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TOOK IT SERIOUSLY.

The Pendleton Tribune printed a two-column article recently under a "scare head," giving the details of seven different and appalling accidents, all caused by the horrible sidewalks. In concluding the article the Tribune gives it away that the accidents were invented for the occasion and to illustrate what might happen if better sidewalks are not provided. The skit was a good one, but the funny part of the story is to come. The Portland Chronicle did not catch on, but took the matter seriously, and thus vents its indignation:

"The chapter of accidents at Pendleton, Or., recorded in the Tribune as happening in that city on Tuesday, is the most terrible and appalling that has ever come to the notice of the Chronicle. That seven people, all in the prime of life, youth and activity should, either lose their lives or be maimed and made cripples for the remainder of their days, by falling on the broken sidewalks of the metropolis of Eastern Oregon, is a disgrace and a calamity that will reflect upon that city's fair name forever. And to cap the climax, the superintendent of streets in a letter to the East Oregonian in speaking of one young lady, who fell on the sidewalk and drove a broken spike into her cheek, tearing out her tongue and maiming her for life, says: 'I am very sorry for the bereaved parents of the unfortunate children, and wish to state through your paper that I will pay all the funeral expenses. That's all I can do. I have little sympathy, however, for the woman who got her tongue split. I think it would be a blessing to humanity if about fifteen hundred more could lose a part of their tongues.' The accidents were bad enough without this man, who is eminently responsible for them, making light of them. The Chronicle has no comment to make, it is not our affair, but a coat of tar and feathers would be a good dose of medicine for the people of Pendleton to apply to their superintendent of streets, who glories in the misfortune of others."

"Patronize home industry," is the watchword of the newly formed manufacturers' association, says the Portland Sun. It is a doctrine that must be practiced as well as preached in order to achieve good and lasting results. At one of the meetings held to effect this organization a few days ago a manufacturer of Oregon woollens canvassed the men present and found that but one of the number had on a suit of clothes made of cloth manufactured in this state. Oregon boasts of the superior quality and great quantity of its wool product, and yet only one member of the manufacturers' association, which advises people to "patronize home industry," follows this advice in the matter of personal attire. Oregon has wonderful natural resources, and much that is consumed in various necessities of life could be produced here with profit if the people would only be content to use home products. Let all work in harmony in advocating the patronage of home industry, and the beneficial results that will accrue to the state at large will create a prosperous condition that will bring happiness and contentment to even the most humble home in all our fair state.

The London Globe thinks this country has been taught a lesson in Nicaragua. That may or may not be true according to the point from which the situation is viewed. One lesson though has been taught the world, and that is that England is a bully that jumps onto smaller nations and acts as judge and jury in settling her affairs with them. A course she does not pursue with a country of her size. If England wants a quarrel with this country she can have it on short notice, but that is not what she is looking for. She tried it twice and got her full satisfy.

"Our republic would be bankrupt in a week," is what Eli Perkins predicts in case this government should undertake to double the price of commercial silver and that even protection could not save us. It should be remembered that Eli Perkins is a professional liar.

A Mammoth Institution

What is the first question asked of a Chicago music trade man or a music trade editor when he visits other cities and towns of this country? It is invariably, how is the great house of Kimball getting along? How many pianos are they turning out now, and are they making as many organs as they used to?

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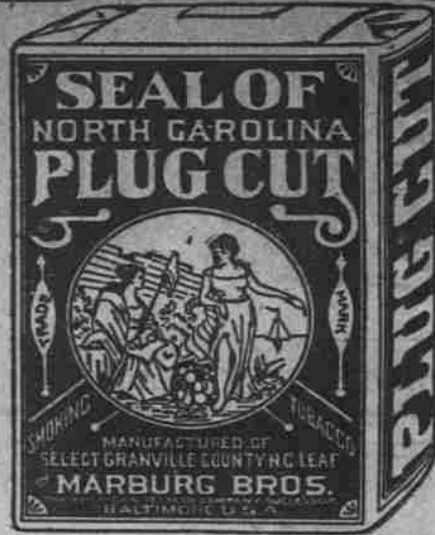
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