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Ye who drive upon the rocks of Chance,
Or drift upon the shoals of Circumstance—
Or fall to reach the port of high emprise,
Through on life's seas, some patient sacrifice,
Who, following Duty's beacon o'er the main,
Love's golden galleon mark another gain—
Take heart! None knows how fair the meed may be
In God's green islands of Eternity!
—Clinton Scollard.

The committee on membership, in the Commercial Association, is doing nobly, but there are dozens of eligible business men still out in the brush, who must be rounded up and branded.

President Roosevelt is enjoying one unique experience which it has been the pleasure of but few public men to enjoy—and that is the publication of eulogies, encomiums and

praise of his life and acts, while he is yet alive. There will be nothing left to say after his death.

If every man in Umatilla county who believes that the government should own the public utilities, should speak his mind boldly, the socialist would be the strongest party in the county. "The native hue of resolution is sicklied o'er with the pale cast of thought."

The Lewis and Clark corporation has done everything it could to take business away from the country newspaper by selling the right to print the fair literature to job offices in Portland, and yet it expects the newspapers to advertise its features free of charge. The newspapers of the state are the most inexcusable "suckers" on earth if they do it.

The state of Oregon spends over \$20,000 per year on her salmon hatcheries, to keep alive and perpetuate the salmon fishing industry, which would soon be at an end if no effort were made to replenish it. Yet she permits the syndicates to exhaust the natural timber supply, without so much as planting one tree per year to produce timber for the future. Had you thought of this?

Although Dowie's religion is a mongrel brand of blasphemy and bigotry, the sanitary regulations of his City of Zion are the best of any city in the world. Not a solitary resident of the city can use tobacco nor liquor; pork is not used, filth cannot accumulate on any of the premises, crematories are provided for the burning of all garbage and debris, and expectorating on the sidewalks

is prohibited. No immorality is tolerated within Zion and those who have visited this free city say that it is a superlative model of cleanliness, purity, health and morals, worthy of imitation. The same general comparison may be applied to Mormon cities. Barring polygamy, Mormonism is all right. Barring Dowie's religion, his city is a model, but remove Dowie's nonsensical religion and there remains nothing to hold his zealots together in his model city of Zion.

The interview from Dr. W. G. Cole, published in Saturday's East Oregonian, on the increase of immorality and the future policy of the coroner's office is giving out all the details of unfortunate crimes that are occurring with startling frequency, should also apply to trials in the justice courts. It should be the policy of courts, lawyers and officials to make public every sickening detail of family rows that are rushed into court for settlement. The disgraceful and costly affairs that are being imposed upon courts more and more every year, should be held up as examples to deter other families who may think of airing their troubles at the people's expense. Divorce cases and sickening family rows cost the counties altogether too much. The people are paying for the settlement of disgusting jangles that should never see the outside of the unhappy home. Courts supported by the taxpayers are called upon too often to waste their time in deciding brawls that should have been fought out with broomstick and bricks in the back yard.

The greatest stroke for the public school system ever made in any country, has just been accomplished in France. The chamber of deputies yesterday, by a vote of 316 to 269, voted to abolish the religious schools, so deeply imbedded in the fabric of France, and to substitute for them the state school, or a system of public education, now found in its highest conception in the free public school system of the United States. France is honeycombed with religious orders, convents, monasteries, recluse cells and sectarian schools, all living upon the state, yet teaching and promulgating the most rigid sectarian doctrine. For years France has struggled to free herself of this burden.

In 1901 ex-Premier Waldeck-Rousseau secured a law suppressing all unauthorized religious schools and this enactment completes, in one sweeping stroke, the work begun by that progressive philosopher of French politics. State schools, devoid of sectarian training will now be established over all France. Free education, free thought and free choice of religious belief will be placed before the French people. It is the greatest stroke of the century. France, the mother of the church, the scene of its greatest triumphs, to have finally thrown off the yoke and declared for educational freedom, seems past comprehension.

The vital statistics of Massachusetts show that the average life of an editor is 54 years, a physician 58, and a lawyer 59. A Boston paper suggests that these statistics show that the righteous editor is called to his reward early because of his many earthly sorrows. The truth of the matter is, perhaps, that this is a merciful provision of providence to get the biggest grafter off the earth first.

JOKER LEAVES SALEM.

John Henry Cradlesbaugh, a paragon, verse blacksmith, telegraph editor, headline artist, proofreader and general ejector of disorderly callers, has gone to take charge of some mine development work in Southern Oregon. The force in the Journal composing room presented him with a handsome gold-mounted briarwood pipe, the office girls looked blue, and some day will see the genial gentleman back at his desk on this little daily.

His Salem friends wish him great success, and he will always be remembered for his many genial qualities, and for having proved himself the best all-round newspaper man ever employed on this paper. His last joke was found on the old office pastepot:

"Au Revoir, old friend; you are not overly handsome or sweet as the honey of Hyreantum, but you have 'stuck up' for me at all times."—Capital Journal.

APPLES AND MORALS.

Apples are a sure cure for the drink and tobacco habits and for the low morals which lead to crime, says John T. Stenson, director of pomology at the World's fair. Pamphlets setting forth the efficacy of apples as a cure of bad habits will be distributed with 1,000,000 apples on Apple day, September 27.

In order to work a sure cure by means of the apple diet, Prof. Stenson advises that when one has a

craving for a smoke an apple be substituted; if a drink of liquor is desired take an apple in its place; if there is a tendency to do something desperate, sit down and quietly eat an apple and reflect over it. Just what medicinal property is contained in the apple to eradicate bad habits Mr. Stenson does not pretend to say.

Senator Cockrell's moral life and his high standard of statesmanship is cited as an incident of the reigning influence of apples. It is a well known fact that the senator makes his lunch off apples every day to the exclusion of all other food, and has kept up this diet for 30 years.

COMING EVENTS.

- April 9.—Umatilla county republican convention.
- April 12.—Umatilla county democratic convention.
- April 13.—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.

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