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died at the Salem Hospital, Sunday, at 6:20 p. m., from the effects of the wounds inflicted in an attempt to commit suicide in the Marion county jail, Saturday morning. Davis has no relatives, so far as known, in Oregon, but it is said a sister resides in Oakland, California, but her address can not be learned. Davis came here about twelve years ago from Seattle, where he had been the proprietor of a large lodging house which was destroyed by fire, leaving him a bankrupt as a result. Deceased was about 60 years old, although he claimed to be only 45 years of age. The remains will be buried at the cemetery, near the Poor Farm today.

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AN ATTEMPT
AT SUICIDE

"Jim" Davis, an Insane Prisoner at
the County Jail.

CUT HIS THROAT YESTERDAY

Was Held in Jail Pending an Examination—Had Razors Secreted in His Shoes.

(From Daily Statesman, Nov. 18.)

"Jim" Davis, whose arrest, on a charge of insanity, was announced in Saturday morning's Statesman, was found in a precarious condition in a cell of the Marion county jail yesterday morning, suffering from an ineffectual attempt at committing suicide. Davis is an upholsterer by trade and has lived in this city for the past fifteen years. For some time past he has been acting strangely, and it was known by all who were acquainted with him that he was suffering from a mild form of insanity. On Friday Davis came to Chief of Police Gibson several times and asked to be placed under arrest, saying that parties were looking for him with the intent to take his life. He wished to be taken into custody in order to be out of the reach of the fancied enemies. The chief tried to dissuade the mind of the man of his delusions and refused to take him to the jail but, on the complaint of certain parties Friday night, he induced Davis to go to the county jail for the night. Chief Gibson, E. B. Smith and Deputy Sheriff B. E. Colbath secured the man when he was taken to the jail, but failed to find anything on his person in the shape of a weapon except a knife, which was taken from him.

Davis was put in a cell and nothing more was heard of him until about midnight, when a racket was heard in the cell he occupied, which attracted the attention of some of the prisoners in the jail, who tried to give the alarm, but failed to make themselves heard. When Deputy Sheriff Colbath went to the jail yesterday morning he found his new prisoner lying in his cell, covered with blood and presenting a ghastly sight. In one hand he held a razor covered with blood, while another was lying by his side, which he had evidently brought into the jail concealed in his shoes.

Dr. W. H. Byrd was immediately summoned, and upon his advice the patient was removed to the Salem hospital, where his wounds were dressed. The physicians found a very bad wound on the right side of the neck, where a dozen slashes had been made by the razor in an attempt to reach the jugular vein, which was laid bare for an inch or more, but was not severed. There was a bad cut on the left side of the neck, and each temple had several wounds, but the temporal artery was not reached. There was also a bad wound in the left arm, which likewise failed to sever an artery of a size sufficient to cause the man to bleed to death, yet a vast amount of blood was lost, which left him very weak and in a bad condition.

His physician, however, thinks he has a fair chance for recovery and last night he was reported as resting easy.

FOR A PARDON.—A petition for the pardon of Dennis Whitney, a young man sent to the penitentiary from Malheur county in May, 1900, for a three years' term, was yesterday received by the Governor. The young man was recently taken from the prison to testify against the men who induced him to commit perjury in Walla Walla county. The petition is unanimously signed by the best people in Walla Walla county, and is endorsed by I. D. Slater, of La Grande, the deputy district attorney, who prosecuted the case against the prisoner.

IN IDAHO.—Mrs. Joshua Smith, of Salem, Oregon, is visiting Mrs. Ed. Snider. Mrs. Smith being an aunt of Mrs. Snider. They had not met for twenty-three years. Mrs. Smith has been a life-long resident of Salem, and naturally considers it the dearest place on earth. She will leave for home early next week. It has been her first visit to a mining camp.—Murray (Idaho) Sun.

AN AGED PATIENT.—A. J. Wyland was brought to the asylum from Douglass county yesterday, for treatment. The man is 65 years old.

WHEREIN MAN IS SUPERIOR.

Man is a perfected marsupial. He is a creature of pockets. With him the necessity of a pouch simply develops one. This is the law of evolution. The first use made of him as a pocket-bearing animal he was on a level with the kangaroo. He then had one pouch fastened to his belt. Now look at him and compare him to women, for whom—in his chivalry—he is truly sorry. She, in her helplessness, is usually behind the kangaroo, and at her best only equals him with the one pouch fastened at her waist. She has not evolved through the laws of nature, but under the sterner decrees of the dressmaker.

What a difference between no pockets and a score of pockets! The first is woman; the other man. Woman is literally fettered for want of pockets. She must carry in her hands whatever is not a part of her clothing, while man's arms, palms and fingers are free—free to help his unfortunate sister.

Think of five pockets in trousers, five in vest, five in jacket and five in overcoat—an exact score in all. Some men have more than this. When man took up the handkerchief habit he made a pocket for that convenient article. He didn't have to be picking them up—except for the women.

He made a pocket for his knife and a pocket for his watch; a pocket for his keys and a pocket for his letters; a pocket for his tobacco and a little pocket for his car tickets; and he kept on making pockets as fast as he needed them.

Women, in their helplessness, envy him. They reach out to him to borrow

his knife, to borrow his pencil, to borrow a bit of string and to borrow a dozen articles that he usually has stowed away about his clothing. He is kind and lends, for he is sorry for them in their arrested development.

AN UNSTABLE POPULATION.

The population of the Berlin suburb Charlottenburg is in a curiously unstable condition. Last year 44,718 of the population of 174,530 left the city, and 53,744 from elsewhere took their place.

VOCIFEROUS "BETSY"

DROVE CHINESE AWAY.

How the International Gun at Pekin Was Found by American Marine and Became the Chief Reliance of the Hard Pressed Foreigners.

This interesting account of the now famous International gun at Pekin, known as "Our Betsy," is published in the London Standard.
"An American" gunner, named Mitchell, of the United States Legation Guard of Marines, proposed to make a small cannon out of an old British Legation pump. A number of Chinese converts, refugees in the British Legation, together with a few marines, were sent to shops within the lines to find materials and tools wherewith to bring about the necessary conversion of the pump. While they were foraging in a deserted blacksmith's shop, they discovered, to their intense joy and surprise, an old cannon of Chinese manufacture, and brought it home, amidst the shouts of the besieged.

"The next trouble was suitable ammunition. When the Russians left their legation, in more or less of a panic, they threw some shells they had in their possession into a well to prevent their possibly falling into the hands of the Chinese. These were fished out and adapted, after a lot of skill and ingenuity, to meet the contingency. Other ammunition was made out of powder candlesticks and temple vessels of every description, looted from a temple within the lines." The manufacture of this ammunition was under the superintendence of one of the British marines.

"Betsy" was mounted on an Italian gun carriage; Chinese gunpowder formed the charge; Russian shells were fired, and the American gunner, Mitchell, fired the gun. Unfortunately, on the day before the troops arrived, this very capable gunner was seriously wounded in the arm by a bullet from the enemy's fire.

"Although it was not by any means a formidable weapon, the excessively loud report therefrom usually struck consternation into the hearts of the Chinese soldiers, with the inevitable result that they quitted their position as quickly as possible when 'Betsy' was brought to bear upon them.

"Possibly they imagined that by some means or other the Legation defenders had been reinforced by a big battery of artillery, seeing that 'Betsy' was constantly being moved from one position to another, and during the first days of the siege there was an entire absence of anything of the nature of heavy firing from the Europeans.

"One night when the French Legation, the eastern limit of the lines of defence, was hard pressed, 'Betsy' was taken over and put into operation there, with the result that the attacking Chinese soon scattered in all directions.

"On the memorable night before the relief force arrived, when the Chinese made their most vigorous attack of all, the defenders had in operation every single gun that could be mustered—'Betsy,' the British Nordenfolt quick-firing gun, brought up by the Marine Guard; the American Colt quick-firer, the Italian one-pounder and the Austrian machine gun.

"Betsy" was so named after Lady MacDonald. This interesting gun will probably find a home in the British Legation, although the Americans lay claim to it on the score of its being found by Mitchell and fired by him."

THE EVOLUTION

OF THE POCKET.

The ancient wore a single pouch at his belt; the modern has—how many pockets in an ordinary costume for outdoors? Let us count them: In the trousers five, in the waistcoat five, in the jacket five, in the overcoat five, making twenty in all—a full score of little pokes or bags, and arranged so conveniently that they are scarce noticed. Truly, this is an evolution! How long may it be before we have pockets in our handbags, where the Irishman carries his pipe, the American soldier his toothbrush, and, internally, the pettifogger his legal papers, the papers that his predecessors in England thrust into his typical "green bag"? How long before there may be pockets in our gloves—there are, I believe, patents covering this invention—and in our shoes? The cane also, with its screw top, begins to be a useful receptacle. Two centuries from now, so the man with a long foresight can clearly see, the main idea underlying the wearing of clothing will have entirely changed. The chief purpose of garments will not longer be considered to protect the body. They will be regarded, first of all, as textile foundations for innumerable pockets—Tudor Jenks in Woman's Home Companion.

HOT WATER IN CUBA.

Hot water is very difficult to obtain in Cuba. Water is heated in small

A FEMINE REASON.

A woman in Cape Colony on trial for some offense was told that she might "challenge" any one on the jury to whom she objected. She immediately took advantage of the permission by challenging a highly respectable farmer. On being asked afterward what her reason had been for doing so, she explained that she had supposed she was obliged to object to some one, so she had picked out the ugliest.

THE GREATER GRACE.

Where'er thy path may lead
There shall be joy to reap
If only thou shalt sow the seed,
And faith with harvest keep.

In spite of elms and cedars
This grace all grace above,
To know that life is life indeed,
And ever love is love!
—Atlanta Constitution.

RAT HUNT IN ANTWERP.

Fearing a plague of rats, Antwerp has organized an official rat hunt, a penny being given by the authorities for every animal killed.

PNEUMATIC TUBES.

Pneumatic tubes for carrying messages are an old story in the largest European cities. But the largest in use there, those in London, are only three inches in diameter. It is only in the United States that the whole bulk of better mail is handled between given points. In New York a tube reaching to Brooklyn is three and a half miles long and eight inches in diameter, allowing the passage of a pouch containing 600 letters, in about seven minutes.

"DOWN" ON FLIES.

A Eureka man, who shall be nameless here, like the most of us, is terribly down on flies. He has been known to throw out a cup of coffee with three flies floating in it, and when he finds flies in his shirt he begins to buck right then and there, and it takes four men to hold and make him spread it on his panicles. He uses sticky fly paper to good effect, and fairly glazes over the flies he catches. But it is getting dark, and we must hasten on with our story. He placed two fly papers on two chairs and placed them near the window. He came home late the other evening, and what did he do but plump down in one of those chairs. He got up and pawed at the fly paper, but he couldn't get it off, without taking off his pants. He took them off, and while tearing frantically at the fly paper, sat down in the other chair.—Woodford County (Ill.) Democrat.

A REMARKABLE WOMAN.

Hoax—My wife's a remarkable woman. She wanted to get off the car today, and she reached right up herself, pulled the strap, and stopped it. Hoax—Huh! lots of women do that. "But she pulled the right strap (first shot, and didn't ring up a single fare)." —Philadelphia Record.

AFRICA'S LARGEST CITY.

Cairo is the greatest town of Africa; its inhabitants number 500,000, 25,000 being Egyptians.

DOMESTIC SERVANTS FOR AUSTRALIA.

The British women's Emigration society offers free passage to Western Australia, and profitable places when they have arrived there, to good, strong, domestic servants. But it advises servants who are seeking light places, with no scrubbing, a regular evening out, as well as all day Sundays, to bide by the mother country.

The Excitement Not Over.

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Since the assassination of King Humbert of Italy 2,200 anarchists have been arrested in that country, and, in addition, scores of persons have been imprisoned and fined for speaking apologetically of Bresci's deed. During August the tribunal of Ancona alone tried 132 persons who had made treasonable utterances, and imposed sentences aggregating 144 years of imprisonment, as well as fines to the total amount of 163,000 francs. The population of Ancona is but 1 per cent. of that of all Italy.

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