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From Twilighttown to Sleepyville Is a long, long way, I guess, But the fastest train in the world, I ween, Is the Drowsyland Express! There's a kiss for fire and a song for steam, And Love to manage the train; Just a moment's stop at the City of Dream, And it's on through the night again. Then, it's O, my little one, Ho, my little one, Sweet of the tawny tress! It's off and away, At the close of day, On the Drowsyland Express! -Hilson R. Groer.

VEGETARIANISM AND CRIME.

They say meat-eating induces crime. It is asserted that the most devouring races are only cultivating the animal passions, and the coarser propensities of mankind.

Vegetarianism, they say, purifies the mind and cultivates the spiritual side of nature; that it makes men more merciful, more tender, more kind and more considerate—that it takes off the rough edges of masculinity and leaves a tinge of the effeminate in the nature.

This may all be true. It is highly probable that a man raised on a cracked wheat diet would not muster up nerve enough to get rich quick; that the peanut butter eater would not stand in a dark corner with a sand bag in his hand, or that a goat's milk baby would never grow up to be a "wild cat" mining promoter, a book agent or a politician.

If it is meat eating that makes men bold—strong in passion, alert in selfishness and powerful in secret councils for mercenary aims, it is also true that those who eat steak with blood oozing from it, write good poetry, preach strong sermons, drive hard bargains for progress and carry heavy loads for human kind.

Beefsteak holds the world in equilibrium. The fighters and the thinkers eat it by the ton.

The dreamers and the optimists, who paint the glowing panoramas for man's better and nobler nature, all love pork.

The writer of the Declaration of Independence loved a leg of mutton, from the backbone down to the hoof; and Abraham Lincoln ate a pound of rare steak the day he wrote his immortal Gettysburg speech.

Imagine an American statesman subsisting on peanut butter, chocolate and baked potatoes, making a light with John Bull or Wilhelm II, or a trade treaty, involving American rights.

Picture a thin-skinned, thin-blooded, white-cheeked rank of American officers charging a fortress after a breakfast of shredded wheat biscuit and hot water.

Meat-eating makes activity, and if that activity is not directed right, it will exert itself for wrong. Meat-eating may conduce to shorter life, but it is a life filled with magnificent energies.

his home editor has suddenly become into possession of extraordinary ability. After the election is over and the soup stops flowing, a dull thud will be heard and the old level will be occupied again, to the disgust of the reader and to the loss of the papers running this campaign rot. The usual run of newspaper readers cannot be fooled by political tricks.

The prosperity that is lifting the farmer out of debt into independence by high wheat prices is grinding the poor in the cities until the result is startling. The high prices of wheat have caused flour prices to advance. Advancing flour prices have caused the price of the little loaf to advance and the poor man in the big city whose wages are gauged to the low priced loaf, now finds that his prosperity has vanished and his income cannot be stretched to cover the increasing demands upon him. Wages do not increase in proportion to living expenses and so what is prosperity for one is oppression for the other.

Ten firms in Pendleton are waiting to go into enlarged quarters as soon as they can be completed, and larger stocks than have ever been ordered before are being shipped from the East for the fall and winter trade. In making their fall purchases country residents are invited to read the big Weekly and Semi-Weekly East Oregonian for fall announcements. It pays to study advertisements.

The New York Herald, the most powerful independent paper in the United States, has openly declared for Parker for president. The Herald is considered the most conservative and deep thinking of the great American papers and is absolutely independent in politics. Its decision is highly significant and must not be underestimated.

It is to be hoped that Secretary Shaw, in enlarging on the condition of the country and the warlike Roosevelt administration, does not forget to account for the \$17,000,000 deficit in the national treasury accounts for July. Some of the millions appropriated for war equipment might have been profitably kept in the treasury.

Owing to the inability of the city to sprinkle the outside streets and help keep down the stifling dust storms, it seems that it might at least order some of the worst places covered with straw. All property is taxed alike for the sprinkling and a large part of it receives no benefit of the sprinkling.

TO LIVE A CENTURY.

Sir Thomas Sawyer, an English physician, has formulated the following nineteen rules for prolonging life to 100 years:

- 1. Eight hours' sleep. 2. Sleep on your right side. 3. Keep your bedroom window open all night. 4. Have a mat to your bedroom door. 5. Do not have your bedstead against the wall. 6. No cold tub in the morning, but a bath at the temperature of the body. 7. Exercise before breakfast. 8. Eat little meat and see that it is well cooked. 9. (For adults.) Drink no milk. 10. Eat plenty of fat, to feed the coils, which destroy disease germs. 11. Avoid intoxicants, which destroy those cells. 12. Daily exercise in the open air. 13. Allow no pet animals in your room. They are apt to carry about disease germs. 14. Live in the country if you can. 15. Watch the three D's—drinking water, damp and drains. 16. Have a change of occupation. 17. Take frequent and short holidays. 18. Limit your ambitions; and 19. Keep your temper.

COUNTERFEITING DON'T PAY.

Counterfeiting is growing unprofitable in this country, according to the Treasury Department statistics. The United States has more paper money in circulation than any other country in the world, yet 2269 national banks reported to the bureau that they had seen no counterfeit money during the fiscal year. Other banks of the country reported that they had handled \$21,000 in counterfeit money during the year. The falling off in counterfeiting is said to be due to activity of the secret service division. The total number of arrests during the year for counterfeiting was 19, which is 15 less than in the preceding year. The counterfeiter has evidently concluded that there is no profit in making money.

WHY THIS DRAIN?

The secretary of the navy, Paul Morton, says that the American navy "should be the most formidable in the world." Why the United States should require such a frightful drain upon the toil of the people as would be the cost of building "the most formidable navy in the world," and maintaining it, the former maker of railroad tariff rates does not explain at all. He only assumes that the interests of the nation require "the most formidable navy in the world." -Lewisohn Tribune.

The blind delight in races of all sorts. They do not run toward a tape as the seeing do, but toward a bell that jangles briskly.

THE CRADLE CHILD.

Forgotten, in a chamber lone, The hooded cradle, brown and old, Began to rock, began to moan, "Where are the babes I used to hold?"

"To men and women they are grown, And through the world their way must make." The cradle rocked and made its moan, "My babes no single step could take!"

"A helmsman one, on wide seas blown, His sinewy hand the wheel employs." The cradle rocked and made its moan, "My babes could scarcely grasp their toys."

"And one, with words of winning tone, God's shepherd, goes the lost to seek." The cradle rocked and still made moan, "The babes I held no word could speak!"

"And one, with children of her own, Her life is toll and love and prayer?" The cradle rocked and still made moan, "My babes of babes could take no care!"

"Now, all that once were mine are flown But one, that still with me shall bide— (The cradle ceased to rock, to moan)— The sweetest one—the babe who died!" -Smart Set.

RUSSIAN ICONS.

Since Russia found herself plunged into war there has been an unprecedented demand for icons among the soldiers, the faithful regarding the possession of one as a protection against death and disaster. All the Russian generals have been presented with these religious pictures, some of them, according to the Munsey, being magnificently worked and very expensive. Every Russian regiment has its icon, which is carried aloft when the soldiers go into battle. Many wonderful stories are told of the power of these talismans, and almost all devout members of the Greek church possess one in some form or other.

The negro model town of Buxton, Canada, founded during the days of the "underground" railroad, is now almost abandoned.



The distracting headaches from which so many women suffer make life a daily purgatory. If men suffered with headache as women do, business would be almost at a standstill. Does not the fact that men do not suffer from these severe headaches suggest that there must be a womanly cause for them?

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One Hundred Dollars Reward.

One hundred dollars is a pretty good reward for five minutes work, yet that is what J. E. Strode, of Walsburg, Wash., got from the East Oregonian in our last subscription contest. He received with the compliments of the East Oregonian, without a cent of expense to himself, a \$100 rubber-tired buggy. We propose to conduct another subscription contest on the following basis:

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 all 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.

If our subscribers co-operate with us as they have in previous contests and as we expect they will in this, we will take in several hundred dollars and possibly much more, one-half of which will go to the person who guesses nearest to the vote in Oregon for the winning presidential candidate.

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. For every 50 cents you will be entitled to one guess. If you get four of your friends to take it four months each, you will be entitled to four guesses, or if you get one new subscription for a year for the Weekly for \$1.50 you are entitled to three guesses. Some one of our subscribers will get one half of all money taken in on this contest. It may be only \$50, or it may be several hundred dollars, but whatever the sum the one who guesses nearest to the presidential vote in Oregon for the winning candidate, will get one-half of the money.

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. You can send in as many subscribers as you wish and for each 50 cents you get 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, 6419, and prohibition, 4514.

My estimate on vote in Oregon for President is Name Postoffice address Fill in the first blank space the name of the candidate you think will win. Fill in the second blank space with your estimate of the number of votes he will get in Oregon. Enclose with 50 cents and mail to the East Oregonian Publishing Co., Pendleton, Oregon. Send paper to Address

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