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IN THE GARDEN

My garden is sickly and littered with wrecks; the beans wilted quickly, and passed in their checks. The sight, it is sad; the cabbage is dead; the onion and radish lie cold in their bed. The night zephyrs whistle o'er wreck and decay, and only the thistle is blooming today. My strenuous labors this garden has known, while indolent neighbors looked on with a groan. I said: "I'll be eating the succulent saas, while those men are treating their stomachs to grass." They said: "You may hoe sir, and dig till you're sore, but from the grocer will purchase our store." I slugged and lambasted the weeds with a hoe; my work was all wasted, and I'm full of woe. My garden is dreary as Sidor or Tyre, and oh, I am weary, while twanging my lyre! And this is the moral for others who fail to cultivate sorrel and oregano and kale: A man needs some training his task to pursue, or he'll be complaining, disgusted and blue.

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CONVICTS ON ROADS.

In view of the fact that Oregon convicts are to be used for road making under a system outlined by Governor West, the experience of the states in such work is of particular interest at this time. In Georgia the convicts are being used for the construction of roads and the Atlanta Constitution is pleased with the results obtained thus far.

The report of the Georgia prison commission gives some interesting figures for the past year.

It is shown that there are 111 counties now working convicts on the public roads. Twenty-four counties, it is to be regretted, have farmed out their quota to other counties, while eleven counties, lacking enterprise, assuming themselves too poor, or for other reasons, have taken no convicts at all.

One of the significant features of the report is a note to the effect that since the abolition of the lease system in 1909, the death rate among the convicts has decreased appreciably. This improvement may be traced to the better conditions under which the convicts live, and to the fact that the large part of their waking hours is spent in the open air.

If any American state is hesitating over the advisability of using her criminals in the creation of highways, Georgia's experience ought to prove the deciding factor, says the Constitution. Every county that has taken convicts, kept them properly, undergone the slight first expense, laid out a definite construction plan and stuck to it—has profited in a ratio that may be only guessed.

The counties that have been most active and used most gray matter have gained the larger dividends in enhanced land values, increase of desirable population, enhancement of educational, religious and social activities and general development.

It has paid Georgia to use her convicts as road builders—paid handsomely! Other states may well follow in her footsteps.

ABOLISH OPIUM TRAFFIC.

As a result of the extraordinary agitation by Chinese anti-opium societies, the imperial senate of that empire has enforced the first act looking to the ultimate drastic extermination of the drug in China. The measure effective now prohibits the interprovincial transportation of opium. The planting of the seed and the smoking of opium will be under the ban of the law after the first of next year. The aid of the powers has been sought to prevent the importation into China of opium from China India and other countries.

Among Chinese officials there is an evident and earnest desire to put an end to the use of the deadly drug which is rapidly sapping the energy and vitality of the Chinese, but there is a disposition to disbelieve in the good faith of the Christian powers that introduced opium into China, along with missionaries of the "white devil's" religion, and that when China protested against the hellish traffic the guns of the warships were turned upon her cities and forts. So long as China is addicted to opium the spirit of occidental progress that is now sweeping over the empire will remain powerless to accomplish the great ambition to make China a world power.

The coronation directed attention to the fact that the English monarchy is but a gauzy film, a tinsel of gold and brilliant gems, but without real power. The peers which figured so prominently in the ceremonies for the head of a nation who is no longer a sovereign are about to lose their own hereditary powers. The machinery of the British government will remain unchanged, but the governing power is being transferred from a hereditary class to the sovereign people themselves.

The trust prosecutions do not seem to have any effect on the earning powers of the combinations, if the semi-annual dividends that are now being declared are to be taken as a criterion. In the words of a recent paraphraser, "You may sue, you may probe, you may bust if you will but the trusts will continue to make profits still."

The Portland Telegram claims to have inside information that work on Hill's Oregon Electric railway from Salem to Eugene will actually begin by the end of the present month. We hope the dope sheet is right but we are all becoming Missourians when railway matters are discussed.

Some one rises to remark that a poet laureate in America would be next to impossible. That's what most of us think about the one they have in England.

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\$30.00 suits now	\$24.00
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Kirschbaum

furnish the goods. We furnish the entertainment. You'll have a good time if you come. Here are the prices.

\$20.00 suits now	\$16.00
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\$15.00 suits now	\$12.00

\$15.00 Suits at \$10.00

Have another suit "on us." We will put it on you and you will look right and it will still be "on us;" and you will see why when you see these suits that sold regularly for \$15.00 and up that are now selling at the low price of

\$10.00

\$15.00 Suits at \$10.00

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\$4.00 Suits now at	\$3.20
\$5.00 Suits now at	\$4.00
\$6.50 Suits now at	\$5.20
\$7.50 Suits now at	\$6.00
\$10.00 Suits now at	\$8.00

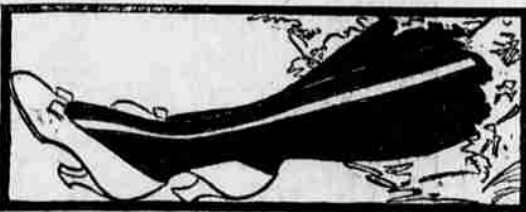
PARASOLS

50c Parasols now	35c
75c Parasols now	50c
1.25 Parasols now	85c
2.50 Parasols now	\$1.25
2.00 Parasols now	\$1.00
\$5.00 Parasol now	\$2.50

KID GLOVES

\$1.25 Goves at	85c
\$1.00 Lisle Gloves at	50c

Men's 50c and 60c Shirts at	45c
Men's Straw Hats \$2.50 value at	75c
Boy's Knee Pants at	25c
Boy's 25c Waists at	19c
Mens' Ties, special at	25c
Mens' Hosiery, special at, 2 for	25c
Mens' Fancy Vests, \$3 for	\$1.75
Boy's Wash Suits, special at	50c
Boy's 35c Waists, special at	25c
Mens' \$1.25 Dress Shirts at	75c



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For every pair that shows a single hole within three months, we give you a new pair free. We have Phoenix silk hose in all the latest shades-of-the-season.

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\$15.00 suits now selling at	\$7.50

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Lot two skirts that sold up to \$8.00 at	\$2.98
Lot three skirts that sold up to \$8.00 at	\$3.98

Wash Skirts Priced Low

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Women's long skirts of govt. muslin trimmed with lace and tucks, very specially priced at 75c

Women's short skirts of fine muslin or cambric, made with embroidered edge at only... 79c

Women's muslin undershirts, made with full founce, with embroidered edge, also custer hem-stitched tucks, extra underlay, very specially priced at... 79c

A lot of fine corset covers of fine nainsook, full front, beautifully trimmed with lace and embroidery, regular \$3 value at \$1.25 and \$1.25 ones at... 85c

Slip-over square-neck style trimmed with embroidery, lace and tucks, priced at... 75c

Women's combination drawers and corset covers, made of fine nainsook, corset cover trimmed with lace and embroidery, umbrella drawers offered specially at... 75c

Women's combination garment corset cover and skirt made of fine lawn muslin with deep embroidery founce, regular \$1 valuts at... 75c