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What's to be free? Is it to throw aside
All fetters from the will and let caprice
Lead us? To let wild fancy, undenied
In her imagination's mad increase
Hurry us here and there? God's pity fall
On him who calls this liberty? We draw
No safety from response to Riot's call.
Freedom is still a daughter of the law!
—Clinton Dangerfield in November Century.

Although Sheridan is in the Oregon hop belt, the Sheridan bank robbery on Monday was no "hop dream." It was the real article, finished in style.

Umatilla county and Umatilla county scenery will receive a wide circulation through the 3,000 photographs furnished by Major Moorhouse to the syndicate of newspapers. In this instance, involving such magnificent views of Western scenery, the camera is truly "mightier than the pen."

The Associated Press, lacking any plausible reason for attacking the character of W. J. Bryan, is striving frantically to make political capital out of the Bennett will case. Bryan was bequeathed \$50,000 by the will of Philo S. Bennett, a personal friend and admirer. Mrs. Bennett protested against this act of her dead husband and attacked the will. Mr. Bryan will simply allow the courts to pass upon the will. If he is awarded the amount he will distribute it among a list of charitable institutions already designated by him. If he is not awarded the sum given him by his friend's will, the matter ends. There is no politics in it, nor can be. A friend gave him the money. If the court sustains the widow's contentions that the property of her dead husband belongs of right to her, Mr. Bryan has no fight to make.

The resolution passed by the recent Good Roads convention, at Portland, recommending that county courts set aside a pro rata amount, fixed by the total taxable property in the county, to be contributed to the general expense fund of the state meetings of the Good Roads Association, is hardly a wise suggestion. Such a plan would encourage good road meetings, it is true, but this money applied in the different counties, would give better results. It is proper to hold meetings and invite experts to discuss theoretical road building, but the free use of the people's money in paying the expenses of these meetings is not warranted by the emergency. If taxes could be contributed to good roads meetings, why not to irrigation, livestock, horticultural and other conventions held in Oregon? There would be no limit to this policy. Already county courts in Oregon are allowed to use \$1,000 per year for advertising purposes at the discretion of the court. Another leak here and another leak there would soon become burdensome on the people and there are few county judges in Oregon who will urge this plan upon the county court, as instructed by the good roads convention in its resolution.

One of the most dangerous menaces to the health and vigor of school children was lightly touched, if touched at all, by the state board of health in its bulletin on school hygiene. That subject is over studied, overloading of young minds with too many branches. The fifth grade in the public school, made up largely of children between 10 and 12 years of age, has 11 prescribed studies besides the supplementary reading which makes up at least one more. To burden a child's mind at that age with that many studies is not

sense and an injustice to child and teacher, for the child will find it impossible to become efficient in all of them, no matter how great the mental strain, and the teacher will be blamed for the child's slow progress and lack of efficiency. Twenty years ago five studies a day was thought to be sufficient for the common schools, up to the seventh and eighth grades. No wonder the number of children wearing glasses at the age of 12 has increased 300 per cent in a dozen years. The strenuous program of the public school course, in which five minutes each day is devoted to a study, and from which the recess has been practically removed, makes old women out of children and builds a hollow shell of education, which should be filled with meat instead, by striking half the studies from the list.

On Tuesday, November 3, general elections will be held in 11 states as follows: Full state tickets in Maryland, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Ohio, Kentucky, Iowa and Mississippi; minor state officials in New York, Pennsylvania, Colorado and Nebraska, and municipal officials in the cities of Greater New York and San Francisco. It is interesting to know that the prohibitionists have state tickets in each of these states except Colorado and the socialists in all except two, Nebraska and Colorado. The hottest fight and the greatest national interest is centered in the race for governor of Ohio, between Tom L. Johnson, labor, single tax and democratic candidate, against Myron T. Herrick, republican. On the vote in that state on Tuesday, hangs the senatorial toga and Marcus A. Hanna is out in his blustering hurrah, to defeat Johnson and retain the republican legislature in power. John H. Clark, democrat, is Hanna's opponent for the senatorship, and is making a vigorous and telling Johnson campaign. Johnson is spending no money, but is traveling with a large tent, talking to the working people of the great cities and is making friends by the simplicity and honesty of his campaign.

THE CURSE OF WEALTH.

In his discussion of the celebrated Bunel legacy case in the United States district court Judge John F. Phillips of Kansas City administered a scathing rebuke to the contending heirs. Henry Napoleon Bunel lived in Southwest Missouri. He was one of the heirs of a wealthy estate left by his father, a Frenchman. Mary Earles Kee alleged that she was an heir to the estate. Judge Phillips upheld the validity of a compromise made between these two. In his opinion Judge Phillips said: "The court cannot refrain from giving expression to the conviction, deepened by the exhibitions of prodigality and depravity of the contending parties, that often no greater misfortune can befall children than great riches cast upon them by gifts and inheritance.

"Neither of these children, as their testimony shows, submitted to the labor of acquiring an education. They seem to have spurned honors and dignities that come from labor. The boy has been content to be a mere parasite, to exist in idleness and rot out in wantonness and riot; while the girl, aspiring to a share in the bounty of trust, has grown up with a roving fancy and unstable habits, illiterate and wayward, contempting parental authority and respect, eloping when a mere child and marrying a mere boy, who, in thoughtlessness, has eaten only the bread provided by the wife's access to the claimed inheritance. And in this case this condition of affairs is aggravated by its demoralizing effect upon lawyers and hungry retainers who become so largely interested in the spoils of the controversy as to unseemly thrust their personality into the litigation."—New York World.

TUNNELING THE HUDSON.

The idea of tunneling the Hudson is by no means of recent birth. Several attempts in this direction have

been made since 1874, when the first company to undertake the construction of a sub-Hudson came into being. Little progress had been made, however, when through an accident to the door of an air-lock at a critical moment, the tunnel was flooded and a number of laborers were drowned.

The water was pumped out and work resumed, but a bad leak once more caused a long delay. By this time something had been accomplished in both tunnels, but the company had now come to the end of its financial resources and was obliged to order a permanent cessation of work. The years passed, and eventually an English syndicate undertook to complete the tunnel. In their turn they found the task beyond their powers.

Finally Mr. Jacobs declared his willingness to begin where the others, defeated, had withdrawn. He and his associates are now satisfied that they have solved the most difficult problem likely to arise in this or future subaqueous tunnel work. They have assuredly proved that air, if properly reinforced, will serve to stem the most powerful of torrents, and the demonstration of this must be said to mark a milestone in the march of engineering science.—H. Addington Bruce in November Century.

OH! WHAT A ROAST.

(Probably written by a man who snarled at his wife because she did not bring the matches right away for his reeking pipe.)

Too many men never praise their wives until after they bury them. The easiest way for a man to pack a trunk is to get his wife to do it. There are men who go to a gymnasium for exercise while their wives are sawing the wood.

There is many a wife hungering for an occasional word of approval who will be buried in a rosewood casket.

If men were as ungalant during courtship as they are after marriage, it is doubtful if more than one in ten thousands could ever get a wife. Why is it that it tires some men more to do a little errand for a weary wife than it does to walk around a billiard table for four hours?

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RHEUMATISM IN ELBOWS, WRISTS AND KNEES.

Urbana, Ohio, Aug. 25, 1903.

Last winter I had a severe attack of Rheumatism. It started in the right elbow, and from there to my wrists; the right wrist was the worse. It became swollen and extremely painful. My left knee joint was the next place to be attacked. It became swollen and of course painful. The next point to be affected was the hip and ankle, which gave me much trouble. I was barely able to get about for some time. I was under treatment of a physician for awhile, but getting no better I began S. S. S., and after taking it for some time I was entirely relieved of the Rheumatism. All swelling and soreness disappeared. I consider S. S. S. an excellent remedy for Rheumatism and all troubles having their origin in the blood.

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