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OF INTEREST TO THE PEOPLE.

Plaint and Appeal.

Look not down from thy home above, Or sneer at those who suffer from. That now in the land of thy "Brotherly Love" They shoot down hungry men?

They shoot down hungry men? Thy brother's board is starkly bare, No sunbeam lights his den, For the earth is owned by the millionaire And they shoot down starving men!

But there's an over-production, they say, Luxuries wanting all around, Yet thy brother has barely bread for pay For toiling beneath the ground.

My aching soul the scene abhors: Great God, was this thy plan— That a few should gather up the stores Till there down a crimson flood?

That Mammon's car should crush as it rolls, Till there down a crimson flood? That "Christians" should traffic in human souls And live on the price of blood?

O God, just God, we pray Thee now Remove this pagan pall That our race no more to Mammon bow And before this Moloch fall.

Speak thou that monsters shall be slain By Thy just power above! O God, Thy kingdom reign And give us Brotherly Love! —Amy B. Everett, in Appeal to Reason.

Government Railroads.

In Australia, on government-owned railroads, you can ride a distance of 1000 miles for \$6.50, first-class, while workingmen can ride six miles for 2 cents, twelve miles for 4 cents, thirty miles for 10 cents, and railroad men receive from 25 to 30 per cent more wages for eight hours of labor than they are paid in this country for ten hours.

In Victoria, where these rates prevail, the net income from the roads is sufficient to pay all the federal taxes, which is another convincing proof of the possibility of government without taxation.

In Hungary, where the roads are state owned, you can ride six miles for 1 cent, and since the roads were bought by the government the men's wages were doubled.

Belgium tells the same story—fares and freight rates cut down one-half and wages doubled, yet the roads pay a yearly revenue to the government of \$4,000,444.

In the United States, under private ownership, it is the other way. We have paid the railroads billions in land and money and are now paying them millions yearly for carrying the mail, and yet freight and passenger rates are so extortionate as to be almost prohibitive, while wages paid railroad employes are degrading and almost criminal in their smallness.

Surely America has a deal to learn from its various mother countries.

In Germany you ride four miles for 1 cent on the government-owned lines, yet wages are 125 per cent higher than when the corporations owned them, and during the past ten years the net profits have increased 41 per cent.

Last year the roads paid the German government a net profit of \$25,000,000.

If government owned the railroads, we could go from Boston to San Francisco for \$10. Here is the proof. The United States pays \$275 for the postal car from Boston to San Francisco. A passenger car will carry 50 passengers, which, at \$10 each would be \$500, or a clean profit of \$250 per car and this, too, after paying 54 per cent on watered stock, which is fully 100 per cent on the cost of the road.

These quoted figures are taken from a reliable source—Uncle Sam.

The Chicago Tribune is authority for the statement that J. Pierpont Morgan is now in control of the main trunk lines of the United States, aggregating a mileage of 50,550 miles. This also includes all the eastern anthracite coal roads, which gives one man almost absolute control of the transportation and anthracite coal.

Is it not about time that the people began to co-operate with the idea of having some say as to what they shall pay for their transportation and merchandise?

Plans have been perfected at San Francisco for fighting the sugar trust on Jan. 1st, when the 5-year contract of the Hawaiian planter with the Western Sugar Refinery will expire. It will continue that portion of the crop, say from 40,000 to 50,000 tons, which Claus Spreckels can control. Of the remainder of 250,000, 150,000 tons will be placed on the market by the California Beet Sugar and Refining company.

Capital Journal: Of course, a Bryan candidate for city treasurer would be denounced as a Populist, a repudiator and an anarchist by self-constituted patriots who have been financing our city affairs. It is nevertheless the privilege of those who want a clean-up of the city treasury to support a candidate who is hand fast to do his duty.

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Verdict Against Lawyers Rendered.

Olympia, Nov. 19.—A jury in the case of Hoffman vs. Fitch & Campbell returned a verdict for the plaintiff against the firm for \$650, and against Campbell individually for \$850. Fitch and Campbell were formerly a well-known law firm here, and as such were entrusted with collections, part of which Mrs. Hoffman claims were never accounted for.

Tit For Tat.

They tell this neat story of Westinghouse, says the Chicago "Inter-Ocean": When Westinghouse invented the air brake, now used on all railway lines in the world, he took the invention to Admiral ———, manager of one of the great American trunk lines. He was kept waiting in an outer office, and eventually was shown to the manager, who sat writing very busily. Presently the great man looked up and asked him in business: "I have called to explain the mechanism of a new brake I have invented," began Westinghouse. "Oh air brakes be hanged!"

Sierra Valley Record: About the meanest trick we have heard of lately was played on one of our young men who went to see his best girl, who resides some distance from town. Some malicious person took the saddle off his horse and put it back inside foremost, cinched it up tight, and fastened it on for keeps with wire. A horseman returned home an hour and a half later than usual that night. The reason was that he mounted his horse in the dark and ——— the change and rode three miles away from home before he discovered that he and his horse were facing different directions.

Silas Wayback (fishing for spring suckers, impatiently)—Suckers are getting skinner every spring. Wouldn't wonder if they run out 'fore long. Uncle Bunker (knowingly)—Don't yew b'lieve it. When I secured this two-dollar fish-line for a dollar ninety-eight at York and heard 't clerk talk a chap that that was a sucker born every minute.

Citizen—You were named after George Washington, were you not, Mr. Johnson? George Washington Johnson—Yes, sah. Yo' didn't spect I was named befo' him, did you?

"Can you give me a definition of nothing?" inquired a schoolteacher. "Yes mum. It's a bunghole without any barrel 'round it," shouted a pupil.

You'll shoot me "like a dog," you say? Where did you learn to shoot that way?

The politicians in Baker City have pulled the strings to have the postoffice moved.

Arlington has an electric plant. The city has given an exclusive charter for 20 years. The power is water power.

The Grant's Pass Observer issued a memorial supplement in memory of Hosea Brown, the veteran of the war of 1812.

All gamblers will be cleared out of the Heppner gambling dens and clear police have been sworn in to clear the decks.

There is a drier in Albany ready for business, and the Albany Democrat suggests that the vegetables of Linn county be dried for the Klondike trade.

F. A. W. Crain, of Junction, has a rock on which a well defined handsome woman with long flowing hair. It has been polished and is quite handsome.

It is estimated that Oregon this year has at least 2,000,000 bushels of apples for market. Of this amount at least 1,200,000 bushels are consumed in Oregon, leaving 800,000 for export.

Miss Chella Connor, the 10-year-old daughter of A. B. Connor, of Milton, Del., recently walked 17 miles in her sleep. She woke up to find herself on the railroad track, near Cheswood. She took the next train for home, and found the whole community scattered far and wide searching for her.

To Cure Constipation Forever. Take Cassell's Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

Deadly Telephones.

Now the telephone is added to the deadly weapons of civilization, and it is dangerous not only to indulge in kissing but to speak through the phone. An Oakland paper says: "Dr. O. L. Jones has made a careful examination of the mouthpieces of various telephones and is very pronounced in his opinion regarding the danger that lurks in the innocent looking machines.

"Too much care cannot be shown in the use of the telephone," said the doctor. "I have seen some of the most offensive matter in the mouthpiece of a public telephone.

Breath from diseased lungs is breathed into them and in fact many of the things that come out of the mouth of men and women. It does not need a physician to see the wide field it affords for the dissemination of disease. Many times you will see one person step up to a telephone just as soon as another has finished speaking. After a conversation through a telephone the mouthpiece is almost invariably damp and many times the condensed breath runs out in drops.

"I have frequently uncovered the mouthpiece and found a vile secretion inside that was decidedly nauseating. It is not only objectionable, but it is dangerous and represented probably the accumulation of thousands of offensive breaths. It is strange to me that this matter has not been taken up before, as it is of far more importance than many matters that have been investigated. I remember not long ago an agitation being started about school children getting the wrong caps and its attendant evils. This matter of telephone mouthpieces is of vastly more importance."

The Hicks 1898 Almanac and Paper.

We are informed that the 1898 Almanac of Prof. I. R. Hicks is now ready, and judging from its past history, it will not be many weeks in finding its way into homes and offices all over America. It is much larger and finer than any previous issue. It contains 116 pages, is splendidly printed and illustrated on fine book paper, having the finest portrait ever given of Prof. Hicks.

It can no longer be denied that the publication is necessary to the daily and commercial life of this country. His journal, "Word and Works," aside from its storm, weather and astronomical features, has taken rank with the best literary, scientific and family magazines of the age.

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A Back Hollow rancher raised \$300 worth of silver-skin onions on one acre of land in Sherman county this year, and sold the crop for cash.

A Fearful Experience

A POSTMASTER LOSES THE USE OF HIS LEGS AND ARMS.

Edwin R. Tripp, of Middlefield Center, Meets with a Hazardous Encounter Which Renders Him Helpless.

From Chicago Republican, Cooperation, N. Y.

Mr. Edwin R. Tripp, the postmaster at Middlefield Center, N. Y., recently had a dangerous experience which left him in a helpless state. His system was so much shattered that it was feared he might never recover.

In an interview with a reporter of the Republican, regarding this experience which had attracted considerable attention, Mr. Tripp stated:

"In March, 1892, I was taken with what afterward learned was locomotor ataxia and was unable to walk, and I kept getting worse until I lost the use of my arms. I doctored with two skilled doctors but received no benefit, and also used a galvanic battery but kept getting worse and the doctors told me they could do no more. This was in May and June, 1892. I gave up all hope of ever having the use of my limbs again, and did not expect to live long."

"I was unable to dress or undress myself, and could not get around the house unless I was moved in a chair. "I think it was in June that I read of the case of a man in Saratoga Co., N. Y., who was taken very much as myself. I had taken Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People which contained, in a condensed form, all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood and restore shattered nerves, and had been cured by their use."

"I learned that the pills were prepared by the Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y., and only cost 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50 at any druggist's, and sent for two boxes. I used the pills faithfully and they gave me an appetite. I then sent for four more boxes, and before I had taken all of them my feet and legs which had been cold began to get warm."

"I was a member of the Town Board that summer and had to be carried and put into a wagon to go to the meetings, and in fact was helpless, as my neighbors know. In August I could walk around the house by pushing a chair. I kept getting better and managed to move around more, until at election time that year, I walked with a cane to the polls a short distance from my home. I continued to take Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People until I had taken eighteen boxes. I could then get around, and to-day walk to the post office and back, a distance of one-quarter of a mile, three times a day, and attend to my duties as postmaster."

"In the spring of 1893 I was elected town clerk, which office I held for three years. I had previously been a justice of the peace for thirty-two years. I am now 70 years of age, and have lived in this town for about forty years. For nearly fifty years I worked at the blacksmith's trade. I am able to do work in my garden now, and saw some of my wood. I consider that my restoration to health is due to the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People."

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