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LATE REPORTS SAY that the gold miners of Utah have collected \$350,000 in gold to make a solid statue of Miss Fair who is soon to become Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt Jr. Mr Vanderbilt Sr. has given his son the sum of \$10,000,000 to commence business with. Miss Fair has \$5,000,000 in her own right. It is said she gives large sums to catholic charities. The action of the miners is no doubt influenced by the latter fact and the lady's great wealth. But this is much like honoring her merely because of the circumstances in which she was placed and with which she had but little to do. She inherited the money from her father who made his fortune in California. Being wealthy she is able to give large sums in charity and not feel it. The news that a thousand dollars has been donated to some charitable object is apt to be heralded throughout the country; but Miss Fair can give that amount easier than many people can give one dollar. Hundreds and thousands whose names are unknown have given to charity small sums, which cost them greater effort than the large donations of Miss Fair. But according to Christ's teachings the small sum costing the great effort to obtain it and given in the right spirit is the greater gift. And now the miners are to donate this large sum of money to make a statue of Miss Fair of solid gold. Who is to be benefited by it? Nobody. It would be many, many times better to use this money in charity instead of wasting it in any such senseless manner.

LANE COUNTY should use every effort to secure a portion of the new-comers bound for Oregon. Eugene the county seat, should be alive to this issue, and wake up the rest of the county. Why wouldn't it be a good idea for each town in the county to appoint a delegate to meet and confer with delegates from neighboring towns, that they may decide upon the best possible way in which Lane county and her many valuable resources can be presented to these new home-seekers? It isn't for Eugene nor Cottage Grove nor Junction City nor Florence; but it is for Lane county and these towns should get a hustle on themselves and bring in at least 500 home-seekers this year. Some will come without an effort on the part of the citizens of Oregon but when one comes of his own accord two can be persuaded to come if the right method is adopted. Bohemia Nugget.

The new game law passed by the state legislature makes the close season for deer, from Nov. 1, to July 15; beaver are wholly protected for 20 years; pheasants, grouse, prairie chickens and quail are to be killed during the month of November only; mongolian pheasants are wholly protected in Jackson, Josephine, Coos, Curry, and Clatsop counties for a period of three years. The penalty for violation of this law is a fine of from \$15 to \$200, together with costs of the prosecution.

THE FAILURE of an appropriation for the continued improvement of Yaquina harbor is to be regretted by the whole Willamette valley, and again emphasizes the fact that our own Siuslaw harbor should be pushed to the front. This can be done by building a railroad to Florence. Eugene Register.

Trembling hands, weak limbs and unsteady gait. Hysteria cures. All druggists, 50 cents.

CANNED FOOD PRODUCTS AS WE FIND THEM TODAY.

By J. H. AMES, M. D.

We find the following concerning the product of the Florence cannery in the American Journal of Health, a good authority on matters of sanitation and hygiene. We publish the article to give our readers an opportunity to see what a high place Meyer & Kyle's canned goods hold in the estimation of the best authorities:

Because canned food products have become almost indispensable to the average family it is easy to see that they should be selected with care. The best brands of these goods have reached a perfection which calls for the highest praise, and which ensures to the consumer entire safety and satisfaction. But housekeepers should be certain that they get these brands, and the vast number on the market makes selection a matter of some difficulty. Our purpose is to relieve the housekeeper from the fear that she may be purchasing goods which are not reliable. We have made investigations into the merits of canned goods with results which enable us to mention with confidence those which are the best. In line with our usual policy where questions which concern the health of the family are concerned, we have devoted the best expert skill to secure the information upon which these reports are based.

The manufacture of canned goods the three chief requirements are that the raw materials which are put up should be of the best quality; that the process of packing and sealing the cans should be skillfully done; that the factory should be absolutely clean. As an instance of a brand whose manufacturers comply with all these conditions we may mention the canned goods offered by Meyer & Kyle, of Florence, Oregon.

A very thorough examination of several samples of these goods which we purchased from retail dealers was made in our own laboratory. We found that the contents of the cans were not only in the best possible condition, but that the material put up was of the highest quality. This demonstrated that the consumer will find in Meyer & Kyle's products a first-class article which reaches him free from the slightest deterioration. The factory where the canning is done is with the closest regard for sanitation. Extreme cleanliness and every hygienic precaution prevail. Each process incidental to the manufacture of these goods is performed so that there is no possibility of contamination, and the most modern improvement in methods ensures that the packing and sealing of the tins shall be accomplished so that neither time nor distance can effect their contents. In fact the highest praise we can bestow is not more than Meyer & Kyle's product fully deserves.

Formerly canned food products were in most cases looked upon with suspicion, and this was the result, chiefly, of unskilled methods. It was such a common happening to find that on opening a tin the contents were unfit for use, that confidence in these goods was shaken. But there were too many advantages, both for canner and consumer, in the idea which the canning of food represents, to permit its being abandoned. In time skill and ingenuity triumphed over imperfection. The processes were improved until it became possible to produce an article which left nothing to be desired, and today we find goods in this line placed upon the market, by manufacturers of the highest reputation, which the severest critic can do naught save praise. This journal, whose endorsement can be secured only by established merit, cheerfully bestows it on Meyer & Kyle's product because, as we have stated above, this brand represents what is truly the highest grade of canned food products.

ARE YOU AN ODD FELLOW?

If so you should take and read PACIFIC ODD FELLOW. A monthly magazine published in Portland, and exclusively devoted to the interests of Odd Fellowship, both local and general. It is the only Odd Fellow publication in Oregon and is now in its eighth year. We have made arrangements with the publisher by which we can club "Pacific Odd Fellow" with The West at a rate we believe every Odd Fellow would be glad to accept. The price of THE WEST is \$1.50 per year and the price of "Pacific Odd Fellow" is \$1.00 per year, but we will send both to subscribers who pay a year strictly in advance for \$2.00. Call at our office and see a sample copy of "Pacific Odd Fellow." The heart cannot wholly petrify without some honest revulsions.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

FROM OUR REGULAR CORRESPONDENT.

WASH, D. C., March 27, 1899.

"The ever victorious army" is the title now given to the men of Gen. Otis, who are again fighting and again carrying before them. Since the first dispatches concerning the battle of Saturday arrived, the corridors of the war department have been filled as they were during the few weeks of the war with Spain, with officers and newspaper correspondents, all on alert for the latest news from the front. Either Acting Secretary Meiklejohn, or Adjutant General Corbin is constantly on duty. They both express absolute confidence that Gen. Otis will successfully carry through his plan to destroy Aguinaldo's army before there is any let up in the fight, and neither of them look for any serious set back for our troops. The regrettable feature of the of the victories has been the considerable number of casual ties among our troops but they are features of war that cannot be avoided. The fighting probably shortened President McKinley's vacation, as he sent word as soon as the first dispatches of Gen. Otis were forwarded to him that he would return to Washington at once.

The military court of inquiry has returned to Washington, where the last witnesses will be heard. Nobody has any authority to say what the report of the court will be, but the impression is general among those who have closely followed all the testimony, that it will justify every charge made by Gen. Miles about bad beef being furnished the army, and that it will recommend one or more court-martials of army officers who were responsible for the purchase and acceptance of the beef. Should this impression be correct, Gen. Eagan will certainly catch it, for as commissary general, he is the man who must be held responsible, although the real fault may have belonged to some of his subordinates.

As most men approve of a man returning a blow for a blow, there is little personal criticism of Mr Bryan's rebuff and arraignment of Belmont of New York, in connection with the much-talked-about ten-dollars-a-plate Jefferson dinner, but many men who supported Mr Bryan in '96 regard it as a very bad break politically, and are already at work in the interest of other candidates. One of these is ex-Representative King of Utah, who said on the subject: "The wisest leaders are looking for a candidate who will not begin with alienating a large section of the party. Such a man as Senator Teller might stand a good show of election. The able politicians realize this fact, and are quietly placing his merits before the men who will have the voting to do in convention, although they realize fully that if the convention was to be held now, Mr Bryan would certainly be nominated."

According to an official statement made by the U S treasurer, there is no scarcity of money in this country. On the contrary, he says the per capita circulation was \$25.51 on the first of the present month, against \$23.83 one year ago. He says the seeming scarcity of money has been brought about by a large increase in the volume of business done, and by a disinclination in banking and commercial circles, except on the Pacific coast, to push into active circulation the enormous quantity of gold coin that has accumulated in government vaults, and in the hands of bankers.

Senor Don Manuel Arzpiroz, the new Mexican ambassador to the U S has just arrived in Washington. He speaks English and keeps up with the newspapers, as may be judged by his having said, in an interview: "Naturally my main purpose in coming to Washington is to strengthen the good relations between the U S and Mexico in every way possible, and in particular to develop the trade and commerce which two good neighbors should have with each other. I notice that your papers reproduce Mexican press comments on the recent utterances of Cecil Rhodes, prophesying the absorption by the U S of Central and South American countries; but this press comment is purely unofficial, and in no way reflects the view of the government. Mr Rhodes is an interesting character and the papers are quick to seize upon his utterance and give it much significance. But it is nothing more than the opinion of any private individual." Of the silly charge made by a paper published

ACTIVE SOLICITORS WANTED EVERYWHERE for "The Story of the Philippines" by Maria Halsted, commissioned by the Government as official historian to the War Department. The book was written in army camps at San Francisco, on the Pacific with General Merritt, in the hospitals at Honolulu, in Hong Kong, in the American trenches at Manila, in the insurgent camps with Aguinaldo, on the deck of the Olympia with Dewey, and in the rear of the battle at the fall of Manila, Bougainville for agents. Brinkley of original pictures taken by government photographers on the spot. Large book given. Group all travels. Freight paid. Credit given. Drop all trashy unofficial war stories. Outside free. Address: E. T. Barber, Sec'y War Insurance Bldg., Chicago.

AMERICA AND PACIFIC TRADE.

S F Chronicle.

The question of Pacific trade will be the leading topic of debate at the Trans- Mississippi Commercial congress, which will be in session for four days at Wichita, Kas., beginning May 21st. No more important theme could occupy the minds of the delegates, as events in the Philippines and in China are rapidly creating problems of commercial intercourse in which the prosperity of the whole western world, particularly this part of it, is involved. If the United States is to gain by the Asiatic changes now in progress it is all important that it should at the outset make no mistakes of economic policy. What errors might be made and what measures ought to be taken to get the best results in the new markets are considerations to which the coming commercial congress may properly devote its collective wisdom.

The first question is, how can the Philippines be made a paying investment? Their trade is worth from \$50,000,000 to \$70,000,000, all told, and our portion of it before the war was merely nominal. We are now burdened with the military care and pacification of the group and may have to maintain a considerable force there for a period of years. We must of course make enough out of the Philippines to balance this expense, to say nothing of a profit, but it is apparent that we cannot hope to do so if access to the island markets is to be on equal terms to all, as was the case under the rule of Spain. The Filipinos can buy a great deal of what they want cheaper elsewhere than in the American markets. They will do so if given the privilege. Are they to have it? If so what will be the commercial value of the islands to us? Assuming that the group would be made a territory of the Union and that it would impose the American tariff duty and enjoy free trade with this mainland, then the questions arise of the possible tariff retaliation in the spheres of our present Chinese trade by that time partly under the control of nations that profited formerly by Philippine commerce, and of injury to our native sugar, hemp and tobacco interests by the untaxed admission of the island products. These are all matters upon which a variety of opinions are held and which the Trans- Mississippi congress will be able, it is hoped, to reduce to a convincing thesis.

How to Find Out.

Fill a bottle or common glass with your water and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys; if it stains your linen it is evidence of kidney trouble; too frequent desire to pass it or pain in the back is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

WHAT TO DO.

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R McMERPHY, General Agent, Eugene, Or.

ALPHA CLIPPINGS.

BY EVEN CHANGE.

April 3rd, 1899.

Mr Levi Berkshire was up the creek Sunday.

Mr Wm Austin and family spent Easter Sunday with Mr Acherson at Alpha.

We hear there is liable to be a wedding on Lake creek soon between Miss Annie Alimusi and Fred Roe.

Mr Marion Wheeler went to Nelson creek Saturday evening to visit his parents also to make a side call to see his Easter Lilly.

Mrs Lundy writes that on the 25th of March there was two feet of snow and the thermometer was down to 40 below zero at Evans, Colorado.

Mr Chas Acherson returned from Eugene last week and reports the arrival on one train of 700 emigrants at that place.

Mr Wm Harris went to Blackley last week trading, receiving 8 cents for eggs and \$3.50 for chickens; getting 15 lbs of granulated sugar for \$1.00.

Poor old California, the capital boomed land of gold, rich people, flowers and climate after having a little of the conceit knocked out of her by two successive failures of crops, has had a little of what Oregon could spare lots of (rain) and good times are assured.

We have very flattering prospects for a large fruit on Deadwood, peach, plums and cherries are in bloom—by a careful examination all kinds of trees so far are not injured in the least, and only a few of the cherry blossoms. The Siuslaw valley is about the only place in the U S where the cold weather did not injure the fruit.

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