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God's angels took a little drop of dew  
Fresh fallen from the heaven's far-off blue,  
And a white violet, so pure and bright,  
Shedding its fragrance in the morn's soft light,  
And a forget-me-not laid altogether gently out of sight  
Within the chalice of a lily white,  
With humbleness they covered it,  
Made purity and sadness near to sit,  
And added pride to this and fears a few,  
One wish, but half a hope, and bright tears, too,  
Courage and sweetness in misfortune's smart  
And out of this they moulded woman's heart.  
—Selected.

Had not the political enemies of Malcolm A. Moody persecuted him outside of politics and made an attack on his private character by se-

curing a groundless indictment against him, it is likely Mr. Williamson would have had smooth sailing for another term. But as it is, he must fight for all the votes he gets.

Russia is handicapped in Europe by being hemmed in with no outlet for her fleets, except by privileges granted by Turkey. In her frantic effort to be more independent of foreign powers in the matter of ocean passages, she is now considering plans to construct a vast canal from the Baltic to the Black Sea, a distance of 1,469 miles to cost \$181,000,000. This gigantic waterway would follow river courses a large part of the way and would be deep enough for any vessel afloat. Aside from giving Russian territory greater protection by sea, it would afford transportation for an immense area of agricultural country now without adequate facilities. It is the most stupendous proposition ever seriously considered by any nation, and would eclipse all canal systems of the world.

It is almost a sin to puncture the painted bubble now being hoisted by the Morning Tribune, in boasting of its circulation. For the past year the Tribune has been circulating sworn statements giving its bona fide circulation as 1,175. Some few advertisers may have been deceived by that statement. The facts are these. At the time the editor of the Tribune held up his right hand before Judge Ellis and God Almighty and swore to 1,175 circulation to the Morning Tribune, he had barely 775 bona fide subscribers. On the day the affidavit was made the Tribune told 400 extra

papers, 100 each to four Pendleton merchants, who were clipping coupons for some guessing contest then in progress. As soon as the coupons were clipped out the 400 extra papers were thrown in the stove and did not go to bona fide subscribers, as its advertisers would be led to believe. As the Tribune failed to give the details of its circulation boom to its readers, this publication of the story by the East Oregonian will be a "scoop" from the Tribune's own office.

While the land office investigations are proceeding in Oregon, it would be a blessing if the grafters, who have access to the government records, and who make and sell plats at exorbitant prices and pose as the only men in the district who know of vacant land, could be reached by law and put out of business. Under the administration preceding E. W. Davis, in the La Grande land office, these parasites were particularly active and at times, unless a man wishing to file on a certain tract of land, was posted on the inside workings of the office, it was impossible for him to get any information concerning the tract, except through one of these grafters, who it was openly charged was in league with the office, and whose information cost the intending homesteader from \$10 to \$50, according to the circumstances. The government officials are paid to serve the public. Any information concerning the status of any tract of public land is due from the land office officials to the homesteader, and it is a graft, and a robbery to compel poor men to pay these parasites outrageous prices for plats and information which should be furnished by the government. Homesteaders are warned against this class of grafters. Demand the information you seek from the government official in your locality, and if you cannot get it, take the matter up with the department, stating the nature of the information you seek. Government officials who are in league with grafters on the outside, are particularly in demand by the interior department just now, and while the subject is under consideration, it might as well be threshed out in full. The public is entitled to any legitimate information it seeks, from the paid servants of the people.

Mount Lebanon, N. J., has had experience of a "boy terror." He is in

jail now, but there was much difficulty and some danger in getting him there. The prisoner is a lusty little brute, abounding in courage and with no more morals than a wildcat. He had attacked a number of girls and women, always in a manner itself craven, but when a posse got after him he kept them at bay for hours with a gun, as they did not wish to kill him. Later the "terror" was captured while asleep, an impulse to lynch him was overruled and he was taken to prison in irons. Here is the ideal dime-novel hero, doubtless evolved from his own mind, sustained and influenced by sensational books. He probably fancies that fame is his. He will be graduated from a reformatory to a prison, perhaps from a prison to the sombre dignity of "murderers' row." This is the career he has mapped out for himself. To follow it is one of the penalties for being a dime-novel hero. And it is one that other half-baked desperadoes may well ponder.

#### DEFEND THE HELPLESS.

I am the voice of the voiceless,  
Through me the dumb shall speak,  
Till the deaf world's ear be made to hear

The wrongs of the world's weak.

From the street, from cage, from kennel,

From stable and zoo the wail

Of my tortured kin proclaim the sin

Of the mighty against the frail.

Oh shame on the praying churchman

With his unstepped steed at the door,

Where the winters beat, with snow and sleet,

And the summer sun rays pour

Oh shame on the mothers of mortals

Who have not stopped to teach

Of the sorrow that lies in death's dumb eyes—

The sorrow that has no speech.

The same force that formed the sparrow,

That fashioned man, the king;

The God of the whole gave a spark of soul

To furred and feathered thing.

And I am my brother's keeper—

And I will fight his fight,

And speak the word for beast and bird

Till the world shall set things right.

—Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

A man cannot go where temptation cannot find him.

#### COMING EVENTS.

April 9.—Umatilla county republican convention.  
April 12.—Umatilla county democratic convention.  
April 12.—School bond election, Pendleton.  
April 14.—Republican state convention, Portland.  
April 16.—Meeting of Oregon Cattle-growers' Association, Portland.  
April 19.—Democratic state convention, Portland.  
May 2.—Oregon Federation of Labor, Oregon City.  
May 4.—General M. E. conference, Los Angeles.  
June 2, 3, 4.—Umatilla county pioneers' reunion, at Weston.  
June 6.—General election in Oregon.  
June 15, 16, 17.—Oregon encampment G. A. R., Hood River.

Eleven negroes were killed by white men in and around St. Charles Ark., between March 21 and 26. No charges were made against 10 of them except that they were disposed to take the part of the 11th man.

Nigrette, a mare, won the handicap in the first two races at San Francisco this spring, and it is believed she will develop into one of the fleetest running horses in the United States.

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