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EDITORIAL.

Dr. Koch has declared that beef infected with tuberculosis is not dangerous. When will embalmed beef have its innings and be declared wholesome?

A small army of school ma'ams and male teachers are being sent over to Manila to civilize the Tagals. If this kind of warfare is carried out as it should be, the Filipino may, in the end, be benefitted by American rule.

The price of liberty frequently comes high, but the death of liberty is not accomplished without cost. England has paid \$2,300,000,000 to subjugate the liberty loving Boers, and the end doth not appear yet. This cost does not take into consideration the number of lives that have been sacrificed.

The commission of Portland, voted 19 to 5 in favor of the socialistic features of the city charter favoring municipal ownership of all public utilities. This triumph, of true brotherhood, obtained in the face of the opposition of the two great daily papers of that city. Truly it may be said that the sunlight of a better time is arising, and that the devil will not much longer be able to hold his kingdom because of the ignorance by which he keeps his subjects in chains.

Our war expenditures, last year, amounted to \$300,000,000, and during the same period, our drink bill was almost four times that much, both bills aggregating almost \$1,500,000,000. The first amount was expended in committing murders and the latter amount in trying to commit suicide through drunkenness. We have not seen the per cent death rate compared, but as the cost of each man killed in war comes high, it is not estimating the number too large to say that drink sent five victims to the cemetery for each one that war planted beneath the sod.

When a woman who has but small stock of this world's goods, and few comforts, is caught stealing she is a thief. If a wealthy man's wife or daughter is caught taking that which belongs to another she is a kleptomaniac. Society makes a nice distinction but what are the facts. One steals because she is poor and needy, and the other because theft has been bred into her until she cannot help but steal. In other words she has descended from a race of thieves. It is a finely drawn distinction, yet a kleptomaniac is considered a much more aristocratic personage than is a common, every-day thief.

This week we give another editorial from the Daily Oregonian, which wails a wail for the departing glory of the competitive system. Our readers will find upon perusal of the article that the editor of that journal either does, not or won't see anything that is good in Socialism, but there is one thing that he does see, and that is, that it is coming, and while he bewails the lost cause of a pernicious system, which brought into existence and perpetuated all manner of heinous and grievous wrongs and crimes, yet he, too, seems to have his ear quite close to the ground, and he may hear before it is everlastingly too late.

Improvement at State Fair Grounds.

The State board of Agriculture are making some wonderful improvements at the state fair grounds, and old timers, will hardly recognize the place when they attend Oregon's greatest fair this fall. The old pavilion is being enlarged to double its size, and after the best exhibits ever seen in the state are arranged there will be ample room left for an auditorium, a thing that has been needed for a long time. A brand new up to date creamery building is being erected; also where the best dairy display ever made in the state will certainly be seen. The machinery hall is being enlarged, new cattle stalls, sheep pens, hog sties, and horse stables are being built. A cozy farm cottage, hay barn, and new sidewalks are also on the list of improvements, and nothing will be left undone to accommodate the exhibitor and entertain the visitor at the state fair this fall.

The Next Coming Struggle.

From the Daily Oregonian, July 15th
Carnegie got away to Europe with two hundred million dollars, which he had amassed out of the iron and steel trade, through operations like that bloody affair at Homestead, and through unconscionable prices for iron and steel products to American consumers; and these two hundred millions he is giving away, with ostentation, to Europeans, his successors in America, working trust to the uttermost and making profits as fast as he did, are denying the claims of labor to moderate advance and improved conditions.

The working people of America are getting mighty tired of this "paternal" policy, in which the trusts have the support of a government bounty, while they pile up more fortunes like that of Carnegie. A great strike in the steel works of the country is now again at hand. Thus far organized labor is the only available check to plutocratic greed. There will be others; but the danger is that there will be an ultimate plunge into state socialism.

But Carnegie's gifts are not the only gifts that our monopolistic plutocrats are making to Europe. These lords of wealth are constantly making to Europe the gift of lower prices than they are making to America. Combination, and support of protective tariff, are the means or instruments that enable them to do it. They are permitted to have a tariff that enables them to keep foreign goods out of America and to charge high prices at home while they meet competitors with lower prices abroad. English journals say that "the American invaders" are pressing English manufacturers "not merely in steel products, but in five hundred industries at once." "Today," says the London Mail, "it is literally true that they are selling American cotton in Manchester, pig iron in Lancaster, tinplate in Cardiff and steel in Sheffield. It only remains for them to take American coals to Newcastle."

How is this accomplished? It can only be done by underselling the British manufacturers; and this again can be done only by making lower prices to the foreign trade than to the domestic trade. The principle is, to hold up prices at home, and with the money thus extorted from our own people, to fight manufacturers abroad, pretending meanwhile that the system which enables them to do this is necessary for the "protection" of the workmen of the United States.

It is no answer to the working people of the United States to tell them that their condition is better than it was fifty years ago. It ought to be better—though it is not better for all. Great numbers have and no doubt always will have difficulty in obtaining the barest necessities of life. But under the monopolistic system which we have fostered, the larger part, vastly the larger, of the results of modern invention and progress go to the very few, who have become powerful enough to oppress the great body of the consumers of the country; and they do it. Else we should not hear of the fabulous dividends on American Steel or Standard Oil, nor of the display of wealth which in many cases so scandalously exceeds the modesty of private fortunes.

It may prove that a great democracy like our own is the only system of government under which problems of this nature can be adequately dealt with. Certainly they never have been dealt with adequately under any other system of government, ancient or modern. Even the most cheerful optimist cannot, however, but entertain some fear that the shock of a contest in which the forces are so vast may make a wreck of civilization. Yet the contest must go on, at all risks. There can be no vested right in possession and use of the instruments of whole sale injustice and oppression. They who think that rational and moderate methods are better than those of revolution are violence are to have a hard time of it, between the greed of the great plutocrats on the one hand and the herculean of social agitators, incendiaries and revolutionists on the other.

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Soldier Describing The Philippines.

George E. Phillips, of 110 West Third Street, Covington, Ky., has received a letter from William Thomas, a Covington boy in the Philippines, which says:
"These Islands, as I have found from close observation, are a bunch of trouble, at or near the jumping off place, close to the end of civilization. They are bounded on the west by smugglers, pirates and hoodoism; on the north by rocks and vast stretches of barren soil; on the east by typhoons and monsoons in plenty, and on the south (where we are now) by numerous earthquakes and the Moros, a sort of cannibalistic race of people."
"The only amusements here are cock fighting and stealing. The latter is practiced daily, as the natives feel better while in confinement under the Americans, and usually get fat. The principal diet of the Filipino is rice—fried rice, boiled rice, stewed rice and more rice, day in and day out."

Thomas assigns the cause of the earthquakes to the malarial germs in the ground, which have impregnated the earth so thoroughly as to make it shiver.—Ex.

A Forest of Petrified Trees.

A remarkable "forest" of petrified trees called Chalcedony Park can be reached in a few hours from Holbrook, Ariz. The area of the park is estimated at hundreds of square miles, and it contains thousands of tons of agatid wood. It is like a vast lumber camp, where the lumbermen have thrown the huge logs at random from their sleds, leaving them to become rained and moss grown. Some of the trunks are 150 feet long, and they break up in section, as if sawn through at intervals.

The bark is of a dark red color, as a rule, but the chips and interior exhibit kaleidoscopic colors. Amethysts, red and yellow jasper, chalcedony of every tint, topaz, onyx, carnelian and other stones abound. The logs in fact, are a blend of these stones. One of them 100 feet long and three to five feet in diameter, spans a narrow canyon and is called the Agate Bridge. It is chiefly composed of jaspers and agates.

As to the origin of the petrifications, it is supposed that in past time the trees were overwhelmed with volcanic ashes and hot silicious waters from geysers. The timber is analagous to pine or cedar, and as it decayed the silica dyed with various salts of iron and manganese in solution took its place.

Contest Notice.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, ROSBURG,
OREGON, July 11, 1901.
A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by David P. Strong, Jr., contestant, against the homestead entry No. 7766, made August 16, 1893, for the W 1/2 of NE 1/4, and N 1/2 of SE 1/4, Section 28, Township 28 S., Range 14 W., by Leonard Briggs, Contestee, in which it is alleged that the said Leonard Briggs has not resided upon or improved the said homestead as by law required for the last six years, and that his alleged absence from the land was not due to his employment in the Army, Navy, or Marine Corps of the United States as a private soldier, officer, seaman, or marine, during the war with Spain, or during any other war in which the United States may be engaged, said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m. on August 31, 1901, before L. H. HAZEN, County Clerk at Coquille, Oregon, and that final hearing will be held at 10 o'clock a. m. on September 10, 1901, before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office in Roseburg, Oregon.
The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed July 3, 1901, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice can not be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that this notice be given by due and proper publication.
J. T. PINNORS, Register,
J. H. BOWEN, Receiver.
July 11

Notice For Publication.

[Timber Land, Act June 3, 1878.]
UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, ROSBURG,
OREGON, June 3, 1901.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT IN compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892, Terrence V. Callaghan, of Coquille City, County of Coos, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 1672 for the purchase of the SE 1/4 of NE 1/4 of Sec. 13, E 1/2 of NE 1/4 of Section No. 24, in Township 28 S., R. No. 14 W., and Lot 1, Sec. 13, Township 28 S., R. 13 W., and will offer proof to show that the land sought, is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the Register and Receiver of this office at Roseburg, Oregon, on Tuesday, the 20th day of August, 1901. He names as witnesses: Nathan Barklow of Parkersburg, Oregon; Mrs. Belle Barklow of Parkersburg, Oregon; Josiah A. Donk of Parkersburg, Oregon; Fred Perkins of Bandon, Oregon.
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