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EDITORIAL COMMENT

THE OPPORTUNITY afforded the people of the country adjacent to Portland for seeing a real live airship this week may have been appreciated but the receipts of the committee that put the show on do not seem to indicate that fact. Perhaps the receipts would have been greater had the attendants been afforded decent transportation facilities. But when a person has to wait an hour to even get a toe hold on a car, he doesn't feel like digging down for a \$2 entrance and \$2 more for a seat in the grand stand. Had the transportation been sufficient, and the entrance fee about one-fourth or one-half of what it was, the public would have reciprocated by paying the entrance and going inside. But it not only looked like a graft, it was one, and about four-fifths of the public returned the offering in kind. Then the program was not carried out, and that lead us to feel that the deficiency is not to be considered a cause for pity. There was a fine opportunity to give the public its money's worth but the swine got beat at their own game. However, be that as it may, the spectacle of a man gliding through the air as was shown in the Hamilton exhibits will never be forgotten. The first impression gathered by such a sight will last long after aerial navigation has come to be an every-day affair. While it has long been the ambition of mankind to develop some sort of aerial craft, it was hardly imagined that man would ever produce anything that would so nearly approach in movement, action and control, the flight of some great bird, as does this Curtis biplane. One cannot avoid comparing its rapid ascents, its soaring flights and its birdlike glides with every-day observations of animal activity. It seems the only thing lacking is some development that will enable the machine to carry several passengers. The present construction would hardly permit of more than one person participating in a flight. The mere matter of weight could be readily overcome by simply enlarging the planes. The present structure assumes the driver shall control the equilibrium. Should more than one person undertake to assist in this there is a probability of destruction. If the passengers should be permitted to move around the result would be more surely fatal. And it can hardly be expected that air crafts will ever be very popular if the passengers have to sit as rigid as a part of the machine. Some automatic balancing device will have to be provided whereby all sidewise tilting can be overcome. Perhaps the essential principal in the mono-rail car will come to be used. This would seem to be the most adaptable to such a craft. A hundred and fifty pound gyroscope would be sufficient to hold a biplane of two-ton weight in a safe position. But a two-ton bi-

plane would reach twice across a street, and present a monster in appearance that would equal any of the imaginary craft that has found a place in the fiction of the past half century.

WE NOTE with regret the tendency of our correspondents and acquaintances to work advertising matter relating to entertainments and benefit sociahs into the local items. Such matter should never go into those columns. No newspaper can live on free advertising and we fear we will be compelled to leave out such items even if it costs us a few complaints. Let us deal squarely. Every money-raising affairs should pay its advertising.

SPRING has arrived. We are safe to say so now for haven't we already had half a dozen nice days of late, and doesn't the robin sing in your cherry tree every morning, and aren't the daffodils ready to burst into blossom, and isn't the fisherman looking over his spring tackle, and the boy yearning to hike over the hill to the swimming hole? These are all evidences of the approach of spring, "Even as sure as the green getting back in the trees."

WE ACKNOWLEDGE the receipt of a copy of *Poultry Secrets*, a new edition put out by the Farm Journal. It has all the good qualities of preceding editions and perhaps a few additional ones. It has been in our clubbing list for a long time and so far as we have learned has given entire satisfaction.

WELCHES

There is the breath of spring in the air at last. The snow is gone except upon the hills surrounding here. No serious damage has been done by the high water.

John Malcomson, while moving recently to his homestead across the Sandy, left his team standing for a few minutes when they got frightened and ran away. Some damage was done to the wagon and harness.

Tom Sefton and family have moved to the Rockwood ranch which he has leased for a number of years.

Miss Vane is again on her homestead getting ready for the spring gardening and improvements she intends to make this year.

Wm. Welch made a trip to Portland and Oregon City last week. Billie says there is no place like home, especially Welches.

Mrs. Ed. Roberts has returned to Welches after a three-weeks' visit with relatives at Gresham and Portland.

Donald Bodley was a Welches visitor last week. He says the roads are good between here and Sandy.

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Beaver State Herald,
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Gresham, Ore.

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XI.—Poultry Feeding

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