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THE SALMON HATCHERY.

There seems to be some doubt as to whether the fish hatchery at Mapleton will be operated this season or not, the claim being made by some in authority that the results of last year do not justify the expense.

We hope that the National Fish Commission will see fit to have the hatchery operated at somewhere near its full capacity, as an industry of so much value to the people as the fishing industry is, ought to be encouraged in every way possible. Last year's work proved beyond a doubt that salmon can be obtained there for spawning and with good results, notwithstanding the report made several years ago that enough salmon could not be obtained to justify operating the hatchery. Last year 180,000 young salmon were hatched and placed in the river for a total outlay of \$250.

Should that number be turned into the river each year (and with the hatchery all ready for use several times this number could be easily turned out) the run of fish in the river would be greatly increased, and would prove an untold benefit to this country. This could be brought about at a very slight expense.

The impression that western Australia is a barren region, without value, except perhaps in such minerals as might be found after laborious and costly research, has lately been dispelled by facts brought out by exploration. It has been found that the forests of that region are so vast that, after deducting one-third for waste, their commercial value is not less than \$700,000,000. This timber covers the extreme southwestern portion of the island continent, and is convenient to seaports. The two trees most in demand, the karri and the jarrah, present both in quantity and quality attributes that are passports to commerce. The former is the giant tree of Australia, the average specimen being 200 ft. in height and four feet in diameter three feet from the base, the first branch appears 120 feet from the ground. The wood of both is hard and serviceable, being particularly suitable for the construction of wharves and jetties, as it resists the ravages of ocean depredators. It is also excellent for railway and bridge-building, being strong to resist pressure, while it does not become water-soaked or rot when under ground. Cheap and abundant means of transportation having made the world practically all one, the working of these vast Australian forests may be expected to add greatly within the next ten years to the world's lumber supply. Already over \$5,000,000 has been invested in mills and in railroads connecting them with the coast, and 2000 men are employed in opening up what promises to be a vast trade. As a counterbalance to the forest waste of which so much is heard the proclamation of the discovery of this new forest supply may have a reassuring effect.—Oregonian.

SAYS THE Cincinnati Times-Star: The development of the ragged school in London is a vivid illustration of what a few determined souls, backed up by a man of wealth like Lord Shaftesbury, are capable of accomplishing. From the small beginnings in one school room fifty years ago the work of lifting up the lowly has gone on in the greatest city in the world until now there are 192 separate buildings in London, where 253 afternoon and evening schools are held, with an average attendance numbering more than 50,000. In these schools there are 4887 teachers. An idea of the enthusiasm and self-sacrifice prompting these teachers may be gathered from the fact that out of the 4887 but seventy-nine receive salary. Ninety-seven school libraries have been established, seventy penny banks, in which there are 21,000 depositors and more than 11,000 pounds sterling on deposit. Physical culture has become an important feature of the work. A hundred and nineteen men's and lad's clubs have been established, with 3500 members, and what are known as the recreation classes number 222 members.

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A SIN OF OMISSION.

The Edinburgh Review, when first started, bore upon its title page a Latin motto, which might be rendered, "The judge is condemned when the guilty is declared innocent." The book of proverbs, which holds the essence of wisdom as endorsed by experience, is full of reproofs against him who saith to the wicked, "thou art righteous." This sin of omission is not confined to judicial courts, nor yet to individuals, whose judgement may be expected to be swayed by family ties or those of personal friendship. There is a sentiment permeating the public mind, the basis of which is perhaps in a flabby good nature, which is mistaken for reverence, that not only hesitates to denounce an unworthy of his opportunities and obligations the man whose example is anything but a guide to uprightness of life, but gives him the benefit of unqualified indorsement.

This wretched disposition toward indiscriminate whitewashing finds room for pernicious activity too frequently in the cases of politicians who aspire to senatorial or other honors, but its existence is particularly noticeable when some prominent person dies. Illustrations of this fact abound in every community, and the memory of any observing man can well supply them. Yet for obvious reasons it is wise to go beyond the immediate community life in citing even one example. Not very long since a public man died. The basis of such reputation as he had earned during a long period of service in congress was through objecting indiscriminately and somewhat unintelligently to every expenditure, wise or unwise, that was proposed. Upon this basis he was eulogized as though he had been an invaluable public servant. More remotely a vice-president of the United States died, and in eulogizing him, the fact was ignored that although a citizen of a loyal state, he was associated in sympathy and principle during the war with those whose success would have meant the destruction of the country; moreover his political attitude thereafter was consistent with his war record.

The tendency illustrated by these examples, and by a multitude of others that might be cited from community and national life is censurable, chiefly through the untoward influence that it exerts. The judgement of posterity has in it a powerful element for the promotion of uprightness in the discharge of public duty. A great safeguard to integrity is removed if it comes to be understood that history will look with an indiscriminate eye upon the patriot and the traitor, and that eulogy will be pronounced without distinction upon the life of the upright and the undeserving citizen.

It would be worth a great deal to the public life of this country if, after the death of any eminent person, a verdict according to the facts of his life were to be pronounced. It is time we had outgrown the adage, "De mortuis nil nisi bonum," since, beside being responsible for any amount of good natured lying, it makes all eulogy practically meaningless, and thus destroys the force which the example of a well-spent life might otherwise bequeath to the world.

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FOURTH OF JULY THOUGHTS.

One of the most interesting pieces of history connected with the American flag remains to be told. For eighty-nine years after the Stars and Stripes were adopted, they were made of foreign goods. All through the war of 1812 and the Civil war, no American soldier or sailor ever fought under a yard of American bunting. No bunting was made in this country for two reasons, first, because nobody knew how to make it, and second, because nobody could make it and compete with England. General Butler induced congress in 1865 to put a tariff of 40 per cent. on bunting, and a man was sent to England to learn how to make it, and when he returned twelve looms were put in operation, and then on February 24, 1866, a notable event occurred in Washington. The first American flag, made of American bunting, was hoisted over the National Capitol. The flag was 21 feet by 12 feet, and was the gift of General Ben Butler.

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

FROM OUR REGULAR CORRESPONDENT.

WASH. July 5th, 1897.

The responsibility for the failure of the senate to pass the tariff bill last week belongs to the republican senators. Had they been able to agree on several proposed amendments to the bill, the measure would today have been returned to the house according to expectations. The republican senators agreed at the last minute to press an amendment giving a bounty to beet sugar, but as soon as it was brought before the senate, Senators Jones, of Ark., and Teller, of Colorado, informed them that the senate would remain in session all summer before that amendment would be allowed to pass, and the republicans were compelled to withdraw it, but it was then renewed by Senator Allen and is still pending. Nothing now stands in the way of the final vote on the bill, but an agreement among the republicans, and that will probably be reached within two or three days.

Judging from the expressions in Washington, the tariff amendment taxing transfers of stock and bonds promises to be a popular one with the people. It will be paid by the speculators who deal in stocks and bonds, who as a rule, do not pay their share of taxation.

A member of the administration says that President McKinley has at once decided to send a special message to congress, asking that legislation authorizing a currency commission be passed. It was supposed that representation made to the president by senators had caused him to drop this idea, because of the impossibility of getting such legislation to a vote, even supposing that a quorum could be kept in Washington after the tariff bill is out of the way and that a majority could be depended upon; but other influences have been working to bring about the sending of the message to congress, regardless of the probability of its being acted upon at this session. This was not known until the president's departure for Canton, and as soon as he gets back to Washington, tomorrow, he will hear from the senators of his party who wish the currency question let alone for the present.

There is more or less growling among republican senators because a caucus turned down the anti-trust amendment to the tariff bill, prepared by Senators Thurston, Davis and Spooner, upon lines suggested by Senator Nelson, and the amendment has been introduced as a bill by Senator Thurston. The bill makes every person engaged in conducting a combine or trust guilty of misdemeanor, and provides for their punishment, on conviction, by both fine and imprisonment at hard labor. Although it was stated by the opponents of this amendment in the caucus that it was not the matter itself they opposed, but incorporating it in the tariff bill, nobody has any idea that the matter will be allowed to get through the senate as an independent bill.

Senator Willington of Maryland, is going through what appears to uninterested folks to be a case of biting his own nose off to spite his face, and his face isn't pretty at its best. He seems to have the mistake of accepting as literally true, the fiction that senators in sympathy with the administration, are allowed to dictate all the federal patronage given to citizens of their states, and to have been led as a consequence, to give a foolish imitation of Ajax defying the lightning, on the floor of the senate, which amused more men than it frightened. Mr. Willington ought to know that even such influential party leaders as Senator Platt, of N. Y., and Cullom of Ill., have been compelled to content themselves with endorsing men for positions after the president had decided, without consulting the senators to appoint them. In this particular case, Senator Willington endorsed a man for one consulate and is objecting to his nomination being confirmed for a consulate of lesser importance. Under all the circumstances, it is not surprising that Mr. Willington should be charged with having endorsed a man for a position which he thought from its importance to be entirely out of his reach.

There is nothing new officially concerning the Cuban question, but the ordering of Consul General Lee to Washington to confer with Minister Woodford, and the intimation given to the two officers who have been chosen as military and naval attaches, respectively, of the U. S. Legation at Madrid, not to carry their families with them, has furnished grist for the gossips, who say that the last makes it clear that the administration regards trouble with Spain over its Cuban policy as so likely that it doesn't wish the attaches of the legation to be hampered by the presence of their families at Madrid.

THE SUMMER VACATION.

A Change Even if in Minor Things Will be a Great Benefit.

In the July Ladies' Home Journal Edward W. Bok gives some sensible advice upon "Going Away in Summer." He points to the mistake that instead of a rest and change so many women and girls, physically tired and in need of recuperation, make of their vacations a round of continuous gaiety, every moment crowded with some excitement or pleasure. In consequence, the woman who goes away for a rest comes back tired and worn out. Mr. Bok very truly says: "We all speak of 'going away' when we start on a vacation. But most of us do not 'go away.' 'Going away' means cutting ourselves entirely free from everything that has entered into our lives during the year—away from things which have occupied us, away from disturbing troubles, away from one's daily self to seek for one's best self, away from familiar places and people. Such a change means a change in ourselves, in our thoughts, in our ideas, in our motives, in our outlook on everything. The idea that we must ever keep ourselves busy, even in vacation, so that the mind may not become rusted, is all nonsense."

For those who cannot go away Mr. Bok advises a change in their mode of living, or in their daily work. "We need a change in our lives," he contends, "even if it is only a change of rooms; of merely not sleeping in the same rooms in summer as we do in winter or even a rearrangement of the furniture, of the curtains, carpets or pictures in our room—any change. No woman is so humble of circumstances that she cannot make her life pleasanter and higher, bringing some change into it. A rest at home, with the mind refreshed by compassing minor changes from day to day, is oftentimes as much needed and as beneficial as a long journey to other places or in other lands. One's limitations are often of immeasurable good as they show us how to get personal benefit in spite of them. 'Going away' in the summer needs not always mean leaving the city or leaving one's home. It is of course, better if we can do so. But we can stay at home and yet 'go away'—go away from things as we have had them for twelve months, and make them different."

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F. S. PEET, Secretary,
Portland, Oregon.

A REMARKABLE law aimed at foreign immigration went into effect in Pennsylvania July 1st. It imposes a tax of 3 cents a day on all employed unnaturalized foreigners. The tax is to be collected from the wages of this class, beginning July 1st next. The bill will put about \$100,000 a year into the treasuries of the various counties of the state. One-half goes to the school fund on the basis of the number of schools, and the balance to the general expense of the counties.—Guard.

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Literary.

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Hate idleness and curb all passions. Be true in all words and actions.

It is in contemplating man at a distance that we become benevolent.

Wine and the sun will make vinegar without any shouting to help them.

Man has still more desire for beauty than knowledge of it; hence the caprices of the world.

A dear bargain is always disagreeable, particularly as it is a reflection on the buyer's judgement.

Bashfulness may sometimes exclude pleasure, but seldom opens any avenue to sorrow or remorse.

Self-landation abounds among the unpolished, but nothing can stamp a man more sharply as ill-bred.

A man must be excessively stupid, as well as uncharitable, who believes there is no virtue but on his own side.

Every girl ought to have an independent way of earning her living, so she will not be tempted to marry except for love.

Usually the great boasters are the smallest workers. The deep rivers pay a larger tribute to the sea than shallow brooks, and yet empty themselves with less noise.

Be as careful of the books you read as of the company you keep; for your habits and your character will be as much influenced by the former as the latter.

To buy books only because they were published by an eminent printer, is much as if a man should buy clothes that did not fit him, only because made by some famous tailor.

Never forget that any success in life won by disloyalty to truth and disregard to duty, will be a fatal defect; that any gain wrought by a sacrifice to duty will surely be a fatal loss.

Biographies of great, but especially good men, are most instructive and useful as helps, guides and incentives to others. Some of the best are almost equivalent to gospels—teaching high living, high thinking and energetic actions for their own and the world's good.

To give an early preference to honor above gain, when they stand in competition; to despise every advantage which cannot be attained without dishonest arts, to brook no meanness, and to stoop to no dissimulation—these only are the indications of a great mind, and presages of future eminence and usefulness of life.

Because a half a dozen grasshoppers under a fern make the field ring with their importunate chink, whilst thousands of great cattle, reposing under the shadow of the oaks, chew the cud and are silent, pray do not imagine that those who make the noise are the only inhabitants of the field—that of course, they are many in number, or that, after all they are other than the little shriveled, meager, hopping, though loud and troublesome, insects of the hour.

Have you noticed how many beautiful old ladies there are in this age? A half century ago a woman of 50 was too old to be of much use in the busy work-a-day world. Not long ago I heard a woman of 80 take part in discussions on scientific topics. The sunset of life is growing really more beautiful than the sunrise. When a girl, I had an ideal old lady in mind and, insensibly, began to work toward that ideal. Whether I reach it or not depends mostly upon myself, if life is spared. The secret of a charming old age is worth careful thought by every young man and woman.

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