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DISTANT BEAUTY.

I know a land where hills are green. With lovely valleys in between. Where limpid streams wind to the sea. Where song birds carol joyously. Where peaceful herds turn, when the day is done, to find the homeward way. The hedges bloom in spring-time there. To lend a fragrance to the air; The roads go up and down the hills. And here and there a cottage. A cozy nook among the trees. As if to make the picture please. Wild creatures come and go at will; The weeks are long, the days are still; The grass is soft beneath one's tread; The clouds are fleecy overhead; I'd live there if some way were known To live on scenery alone. —S. E. Kiser.

SHOW THEM A WELCOME.

People disagree in politics and Pendleton has its full share of such disagreement. But there is one subject upon which the people of this city are pretty well together and they should be together. One and all we are imbued with the idea that when visitors come to this city—especially in large numbers for conventions—they should be adequately cared for and entertained.

These remarks are prompted by an appeal made today in behalf of the Sunday school workers who are to be here Thursday for their annual state convention. It will be a big gathering. There will be some 400 or 500 people present, it is estimated, and there will be speakers from all over the nation. But the coming meeting has attracted little attention. It is doubtful if the majority of local people know it is to be held and seemingly preparations for the accommodation and entertainment of the visitors have been neglected. Whose fault this has been the East Oregonian does not know and wont attempt to say. It does not matter anyway. The essential thing is that the convention has been overlooked and that there is still time to make up for our shortcomings if we but get busy.

Pendleton is the convention city of eastern Oregon. It has the reputation of being the best small city in the state for convention purposes. That because we have great railroad facilities, good hotel and restaurant accommodations and because the town usually "makes a fuss" over those who come here for convention purposes. It is a good reputation to have.

The time for the Sunday school convention is almost at hand and it is too bad attention was not called to the matter sooner. But a good live committee from the Commercial club could do wonders in a few days. The Commercial club is in the finest shape it has ever been and if the organization takes the matter up the visitors can be given such a welcome as will warm their hearts towards Pendleton and send them homeward with praise for our people—good and bad. It should be done.

AGAINST LORIMERISM.

Commenting upon the recent primary election in Illinois the Record-Herald had the following to say: The overshadowing issue at the primaries yesterday was Lorimerism and jack-potism. The republican voters were not misled or diverted; they put aside minor considerations, and voted for decency and honesty.

The jack-potters knew at the outset that they must concentrate their forces; the good government forces were unfortunately divided, and in that division the great and only danger lay. During the last fortnight of the most exciting and chaotic campaign in the history of the state the trend toward Deneen was, however, strong and unmistakable. Republican voters realized that the most effective way to crush Lorimerism and all its works was to nominate the candidate whom the corruptionists and bipartisan spoliemen fought most desperately—to make their verdict emphatic and unchallengeable.

The Deneen victory is the answer of honest republicanism in Illinois to the campaign of hypocrisy and impudent sophistry carried on by the Lorimerites. The eyes of the nation were on Illinois, and today honest men throughout the country will rejoice; the United States senate will take notice and read in the returns a popular demand for moral treatment of a fundamental moral issue.

There is no room for misapprehension or controversy. Illinois republicanism is determined to purge itself and keep the bipartisan jackpotters and traffickers in senatorial seats out of the executive mansion and the general assembly.

PECULIARITIES.

The primary election developed some peculiar results and they are hard to understand. Republicans voted strongly for Roosevelt yet in the senatorial election they turned down the most conspicuous progressive candidate and nominated the former Taft chairman. Judge Lowell, the most deserving man in the race, ran third throughout the state.

In Portland the voters covered themselves with glory or something else by renominating Lafferty. From that one might well conclude they are a bad lot down there and don't care for decency. Yet they showed good judgment with reference to the district attorney's office by nominating Evans over Fouts and Cameron.

In this county the voters showed a decided independence of the organization when it came to presidential votes yet they swallowed Hinkle and Mann, for legislative nominations.

The nomination of Ben W. Olcott as secretary of state was a fine tribute to that capable official and it was also an endorsement of Governor West who appointed Olcott to office. It is very evident the people like the manner in which the state administration handles affairs.

It will be surprising if the Titanic wreck does not result in a demand by the public for Atlantic liners that will be better equipped with lifeboats even if at the sacrifice of speed.

East Oregon at least will have a creditable man for congressman and he is no standpatter either.

MEXICAN MANNERS.

Francis I. Madero, president of Mexico, is a small man and somewhat sensitive on the subject. Not long ago Madero and his cabinet were photographed. Abraham Gonzales, secretary of state, is a very tall man and stout, and he was required to stand next to Madero when the picture was taken.

Madero lifted his eyes to the top of the head of the great Gonzales, observed the difference in stature and coughed slightly.

Then he said: "I feel that my size will not show to advantage unless we are seated."

"Your excellency," replied Don Abraham, "if you could stand on your wisdom we should all be dwarfs."

"Well said," Madero returned, "provided you did not stand on your courtesy at the same time."

And the cheers of the onlookers were mingled with the hoarse cries of the revolutionists.—Saturday Evening Post.

A STARTLING STATEMENT.

A gentleman once told a lady acquaintance that he was descended from John Alden and Priscilla. The lady's daughter, who had been recently studying "The Courtship of Miles Standish," overheard, and, turning to him an astonished face, queried, "What, from both?"—April Lippincott's.

CANT INSURE SILK BUYERS.

Exporters Placed in Dilemma Owing to Unsettled State of China. Shanghai—Silk exporters who are about to proceed to the inland districts to purchase cocoons have been placed in a dilemma, owing to their inability to obtain insurances for the large amount of cash they have to transport.

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Dance.

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THE REALM FEMININE

In drawing threads for Mexican work or hemstitching, it saves much time and trouble to draw the thread from the middle of the space first; after this two threads, one on each side of the drawn one, may be pulled out at once.

Lamb's wool shoes in rubber shoes will keep the feet warm when one is outdoors a long time. Get those soles which come for bedroom slippers. Besides keeping the feet warm they will keep them dry should the heels of the rubber shoes leak.

Before beginning to embroider the edges of towels, outline the edge of the scallops with a small stitch done on the sewing machine. The button-holding covers the stitch perfectly and gives a very firm edge that is unobtainable in any other way.

If you are troubled with rats, try the following: Put on a board or shingle a little mound of dry lye, about a teaspoonful. Mix enough molasses with the lye to moisten it; then pour just a little more over the top. Rats love molasses and will eat the lye unknowingly.

To open a stubborn fruit jar, invert the top of the jar in hot water (boiling hot, but not boiling), taking care that the water is not deep enough to touch the glass. The principle is to expand the metal top. Then open as usual. A minute or two is sufficient; should it remain in too long the glass would also be expanded.

An asbestos pad for the table may be made in this way: Get enough asbestos paper to cover the table with double thickness. From a couple of old sheets cut two pieces the size of the table. Baste the asbestos paper between them and quilt it on the sewing machine, using a long stitch. This is necessary, as the paper tears and pulls apart easily. Put this pad on the table and under your silence cloth, and there will be no marks on the polished surface by hot dishes.

Do no throw away vinegar in which homemade cucumber pickles have been preserved. Keep it and use it in salad dressing, instead of the ordinary vinegar. The flavor is delicious and one that cannot be gained in any other way.

To save the top of a stocking from being worn out by the supporter fastening, attach a small brass ring to a piece of tape and sew the tape to the stocking. Clasp the supporters through the rings, using rings that will not allow them to slip through.

To tell oleomargarine from pure butter heat a small lump of the former in an iron spoon over the flame of a lamp. If it sputters like grease and water, it is oleomargarine. Pure butter will simply boil with little protest and produce an abundance of foam.

The very best remedy for a bruise is butter. Whenever one of the children has a fall or knock of any kind, apply butter. This relieves the pain, prevents swelling and keeps the hurt place from turning black and blue. It is a very simple salve and one that is always in the house.

Clothes props kept in place where they can always be found in good condition on washing days, is easily accomplished by following this plan: Fasten two loops of stout cord or leather against the wall of the house somewhere near the laundry, one placed high and the other low. Through these loops slip the poles as soon as they are no longer needed.

Many housewives believe in boiling new earthenware before using it, as this effectually toughens and hardens it. This is particularly efficacious in the case of ordinary brown kitchenware, the articles being placed in a large pan of cold water which is then brought slowly to the boil. After being allowed to boil for ten minutes remove the pan and allow the water to cool before taking out the ware.

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FROM THE PEOPLE

WELCOME THE VISITORS. Appeal Made For Attending to Big Sunday School Gathering.

Editor East Oregonian: Will you please grant me space to appeal to the civic pride of the people of Pendleton and ask welcome and support of the State Sunday School Convention which assembles in this city on Thursday morning of this week. It is expected there will be gathered from 300 to 500 delegates from all portions of Eastern Oregon, and from Portland, with distinguished speakers from the east. The men and women who will be here are leaders in the moral and religious activities of the state, and the impression they receive here will count large in the good or bad reputation of our city. For some reason little interest is manifested. If it were a round-up or a commercial gathering, the men of the city would have long since been ready, and a hearty welcome and high honors would be showered on our visitors. Let me ask the men and women of Pendleton to open their homes to the delegates, meet them at the trains, and attend the convention sessions. Upon the program are people of nation-wide fame.

Respectfully, MRS. A. S. LOWELL. April 22, 1912.

AN EPITAPH AD.

There is a Philadelphia man who is an authority on epitaphs, serious and otherwise—"otherwise" for, as every one knows, many are unconsciously funny. "But," says the Philadelphian, "it is not often that one encounters an epitaph that is meant to carry a business advertisement. Such a one, however, exists in an Ohio cemetery. It was the happy idea of the widow of a man named McConnell a partner in an industrial concern known as McConnell & McCumber.

"It appears that, not long after the decease of her husband, Mrs. McConnell married Mr. McCumber, her late husband's business associate.

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