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A FRIEND. When I have said my last farewell And bade my world good night, What will they think of me and tell Who linger in the light? Oh, heart, be faithful; heart, be true. And love be deep and strong! Elsewhere time stand still with you, Your day cannot be long. I hope that they will smile and say, "He was so true a friend That friends and lovers all the way Were with him to the end." I hope that they will only tell This thing, and speak aright, When I have said my last farewell And bade my world good night. —St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

IF THEY WOULD HUG INSTEAD OF TUG. TUG-OF-WAR methods having failed to settle the library difficulties to satisfaction of the good people on both sides of the fuss the East Oregonian has a curiosity to know what would happen if the plan of campaign could be changed. Suppose for instance the belligerents would stop trying to put each other in the ditch and would compete in a chivalric

manner to see who could go farthest toward laying prejudice away and seeing that the other side was given the best of the deal. In other words instead of playing checkers why not play "give away." Instead of cold suspicion let each side show warmth and friendliness toward the other. Wonderful things are sometimes accomplished that way.

It is easy to have trouble in any camp when two sides pull in opposite directions. It is hard to have trouble when each side is really trying to sacrifice as much as it can for the sake of a common cause. Is not the welfare of an institution like the public library worthy of some sacrifice?

In making these humble suggestions the East Oregonian does not wish to be regarded as reflecting upon the character of the entertainment staged by our rival library forces. Though at times lacking in ginger it is as a whole a very good fight and the spectators get their money's worth. But with the Round-Up and Happy Canyon firmly established is it wise to make a permanent thing of the library war? If we carry our rough and ready stuff to extremes wont people get the impression, as some have now, that Pendleton as a town is wild and woolly and full of fleas and that our citizens are not considered dressed unless they wear a gun and a plug of chewing tobacco?

GUARDING THE FOOD SUPPLY

WERE it not for the fact there are stringent federal laws as well as state laws relating to the purity of food there would be more tales such as came from Crockett station a few days ago when a man of 80 came near being poisoned by eating of some canned vegetable.

Few people know the full benefits of the work done by the department of agriculture in safeguarding the food supply of the country.

In the enforcement of the food and drugs act during the last year, U. S. Department of Agriculture officials analyzed 29,833 samples of foods and drugs offered for interstate shipment and for imports. A physical examination was made of samples from 76,468 shipments offered for import. Of these foreign shipments, 6,353 were found to violate the law in some respects and were either excluded from the country or admitted only after the importers had relabeled them to comply with the law. Of the samples of domestic products analyzed 3,535, either because of the nature of the product or because the label on it did not tell the truth, were found to be in violation of the federal law. In 1,364 cases the

department recommended to the department of justice that criminal prosecution be instituted against the manufacturers or that the goods be seized. In all, there were held 8,715 such hearings, many of which resulted in the prosecutions indicated and the gathering of evidence for a large number of additional cases, which will be forwarded to the department of justice.

A fact of interest, at this time of the year, in connection with the department's work is that the officials have been conducting a campaign against the sweating of immature oranges and immature grapefruit so as to give the immature fruit the color of ripe fruit. Their work has been successful largely because of the active help of the greater part of the citrus fruit producers. Comparatively few sweated, immature oranges were offered during the last year, and it is believed the better quality of fruit resulted in a steadier market so that the producer as well as the consumer benefited.

WHY THE DANES WANT TO SELL

THOUGH not actually engaged in the war Denmark has been compelled to make extraordinary expenditures of \$16,500,000 for military purposes during the past year. This has left a deficit of \$11,000,000 in the Danish treasury. The facts are interesting in view of the vote of the Danish people to sell their West Indies islands to the United States for \$25,000,000. The islands have long been more or less of a liability to Denmark and with ready money so desirable at home the Danes probably thought it a good time to make a bargain with Uncle Samuel. From our standpoint we desire possession of the islands and as just now we have more gold than some people have hay, it looks like a lovely time to make the trade.

George W. Perkins is going to make a strenuous fight to save Republican Chairman Wilcox from being ousted; the democrats may well give cordial support to the move.

28 Years Ago Today

(From the Daily East Oregonian Dec. 27, 1888.) R. J. Slater has given his official bond as registrar of the new land office at Drews, Oregon, amounting to \$10,000. S. P. Tucker, a young gentleman of Halley, Idaho, is in town on a visit to his uncle and aunt at Pendleton, D. M. Taylor and Mrs. Jane Howell. The O. R. & N. has ordered six hundred boxes for use on their branch line from Umatilla to Huntington. At several well known resorts gambling for large stakes is indulg-

ed in and the tiger is bucked by its votaries not wisely but too well. C. J. Fraker has purchased the management of the Saturday night social in Pendleton from Sharpe and Wells. Edward Ross, formerly in the employ of H. F. Johnson and Co., well known in Pendleton, writes from Portland that he is well-contented with his lot. Wanted—Two young ladies for partners at the Leap Year Ball. Address, two young bachelors at the postoffice. Chances are being sold at the Vil-



Edith Williams With "Naughty Rebecca," Oregon Theatre, December 28.

lard for a fancy cushion and a photograph album to be raffled off New Year's eve. Tom Swearingen has got 'em—the mumps. When a man of family is compelled to crawl into his window at three o'clock in the morning it is a bad sign, a very bad sign and needs no comment.

REALTY TRANSFERS

Warranty Deeds. H. W. Coe, et ux, et al. to Lumbermens National Bank, \$1, acreage in Twp. 4 N. R. 29 and lots in Stanfield. Maxwell Land & Irrigation, Co. to W. A. Leathers, \$10, 1-2 of an acre in Sec. 5, Twp. 4 N. R. 29. John Witt, to Marie Anne Eggers, \$11,000, 'SE. 1-4 Sec. 8 and NE. 1-4 Sec. 17, Twp. 4 N. R. 33.

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Advertisement for J. L. VAUGHAN lighting fixtures. Includes illustration of a hanging light fixture and text: 'BETTER AND SOFTER LIGHT... Is assured by the use of some of these beautiful fixtures of ours. They give a light that illuminates the room perfectly, but that does not tire or strain the eyes. They are not expensive considering their extra efficiency and extra beauty. Why not at least see them? J. L. VAUGHAN'

Large advertisement for OREGON THEATRE. Includes text: 'I'LL BE THERE OREGON THEATRE Thursday December, 28—29 Friday, at 8:30 p. m. JAMES F. KERR'S THE MILE-A-MINUTE FARCE "Naughty Rebecca" With BRODERICK O'FARRELL and Fourteen Other Funmakers Music---Song---Dance A Jolly Joyfull Joyfest Originally Played with JOHN DREW and NAT GOODWIN in the cast. Popular Prices, \$1.00, 75c, 50c. All Seats Reserved Seats Now Selling at THE DELTA. This is not a Moving Picture' Includes portrait of Byron Aldenn.