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How I have loved it all!— Dawn, tremulous, white; Strong splendor of noon, the fall Of evening and night, Snow when the year began; Rose-beauty of June; Torrents that shouting ran, Broad rivers' low rune, The call of the ancient deep, The strength of the hills; Sweet, hushed valleys sleep, The long street that fills With infinite noise of life, The work and the rest, Joy, grief, effort and strife— And love's holy quest! Master, good thanks I give, That life was so worth! —S. H. Kemper in Everybody's.

The Oregonian says that under a "crusty exterior" Henry Weinhard hid some excellent traits. The world has only received the Oregonian's word for this. It judges the man by the crusty exterior always in view.

The Russians are offering 45 shillings per ton for coal delivered in Port Arthur. This includes the successful running of the blockade now maintained by the Japanese. If some daring vessel would volunteer to run the blockade into Eastern Oregon and deliver coal at this price, the beleaguered inhabitants would greatly rejoice.

Hiding at ease in his tourist car, with all the luxuries of the home and club at hand, the traveler can now get the latest telegraphic bulletins on the swiftly speeding Harriman trains. No more radical development has ever been made in railroad travel than the departure of the Union Pacific, in furnishing its patrons the daily news from bulletins delivered on passenger trains. The wireless telegraph gave the daily newspaper to the greyhounds of the sea—the unfolding of facilities has given the hourly news bulletin to the greyhound trains of the Harriman system. What will be the next startling innovation of civilization? Where next will the mind of the 20th century man set an outpost in the realm of progress?

Universal complaint is made of the low salaries paid to public school teachers. Young men and women who have spent from four to six years and from \$2000 to \$3000 in completing a good education and in fitting themselves for teachers' positions, are confronted with the problem of meeting the expenses of living and maintaining their positions on \$50 to \$60 per month. Board and lodging costs them at least \$30 per month, this and other necessities consuming almost the entire salary. The result is that many of the best finished teachers of the country are forsaking the profession. Their education is a stepping stone to numberless other occupations and they are attracted by better salaries to wholly unexpected lines of work. Increased salaries means increased taxation, but can the community afford to shake the efficiency of the public school system for the sake of a few mills in taxes? Every other profession is increasing in efficiency and the increased efficiency brings increased pay. School teaching must be no exception to this rule.

The Salem Journal viciously harpoons the so-called "Olympian games" now in progress at the St. Louis fair. It roasts modern athletics of whatsoever form and deprecates the tendency of American youth to be "sluggers" and "sports." There is a sensible, sane middle ground to be occupied on this vital question. All so-called "athletics" is not wholesome sport and yet some features of this modern school of "athletics" are as necessary as fresh air itself, in building brain and muscle tissue for the shop-weary, office-cramped slaves. The surroundings and the motive fix the status of all athletic sports. School athletics, including all the field sports, are

healthful, helpful and necessary, as long as not carried to extremes, nor made a means of dishonest and disgraceful contests for money. The same sports can be debauched by so-called professional bullies whose chief art is to win, no matter by what method. Innocent sports of the school gymnasium can be reduced to disgraceful slugging matches, and when they are so degraded, should be stopped, but clean athletics, in moderation, should never be discouraged, but should be elevated and so surrounded with clean influences that no self-respecting man need be ashamed of his connection with them. Parents and teachers and patrons of schools can keep athletics clean by attending games, and encouraging the participants in making the gridiron and the diamond fit places for mothers and sisters to visit. Nobody upholds the "professional" slugging match. But don't condemn the clean sports. They are part of the young man's training.

A PRIZE TOMATO.

To supply nine persons possessed of healthy appetites with sufficient sliced tomatoes from one tomato was the feat performed by Mrs. Joshua J. W. Shockley, the wife of one of the round sergeants of the Western district, last Sunday at her home, 1937 Harlem avenue. And the tomato which assisted so materially in appeasing the appetites of Sergeant and Mrs. Shockley, their family and guests was plucked from a vine in their yard. It weighed just 22 1/2 ounces and measured a little over 18 inches in circumference. The slices numbered about 30 and filled two good-sized bowls. The vine from which the remarkable vegetable was plucked was set out on June 22 by Mrs. Shockley and was one of a number that had been cultivated earlier in the season by her husband. There are still 16 tomatoes on the vine, most of them unusually large, but none as large as the one used last Sunday, which was the first to be picked from that vine.—Baltimore Sun.

HALF-FINISHED EDUCATION.

It seems almost incredible, and yet the Spokesman-Review asserts that nine children out of 100 complete the 12 years' course of free public instruction offered them, and two-thirds of the school children do not even complete the study of the common branches. We will wager that if the Review looks farther into the question they will discover that many of the pupils have been hurried off to academies and other schools in larger cities who had not half completed the course in their home schools and would be much better fitted for life's duties had they taken full advantage of the opportunities offered at home, before going abroad. This course of procedure leads many to conclude that the home schools are not up to the standard, when such is not the case.—The Dallas Chronicle.

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LIVESTOCK EXPORT TRADE.

A brisk foreign trade in livestock has been done so far this year. The bulk of it has been in cattle, largely owing to the cheapness of American beef which has stimulated exporting. August saw cattle, hogs and sheep to the value of \$2,937,752 sent out, the heaviest export movement for that month since 1901. For the eight expired months of the year, exports of cattle, hogs and sheep are \$28,821,112, the heaviest in recent years, as these figures show:

Table with 2 columns: Year, Value. 1899 \$29,142,408. 1900 29,947,896. 1901 24,713,408. 1902 16,752,612. 1903 24,618,951. 1904 28,821,112.

It is significant, however, that exports of provisions show a decrease, the figures for the expired eight months being but \$97,282,445, which is the smallest in six years past. Cattle exports for August were 47,398 head, valued at \$2,804,017, against 37,235 head, valued at \$2,670,261 in August, 1903. For the eight months ending August, 362,481 cattle were exported, having a value of \$27,289,060, against 302,869, valued at \$23,844,636 a year ago.—Livestock World.

A BAD DISORDER. In the fall of 1895 I contracted that fearful disease, Blood Poison. It gained such headway that I was forced to resign my position and seek relief at Hot Springs. After spending all the means I had I went to Memphis. In less than three weeks I was in a hospital, and after nine weeks of suffering I was discharged as cured. In less than a month every bone in my body seemed to be affected and felt as if they would break at the least exertion. Again I was compelled to resign, and I returned to the hospital for a seven weeks stay. When I came out I was advised to try farming. When I first went on the farm I prevailed on the only firm who handled drugs to get me one dozen bottles of S. S. S. At that time both of my hands were broken out with blisters and I was covered with boils and sores. In the meantime my druggist had gotten two dozen bottles of S. S. S. for me and I began its use, and after taking the thirteenth bottle not a sore or boil was visible. R. H. POWELL, East 9th St., Little Rock, Ark.

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