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A GILT-EDGED POEM.

Where'er I seek the ambient air,
To let my spirit loose and free,
A sermon meets me everywhere,
And silent truths are taught to me.

The rocks are grim old monitors,
All mantled o'er with mosses gray;
But every blade of grass that grows,
Though green, has something sweet to say.

The flowers hold their heads on high,
Their fancy feasts the fleeting hours;
While every breeze that passes by
Whispers slyly to the flowers.

The twinkling stars, with lustre sweet,
Are gilt-edged poems, pure and bright,
That point the home we hope to greet,
When gushing love has lost its light.

The fish that frolic in the deep
Will flirt and flash their silver scales,
And warn us when they wish or weep
By wiggle waggling their tails.

Thus, nature keeps an open page;
And those who run should read it o'er,
If they would glide on golden skates
Beyond the mysterious shore.

—Walter Wolcott.

WAITIN' FOR TO GO.

Yes, we am passin' down de lane.
An' haltin' by de way,
Jist long 'nuff to rest our limbs
An' fur de chil'en pray;
Las' Sunday preacher Gordon said:
"De march will soon be o'er,
An' all de ole folks safely cross
Upon dat shinin' shore."

Chorus—But old folks am jolly folks,
An' while we wait to go,
Let's gin de fiddle lots o' work
An' rush de old banjo.

Dar's Uncle Dan'l, he am lame,
An' Peter White am bald,
An' Dinah Rock an' ole Aunt Cilo'
Am waitin' to be called;
An' Trustee Pullback says to me:
De summons soon mus' come
For you an' me an' as ole folks
To tote our baggage home.

Chorus—

Dar's Pickles Smith an' Daddy Toots,
A-nearin' of dar end,
An' Deacon Spooner an' his wife
Am crutchin' round de bend;
Aye! us ole folks am hangin' on,
An' kinder waitin round,
To let the chil'en grow a bit
Fo' we go under ground

Chorus—

—Lemskin Club Song.

Concerning Land Grants.

Along the route between Astoria and Forest Grove there are a great many sections of good land that have not been taken on account of the uncertainty of title. They were withdrawn from homestead entry for the railroad if it should build its line down to Astoria. The line has never been built, but the land grant remains just as it was before. Now that Mr. Villard has control of the roads and consequently falls heir to the grant, we believe the road will be built, that the grant may be made available. We are not in possession of the material facts with relation to this grant, but, as THE ASORIAN has recently been asked for information from the settlers along the line, we have addressed the land agent for full particulars, which we hope soon to be able to lay before readers. Referring to a somewhat similar state of affairs beyond the limits of this grant, a Portland cotemporary says: "If those who settle on these sections comply with the requirements of the company by making application to purchase such land as they take, we do not apprehend that, in case the road is built and the land transferred to the company, there would be a price fixed above the actual value of the land. The time will come when all land lying along the Columbia river, between the Cascades and Astoria, will command prices which would now be deemed fabulous, but we think the company would be glad to dispose of them immediately after coming into possession, at what would ultimately be exceedingly low prices. We think there is an even chance of having an opportunity for entering these lands under the homestead law; and failing in that, they can be bought from the railroad company." There can be no doubt but that the company will come into full possession of these lands on the construction of the road; then of course the title would be obtained from the company.

Mechanical skill has thus far been unable to invent a substitute for the common teazel to raise the nap on cloth. Many persons who have seen this plant growing wild in many parts of the country, little know how valuable a plant it is, and what enormous quantities are raised. In France about 6,000 acres of land are devoted to its cultivation. French manufactories use $1,500,000 worth of the prickly heads, and export 60,000 tons yearly, valued at $2,500,000. The prickles of the teazels have a small knob at the end, and this mounted on an elastic stem, affords a little brush which no mechanical skill can rival.

An Old Fireman Speaks.

We commend the following advice of an old fireman to the attention of all whom it may interest: "One gallon of water at the bottom of a fire will do more to quench it than ten gallons at the top. Play low is the true motto for the fireman. If the engine that reached the Summer street fire in Boston had burst into the warehouse and played into the goods elevator, where the fire broke out, it would probably have saved $50,000,000. To play on the roof of a house on fire is to waste water; the roof was made to shed water; the rain does not put out the kitchen fire. Be sure to play low; get the water near the fire and then you need not pour on a river. A few gallons at the bottom of a fire will rise in clouds of steam when the fire is burning, and will quench it. Even a heap of rubbish will turn water like a partial roof. A gill of water thrown into the bottom of a grate, equals a quart thrown on top. For a similar reason, water on the windward side is more effective than on the leaward. I am speaking now of a moderate fire, where there are only two or three houses burning. The big blaze on the leaward looks fearful, but it cannot be effected by playing on that side. Throw your water in the bed of coals under the retort that is sucking them, and it will go out. That is to say, play at the bottom of the windward side of a fire, and you take the surest and speediest way to quench the whole leaward side, blaze included."

A Monastery Boom.

New York Herald.

How to pay ones debts is probably the most troublesome problem that ninety-nine per cent of unfortunate humanity—for certainly there is not more than one per cent. of us without a score on a slate somewhere against our names—has ever been called upon to solve. To the devices and expedients which the world has resorted to in the course of an embarassing financial experience extending over thousands of years, we have supposed it was impossible for human ingenuity to make a single addition. But this is an age of discovery, and it has remained for a clergyman in our own state to hit upon a new plan which is at once strikingly original, comfortable for the debtor, and, let us hope, satisfactory to the creditor. Finding a heavy debt upon his hands, which he saw no way of paying off, he has issued a polite farewell to the confiding souls who were good enough to trust him; turned monk and retired to a monastery, where sheriffs officers cease to worry, and the makers of such abominations as promises to pay are at rest. This is infinitely better than suicide, which does nobody any good and is an expense to the state. It is far preferable to taking out a heavy insurance policy and when the second quarters premium becomes due investing in a barrel of kerosene and a gross of matches. The mysterious disappearance business has the great disadvantage that it gets your name into the papers and starts the whole pack of detectives and policemen on your track. The monastery is the thing. No creditor would be so mean as to disturb an unfortunate debtor while he was sending up orisons in his behalf and accumulating treasures for him in heaven. If the example of the clergyman in question is generally followed we shall soon have the biggest kind of monastery boom all over the country.

The girl who was locked in her lovers arms for three hours explains that it wasn't her fault. She claims that he forgot the combination.

The telephone is used with great success in the scientific explorations now conducted in the bay of Naples. By its means the diver can communicate with those in the boat above, without a possibility of mistake.

Misery Loves Company.

Del Norte Record.

Some of our neighbors are indignant because we have given it as our opinion that they do not observe the necessary precautions against fire. While we do not wish to be considered a growl, we think too much pains cannot be taken to secure buildings against the ravages of this most dreaded destroyer of property. Sometimes a few words, calling attention to a defective stove-flue, unnoticed, perhaps, by the occupant of the dwelling, has been the means of escape from an inevitable destruction of the property. Should we overlook or neglect in any way these precautions; or be considered careless in the use of fire, we will be glad to be so informed, and will consider it a favor if some of our friends will call our attention to the matter, so that we may be more careful in the future.

Black Sand Mining.

Del Norte Record.

The great drawback to black sand or beach mining heretofore has been the impossibility of saving the gold, it being so light, and sometimes of a rusty nature, that it would float away or refuse to amalgamate. Mr. Lockhart, from Coos bay, who has been in town for a few days, informs us that he has a new machine that will save all the gold. He left Crescent city on Thursday for the new black sand mine near Chetco, where he will put in one of these machines and commence operations. If this new gold-saving apparatus is what he evidently thinks it is, there are many places along the coast that will pay well. It is a well established fact that black sand in more or less quantities is found the entire distance along the coast from Humboldt bay to Puget-sound, all of which contains a considerable amount of gold. With a machine such as Mr. Lockhart represents his to be, good wages, and, in many places, fortunes can be readily made.

Sweden is reported to be greatly exercised in mind over the steady depletion of her provinces by emigration, and no wonder. It is her misfortune that by far the greater part of her territory is too rugged and cold to yield a fair return to the sturdy people who till it, and that being out of the reach of the continental roads that lead to anywhere in particular she cannot retain the manufacturing prominence. For more than two centuries her venturesome spirits have been straying to America, and the reports that they have sent back have resulted in little Swedish colonies being planted all over the northern half of the United States, where even the rudest peasant toil produces far more comfort for the home, than can be extracted from the forest and rocks of the mother country. Instead of attempting to restrict emigration, as they are said to be contemplating, Swedens governing class should follow the example of the peasantry and emigrate, for they understand statecraft and are gentlemen besides, and America is greatly in need of such a class of citizens.

The steam boat excursion season has commenced in full vigor. Only about a couple of hundred pleasure seekers lost their lives at the first effort. But this was in Canada, where they are proverbially behind the times. It takes a New York steamboat company to get up disasters of the truly blood curdling order. A little patience, and the public will probably have the annual excitement dished up in proper shape. Last year about this time New York averaged one dire calamity daily.

Mr. Bret Harte, who holds the position of American consul at Glasgow, is a man who likes to work how and when he pleases, without being fettered or tied. Recently a Paris paper offered him $1,000 for a story, but as he was indifferent to the necessity of having his manuscript ready at the time agreed upon, he was told to keep it for gun wadding.

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