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SHE IS NO JOKE.

The new woman is the prolific subject for the paragrapher and the humorist, who take her as a standing joke. A greater mistake was never made except in the creation of the new woman herself. She is anything but a joke, and is, indeed, the most serious problem the world has had to deal with since the creation. By slow processes the barriers against the employment of women in business pursuits decayed, until recently they fell to pieces, woman invading the realms theretofore occupied by man alone, and the new woman was, or is, the result.

The emancipation of woman is not proving in practice all that it promised in theory. The unanswerable argument that woman had as much right to earn a living as man, sounded prettily. As a theory it is perfect; but in practice it promises to upset, or at least re-arrange all businesses, to change society, and to eventually do away with marriage. This may sound as the expression of a pessimist; but is it? Examine into conditions in our cities and see. In Portland, for instance, go into the big stores where a few years ago only men were employed, and you will find their places filled with girls. Go onto the streets and into the beer joints and loafing places, and you will find the young men. Why? Because the work they have been accustomed to doing is taken from them.

This would not be so bad if the girls who took their places received, as they should, the same wages; but this they do not. The wage paid the girls is generally less than half that paid the man, yet they do just as much and just as good work. The result is that they have deprived some man of the chance of earning money enough to support himself and a family on, while they get barely enough to support themselves. This condition is becoming more serious every day, and the men are being steadily crowded out of employment and women are taking their places at half the wages. As one of the results the men are precluded from even thinking of marriage, and woman herself is responsible for reducing her chances in the matrimonial market. It may be said that the men should seek other employment such as woman cannot do. There is something in that, too, theoretically; but when it comes to putting it in practice it doesn't work, for the reason that there is not employment in such branches for all.

We may laugh at the new woman all we please, but she is here to stay, and what the result of her coming will be can already be guessed at, but not fully measured. The first effects will be to decrease the number of marriage licenses, cut wages in two, and thus create still lower prices for products.

We have received Nos. 4 and 5 of Town Talk, a newspaper recently started in Portland. We judge from a hasty perusal that its principal aim and object is to down the big department stores. It draws a really soul-harrowing picture of the ultimate results on Portland real estate of patronizing the bargain counters. The picture may not be overdrawn, but people will go where they can buy cheapest, and trying to prevent them doing so is like trying to sweep back the tide.

There is no question but that Blanche Lamont was murdered, the only dispute being as to which distinguished Californian is to be credited with the crime. The returns

coming in seem to indicate that the whole state is going to compete for the honor. Durrant so far is the only one who strenuously denies doing the deed, and his denial is perhaps due to the not remote contingent of a hanging bee, with himself as leading actor.

The senate has passed Senator Morgan's resolution recognizing the belligerency of Cuba. Of course this amounts to nothing unless the house concurs. This it is not likely to do, though a majority of its members would vote for it, for the simple reason that Speaker Reed will not permit the question to come up.

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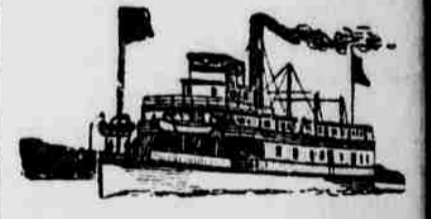
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