

Our Timber Supply Sufficient.

The timbered area of Oregon and Washington is equal to the whole of New England and two-thirds of New York, says the Pacific Monthly. Imagine the six states of New England and the greater part of New York covered with an unbroken forest, and you will have some idea of the immensity of the forests of the north-west.

The trees of this section will cut of good merchantable timber 450,000,000,000,000 feet. In Oregon alone, according to estimates of government forest experts, we have 335,000,000,000 feet.

What does this mean? Stop a moment and think about it. Cut into boards one inch thick, this Oregon timber will cover a walk half a mile wide entirely around the earth at the equator; the same boards would make us a driveway to the moon 250 feet wide (not allowing for the supporting timbers.) Or, we have sufficient timber for a board fifteen inches wide to bridge the gulf between us and the planet Mars, 48,000,000 miles away!

And the money value of it all? Well, \$12 per thousand feet for the finished lumber is a conservative estimate. At this price the value of the Oregon timber is \$4,020,000,000. This is almost twice the total amount of money—gold and silver coins and bank notes—in the United States on January 1, 1903.

Senator Gorman of Maryland has a son, Arthur P., Jr., in the state senate. The young man has taken a good place among his fellow members, who agree that he has an enviable future. He displays much of his father's impassive coolness, but is not, as yet at least, so secretive. Indeed, he seems rather disposed to directness of manner.

H. C. Robinson, who has spent two years in scientific investigation in the Malay peninsula, recently exhibited to the zoological section of a British association a specimen of a fish known as the "mud hopper," which, by means of strong fins under its body, is able to move about on land for distances of at least 20 yards from its watery nests in the swamps.

It is said that Senator Quay's recent more or less serious illness may be traced to his great fondness for sauerkraut, in which plebeian daintily he had been indulging freely. So far as this dish is concerned the senator "loves not wisely, but too well," but his physician soon put him to rights.

A few months ago some samples of crude tin were picked up by a South Carolina farmer on what was considered a worthless piece of land. The government geologist, whose duty it is to examine gratuitously all specimens sent him, assayed this specimen and found that it contained a large percentage of tin.

In Korea the rooms of a wife or mother are the sanctuary of any man who breaks the law. Unless for treason or for one other crime, he can not be forced to leave those rooms, and so long as he remains under the protection of his wife's apartments he is secure from the officers of the law.

E. C. Herendren of Baldwin, Mich., made a novel discovery recently while dining on oysters. He placed an oyster in his mouth which was entirely different from anything he had ever tasted before. On examination it was found to contain 140 pearls, varying in size from a pin-head to nearly that of a pea.

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HUMOR

THE RIDICULOUS WOMAN.

How She Is Viewed by a Guest at a Summer Hotel.

"Of all the funny guests in a summer hotel none is more ridiculous than the woman who has left all her best clothes at home," remarked the thoughtful girl to her best friend. "Why she should make it a point to leave behind her all her swell gowns and pack only her ordinary ones is never quite clear. She never can explain it satisfactorily. In fact, she says, 'I don't know what I was thinking of not to bring the best part of my wardrobe.' The rest of the guests at the table wink slyly at one another and encourage the poor woman to talk about the funny she has left behind her. 'Yes, indeed,' she says; 'I had the sweetest little suit I wait for morning wear that I meant to put in. My dressmaker made it just before I came away, and it's so provoking of me to forget it.'

"In the evening she appears in a pretty dainty gown and at once says apologetically: 'Dear me, I simply had to put on this rag of a gown because I neglected to pack my silk mull. It's a beauty, too, hand embroidered and very becoming, they tell me.'

"The number of things that this woman has left at home is wonderful. I she had brought them all six trunks would have been filled to the brim. There are shirt waist suits, myriads of elegant hose, walking suits, bathing suits, rain coats, muslins, organdies, brillantines, white flannel suits, auto mobile gowns, chiffon hats, alpine hats and flower hats. Then there are feather boas, all kinds of gloves, slippers and enough jewelry to start a jewelry shop. To hear her talk one would imagine that she was a multimillionaire.

"She always makes these remarks about her left behind toilet in a lofty way, as if it were the height of bad taste for any one to have nice gowns at this particular hotel. She says: 'I wish I had brought my nice things, but there is hardly the opportunity to wear such things here. I like to see a woman dressed appropriately, don't you know?'

"Yes, my dear, I am talking from experience, for one of these creatures is staying at this very hotel, and half the time she amuses me and half the time she irritates me. I wish you'd brought down your swell gowns just to show her a thing or two."—New York Times.

For the manufacturing year 1901-02 our factories produced about 186,000 tons of beet sugar. So recently as 1888 the year's manufacture was less than 1000 tons. The figure of Germany's annual production 1,800,000 tons, and that of Austria and France 1,000,000 tons each.

Seventeen thousand new words or new meanings of old words, appear in the revised edition of a dictionary of the English language. These were selected from half a million words and definitions that had come into use since the dictionary was first printed, only 10 years ago.

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