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We smile to see our little ones at play. So grave, so thoughtful, with maternal care. Nursing the wisps of rags they call their babes. Does he not smile who sees us with the toys. We call by sacred names, and idly feign. To be what we have called them? He is still. The father of this helpless nursery brood. Whose second childhood joins so close the first. That in the crowding, hurrying years, between. We scarce have trained our senses to their tasks. —Oliver Wendell Holmes.

Many a man now living in the Inland Empire remembers having clung to his mother's apron in fear, when the name of Chief Joseph was mentioned back in the summer of 1877. That was a tragic and eventful war, and marked the surrender of the last stronghold in the Inland Empire by the Indians. When Joseph was exiled from Waiilatpu, the task of conquering the wilderness in Eastern Oregon was practically complete. How well he fought for his home, and how savagely he clung to his inheritance is better told in the graves of soldiers and civilians which mark the mountain passes and trails along the route of that six months' running fight from the Clearwater to Bear Paw mountain, in the summer of 1877.

There is a mission for the business men's league, organized last night. There is need of a moderating influence in the community, to offset any extreme influences that may unwittingly demoralize business. It is to the interest of every taxpayer and citizen to belong to this league, and get public sentiment crystallized and fixed so the people may feel assured of the stability of business interests here. This league should represent the very essence of the business community, and should be conservative, yet aggressive in defending the business interests of the city, as much from the abuses of bad saloons and bad characters as from the threatened menace of prohibition. There is need of a regulating force in the city, one which will hold every bad influence in check, and also hold back the radical sentiment which forgets that business is as necessary to the life of the community as sentiment is to the life of the cause.

The construction of the portage road and the opening of the interior of Oregon to settlement and profitable industrial pursuits is of far more importance to the voters of Oregon this fall, than the selection of a president. To those who hope for a government appointment, and a life position without special effort the presidential campaign has much interest. It is to the common run of Oregonians, it takes second place. There is deeper cause for enthusiasm, and a wider field for action in opening up and reclaiming the waste deserts and uniting the idle land and the idle water. There is a genuine sentiment behind the conquest of the wild hills for the home hungry families in the crowded cities. In the selection of a president whose election depends almost wholly upon the amount of campaign funds raised by his committees, there is little to excite the pride or ardor of the thinking citizen.

All the silk manufactured in the United States is the output of 18 mills, every one of which is controlled by the silk trust. The duty on silks runs from 35 to 60 per cent ad valorem. The silk trust is one of the most prosperous and aggressive in the United States, because of its enormous profits from the tariff, and the location of its interest in politics may

be judged from the fact that this trust has contributed \$250,000 to the Cortelyou campaign fund, to aid in the election of Mr. Roosevelt. If the perpetuation of the tariff at its present high rate means so great returns for the trusts, it is reasonable to suppose that they will contribute to its perpetuation. If the sale of protected goods did not yield such enormous returns, is it reasonable to suppose that the combinations would be interested in keeping the high tariff in force? The man who consumes the protected article pays this campaign fund by which the trust hopes to perpetuate the profitable high tariff principle.

A splendid triumph has just been won by the Boise Capital News over a certain element in the democratic party in Idaho. A faction of the democrats in favor of the Mormon element had condemned the News and had virtually read it out of the party, because of its independence and of their failure to dictate its policy. At the recent county convention in Boise a resolution was adopted indorsing the policy and the democracy of the News and condemning those who had made war on the paper because of its independence. This is a triumph for independence in journalism, which is worthy of more than passing notice. The tendency is to make every newspaper subservient to some personal faction in politics and if it asserts its independence, then to begin a war of extermination and a general boycott upon it. There is no room in journalism for the tool in 20th century politics. Independence and fearlessness and a moral backbone which stands up against the most radical man or element in the community, if needs be, are to be commended. There is no place for the fawning pap sucker and the narrow partisan in the intelligent community.

In the Philadelphia Inquirer of September 5, is an alarming showing of the effects of steamship rate cutting in the character of steamer passengers of the steamer Westernland. Of the 500 passengers, 825 were registered in the steamer department and none of them had to pay over \$7.75 fare. The steamship companies have been reducing the steamer rates and as a consequence there has been a steady influx of immigrants into this country. The actual amount of money that goes into the hands of the steamer company is only \$2.75 out of every fare. The remaining \$4 is divided between the agent who sells the ticket in Europe and the United States government. Hitherto one board of inspectors has been sufficient to cope with the problem of examining passengers, but three are now required. This low rate has attracted hundreds of paupers from the poorest quarters of European cities and made an alarmingly great rush into this country. Just why American voters tolerate this evil without attempting to stem it is incomprehensible, as no other problem of the day will have the far-reaching and disastrous results that this deluge of immigrants will produce.

DROUGHT IN EUROPE.

The severe drought which is inflicting European countries has had various injurious effects. It has caused frequent and large conflagrations; it has stopped river navigation entirely in many districts, causing a scarcity of fruits and garden truck, coal, wood, etc., and greatly advanced prices; it has forced works operated by water power to cease running. But it is particularly the insufficiency of feedstuffs for cattle and horses which causes anxiety in agricultural and commercial circles.

The governments of Bulgaria and Roumania have already issued decrees prohibiting the exportation of corn and other cattle feed. Exceptional freight rates, amounting to a reduction of about 50 per cent, are given by Hungarian and Prussian railroads for corn and feedstuffs. The beef and pork supply will be diminished, as farmers are adverse to paying high prices for the feed required for raising stock.

Servia and Austria-Hungary also have issued decrees prohibiting the exportation of corn, hay, and other feedstuffs. The order of the Austro-Hungarian government is most rigid and sweeping, as it includes, in addition, bran and barley, potatoes and beans, oil cake, clover and the husks, dregs and waste materials, even including swill, which can serve as food for animals.

Roumania and Austria-Hungary have heretofore been the principal European sources of supply for corn and feedstuffs for the other countries of Western Europe. This source of supply now being closed, Germany, Italy, France, Switzerland, Belgium, Holland and England, as well as the Scandinavian countries, will have to depend principally upon the United States and, to a smaller extent, upon Argentina for food for their cattle and horses.—Livestock World.

Some folks are determined to dominate or die, and as there are few who rise to the first degree there are many who fall to the second.

Russia will assure the United States in a forthcoming note that she does not intend to prey upon American commerce during the war.

THE LITTLE COAT. Here's his ragged "roundabout," Turn his pockets inside out; See his penknife, lost to use, Rusted shut with apple juice; Here, with marbles, top and string, Is his deadly "devil sling." With its rubber, limp and string, As the sparrows of the past; Beeswax—buckles—leather straps— Bullets, and a box of caps— Not a thing at all, I guess. But betrays some waywardness— E'en these tickets, blue and red, For the Bible verses said— Such as this has memory kept— "Jesus wept." Here's a fishing hook and line, Tangled up wire and twine, And dead angle worms, and some Slugs of lead and chewing gum, Blent with scents that can but come From the oil of rhodium. Here—a soiled yet dainty note, That some little sweetheart wrote; Dotting—"Vine grows round the stump." And—"My sweetest sugar lump!" Wrapped in this—a paddock key Where he's filled a touch-hole, see? And some powder in a quill, Corked up with a liver pill; And a spongy little chunk

Of punk. Here's the little coat, but, oh! Where is he we've censured so? Don't you hear us calling, dear? Back, come back, and never fear— You may wander where you will Over orchard, field and hill; You may kill the birds, or do Anything that pleases you! All this empty coat of his! Every tatter worth a kiss. Every stain as pure instead As the white stars overhead; And the pockets—homes were they Of the little hands that play Now no more, but, absent thus, Beckon us. —Florida Times-Union.

CRITICISM. It is easy to sit in the sunshine And talk to the man in the shade; It is easy to float in a well-trimmed boat And point out the places to wade. It is easy to sit in your carriage And counsel the man on foot; But get down and walk and you'll change your talk As you feel the peg in your boot. It is easy to tell the toiler How best he can carry his pack; But no one can rate a burden's weight 'Till it has been on his back. The up-curl'd mouth of pleasure Can preach of sorrow's worth; But give it a slip, and a wryer lip Was never made on earth. —San Francisco Call.

Building Up the Interior. Two carloads of sawmill machinery consigned to W. L. Vinson are waiting Sumpter to be taken to the Thornburg placers. It will be hauled to North Fork over the new road, which will be completed in a few days.—Granite Gem.

Advertisement for Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, featuring an illustration of a woman and child. Text: "In the good old days the sexton announced a death in the community by a stroke on the church bell for every year of the life that was gone. People expected, then, to live to old age, and speculation at the first tap of the bell took a narrow range including only those who had lived the allotted time. There is no reason why people should not have the same expectancy of age to-day, except for the neglect and abuse of the one organ on which all the other organs depend—the stomach. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery enables men and women to be strong and healthy, by curing diseases of the stomach (and other organs of digestion and nutrition), which prevent the proper nourishment of the body. 'I had been sick for two years with indigestion and nervous debility and had taken medicine from my family doctor for a long time without much benefit,' writes Mrs. W. H. Peckham, of Lockport, N. C. 'Was induced by my husband to consult Dr. Pierce by letter. You advised me to take 'Golden Medical Discovery' and 'Favorite Prescription,' which I did, and to my great surprise, after taking six bottles I was cured.' The Medical Adviser, in paper covers, is sent free for 21 one-cent stamps to pay expense of mailing only. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y."

Advertisement for Frederick Nolf & Co. featuring a list of books. Text: "All the latest books of the day. Frederick Nolf & Co. 'In the Bishop's Carriage.' 'When Wilderness Was King.' 'The Corner in Coffee.' 'The Woman Wins.' 'Order No. 11.' 'The Grafters.' 'The Gordon Elopement.' 'Old George Graham.' 'Four Roads to Paradise.' And 59 others. MERRILL TYPEWRITER CO., So. 7 Post St., Spokane, Gen. Agt. LENSLOW TYPEWRITER Supplies — Renting — Expert Repairing"

A PASTOR'S WIFE CURED OF PELVIC CATARRH

She Suffered for Years and Felt Her Case Was Hopeless—Cured by Pe-ru-na. MRS. ANNA B. FLEHARTY, recent Superintendent of the W. C. T. U. headquarters, at Galesburg, Ill., was for ten years one of the leading women there. Her husband, when living, was first President of the Nebraska Wesleyan University, at Lincoln, Neb. In a letter written from 401 Sixty-seventh street, W., Chicago, Ill., Mrs. Fleharty says the following in regard to Peruna: "Having lived a very active life as wife and working partner of a busy minister, my health failed me a few years ago. I lost my husband about the same time, and gradually I seemed to lose health and spirit. My daughter is a confirmed invalid, and we both felt great need of an invigorator. 'One of my neighbors advised me to try Peruna. A bottle was immediately secured and a great change took place in my daughter's as well as in my own health. Our appetites improved very greatly, the digestion seemed much helped, and restful sleep soon improved us, so that we seemed like new women. 'I would not be without Peruna for ten times its cost.'—Mrs. Anna B. Fleharty.



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What used to be called female diseases by the medical profession is now called pelvic catarrh. It has been found by experience that catarrhal diseases of the pelvic organs are the cause of most cases of female diseases. Dr. Hartman was among the first of America's great physicians to make this discovery. For forty years he has been treating diseases peculiar to women, and long ago he reached the conclusion that a woman entirely free from catarrhal affection of these organs would not be subject to female disease. He therefore began using Peruna for these cases and found it so admirably adapted to their permanent cure that Peruna has now become the most famous remedy for female diseases ever known. Everywhere the women are using it and praising it. Peruna is not a palliative simply; it cures by removing the cause of female disease. Dr. Hartman has probably cured more women of female ailments than any other living physician. He makes these

cures simply by using and recommending Peruna. Mrs. Esther M. Milner, DeGraff, Ohio, writes: "I was a terrible sufferer from female weakness and had the headache continuously. I was not able to do my housework for myself and husband. I wrote you and described my condition as near as possible. You recommended Peruna. I took four bottles and was completely cured. I think Peruna a wonderful medicine."—Mrs. Esther M. Milner. Congressman Thad. M. Mahon, of Chambersburg, Pa., writes: "I take pleasure in commending your Peruna as a substantial tonic and a good catarrh remedy."—T. M. Mahon. If you do not receive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peruna, write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis. Address: Dr. Hartman, President of The Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, Ohio.

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Advertisement for The French Restaurant. Text: "The French Restaurant Best 25 Cent Meal in the City. Private Dining Parlors. Elegant Furnished Rooms in Connection. GUS LaFONTEINE, Prop. 633 Main Street."