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THE CALL OF OUTDOORS.
What's the use of staying in when the trees are all in bud
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When the whole outdoors is springing
To the theme of nature's singing.
What's the use of anything, when the birds are on the wing?
What's the use to hang around when the streams are full of fish?
When the violets deck the ground and the waters are aswish?
When the call of spring's romancing
Through your heart and brain is dancing,
Isn't it delight to shrink when the spring rinks off on work?
O the desk that's piled so high with the things that must be done,
While far-riding in the sky hangs a glorious, tempting sun!
O the striving and the trying when the heart for play is crying!
Isn't it a fearful thing to be working, in the spring?
Isn't it a real distress, just to toil and toil along
When you really must confess that you'd rather sing a song?
It's enough! This thing is finished
With my yearn no whit diminished!
See you later, folks—good-by!
It's the big outdoors for I!
—Baltimore Sun.

THE CROP OUTLOOK.
Not for three years or longer has there been such a hay crop as is now being harvested in this county, according to a prominent stockman who has been here today from the southern end of the county. Coming in from Camas prairie he was agreeably surprised at the sight of the alfalfa fields and he says there will be no shortage of hay this winter.
The same good reports are also heard here daily with reference to the wheat crop. In the best portions of the country there is going to be a bumper crop this year if all goes well. It is true that in some of the light land sections the need of rain has been felt and some farmers that do not use the best wheat farming methods may have light yields. But the conditions in general are more than satisfactory and it is entirely possible that the record breaking crop of '07 may be duplicated this year. The weather prevailing at this time is beneficial to the growing grain as it gives the wheat a chance to fill.
But then Umatilla county usually has good crops.

he was then, as now, good natured. "We were determined on nothing less than a concert, and told Taft that we would try out his voice in song, and we insisted that it should be from no less a place than his study desk; and from there he sang to us, much to our edification and delight. He sang well the songs we told him to sing. I do not believe he was mollified after that, but, at all events, that is the way some twelve of us hazed him."—Boston Advertiser.
HIS TITLE WAS GOOD.
It is told that after Professor Aytoun had made proposals of marriage to Miss Emily Jane Wilson, daughter of Christopher North, he was, as a matter of course, referred to her father. As the professor was unaccountably diffident, he said to her, "Emily, my dear, you must speak to him for me. I could not summon courage to speak to the professor on this subject."
"Papa is in the library," said the lady.
"Then you had better go to him," said the professor, "and I will wait here."
There being apparently no help for it, the lady proceeded to the library. "Papa's answer is pinned to the back of my dress," said Miss Wilson, as she re-entered the room.
Turning around, the delighted suitor read these words:
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NOT ROOM FOR TWO.
General Phil Sheridan was at one time asked at what little incident did he laugh the most.
"Well," said he, "I do not know, but I always laugh when I think of the Irishman and the army mule."
"I was riding down the line one day, when I saw an Irishman mounted on a mule, which was kicking its legs rather freely. The mule finally got its hoof caught in the stirrup, when in the excitement the Irishman glared at the animal, remarked:
"Well, if you're going to get on, I'll get off."—Human Life.

W. L. Finley, state game warden has almost a nationwide reputation as an authority on birds and many local people will be interested in his coming lecture in this city. The average man likes to listen to a man discuss a subject with which he is familiar and in which he is enthusiastically interested.
Those Idaho bandits seem bent on repeating the performances of Tracy and Merrill.
Before selecting any class of pavement the city council should make a thorough investigation.
THE PRESIDENT WAS HAZED.
At a recent smoker of the Washington Yale club it came out how the wicked sophomores of Yale, at the time President Taft was a freshman hazed him.
When the Yale men discovered Caldwell C. Tyler of the class of 1877 in their midst they insisted on knowing how the class of '77 had hazed the class of '78, of which W. H. Taft was a member, and they particularly wanted to know how Freshman Taft had been initiated into the mysteries of Yale.
"Well, that is not hard to answer," said Mr. Tyler. "I happened to be one of the ten or twelve that visited Taft on a mission conducted solely by sopomores. We found him in his room alone, and, of course, the visit of so large a delegation of men of hostile intent made its impression. But

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At their reception given the other evening the president and his wife were personally greeted by many thousands. It was a democratic affair, no gold lace and knee breeches. Save those of the diplomatic corps and of the army and navy the men wore the conventional evening clothes and the ladies their party gowns. The people present stood largely upon their own present day footing.
There are no dukes and earls and counts and countesses in America. But there were many good plain American citizens and their wives in the line. Mr. and Mrs. Senator were there and Mr. and Mrs. Representative. Neighbors came from Ohio to pay their respects to the president and his wife. It was a simple affair yet something genuine. There was no tinsel show and mock nobility. On the occasion of their silver wedding President and Mrs. Taft had the good wishes and the real esteem of 100,000,000 people who stand beneath the folds of the flag of freedom and are the equals of the white house couple, not their subjects.
In the old country where crowns and sceptres have not yet been thrown into the ash heap they do things differently. At the coronation parade yesterday countless titled gentlemen and ladies rode through the streets of London while thousands of poor lined the streets and begged them for alms. The police were powerless to handle the beggars. Why should they handle them. They are but the effect. Why not take after the cause?
There are thousands of wealthy Americans though who have gone to London to see the coronation ceremony and they doubtless think it will be a great affair. Perhaps it will be from a scenic standpoint. But a much finer affair in the views of healthy minded American men and women was the reception at the white house Monday evening.

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