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The Governor's Proclamation. Inasmuch as the centennial anniversary of the inauguration of George Washington as first president of the United States will occur on the 30th day of April, Anno Domini, 1889, which day has been set apart by an act of congress as a general holiday for the people of the whole country: Now therefore, I, Sylvester Penneyer, governor of Oregon, by virtue of the authority conferred upon me by the constitution of the state, do hereby declare the aforesaid Tuesday, April 30th, 1889, to be a legal holiday; and I do request that it shall be so observed by the great people of this commonwealth. And, inasmuch as the impressive act of inauguration, which occurred at noon, was presided at 9 o'clock in the morning by prayer in all the churches of the city, for God's blessing upon the government, to be instructed, I would further request, in obedience to such a worthy example, that prayers shall be held at nine o'clock in the morning of such holiday in all our churches to the end that the blessings of God may be vouchsafed to our government for the future.

REPRESENTATIVE HERMANN has had several interviews with the postoffice officials in behalf of increased mail facilities in Oregon.

AND it is now said the hops raised in Oregon have become so popular in England that the English are pulling up their vines and buying our hops.

THREE of the states demand ordinary intelligence on the part of the voter. All the other states omit any demand in this direction. This makes it possible for one man to secure the vote of another, if he can but get him to do the automatic part of depositing a ballot.

THE craze for the light flannel shirt for summer wear is said to have forced into an assignment the largest manufactory of fancy colored shirts in the country, who found the demand for their goods falling off since the introduction two seasons ago of the comfortable negligé flannel article.

REPRESENTATIVE HERMANN'S life must be one of misery and his nights of wakefulness. He says: "The pressure for office from our state is tremendous. We have had a delegation of Oregonians here since the inauguration. I pass my days in traveling from one department to another and my nights are given up to callers."

WOODRUFF, the new president of the Mormon church, has been president of the Twelve apostles since the election of John Taylor to the presidency of the church. In his inaugural sermon he exhorted the saints to piety, faith and obedience. He said: "Have faith in God, who has delivered to us the keys of the holy priesthood, that the holy gospel may be preached for the living and the dead."

PRESIDENT HOLDEN of the Lick observatory telegraphs from Mount Hamilton as follows: "An approximate orbit of the comet discovered March 31 by Mr. Bernard has been computed by Professor Schaebele. It is probable that this comet will become seven or eight thousand times as distinct as it is at present with a distance of about four million miles. On May 26 next it should be carefully observed."

THE oldest postmaster is Rosewell Heardsly of North Lansing, Tompkins county, N. Y., appointed during the administration of John Quincy Adams, and continued during all changes of administration from that time to this, a period of sixty-three years. He is now nearly ninety years of age, and is hale and hearty, and, to all appearances, will live to complete his term of office under President Harrison.

AMONG the many theories that are set up to explain the original settlement of the North American continent that which verifies it to the enforced visitation of some storm-driven Japanese fishermen meets with much favor. Without recounting the various arguments that are based on architectural, physical and philological similarities between the aborigines of the Pacific coast of the New World and the old races of the Orient, it may be said that the shipwrecked-sailor idea has many plausible features to recommend it.

THE North American phonograph company, which was organized with the tremendous capital of \$5,000,000, is not turning out the phonographs with the rapidity that was promised. It was asserted at the outset that 10,000 phonographs would be ready by February 1st, and that in a short time customers could be readily supplied with them. The reason for the delay is owing to difficulties in the construction of the instruments. The machinery used is necessarily delicate, and the work upon the talking machines most careful. As a result of the delay orders for phonographs amounting to more than 10,000 have not been filled.

It is claimed that about 250 phonographs are being turned out of the factories each day. Subsidiary companies have been formed all over the country, and they now reach the number of thirty-two. The capital of these companies varies according to the district over which they have control. The phonograph has not found its way into general use by business men as yet, but the company thinks that as its practical uses become better known there will be a large demand for the machine.

THERE is a young lady living in Philadelphia who enjoys the supreme distinction of having her picture carried by every prosperous man and woman in the United States. Over three millions of her portraits have already been issued, and it is probable that as many more will be made in the near future. The lady referred to is Miss Anna W. Williams, who permitted Mr. Logan, the designer of the head on the new standard silver dollar, to make sketches of her face, and it is her profile which greets the view of one possessing one of these silver pieces which Mr. Curtis and other numismatists are pleased to term the 84-cent dollar, but five of which buy as much of any commodity as the best five-dollar gold piece ever coined.

GENERAL GREENE says if he should make an effort to reach the North pole he would take the same route as before. The scheme proposed by the Indian traveler who was with Lord Lansdale, to reach the pole by means of dogs and sledges, and keeping up a line of communication, is all nonsense. The distance is too great, and the Arctic region is one vast archipelago with open straits, which are difficult or impossible to cross. This plan is not worthy of serious consideration.

It Put Her to Sleep. Ex-President Cleveland tells a good story at the expense of his wife, says a prominent society lady. He was speaking of Mrs. Cleveland's splendid nerves and her ability to sleep under all circumstances.

"Last November," said he, "when I wrote my Thanksgiving proclamation, it was a busy day with me, and I was at my desk far into the night. We were at Oak View and Frankie had gone to bed early. I was pleased with the proclamation, and when I went to my room I awoke my wife and asked her if she would not like to hear me read it." "Oh, yes," she said, "my all means, and I sat down by the bedside and read it through. When I finished Frankie was fast asleep. I believe she had not heard a word. The next morning, when we were awaiting the announcement of breakfast, I took up a morning paper. 'Here is my Thanksgiving proclamation,' said L. 'Would you like to hear it?' 'Very much; please read it to me.' Then I laughed heartily, saying: 'I wish you may catch me reading it to you the second time, when I put you to sleep the first.'

A Kentucky Story. One Kentucky gentleman meets another Kentucky gentleman, and they address one another with that solemn earnestness which is characteristic of Southern high life: "Good morning, sah? Hope you are well, sah? Where have you been this mornin'?"

"I have just come from the court house, sah; Sen'tuh Blackburn has been making a speech—the finest speech I have heard since the war. He is a bawn awter sah—a bawn awter." "Excuse me, sir, but what do you mean by 'bawn awter'?" "A bawn awter? Don't you know what a bawn awter is? Why, sah, you and I would say, 'two and two make fo''," but a bawn awter wouldn't say that; a bawn awter would say, "when, in the course of human events, it becomes nec'ss' or expedient to coalesce two integers with two other integers, the result—I declare it body and without feah or favah—the result, by a simple arithmetical calculation called addition, is fo'!" "That's a bawn awter, sah!"

There is no country of the world where the science of long life, accompanied with good health, unimpaired mental faculties, good digestion, and great activity, is better understood than in France, and there of 1,000 persons born, 120 reach the age of seventy, and the percentage continues to be high until 85 is past.

A Tale Without a Moral. Three giddy, giddy little duns. Upon a sunny day. Longing to see the outside world, Resolved to run away. Old Grandpa Fly sat on a bowl: And overheard the scheme. Quoth he, "Children, I'm old and wiser, Have had that self-same dream. 'Though life so glittering seems to youth, And everything looks grand, The world is treacherous at the best— Be careful where you stand.' Now when the little flies heard his, Their spirits began to droop, When—Grandpa Fly slipped on the ledge, And fell into the soup. "SCRAPS."

A colored man owns sixty horses and one of the hotels at Memphis, Tenn. Great numbers of immigrants, the majority of whom are Germans, are flocking to Dakota.

Near Salt Lake City a forest fire surrounded a flock of 700 sheep and burned them to death. In China skilled workmen get \$4 a month, and day laborers from 4 to 5 cents a day, besides food.

The deepest mine in the world is said to be the Rose, Bride colliery in England, which is 508 yards deep. A bill has been introduced in the Minnesota legislature to prohibit the practice of treating to intoxicating liquors.

The report comes from Russia of a great plot against the life of the Czar. This is unnecessary. News isn't scarce.

In the New York city public schools there are 6,000 girls preparing to enter the Normal college to be trained as teachers.

Two negroes have been seized with leprosy in Ellberton, Ga. One has turned white, while the other has broken out in spots.

A Rochester man has opened a "boarding stable for bicycles." He takes charge of the machines while the owners are at business.

"Ah," said the fly, as it crawled around the bottle, "I have passed through the hatching age, the creeping age, and now I am in the mugging age."

A new fruit has been discovered in Southern California. It looks like the fruit of the pear tree, but the pulp is soft and pulpy, tasting like claret.

The hen is an accommodating animal. While the sun never sets anywhere but in the west, she will set anywhere, even on a chalk or glass egg.

A case containing representations of every president of the United States in ice cream has just been completed and will be sent to the Paris exhibition.

A great many men say they go out between the acts to get a breath of fresh air; but it is noticed that the breath they really get isn't of air, but a long shot.

Congressman "Sunset" Cox is over 60 years of age, although his wit and vivacity keep him young. His hair has become thin and gray, but his tongue is as ready as ever.

The emperor of Austria intends to visit England this year in such strict incognito that no one but himself and attendants will know anything about it till he is at home again.

Olle—"Where's Mollie?" Polle—"Out lying in hammock." Olle—"How do you know?" Polle—"Because I saw her go up stairs and put on her new embroidered stockings."

Among some old papers in London recently a genuine likeness of John Bunyan as he appeared in his prison cell at Bedford, has just been discovered, for which the owner demands 1,000 guineas.

Moses Lyman, the inventor of the "Piles in Clover" puzzle, lives on a farm near Waverly, N. Y. He made the puzzle in order to amuse his children, and a New York firm heard of it and purchased his rights.

Thornthwaite Rice is one of the richest writers in the United States. He is but 33, handsome and a bachelor. He has a stable of fast horses, a steam yacht, a New York mansion and a cottage at Tuxedo Park.

An austere-looking lady walked into a furrier's recently, and said to the shopman: "I should like to purchase a muff." "What fur?" demanded the man. "To keep my hands warm, sir!" exclaimed the lady.

The other day a teacher in a Boston school showed a little girl the picture of a fan, and asked her what it was. The little girl didn't appear to know. "What does your mother do to keep cool in hot weather?" asked the teacher. "Drink beer," was the prompt reply.



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