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In spite of its dictionary meaning reciprocity appears to have claws.

China continues to illustrate the expensiveness of too much economy in army and navy expenditures.

Again we thank Senator Chamberlain for valuable congressional favors; and to Bro. Ellis for the seeds.

Chump Clark says he is in favor of "world-wide" reciprocity; he is not going to permit President Taft to "out-reciprocate" him.

In the preparations for the Panama celebration San Francisco ought to be limited in expenses to something like the first cost of the canal.

Reno Nev. is to dedicate a grand Y.M.C.A. building this spring; Jack Johnson seems to have knocked out more than Jim Jeffries at Reno.

President Taft repeats that he is a protectionist; but democrats, not protectionists, are the ones who clamored loudest for an extra session.

A lone filibuster held up the house for 28 hours, and then left the subject To be Continued; the complexities of legislation seem to increase when the time allowance is shortest.

At present the house is composed of 391 members, and the 1 makes so much trouble for all the others that something seems to be wrong with the mathematical arrangement.

It is suggested that progressive republicanism is a redundant term; what other party in history ever accomplished as much, in wiping out old wrongs, and in blazing new and better trails?

Roosevelt wants United States senators elected by direct vote of the people; notwithstanding his experience in New York last fall he still pretends to claim confidence in the people.

E. J. Stevens, a Pennsylvania dealer in rubber "medical" goods secured 500 copies of the frank of Senator Bourne, on unaddressed envelopes, which he used in his business; he is now being tried as a criminal in one of the federal courts at Philadelphia.

One simple but valuable aid to health is the drinking of plenty of water; it is wise to drink water on first arising and just before retiring; in this way the interior of the body gets a bath which is as useful and sanitary as external bathing.

Mr. Underwood, chairman to be of the new democratic ways and means committee, hoped that the president, "if" he called an extra session, would not fix the date before April. As a member of experience Mr. Underwood is in no hurry to rush his party into constructive work; he knows it too well.

Champ Clark's "International" Speech.

The Congressional Record, with the remarks of Champ Clark on the reciprocity treaty, is at hand. We presume that it is already in Ottawa. When it reaches London the tention there may be relieved if the English know that, in our parliamentary reports, laughter stands for ironical cheers in theirs. If they can understand this they may conclude, on finding the Clark speech in favor of reciprocity as a step to annexation of Canada, punctuated at 26 points with laughter, that the speaker was not taken seriously. Their wonder will grow that such a member can be on the point of election to the chair of the house, and would be still further increased if they should go back over the records of past years and find that laughter has been an invariable accompaniment of Champ Clark's speeches. That fact may reassure them that Clark need not to be taken seriously, even in face of the anomaly of his elevation to speakership.

We incline to the opinion that the English, after reading all he said, will dismiss Clark as an international menace and join in the laughter. Not that they will find in his words any evidence of a want of earnestness; they will find, in fact, that he clinches the annexation argument in words not reported either in the American or cable reports.

The Day of Lasting Peace Not Yet in Sight.

Archbishop Ireland, in his address before the Greve Cour club of Peoria on the anniversary of George Washington's birthday, took opposite views from those of Andrew Carnegie and the forces which have been working toward universal peace. "Has the day come," said Archbishop Ireland, "of such eminent prepotency of the principle of arbitration that a great nation such as the United States of America may safely turn all its swords into plowshares and all the spears into sickles? No one will make the affirmation. No, the day of assured and lasting international peace has not arrived, if ever ambitions and pride of nations permit it to arrive. Today the nation that dismantles its ships of war and disbands its soldiers puts itself in danger of gross humiliation, if not fatal disaster. Today America is respected by its sister nations; it is respected also because it is feared. Peace, America invokes; but to be the more sure of peace America must be ready at a moment's notice to summon to its defense an army and a navy to whom defeat is impossible."

Who plants a rose bush does a bit to make the world more fair, to add more beauty to its face and fragrance to its air. He doeth well who planteth grain, and any food that grows; he helps the world to hope and smile who plants a rose.

Apparently not in the least discouraged by the hostile attitude of the Oregon assembly toward his single-tax schemes, U'Ren, the paid representative of Millionaire Fels, goes blithely on with his campaign of education evidently thinking that "while there's life there's hope."

Speaking of jail, the worm is evidently turning in the muckraking business; not only has the Standard Oil received an apology from a prominent magazine, but here is a former federal employe behind the bars for furnishing information to the magazine "penny-aliners" against the sugar trust. Justice is like a self-bailing boat; it may turn over for a time, but sooner or later it will right itself.

Speaking of the Gould family, its craft, graft, money, and trouble of 50 years; the one member who has been able to have one without the other seems to be Helen Miller Gould. While her brothers and sisters have been attaining a kind of gilded notoriety that benefits no one she has been conspicuous for the good she has done. The beggar who threw a brick through the window of her home in New York because he was refused alms, represents the sort of discouragement that the most worthy efforts sometimes meet with.

But What Became of the Cheese?

Arlington Record: A tramp appeared in Arlington last week with a 23 pound cheese, which he offered to sell at an exceedingly low price for cash. Many freight cars have been broken into and robbed at various points along the line, and Marshal Lang was of the opinion that this knight of the turnpike had procured the cheese in some questionable manner. On being arrested the tramp claimed that he found the cheese down the railroad track, picked it right off the vine, in fact; and the authorities were unable to disprove his statement. The hobo was fed and lodged two or three days while the matter was being investigated, the cheese peddler finally being liberated for want of evidence.

A Little Horse Sense.

A horse can not rest well lying down in a narrow stall. It is just as easy to speak kindly to a horse as to swear at him.

A very young colt, like a baby, should have a great deal of rest and sleep.

Scrape the dried sweat from the collars every day and keep them smooth and pliable.

If the horse comes into the stable warm and tired, feed him no grain for at least an hour.

A horse that is afraid of an auto car can never be taught that they are harmless by whipping.

When a long drive is expected do not feed quite as much as usual. The horse travels better.

A good bran mash with a handful of oats thrown in is to a horse what pumpkin pie is to a boy.

The man who will allow his horses to stand all night with mud clinging to their legs ought to be compelled to sleep standing in wet boots.

We frequently see young colts following along the field after their dams, walking many miles during the hot weather. Useless and poor business.

Many farmers imagine they are saving money when they breed to a \$7 or \$8 horse, but the truth is they are losing five or six times that amount.

Feed that has been mused over and left in the box to become sour over night may sometimes be eaten by a very hungry animal the next day, but it is pretty sure to cause trouble.

The feed and care of the colt are almost as much importance as the breed. A pure-bred colt can be ruined by neglect, and a colt of rare grade stock can be made a clipper by proper care.

I bought a pure-bred Percheron, a 6-year old filly, and when she was 12 years old I sold her in foal. She and her colts had made me a profit of \$3,350 and she was a regular worker on the farm.

Monkland Correspondence.

Quite a crowd attended the dance at Mr. Byrner's Friday night.

Mrs. C. J. Thompson has a lot of little chickens, and has her incubator set again.

About 22 young people were entertained at a party at Howard Belashe's Friday night.

Floyd Moretz, who has been in Demos this winter, is now working for A. C. Thompson.

Several sleighs went through here Sunday. Everyone seemed to be enjoying the good sleighing.

The spring term at Monkland school begins Monday, March 6th, with Miss Jennie Bowersox, of Corvallis, as teacher.

Sixteen Monkland and Hay Canyon people gave a farewell surprise to Mr. and Mrs. J. Clark Teale, Wednesday evening.

Demos Correspondence.

J. M. DeMoss has returned from The Dalles.

A Pentecost is still in Demos, on business.

Mrs. Alta B. Jewell is convalescing from a spell of sickness.

Chas. Davis and family of The Dalles, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. DeMoss.

A. J. Syron and family and Jas. M. Syron spent Sunday at the home of Alex. Hunter.

Miss Myrtle and Grace Larkin spent Sunday with Misses Olivea and Marguerite Hunter.

The house owned by Mrs. J. E. DeMoss has been moved to the 2-acre tract south of the church.

Geo. DeMoss has returned from Portland; while there he saw Mrs. Robert Bryner, once a resident of this place.

A few ladies from Demos surprised Mrs. McGaha, at the I. P. Hardin Kennel farm on the 75th anniversary of her birth, February 11th, 1911.

About 40 people gathered at the home of Alex. Hunter to celebrate Washington's birthday. The evening was spent in playing games; the guests departed at an early hour, each declaring that they had enjoyed the hours.

Wasco Correspondence.

Mrs. M. A. VanGilder is sick in Wasco.

New girl at Mr. and Mrs. L. Barnett's.

J. R. Kaseburg has been a visitor from Portland.

Dr. Beers is very sick at his home east of Wasco.

John Rayburn got lots of water at 405 feet in his new well.

The Wasco band boys had a dandy dance; 133 tickets were sold.

McNab Bros. have given Mr. Crofield an order for a 16-ft. Holt Harvester for 1911.

Robert Newton will make his home in Wasco after March 1st. Rob has a new wife.

Dooly the horse buyer was in Wasco two days last week. Sent a bunch of good horses over to Yakima.

T. D. Williams, Uncle Tom, was killed on Sunday the 19th, over in Washington; tree fell on him. He was buried here on the 22d.

Andrew Thompson of Monkland has given Mr. Crofield an order for a Baby Holt combine for 1911; no more heading and threshing for Andrew.

Rufus Correspondence.

No shoot on the club grounds Sunday on account of cold winds.

Several of the Rufusites took in the dance at Biggs Saturday night.

Mr. Howell of Wasco, was doing business here a few days ago.

Joe Brady is laid up with rheumatism; at The Dalles with his mother at present.

Mrs. John Mathieson who has been in poor health for some time is greatly improved at this writing.

Sunday was the most disagreeable day of the winter so far; there was a cold, raw east wind drifting the sand badly especially on the Ry. track.

Twohy Bros. have a gang scraping sand to put in a spur for the steam shovels; there will be something doing on the double track here soon.

The dance at the hall on the evening of the 22d was well attended; there was upwards of 100 to supper. All seemed to enjoy themselves.

I. F. Hill and wife, Mr. Mulkey and wife, and Ed Phillips were Dalles passengers on the early train Saturday, returning at noon of the same day.

There will be a meeting Tuesday to see what can be done about irrigating the land from 1 mile east of town to Columbus rock 3 1/2 miles west of town.

Dave Blackman, the carpenter on the Fowler house, had the misfortune to have a horse fall with him in such a way as to crush his foot; consequently is now going on crutches.

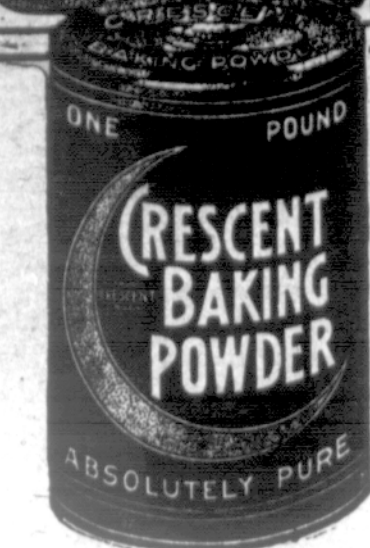
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