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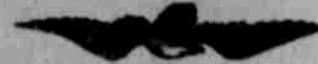
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The patriarch and brainy man of Oregon is under indictment. On Wednesday of this week the Multnomah county grand jury returned an indictment against General George H. Williams, mayor of Portland, for malfeasance in office, along with indictments against other city officials and a long list of common criminals. The spectacle is shocking, pitiable. It sets the people of Oregon thinking. Besides a big man intellectually, he has been generally considered the embodiment of honesty. General Williams' head is white with the frosts of eighty-three winters. For the past forty years Oregon has been proud to point to him as her leading citizen. General Williams has served Oregon in the United States senate. He was also Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Oregon Territory. He was Attorney-General of the United States in President Grant's cabinet. He was nominated by President Grant for a place on the bench of the United States Supreme Court, but the Senate failed to confirm the nomination. His is the mind that as Attorney-General, framed the re-construction act by which the southern states were retained in the Union, following the civil war—one of the most perplexing problems the nation has had to deal with. General Williams has been one of the big lawyers of the nation. More, he was a statesman. As a lawyer, he never descended to pettifogging, nor was it even suspected of him. He has been considerate to young lawyers and young men generally who have been and are today his steadfast friends. In his dealings with mankind he is generous and humane. Years ago he helped a Marion county citizen by loaning him money on a farm. The borrower grew careless and spent his money in saloons and with bad companions. The debt grew and the General remonstrated but to no avail. The farmer became indifferent to his obligations and the needs of his family. Interest was accumulating with no effort on the part of the farmer to meet it. He was offered all the interest if he would try and repay the principal, but no offer would appeal. Finally, to save a part of the loan, the General had to take the land. But the farmer had a family. After taking the land he did not want, a place costing \$1400 was purchased in Salem two years ago and given the farmer with the admonition he go on it and take care of his family. As to the merits of the indictment against General Williams, the court is the only tribunal to pass up on them. Neither papers nor individuals are justified in anticipating the verdict of a court. The world can be assured however that if there is any lesson for the public good to be drawn from General Williams' indictment, he will willingly submit to it, let the consequences be what they may.

The closing words of Mayor Williams' annual message were: "I have personal knowledge of the government of the city for more than 40 years, and during that time Portland has not been as free from municipal corruption as it has been during the present administration."

On the same day the message was delivered the Mayor, his Chief of Police, Ex-City Engineer, City Surveyor and a number of City Contractors were indicted by the grand jury.

The world will take notice that Port Arthur is now a Japanese port.

The new mayor's message has the right ring to it.

Hurry back Mr. Heney. Getting hungry for sensations.

Help the grange. They are progressive people.

Work on the big mill will begin next week. Several new buildings to go up in Independence right away. This is 1905.

If I Were Mrs. Chadwick.

If I were Mrs. Chadwick, and Mrs. Chadwick I,

Some folks of my acquaintance would lay them down and die. I know some wealthy people, with stocks, and bonds, and such. Of whom I'd surely make a million dollar touch.

I would open wine in magnums and live extremely high.

If I were Mrs. Chadwick, and Mrs. Chadwick I.

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I would play them to the limit, if the limit were the sky.

My friends would dine in palaces, and I would pay the checks, And millionaires who knew me would get it in the neck.

I would keep the waiters jumping and buy, and buy and buy.

If I were Mrs. Chadwick, and Mrs. Chadwick I.

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Nearly ev'ry lovely city would float in Extra Dry.

Just now I'm not high rolling, a thing I do deplore;

I spend it when I have it—a horse could do no more.

Carnegie just imagine the Christmas gifts I'd buy,

If I were Mrs. Chadwick and Mrs. Chadwick I.

Politeness Pays.

Suddenly the man fell. He was a dignified person, but as he reached a sleepy corner his feet, set down with precision, failed to stay set. They flew so high, and the result was so abrupt, that as the man hit the walk in a sitting posture observers expected to see a spine protrude from to the top of his hat.

Two youths had seen the episode. One was a bad youth, and unwise. He laughed. The other was a good youth, who knew a thing or two. He hastened to pick up the fallen man.

"Thank you," said the man; "I am a childless millionaire, looking for an heir. You're it. Meantime take this roll and blow yourself. Only one condition is attached. Don't spend a cent on that laughing jackass who is with you."

Handing over a \$10,000 bundle, and giving his hotel address, the man went his way.

The moral of this is so obvious that the reader unable to discern it isn't worth bothering about.

It seems an odd fact, but never the less it is a fact, that the potato crop of the United States does not fill the home demand. The average crop is about 275,000,000 bushels per year, yet in the last decade it has been necessary to import an average of 1,500,000 bushels of potatoes a year in the United States. Are not some of our American farmers neglecting the potato crop to their own detriment.

When bilious take Chamberlain Stomach and Liver Tablets. For sale by all druggists.

THE DEVOTION OF THE JAPANESE TO THE MIKADO

By Sir EDWIN ARNOLD



OUR times have I had the privilege of respectfully watching from near at hand the dark, serious, unchanging, introspective countenance of the mikado of Japan, upon whom is focused the absolute devotion of the Japanese people in a manner not only unparalleled elsewhere, but hardly even comprehended. It is this traditional sentiment of the wonderful nation which is the mightiest of all her forces and which WILL BRING HER IN HONOR AND TRIUMPH OUT OF ALL DANGERS.

I shall not attempt to dwell upon what I have seen and heard personally of his imperial majesty. Other pens may dare to make him into paragraphs. Whenever I saw that silent potentate I was set thinking of the ancient legends and of the sun goddess and of Avalokitesvara. Now that I can only recollect, it is still with something like awe as well as with profound respect and sympathy that I recall the steadfast brows and the stern, sad lips of his imperial majesty Mutsuhito, whose order of the Rising Sun I have the honor to bear and of whom I am the humble servant and well-wisher, believing, as I do, that in his august hands Providence has placed the duty and the glory of linking forever together the east and the west IN A UNION WHICH ONCE APPEARED IMPOSSIBLE.

How It Happened.

Even the advertising man may be off immediately following the holidays. A local in last issue stated that R. M. Wade & Co. had received two tons of wire at the Independence store. The fact is they received a shipment of two car loads of trellis wire, twenty tons each or forty tons of wire. That firm has wire for further orders. In a display advertisement for the W. A. Messner store, the ad man couldn't tell an "h" from a "k" and advertised ladies' shirts instead of skirts. This the ladies will appreciate however, for Messner has shirts left on hand and has one for every lady in the land. Call and get yours at once.

Joshua McDaniel sends New Year's greetings to the Oregonian as follows: Rickreall, Or., Jan. 2. (To the Editor.)—I take the liberty today of informing you that I am a pioneer of 1844 and a settler in Polk county in the spring of 1845. I have resided continuously here ever since. I was married in October 1848, and was well acquainted with Dr. Whitman when I was on my way to Oregon. Immediately after occurred the massacre of Dr. Whitman and his wife. There was a call for volunteers and I enlisted under the call of our first Governor, Abernethy. I am glad to see the names of the old pioneers. I would not get to hear from them if I did not perhaps see them in the Oregonian. I have experienced 61 Christmas and New Year's days in this Willamette Valley.

Joshua McDaniel.

SYLVESTER EVENING.

Now the Germans celebrate the German version of Christmas.

The evening of Dec. 31 is known in Germany as Sylvester evening. In European calendar, excepting that of England, the days of the year have names, and Dec. 31 bears the name of Sylvester, who was bishop of Rome in the time of the Emperor Constantine and was obliged to hide himself in the mountains to escape persecution. Then it happened that Constantine was stricken with leprosy, for which terrible disease the physicians could propose no other remedy than a bath in the blood of young children. For this purpose 8,000 children were gathered, but Constantine, moved to pity by the despair of the mothers, refused to avail himself of such a sacrifice. In the night he was advised in a dream to recall Sylvester and to accept the Christian religion, which he did.

This evening is everywhere in Germany a time of great rejoicing. Parties and balls are given, and friends gather to spend the last hours of the old year in merriment—games and dancing and, most important of all, auguries and divinations. Though these tricks are as old as the hills, they never lose their charm. Hot lead is poured into cold water contained in a basin, and in solidifying it forms itself into all kinds of shapes and figures, in which many meanings can be read by the initiated.

Empty walnut shells, in each of which burns a tiny wick taper, are put together in a basin of water to swim in opposite directions. If they meet two loving hearts will be united in that year, but if they separate the love affair of those represented by the shells will come to naught. Young girls throw alpacas over their heads. If the points of the alpacas face the door the owners will be married that year; if the alpacas miss the wished-for direction the girls have to remain at home. Sealed-wishes on which words of good omen, of good service or wishes have been written are passed around, read aloud and considered as indications of the future.—New York Tribune.

THE CHURCHES.

United Evangelical.

Sunday school at 10 A. M. Morning service at 11 o'clock. Keystone League of Christian Endeavor at 6:30 P. M. Evening service at 7:30 o'clock. Miss Ethel Brown, superintendent of K. L. C. E.

To all of these services the public is invited.

Second and fourth Sundays, Independence, first and third Sundays, Buena Vista.

Rev. CHESTER P. GATES.

Christian Church.

Preaching every 2nd and 4th Sunday by Rev. E. C. Wigmore. Sunday school 10 A. M. Y. P. S. C. E. 6:30 P. M.

Methodist Episcopal Church. Corner of 5th and Monmouth streets; Rev. Elayer.

Sunday school 10 a. m. Morning service 11 a. m. Class meeting 12 m. Evening services 8:00 p. m. Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening at 7:30.

The parsonage is next door to the church and the pastor will be pleased to see you and render any helpful services.

Baptist Church

The Baptist Church gives a cordial invitation to all to worship with them at both morning and evening services next Sunday.

Lettie Masterson, church clerk.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by his firm.

WALDING, KENNAN & MARVIN

Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 25 cents per bottle. Sold by all Druggists.

Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Sickening Shivering Fits
of Ague and Malaria can be relieved and cured with Electric Bitters. This is a pure, tonic medicine; of especial benefit in malaria, for it exerts a true curative influence on the disease, driving it entirely out of the system. It is much to be preferred to Quinine, having none of this drug's bad after-effects. E. S. Munday, of Henrietta, Tex., writes: "My brother was very low with malarial fever and jaundice, till he took Electric Bitters, which saved his life. At A. S. Locke's drug store: price 50c, guaranteed.

How to Avoid Pneumonia.

We have never heard of a single instance of a cold resulting in Pneumonia or other lung trouble when Foley's Honey and Tar has been taken. It not only stops the cough, but heals and strengthens the lungs. Ask for Foley's Honey and Tar and refuse any substitute offered. Dr. C. J. Bishop of Agnew, Mich., writes: "I have used Foley's Honey and Tar in three very severe cases of pneumonia with good results in every case." Sold by A. S. Locke.

Wanted.

Men and women in this county and adjoining territories, to represent and advertise an old established house of solid financial standing. Salary to men \$21 weekly, to women \$12 to \$18 weekly with expenses advanced each Monday by check direct from headquarters. Horse and buggy furnished when necessary; position permanent. Address, Blew Bros. & Co., Dept. 5, Moon Bidg., Chicago, Ill.

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