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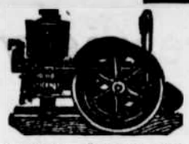

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CAPITAL		
Amount of capital paid up, U. S. deposit		$250,000.00
INCOME		
Premiums received during the year	$3,065,878.47	
Interest, dividends, and rents received during the year	90,892.81	
Income from other sources received during the year	102,151.00	
Total income		$3,258,922.28
DISBURSEMENTS		
Losses paid during the year, including adjustment expenses, etc.	$1,301,401.65	
Dividends paid during the year on capital stock	.....	
Comissions and salaries paid during the year	1,081,877.08	
Taxes, licenses, and fees paid during the year	74,328.65	
Amount of all other expenditures	673,843.95	
Total expenditures		$3,131,451.33
ASSETS		
Value of real estate owned	$165,000.00	
Value of stocks and bonds owned	1,819,942.50	
Loans on mortgages and collateral, etc	.....	
Cash in banks and on hand	105,709.49	
Premiums in course of collection and in transmission	630,169.25	
Interest and rents due and accrued	23,114.44	
Total assets	$2,743,935.68	
Less special deposits in any State (if any there be)	$.....	
Total assets admitted in Oregon		$2,743,935.68
LIABILITIES		
Gross claims for losses unpaid	$616,520.81	
Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding risks	1,102,521.28	
Due for commission and brokerage	189,050.78	
All other liabilities	88,717.73	
Total liabilities		$1,996,810.60
Total premiums in force December 31, 1911		2,198,766.85
BUSINESS IN OREGON FOR THE YEAR		
Total risks written during the year		$.....
Gross premiums received during the year		$4,483.24
Premiums returned during the year		1,197.85
Losses paid during the year		3,255.39
Losses incurred during the year		4,000.00
Total amount of premiums outstanding in Oregon Dec. 31, 1911		700.00

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PRANK OF A BASEBALL.

Funny Stunt That Once Won a Game For the Washingtons.

Following is an interesting story told by Hugh S. Fullerton in the American Magazine, in an article describing freak plays that have won baseball games:

"On the old Washington grounds, when Washington was in the National league, the players left the field by passing under the stands, and the entrance to the passage was closed by a cellar door arrangement which sloped down to the ground. The doors, of course, were kept closed during games, but at the top, cut in the planks of the stand, was a small square hole to permit the players to reach through and unlatch the doors when they desired to leave the field.

"During one game I saw a ball, which had been thrown wild to the plate in an effort to cut off the tying run, roll up the doors and disappear through that hole. The batter circled the bases and scored the winning run. The Chicago club, under Anson, was beaten and protested the game on the ground that the opening existed in violation of the rules. In the investigation of the complaint an attempt was made to force a ball through the hole, and, although it was pounded with a bat, the ball refused to pass through the hole until the cover gave way.

"After that almost every team that came on the grounds tried to put balls through the hole and failed. How that thrown ball managed to twist its way through the aperture never has been explained satisfactorily."

HINDU JUSTICE.

The Case of the Cat That Carried the Fire to the Cotton.

Four Hindus, partners in business, bought some cotton bales. That the rats might not destroy the cotton they purchased a cat. They agreed that each of the four should own a particular leg of the cat, and each adorned with beads and other ornaments the leg thus apportioned to him. The cat, by an accident, injured one of its legs. The owner of that member wound around it a rag soaked in oil. The cat, going too near the hearth, set this rag on fire and, being in great pain, rushed in among the cotton bales, where she was accustomed to hunt rats. The cotton thereby took fire and was burnt up.

The three other partners brought a suit to recover the value of the cotton against the fourth partner who owned this particular leg of the cat. The native judge examined the case, and this was his decision:

"The leg that had the oiled rag on it was hurt. The cat could not use that leg. In fact, it held up that leg and ran with the other three legs. The three unhurt legs therefore carried the fire to the cotton and are alone culpable. The injured leg is not to be blamed. The three partners who owned the three legs with which the cat ran to the cotton will pay one quarter of the value of the bales to the partner who was the proprietor of the injured leg."—London Telegraph.

Early Autograph Hunters.

A certain Atossa in early Roman days seems to have been the mother of autograph collectors. Cicero had a collection, which must have been a fine one, for he speaks of it with particular pride. The fever, even in those far back days, was contagious. Pliny speaks of Pompeius Secundus, at whose house he had seen autographs of Cicero, Augustus, Vergil and the Gracchi, and his own collection was valued at $15,000 of our money. Then came the inrush of barbarians, and we do not again meet with the collector until the beginning of the sixteenth century, when he reappears in the person of a Bohemian squire, who kept a book to record his exploits in the chase and enriched it with the signatures of his great hunter friends.

Keeping the Hands Smooth.

It is possible to have smooth hands even if one is a housekeeper and dishwasher. Obtain from the druggist 5 cents' worth of tragacanth, which is enough for a year's use. Dissolve a spoonful of this in three times as much water. Let stand in a covered teacup for twelve hours. Then fill the cup with water, and you may apply the thin jelly which is made freely to your hands after each washing. A few drops of your favorite perfume and a little glycerin added to the jelly improve the lotion.—Woman's Home Companion.

The Sources of Fame.

He—I always had a great ambition to become known as a man of letters. She—And never gratified it? He—Oh, yes. But I didn't know how famous I was until my productions were read out at a breach of promise case trial.—Judge.

Not Very Well.

Apothecary (putting his head out of the window as the night bell rings at 3 a. m.)—Well? Ringer—No, not well, confound you! I'm sick!—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Good Name.

Blobbs—Here comes Easymark, the human banana. Slobbs—Why do you call him that? Blobbs—He's so easily skinned.—Philadelphia Record.

Modern Announcement.

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Opinion in good men is but knowledge in the making.—Milton.

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STORY OF A CHURCH.

Curious History of an Unfinished Edifice In England.

There is a curious history regarding an unfinished church which stands at Hassall, near Sandbach, England. A former resident at the local hall, a Mr. Lowndes, painfully conscious of the lack of provision for the spiritual wants of the people in the neighborhood, determined to build a church at his own expense. After carefully choosing a site he gave instructions for the erection of a structure in the modern style capable of seating 400 or 500 persons.

Work on it was begun in the summer of 1836 and was pushed on steadily until the day on which Queen Victoria was crowned, by which time the building was well advanced. The crypts, about ten in number, had been put in, the walls and roofs were complete, and the scantlings for the floor were fixed. Indeed, partly in consequence of the national rejoicings and partly to celebrate the progress which had been made, the building was smothered in flags and decorations and was the center of local festivities.

Next day Mr. Lowndes was seized with an illness which quickly proved fatal, and with his passing all work on the church ceased. Though the building could have been finished at comparatively small cost, it was abandoned, and it has not been used since, except by tourists, whose names "hallow and adorn it," as Mark Twain said of those on the ruins of Cain's altar, by the thousand.—Wide World Magazine.

LOOSE SHOES.

Those Not Fastened Tight at the Instep Cause Foot Trouble.

Seven persons out of ten suffer excruciating pain at one time or another with their feet. A single corn no larger than a grain of sand can take all the "snap" and vitality right out of you.

Two thirds of modern foot troubles are due to the fact that almost every one—man, woman and child—wears his shoe too loose. The shoe itself may be correct as to size and shape, but it is not fastened tight at the only point of control—namely, the instep.

When you set your foot upon the floor or pavement in the act of walking the shoe adheres, and if it be loosely fastened over the instep the foot pushes down into the toe of the shoe. At certain spots on the foot this slipping causes friction. These spots are the soles of the feet, the tops, ends and inner sides of the toes, the great and little toe joints and occasionally even the back of the heel.

When the friction thus caused is continued hour after hour and day after day one or more of these spots are almost sure to become inflamed and sore. A slight thickening, called a "callous," is formed. As the friction and pressure go on the resulting callous may thicken up unevenly; then it is called a "corn."—Woman's Home Companion.

The Satan of the Greeks.

The Greek conception of the evil one, whom they call Yama, makes that personage one of the most satanic of the whole evil tribe. According to their ideas of him, he is 240 miles high and the hairs on his body stand out like palm trees on a mountain side. He punishes the doomed beings submitted to his charge by putting them in beds of boiling oil, sawing their bodies in two, pouring molten lead in their ears and such other little pranks as pulling out their tongues, toe and finger nails and gouging out their eyes. He is a heartless old fiend of the most fiendish kind and has many other exquisite little tortures laid up for the helpless wretch consigned to his "chamber of horrors."

Shakespeare's Tragedies.

Whenever "Macbeth" is put upon the stage very nearly a fourth of it has to be omitted, for, although it is the shortest of the tragedies, it would take fully three hours to read it out loud without gabbling. "Hamlet" thus read would take nearly two hours more, and this seems to bear out the contention of Swinburne, among others, that much of the play, and, indeed, of other tragedies, was written by Shakespeare for the study and not for the stage. A six or seven hours' performance must have been too much even for an audience of Elizabeth's spacious times.—London Graphic.

When He Went to the Front.

"Did you hear that George went to the front yesterday?" asked the brother of Ethel.

Ethel's face blanched. "Why, what do you mean, Jack? He never told me."

"Well, I saw him go," said the brother as he reached for his hat. "Don't you remember last evening, when he kissed you first on your right cheek and then on your left, and then didn't he go to the front?"—Ladies Home Journal.

Saving His Money.

Owens—Say, lend me a fiver, old man. Bowens—If you'd save your own money you wouldn't have to borrow from your friends. Owens—But it's because I want to save my own money that I borrow from my friends. —Boston Transcript.

Adaptability.

Fashion thyself to the circumstances of thy lot. The men whom fate hath made thy comrades here, love, and love them in sincerity and truth.—Marcus Aurelius.

Her Chance.

Husband—You look bad today, my love. Is it that you are ill? Wife—No, John; it's this last year's hat I'm wearing.—Harper's Bazar.

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