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FINDINGS IGNORED.

The county court of Multnomah county has decided to ignore the findings of the state board of equalization in raising the assessed valuation of various forms of property in that county.

Mortgages in this state are declared by law for the purpose of taxation, to be real estate, and they are so treated by the board of equalization.

The state board had raised the assessment of Multnomah county in the sum of \$13,384,675 over that fixed by the county assessor.

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CANLID JOURNALISM.

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Such statements as the above may not make the Telegram popular with democrats who are too blind and too bitterly partisan to be capable of seeing anything good in republicanism.

SOUR GRAPES.

Speaking of the law that requires that expenditures of the several county courts shall be published in a paper in each county having the largest circulation, the Wasco Sun says: "It is to the credit of the newspapers of Wasco county that there was but one applicant for such service—the Chronicle alone demanding pay for the publication of legitimate news in its columns—while papers generally throughout the state consider county court proceedings a pure matter of news and publish the same without demanding blood money from the taxpayers."

of the Sun against what it terms "blood money" will be appreciated when it is known that the entire cost per annum to Wasco county for publishing the statements required is about \$50.

The Poor Walter.

"People are pretty hard on us," said a waiter in an up town cafe the other night, "considering what we have to go through with sometimes. I have been in this room, and on my feet, hurrying most of the time, for nearly fourteen hours. It's hard to keep one's temper for such a stretch as that, and to be as lively and quick witted as when one began his day's work."

Saving on Rent.

A young literary man of New York, like most of his craft very impetuous, has discovered a means by which he lives respectably and yet cheaply.

The Intense Brilliance of Lightning.

One consequence of the short duration of lightning is an apparent diminution of its brilliancy. It has been proven that light cannot produce its full effect on the eye unless it remains at least as long as one-tenth of a second.

When we recollect that even thus diminished its brilliancy is such as to cause temporary blindness if too closely watched, we may feel grateful that we cannot see it in its true vividness, for our human powers of vision would be too weak to bear such a sudden and overwhelming illumination.

Tired Out.

"I thought I was worn out with my tramp among the shops today," said she in a Twenty-third street ferryboat, "until I met a woman carrying a baby wrapped in a large shawl, with a second child not more than two years old dragging at her skirts. She was shopping, too, for in the bare hands clasped around her heavy burden was clutched a pocket-book, and on her arm hung a satchel, evidently to hold small purchases. And when I saw her tired eyes and noted the tension of her frame with the double drag upon her, I decided my fatigue was not to be considered."

The Best Corncob Pipe.

The corncob pipe is the sweetest in the world; but the only way to have it in perfection is to make it yourself.

Get a large corncob that has not been used for any other purpose. Break it into in the middle. Hollow it out with your jackknife. Bore a small hole at the bottom of the hollow and then insert a little reed stem which you can buy for a penny.

There is your corncob pipe—the sweetest that was ever smoked.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Where Coffee Comes From.

Coffee grows between the isothermal lines of 25 degs. north latitude and 30 degs. south latitude, and comes to us from all parts of the world within those lines—from Brazil, Java, Ceylon, Sumatra, India, Arabia, Abyssinia, the West Indies, Central America, Venezuela, Guiana, Peru and some of the Pacific islands. We get the most of it from Brazil, say an average of over 200,000,000 pounds a year for the last ten years.—New York Sun.

No Smile for Him.

He (ardently)—Sweet creature, why will you not smile upon my suit? She (coldly)—My smile don't go with that suit. It's a ready made one, and couldn't have cost more than twelve dollars.—Pittsburg Bulletin.

From the earliest times camphor has been a practical necessity to man. Its pleasant perfume, its destructiveness to insect life and its many remarkable therapeutic virtues have more than earned it its great popularity.

BABIES AND APES.

Some Simple Experiments Showing Surprising Resemblances. An infant was crawling loudly and lustily somewhere at the back of the house. The sounds were inarticulate to outsiders; but Dr. Robinson, the baby's father, if he heard them, would doubtless be able to interpret them as the interesting remains of the Simian tongue.

"The article is intensely interesting," I said to the doctor, "but there is not enough of it. We all want to know more about your experiments with the young apes. What are the actual discoveries your experiments led to?"

"Simply this, that every new born child, unless it is sickly or otherwise imperfectly developed, has a most wonderful power in the flexor muscles of the forearm, and will support the whole weight of its body, during the first few hours after birth, for a period varying from ten seconds to two minutes and a half. Now, everybody knows that in monkeys the power of grip is very fully developed; quadrumana can do anything with their hands and arms, and in cases of danger this power is a chief means of self preservation. I have now experimented on 150 babies; some of them an hour or two, some a few days old—and in two cases only have they failed to hang by their hands, even the tiniest supporting the weight of its body for ten seconds, most of them much longer, and in a few cases they have clung to a finger or a stick for two minutes and a half. And even in the two cases failure was due to other causes than the infants' lack of muscular strength. I ought to say that I never attempted to experiment on weak children, who might be injured by the exposure. A blanket was placed below the child, so that when it dropped it fell on a soft, warm surface. Whenever it was possible the experiment was made and the photograph taken in the presence of the mother.

"On the face of one, aged sixty minutes, sat stolid indifference; two more looked energetic, though placid, as they stuck with their round little fists to a branch at the end of which appeared two hands, looking very gigantic in comparison to the very youthful performers. Some others were evidently expressing their feelings in the Simian tongue, for their mouths—tremendous sized mouths they seemed—were, wide open. The miniature legs, absurdly small in proportion to the arms, were drawn up; the babes looked indeed like tailless infant apes.

"Observe the big toe," Dr. Robinson went on. "I have noticed over and over again that in the case of young infants it is turned outward, like a thumb, as in the case of monkeys, whose hind feet are an additional pair of hands. And whenever I have held a finger or a stick close to the infant's feet while it was hanging by its arms there has been an attempt at clutching the stick with the feet. This seems to me another instance of the survival of the ape's instincts in the human child.

"Another curious fact that struck me was that even when a child had been hanging by its hands for over a minute—this seems a short period, but just try to hang to a horizontal bar, supporting the weight of your body by your hands only, for a minute or two—it let go more because it wanted to change its position than because it was tired. Sometimes I gave it my finger to clutch as soon as it dropped on to the blanket, and I could feel by the energetic grip that the little animal was by no means exhausted."

Bridget's Dilemma.

A newly arrived domestic was secured to do housework by an up town family in Lewiston. In the course of her duties she was told to iron some clothes and hang them upon the horse. A little later the maid appeared before her mistress with the clothes in her hands and a look of manifest perplexity on her face.

"Why didn't you hang the clothes upon the horse, Bridget?" inquired the latter.

"Sure, an I tried to, ma'am, but he kept movin, so he did, an they wouldn't stay."

A Five-year-old's Opinion.

In the opinion of five-year-old Grace, only a married woman with a family and the cares of a house on her hands could be called "a lady." She was talking to her aunt—a young lady—one day about a certain friend of the family who came up to Grace's standard of ladyhood. "And what do you think of me?" asked her aunt. Without the least intention of being impolite but with very decided ideas of her own, nevertheless, Grace replied: "Humph! you're not a lady; you're nothing but an old girl!"—New York Tribune.

A Severe Punishment.

Gilhooley—It must have been dreadful in old times when a criminal was branded with a red hot iron whenever he committed a crime.

Colonel Yerger—Yes, if that punishment was carried out now some of our public men would look like the envelope of a letter that had gone around the world.—Texas Sittings.

She Had Heard So.

What numbers of facts are still unrecorded in any book? A teacher was hearing her class in natural history recite, and asked a bright looking little girl:

"What is a ruminating animal?" "One that chews her curbs," was the innocent reply.—New Moon.

SOCIETIES.

ASSEMBLY NO. 427, K. OF L.—Meets in K. of P. hall the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p. m.

WARCO LODGE, NO. 15, A. F. & A. M.—Meets first and third Monday of each month at 7 p. m.

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MODERN WOODMEN OF THE WORLD.—Mt. Hood Camp No. 59, Meets Tuesday evening of each week in the K. of P. Hall, at 7:30 p. m.

COLUMBIA LODGE, NO. 5, I. O. O. F.—Meets every Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock, in K. of P. hall, corner Second and Court streets. Sojourning brothers are welcome.

FRIENDSHIP LODGE, NO. 9, K. of P.—Meets every Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock, in Schanno's building, corner of Court and Second streets. Sojourning members are cordially invited.

WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION will meet every Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the reading room. All are invited.

TEMPLE LODGE NO. 3, A. O. U. W.—Meets at K. of P. Hall, Corner Second and Court Streets, Thursday evenings at 7:30.

JAS. NESMITH POST, No. 32, G. A. R.—Meets every Saturday at 7:30 p. m., in the K. of P. Hall.

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