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A SIGNIFICANT LETTER. New York City, Feb. 15, 1900. My Dear Carlton—I know it will please you to learn that my homeward journey from San Francisco was more than pleasant. One striking feature that added very much to my comfort was the dining car service on the Rio Grande Western and the Denver & Rio Grande. This is the finest service of this description I have ever seen anywhere, either in this country or abroad; the food and cooking was all that could be desired, and at very moderate prices. If you happen to know the Rio Grande Western people, I wish you would say to them that it will afford me the greatest pleasure at all times to bear testimony anywhere to the above facts.

Very truly yours, (Signed) J. ADDISON BAKER, 2nd. [Salt Lake Tribune.]

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Christian Experience. Christian experience cannot be ordered as one orders goods from a store, or writes a check on a bank. It comes as a fruit. When we obey we know; when we believe and follow the Lord Jesus He gives the grace. It may be very quiet, but in reality, and with great comfort.—United Presbyterian.

Raber—Becker always drinks imported wine, don't he? Hallan—Yes, poor fellow. He's trying to drown his domestic troubles.—Brooklyn Life.

An Excellent Combination. The pleasant method and beneficial effects of the well known remedy, SYRUP OF FIGS, manufactured by the CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO., illustrate the value of obtaining the liquid laxative principles of plants known to be medicinally laxative and presenting them in the form most refreshing to the taste and acceptable to the system. It is the one perfect strengthening laxative, cleansing the system effectually, dispelling colds, headaches and fevers gently yet promptly and enabling one to overcome habitual constipation permanently. Its perfect freedom from every objectionable quality and substance, and its acting on the kidneys, liver and bowels, without weakening or irritating them, make it the ideal laxative.

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BRADSTREET'S REVIEW.

General Outlook Retains Most Encouraging Features.

Bradstreet's says: Some of the irregularities are visible in the general trade and industrial situation, the results of the working of counter currents in various lines, but, taken as a whole, the general outlook retains the most encouraging features noted for some time past in these columns. Favorable reports as to retail distribution and as to collections come from Southern, Western and Northwestern markets, due to better weather. Advances in wages of soft coal miners, of stove molders, and of other workers allied to the iron and steel industry would seem to point to labor conditions retaining most of the favorable features which have recently made them features of favorable remark.

Sugar is higher, mainly owing to the growing strength of raw material. Wheat and corn, among the breadstuffs, have been weaker, reflecting another one of those short swings in prices which have been a feature of the former market, but also expected heavy shipments from Argentina and good estimated crop reports from the South and West. In the Central West, wheat crop advices are disappointing, complaint of winter killing more than offsetting increased acreage.

Wool remains one of the soft spots in the market, and though a little more business has been done this week than last, concessions are easier to obtain and prices are generally lower.

Wheat, including flour, shipments for the week aggregate 2,903,495 bushels, against 2,727,450 bushels last week, 3,764,761 bushels in the corresponding week of 1899.

Business failures for the week in the United States number 192, as compared with 190 last week.

PACIFIC COAST TRADE.

Seattle Markets. Onions, new, \$2.00@2.75 per sack. Lettuce, hot house, 60c per doz. Potatoes, new, \$17@18. Beets, per sack, 75@85c. Turnips, per sack, 60c. Carrots, per sack, 75c. Parsnips, per sack, 75@85c. Cauliflower, 75c@1 per dozen. Cabbage, native and California, \$1.00@1.25 per 100 pounds.

Apples, \$1.25@1.50 per box. Prunes, 60c per box. Butter—Creamery, 28c per pound; dairy, 17@22c; ranch, 17c per pound. Eggs—15@16c. Cheese—Native, 15c. Poultry—13@14c; dressed, 14@15c; spring, 9c.

Hay—Puget Sound timothy, \$12.00; choice Eastern Washington timothy, \$18.00@19.00. Corn—Whole, \$23.00; cracked, \$23; feed meal, \$23.

Barley—Hulled or ground, per ton, \$20. Flour—Patent, per barrel, \$3.25; blended straight, \$3.00; California, \$3.25; buckwheat flour, \$6.00; Graham, per barrel, \$3.00; whole wheat flour, \$3.00; rye flour, \$3.80@4.00. Milletstuffs—Bran, per ton, \$13.00; shorts, per ton, \$15.00.

Feed—Chopped feed, \$19.00 per ton; middlings, per ton, \$20; oil cake meal, per ton, \$30.00.

Fresh Meats—Choice dressed beef steaks, 7 1/2@8c; corn, 7c; mutton 8c; pork, 8c; trimmed, 9c; veal, 8 1/2@10c. Hams—Large, 13c; small, 13 1/2c; breakfast bacon, 12 1/2c; dry salt sides, 8c.

Portland Markets. Wheat—Walla Walla, 53@54c; Valley, 53c; Bluestem, 57c per bushel. Flour—Best grades, \$3.00; Graham, \$3.50; superfine, \$2.10 per barrel. Oats—Choice white, 35@36c; choice gray, 34c per bushel. Barley—Feed barley, \$14@15.00; brewing, \$17.00@17.50 per ton. Milletstuffs—Bran, \$13 per ton; middlings, \$19; shorts, \$15; chop, \$14 per ton.

Hay—Timothy, \$9@10; clover, \$7@7.50. Oregon wild hay, \$6@7 per ton. Butter—Fancy creamery, 60@65c; seconds, 43 1/2@45c; dairy, 30@37 1/2c; store, 25@32 1/2c. Eggs—12 1/2c per dozen. Cheese—Oregon full cream, 13c. Young America, 14c; new cheese 10c per pound.

Poultry—Chickens, mixed, \$4.00@5.00 per dozen; hens, \$6.50; springs, \$2.50@3.50; geese, \$6.50@8.00 for old; \$4.50@6.50; ducks, \$5.50@6.00 per dozen; turkeys, live, 10@11c per pound.

Potatoes—50@60c per sack; sweets, 2@2 1/2c per pound. Vegetables—Beets, 1 1/2; turnips, 60c; per sack; garlic, 7c per pound; cabbage, 1 1/2c per pound; parsnips, 1 1/2; onions, \$1.50@2.50; carrots, \$1.

Hops—3@8c per pound. Wool—Valley, 12@13c per pound; Eastern Oregon, 10@15c; mohair, 27@30c per pound.

Mutton—Gross, best sheep, wethers and ewes, 4 1/2c; dressed mutton, 7@7 1/2c per pound; lambs, 7 1/2c per pound. Hogs—Gross, choice heavy, \$5.00; light and feeders, \$4.50; dressed, \$6.00@6.50 per 100 pounds.

Beef—Gross, top steers, \$4.00@4.50; cows, \$3.50@4.00; dressed beef, 6 1/2@7 1/2c per pound. Veal—Large, 6 1/2@7 1/2c; small, 8@9c per pound. Tallow—5@5 1/2c; No. 2 and grease, 3 1/2@4c per pound.

San Francisco Market. Wool—Spring—Nevada, 12@15c per pound; Eastern Oregon, 12@16c; Valley, 20@22c; Northern, 10@12c. Hops—1899 crop, 11@13c per pound. Butter—Fancy creamery 19c; do seconds, 17 1/2@18c; fancy dairy, 16@17c; do seconds, 15@16c per pound. Eggs—Store, 12 1/2c; fancy ranch, 14 1/2c. Milletstuffs—Middlings, \$17.00@20.00; bran, \$12.00@13.00.

Hay—Wheat \$6.50@9.50; wheat and oat \$6.00@9.00; best barley \$5.00@7.00; alfalfa, \$5.00@6.50 per ton; straw, 2c@4c per bale.

Potatoes—Early Rose, 60@70c; Oregon Burbanks, 65@95c; river Burbanks, 40@70c; Salinas Burbanks, 50c@1.10 per sack. Citrus Fruit—Oranges, Valencia, \$2.75@3.25; Mexican lemons, \$4.00@5.00; California lemons 75c@1.50; do choice 1 1/2@2.00 per box. Tropical Fruits—Bananas, \$1.50@2.50 per bunch; pineapples, nominal, Persian dates, 6@6 1/2c per pound.

Living Day by Day.

Day by day man has his blessings from God. Day by day man has his work to do for God. God gives today no strength for tomorrow's needs. Why should man worry today over tomorrow's duties, or dangers, or lack of—*and the good.*—S. S. Times.

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From Private to Brigadier-General. Gen. Caleb J. Dilworth, of Omaha, Neb., who died recently at the age of 70 years, served through the civil war, enlisting as a private from Illinois and being mustered out as a brigadier-general. He has been a resident of Nebraska since 1870 and was attorney general from 1878 to 1880.

An odd way of removing his glasses is practiced by Henry Clews, the New York banker. Instead of displacing them with his fingers, he gives a twist to his nose, and down the glasses drop to the limit of the string to which they are attached.

No Gloves Worn.

The wedding season has ushered in some changes for that ceremonious occasion. Gloves are not now worn by either bride or bridegroom. The bride's sleeves are made so long that they cover half the hand. The long lace sleeve, properly made, is fitted over the hand like a mitt and fastened around the fingers with silk cord.—Detroit Free Press.

Entirely Out of Place.

Prisoner—Yes, your honor, I admit I chased her around the house with a pistol.

Judge—Well, I give you three months in the workhouse and \$100 fine for trying to introduce Kentucky politics into Indiana domestic life.—Indianapolis Journal.

More Convincing Than Science. Amid all possible scientific hair-splitting concerning the food properties of alcohol and the effect of alcoholic drinks upon the human constitution, a few facts of common record are most convincing. For example, of the indoor patients of the hospitals of Paris, 46 per cent are habitual drunkards.

For a Living. There are thousands of men who are willing to do almost anything for a living except work.—Chicago Daily News.

Queen Victoria has her new boots worn a few times by one of her dressers, whose foot is the same size as her majesty's.

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INTERESTING ITEMS.

Last year 18,677,920 pairs of shoes were made in Haverhill, Mass.

Lands in extensive areas are leased in Rhode Island to be overflowed for use for oyster beds.

More steel is used in the manufacture of pens than in all the sword and gun factories in the world.

A system of preventive inoculation against typhoid fever is under extensive trial in India and South Africa.

About one-half of the railroads in Japan are owned and run by the government. The profits last year amounted to \$2,700,000.

While paring a corn John Murtha, of Little Rock, cut his toe. The chemicals from a dyed stocking caused blood poisoning and the man died.

It is proposed in England to test the practicality of casting steel in a vacuum, the object being to get rid of air bubbles, which cause flaws and weak points in the metal.

Horses, when asleep, always have one ear pointed forward. The object evidently is to hear sounds indicating danger, whether they come from the front or rear.

Cabs are run in Antwerp, Belgium, by the city. A yearly commutation ticket costs \$20, and the possessor of one can use it as often as he chooses, every day in the year.

Mrs. J. Von Wagner, a trained nurse, has been appointed sanitary inspector in Yonkers, N. Y. She distanced all her male competitors in the civil service examination, and thus won the appointment.

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What They All Said. Mr. Newman—You're a nice little boy, Tommy. Tommy—That's what they all say when they first meet sister.—N. Y. Journal.

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Time may be money, but it is a difficult thing to convince a man who is serving time that such is the case.—Chicago Daily News.

About 6,000 cutters, blacksmiths and tool sharpeners employed in the New England granite quarries struck for \$3 a day of eight hours.

Columbus, Ohio, union machinists have struck for an advance of wages from \$2.25 to \$2.50 per day.

A Horseless Age. Brown (who has lost)—Let's try again and see if we can't make it horse and horseless age, you know.—Boston Transcript.

Robinson—Better leave it as it is. This is a horseless age, you know.—Boston Transcript.

A strong dislike to the order of peppermint has been discovered in mice. Cotton soaked in peppermint oil caused them to go away for a considerable time, and after a second application they disappeared completely.

There are no fewer than 96 translations of Milton's "Paradise Lost" in the British museum. Apart from the great languages of the world, these translations are in Danish, Polish, Bohemian, Armenian, Icelandic, and German.

The efficacy of the serum treatment of diphtheria has been again demonstrated in Austria, where the mortality, in cases treated last year, was only 15.89 per cent, while of those treated without serum 39.30 per cent died.

George A. Hibbard, the new postmaster of Boston, taking warning by the fate of his predecessor, who was broken down by the combined weight of official cares and social duties, has made a rule not to attend public dinners.

Mothers will find Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup the best remedy to use for their children during the teething period.

What Then. Hibernian (newly landed)—Phwt in the wurrdul do the bell be put on the cow for? Jersey Farmer—To keep her from gettin' lost.

But suppose she do be deaf, phwt thin?—Judge.

A Sure Thing. Dr. Plunder's OREGON BLOOD PURIFIER. Saloons Now Closed on Sunday. South Australia was the only Australian colony allowing public houses to be open part of Sunday, unless closed by local vote; but its last liquor act has decreed Sunday closing throughout the colony.

A Thracian triumphal car has been dug up on the slope of Mount Rhodope, near Philippopolis, in Bulgaria. All the metallic fittings of the chariot, including bronze decorative figures, and the harness for one horse, were found together with human remains. The car belongs to the fourth century after Christ.

A strike at the Montreal Cotton Company's mill at Valley Field, Quebec, by which 3,000 operatives were affected, has been settled, the men getting an advance of 5 per cent.

The Wabash Railroad management has refused to recognize the labor organizations in fixing a wage schedule for its employees, but has approved the increase in the wage scale and the adjustment of the runs demanded by the men through the labor leaders.

The large rubber manufacturing plant of the L. Candee Co., at New Haven, Connecticut, was closed, and work will not be resumed until April 1. More than 1,850 employees are thrown out of work.

Plans are being prepared to increase the plant of the Boston Gold Copper Smelting Company in Colorado from its present 200 tons per day to 1,000 per day, making it one of the largest in the state. This smelter is independent of the trust.

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Reading the Word.

If I desired to put myself in the most likely place for the Lord to meet with me, I should prefer the house of prayer, for it is in preaching that the Word is most blessed; but still I think I should equally desire the reading of the Scriptures for I might pause over every verse and say: "Such a verse was blessed to so many souls; then why not to me? I am at least in the pool of Bethesda; I am walking amongst its porches, and who can tell but that the angel will stir the pool of the Word, whilst I lie helplessly by the side of it, waiting for the blessing?"—Spurgeon.

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The Parson Who Milked His Cow. A country pastor, who was very bright and original in his remarks, attracted the notice of a wealthy lady who was spending the summer in the vicinity. One evening she called at the parsonage just as the old minister, clad in overalls, was coming in from the stable, with a brimming pail of milk.

"Why, Mr. Smith?" exclaimed the lady, "do you milk a cow?" "Certainly, madam," was the reply. "What would you have me milk?"—Judge.

Sincerity. A Yale student who attended the Moody memorial in New Haven, where a vast crowd was assembled, wrote to his mother: "I think we must change the old adage, 'Knowledge is power,' to 'Sincerity is power.'"

Light. Light is used as the sublimest expression in figures of speech, and is properly so used in the Bible in connection with the grandest idea known to man.—Rev. Dr. Buckley, Methodist, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Secret. "Why will you not announce our engagement, sweetheart?" "Why, Edgar, it is so beautiful to be engaged secretly, as we are, without letting a single person know about it. Every one of my friends envies me."—N. Y. World.

A copy of Queen Victoria's "Leaves From the Journal of Our Life in the Highlands," presented to her majesty by Charles Dickens, was sold at auction in London the other day for \$500.

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Righting a Wrong. Smith—(angrily)—I understand you said my face would stop an automobile. Jones—I certainly never said anything of the kind. Smith—Then I must have been misinformed. Jones—That's what you have. Instead of stopping at sight of your face, any reputable automobile would increase its speed.—Chicago Record.

Often trouble is just God's hand bringing us in touch with all the trouble that we may show Him His peace.—Ram's Horn.

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