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RENEWAL.

The sea is a molten pearl,
And pearl the fleecless sky,
The firstling leaves unfurl,
And the air is a fragrant sigh.

A bird's soft madrigal
In the pear-tree's blossoming;
High on the church-spire tall
A white dove preens her wing.

The elemental strife
Lost in a peace profound,
In sound of quickening life
That yet is scarcely sound.

One with the starry chime
Earth keeps her rhythmic beat—
Our mother, old as time,
With heart still young and sweet.

—Ina Coolbrith, in Century.

FORTUNATELY SITUATED.

As an outcome of the interstate commerce commission's decision in the Spokane rate case, a peculiar situation has come to light with reference to the rates to Pendleton and to other points between this city and Spokane. The situation shows that as a result of its splendid geographical position Pendleton is in line to be highly favored, provided the commission deals justly by this city.

Under the commission's order both the Hill and Harriman lines have been told to reduce rates between the east and Spokane. However it is announced that the order, as far as it applies to the Chicago-Spokane rate has been temporarily postponed in order to allow the Union Pacific to revise its rates to points between Pendleton and Spokane.

Now it so occurs that upon the Union Pacific Spokane is more distant from Chicago than is Pendleton. Consequently Pendleton is entitled to the Spokane rate or else to a more favorable rate. On the Northern Pacific Pendleton is more distant from Chicago than is Spokane. But if the Northern Pacific is to compete with the Union Pacific at this point then the Northern must meet the latter's rate.

Thus it may be seen that Pendleton occupies a strategic position. Because of its remarkable location this city is really entitled to lower rates from the east than any other city in the northwest. It should be able to secure such rates over both the Union Pacific and the Northern Pacific.

It is also of interest to note that the commission says that if the Union Pacific does not establish rates that are satisfactory to Pendleton and other towns in this vicinity they will permit these communities to file intervening petitions in the proceeding, upon consideration of which a conclusion will be reached and rates established.

ALFALFA AND DROUGHT.

As a drought resisting crop alfalfa perhaps stands as foremost among the plants that are raised in the west. Alfalfa is a plant that starts slowly, when conditions are unfavorable, but when a stand is once established the plant becomes extremely hardy, surviving droughts and hot winds more successfully than almost any other crop.

This hardness is due to the fact that the alfalfa roots go deep into the soil and the root system is so extensive that the plant will live even during extreme drought. According to a bulletin from the Kansas experiment station tests made at the station have revealed alfalfa roots at the depth of nine feet. At the Colorado experiment station alfalfa roots have been found at a depth of 12 feet. Alfalfa is without doubt one of the deepest rooted plants grown.

In Kansas alfalfa growing has been indulged in very successfully and within the past few years alfalfa has

come to be known as the best crop of all for dry land farming. It is now being raised in portions of Kansas where the rain fall is very light.

Prof. A. M. TenEyck, agronomist at the Kansas station, has made an extensive study of the plant and he speaks as follows of the benefits to be derived from alfalfa growing:

"I believe that alfalfa will do more for western agriculture in the next fifty years than all the other crops which farmers may be able to grow in this region. The soil of western Kansas and of much of the Western Plains is unusually rich in the mineral elements of plant-food, but, as stated before, it is often lacking in humus, which becomes especially noticeable if the land has been farmed continuously to wheat for a few years. By growing alfalfa it is possible to increase the supply of humus in the soil, and the roots of the plants penetrating deep into the subsoil disintegrate and deepen the soil, and altogether greatly improve its texture, giving it greater capacity to absorb and hold water. The beneficial effect on the soil of growing alfalfa is only incidental to the rapid introduction of the crop throughout the West. The great value of the crop as a money-maker is the main factor which is introducing it into the agriculture of the Central West. Where alfalfa can be successfully marketed or fed, no other crop grown in the West will yield so great a net profit per acre in a series of years."

WASHINGTON'S SHAME.

It now appears that the state of Washington has been honey combed with graft. It is charged that 32 officers of the state are subject to indictment and it is reported a special session of the legislature may be called by Governor Hay to take action upon the situation. Some of the state officers, like Orin Hamilton, are openly charged with thievery while others are accused of breaking the law by creating deficiencies.

The situation has caused the Seattle Post-Intelligencer to speak in the following forcible manner:

"There is but one way to clear the state of Washington of the taint put upon it by recent disclosures of plunder, graft, embezzlement, forgery and filching in the public service: The wrongdoers must be whipped from office, stripped of their powers, and punished as the law provides.

"Bad men whose records have already been uncovered must go, and if there are other bad men in the public service, men who are doing what the law does not authorize, or failing to do what the law requires of them, their records, too, must be laid bare, and they must be driven out of office also and punished if they committed offenses punishable under existing law.

"Distressed and shocked by a long and cheerless list of official irregularities, and by a wholesale and systematic criminal diversion of public funds, the people of this state are in no mood to view with patience the hindrances and annoyances crafty schemers may seek to put in the way; the purging processes have begun, and they must go on until the records of the state are no longer foul with fraud, and until the last grafter has been shaken from the public seat.

"Public confidence in the integrity of public men has been rudely shocked by recent events in this state, and public pride has been stung to the quick by the doings of men who are apparently without a sense of shame without heart, conscience or gratitude.

Day after day goes by and yet nothing is done towards improving the parks. Why don't the ladies clubs, or some one else, petition the city council to appoint a park commission, or a council committee, to take up the work of preparing the parks for use? The improvement has been too long delayed already.

Athena people have become thoroughly imbued with the idea that the Lord aids those who do something for themselves. They are now raising money for publicity purposes.

It is not too late for some one to build a new theatre.

HIS DAY OF RECKONING.

As the stout man whose appetite had excited the envy of the other boarders turned to leave the parlor, he looked down at his waistcoat. "I declare, I've lost two buttons off my vest," he said, ruefully.

He was a new boarder, but his landlady saw no reason for further delay in showing her banner, "Watchfulness and economy for all." She gave him the benefit of the chill gaze so familiar to her older boarders.

"I think without doubt you will find them both in the dining room," she announced, clearly. — Youth's Companion.

THE FACES OF OUR DEAD.

The faces of our dead ones lie below
The face of God;
Withdrawn from this world's weariness,
Beyond its pain, beyond its bitter stress,
They are at peace.

The noises of this earth-life may not break
That wondrous peace;
It lies deep-folded in the eternal place
Beyond the power of wrong, above the trace
Of doubt and fear.

They see the face of God, and know at last
The things they sought,
But could not find, in this gray light of time,
They tread with holy feet that far off clime,
They live with God.

And we who follow them are not forgot.
They know our life;
The memory of years once lived upon these lands
Where we still toil with weary feet and hands,
Is sacred still.

—Pascol Harrower.

NAPOLEON'S LITTLE HORSE.

London.—Who could guess from looking at this little white, stuffed horse that long ago in his lifetime he was the favorite war horse of the great Napoleon Bonaparte? As you can see by looking closely, he is smaller than the average horse, and one would expect a war horse, especially the favorite mount of such a conqueror as Napoleon, to be big and muscular.

The little white horse has just been discovered, after having been hidden away for forty years. It has been placed on exhibition in the Musée de l'Armée in Paris, a famous museum, where thousands of tourists and sightseers will gaze at it. Thirty years or so ago it was found in a box in an attic in the Louvre. On this box was the inscription, "A Monsieur de Chef des Musees Imperiaux a Paris, Cheval de Napoleon I., from the natural History Society, Manchester." (To the chief of the Imperial museums at Paris.)

The papers of the natural history society at Manchester were diligently searched, and it was found that the stuffed horse actually belonged to Napoleon and that the great Emperor of the French frequently rode him. He was an Arab horse named Vizier.

If you could get near enough to the horse you would see that there is a peculiar mark on his left flank. That is the monogram of Napoleon himself, which he had branded on the horse so that every one who saw the animal would know that he belonged to the Emperor Napoleon, the greatest conqueror of history.

You might get the idea from this that Napoleon was a fine rider. But as a matter of fact Napoleon was not a good rider and did not look well on horseback. No doubt if automobiles had been invented in his time he would gladly have ridden in one, instead of using the little stuffed white horse whose picture we see.

REAL AUTO POEM

Arthur Riddle, the old-time philosopher, made a poem out of the automobile, as follows:

"I like the smell of the gas so well, and the smell of the gasoline, and I like the purr and electric whirr of the buzzomobile machine. What a joy to ride o'er the countryside with a gale tearing by your ears, as you fly through space at a wicked pace with never a thought of fears. Clear out of mind is the town behind, for nothing is real, indeed, but your motor red, and the road ahead and the dizzy delight of speed—till the sudden shock when a cruel rock destroys your dream with a jerk. The car breaks down and you walk to town, half a day late to work.

Shot Trying to Trap Thief.
Logansport, Ind.—Schuyler Holly was killed today by a trap he had prepared to kill a thief that had been raiding his chicken house. He had arranged an old muzzle-loading pistol so that when the door of the chicken house opened the pistol would be discharged. He forgot to disconnect the trap before he opened the door, and the load was discharged into his breast.

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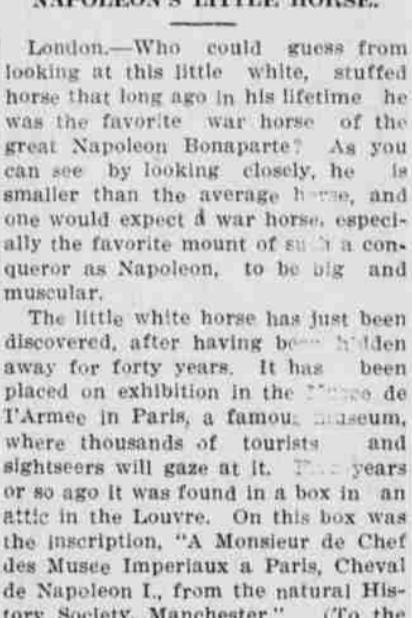
In such cases it would be wise if a change of vocation could be made. But this is not always possible and a good tonic becomes a necessity.

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Yours very truly,
(Miss) P. Monterde.

ABOUT WOMEN.

(Progressive Women.)

The average wage of the working woman is \$272.04 a year.

The United States had 1,000,000 divorces in the past ten years. Two-thirds of these were granted upon the demand of the wife.

The women's federated clubs of America claim 5,000 branches, organized in forty-six states, with an aggregate membership of 800,000 women.

The lack of direct political influence constitutes a powerful reason why women's wages have been kept at a minimum.—Carroll D. Wright, ex-Commissioner of Labor.

In Australia, where women vote, the child of a poor widowed mother instead of being taken from her and placed in an institution, is boarded with its mother at the expense of the state.

The number of boys in the high schools of the country in 1905-6 was 305,308; of girls, 417,354. Yet there are those who say "that the ballot for women would but increase the ignorant vote."

According to an Ohio report for 1901, 6920 women in the three largest cities earned \$4.83 a week, worked 57½ hours and paid \$2.44 for 1,000 persons depending on them for support.

A Fine Pair.

"What do you think of the two candidates?" asked one elector of another during a recent contest.

"What do I think of them?" was the reply. "Well, when I look at them I'm thankful only one of them can get in."

The coal fields of England cover 13,000 square miles.

CONDENSED

Report of Condition of the American National Bank of Pendleton

United States Depository

Rendered Comptroller of the Currency as of Date April 28, 1909.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts	\$1,014,844.49
Overdrafts	10,187.96
Warrants and Securities	14,635.67
United States Bonds	160,100.00
Premium on U. S. Bonds	3,200.00
Banking House	60,000.00
Other Real Estate	500.00
RESERVE.	
Cash on hand and due from banks	299,810.59
U. S. Treasury	1,563,278.71

LIABILITIES

Capital stock	\$ 100,000.00
Surplus	100,000.00
Undivided profits (net)	58,205.25
Circulation	98,400.00
U. S. Treasurer	47,500.00
Deposits	1,159,173.46
	\$1,563,278.71

Increase in deposits since February 5th, 1909, \$50,037.21.

I hereby certify that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

W. L. THOMPSON, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29th day of April, 1909.

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