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I have no creed. But I have in me that surpassing words, Of faith as boundless as the sea; A love that takes in all the human race.

ONE-SIDED VIGILANCE.

The order requiring the wholesale dipping of all sheep for export, infected or otherwise, has led to many acrimonious comparisons and expressions of opinion. People want to know why it is, when everybody in Umatilla county knows either by personal observation or by the word of those who have personal knowledge that the reservation harbors hundreds, perhaps thousands of scabby Indian horses, nothing is done by the government to eradicate the evil, while perfectly clean sheep must be dipped before shipment to another state.

ed into law, engrafted into the national mind, made part of the Russian character, as typified by the royalty, and all the harsh cruelty of the middle ages has been made to do duty under the dome of the 20th century in Russia.

Her encroachment in the Orient meant the throttling of trade and the narrowing of opportunity for civilized nations. Her conquest and occupancy of Manchuria meant an extension of European Russian tyranny and oppression across that splendid continent of Asia.

Japanese occupancy of Manchuria and a trade suzerainty over Corea, means that civilized influences will take first rank in the Orient. It means that civilized nations will be invited to mingle and trade there. It means that the blemish on the earth, known as the exile settlements of Sakhalin and Kamschatka will be obliterated from human sight and that a form of order, law, civilized government and organized intercourse of nations will succeed the sealed ports, the selfish, uncivilized, barbarous codes that were being firmly established by Russia from Port Arthur along the entire eastern coast of Asia to the Behring sea.

One more stroke by the triumphant Japanese armies and Harbin will fall and the railroad line to St. Petersburg will be cut off from the coast.

Then the march of empire will start back toward Europe. The Russian will be forced out of Manchuria. He will surrender the Siberian coast to Japanese supremacy. The crude government he has set up for plunder and oppression will flee out of the east and a reign of unparalleled development will begin in that ancient kingdom of the Mongol hordes.

A bunch grass paper that is ordinarily sane, runs a column of special instructions to its readers as to how to catch sword fish. Out in this arid belt a plan for a new rabbit trap, a gopher catcher, a coyote bait, an antidote for dust, or a new method of keeping cool at 110 in the shade, would have been more timely. Imagine a New England fisher town paper giving instructions on how to catch rabbits in Oregon, or on the peculiar turn of the wrist necessary to catch a steer by the foreleg every time.

There is at least \$4000 in cold cash in Pendleton pockets today, that would not be there had Ringling's circus exhibited here yesterday. It was a profitable "jump" for Pendleton.

ROSA BONHEUR'S LIONS.

Rosa Bonheur loved the animals, and the animals loved her, writes Jules Claretie, in Harper's Magazine. In fact, she exercised a magnetic power over them. The fierce watchdogs at the house at By were like lambs in her presence. Tame lions she had about her, too, those majestic creatures that she so loved to paint, and whose manes she would smilingly caress with her delicate hand.

FRIDAY'S GREAT RECORD.

Moscow was burned on Friday. Washington was born on Friday. Shakespeare was born on Friday. America was discovered on Friday. Richmond was evacuated on Friday. The Bastille was destroyed on Friday. The Mayflower was landed on Friday. Queen Victoria was married on Friday. King Charles I was beheaded on Friday. Fort Sumpter was bombarded on Friday. Napoleon Bonaparte was born on Friday. Julius Caesar was assassinated on Friday. The battle of Marengo was fought on Friday. The battle of Bunker Hill was fought on Friday. Joan of Arc was burned to the stake on Friday. The battle of New Orleans was fought on Friday. The Declaration of Independence was signed on Friday. Peterborough Cathedral has the oldest working clock in England. It was erected about 1320, and is probably the work of a monastic clock-maker. It is the only one now known that is wound up over an old wooden wheel.

California History's Romantic Period

The palmy days of the eighteenth century are being revived in Southern California. Brown-robed Franciscan monks have reappeared at the ancient mission of San Luis Rey, 50 miles north of San Diego, a citadel of strength and a haven of rest in the early days.

But for two generations this mission has been almost entirely deserted, until in recent years it has become a mere picturesque ruin. Its gray walls and arches crumbling, and its capacious halls and lofty towers abandoned and silent—a decaying monument of the former glory of Spain's church and state.

Beginning about the middle of the eighteenth century the Franciscans created a chain of these mission settlements extending from San Diego, near the Mexican border, to Sonoma, north of San Francisco. They were located about one day's journey apart, to convenience travelers, but this feature was only incidental to the great spiritual, educational and economic work which they did for California, before the time of the American occupation.

Each community was made self-sufficient and self-sustaining. The useful arts and trades were taught and carried on. Within the shadow of the church, artisans and skilled workmen labored at their various tasks. Water was brought in irrigation ditches from the nearest stream flowing from the snow-capped Sierras, and field, orchard and garden, reclaimed from the desert, yielded of their abundance. The Franciscans were the teachers of the irrigation of the Southwest, and this is perhaps the deepest and most lasting mark which they left on California's civilization.

This new activity at San Luis Rey has come as an entire surprise to the quiet neighborhood. Patriotic Americans have been engaged for some years past in an effort to preserve some of the old missions from further decay and even to restore them, to a certain extent. But those most familiar with this work did not dream that the industrious followers of St. Francis would ever return to make practical use of the old landmarks.

However that may be, the gentle brotherhood has come back to San Luis Rey. The old church has been repaired and services are again held beneath its venerable roof. The cloisters are being rebuilt and the irrigation aqueducts reconstructed. The fields will be tilled again and yield the same loyal support to the community.

The leader of the movement is Father O'Keefe, who came unheralded from Mexico and quietly set out upon the restoration of the old landmarks. His fellow laborers are all members of the Franciscan order and perform their heavy manual work in the brown cassocks that were familiar to generations now passed and forgotten. Father O'Keefe does not expect to revive the former economic life of the settlement in all its amplitude. Much has happened since his predecessors toiled and taught and ruled in those lovely southern valleys.

Modern people have come with modern improvements, and there is now no need of the paternal scheme which did so much for the simple population of the country a century or more ago. Father O'Keefe's plan is to convert the old mission into a self-sustaining Franciscan college. Thus the spiritual and educational work will live again, but the social and economic features will not be restored, beyond what is necessary to meet the necessities of the monks themselves.

The mission fathers were the pioneers of European civilization among the coast hills of California. They supplied leadership and instruction to those who were engaged in founding homes and wresting a living from the gaunt appearing desert. The work which they began must still be continued, and upon a vastly larger scale, but it has passed to other hands—to the government of America and to an army of settlers who come from all parts of the world.

ARTESIAN WATER FERTILIZER.

Investigations carried on during the last year by S. W. McCallie, assistant state geologist of Georgia, acting in co-operation with the United States geological survey, have revealed the presence of interesting and perhaps valuable properties in some of the artesian wells in the Coastal Plain of that state. Water taken from a deep well at Baxley showed on analysis 5.5 parts per 1,000,000 of phosphoric acid, which should indicate that it might be used for fertilizing as well as for irrigating barren fields. In other words, it may be acceptable to the desert land as both food and drink. It is estimated that a layer of this phosphoric acid bearing water 12 inches deep over one acre of land would exert a fertilizing effect equal to that of 200 pounds of commercial fertilizer.

One Hundred Dollars Reward.

One hundred dollars is a pretty good reward for five minutes work, yet that is what J. E. Strode, of Watsburg, Wash., got from the East Oregonian in our last subscription contest.

From now until November 4th we will take new subscriptions sent in by our subscribers and to the one who guesses nearest to the vote received by the winning presidential candidate in this state, we will give one-half of the money received from this contest.

For example, if you think President Roosevelt will receive the majority of votes in the coming election, fill out the coupon, "Roosevelt's total vote in Oregon will be (.....)" and put in your estimate.

There is only one requirement and this is important. ALL NAMES SENT IN MUST BE THOSE OF NEW SUBSCRIBERS. Renewals of subscription will not be counted in this contest. Subscribers can participate in this way: Get some neighbor to take the Weekly East Oregonian for four months for 50 cents. Send in a money order for the 50 cents; or in 1c and 2c stamps or silver, accompanied by your guess on the presidential vote. If you do not want to ask some neighbor to subscribe, send in 50 cents and the name of some friend in the East who is interested in the western country. Let him read the Weekly East Oregonian and it will give him more news about the resources of the Inland Empire than you could if you wrote him a 50-page letter a week.

Remember the guess is on the vote cast in Oregon for the successful presidential candidate.

Only new subscriptions count. A subscription for 50 cents gives you one guess.

This contest closes November fourth, so be sure to send in your guess before that time.

The total vote in June, 1904, was 92,608; for republican candidate for supreme judge, 52,946; for democratic, 28,729; socialist, 6,419, and prohibition, 5514.

My estimate on vote in Oregon for President is

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