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Knowledge and wisdom, far from being one, Have oft-times no connection. Knowledge dwells in heads replete with thoughts of other men. Wisdom is minds attentive to their own. Knowledge is proud that he has learned so much; Wisdom is humble that he knows no more.—Cowper.

In the matter of bribes, is it "more blessed to give than to receive"?

Nobody should kick at Umatilla county mud. It is worth all the way from \$20 to \$500 per acre, before it is "watered."

Publicity will not serve to reduce the power and influence of the trusts. In fact, this is just what they want. They are all great advertisers.

The descendants of the early explorers of Oregon territory should be sought out and made guests of honor at the Lewis and Clark fair.

Portland capital must unlock the barriers of Central Oregon. The future granary of that city will be the arid plains of the interior counties. It is the wonder of the century why she has tarried so long.

If President Roosevelt don't like Apostle Smoot, it will be no new experience for the Mormon. However, the missionaries may be reviled in uncivilized countries, they are making converts. It is barely possible the apostle's trip to Washington may not be fruitless.

The Utah legislature has passed a strong resolution censuring the Salt Lake Telegram for comparing some of the members to jack rabbits. Of course this crude comparison on the part of the Salt Lake paper showed a lack of artistic appreciation. It should have studied its subject closer and perhaps more familiarity with the saints would have suggested a more appropriate name.

"Our social system is all wrong," says one man, commenting upon senatorial votes and twin legislatures, like that of Colorado. The social system is all right, it is the politician who subverts the purpose of free government, who is wrong. The right kind of men can make good conditions under poor laws, if they will, and the rascal can convert paradise into pandemonium, if allowed to enter. Laws cannot reach men's devilish inclinations, but must deal with overt acts.

One merchant in Pendleton has kept a record during January that is somewhat interesting. He has an article in stock which now bears sixteen marks, and each mark denotes a sale in which some customer called for this particular article, but in each of which, the merchant persuaded the customer to take something else "just as good." This man began on January 1 to keep a record of sales that he could prevent on a certain brand of goods, by substituting something else, in order to ascertain how little choice shoppers exercise in making purchases. Dealers create the public taste in this way. If people would insist on exercising their own will in the matter of purchases, there would be less complaint and dissatisfaction in many households.

THE CONDENSING PROCESS.

One vital fact which Eastern Oregon stockmen recognize is the certainty that room and range for larger herds is doomed.

The activity in land location, irrigation and immigration circles is a certain forerunner of the deserts' and foothills' reclamation. The little curl of cabin smoke rising from the old watering places of the Inland Empire, is the incense of a new order, arising to greet the opening century.

The school house, built squarely across the trail, worn deep by the countless hoofs of the golden age for livestock on the Pacific Coast, is the symbol of the new era.

With narrowed limits, the stockman must grade up his herds. With room for a smaller number, he must crowd a higher value into his possessions. With one-half the room in which to raise his flock, he must double its value in wool producing and mutton making qualities.

This narrowing down of room in the West is the beginning of her best era. She will begin to concentrate her riches. The higher value will succeed the larger holding. The better grade of stock must supplant the large herd. It costs no more to raise one good horse, cow or hog than to raise a "scrub." The same capital invested brings in greater returns where it is concentrated in a few head of higher grade stock.

The small farm, kept in a higher state of cultivation, yields more clear profit than the large holding, only partially cultivated. Eastern Oregon is beginning to recognize this fact. Except in the strictly wheat producing districts of Umatilla and Union counties, the 1000-acre farms of the last decade are parcelled out to a dozen families. Where fruit, vegetables and variegated farming can be carried on, the 20 and 40-acre farm, yielding to its fullest capacity, supporting a large family and paying a handsome profit, is the average holding of the land owner.

It pays to concentrate effort and capital. It pays to buy good breeds, to weed out the low priced grade, to condense the value of the herd into the smallest possible number. It is not difficult to decide that one thousand head of sheep shearing twenty pounds each yield much more clear profit than two thousand head shearing ten pounds. It is not difficult to determine that it is more profitable to own forty acres of land that yields \$100 per acre than to own eighty acres that yield but half this amount. This principle is taking root in Eastern Oregon. It is the best indication for prosperity that is now visible.

QUEER GAP IN SCHOOL BOOKS.

Why should school histories so utterly slough recent history? It is the fashion to go into minute details about every skirmish of the old French and Indian wars and the Revolution and the War of 1812 and then feebly skim over the greatest years of the nation or leave them a blank.

This question is suggested by the movement to place state histories in the public schools. A specimen of these text books submitted to The Post is "The Story of the Empire State."

One hundred and eighty-two pages are devoted to the history of the great state of New York up to the Civil war, and from 1861 to the Pan-American exposition 25 pages are supposed to be enough. And these 25 pages contain nothing worth while.

Why on earth the great events, political and otherwise, of the last quarter of a century should not be taught in the schools is a mystery.

Why shouldn't a school boy be taught the rise and fall of political parties, the panics and the eras of

prosperity? Why should such events as the practical application of electricity and the renaissance of the United States navy be left out of the school books?

Why should most of the public schools ignore the recent history of the United States?—Denver Post.

POST CHECK CURRENCY.

The Post Check scheme is a novel one, but certainly it has the merit of utility, for the present postal system of money orders is not only clumsy, but expensive.

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It is calculated that this system would prevent a great deal of the present inconvenience which people find who wish to pay a small bill, say a subscription for a paper or a magazine, when such bill has to be sent by mail, and of course everybody knows there is a certain risk in sending ordinary money through the mails.

The idea embraced in the bill which went before congress last year met with great favor, not only among congressmen and financiers, but was also favorably commented upon by the press of the country. The practicality and the simplicity of the scheme appealed to everybody.—Boston Globe.

The Italian murderer of Portland, Castronuovo, has been found guilty of manslaughter.

That Gold Spoon.

There are some men who seem to be favorites of fortune. They are industrious, cheerful workers, full of overflowing energy of splendid health, and success seems fairly to drop into their hands. It is of such as these that the less hardy and less successful man says enviously, "That fellow was born with a gold spoon in his mouth."

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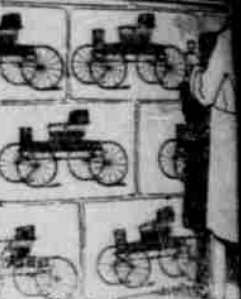
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