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**AND DON'T MAKE YOUR ONLY STOP IN PORTLAND
DOESN'T LIKE THE VALLEY**

Our good friend, F Wallace Sears of the Ione Journal, (religion and previous condition of servitude unknown) doesn't like the Willamette Valley and gets up on his hind legs and blates like a calf, knocks the territory west of the Cascades and everybody in it, and jibes the editor of the News over his Christian name and the religion of his parents, all because of an article in the News a couple of weeks ago headed "Gets the Bacon." He says most of the influential land owners around Salem, Albany, Eugene and Portland are selling out and moving to the country that God Almighty never intended for anything but a jackrabbit range. He also calls the garden spot of the world a "duck pond." Let's see, we believe Ione has two saloons. Say, old top, do you actually take yourself seriously? Makes us think of the only man we ever heard of before who didn't like the Valley. He stole his neighbors potatoes because he was too lazy to dig his own. Yes, sad case. After the governor pardoned him he couldn't say enough mean things about the Valley.

MASSIVE BEAUTIES.

Ibibio Women Stuff Themselves With Food to Become Fat.

The strangest institution of the Ibibio women of southern Nigeria is known as the fattening house. The first great event in the life of an Ibibio girl is her entrance into the fattening house, where she is kept in seclusion for a few months, allowed to eat as much as she likes and is pampered on every side. Freeborn girls of good family go twice, and sometimes three times, into the fattening house before marriage. The second period varies, according to the wealth of the family, from a few weeks to two years, and girls of good position who are regarded as likely to repay the expenditure by the man's dowry money are sometimes sent a third time into the fattening house.

The result is that they ultimately emerge, to the admiration of their adoring relatives and to the townsfolk at large, perfect mountains of flesh.

"A day is set apart," says Mrs. Talbot in "Woman's Mysteries of a Primitive People," "for the first appearance of the girls of each town who are ready to emerge from the fattening house. On several occasions we have been present when these swollen specimens of femininity strutted through the market place, enjoying their brief hour of importance, while the men, who at every other period of a woman's existence are looked upon as of superior race, draw back admiringly to give them passage."

"The wooers, who stand during this parade appraising the merits and value of the various debutantes, afterward hurry to the parents with offers of dowry. A marriage is speedily arranged for each, and the young bride quickly finds her place amid the new surroundings, no

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longer petted, spoiled and pampered, the center of attention for whom her family stint and deny themselves, but only too often the slighted, hard worked drudge of her new lord."

E Pluribus Unum.

The translation of "E Pluribus unum" is, "One from many," referring to its use on the seal of the United States to the fact that one country was evolved from or composed of many states. It was first proposed by Benjamin Franklin, John Adams and Thomas Jefferson, who had been appointed a committee of three to prepare a device for a seal. This device was not accepted, however, and it was not until June 20, 1782, that the motto was adopted as part of the second and successful design submitted by Charles Thompson, secretary of congress. In 1796 congress decreed that the words should appear on certain specified coins.

Woodcraft.

"No one who studies man's beginnings in the light of modern research can doubt that woodcraft was the earliest of our sciences," writes Ernest Thompson-Seton. "It was woodcraft, indeed, that constructed man out of the crude and brutish stuff that was then the best live product of the earth. We can see a little of the process today in our children, just as we see the baby panther wear first the spotted coat of his long past forbears before he dons the brown of his older kin. And weightier yet, it seems to me that woodcraft, in its broad entirety, more than any other activity is calculated to save our species from decay."

First Steam Battleship.

In comparison with the Dreadnoughts of the present day the Demologos, the first steam war vessel ever built, furnishes some interesting contrasts. This ship was 167 feet long. It made its first speed trial on July 4, 1814, and developed a speed of a little more than six miles an hour, which was thought to be very good at that time. The Demologos never engaged in battle.

On June 4, 1829, the ship was destroyed in the New York navy yard by an explosion of its boilers, which killed twenty-nine persons. Some of the naval launches of the present time have a greater horsepower than that of the Demologos.

Branding the Innocent.

When a witness under cross examination is admonished to answer "Yes" or "No" to all questions and is then asked, "Have you stopped beating your wife?" he feels that something is wrong with a system of court procedure that puts him in that position. Either "yes" or "no" convicts him of beating his wife at some time or other. Such trick questions are heard in court every day and the witness gets little satisfaction out of the assurance that he can explain on re-examination if the lawyer on his side of the case thinks it worth while to give him a chance and does not forget to do so.—Exchange.

The Sharp Professor.

"Now," said the medical college professor to the class, "we will proceed to the dissecting room, where the body lies, just ahead."
"I beg your pardon, sir," remarked the fresh student, "but how can it be a body if it's just a head?"
"It can't be," replied the professor, beaming benignly over his glasses. "That's the reason I said it lies."

Unjust Discrimination.

"Oh, no!" soliloquized Johnny bitterly, "there ain't any favorites in this family. Oh, no! If I bite my finger nails I gets a rap over the knuckles, but if the baby eats his whole foot they think it's cute."—Exchange.

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Broad Brimmed Hats.

Toward the end of the thirteenth century big broad brimmed hats were fashionable in Austria. They were of such huge dimensions that a face under one of them could not be recognized. A poem written by Johannes Hadlaub expresses disgust with the style and the hope that the hats might be consigned to the Danube "so that the pretty faces of our women might once more become visible."—Exchange.

He Thought Them High.

"Where is your high school?" asked the stranger in town.
"Which one?" asked the pompous looking citizen addressed.
"Why, have you more than one high school?"
"Oh, yes; we have two schools, each three stories high."—Yonkers Statesman.

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