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T'WAS PRETTY BAU.

Favorite among the themes of travelers is the discussion of hotels and, whenever a few of them meet, there is certain to be an exchange of experiences in hostilities that they have visited. Thus, among those who travel constantly, it happens that this town or that attains the reputation of possessing the worst hotel in the country.

At the last meeting of the Donegal board of guardians, according to a report in the Anaconda Standard, a man named McGroarty applied for admission to the almshouse. It was not, he said, that he was in need of alms; he was able and willing to pay his way.

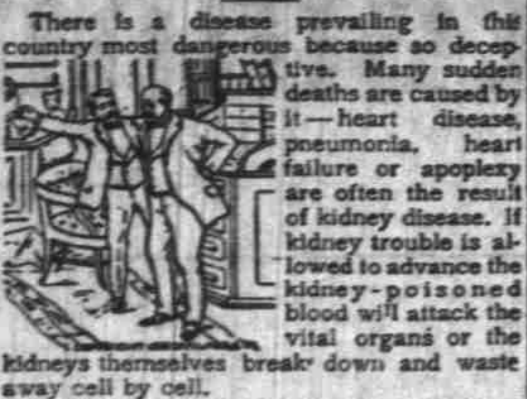
Meanwhile the personal attention paid by King Edward to cabinet revision amounts to a diversion for his subjects and is interesting in its way. A good many things are happening in London's government circle to arouse the curiosity and the surprise of the English people.

JETT'S CODE OF MORALS.
Curtis Jett, the Kentucky murderer, now under sentence of death, has made a statement in which he reveals his system of philosophy and code of ethics. Reading Jett's remarks, it is easier to understand the proceedings that have given the now notorious Breathitt county its unenviable reputation.

THE KING AT WORK.
News from London in regard to cabinet changes is delayed. Surprises for the Brits come in swift succession; the spectacle now presented is the activity of the sovereign in the matter of cabinet-making. The living generation in England has not witnessed the like of it: Queen Victoria, except in one or two now forgotten instances early in her reign, took without comment or protest what was passed up to her in the matter of the cabinet personnel.

Under the development of the parliamentary system almost all of the authority which formerly belonged to English sovereigns has been delegated

The Cause of Many Sudden Deaths.



There is a disease prevailing in this country most dangerous because so deceptive. Many sudden deaths are caused by heart disease, pneumonia, heart failure or apoplexy are often the result of kidney disease. If kidney trouble is allowed to advance the kidney-poisoned blood will attack the vital organs or the kidneys themselves break down and waste away cell by cell.

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to responsible Ministers. The Prime Minister is nominated by the sovereign, and he submits his ministry to royal approval. Yet this selection by the crown is so limited that it is little more than a perfunctory act. No Prime Minister could carry on the government for a day who lacked the support of the House of Commons; and royal favor, if it were ever invidiously exercised, would promptly find itself compelled to yield to popular opinion.

There are a good many things which, in the letter, the King of England can do but which in the spirit of English institutions, he would not dream of doing. Technically, for instance, he can refuse his sanction to a bill passed by Parliament. Were King Edward to do that, there would be revolution in his realm—that royal right, according to a writer in an exchange, has not been exercised since 1707.

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IT IS UP TO HENRY.
At the present writing it really appears to be up to Mr. Henry Watterson. It was he who started the story about a big corruption fund in connection with the Panama scheme. As the yarn—if it is a yarn—came from Mr. Watterson, the forty millions to be paid to the French company were to be divided equally between the company and certain American schemers, including Senators of the United States. A distinguished

French engineer declares it to be a fact that not one dollar of the forty millions can be paid out by the officers of the company without a decree of the courts in France.

The French engineer says that under the contract of sale, the whole forty millions must be paid under the eye of the courts and, as the company is bankrupt, the particular share of each stockholder and claimant must be determined and approved by the court and paid and receipted for. It is hardly probable that the court will decree the payment of any money as bribes to American Senators, nor is it probable that the stockholders, after having received their dividends, will chip into a common fund for the purpose of bribery.

While the remarks of this French engineer do not put Mr. Watterson summarily out of court, they do suggest conditions which would make his alleged bribery compact difficult of execution. Particulars from Mr. Watterson would be more interesting than generalities. It is singular that a man with Mr. Watterson's experience should make such statements having no better evidence than mere hearsay.

MUST BE A MISTAKE.

Editor Statesman: The usually careful and correct Salem correspondent of the Oregonian has certainly done the Secretary of State an injustice in reporting that he was held up in the matter of supporting Superintendent Bickers' re-election by certain local influences. By the threat of said influences to withdraw their support unless their bidding were complied with. In the first place it is unlike the secretary to heed such threats, and especially when the alleged basis for the demand is considered, to wit, the assertion that Mr. Bickers "permitted" the employes of the Reform School to colonize in Salem No. 2 in the primary contest last year.

In the second place, the report must be incorrect for the reason that every citizen of Salem knows that Governor Geer's friends carried Salem No. 2 by more than one hundred and fifty majority, while all the employes at the Reform School, men and women, number but twenty. Indeed, if the entire Reform School boys employes and all should have moved bodily into Salem No. 2 and had all voted against the administration, it would not have changed the result.

It is now recalled that the said influences did complain, at the time, that Dr. Calbreath was permitting some colonization in Salem No. 2, which, however, was not done, but the board very wisely re-elected him to succeed himself. But the idea that the Secretary of State was influenced by certain local representations, that Bickers "colonized" the largest precinct in Marion county with ten men and nine women, and therefore must be punished by decapitation, is too transparently thin to be respectably gauzy.

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Sousa declares that ragtime will live forever. That is heavy prophecy. Ragtime is a measure of music. It is as likely to live as any other measure—the multiplication table, for example. There is no reason to believe, however, that people will continue to be fond of hearing it.

The hop market is weaker than it was, especially for the poorer grades. The situation is a good deal the same as last season, and the strongest market was in February. But Oregon had a much larger proportion of first class hops last year than she has this year.

There is \$7 up for a bicycle path on Court street from Commercial to High—two blocks. That's a starter. Let the balance be put up at once, and this first path built. See what is said in the local columns about this matter.

FINEST FRUIT THAT GROWS

Oregon Prunes Being Rushed to Market to Supply Contracts

CORVALLIS GROWERS ARE BUILDING A MODERN PRUNE PROCESSING AND PACKING PLANT -- DRYING WILL SOON BE COMPLETED--A LARGE CROP

Prune drying in the valley is rapidly drawing to a close, in fact, most all the driers in the low lands have already been closed for the season, but most of those on the uplands are still running full blast, and the rains of the past week have hindered materially with prune picking, besides beating the fruit from the trees and causing it to crack, but in spite of all this, very few prunes in Oregon will be lost and the state will supply nearly 30,000,000 pounds of the finest fruit on earth, towards filling the world's demand for prunes.

The growers are rapidly hauling their fruit to this market, where it is being processed and packed, and as rapidly as cars can be secured, forwarded to Eastern and European markets to fill contracts already made. The Willamette Valley Prune Association is shipping an average of about two cars a day, and Tillson & Co. are averaging one and a half cars a day, and could ship two cars daily if the cars were available.

An article appearing in yesterday's issue of the Corvallis Times, shows the progress being made with the large prune crop in the vicinity of Corvallis. They are now constructing a processing and packing plant similar to the one in Salem, which is partially managed by H. S. Gile, of this city. The article follows:

"Operations have ended for this season at the big prune drier. All the appliances have been cleaned up and put away, and the last of the force of working people quitted the place Tuesday evening. The product of dried prunes is in the bins at the plant, going through the sweating process. It is very large in volume, the aggregate being very close to the estimate of Manager Johnson about the time drying began. In two or three weeks, after the sweating process ends, the sacking of the prunes for removal to the Corvallis processing plant will begin.

"At the processing works, operations are expected to begin in about three weeks. By that time all the machinery will be in readiness, and a proper force of operatives will have been secured. Meantime the Paddock crop and the output of the orchard formerly owned by F. P. Sheagreen are being hauled to the works. The same is true of the prunes from the B. W. Johnson orchard. The Henry Stone prunes, which were in the drier at the time of the late fire, have been sold. The figure given out as the price at which the product sold is 3 1/2 cents per pound.

"Operations in all the driers in the vicinity have ended, except in the drier in the Rose orchard, and the commercial drier of Charles Blakeslee, in Corvallis, and both of these are likely to close down today.

"The prune market is not opening up as favorably as might have been desired or as was expected. Prices have been somewhat off during several days past, though a better tone now manifests itself."

WENT HIM ONE BETTER

LOU DILLON WOULD NOT ALLOW MAJOR DELMAR TO BEAT HER.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Oct. 10.—The world's trotting record to a wagon was twice smashed this afternoon, once by Lou Dillon and once by Major Delmar. The trotting record, a mile to a wagon, was held until today by Lou Dillon, who trotted the mile in 2:04 1/2 at Cleveland. Major Delmar reduced this today to 2:03 3/4. Lou Dillon, as if jealous of the record which she had just lost, appeared upon the field and reduced Major Delmar's record to 2:01 3/4. The track itself was lightning fast today, but conservative horsemen declared the wind made it at least three seconds slow.

A TEXAS WONDER

HALL'S GREAT DISCOVERY.

One small bottle of the Texas Wonder, Hall's Great Discovery, cures all kidney and bladder troubles, removes gravel, cures diabetes, seminal emissions, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women, regulates bladder trouble in children. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1. One small bottle is two months' treatment. Dr. Ernest T. Hall, sole manufacturer, P. O. box 629, St. Louis Mo. Send for testimonials. Sold by all druggists and Dr. F. C. Stone's Drug Stores.

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TO Whom It May Concern.
This is to certify that I was down for nine months with kidney and bladder trouble, and tried all known remedies to no avail until a neighbor introduced me to get a bottle of Texas Wonder, one-half of which cured me sound and well; this I would cheerfully swear to, and for the benefit of those who are afflicted and wishing to be permanently cured, they can obtain a bottle at my house, located on West 11th street. Yours truly, J. J. SEALE, Medford, Oregon.

A GENEROUS OFFER

DR. DARRIN WILL TREAT ALL WHO MAY APPLY AT HALF HIS FORMER FEES.

Albany Herald.
All cases who have heretofore consulted Dr. Darrin at the Revere House, Albany without taking treatment, and those who now contemplate taking his electro medical course, may do so at half his regular price of treatment, if same be commenced before December 1st. This generous offer will enable all to avail themselves of the doctor's skill. The poor treated free, except medicines from 10 to 11 daily. The following list of people cured and benefited in this vicinity should be convincing proof of the superiority of electricity over the ills of the flesh:

Judge J. J. Whitney, Albany, deafness and ringing noises in the ear.
L. W. Moench, Corner 4th and Main streets, Albany, rheumatism, stomach and liver trouble.
Mrs. Nettie Dempsey, Waterloo, Oregon, catarrh and ulcers of the nose.
W. W. Parrish, Sodaville, Oregon, deafness.
J. L. Oxford, Brownsville, Oregon, deafness.
Mrs. Pet Crabtree, residing at Crabtree, Oregon, rheumatism and catarrh.
Mrs. N. E. Olin, 508 1st street, Albany, deafness, kidney and bladder troubles.
H. J. Downing, Lebanon, Oregon, catarrh, headache, etc.
H. Seifert, King's Valley, Oregon, dyspepsia, liver and kidney complaints, pain in side and eye trouble.
P. A. Racey, Jefferson, Oregon, deafness cured 10 years ago. No return of it.
D. F. West, Plainview, Oregon, chronic catarrh, stomach and kidney troubles of 15 years standing.
Henry Bruer, Turner, Oregon, deafness and discharging ears.
Miss D. G. Reddick, Lebanon, Oregon, discharging ears.
Mrs. Wm. Slate, Alesia, Oregon, stomach and heart trouble, poor circulation, etc.
Mrs. Dora Hadley, Sodaville, Oregon, discharging ears, constipation and dyspepsia.
G. W. Benight, 106 Pine street, Albany, deafness.
W. T. Cochran, Brownsville, Oregon, constipation, stomach and liver troubles.
Mavor S. Tomlinson of Woodburn, rheumatism and general run down, cured 11 years ago.
Miss Irene Ashford, of Salem, discharging ears.
Mrs. Wood, of Woodburn, got the neck and catarrh of the inner ear.
Mrs. R. Ringo, Gervais, asthma and bronchitis. Her son, B. H. Ringo, was also cured of discharging ear and deafness.

Hundreds of others might be mentioned who do not wish their names published. In most cases only one visit is required. Owing to the crowds rushing to see the doctor he will receive patients from 9 a. m. to 8 p. m.

PRUNE MARKET WEAK

STRONG COMPETITION FOR IMMEDIATE SALES HAS FORCED PRICES DOWN.

As a result of the poor judgment in certain prune dealers, especially those in Southern Oregon, the stability of the prune market is well nigh destroyed and prunes are being offered at any old price, with few takers. Eastern dealers holding off in an effort to buy at still lower prices. The result is that the Willamette Valley Prune Association has withdrawn their prunes from the market altogether, and are simply running on orders already placed. They are maintaining the old price of a 2 1/2 cent and 3-cent basis, and insist that prunes are worth that amount, despite the depressed condition of the market. They have every reason to feel confident, since the California crop has fallen far short of expectations, the shortage in Santa Clara county alone being one-half larger than the entire crops of Oregon and Washington.

A good many prunes are changing hands daily among growers and local independent dealers. Yesterday Tillson & Company sold ten carloads to an Eastern dealer for immediate delivery on a basis of 1 1/2 cents per pound. Portland dealers have entirely withdrawn from the market, refusing to either buy or sell preferring to wait until the market settles at some point, or recovers its stability. The worst difficulty at present is that many farmers are not in a position to hold their prunes until the right time, and must force them on the market at any price offered for financial reasons. This places them at the mercy of the buyers. Tillson & Company's prune packing plant on Trade street is at present one of the busiest places in the city. The plant is newly built throughout, and is arranged in a manner by which the least possible amount of labor is necessary to handle the fruit, which is being crowded through the grader and processor at the rate of 60,000 pounds daily. The immense grader on the third floor is not run to its full capacity, but if run steadily for ten hours would grade seventy-five tons of prunes. Twenty men are steadily employed handling the fruit, and besides a large force of girls is constantly busy lining the boxes. Each twenty-five pound box is first lined with paraffine paper, and then two layers of prunes are carefully placed in the boxes in rows by the deft hands of the young ladies. They are then pressed and after the box is filled again pressed, and the labels placed on so that the bottom becomes the top, and when opened in the Eastern cities presents a most appetizing appearance, enough to tempt the most discriminating buyer at 12 1/2 cents per pound, which they bring in the retail market.

LAW.

The good need fear no law; it is his safety and the bad man's awe. —Messinger.

WOOD WANTED.

We would remind those of our subscribers who have promised to haul wood on subscription account that the season is getting late, and we would like to have the wood now; either this or definite dates as to when it will be delivered, and in what quantities. We want to be sure of our supply for the winter.

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D. A. White & Son, Feedmen and Seedsmen
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Golf Gloves, 25 to 50c a pair.
Take a look at those White San-Silk Gloves.
Wool Mittens, 15c to 50c a pair.
Hosiery, 10c to 40c a pair.
Underwear, 25c a piece.
Some firms in Salem sell their regular 50c goods.
Towels, 10c each.
The largest and best for the money to be had in this market.
Spool Cotton, 7 for 25c. Coates.
Shawls and Fascinators, 25c and up.
Shoestring Belts, 15c, worth 25c.
We know there are lower priced ones to be had, but not as good values as these.

Millinery department is brim full of all the latest styles, excellent quality, low prices. See us for plumes.

GREENBAUMS 302 Commercial

TO THE OLD HOME

If you are going home—to your childhood's home—this year, remember that the NORTHERN PACIFIC leads to everybody's home.
You can go by way of St. Paul to Chicago, or St. Louis, and thence reach the entire East and South. Or, you can go to Duluth, and from there use either the rail lines, or one of the superb Lake Steamers down the lakes to Detroit, Cleveland Erie, and Buffalo—the Pan-American City.

Start right and you will probably arrive at your destination all right, and to start right, use the Northern Pacific, and preferably the "NORTH COAST LIMITED" train, in service after MAY 5th.

Any local agent will name rates.
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At 149 State Street
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There are several fine overcoats. A fine line of coats for children; children's suits, and the prices on them will compel the customers to take them.
A few pairs of boys and ladies' rubber boots left for 90 cents, which are worth \$1.50. The long-leg gum boots, which were sold at \$2.50, now go at \$1.50 per pair.
Bicycle caps, only a few left. Our clothing stock is going down rapidly. You save 40 per cent by buying them now.
The ladies have found out where to buy their passementerie and jet trimming. Only about 75 of our corset waists left to sell at 15 cents each, which are worth from \$1 to \$2 each.
While we are closing out these lines mentioned at sacrifice prices, we also carry a side line of our own in gents' furnishing goods, notions, stationery, cutlery, etc., that defies competition.
This sale will continue until all the lines mentioned above are disposed of. Remember the place.

S. FRIEDMAN

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Statesman's Christmas Piano Contest.
Enclosed find \$ for subscription to the
I hereby Vote For
as my choice in the Oregon Statesman Christmas Piano Contest
This coupon is good for votes, being one vote for each cent paid in advance for any of the publications issued from the Statesman building. Coupons void after one month.

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"La grippe left me with a bad cough. My friends said 'consumption.' I then tried Ayer's Cherry Pectoral and was promptly cured."
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You forgot to buy a bottle of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral when your cold first came on, so you let it run along. Even now, with all your hard coughing, it will not disappoint you. There's a record of sixty years.
Dose: 25c, 50c, \$1.00.
Consult your doctor. If he says take it, then do so he says. If he tells you not to take it, then don't take it. He knows.
One of Ayer's Pills at bedtime aids the Cherry Pectoral greatly in breaking up a cold.
J. C. AYER & CO., Lowell, Mass.