

**Railroads to Southern and Eastern Oregon.**

The Yreka Journal says: The Oregon and Washington papers are worried about branch railroads from the S. P. R. line in California and Nevada, invading Southern and Eastern Oregon with prospects of being extended later to Idaho, Montana and Washington. A more direct connection with San Francisco, the finest seaport on the Pacific coast. The new railroad up the Klamath river from the old Virginia Ranch in Lakeview county, a distance of 65 miles, 43 of which is in Oregon, with steamers for the last 30 miles further, is opening the eyes of Portland business men, who think the trade should go that way regardless of convenience. Another branch road from Weed's, this county, is also likely to tap Southern Oregon, and the McCloud River railroad from Upton, near Sisson, may soon be extended through Modoc county to Oregon. The Nevada, California & Oregon road from Reno is gradually being extended northward, and is now on the border of Modoc county, to continue on into Oregon at Lakeview, with connections proposed from Southern Idaho. Later on a direct railroad is likely to be built up into the interior north states, even to the Canadian boundary.

**Saw Death Near.**

"It often made my heart ache," writes L. C. Overstreet, of Ligon, Tenn., "to hear my wife cough and see her weak and sore lungs would collapse. Good doctors said she was so far gone with Consumption that no medicine or earthly help could save her, but a friend recommended Dr. King's New Discovery and persistent use of that excellent medicine saved her life." It's absolutely guaranteed for Coughs, Colds, Bronchitis, Asthma and all throat and lung diseases. 50c and \$1.00 at Lee Beall's, druggist. Trial bottles free.

**PUNGENT PARAGRAPHS.**

**First Business Man**—"What did you do while you were up in the country with your wife?" **Second Business Man** (gloomily)—"Penance."—Sommerville Journal.

**Miss Gotawad**—"Charley, how do you know you love me more than anybody else in the world?" Mr. Saphedde—"I know it because you have money."—Ohio State Journal.

"There is a man out in the waiting room," said the great man's secretary. "I think he's a bum actor." "Why do you think so?" "He says he's anxious to get an audience."—Philadelphia Press.

Boynton—"Harding tells me he is suffering from an operation." Sawyer—"I hadn't heard of it. Surgical, of course?" Boynton—"No, this was a financial operation. Gibbons borrowed ten dollars of him yesterday."—Boston Times.

**Mrs. Mann**—"What a man you are, Joseph. You always take the girl's side every time I have any trouble with her." Mr. Grueby—"Well, why shouldn't I? Doesn't she sympathize with me when you and I have words?"—Boston Transcript.

Sue—"Pauline's father is quite a genius." Belle—"In what way?" Sue—"Why, he had a pair of recording scales attached to her hammock. If they registered over 130 he knew Jack had been sharing her seat."—Philadelphia Record.

"Woman," said the Sentimental Person, "is the holiday in the life of man." "Yes," remarked the Coarsely Sarcastic Individual, "and I have noticed that after a man takes that kind of a holiday he has a hustle all the rest of his life."—Baltimore American.

"I wish you and May would become friends again," said the would-be peacemaker. "Well," said Fay, "if she'll make up, I will." "I told her you had said that, and she said: 'The idea! It's easy for her. I never saw her when she wasn't made up.'"—Philadelphia Press.

**Southerners Seldom Have Gout.**

A writer says that typical southerners very rarely have gout in their lower extremities, and he explains his statement as follows: "The moment one sits down, he looks about for some object upon which to elevate his feet, usually resting them on a chair or window sill if indoors or the balustrade if on the porch or piazza. Now, the location of gout being simply a question of specific gravity, it does not descend to the feet because of this habitual elevation. If it should get there it would be obliged to climb. The smallness of the southern foot is accounted for in the same way—that is, of course, the southern man's foot. The women never elevate. Englishmen have whopping big feet, which they keep plastered right down on the ground or floor at all times, as if afraid of letting something get away from them. They have gout in their feet in consequence."—N. Y. Press.

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**A Woman's Awful Peril.**

"There is only one chance to save your life and that is through an operation" were the startling words heard by Mrs. I. B. Hunt of Lime Ridge, Wis., from her doctor after he had vainly tried to cure her of a frightful case of stomach trouble and yellow jaundice. Gall stones had formed and she constantly grew worse. Then she began to use Electric Bitters which wholly cured her. It's a wonderful Stomach Liver and Kidney remedy. Cures Dyspepsia, Loss of Appetite. Try it. Only 50 cts. Guaranteed. For sale by Lee Beall, druggist.

**SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY.**

An English clergyman named Bacon is making balloon ascents in and around London with a view to ascertaining the sources of London fog.

In the coldest parts of Siberia a rainbow may sometimes be seen all day long in a cloudless sky. It is supposed to be due to fine particles of snow in the air.

The Marconi station installed on the Nantucket lightsip has proved to be very successful and several trans-Atlantic steamers have been able to communicate successfully with the shore by its aid.

It is asserted that the number of compound locomotives in use in this country (as compared with simple engines) averages 75 per cent. of the whole number in use in freight and passenger traffic.

The danger of living in a house that harbors consumptives is illustrated by the fact that of 6,273 patients officially examined by the German imperial board of health 2,177, or 34.7 per cent., belonged to families that included other victims of tuberculosis.

An English steamship company has issued a circular letter offering free passages to delegates from labor unions who wish to visit this country to ascertain the exact conditions of labor and wages here, and also what advantages, if any, we have in the way of labor-saving tools.

Recent experiments made to determine the loss ensuing by exposing coal to the weather, unprotected in any way, show, contrary to general belief, that it is very small. There was a gain in the amount of oxygen but a loss of carbon, hydrogen and nitrogen; the loss of calorific power was slight.

**Deaths of Royalty.**

The lingering death of the late dowager empress of Germany has had few counterparts in English royal history. Twenty-five per cent. of the number that has reigned there since the Conquest met violent deaths. Two, Henry VII. and Edward VI., died of consumption. Old age, with its complication of physical troubles, helped to carry off Victoria, George III., Elizabeth, Henry VI., William VI., Edward III. and Henry III. Three died young, Edward V., at 14; Edward VI., at 16, and Henry VI., at 33. Queen Anne died comparatively young of apoplexy. Mary's death is said to have been due to sorrow over the loss of English territory in France. Henry VI.'s and George III.'s last days were clouded with dementia, and George II.'s demise was occasioned by the bursting of a blood vessel.—Philadelphia Times.

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