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When you're feelin' kinda o' blue And th' world seems down on you, Don't lose hope and ease your grip— Set your heels so they won't slip. Set your heels and wear a smile And keep shovin' all the while. Keep on shovin' till you lose All th' symptoms of the blues. —Will Maupin.

The Athena Press pertinently remarks that the next great strike will not be for an increase in wages, but to prevent a reduction of wages. The limit has been reached and the employer will now have to strike, in order to keep the great industries moving.

Hitchcock need not be ashamed of the appointment of Davis, to be register of the La Grande land office, and try to lay it on the president. Davis is a good man and will be an honor to the office and to the man who is responsible for his appointment.

Russia is determined to prevent popular education among the masses. A Polish priest who had in charge six young girls bound for America, where the children were to be placed in school, has been arrested on the frontier of Poland, and held on charge of kidnaping. The object of the Russian government is to enforce the doctrine—"once a Russian, always a Russian."

There is cause for Pendleton to be happy and in the mood to celebrate Labor Day. Four excellent brick buildings, and about 20 handsome dwellings have been completed this season, and foundations for one of the finest lodging houses in Eastern Oregon are now being laid. If prosperity and abundance of work are causes for celebration, Pendleton has a yell coming.

Justice is swift in Oregon. A negro who sandbagged a Portland merchant this week, was located, arrested, tried, convicted, sentenced and lodged in the penitentiary for six years, in less than 48 hours after committing the crime. This is a serious check on the hold-up business in Portland. A little more of this swift brand of justice will stop robberies, on Front street, in daylight at least.

The Clark silver cup, offered for the best fruit exhibit at the Ogden Irrigation Congress, belongs by right of merit, to Umatilla county. Will it be brought home, or will Utah capture it? The effort required to get it is so insignificant, that it should not be a barrier. Where are those enthusiastic Milton irrigationists who are so proud of the fruit records of their locality? Here is an opportunity to score a point against all the West. Send for that cup.

Harvest being over and the season's hauling practically done, the periodical Good Roads agitation is again afflicting the Oregon farmer. If the government would build some good roads in some of the Western states, as a nucleus for a general good road movement, it would be much more appropriate, than to pay out so much money for agents, whose only service consists in traveling over the country using space in the papers and doing no practical work. If the government will put some of these "experts" to work, on selections of bad roads, for the purpose of demonstrating their theories Oregon will promise to fur-

nish the road for the experiment. One mile of good road on the ground, is worth a hundred miles on paper.

The socialists of Anaconda, Montana, carried the city election last spring, and took the offices occupied formerly by their employers. There were contests over some of the offices and the employes of the smelters were arrayed against their employers and won the cases against them, and are now running the city government. There have been some radical changes in the mode of conducting municipal affairs, and the smelter and mining men are dissatisfied with the rule of the workmen, and now in order to bring about a change, have declared that active socialists will not be employed in the works, hoping by this means to drive them out of the city. The country has reached a great crisis in industrial progress, if a man must pass a satisfactory political examination before he can get a job. No wonder socialism is growing. The way to make it successful, is to employ just such methods, wherever a socialist is found in office.

There is a growing sentiment in the West in favor of the repeal of all the land laws, except the straight homestead law. The abuse of the timber and stone act, and the vast tracts acquired by corporations, under the various laws that have aided in diminishing the public domain, have forced the people to demand protection for the remaining area of public land. The actual homesteader has need of the remaining land, and it seems that title should be confined to the one law, in order to insure a settler for every future filing. It is quite important that the coming irrigation congress take action on this subject, and petition the national congress to repeal the timber and stone act, and the desert land act. The speculative period has almost stripped the country of good land, and now the remnant of the once magnificent domain should be reserved for actual settlement. It is as necessary to save the desert to the people as it is to save the forests and streams for them.

Since Oregon passed the law accepting the provisions of the Carey Act, there have been five reclamation contracts entered into, aggregating 267,691 acres of arid land. Applications have been made for 47,000 acres, in addition to these contracts, and several surveys are now pending for further applications. The largest contracts made are with the Pilot Butte Development Company, in Crook county, for 87,767 acres, the Oregon Development Company, in Crook and Klamath counties, for 68,091 acres, and the Harney Valley Improvement Company, for 58,334 acres. The average cost of reclamation in these three contracts is \$9.30 per acre, and the average cost of maintaining the works after construction, is 75 cents per acre. Thus it is seen that this idle land which is now practically worthless, can be reclaimed at a cost of less than \$10 per acre, and as soon as it is reclaimed, it becomes worth from \$50 to \$100 per acre, capable of supporting a family on each 10 acres. There is no greater question now before the West, than this transformation of the desert into gardens and orchards.

The organization of the Independent Packing Company, at Kansas City on September 1, is hailed as the forerunner of the final destruction of the Beef Trust. The independent company is composed of bona fide stockmen, who are now in the clutches of the trust, and who will begin the construction of a line of packing houses to reach from Chicago to San Francisco, to compete with the meat trust, for the livestock and meat trade of the West. The new company is to be dominated by actual stockmen, to prevent the trust from obtaining control, through the purchase of stock, and all the stock shipments from the West are to be handled by the members of the new organization, who are to reap a double profit from their stock—one from the range article and one from the finished, or manufactured article in the packing houses. This is the only logical manner in which to oppose the trust. If the Western stockman will back the new concern and make it a success, it will be the salvation of the livestock industry of the country, for it has now reached the point where it is impossible for the grower to receive a reasonable return on his investment, on

account of the arbitrary dealings of the trust, which controls both ends of the road—the live animal and the meat on the block.

THE POPE'S DOMINION.

The pope is no longer, as was even Leo when crowned, the accepted head of a majority of Christendom. His flock of 230,000,000 is outnumbered by the total of Greek and Protestant, 246,000,000. In Europe 160,000,000 look to him, and 170,000,000 to divided shepherds. When Pius IX was crowned, his flock in European lands was 125,000,000, and those without his fold in European lands but 50,000,000. When Pius VII took his troubled seat a century ago, the proportion was nearly four to one. It was nearly eight to one when an Albanian, as Clement XI, by the great bull, Unigenitus, began modern ultra-montanism.

In 200 years, this assertion of the power of the pope has seen him pass from the head of all but a ninth of Christendom to the head of less than half. In another century, Protestantism alone will equal Roman Catholicism. But the Roman pontiff remains for all these changes, which have seen the great growth of modern population flow in Greek and Protestant channels, the august head of a majestic communion in whose many-chapelled shrine all lands and all men worship.

To no man on earth do so many of earth's souls turn for comfort, compassion, and consolation and no blessing is more truly urali et orbi, felt by all the world, blessing those who acknowledge him not. For the deeper spiritual influences of life are not to be bounded by creed and confession, but fall, like the rain, on the just and unjust, the faithless and believing, all alike children of one Father, merciful and full of mercy.—From "The Conclave and the Pope," by Talcott Williams, in the American Monthly Review of Reviews for September.

IS NEW YORK EXTRAVAGANT?

Arrivals on late trains who have not taken the precaution to wire ahead for their rooms go from house to house looking for accommodations in the upper part of New York. That certainly does not look like hard times. Nor does the big fleet at the yacht races point to any lack of funds on the part of the general public. Thousands upon thousands of tickets are sold for each day's race for from \$3 to \$5 apiece, that merely covering the transportation expense and not providing for food or a stateroom. So far the big steamers have reaped a rich harvest, even if they have to be kept idle on the off days.

Theaters and roof gardens are crowded every night. Not content with paying \$2, the box-office price, to see a poor show at some of the theaters, in many cases the only good seats have to be obtained from the speculators, who do business in the most bare-faced way. All this lavish expenditure for amusements that is so marked to any observer in New York must mean that people are either living far beyond their incomes or else these are remarkably prosperous times, in spite of the bad slump in stock and bond prices.—Boston Herald.



Sickness steals more savings than the burglar. Slowly, coin by coin, the money that has been so hardy earned is paid out for drugs and doctors. Sickness is the worst enemy of the working man, and the common cause of the working man's sickness is disease of the stomach often involving the heart, lungs, liver, or kidneys. The use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery will stop the stealing of the savings by sickness. It cures diseases of the stomach and other organs of digestion and nutrition. It cures diseases of heart, liver, lungs, kidneys, etc., when these diseases are caused by the diseased condition of the stomach and its allied organs. "About ten years ago I began to have trouble with my stomach," writes Wm. Connelly, of Walnut Street, Lorain, Ohio. "It got so bad I had to lay off quite often two and three days in a week, my stomach would bloat, and I would catch up gas, and was in great distress at such times. I have employed and been treated by the best doctors in the city but got no help whatever. By some way or other I happened to get hold of a vial of your 'Pellets,' and I thought they helped me. It was then I wrote to you for advice. You told me that by my symptoms you thought I had liver complaint, and advised the use of your 'Golden Medical Discovery' and 'Pleasant Pellets' in connection. These medicines I have taken as directed, and am very happy to state that I commenced to get better from the start and have not lost a day this summer on account of my stomach. I feel lighter, and better than I have for ten years." Accept no substitute for "Golden Medical Discovery." Nothing else is "just as good." Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets regulate the bowels.

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Rest, little head, on my shoulder—so; A sleepy kiss is the only fare, Drifting away from the world we go, Baby and I, in the rocking chair.

See, where the firelogs glow and spark, Glimmer the lights of the Shadow-land, The raining drops on the window—hark! Are ripples lapping upon its strand.

There, where the mirror is glancing dim, A lake lies shimmering, cool and still; Blossoms are wavering o'er its brim— Those over there on the window sill.

Rock slow, more slow in the dusky light, Slightly lower the anchor down, Dear little passenger, say "Good night!" We've reached the harbor of Shadowtown. —Eugene Field.

A PRICE OF CIVILIZATION.

It is a weird thing that the chief magistrate of the most nearly free country that ever existed must be guarded with extreme care from assassins. But it is a necessity we can't escape from, and the explanation is simply that the greater the civilization, the more elaborate the freedom, the more general the education, the more numerous will be what we call "cranks." The crank is a man irresponsible by having some one element, or part of an element of greatness. Geniuses are cranks of exalted force. The very greatest men in history were cranks.

But if the combination isn't right; that is, if a man has no logic but burning resolve, or he is possessed by the unrest of genius without knowing what he wants, then he may be a dangerous crank, whose uselessly seething thoughts produce insanity. In the olden time such unfortunates were trdden down—now we go to enormous pains to preserve and protect them.

And so the life of the president of the United States has to be carefully guarded, and we are spared another martyr to civilization.—Denver Post.

Eugene people are reaping a harvest from the sale of chittim, or casaca bark, which is selling in that locality for 16 cents a pound.

NERVOUS PROSTRATION CURED BY PE-RU-NA.



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