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The Observer has been established nearly 21 years, and it has some subscribers who have received it regularly for more than half a score of years. Many of these object to having the Old Reliable discontinued at the time of expiration of their subscriptions, and for their benefit, as for other reasons, we discontinue subscriptions only when notified to do so, except by agreement made at the time the account is opened, when it is noted upon the calendar to be discontinued promptly at the time specified. All persons paying in advance at the time of subscribing, will have the benefit of the \$2.50 rate for two years, or the \$5.00 rate for five years. We send The Observer to any responsible person who orders it, though they may not send the money with the order, with the understanding that they are to pay 12 1/2 cents per month for it, until such time as they may wish to take advantage of the above liberal discounts. From this date we are prepared to discount rates to all leading Weekly and Magazine Publishers in the United States, to any prepaid reader of The Old Reliable Observer. Come with the money—as that is indispensable.

Texas' record-breaking peach crop has been postponed until next year.

Ohio violators of the anti-trust law are sent to the rock pile as well as being fined.

Another reason why there will be no war with Japan is because Andrew Carnegie agrees with The Observer that way.

The Haywood jury rendered a verdict of acquittal. They had no fears of assassination from the side of the prosecution.

A London paper insists that King Edward is the hardest worked man in England; and yet, we haven't heard of him pitching any hay.

An eastern clergyman asserts that there are three heavens. Glorious news to those people who can find no place on the earth to be happy.

Jamaica has sent official thanks to America for assistance during the earthquake. Jamaica hasn't near as much ginger now as it had at that time.

Great stress is laid upon Watter-son's preferences for Gov. Johnson, of Minnesota as a dark horse. Watter-son shouldn't overlook our Gov. Chamberlain, just because Johnson got the Swede vote. Our George got straight republican votes.

British Columbia imposes a head tax of \$25 on every Japanese immigrant. Australia proposes even more stringent laws to keep out the yellow races. South Africa has taken steps to deport laborers of this class gradually. England's treaty of alliance with Japan has not inclined the British colonies toward fellowship with Orientals.

Copper mines equal to any found in Montana or Michigan will now be developed in the North Santiam range, near Albany. While excavating to rebuild the Mill city company's store, recently destroyed by fire, workmen uncovered rich deposits of native and carbonated copper ore. The ore is very rich and much excitement prevails. The discovery was made in the rear of the old store and it seems marvelous that it was not found sooner. The poisonous effects from the drinking water at Mill city, now attributed to copper deposits, was never sufficient to incite inquiry. But Oregon is noted for that sort of push.

When Gen. Kuroki visited Yale, and heard the college yell, he turned to one of the interpreters and asked, "What are they saying?" "They have just remarked," explained the interpreter, "that they are very glad indeed to see you, and that they hope you will come again and stay longer. They congratulate you upon your victories in the Far East, and in conclusion, they wish to inform you that you have been unanimously elected a Son of a Gambler."

## MUST HAVE BEEN HARD PAN.

It is worth recalling that irrigation was practiced in North America long before Columbus set sail. Proof of irrigation works has been found in the valley of the Gila river, Arizona. Several years ago investigation by the United States Geological Survey, developed the fact that the ruins of an ancient canal, near the ruins of Casa Grande temple, were in reality the ruins of an irrigation canal, constructed in prehistoric times, and that in order to prevent the scorching climate from drying up the water before it could be distributed over the fields, the canal had been lined with a cement which has stood the elements for centuries, but which, like the colors of some of the great Italian painters, has become a lost art, since the scientists of today cannot analyze it. It has been suggested that the base of the cement was the same material so ever plentiful in Sherman county, known as hard-pan. The same that Captain Hopkins used to burn at Cementville (Knapppton), back in the '60s; and with whom "the secret" died. The Arizona canal is 20 feet below the level of the present earth, but has been uncovered far enough to show its original use and design.

President Roosevelt and Admiral Yamamoto held a real peace conference at Oyster Bay.

A Detroit evangelist claims that there are 40 roads leading to hell; and every one of them is kept well paved.

Excavations on Palatine hill, in Rome, show a curious and interesting circumstance. The Necropolis has been found to contain remains of the 9th, 8th, 6th and 4th centuries before Christ, but all fragments of the 7th and 5th centuries are lacking, and archeologists are making a close study of the field to find the reason.

A Benton county farmer made a profit of \$2,500 off 400 ewes the past 12 months which he purchased at \$4.50 per head. They averaged a lamb each, and the ewe-lambs sold at \$4 per head. The bucks \$5 each, the average meeting exactly what the original flock cost. The wool netted \$1.75 per head, and the owner has the original stock left. They are high grade sheep, and of course that fact enters into the successful outcome of the transaction.

The South African conquest cost Great Britain a cool \$1,200,000,000 and the Boers 1.6th as much more in defense of their little republics. To get a foot hold in Manchuria and drive back the Russian armies took \$1,100,000,000 from the Japanese treasury, while ambitions for a greater empire cost the Czar \$1,500,000,000. In these two wars, not to enumerate the many millions which Germany is still paying out in Southwest Africa, the stupendous total of \$4,000,000,000 was expended.

## Hardships Imposed on Insurance Companies.

By Ex-President GROVER CLEVELAND.  
IN many of the states contemplating life insurance legislation there is a normal, healthy demand for all or nearly all the securities contemplated in pending bills, which are so absolutely safe and unquestioned as to excuse life insurance companies in accepting them AS SECURITIES FOR THEIR TRUST FUNDS. And yet they are forced to purchase in such a market and must, under severe pains and penalties, invest in such securities as remain after investors on the ground have made choice or to pay for those more desirable the MANIPULATED ADVANCE invited by their legally created necessities.

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NONE OF US HAS, IN OUR BIBLICAL READING, DISCOVERED AN INCIDENT WHICH SMACKED MORE OF UNFAIRNESS AND OPPRESSION THAN THE EXACTION BY THE STRONG THAT THOSE AT THEIR MERCY SHOULD "MAKE BRICKS WITHOUT STRAW."

## The Rich Are Not to Be Envied.

By Congressman J. ADAM BEDE of Minnesota.  
ABOUT the only difference between the rich and the poor man nowadays is that the former can eat strawberries out of season.

NEARLY EVERYTHING FOR THE HAPPINESS OF MANKIND IS OWNED IN COMMON BY HUMANITY.

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"Sister" Moody, of the Spokane Apostolic Assembly, predicts the destruction of that city on or before the 26th day of October, with the proviso for its preservation: "That we have prevailed with God."

Two archaeological discoveries in Egypt, of exceptional interest, have recently been made public. They are additional sayings of Christ, applicable to the present century, but perhaps 100,000 years old. They were found near an old coptic monastery at Efof and consist of about a dozen rolls of Greek papyrus, of extremely ancient manufacture. They include 25 leaves of apocryphal sayings of Christ in a coptic translation of a lost Greek original, of which previously only 13 leaves were known, 12 of them being in the national gallery at Paris, and one at Berlin. The discovery includes parts of the gospels of Saints Matthew, Mark and Luke, in the Greek.

It is now a settled fact that the North Bank Ry will be ready for business between Kenewick and Vancouver, 229 miles, November 1st, when Mr. Hill may fully realize that quaint remark in the old engineers report of 1865, that "the ball of the pot is no longer lying down than when standing up." All the heavy work along the line of "the ball of the pot lying down," has been completed; tunnels all driven, heavy cuts finished, and other obstacles of moment overcome, grading well along and rails laid 100 miles from Kenewick westward, and still a coming at the rate of 10 miles per week. It is believed that trains will be operated into the city of Portland by February 1.

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