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THE JUDGE'S REMINISCENCES

At the driving of the last spike of the connecting Portland road, a few days ago, Judge Deady said:

We are met here to witness the completion of this great Oregon enterprise, which is to put us in railway communication with the east and the north and the south—which is to lift us out of our long continued isolation and place us in the front rank of the people of the world.

It is difficult for me to convey to you the impression which this scene makes on me, or to reflect the memories or emotions which now cluster around my heart.

Thirty-three years ago I floated down this lonely but lordly river in an Indian canoe on my way to Oregon. I was then a youth to fortune and to fame unknown, but not without hope and courage for the future. At that time the iron horse had not climbed the Alleghenies on his westward way, and you may imagine how little I thought or dreamed of helping to drive the last spike in its track on the far-off Columbia.

Indeed, it is not one hundred years since the grand river on whose shores we now stand, was discovered—since Captain Gray stumbled in over the bar and thereby fastened upon it forever the name of his lucky bark—Columbia.

Only three-quarters of a century ago the government of the United States first put forth its comparatively feeble hand to claim this unknown shore. The spike which eventually fastened it to the Union, and which will never be withdrawn, was the expedition of Lewis and Clarke, which seventy-seven years ago floated down the river in sight of this spot where we now stand, and bore the stars and stripes from the Missouri to the Pacific. Then those rock-piled hills first echoed the welcome sounds of the now universal English tongue.

A quarter of a century later that gallant American soldier of French birth, Col. Benjamin Bonneville, explored the country, and soon after Washington Irving caught the ear of the public with the charming narrative of his romantic adventure. With a poetic justice the managers of the enterprise have perpetuated his memory by naming the principal place on the road in this vicinity Bonneville. Following him forty years ago, came the American trapper and pioneer.

Twenty years ago the Oregon Steam Navigation sprang into existence and the tide of traffic and travel turned up the stream. From Astoria to Lewiston the river was plowed with the strong stern wheels under the enterprising direction of Ainsworth, Thompson and Ladd.

But all this has passed away and the river gives place to the rail, and the sternwheel to the locomotive.

Finally we congratulate the managers of this new enterprise. Their names—Villard, Dolph, Prescott, Thielsen and Muir—will not only be remembered in our cups but emblazoned on our towns, boats, palace cars and other monuments of art and utility. And we trust that they will be wise and moderate in management of the great power and responsibility and aim to make the public good and their own identical. Let them foster the country which fosters them, and putting aside all other purposes, be content to act only as the beneficent agents between the producer and consumer, and no one will ever have occasion to regret this day.

The Gray Head by the Hearth.

A private letter from a lady who is spending the year among peasants of the Tyrol, says: "The morning after our arrival we were wakened by the sound of a violin and flutes under the window, and, hurrying down, found the little house adorned as for a feast; garlands over the door and wreathing a high chair which was set in state."

"The table was covered with gifts, brought by the young people whose music we had heard. The whole neighborhood were kinsfolk, and these gifts came from uncles and cousins in every far-off degree; they were simple, for the donors were poor; knitted gloves, a shawl, baskets of flowers, jars of fruit, loaves of bread; but upon all some little message of love was pinned.

"Is there a bride in the house?" I asked of my landlord. "Ach, nein!" he said. "We do not make such a bother about our young people. It is the grandmother's birthday."

"The grandmother, in her spectacles, white apron and high velvet cap, was a heroine all day, sitting in state to receive visits and dealing out slices from a sweet loaf to all who came. I could not but remember certain grandmothers at home, just as much loved as she, but whose dull, sad lives were never brightened by any such gifts of pleasure as this; and I thought we could learn much from these poor mountaineers."

We remember a certain American house of the higher class, in which the venerable mother of the owner had her own boudoir filled with everything which could recall her long checkered life pleasantly to her in its tranquil old age. That room was the center of the great mansion; no guest entered the house without desiring to pay his respects to her, although only the most favorable were admitted. The effect upon the young people who came to the house of this marked genuine reverence for age was incalculable for good. The new generation is always apt to be intolerant of those who are leaving the stage; apt, too, to slight their experience and opinions. If they do not find their parents honoring age, where will they learn to honor them?

Americans are usually affectionate to the aged members of the family; but they lack the tenderness, deference and care which the French show to them, and by which they bring heart and life into the colorless lives. It is not enough to give a neglected seat in the chimney corner to the gray-haired mother or father; use such devices and innocent wiles as will make them feel that they have not lost their place among men; that the work which they have done is appreciated; and above all, that they still have work for others to do.

The farms of the United States are worth \$10,196,799,645; the fences, \$78,765,723; live stock, \$500,832,187; farm implements and machinery, \$408,516,902; manures and special fertilizers cost \$28,587,865. The total value invested in agriculture is rated at \$12,210,253,316, and the revenue yearly collected from its products for the support of the national, state and local government and for education amounts to nearly \$100,000,000 annually.

"Peace hath her victories," etc., and General A. T. Sharpe, of Ottawa, Kansas, so says the *Republican*, of that city, has found more substantial benefit for severe muscular rheumatism, by using St. Jacobs Oil, than from any other substance he ever tried.

WAIT.

If, as is thought, the soul outlives This body which we know must die. If death is the kind hand that gives Freedom from every clogging tie. And after that the earth, the air, Ay, the universe is ours, And we may wander everywhere, Unchecked, forgetting miles and hours. What matters it though now our feet Must tread a weary, beaten way? Or that our longing eyes must meet The self-same visions day by day? Wait! Earth is broad and Heaven is high, But we can see all—by-and-by.

Singular Hole in an Iron Rudder.

A rather singular occurrence has been discovered by the officers of the steamship *Corona*, now in port. It appears that lately, while the vessel was pitching in a heavy sea, daylight became visible in the iron rudder between the screw and the outside rudder frame. Closer inspection revealed the fact that a very large hole had been eaten in the rudder nearly four feet by three in dimensions. Notwithstanding this she steered fairly and arrived without any drawback. On arriving here repairs were ordered, and the rudder will be in good order for the outward voyage. The only solution of the problem what caused the hole in the rudder is given by a gentleman who knows his way about a ship very thoroughly. He believes it due to the galvanic action of a very large nut at the end of the propeller shaft. This having disintegrated the iron of the rudder, the action of the water washed away the iron piecemeal, until at length the large and dangerous hole was noticed. This is another of the difficulties iron ships have to overcome.—*Montreal Witness*, Sept. 18th.

Postal Statistics.

Postal statistics of the world are curious and interesting. In the number of letters and postal cards dispatched and received per capita of population, Great Britain leads, and the United States follows; Switzerland, the Netherlands, Belgium, Germany and France succeeding in the order named. In newspaper circulation the United States is far ahead, as it is also in the length of railway lines, high-roads and water routes for the transportation of mails. The largest gross revenue falls to Germany, where, presumably, the rates are comparatively high. The United States comes next, Great Britain, France, Russia, Austria, Spain and Switzerland following; but Great Britain enjoys a most desirable distinction. It has the largest net revenue from postal transportation.

The wearing of jewelry is going out of fashion in England. It is considered as vulgar to be seen with a display of jewelry, unless it be on great occasions. Bare arms and throat are the rule in fashionable society, the wearing of bangles, bracelets and chains being left to those who do not follow the newest styles.

It has long been known that the Baltic shores are rising, through some mysterious influence. In 1755 a surveyor marked out a rock on the Finland coast, and cut a line just two inches above the water. Now at the end of 127 years, the mark is 77 inches above sea-level.

Hon. T. J. Stites, Gov. Thayer's private secretary, has purchased a half interest in the Albany Democrat.

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SHORT BITS.

If a Turk meets any of his wives in a walk through the bazaars it is not etiquette for him to notice them, although they may be thrown away his money right and left. He can only stroke his beard and say "inshallah!" (please God), or "Allan kerim!" (God is merciful).

The Indiana judges stand no nonsense from the bar. A lawyer there lately, in the course of his argument, used the word "disparagement." "Stop using Latin words," said the judge, "or sit down." The poor lawyer, undertaking to explain, was ruthlessly fined twenty dollars for contempt.

A LETTER FROM GERMANY.

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Delinquent City Taxes.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I, the undersigned, Chief of Police, have been furnished with a warrant from the city council requiring me to collect the taxes assessed for the year 1882, and now delinquent upon the list, and make return of the same within sixty days. All parties so indebted will therefore please take notice and govern themselves accordingly.
C. W. LAUGHERY,
Chief of Police.
Astoria, Oregon, September 19, 1882.

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