against certain officers and directors of the Turpentine trust, and secured convictions, with jail sentences. Criminal proceedings were also brought against directors of the Sugar trust and of the Beef trust for violating the Sherman law. These cases have not yet come to trial.

The very threat of criminal prosecution will in itself make for a stricter observance of the Sherman act. Men who are ready to take their chances in civil suits will be very cautious about subjecting themselves to criminal prosecution. When the government is fully committed to the policy of enforcing the Sherman act as a criminal statute it will have fewer occasions for enforcing it at all.

Tanglefoot By Miles Overholt

Lives of fat folk oft remind us that we need another chimney. For it is not too late to try to get into the road old summer time. And the lincness in winter brings much trouble to the winter.

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