

FINNEY OF THE FORCE

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BEHEADED STATUE OF KING MUCH ABUSED

Shaft Attacked by Irishmen Since 1701.

Dublin.—When a party of men recently cut the head from the equestrian statue of William III that stands near the Bank of Ireland in this city they accomplished the wish of at least one of their predecessors in the defacement of a monument which has been the object of attacks ever since it was erected first on the Dublin college green in 1701. "To chronicle all of the mishaps of this statue," says the Historian Chambers in recounting some of them, "would require a volume." He sets down the story of Watty Cox and some of Cox's forerunners and successors who have directed their attacks toward the likeness of the "hook nosed Nassau."

Cox was an eccentric. For many years the editor of the Irish Magazine, he was a man of varied talents. Before becoming an editor he had been a gunsmith and was expert in the use of tools. He was annoyed by the statue of the English king who had secured the "predominance of the Protestant religion in Ireland," and one dark night tried to file off the monarch's head.

Iron Foils Attempt. Perhaps he knew that under the coating of lead the statue was of iron; perhaps he did not. At any rate the iron "foiled" his attempt; and the head was left on the statue for other Irishmen better equipped to take off—just 130 years after Cox's failure.

Attempts to destroy or to dismember the statue began soon after it was set up. Many people took it, seems, an instant dislike for it—not only Catholics, but Protestants. The college boys in particular had toward it a feeling of hostility, because, it was said, "it turned its tall upon the university." We are told that "despite all magisterial denunciations notwithstanding," incessant maltreatment and indignities were put upon it. On June 27, 1710, "it was found to have been feloniously robbed of its regal sword and martial baton."

This robbery was too gross an offense to be overlooked by the authorities, who offered a reward of £100 for the discovery of the culprit. Money brought them to book; and three students of Trinity college were consequently accused, tried and condemned to suffer six months' imprisonment, to pay a fine of £100 each and to be carried to College green, there to stand before the statue for half an hour with this inscription on their breasts: "I stand here for defacing the statue of our glorious deliverer, the late King William."

On account of their loss of prospects by expulsion from the college however, and loss of health by imprisonment in a dungeon, the latter part of their sentence was remitted and the fine reduced to five shillings. In 1804 the king's birthday fell on Sunday. On the Saturday night preceding, the watchman on the College green was accosted by a man, "seemingly a painter," Chambers relates, who stated that he had been sent by the city authorities to decorate the statue for the approaching festivities, "adding that the apprehended violence of the disaffected portion of the populace rendered it advisable to have the work done by night."

Watchman Aids Painter. "The unsuspecting watchman assisted the painter in mounting the statue, and the latter piled his brush most industriously for some time. Then, descending, he coolly requested the watchman to keep an eye to his painting utensils while he went to his master's house for more colors. The night passed away without the return of the painter, and at daybreak on Sunday morning the statue was found to be completely covered with an unctuous black pigment composed of grease and tar; while the bucket that had contained the mixture was suspended by a halter fixed around the hallowed monarch's neck."

But the crowning catastrophe came to the statue in 1836. "One midnight in April of that year the statue blew up with a terrific explosion, smashing and extinguishing the lamps nearby. The body was blown in one direction, the broken arms and legs in another, and the wretched horse, that had suffered so many previous injuries, was shattered to pieces." Again a reward was offered for the perpetrators, but it failed to bring them to light.

The statue was repaired and placed in its old position.

The most popular vehicle these days is the band wagon.

When a political party splits, one portion is merely a splinter.

The stars of an air circus are the aviators who are too wise to attempt any clowning.

Most of these summer military training camps will find General Humidity in command.

Oregon State News

The Neskevin cheese factory has resumed operation, after the customary three months' winter shutdown. Farmers of Yamhill county held an agricultural institute on March 5, 6, 7 and 8 under the direction of County Agricultural Agent S. T. White.

Baker's building permits for the year 1928 amounted to \$387,642 and came within \$9038 of setting a new high mark for the history of the city. Preparations are being made by the Rossburg cannery for the broccoli run of the season. It is expected that the pack will be twice as large as last year's.

Recent rains have loosened the congestion of white cedar logs in the middle fork of Coquille river, where timbers were piled to a height of 60 feet in places.

During the last fiscal year Benton county received 1308 Chinese pheasants from the state game commission. Linn county received 2031, Marion 1595 and Lane 2120.

D. M. Lowe of Talent reports the finding of several head of his range cattle that had been missing for three years, in the Wagner Butte district in the Siskiyou mountains.

During the past two years, 1927 and 1928, a total of \$303,727.90 has been spent for improvement of Benton county's highways. This total includes both county and state funds.

Another old land mark of Rogue River valley, the ancient Kaylor drug store in Phoenix, is being wrecked for a new building on the site. The building was erected 46 years ago.

More than 50 cougars have been killed by hunters in Oregon since the first of the year, the extreme cold weather in the mountains having driven the animals to lower levels.

Ollie Smith, 15, a prospector, was drowned a few days ago in the Rogue river while attempting to cross the stream on an aerial cable at Halfmoon Bar, a short distance above Iliahe.

The upper end of the Vale project is teeming with activity. Ninety men and two draglines are working on the canals.

The February receipts of the Medford postoffice were the greatest for any month in its history. They amount to \$10,254.

The Union Oil company of California has purchased an acre of land in the city of Canby from the Snell property, situated on the Pacific highway, and will begin at once to construct buildings for a storage plant in Canby.

Fishermen who seek halibut on the banks off the Marshfield coast report that dog sharks are making it impossible to take large catches, as the sharks steal the bait. The water is said to be swarming with these small fish.

Virtually all residents of Jordan valley, men and women, were working with pick and shovels to stave off a threatened flooding of the town by Baxter creek. The creek began rising when a warm chinook wind swept down the valley and a number of the houses were flooded.

With the recent expiration of a six months' cream pool contract between the Hermiston Creamery company and local project dairymen, negotiations have been completed for a renewal of the agreement for a year. Between 700 and 800 cows have been signed up so far under the new contract.

Work will begin next week by the Dann Construction company of Portland in surfacing the Santiam highway from Lebanon to Shea hill. The grading of this sector of the road was completed last fall by the Slate Construction company of Albany and the base course of rock was laid on most of the road.

Only 24 of an inch of rain fell in Medford during February, which was 2.43 inches less than the normal for that month, and made only 8.17 inches for the season's precipitation, September 1 to date. The normal for that period is 13.57. Only one February since 1911 has had a lighter rainfall, that in 1920.

Alvin Armstrong, 2-year-old son of Jess Armstrong of Pleasant Ridge, about six miles south of Redmond, fell into a cistern at his home and died in Redmond about three hours later.

H. A. Gerniquette and his son Ben suffered serious burns while rescuing horses and cattle from their barn in East Beaverton. The barn was destroyed by fire but all the stock was saved.

A new postoffice to be known as Arthur has been established at the Oregon Copper company's Mother Lode mine in Baker county. George E. McQuade has been named postmaster.

Klamath county stockmen are jubilant over the passage by the legislature of the bill designed to check motorized cattle rustling, which has caused an annual loss of \$40,000 in the county.

Three fires have been discovered in the Siuslaw national forest area this year, according to reports received by R. S. Shelley, supervisor of the forest. All three fires have been in the northern part of the forest. The forest was very dry until early this week, when a heavy rain fell, extinguishing the fires and lessening the danger.

Warmer weather has brought joy to stockmen of the John Day region, of whom many have been in severe straits for several months. Feed has been scarce and some ranchers have been cutting sagebrush for their cattle. Many of the sheepmen have been shipping in hay at a cost of \$27 a ton. Lambing is proceeding satisfactorily.

The state penitentiary at Salem had a population of 729 prisoners, which sets a new high record in the history of the institution. Five men were received at the prison last week, crowding the prison to capacity and a number of inmates have been assigned to temporary sleeping quarters in the barber shop, hospital and commissary department.

Activities in hop culture in the Will Magness hop yard started recently when a crew of men began replacing poles and wire. If present weather

continues, plowing will be started at once. Spraying fruit trees is almost completed. Planting early potatoes is in progress on many farms. Grain is doing splendidly in that locality, the farmers report.

Because of an acute shortage of feed in that section, M. J. Sevier of Diamond prairie recently shipped three cars of cattle to North Powder, where they will be fed. A few other shipments of stock have been made from other parts of the county to Baker and Halfway, where feed is said to be more plentiful. Hay has become difficult to obtain at Wallawa.

A fox terrier, not a year old, scented a bear recently while Otto Aschoff, Portland-Sandy stage driver, took a day off for a hunting trip to Marmot. Aschoff, after investigating a hole in a clump of cedars, passed it up, but the dog plunged right in and grabbed the lip. Aschoff killed the bear before the dog was injured. The bear weighed about 300 pounds.

One hundred thousand rabbit skins were shipped out of Oregon this winter, according to Ira N. Gabrielson, rodent control leader of the United States department of agriculture, with offices in the Portland postoffice building. This is one of the results of the work of the bureau of biological survey in trying to rid the country of various rodent pests such as rats, gophers and other agricultural nuisances.

A clock, still in running order but more than 100 years old, is attracting attention at a Medford jewelry store where it has been placed on exhibition by its owner, Mrs. William Friderger, of that city. The clock has been in the same family for a century and was owned by Mrs. Friderger's grandfather in Louisiana. It was never before in a jewelry shop to be repaired and runs for 30 days on one winding, striking every hour and half hour. It is sheathed in a case of glass, marble and gold.

Douglas county's broccoli crop, thought to be a complete loss as a result of recent severe weather, has suffered less than 10 per cent damage from frost, according to E. A. Petley, federal inspector.

The McKenna Lumber company of Bandon has leased the Eastside mill from the Coos Bay Lumber company at Marshfield and plans to begin cutting spruce about May 1. The mill will employ about 75 men.

Dividend checks amounting to \$174,197.24, representing a 10 per cent dividend, will be paid to depositors of the defunct Astoria National bank about the end of March, according to W. C. Crawford, the receiver.

Botulism poison in a straw stack on the Steve Hiatt farm near La Grande was responsible for a number of live-stock deaths in that district recently, according to an analysis made by Dr. W. H. Lytle, state veterinarian.

C. A. Ringer of Medical Springs and his father have killed 2000 rabbits with strychnine this winter. Of the 2000 shipped to outside points 100 were white-tailed rabbits, which netted the shippers 40 cents each.

The two Cunningham camps of the Coos Bay Lumber company, northeast of Coquille, opened March 4, after a shutdown of seven weeks. The company employed the usual number of workmen, estimated at about 300.

An important new business institution for the Florence section is under way. Installing of machinery and equipment which arrived recently began in the H. M. Biberstein cheese factory, located in the former cannery at Cushman.

Seventeen years of service as a law enforcement officer in Deschutes county was ended recently by S. E. Roberts of Bend when he turned over the office of sheriff to Claude L. McCauley. Roberts was appointed to the office December 20, 1916.

A cruel parent told his small boy the other day that about the only reason schools close in the summer time is to give the teacher a rest.

The nature and wild-life editor is somewhat baffled by an inquiry as to how anyone can influence sardines to lie down that way in a can.

What ever became of the old-fashioned boiled apple dumpling which exalted the diner spiritually, at the time, and floored him physically, about 45 minutes later?

When he directs his finger upward and outward, as if indicating a star, the great orator is pointing with pride. If he waves it in your face he is viewing with alarm.

The navy announces that its purchasing department now handles more tomatoes than anything else. The tomatoes are used, we understand, to give a certain flavor to the beans.

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The Best Way To Feed Baby

WHAT'S probably the most important question in the world, as all mothers will agree. The simplest and best feeding for the normal baby is the breast milk from a healthy mother, according to Dr. Kim Marriott, M. D., in an address delivered before the American Dietetic Association, and he places evaporated milk second and cow's milk third.

"When taken in sufficient amounts by the infant," he said, "breast milk from a healthy mother fulfills all requirements. It is the simplest and the best feeding for the normal baby. It is not necessary to assume any peculiar or mysterious qualities of breast milk in order to explain its superiority over artificial food. It is clean, as it comes direct from producer to consumer, it contains all the necessary food elements, and when taken in amounts up to the infant's stomach capacity, is digestible and supplies sufficient calories for the infant's needs."

Three Important Requirements

Dr. Marriott then went on to a discussion of the requirements for successful infant feeding, and enumerated these as (1) giving the baby the right amount of food to supply a sufficient number of calories or fuel units, (2) that the diet must contain certain essential elements (protein, carbohydrate, mineral salts and vitamins) in sufficient amounts, and (3) that the food must be uncontaminated by harmful bacteria. In discussing this third requirement he said:

"A satisfactory way to accomplish this is to boil milk given to the infant. The boiling also renders the

food more digestible and does not impair its nutritional value. Pasteurization is somewhat less effective. Raw milk, should under no circumstances, be fed to babies. Unsterilized evaporated milk is of special value because of its absolute sterility.

Cow's Milk Indigestible

"In general, cow's milk is not as readily digested by young infants as is breast milk, although many infants can take undiluted cow's milk in approximately the same amounts as breast milk without digestive disturbances. As there are many infants who cannot digest such an amount of cow's milk, it is usually necessary to feed smaller amounts at a time, and this is accomplished by diluting the milk with water. This insures the baby's taking a smaller actual amount of milk, even though the stomach be filled with the dilute mixture.

"The relative indigestibility of cow's milk is largely due to the presence of a 'buffer substance' capable of neutralizing the gastric juice and intestinal secretions. An effective means of eliminating the influence of the butter substance in cow's milk is neutralization with some form of acid. Lactic acid is especially suitable for this purpose. If cow's milk is soured by the growth of lactic acid producing organisms, such as the *Bacillus acidophilus*, or the Bulgarian bacillus, or if sterilized cow's milk is acidified by the addition of a small amount of pure lactic acid, the milk becomes approximately as digestible as breast milk, and can be fed safely without dilution even to young infants up to the stomach capacity."

Dr. Marriott then gave some feeding formulas which we do not quote because your own doctor should always prescribe the feedings best adapted to the requirements of your own particular baby, and went on to say:

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"Unsweetened evaporated milk possesses a number of advantages over ordinary cow's milk for the preparation of the milk formulas mentioned. The chief advantage of evaporated milk is that it has already been completely sterilized and because of the heat treatment it forms very fine curds in the stomach, so as to form very fine globules. It is of uniform composition, easily obtainable and is cheap, and when used in the preparation of formulas does not require further sterilization. Evaporated milk is whole cow's milk from which a little more than one-half of the water has been separated. In making up the formulas, therefore, the evaporated milk should first be diluted with an equal volume of water to give the equivalent of whole milk and then used exactly as ordinary milk. Or, putting it in other words, one-half as much of the evaporated milk should be used as whole milk and the difference made up with water. Because of the easier digestibility of evaporated milk, the formulas can safely be made somewhat stronger than in the case of ordinary milk. Evaporated milk should not be confused with sweetened condensed milk, which latter is prepared by the addition of a considerable amount of cane sugar and can, therefore, not be used in the same way."

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