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The past was the mother of the present and to her is due our filial love and veneration; but not our adulation, for she is dead; and the dead have no right to rule over the living.

And the future, what of her? She is the unborn child of the present. To her we owe our duty. Not with scoffing for the things that have gone, not with an undue complacency for the things that are, but with a hope and resolution for better in the things that are to come, let us go about our work. Let us save all that is sweet and wholesome and true; but let us not burden the chariot of Progress with the rubbish of the centuries. Let us cut loose and go forward.

—Rev. Antoinette L. Brown.

CHANGE THE TRAIN'S TIME.

If a change in the time of the arrival of No. 2, the west-bound O. R. & N. local passenger train is to be made, the people of this city should make an effort to have the officials fix the arriving time in the evening.

The time at which this train now arrives in Pendleton is detrimental both to the company and the city. Passengers for the Washington branch, arriving here at 2 o'clock in the morning are compelled to wait from six to eight hours for the departure of the Spokane train. The time is not long enough to justify the tourist in going to bed, and it is too long to sit in a depot building in the middle of the night, consequently innumerable complaints are registered by travelers against both the city and the company.

People transferring here to the Washington division do not have an opportunity to see any of the city, as the schedule of this train is now arranged. They will gradually come to avoid this awkward delay in the middle of the night, and it will result unprofitably to the company in the great rush of travel that is headed toward this coast.

If a better connection is not arranged for the convenience of the great numbers of people that transfer from the main line here to the Washington branch, it will naturally tend to send them over another route, to the loss of the company, and the city.

If No. 5 could be scheduled to reach this city about 6 or 7 o'clock in the evening, or any time up till 10 o'clock at night, it would be an inducement to tourists to come by way of Pendleton en route to Washington points, as it would give them a glimpse of the city and a view of the world-famous wheat belt by daylight. They could rest over night, secure meals at reasonable hours and would leave the city with a much better feeling than if they had occupied a bench in the depot for half a night, uncertain as to their exact leaving time, and vexed with the weariness of travel.

Probably no other interior point on the coast enjoys as much travel as this city. It is worth while to arrange schedules with a view to meeting specific conditions here. Fully one-half of the tourist and homeseeker travel of the Harriman lines, transfers here to the Washington branch, from the main line. That portion of this travel which arrives here on No. 5, at 2 o'clock in the morning, and which is greeted by the lonely aspect which reigns in a railroad depot at that hour of night, will naturally avoid such an inconvenience, if possible, and in directing friends in the East, would send them to the West by a different route.

The matter should be taken up with

the company, which is ever ready to remedy and correct evils which affect its patrons. If a change is to be made, let it be made for the better. If this train arrived here in the evening, and that fact were known in the East, it would induce travel by way of Pendleton, which now goes by way of Spokane, to the coast. It would result in advertising the city more fully, among a good class of people, and would be money in the company's pocket.

Let the city and the O. R. & N. join hands to make conditions surrounding the homeseeker within the city's gates more pleasant.

The duty of the Oregon delegation in congress is now plainly defined, in the matter of securing government aid, in irrigating the arid lands of the state. Mr. Newell in his advance reports, does not give Oregon much encouragement in the matter of selection of sites for government operations. He mentions very favorably, the plans in other states and territories, and makes no such definite statements in regard to the plans now under way in this state. It is now up to the Oregon delegation to urge the adoption of some of the magnificent irrigation propositions in Eastern Oregon, for experimental works. If some such pressure is not brought to bear, it is possible that all the efforts of the government will be centered elsewhere. The Oregon delegation is in position to do the state a priceless service, by bringing the advantages of these plans to the direct attention of the reclamation department. The government cannot be unkind of the feasible plans now under investigation, and if some of these are not selected for government aid, it will be because the department wishes to snub the people of Oregon for political reasons.

Oregon has paid into the national treasury over \$800,000 more from the sale of public lands in the past year, than any other state, and should therefore be the first candidate considered for irrigation works by the government. No excuse will be taken by the people for the failure of the reclamation department to recommend some of the excellent propositions of the state. This state should not be required to civilize Arizona and New Mexico with money that should be used on the Oregon deserts. Mr. Newell warns settlers that surveys are only preliminary. The people demand that some of the surveys in Oregon shall mean something.

The situation regarding the ratification of the canal treaty by the Colombian government very much resembles a scene in which some good old man has announced that he will throw a pocketful of pennies into the public square, among a herd of street urchins. The big "guys" in Columbia, like the big boys of the alleys, are crowding the little fellows back out of reach and are not going to shout "throw it," until they are in position to grab all the scattered coins.

Umatilla county, in addition to producing the best wheat and the best fruit in Oregon has the reputation of being the home of the best bred flocks of sheep in the West. The constant rebuilding process of the sheepmen of this county for the past 10 years, has resulted in the grading and establishment of the highest average flocks on the coast. No other county on the Pacific coast can show as many good sheep, as are to be found in this county.

All portions of Eastern Oregon are going to take advantage of the school district consolidation law, from the numerous reports. In Union county, at several points, the public school system is to be extended to sparsely settled districts which have heretofore been denied the full benefit of the blessing, and the movement on foot in this county will result in diminishing the number of scholars "not attending any school."

Grande Ronde Valley enjoyed the same happy surprise which fell to the lot of Umatilla county, this year. All the early crop predictions were fully one-half below the actual yield being threshed.

No other man on the American continent could go into the race for the presidency, better prepared to win, than William R. Hearst. If newspapers count for anything in winning political battles, he is well armed.

COMPARATIVE STRENGTH.

At intervals articles appear in the papers recounting the prodigious strength of insects. Their muscular force is usually compared with their size by stating, for example, that a flea can leap so many times its own length and that an ant can drag so many times its own weight. Then it is stated that man, if he were strong in the same proportion, could jump so many rods or lift so many tons. These comparisons, we are told by M. Leo Rohida in La Nature (July 11), are misleading to say the least. He writes:

It is interesting to consider, solely from a mechanical point of view, these comparisons between the muscular strength of man and that of insects. Strictly from this standpoint they are by no means extraordinary and are only one of the forms of what has been called the conflict of squares and cubes. The law is well known—volumes decrease in more rapid ratio than surfaces.

"The force that a muscle can exert depends on its section, that is to say, on a surface; although its capacity for doing work, depends on its volume, as is logical. Here is the explanation of the astonishing strength of insects. Take an example:

"Compare two muscles, that of a man and that of an insect, the latter 100 times shorter than the former. It is evident that the insect's muscle will be 1,000,000 times lighter than the man's while its section, and consequently the force that it can exert will be only 10,000 times less. The conclusion is that, since a man can lift 100 kilograms (220 pounds), the insect will lift 10,000 times less or 10 grams (1/24 grains), and we shall have the impressive spectacle of an insect lifting more than 100 times its own weight. In fact, the smaller the insect is, the more it will astonish us by an appearance of extraordinary strength.

"But it is no longer the same if we examine the mechanical work of the insect supposed above to be 1/100 of a man's in linear dimensions, furnishes, when it contracts, a force 10,000 times less than the human muscle, exerted through a space 100 times smaller; the work produced will be thus 1,000,000 times smaller, which re-establishes the proportion between weight and strength.

"Moreover, it seems just as with machines, where the smaller are proportionally weaker, as if the insect's muscle instead of contracting man's infinitely, is notably inferior to it in quality. Take the flea's jump for instance. By its muscular contraction it gives to its mass a movement capable of raising it 30 centimeters (12 inches), man can raise his own weight to 15 meters (about 5 feet) by leaping. For equal weight, the human muscle thus furnishes five times more work than that of the flea in a single contraction, since the work is the product of the weight by the height to which it is raised."—Translation made for The Literary Digest.

FEWER AND FEWER CHILDREN.

A New England scientist has lately published some suggestive conclusions on the subject of the birth rate in America. Looking backward to the time of Benjamin Franklin, he discovers that the average number of children to a family was then 8, a century later it had declined to 6.1; in 1839 it was 4.9; in 1869 3.43; in 1872 2.45; in 1900 1.8. The birth rate throughout the entire civilized world, according to one authority, is steadily decreasing, rapidly in the New World, more slowly in the Old—truly an alarming condition of things, for which we are offered the following explanation:

"Family shrinkage seems clearly referable to the strenuous, nerve-racking life of the day, to the struggle not for existence, but for a luxurious existence, to the ever-increasing desire for the luxuries of life and the morbid craving for social dissipation and advancement. It is due to the desire to have no children, or only such a number as husband and wife believe suitable and adapted to their ideals of comfort and their supposed financial possibilities."—Harper's Weekly.

TESTS OF DEATH.

"Application has been made to the secretary of state for a charter for the American Society for the Prevention of Premature Burial. By the provisions of this society physicians of the state of New York will be compelled to furnish a death certificate with the following formula:

"Two or more incisions in an artery; the palm of the hand exposed to the flames of a candle not more than five inches away; a mirror or crystal held to the lips, with no signs of respiration; a hot iron or steel placed against the flesh without producing a blister. Mortuary chapels to be established in which the bodies of the dead are to be held several hours before burial."—Medical Times.

OUR TOTAL POPULATION.

The total population enumerated by the twelfth census was 76,303,387, but while the area of enumeration covered Alaska and Hawaii, it did not include Porto Rico, the Philippines, Guam or Samoa. The population of these newly acquired islands

has, however, been ascertained partly by estimates and partly by special censuses. Including these estimates, the total population of the United States and its outlying possessions in 1900 was as follows:

Area of enumeration	76,303,387
Philippine Islands	6,961,339
Porto Rico	953,243
Guam	9,000
Samoa	6,100
Total	84,233,069

The only countries surpassing the United States in number of inhabitants are the Chinese Empire, the British Empire, the Russian Empire, and probably France, with the inclusion of its African possessions.

A POLITICIAN'S LAMENT.

Once a Kansas zephyr strayed
Where a brass-eyed bird pup played,
And that canine layed at that zephyr—
In a gay, semi-idiotic way.
Then that zephyr in about half a jiffy
Took that pup and
Turned him over wrong side up,
and then
Turned him wrong side out.
Then it calmly journeyed thence,
With a harn and string of senes.

When communities turn loose,
Social forces that produce
The disorders of a gale,
Act upon the well-known law:
Face the breeze, but close your jaw.
This a rule that will not fail.
If you buy it, in a gay,
Self-sufficient sort of way—
It will land you, without doubt,
Upside down and wrong side out.
—Ironquill (Eugene F. Ware.)

Bully Bitters—Is dey swell folks up at dat house? Wonderful Waters—Is dey swell! Say, dey didn't hit me wif' autin' but golf clubs.—Plain Dealer.

BARGAIN BABIES.

If babies were for sale the most inveterate bargain-hunting woman in the world would not look for a bargain baby. She would want the best baby that could be bought, regardless of price.

Every woman naturally craves a healthy, handsome child, and her craving can be gratified if she will but remember that the child's health is her own gift, and to give health she must



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- 14-room boarding house and one centrally located—\$2,500.
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