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A great cement plant is to be built in Portland—the first instance in America in which Portland cement has been manufactured in a city of that name. Portland and Salt Lake capitalists have organized a company with capital of \$1,200,000, and the lime rock will be brought from Roseburg, where they own a tract of one hundred acres of choice rock. One thousand barrels of cement a day will be manufactured at the beginning but the plant is so designed that this capacity can be doubled at any time with very slight change. Buildings and grounds will occupy a site of fifteen acres in the suburbs of Portland, with both rail and water transportation. C. W. Nibley and associates, of Salt Lake City, hold one-half the stock, with Portland capitalists the other half. M. Nibley has extensive interests in Utah, Idaho, Oregon, and California, and is president of the Union Cement Company at Devil's Slide, Utah, which has manufactured two thousand barrels a day during two years of successful and profitable operation.

Wood, the crafty, designing scamp, slyly creeps under the basket of modesty by saying in the Leader, relative to the Wenaha episode:

"The timid, perhaps, might dive off the platform, but not so the writer, who essayed a leap from the spring board, circled thrice through the air, took the water at a graceful curve and swam like a porpoise the full length of the pool before emerging to the surface. It was a daring and picturesque stunt, and was greeted with uproarious applause, but modestly forbids further pursuit of this particular theme."

This in face of the current and apparent authentic report that the Meador Park management has recognized his stunt as a good drawing card, and has made an offer of 3 barrels of "near" beer to the colonel if he will do his "tutu" at that resort next Sunday.

In the scout cruiser Salem the United States possesses the fastest warship afloat. In the recent government standardization trial over the measured mile course off Rockland, Me., this handsome vessel was driven at a maximum speed of 26.88 knots and at an average speed for five runs over the mile course of 25.95 knots. The Salem is equipped with Curtis turbines, a type which has been developed in this country. The Chester, a sister ship, is conceded to be the second fastest warship afloat. Reports from across the ocean that the British Indomitable reached faster speeds than these are said to be lacking in verification.

According to Richard Croker, it is American money which seems to be keeping Egypt going. "Two-thirds of the visitors," says Mr. Croker, "I met all around came from America, and they represented all parts of the states. They provide the people with a living not only in the hotels, but in the streets. I never saw such people for begging. As soon as an Egyptian child is born it seems to ask for back-sheesh and Egyptians are looking for money all the time."

Three lynchings of negroes within two days in three southern states is quite an active revival of the lynching industry down there, which has suffered a depression lately. It is difficult to feel very indignant over these affairs, providing the assumed facts are correct, but in many cases there is no positive proof of the victim's guilt. When a lynching mob gets its blood hot, almost any negro will do.

The annual catalogue of the Oregon Agricultural College has just been issued; a perusal of its pages shows that the institution has made rapid strides forward and that plans have been adopted for the extension of various phases of industrial work, particularly those of Agriculture, Horticulture, Household Science and Arts and Commerce.

We rather like this observation from the Washington Post: "The Smiths, Joneses and Browns are the butt of many jokes, but you never find their names in a list of wild-eyed, bomb-throwing anarchists."

A Pennsylvania man died the other day from the effects of swallowing a table knife. This should be a warning to the republican managers of Minnesota 'o watch Jacobsen, their candidate for governor, whose greatest claim for election is that "he eats pie with a knife."

In spite of the arduous efforts of the Sunshine Club there are, according to the official reports of the American Railway Association, something like 350,000 freight cars still idle. That means \$350,000,000 of interest bearing capital that is earning nothing and yet constantly depreciating.

Apples with whiskers are the latest discovery in North Yakima. Some of the apples have been sent to the state authorities for inspection, it being thought the fruit is infected with some disease.

Owing to the hard times, Helen Gould is suspending some of her pet charities. The hard times don't seem to have affected Madame Gould. She is thinking of taking on a new one.

"We need women to care for our souls," declares Hamilton Wright Mabie. Which sounds all right, but as a matter of fact we keep them busy caring for our socks and underwear.

Possibly Congress has the absurd idea that to build two battleships at a cost of \$20,000,000 will be doing fairly well for a nation that is a trifle shy on revenue just now.

EQUINE INTELLIGENCE.

Chicago papers told the other day in picture and story of a policeman's horse that followed his master into a barber shop. A Philadelphia police horse, not long ago, caused some excitement by trudging along behind his rider right into the city hall. But for every yarn about intelligent police mounts in other cities, the average New York traffic "cop" has one to match. As a Park Row city cavalrman remarked, patting the glossy brown neck of his aid and companion, "He knows a heap more'n a whole lot of the 'muts' that we protect, and if he didn't he wouldn't be fit for his job." One day recently, a patrolman had dismounted at a congested spot to straighten out a tangle of vehicles, leaving his horse, untied and unguarded, near the curb. The animal stayed right there, as still as a soldier at attention, until the odor of a fine basket of peaches, just out of reach across the sidewalk, struck his nostrils. The bait was too tempting even for that well trained horse, and inch by inch he edged up toward the luscious meal. Just then his rider, busy 100

feet up the street, saw him and yelled: "Hey, you, Bob, turn around there!" And Bob turned around obediently and put temptation behind him.

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