

THE OREGON SCOUT, FROM THE CAPITOL.

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Old Man Hayseed Enters the Ring to Maintain Paternal Authority.

"This 'ere athletics and gymnasiums is all wrong," said the old man, as he laid down his paper and began to shuck a three-ply peanut. "I've had a sample of it in my own family, and I know how it works."

"Don't you believe in such exercise for a young man?"

"Wall, the exercise may be all right, but the fellers git false ideas in their heads. Take my son Cyrus, for instance, Cy was a leetle inclined to consumption, and I rathur encouraged gymnastics. It wasn't three weeks afore he begun to git sassy. I gave him a lickin' one day, and I could see that he didn't take it kindly. He began to put on airs over his mother, and when I cum to inquire around a leetle I found that Cy was in the box. He was a-holdin' up his dukes and knockin' the boys right and left. I overheard him talkin' to our Bill about 'position,' 'guard,' 'break-away,' 'knock-out' and sich, and every day he got sassier and sassier. He was eighteen years old, but I allus lick my boys till they are past twenty. I saw that Cy was goin' to buck. Thar was Bill and Tom and Jerry to be affected by his example, and I felt that sunthin' orter be done. One day we was hoin' corn, and Cy was off. I didn't mind it fur awhile, but bime-by I got riled and said:

"Seems to me you ar' achin' fur a lickin'."

"Mebbe I am, father," he replies, as cool as ice, "but I shan't git it. I've bin licked fur the last time."

"Cause why?" I asked.

"Cause I won't allow it."

"Then I knew that the time had come when he'd got to have sunthin' stronger than hoss medicine. He'd got the big head on him tremejus, and it was then or never."

"Suppose we walk over to the barn, Cy?" I keorlessly remarked as I finished a row.

"He said he was my huckleberry, and we dropped our hoes and went. When we got inside we both begun to pool by mutual consent, and Cy carried a grin all over his face. He'd been put on to a new upper-cut two or three days before and he was calklatin' on spillin' my chawin' machine at the fist blow. He looked the jim-dandy as he squared off, and I rathur anticipated the wust. I never fit in my life, but when we squared off I was bound to down Cyrus. Says I:

"Cy, will ye quit yer sass and knuckle if I don't lick ye?"

"And he said: 'Father, raise yer dukes a leetle higher, and look out fur me!'"

"With that he tapped me on the store-room with one hand and cuffed my ear with the other, and I sailed in. He gave me one on the tooth-box as I closed in, but arter that the gate money was mine. I throwed him into the manger, over the fannin' mill, and behind the granary, and I was goin' to run him through the cornsheller, when he hollered 'Enough!' and begged me to let up on him. It worked a mighty sudden cure on him. Swellin' all went out his head that night, and when I licked him with a cornstalk next day he was as humble as a calf. Gymnasitics is all right up to a certain pint, but when you git beyond it it's dangerous. S'posed I hadn't come out on top of Cy? Why, sir, he'd have bin bluffin' me outer the house by this time, and probably had a match on with Sullivan!" - N. Y. Sun.

Motherly Solicitude.

"What a fine little fellow," said the patronizing old gentleman who had been elected Representative for four successive times from his Congressional district. His remark was addressed to a kind-faced lady who held in her arms a little fellow who blinked gravely at all that was going on.

"Yes," replied the lady. "His father and I set a great deal of store by him."

"Well, he's a bright looking little fellow. May be he'll be a Congressman some day."

"May be he will," said the mother.

"But," she added earnestly, "I'm going to do my best to raise him right." - Merchant Traveler.

Contrary to Public Policy.

Constituent (to able statesman)—Here is a petition signed by 100,000 names calling for the passage of a law to make wife-beating a penitentiary offense.

Able Statesman (cordially)—My dear friend, I should like to take charge of that petition, but there are grave public reasons why such a law wouldn't do just now. You remember Barney Bigst, the Eleventh Ward saloo—er—grocer who helped us carry the district last fall, when we got in by just thirteen votes? He sometimes loses his temper, you know, and—(the rest in a confidential whisper.)—Chicago Tribune.

Catching an Heiress.

Citizen (to Uncle Rastus)—So that is the woman you're going to marry, is it, Uncle Rastus?

Uncle Rastus—Yes, sah, dat am de lady. She ain't much to look at.

Citizen—Well, no, not very much, Uncle Rastus.

Uncle Rastus—But she hab got foh-ty-seven dollahs in de bank, boss, an' she hab promised ter gib me de power ob attorney-generalship. - Harpe's

HOME AND ABROAD

Work on the Eleventh Census Begun—London to Have an Underground Electric Railroad.

Italy has 13,000 licensed beggars.

Eiffel Tower landings hold 80,000 men.

Six thousand Germans sailed for America recently.

Mexico has decided to give bounties to sugar producers.

Preparatory work has already begun on the eleventh census.

The Weiden Extradition bill has passed the Canadian senate.

The crop reports from Minnesota and Dakota are favorable.

Beautiful modern houses near London rent for \$200 per year.

A rich gold discovery is reported in Franklin county, Va.

There was a \$75,000 fire at Buena Vista, Col., on the 27th inst.

Henri Rochefort's son committed suicide at Bona, Algeria.

Silk weavers to go to New York are advertised for in Switzerland.

The American Samoan Commissioners are at London, on their way to Berlin.

A team from the Manhattan Athletic Club will be brought to the Pacific Coast.

Edinburgh has voted the freedom of the city to Parnell by a vote of 14 to 13.

The Standard Oil company has come into possession of the St. Louis Gas Trust.

Burglars secured \$23,000 from the post-office at La Harpe, Ill., on the 27th inst.

James, the deposed Long Branch preacher, has been arrested on three charges.

There were 123 deaths from pneumonia in New York city during the week ending April 13.

London is to have an underground electric railroad that will "do" two miles in ten minutes.

Yellow Jack swung southward from Florida and has killed 4000 people at Rio since last fall.

Those who didn't get good claims in the Oklahoma rush declare the whole thing a swindle.

Some uneasiness is felt at the City of Mexico over reported filibustering in Lower California.

Emperor William has been instrumental in the building of four new churches in Berlin.

A man died from sunstroke at Oklahoma City last week while sitting on his claim untrapped.

Lady Lonsdale sailed on the Umbra on the 27th inst., to join her husband, who is in San Francisco.

A fire in the Lee-Deering Company's establishment at St. Louis, on the 28th, caused a loss of \$125,000.

Scott Bailey, the negro who assaulted a young lady at Halifax court-house, Va., recently, was caught and lynched.

In Greenwood Cemetery, Brooklyn, which was opened in 1840, the 250,000th interment took place recently.

The City of Paris, the new steamer which has just completed its first trip, cost \$2,500,000 and can accommodate 2000 passengers.

George Francis Train has fasted eleven days. He drinks only water, which he thinks is sufficiently nourishing to any one but a glutton.

At the Texas Spring Palace in Fort Worth, 173 varieties of Texas grass will be exhibited. The exhibition will be opened this month.

Billy Wilson, of St. Paul, Minn., a heavy weight, says that he is anxious to meet Peter Jackson in a fight to a finish. Both are colored men.

Barron's amendment to the supply bill, increasing the duty on saw-logs for export from Canada, has been rejected by the Canadian parliament.

The women of Paris now indulge in cigarettes made of tea, and the effect on the nerves is much more marked than that exercised by tobacco.

There is a bad show for wheat in Russia as well as in Austria, but there is a bright outlook in all the wheat-growing districts of the United States.

Colonel D. B. Dyer, of Kansas City, has been elected mayor of Guthrie, Oklahoma, as a compromise candidate. Gamblers are being driven away.

The Prussian Minister of War, at a recent reception to the Emperor, surprised his guests with music furnished by an orchestra made up of army officers.

An Englishman has made a toy containing 400 animals and men. They are all put in motion by a windmill turned by the current from burning candles.

There is considerable excitement in Saline county, Mo., over the discovery of gold near Arrow Rock, a California expert having pronounced it a rich find.

The bark J. W. Scammell, from St. Johns, N. F., for Rio Janeiro, ran into New York, her crew having mutinied. They say that the vessel is unseaworthy.

The managers of the Western roads met at Chicago on the 27th to consider the proposition of lessening the time between Chicago and Ogden. It is claimed fast trains are too expensive.

Lieutenant Dorr, who eloped from West Point with the wife of Lieutenant Totten, about two years ago, is now manager of the Barrios estate in Guatemala and is living splendidly.

Postmaster Edward S. Jimison, at Ash-borne, Penn., shot a burglar dead while breaking into the postoffice, on the 27th. Jimison, who was sick in bed with pneumonia, was appointed only two weeks ago.

At Chelsea Park, Kansas City, Mo., on the 28th, a bridge across an artificial lake gave way and precipitated about seventy-five persons into seven feet of water. Most of them scrambled out or were assisted on shore, more frightened than hurt, but fifteen were injured, four of them severely.

On the 28th inst., a horrible railroad accident occurred on the Grand Trunk road, near Hamilton, Ont., in which seventeen people were killed. Two cars were telescoped and immediately took fire, burning those who were crippled and unable to extricate themselves from the wreck.

THE PACIFIC COAST.

THE WILLAMETTE COLLEGE GETS A \$100,000 LEGACY.

A Collision in the Bay at San Francisco—Fishermen Drowned—Heavy Rains in the Northwest—Newsy Items.

Yuba city is to have a planing mill.

Real estate prices are improving in Santa Rosa.

Santa Ana's Flower Festival ended on the 28th inst.

The next G. A. R. reunion will be held at Red Bluff.

The salmon pack on the Columbia is declared unsatisfactory.

D. L. Hackett of the Napa Reporter, is still reported to be missing.

Susanville, Cal., experienced a sharp earthquake shock last week.

Four fishermen were drowned in the Cascade Falls, Or., last week.

A Philadelphia firm will put up glaze fruit at Santa Cruz this season.

The terracotta works at Elsinore are daily turning out 3000 feet of pipe.

Work on the Monterey and Pacific Grove Railway is to begin at once.

Woodland has organized a Business Men's Association and Board of Trade.

On the 28th inst., Benicia honored Minister Mizner with a public welcome.

In five years the Fresno raisin-growers expect to harvest yearly 1,500,000 boxes.

Her Majesty's ship Espiegle, sailed last week from Victoria, B. C., for Honolulu.

San Bernardino county employs fourteen more school teachers this than last year.

Tacoma is making great preparations for the rowing matches, to come off this month.

Elsinore claims to be hatching chickens by aid of the hot water of the sulphur springs.

David G. Harky was run over by a street car last week at San Jose, and died the next day.

Seven men have been arrested for tarring Gus Brannan, a Swedish Lathario of San Pedro.

A lodgin-house and a cottage adjoining, were destroyed by fire, in San Bernardino, the 30th inst.

J. B. Hailstone, engineer at the Agnews insane asylum, dropped dead on the 28th from heart disease.

George Walty, a Norwegian, committed suicide a few days ago at San Diego by blowing his brains out.

Willamette College will get a \$16,000 legacy from the late Father Wilbur, a noted Methodist missionary.

Two tramps broke into the station-house at Fountain, Col., killed the operator and robbed him of \$65.

H. L. Storey denies publicly that he has sold his interest in the Coronado Beach Hotel to the Spreckels.

Francisco Martino, a cook at Gallup, N. M., attacked his employer last week and was shot, probably fatally.

Rose Bennett has been sentenced to twelve months' imprisonment for killing Frank Graves at Anaconda, M. T.

The Mount Shasta District Society will hold a fair in Yreka, commencing October 2d and continuing four days.

Caterpillars are infesting fruit trees in the vicinity of Santa Rosa. It is feared they will ravage the orchards.

Archbishop Goss, head of the Catholic church of Oregon, has gone to Rome to confer with Pope Leo on church business.

A sandstorm blew along the river between Arlington, Or., and The Dalles, last week, blocking the railroad track near Wallace.

August Dietrich tried to sell beer at the Odd Fellows' picnic at Lakeside, San Diego county, last week, but was driven away by force.

The Canadian Pacific steamer Sardonk, loaded with cannery supplies, was beached in the Skeena river, having struck a rock.

At Seattle, W. T., last week, Wm. D. Kelly was shot and mortally wounded while attempting to rob the cabin of two saloon-keepers.

The recent heavy rains all through the Northwest give promise of the largest crops ever raised in Oregon and Washington Territory.

The band of hostile Indians that was reported a few days ago as having killed a rancher at Deer Creek, near Deming, N. M., is without foundation.

William Wohlfarth killed Matt Fiegle, near Black's Station, Cal., on the 28th. The quarrel originated in the smashing of a buggy and the payment of damages.

Charles Schmidt, editor of Nord California Herald, in Sacramento, while running in the fat men's race at a picnic, on the 28th inst., had one of his legs broken.

At San Francisco on the 28th a collision occurred in the bay between the British ships Dunfalian and Queen Victoria, in which both were considerably damaged.

The new temperance temple of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, recently erected at the corner of Fort and Temple streets, Los Angeles, at a cost of \$40,000, was dedicated recently.

Governor Waterman says he thoroughly concurs in the views taken by General Vandever as to the acquisition of Lower California, and in fact is more favorably impressed with the country than he is.

Louis Beer got drunk, wrote a letter telling his wife to take his property and go to thunder, and then drowned himself in a reservoir at Los Angeles, last week. He was a Swiss, 50 years of age.

Mrs. Mildred Cowan, living on Duwamish river, near Seattle, W. T., was seriously wounded in an arduous glancing ball from a rifle, which was held by her husband, on the 28th. The ball struck the floor first.

Mrs. Marlette shot and killed "Professor" Sullivan at San Bernardino, last week. He was a dancing-master and Mrs. Marlette charged him with improper treatment of her three and one-half year old daughter.

HOME AND FARM.

How to Feed Stock—The Breeding of Fowls—Foundation Walls for Stables and Barns.

The simplest way to fumigate a room is to heat an iron shovel very hot, and then pour vinegar upon it, drop by drop. The steam arising from this is a disinfectant. Doors and windows should be opened that it may escape.

It has been estimated that cattle disease in the past forty-six years has cost Great Britain \$500,000,000. Commissioner Colman recommends a cattle quarantine against all Europe, which has been the hot bed of diseases, which afterward afflicted this country.

A handsome low serene is made by painting a large cardboard a sky-blue, then painting a spray of daisies and clover blossoms on it. Then set this in a frame of push about an inch and a half wide, and this is to be placed in a light ebony frame with a standard.

Roots should not be fed with straw or poor hay, as they are too much alike in composition. Feed the roots with clover or good hay, and give the more concentrated food with the straw. It requires more skill to be successful in feeding poor than rich kinds of food.

Foundation walls for barns and stables should go down deep on low soils that are not well drained. Many walls go to ruin by failure to go a little deeper for the foundation. An exceptionally cold winter may cause damage from frost, and it is always well to bank up as much as possible.

Unless the shocks of corn are made firm in the field they will be blown down. A little extra care in shocking will save much loss in fallen shocks. Wherever possible haul the shocks to the barn, as corn fodder is always injured to a certain extent, no matter how well it may be shocked.

To make a nice teacake, take one pound of flour, half a pound of butter, one nutmeg, one teaspoonful of saleratus dissolved in a cup of sour cream. Rub together the butter and sugar and flour. Roll out and cut into rounds, dredging sugar over them before baking. Bake in a good oven.

The heavy breeds of ducks can be kept within an inclosure, with a very low fence, and, if given a trough for bathing purposes, they will thrive and do well if fed on grass or bulky food. Too much grain is detrimental. The Pekin breed seems best adapted on farms that have no ponds or streams of water.

The color of the hog seems to be a matter of importance. Experiments show that, contrary to expectation, a black hog, such as the Essex and Berkshire, thrives best in the South, while the white breeds, such as the Chester White, Yorkshire and Cheshire, thrive best in the North. The Poland-China, a spotted hog, and the Jersey Red are preferred in the Western states.

A drink that is truly refreshing for one suffering from sore throat or cold is made by pouring a quart of boiling water over a carefully washed handful of Irish moss. Let it stand until the water is cool, then strain through a muslin bag, add sugar and lemon juice, with a few thin slices of lemon, until it is about like lemonade; a little cinnamon is considered an addition by some people.

A good relish to take with a lunch is made of ham. Pound some pieces of ham in a mortar, just as fine as you can. Season it with pepper and spice, and moisten it with clarified butter. Put this into a mold, or earthen bowl, and press it in very tightly. Put it into the oven for half an hour. Let it get perfectly cold. It can then be cut into thin slices. It is nice if used for filling for sandwiches.

That plush may be cleaned is a fact of interest; children's plush coats that have become soiled on the front can be softly and delicately sponged with a little borax and water without injury; a teaspoonful of powdered borax to nearly a quart of water is the proper proportion; use a very soft sponge, and, by the way, a sponge may be softened by boiling it in clear water; then take it out and rinse it in several waters, if not softened sufficiently repeat the boiling and rinsing process.

A most excellent pudding is made by stewing one pound of prunes until they are so tender that the stones may be removed without difficulty. Take one quart of sweet milk and subtract a teaspoonful; into this stir enough flour to make it like thick paste, then mix it with the rest of the milk; beat four eggs very light and add, and lastly stir in the prunes, over which you have first sifted a little flour. Boil or steam for two hours. Serve hot, with some highly flavored sauce; vanilla or wine sauce is preferred.

A grape trellis is a permanent institution, and the extra expense of making it right pays big profits yearly for a long time. How much will it cost to put up a few boards over a favorite vine that annually just barely misses ripening its fruit? That by warding off cold rains and dews and checking the passing off of heat into space will probably make the grapes one or two weeks earlier. This semi-protection is also in many places a preventative of mildew. The finest grapes grow on vines trained to house walls under the projecting eaves and cornices.

A hen smoker is something that all poultry farms should have. Tobacco smoke is death to lice. It is also death to the fowl if confined until the smoke is thick enough to kill the lice. Here is the description of a convenient smoker which almost any one who is handy with saw, hammer and nails may construct. The smoker is made in two compartments. The upper one for the fowl has a hole cut in one side of the fowl's head, and one in the floor to admit the smoke form below. A pan of live coals is placed in the lower compartment, a handful of tobacco leaves or stems placed on them and the door closed. A few holes should be bored in the door near the bottom to admit air. A sliding door on the back of the box is so constructed that when opened for the purpose of inserting or taking out the fowl, it closes the hole which admits the smoke from below, and when closed after putting in another fowl the hole is opened and admits the smoke. We apprehend that this smoker can be used to great advantage when a large number of hens are sitting. Another use for which such a box may be put is for riding house plants of the green aphid, and in that case one side of the box may have a pane of glass inserted so that the operator can tell when enough smoke has been admitted.

PORTLAND MARKET.

THE LOCAL MARKET PRESENTS NO NEW FEATURES.

The Salmon Catch for April Better Than at First Reported—Vegetables Becoming Profitful—A Decline in Poultry.

The general holiday on Tuesday interfered somewhat with all business transactions, but in all other respects the condition of the local markets is eminently sound. The heavy rains is making up for the dry winter, and are welcomed by the farming community. The salmon catch for April is said to have turned out better than was at first reported, and those engaged in the trade are full of hopes for a remunerative season. We quote:

GROCERIES. Sugars, Golden C 7 3/4c, extra C 7 5/8c, dry granulated 8 3/4c, cube, crushed and powdered 9 5/8c. Coffee: Costa Rica 21 1/2c @ 22 1/2c, Rio 22a25c, Java 25a27c, Mocha 28@31c, Arabouck's roasted 25 3/4c.

PROVISIONS. Oregon ham 12 1/2@13c, breakfast bacon 12 1/2c, sides 10a10 1/2c, shoulders 8 3/4@9c, Eastern ham 13@13 1/2c, breakfast bacon 12 1/2@13c, sides 9 1/2@10c. Lard 10a 9 1/2c.

FRUITS. Navel oranges \$4.50, Riversides \$3@3.25, California lemons \$3.50@4 per box. VEGETABLES. Potatoes 30@35c, onions \$2 rhuubarb 10c, tomatoes \$2.50 per box.

DRIED FRUITS. Apples 5@6c, sliced 6c, apricots 13@14c, peaches 8@10c, pears 8c, Italian, 8c, silver 7c, German 6@6 1/2c, plums 5@7c, California figs 8c.

DAIRY PRODUCE. Butter, Oregon fancy 25c, medium 21 1/2a15, Eastern 22c, California 18@20c. EGGS. Eggs 16c.

POULTRY. Chickens \$5@5.50, ducks \$10@11 per doz., geese \$9, turkeys are steady at 20c per lb.

WOOL. Valley 16a18c, Eastern Oregon 15c. HOPS 10@15c.

GRAIN. Wheat, Valley \$1.25, Eastern Oregon \$1.15 Oats 30@31c.

FLOUR. Standard \$4.25, other brands \$3.75. FEED. Hay \$13@14 per ton, bran \$14a15, shorts \$15a16, barley \$22.50@24, mill chop \$18a20.

FRESH MEATS. Beef, live, 3 1/2c, dressed 7c, mutton, live, 3 1/2c, dressed 7c, lambs \$2.50 each, hogs live 6c, dressed 7@7 1/2c, veal 6@8c.

DAUGHTERS OF EVE.

Lady Dudley sleeps in black silk sheets. Mrs. Cleveland has never seen a horse race. This will be Julia Ward Howe's sixty-ninth summer.

Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt has a diamond ring worth \$50,000. Amelia River says she writes with the aid of an astral man.

Lady Monkton is the only English lady of title on the English stage. Charles Egbert Craddock (Miss Murfree) likes steel pens and the very best ink.

Chinese Little Tin Loy is one of the most richly dressed women on the Pacific coast. Miss Jane Dutton started a boarding house in 1849 and died a few days ago worth over \$100,000.

Miss Frances H. Mitchell, of Philadelphia, has been made a doctor of philosophy by the University of Zurich.

Eighteen thousand Irish girls, who have been assisted to emigrate, sent home £250,000 sterling in five years.

The Baroness Burdett-Coutts has started a new cab company in London, to run four wheelers of an improved type.

Mrs. Cleveland planted a sapling at Mount Vernon the other day in great secrecy, lest relic hunters should destroy the plant.

The belle of Baton Rouge, La., a lady of graceful and attractive manners, owns and personally conducts a job printing office.

Mrs. Betsey Averill, of New Preston, Conn., remembers all her birthdays since she was 5 years old, and, as she has reached the discreet age of 105, has just a century upon her memory.

Mrs. Tussaud has added to her collection of relics the camp tented on which the Duke of Wellington slept on the night before Waterloo. It is a simple one of ropes and wood and is barely six feet in length, with the merest pretense of a mattress.

Mr. Edmund Yates describes Queen Nala of Servia as "decidedly one of the finest woman" order; tall, broad and massive, with large features and black eyebrows and eyes and black hair, which she wears 'down her back, as the saying is,' as poor Skelton's used to say, like a horse's tail."

A granddaughter of Charles Dickens is now engaged on a promising enterprise. She has engaged a staff of young ladies, who, with herself, devote themselves to copying with the typewriter. They have attained great proficiency in the art and work more neatly than most amateur typewriters. They are getting plenty of custom, and are especially clever in correctly deciphering and rendering badly written manuscripts.

WHAT THEY WEAR.

Recamier frocks are the rage. Long driving cloaks are of dark silk. Cashmere polonaises are appropriately worn over silk skirts.

Silk gowns are de rigueur for church, particularly those of black. Elegant visiting toilets are of richly embroidered silk combined with lace. Excellent ragout pickles are made with two gallons of sliced cabbage, one gallon of green tomatoes, twelve large onions chopped fine, one gallon good vinegar, one pound of brown sugar, one half ounce of tumeric powder, one tablespoonful of ground allspice, one tablespoonful of cinnamon, one ounce of celery seed, one teaspoonful of ground cloves, one quarter of a pound of white mustard, salt to the taste. Some persons like the addition of three green peppers chopped fine, without the seeds. Boil all together three or four hours, till quite tender, and to not add the spices until it is done. Ready to use as soon as it is cold.