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TO PROVIDE FOR THE UNEMPLOYED.

Portland is face to face with the problem of feeding its unemployed, and is advancing the proposition of providing work for them.

That there should such conditions obtain in a land where abundance is and can be raised shows that there is something very radically wrong.

"Yes," we hear someone say, "if they would leave whiskey and tobacco alone and quit dissipating they need not get into such straightened circumstances."

It is true that dissipation and idleness of whatsoever kind they maybe lend their influence to bring about conditions of poverty and want, but there are other propositions which add mighty weight toward accomplishing the same end.

In the first place our social system is out of joint; there are many things that part of the human family will not do, but this same part of man-kind will permit other members to do these things to the detriment of the whole body.

Cain asked the question: "Am I my brother's keeper," just as though there was no responsibility attached to him as regards his brother, but that did not clear him of his relationship to his brother, and neither is there any way by which any person can clear themselves of responsibility except that they discharge the duty they owe to their fellow beings.

This improvidence is the result of our civilization; we have the drunkards because a profit can be made out of him so long as he can hustle up the price of a drink, and so long as the tobacco venter can make a profit out of his goods he will continue to sell it and the same is true of the cultivator of the weed, but these are only factors which enter into the social system.

Rockefeller, Carnegie, Morgan and many others have gathered up their millions of dollar's worth of the products of our country, and are using their holdings to create more millions for themselves; now how many men and women do these lords of wealth keep busy toiling for them? How often are food stuffs cornered and the price raised in order that some giant financier may gain a million or two more in wealth?

These things taken together with the other ills extant, bring about poverty and want on the lower level of life while there is abundance on the upper strata.

The earth was created for the home of man and abundant provision made for his needs, but man has not attained to that for which he was created, and hence, has an unfinished work on his hands.

The HERALD wishes its patrons, friends and readers a happy, prosperous new year.

The postoffice department has made good this year. There is no deficit and Secretary Hitchcock's pet scheme to raise the rate on second-class mail matter will have to make a respectable showing in order to still advocate the raise.

Mayor Shank of Indianapolis is still waging his war upon high living and has been active in supplying poultry and other food stuffs at lower rates than the retailers sell at in that city. This move will make him popular with the consuming class generally, but the retailers of his city will hardly fall over themselves in the rush to re-elect him mayor again.

The year is growing old and before the HERALD appears 1911 will have flown by never to return, but just as swiftly will young 1912 have come with its bluster and push with a "Here am I, now make the best of me while you have the opportunity." Make your good resolutions now and make them strong. Lets get more benefits for ourselves, for our city and for humanity out of the advancing year than we realized out of the receding one.

Governor Hooper of Tennessee, in order that he might have a practical knowledge of prison life, sentenced himself to two days confinement in the penitentiary and served his time, the same as other prisoners, undergoing like treatment. Governor Houser's predecessor was charged with too much leniency towards convicts, hence, the experiment to learn more of prisoners and their treatment. But now comes the query: Will the taint of prison life attach to the governor?

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When glasses are worn chiefly to give their wearer an impressive appearance it is necessary that they be fitted in other respects than the vision, as was recently discovered by a young southern woman whose colored maid one day approached her with a request.

"Miss Bessie, if you are going downtown today I wish you would buy my sister, who lives in North Carolina, a pair of glasses."

"Why, Annie," replied the young lady, "I could not get your sister a pair of glasses. She has to have her eyes examined and the glasses fitted to them."

"Oh," said Annie reassuringly, "she wrote me what fit my nose fit her nose."—Youth's Companion.

Superstitious Parnell.

Mrs. Charlotte McCarthy, daughter of Justin McCarthy, told a curious story of Charles Stewart Parnell. "One evening," said she, "Parnell was talking to me at the coffee stage of dinner, and I, gazing at him with rapture, was vaguely stirring mine and going to drink it when he said: 'You must not drink that. You have stirred it the wrong way, and it would be unlucky. Get another cup.' What struck me as strange in this was not his being superstitious—every one who knew him at all knew that—but his extraordinary power of observation."

Not His Trouble.

"My boy doesn't seem to have got along here very well," said the office boy's father.

"Well, to be perfectly frank with you," replied the employer, "I must say he does not."

"Ah! What's his trouble?"
"He hasn't any trouble. It's the rest of us who have had that."

ADMINISTRATORS FINAL NOTICE.

In the matter of the estate of Amanda Doughty, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned administrator of the estate of Amanda S. Doughty, deceased, has filed his final account in said estate with the Hon. County Court of Polk County, Oregon, and the same has been set for hearing on Saturday the 20th day of January 1912 at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, at which time all persons having objections thereto, if any there be, are hereby notified to appear and present the same to said court in the court room in Dallas, Polk County, Oregon, for adjustment, and upon failure so to do, said administrator will take an order finally and fully closing said estate.

J. M. GRANT,

Administrator of the estate of Amanda S. Doughty, deceased.

SIBLEY & EAKIN, Atty's for estate.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Charles William Leonard, has been duly appointed by the County Court of the State of Oregon for Polk County executor of the estate of William Henry Ireland, deceased, and has qualified.

All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby required to present them duly verified, with the proper vouchers, within six months from the date of this notice to the said executor at his residence in the City of Independence, in Polk County, State of Oregon.

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CHARLES WILLIAM LEONARD,

Executor aforesaid.

OSCAR HAYTER, Attorney.

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