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City. Once the system is installed, real estate agents will take home-seekers to the drinking fountains as a means of proving the desirability of Oregon City as a home town.

the reaction time not so long. Tall men of full proportions are often heavy and slow on their feet.

country had they not been forced to retire, but they have shown how beastly wicked war is.

THE JOURNAL NATIONAL EDITORIAL WASHINGTON AND "HYPHENATED AMERICANS"

By SAMUEL McHUGH BROTHERS, Pastor of First Church, Cambridge, Mass. O PART of Washington's farewell address made a more profound impression than his warning to his countrymen against taking sides in European conflicts.

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Meanwhile, what the public would like to have explained is, not that the spoilsmen's measure is a "step forward," but, if it is so splendid, so beneficial and so long-felt-wanted a measure, why were such tactics resorted to in order to secure its passage?

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me? Is the morning less beautiful the rain less kind, because those tiny specks, set here and there across the landscape like a child's lead soldiers, choose to kill each other?

Letters from the People

(Communications sent to The Journal for publication in this department should be written in plain, concise English, should not exceed 300 words in length and must be accompanied by the name and address of the contributor, which should not be published unless the contributor so states.)

Rose Show Suggestions. Huntington, Or., Feb. 27.—To the Editor of The Journal—A great many of us have been waiting patiently for some time for an announcement from the Rose Festival association at Portland regarding the program for the coming festival in June.

In the present conflict the conditions have changed. This nation is no longer weak; it is a great world power, conscious of its strength. It is no longer remote, it is near to the scenes of strife.

This is the year the Pacific coast will be opened to the masses of the American people. As individuals we feel deeply and cannot fail to express our feelings.

For one, say frankly that visits by musical talent to the various hotels, and such makeshifts, will not make up the loss of the beautiful parades you had in the past.

Clarkston, Or., Feb. 27.—To the Editor of The Journal—Taking notice of the unscientific way of burying the dead by waiting till one is past helping oneself, and then digging a grave in the ground and piling up an unsightly mass of earth on the walls or on the top, and not the side of the land.

Marion, Or., Feb. 28.—To the Editor of The Journal—In a letter to the Editor of The Journal, you have voiced a truism to which the attention of those who did not chance to see the article should be called.

From a School Club. Brookings, S. Dak., Feb. 28.—To the Editor of The Journal—We, the "I Can Club," see by the paper that you are very much interested in our club and are willing to do anything for our kind of attention.

PERTINENT COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

SMALL CHANGE. Minister—The best man at a wedding. "Not guilty" isn't always an innocent remark.

Most lazy man consider themselves great politicians. Most of us could start a brass band if hot air were music.

A kiss, scientifically speaking, is but an exchange of microbes. A photograph also talks a good deal, but one can change the records.

A lot of sympathy is wasted on under dogs and henpecked husbands. It would be tough on some men if they were to get what they deserve.

Many a man seeks a job as janitor so that his wife can do most of the work. Beauty used to do only skin deep, but art came along and put it all on the surface.

A young man may be slow before marriage, but in tying the knot he's made fast. A woman's mind is nearly always on the verge of explaining the frequent changes of both.

The lowly egg has the best of mankind in one respect; it can spread itself better after it is broke. A weak kicker never gains anything in this world, hence if you kick do it like a man, kick his whole heart in the work.

Occasionally a woman asks a question for the sake of acquiring information—but more often it is for the purpose of starting an argument.

"STEEL COMMON" AS NON-DIVIDEND STOCK

By John M. Oakison. A great many thousand Americans are affected by the cutting off of dividends from the common stock of the United States Steel corporation.

The explanation by the management was straightforward—in the last three months of 1914 the corporation's earnings were the lowest in its history.

Private property in land "values" is in the same category. If our time disintegrators and church people really want to know the cause of the maladjustment of the land, they would support a remedy, it is going to take some unprejudiced study.

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Many Portlanders who lived here during the Civil War remember the visit of Schuyler Colfax and his party to Portland, Ore., in August, 1862.

It is the duty of men who are in public life, charged with a participation in the government of a great country like ours, to know as much as possible of the interests, development and resources of the country whose destiny has been committed to the hands.

Condon Times: There is talk of a line of travel for the Condon hospital. Go ahead; it is a good cause and should be encouraged.

Mackayburg correspondence, Aurora Observer, under date of February 25: "The last week of winter has been a dreary one, with alternate rain and sunshine, giving no promise of the pessimistic prediction that the meadow lark has a more cheerful prospect of an early spring.

A FEW SMILES

An American who has just returned from Paris tells this one: "The Parisian is a person of correspondents, despairing of getting any real news, endeavoring to get a person with an article describing the headquarters of one of the dukes."

Teacher—Now, children, here's an example in mental arithmetic. How many right angles would a person be who was born in 1888?

"But why did you leave your last place?" the lady asked the would be cook.

"I tell the truth, mum, I just could not stand the way the master ran the mink used to quarrel, mum."

"Dear me! Do you mean to say that you were quarreling with your own mother?"

"Yes, mum, all the time. When it wasn't me an' him, it was me an' her."

Challenges Mr. Glither. Oregon City, Or., Feb. 27.—To the Editor of The Journal—I notice in your issue of tonight a letter from Robert Glither, of Germany, in regard to the Oregon City Enterprise.

Longs for Spring Water. Portland, March 1.—To the Editor of The Journal—May I have space to ask if you or your readers know where any springs of water, near Portland?

He Should Worry. From the Philadelphia Ledger. We gazed pityingly on the hatless drug store clerk, leaning against the soda counter.

From the Sunday Journal. The Great Home Newspaper, consists of four news sections replete with illustrated features.

THE BARDANELLES

The Bardanelles has so long been considered as one of the most strongly fortified waterways of the world that the result of the pending attempt of the allied fleet to force a passage cannot but possess exceptional interest in itself without considering the bearing it will have upon the European conflict.

THE JITNEY

JITNEYS ought not to be regulated out of existence. There is no reason to throw unnecessary burdens on them.

THE DACIA CASE

The American steamship Dacia, loaded with American cotton for Germany, has been seized by a French cruiser.

In 1841, a treaty was signed between the five leading European powers and the porte confirmed the long time right of Turkey to forbid passage of the strait by warships of foreign governments.

In 1856, there was another treaty in which the porte was authorized to permit certain vessels belonging to foreign governments to pass, but by the treaty of Berlin in 1878 it was again imposed upon the sultan to prevent the passage of any ship of war.

In the present bombardment, the fleet of the allies has penetrated a distance of 18 of the 47 miles in the strait.

But France is in a position to say it will not recognize a sale. French policy has differed with British, and it is probably for this reason that the Dacia was seized by a French cruiser.

AT OREGON CITY

AN ABANDONMENT of questionable water for pure water is always a step forward for any city. It is civilization. It is common sense. It is sound policy. It is unquestionable economy.

It is a strange thing to use the Willamette River as a dumping ground for the sewage of every city along its banks and at the same time resort to it as a source of water for human use.

The question of changing the water supply from filtered water from the Willamette to pure water from a mountain stream in the heart of the Cascades is now under debate at Oregon City, and is to be decided in an election tomorrow.

NEW OUTLOOK FOR RUSSIA

SIR EDWARD GREY announced in the House of Commons last Thursday that Great Britain is in entire accord with Russia's desire for an outlet through the Dardanelles.

NOT A QUESTION OF SIZE THE short man can find compensation in the dictum of Dr. Pembrey, a lecturer on physiology at Guy's hospital, London, to the effect that he makes a better soldier than the tall man.

There will never be a time when the work can be done more cheaply. The conditions for doing such work are extremely favorable, as shown in the bidding for construction of the Inter-state bridge.