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A sturgeon was caught in the Columbia river a few days ago that weighed 835 pounds and at prevailing price for fish was valued at \$150. Some fish that.

Well, did you ever? A prominent Socialist sporting a new automobile, all the same as the plutocrats—and his words are as "sounding brass and a tinkling cymbal."

The dog pound is now open for business and the "Fidos" and "Teddy Roosevelts" will do well to keep an eye peeled for the unfeeling city marshal. "He'll git you if you don't look out."

The "show" at the council meeting Monday night when the question of paving North College street was under discussion, is said to have discounted the ordinary vaudeville by several furlongs. What some people think of other people and what other people think of some people, in such a discussion, is so entertaining, don't you know.

How old is Ann? Well, as near as can be determined by the evidence at hand, about the same as that of Rube Sanders, the big dusky brave who played ball here last Friday with the Chemawa Indian students. Rube has been playing ball with Chemawa for the past fifteen years it is said, and the question as to when he will finish the course at Chemawa is a pertinent one.

W. G. Gillstrap, who sold the Eugene Register a few months ago, has purchased a newspaper at Alhambra, California, a city of 8000 inhabitants ten miles east of Los Angeles. In the change of location Oregon loses a mighty good newspaperman. Mr. Gillstrap made the Register one of the best dailies in Oregon outside of Portland, and in the making helped very largely in putting new life into Eugene. The Graphic wishes him the greatest measure of success in his new field.

In going to and from Portland during the past year we have noticed a two passenger auto standing near the water's edge on the bank of the Willamette at Sellwood ferry, a horseless carriage awaiting the return of the owner who does not show up. The next time you go to Portland take a glance at the machine and do a little speculating as to the why of the wherefore. Was the driver of the machine an outlaw who was being chased by the sheriff, and did he, when being hotly pursued and almost overtaken, abandon the machine when the ferry was found to be on the opposite side of the river, and take to the adjoining wood covered hills and make his way out of the country never to return, or was it an irate mother-in-law who was after him and did he plunge into the dark deep waters of the Willamette and drown himself to escape a worse fate? "A chieftain to the Highlands bound," possibly, and another "Lord Ullin's daughter"—but there is no end to the speculation that may be indulged in with that little old auto waiting on the banks of the Willamette as the central figure. Take a look at it when passing that way, do a little speculating on your own part and help the Graphic solve the deep mystery. It has a decidedly spooky appearance as it continues to stand there with curtains drawn and the mystery must be solved.

The commission form of government was passed on favorably by the people in Portland at the election held on last Saturday. The discussion of this question has reached Newberg and there is a fast growing sentiment among the people favorable to the adoption of the commission form for Newberg. So far as we know this form of government has never been tried out in a city of the size of Newberg, but we believe money would have been saved to the city had it been in force here during the past few years.

Kansas is to have a new kind of a court under a new law enacted last winter, says the Woodburn Independent. It is a poor debtor's court, and no costs have to be paid to get into it. The judge, who is appointed by the county commissioners, does not have to be a lawyer. He hears the plaintiff's side and then sends for the other fellow. If he is satisfied any amount under \$20 ought to be paid, that is the end of it; there is no appeal. This is certainly a long step towards wiping out "the law's delays" which have been proverbial for generations. Maybe the time will come when justice won't cost more than it is worth to the poor man, in other states as well as Kansas.

A news note from Springfield, Lane county, says a site was recently sold in that town at the rate of \$200 a front foot, on which a three story hotel is to be built by parties from the East who made the purchase. Springfield is not as large a town as Newberg and mention is made of the above for the reason that some say Newberg property is held too high. Mr. Fields, of the Southern Pacific, made a tour of the valley towns a short time ago, and when he reached Newberg he made the statement that the prices put on property here were lower than he found in any of the other towns that are as well built as Newberg. Prices on First street frontage would be higher were it not for the fact that the business section is of greater length than present conditions will justify, and so far as can be seen time alone will effect a remedy, by making a demand for business houses to fill up the thin air spaces.

At the last council meeting several citizens of Sherwood were placed on what is known as the "Black List," the meaning of which is that the saloons are forbidden to sell or give them alcoholic liquors of any kind. Neither is anyone else out of the saloon business allowed to give, sell or purchase such liquors for the men on this list. Such list, however, is at present incomplete and other names no doubt will be added when the council meets Friday night.—Sherwood News Sheet.

Possibly there may be some former Newberg men on this list. One former citizen of this section we have seen leaning against the post in front of the saloon in Sherwood, when passing through on the train, and if he is chalked up on the above named list he will shake Sherwood without doubt for a dry climate has no attractions for him. In his younger years he was a man of fine appearance, he had considerable property and was fairly good at looking after his business affairs, but the property is all gone long ago, he is bleary-eyed and uncouth in appearance, and in fact the life he leads is not much above that of the stray dog that is cuffed about without a home and that has no friends. His early surroundings were against him. The family and those with whom they associated were accustomed to the drink habit and he naturally fell into it and drifted down stream. He is down and out and the only surprise is that he is still hanging on to dreary life, considering the pace he has

hit for the past twenty years. It might have been different with him had his early associations been different, but you can't tell, for we have some young fellows who have had sufficient warning who seem determined to hit the Sherwood pace and later on their names will be found on the "black list" in the "hall of records" in the city of Sherwood. In fact the names of some of them should be there now.

COMMENTS ON THE CIRCUS

The circus is made-to-order for the country town. It is as incongruous in a city as a turkey buzzard at a flight of aeroplanes. Only on the rural greensward may one absorb the true bucolic flavor of the tented show. There alone is its equestrienne a daring fairy, its clown a humorist, its glittering tinsel gold and silver.—Portland Journal.

And this notwithstanding the fact that within the past 25 years the circus has become almost exclusively a city institution and one never hears of a circus owner filing a bankrupt petition says the Hillsboro Independent. The small towns that once dotted the route map of the old wagon shows are passed by for the profitable field of the cities, where, be it known, the "true bucolic" flavor can only be found. Hillsboro last week had its second circus in 20 years, and the Journal oracle might ascertain just what percent of the entire population of the two cities was represented in the box office receipts. But forget it. Down in the bottom of our hearts we all like the circus, and city dweller and farmer are in the end very much alike in likes and dislikes. The paragraph doesn't ring true and sounds like the effort of a country boy who having his first taste of the city would have us believe that when men dwell together in thousands instead of hundreds a mysterious change takes place. It also sounds very much like an attempt to claim for the city dweller superiority in discrimination and sophistication which he does not possess. When we get right down to it, the bulk of city dwellers are people who have moved in from the country, and every year the number of city dwellers who move to the country increases. Sophistication? The longer a man lives in the city the narrower his viewpoint, and if it wasn't for the consistent city dweller the bunko men would all have to go to work. Cheer up, brother, and forget that bucolic thing. It never existed save in certain plays written by men who never saw the country.

DESOLATE MONGOLIA.

A Bleak Country, the Very Spirit of Which is Restlessness.

Beyond the forests of Siberia lies the barren center of the Asiatic continent—that inhospitable, desolate land of nakedness, the haunt of roaming nomads, a region of bitter winds and hostile climate. In the very heart of the greatest continent, in that part of the earth's surface which is farthest removed from the sea, lies the lone, bleak land of Mongolia.

In all its immense area there are but few towns where men live settled lives, and it possesses but a scanty population, while because by its very position it is cut off from the softening influence of the sea it presents a dreary aspect of windy wastes, endless steppes and barren mountains.

Wild and wide is Mongolia, stretching as it does for 2,000 miles in the savage splendor of limitless expanse. Man cannot rest in such a country nor live a sedentary life. It has been the birthplace of the greatest migrations the world has ever seen. Restless movement, in fact, is the very spirit of Mongolia.

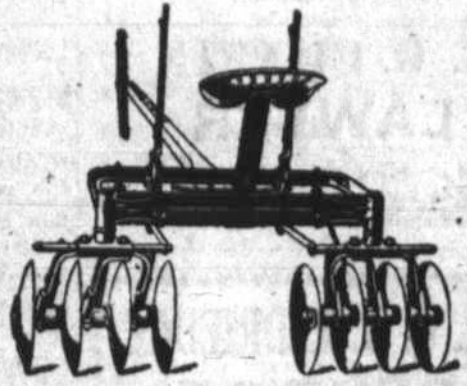
What history this land could tell if only its deserts could speak and its mountains bear witness! Here rode Genghis, the Mongol Alexander, the most ruthless and inhuman destroyer the world has experienced. On these wide plateaus wandered those Mongol herdsmen who fed their flocks and moved their camps with complete content and splendid isolation until at last the wanderlust came over them and they burst out from their fastness to overrun the world.—Wide World Magazine.

The Oath Gesture.
The act of uplifting the hand during

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the taking of an oath is so ancient that it would be futile to even attempt to say when it started. Homer mentions it as common among the Greeks of his time, and it is also found in the earliest Biblical time. For instance, Abraham, the father of the Jewish people, says "I have lifted up my hand to Jehovah," showing that even at that remote period the practice was existent. It was from the Jews, of course, that the practice found its way into Christianity.

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Turn About.
Banker—Allow me to call your attention, sir, to the fact that your account is \$100 overdrawn? Customer—Indeed! That means that I have \$100 of yours, doesn't it? Banker—Yes. Customer—Well, look here; last week you had \$150 of mine, and I didn't say anything about it.—London Telegraph.

where it has ever since held its place in judicial trials.—New York American.

Good Advice.
"My son," said the old hunter, "you are starting out to earn your living as a guide. Remember that some people will want to see bear, while others will want to see bear tracks."
"Yes, dad."
"If they're satisfied with tracks don't try to show 'em bear."—Louisville Courier-Journal.