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 Could I but teach man to believe—  
 Could I but make small men to grow!  
 To break frail spider-webs that weave  
 About their thews and bind them low!  
 Could I but sing one song and slay  
 Grim Doubt; I then could go my way  
 In tranquil silence, glad, serene  
 And satisfied from off the scene!  
 But, ah! this disbelief, this Doubt—  
 This doubt of God, this doubt of good,  
 The damned spot will not blot out!  
 —Joaquin Miller.

Tom Watson opened his campaign in Texas by knocking down a negro coachman at Houston.

Washington's grain inspection law somewhat resembles Oregon's Sunday closing law. It is simply an "ornament" on the statute.

Pendleton would much rather wait on cars for the shipment of products than to have empty cars waiting on Pendleton with less products to ship.

Some people think the principal use of the telephone is to give them an opportunity to say things at a distance that they wouldn't say at close range.

The tired ears of the mayor and council are to get no rest. The saloon piano is silent, but the sweet revelry of the vaudeville voice and trumpet haunts the midnight hour.

Judge Ellis' court is turning out divorces constantly, while Cupid and the Pendleton ministers are doing but little in the match-making line to offset it. The equilibrium must be maintained somehow.

Pendleton can't afford to lose an industry. The Rigby-Clove harvester factory must be kept here. Just now, when ample electric power is at the threshold of the city, there is greater reason for keeping it, because the city is at the beginning of its best business period.

The same intrepid business men who are now investigating the plans of the Rigby-Clove factory brought the factory here in the first place. The same men brought the wool scouring mills, the woolen mills and other valuable institutions here. The same men can now keep them here, if they have the co-operation of the business men in the community.

Louis Fleischmann, the New York baker who established the practice of giving away every night the unsold bread of the day's business, is dead. He established the "bread line" in New York, and deserves more praise than the man who invented the dum-dum bullet, the 13-inch gun, or the submarine. However, he will not be honored with a government monument.

There need be no fear of offending any moderate class of people in the community by completing the anti-prohibition organization tonight. Even the extreme prohibitionist whose money is invested in Pendleton and whose whole interest is centered here, does not wish to see sudden prohibition precipitated on the county. There is need of better conditions, but they can be brought about slowly, and the business interests protected.

The Sunday Oregonian says the great injustice of the coming election is that democrats are allowed to vote in the North while republicans are denied that privilege in the South. It may also be remarked along this line that the party that bestowed the ranches on the negro has been unable, with all its wisdom, and almost uninterrupted sway since the war, to make the negro any more fit to vote today than he was 40 years ago.

## RACE SUICIDE IN ENGLAND.

At the time of the Boer war it was discovered in England that a large proportion, about 60 per cent of the population, were physically unfit.

The showing attracted much attention and parliament appointed a committee to investigate it. This committee's report, made recently, goes into causes and remedies.

Among the causes of physical deterioration which it enumerates, are over-crowding, pollution of the atmosphere, unhealthful conditions of employment, alcoholism, depletion of rural districts by the exodus of the best types, diminished rate of reproduction among the better classes, bad and insufficient food and bad conditions attending the life of children, such as hereditary taint, employment of mothers too long before and too soon after childbirth, decrease in breast feeding, defective milk supply, parental ignorance and neglect.

The remedies proposed are a better school system, medical inspection of school children, more adequate nourishment of children, prevention of risks of contamination during childhood and youth, less juvenile smoking and better care of the children's eyes, ears and teeth.

Judging by the very prevalent drunkenness in England on holidays or during national celebrations, it would seem that insufficient weight had been laid on this feature of English life. When animal fanciers wish to stunt the growth of puppies they feed them diluted alcohol.

The Knoxville wreck on the Southern railway happened too late for the afternoon papers of Saturday to get anything but the barest facts. The morning papers which were printed 14 hours after can claim no credit for giving the details first. It was remarkable that the afternoon papers gave even the slightest mention of it on Saturday. Papers receiving the afternoon Associated Press reports gave two lines on the wreck. The Scripps-McRae gave 12 lines.

Judging from the success of the woolgrowers' recent meeting at Shanika, very little Oregon wool will be sold outside of the pool next season. It has taken a long time for the spirit of unionism to reach the trade of woolgrowing.

## LARGEST ORGAN MADE.

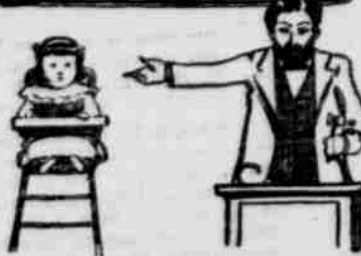
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Mt. Vesuvius is still in violent eruption and tourists are still fleeing from the vicinity.

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