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BETTER THAN GOLD.

Better than grandeur, better than gold.
Than rank or titles, a hundred-fold,
Is a healthful body, a mind at ease
And simple pleasures that always please,
Heart that can feel for a neighbor's woe
And share his joy with a friendly glow,
With sympathies large enough to enfold
All men as brothers, is better than gold.
Better than gold is the sweet repose
Of the sons of toil when their labors close;
Better than gold is the poor man's sleep
And the balm that drops on his slumbers deep;
Better than gold is a thinking mind
That in realms of thought and books can find
A treasure surpassing Australian ore
And live with the great and good of yore.
—Alexander Smart.

Though the engineer who ran over little Ethel Grubb yesterday has been exonerated by the O.-W.-R. & N. the coroner's jury should act.
The railroad company cannot be held blameless for the sad accident. The little girl was rushing to school and probably did not know of the oncoming danger until it was too late. It is easy for a person traveling west on East Court street to be surprised by a train coming in on the Spokane division. Just before the train reaches the crossing it passes through a cut and to further hide the train from view there is a high board fence. To a little tot like Ethel Grubb an incoming train would be hidden until it had almost reached the crossing.

The life of a little girl was sacrificed yesterday because the O.-W.-R. & N. company has been saving money it should have spent long ago to safeguard that bloody crossing. This is not said for the purpose of harassing the company or to prejudice people against the officials who are capable and accommodating men—most of them at least. The statement is made because it is the truth. The blame for the death of Ethel Grubb may be laid at the door of the railroad company.

Nothing the railroad can do will bring back life to the girl that was killed. Nothing the company can do can stay the grief of the father who lost his only child. But the officials have it in their power to prevent such accidents in the future. They can guard that crossing with an automatic gate or at least with an alarm bell. The railroad may also take steps to make life safer at the Main street crossing. There is more danger there than on East Court street. There should be a watchman there to warn people when trains or engines are coming. It would pay the railroad company to have such a man on duty. It would be good insurance against damage suits.

The East Oregonian continues its motion that the people of the city ask the railroad officials for safeguards at the more dangerous local crossings. If the request is not granted readily and willingly—as it probably will be—steps should be taken to compel such action by the company. Lives of little children are too precious to be sacrificed to make large dividends for Wall street millionaires.

Dr. Charles W. Elliot, president emeritus of Harvard and one of the strongest advocates of As Dr. Elliot the civil service, harshly criticizes President Taft for his order throwing his fourth class postmasters under the civil service.

"I greatly regret to criticize a president of the United States, and I regret that a president of the United States should issue such an order as

JOYS OF THE UNJUST.

Mrs. Nora Blatch De Forest, editor of the new journal of the Woman's Political union, said in New York the other day:

"There can be no justice for woman till she gets the vote. Man, having the vote himself and refusing it to woman, is unjust. You know the story about the just and the unjust? It's very applicable here."

"The rain falls alike on the just and the unjust," a clergyman once said.

"Not a bit of it," a parish-loner retorted. "The unjust have all the closed motor cars and umbrellas."—Washington Star.

that issued just after the election," said Dr. Elliot.

"The fourth-class postmasters were patronage appointees. They are to be continued in office now simply because of the application of the spoils system. The blow has been struck from the capital at true civil service."

All who are not blinded by partisanship will admit the force of what Dr. Elliot says. If we are to have civil service postmasters they should be selected under the civil service—not named for political reasons and then given civil service protection. President Taft's fourth class postmaster-ship order was the action of a politician, not that of a statesman.

In passing the minimum wage bill for women the legislature is taking an advanced step and a Equal Suffrage needed one. The Did It, measure looks to the conservation of humanity. It looks to the protection of women and girls who must work for a livelihood and at times are the victims of a cruel wage system. There are employers, especially in large cities, who do not pay women workers sufficient wages to keep body and soul together. This has come about because the women have been the helpless victims of a system that at times means starvation or degradation. But women are not so helpless in Oregon now. They have the right of suffrage and it is of deep significance that at the first legislative session following the suffrage victory in Oregon the minimum wage bill for women has been adopted.

Why should our army and navy be mobilized at the gates of Mexico ready to enter that republic. No Call For It. lie and settle its domestic quarrel? There has been no news of serious depredations committed against Americans. No American lives have been lost. In fact for such a terrible war

PERCENTAGE IS SMALL.

T. A. Daly, whose poem, "The Thrush," won the \$250 prize in the Mitchell Kennerley competition, is, like all good versifiers, a severe critic of bad verse. At a dinner at the Bellevue-Stratford in Philadelphia a young lady of a humorous turn asked Daly a conundrum. "When is a poet not a poet?" she said. "About ninety-nine times out of a hundred," was the grim reply.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

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the casualties of all sorts are few. It is a gigantic war but a very small fight as is true of all Latin republic revolutions. Those people are strong on manifestos, proclamations and demonstrations but they are slow about killing or getting killed.

For this country to intervene in Mexico would endanger the lives of Americans in that country. Such action would arouse the hatred of the Mexicans and might cause them to slay Americans before the army could get there. There is no excuse for intervention unless the Taft administration wishes to hand a package to the incoming president.

Homemade.

"I see," said the grouchy customer as he was paying his restaurant bill, "that you advertise that you make your own pies."

"Yes, sir," replied the manager of the restaurant, anticipating a flattering testimonial.

"Well, I would like to offer you a suggestion."

"Certainly, sir! pleased to hear it."

"Well, then, let someone else make them."

Some people give according to their means and some according to their meanness.

Shortly after a woman gets married she gives up the role of guardian angel and assumes that of detective.

A Small Leak Will Sink a Great Ship

You may spend as you go, paying no attention to the opportunities to save which are advertised by progressive merchants, but you will find sooner or later that little expenses count up to large sums.

A loose, here-and-there buyer can quickly squander all her money by forgetting the value of the little purchases. Care in expending the small amounts will quickly repay the economical housewife.

Every night in its advertising columns the EAST OREGONIAN points the way to many opportunities for stopping the small leaks. Special sales are advertised by the merchants. In small things, such as soaps, ribbons, and notions, there may be just one penny off the regular price. But when you add them all together you will find that the pennies number a dollar or two.

Read all the advertisements in the EAST OREGONIAN closely and constantly every night for opportunity to save not only pennies but dollars.

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