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CIRCULATION (SWORN) OVER 4000



THE UNESCAPABLE QUESTION.

The New York Herald publishes a signed editorial by Rev. A. Lincoln Moore, D. D., pastor of the Riverside Baptist church of Manhattan on "The Unescapable Question."

Continuing, he says: "Jesus of Nazareth is the most remarkable phenomenon of human history."

"Jesus is no longer reviled as a fanatic or impostor. All unscrupulously admit today that He was a great teacher and the incarnation of His doctrine."

"More thought has been expended on Christ in Christian countries than on any subject of learned investigation."

"It is not a fact absolutely unique that this humble carpenter of Galilee, who was crucified under Pilate, should possess such a supreme character and invite to such reverent and profound study?"

"It is Christ's influence that today is reconstructing society, founding hospitals, orphanages, infirmaries, Christian associations, schools and colleges."

My Hair

"I had a very severe sickness that took my hair out and I purchased a bottle of Ayer's Hair Vigor and it brought all my hair back again."

W. D. Quinn, Marcellus, Ill.

One thing is certain—Ayer's Hair Vigor makes the hair grow. This is because it is a hair food. It feeds the hair and the hair grows, that's all there is to it.

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human character. In Christ God became manlike in order that man in Christ might become Godlike.

AWAIT THEIR OUTCOME. The Postmaster General, the Attorney General and the Secretary of the Interior have decided that until Oregon's congressional delegation shall again be complete and free from charges, fast no further federal appointments will be made to persons in this state.

Of course Congress will adjourn on the 4th of March this year, and it is not likely that there will be any further sessions of that body until in December.

Charges are easily made, but oftentimes they prove either unfounded or the evidence insufficient to secure conviction.

While these reports of testimony, which it is claimed has been given in the presence of the Grand Jury, or the newspaper stories of what the prosecutors claim they will prove or expect to prove before the courts, is not pleasant reading nor is it calculated to make us believe that everything is as it should be in the state.

FIRST YEAR'S WORK DISAPPOINTING.

Will the scandals in connection with the Panama canal ever cease? Will the terrible tales of graft, of misappropriation of funds, of unwarranted salaries, of dividends on property belonging to the government going to private parties, never cease?

There has never been a general feeling of satisfaction among the people who know the Nicaragua route and the Panama route, with the lightning change the commission made in its recommendation from Nicaragua to Panama.

The commission has proven to be top heavy; climatic conditions on the isthmus have proven to be a more serious obstacle to the commencement of the work than had been prophesied, and it is admitted that all of this is discouraging and there is a growing conviction that resort after all will have to be made to the Nicaragua route.

canal at Panama, which will require fifteen years to construct, and \$50 or 400 millions of dollars of expenditure because of their failure to find stable foundation for the high retaining walls of the dam which would be necessary to retain the waters of the Chagres river in order to provide for the lockage system which was first proposed.

STORIES OF OLD OREGON.

The tales of the early pioneer of this state will ever be read with interest by the newer generations of Oregon, and one of the most interesting contributions to the literature of this class is "Stories of Old Oregon," just off the press from the pen of Hon. George A. Waggoner.

His book is a neat volume of 290 pages, bound in cloth and handsomely illustrated with half-tones showing interesting bits of Oregon scenery and points of interest.

The book is full of interesting tales of adventure, of fights with the Indians on the plains and in Eastern Oregon, Southern Oregon and Idaho.

Oregon certainly is coming to the front in the matter of a fine stock and in fact there are few states in the Union that can vie with this state of rain and sunshine in this matter.

OREGON'S FINE STOCK.

Let us therefore remember the Divine injunction, "Let him that is without sin cast the first stone," and above all let us await the outcome of the trials at law.

THE DEATH OF THE GRAND DUKE SERGIUS.

The death of the Grand Duke Sergius of Moscow on Friday was nothing more nor less than the carrying out of the old adage, "He that liveth by the sword, shall die by the sword."

The Mikado sent \$50,000 to his troops, yesterday, to spend in wine and other cheering materials, in order that they might drink his health and have a good time.

CHEWS RUBBER BONANZA IDEA

HOW THOMAS ADAMS BECAME INTERESTED IN GUM MAKING. He has accumulated millions.

Idly Chewing Piece of Gutta Percha Gives Manufacturer Foundation for Fortune.

Business Begun in Modest Way in Brooklyn, Has Since Expanded Into Enormous Proportions—Story of Real Commercial Romance Lies in Growth of Gum.

By idly chewing one day down at Sailors Saug Harbor a piece of rubber he had taken from out of an old desk drawer, a Brooklyn man of prominence, who was buried Thursday, laid the foundation of a great fortune, says the Brooklyn Eagle.

There is a chewing gum industry now of amazing proportions, its total product footing up over \$50,000,000 annually, the maximum, if the yearly output ever reached that.

THE INAUGURATION.

It seems that everything with President Roosevelt must break some record. Now the pageant at the inauguration, it is said, will beat all previous parades at inaugural ceremonies, and Washington expects to entertain 200,000 visitors during the hours encompassed between the evening of the 3rd of March and the morning of the 5th.

It is perhaps a matter of information to people of the United States to know that there is within the United States another Republic which has its own government and which is represented at Washington by a minister.

THE FIRST OF THE NEW CHEWING RUBBER.

The first of the new chewing rubber was not the convenient, dainty product of today. It was made in the factory in long sticks about the circumference of a man's index finger, and because sticky pieces were chopped off, apparently the size of a finger tip.

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SEN. FULTON IN CONTROL

WITH FRANK J. BAKER HE WILL DISTRIBUTE PLUMS.

HAS PRESIDENTIAL ASSURANCE Roosevelt Will Not Approve and Agreement to Hold Up the Appointments.

Such Action Would Be Unjust Reflection on Fulton, He Says—Advises Senator to Come to Headquarters With Recommendations.

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IMPORTANT CASE

CELEBRATED PORTLAND TEST SUIT FOR REGULATION OF SALOON BOXES.

Question of the Validity of an Ordinance Passed by the Portland Council Involved in the Case—Scope of Opinion Will Extend Over State.

The cases of Harry Sandys, et al., appellants, vs. Geo. H. Williams, mayor of Portland, et al., respondents, and Theodore Kruse, appellant, vs. Geo. H. Williams, mayor, et al., an appeal from the circuit court for Multnomah county, will come up for argument before the Supreme Court this afternoon.

That the ordinance is unconstitutional and void because it grants to certain citizens privileges and immunities which upon the same terms do not equally belong to all citizens of the city of Portland, and to plaintiffs.

The state has inherent and plenary power to regulate, restrain and absolutely prevent the sale or disposal of intoxicating liquors within its borders, and no provision of the state or federal constitution is violated by the exercise of such power.

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notable epochs in merchandising and had much to do with the start of at least three new eras. That gum advertised itself has been said already.

Chicago is the gum town of America, business statisticians say. The East, however, is a close second. Though many flavors are turned out, wintergreen and peppermint continue to be the great favorites.

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