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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 [illegible] 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 Pennoyer, 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 good people of the commonwealth. And, inasmuch as the impressive act of inauguration, which occurred at noon, was preceded at 9 o'clock in the morning by prayer in all the churches of the city, as divine blessing upon the government [illegible] would further request [illegible] a worthy [illegible] held at [illegible] holiday [illegible] the blessings [illegible] our government [illegible] whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the state to be affixed this 20th day of April A. D. 1889.

SYLVESTER PENNOYER.

The name of the Thingvalla line's steamer that was lost on her way from Copenhagen to New York, and nothing has as yet been heard of the 659 passengers and the crew, is the Danmark, and not the Denmark, as was at first published.

A MERCHANT at Sidney says: "The Samoan question is absorbing a great deal of attention in this country. The Australians are with the Americans in every step as against Germany, and will second American efforts to preserve the neutrality of the islands even as against England."

IN the Arkansas City legislature a member recently nominated a young lady for enrolling clerk in these words: "I shall not say that the one I name is as the angels are, for I have never seen an angel and know not how beautiful they are, but I will say that if angels look like the lovely maiden whose name I put in nomination, the angels are beautiful indeed."

IN the many additions to Portland, East Portland and Albina, now in the market there are offered for sale 21,000 lots exclusive of those for sale in Portland proper, enough for a city of 2,000,000 population, and new additions are being recorded almost daily. Two miles north of Albina, half way to Vancouver, lots are held at $200 apiece.

A REPRESENTATIVE in Congress received the following letter from a constituent: "Deer Bill, I want the post offis and I want it dam quick. We knocked 'em here in this township by 22 increased majorty and I did it. Yours in a hurry, Jed K. Dawson." And now the congressman is wondering how Dawson happened to spell "increased" correctly.

IT is a peculiar faculty of the human memory to misquote proverbs and poetry, and almost invariably place the credit where it does not belong. Nine men out of ten say that "The Lord tempers the wind to the shorn Lamb" is from the Bible, whereas Lawrence Stern is the author. "Pouring oil upon the troubled waters" is also ascribed to the sacred volume, whereas it is not there; in fact no one knows its origin.

WHEN Mr. Blaine was secretary of state eight years ago one of his pet projects was a congress of American nations to be held in Washington, a project which was generally remarked on as increasing the points of resemblance between his career and that of Henry Clay. The invitation was sent to the South American states in November, 1881, but the project failed because of the difficulties then existing between Chili and Peru and Mexico and Guatemala. It is a rather curious fact that the act of congress providing for a congress of American nations in October of this year was passed last May before it was known that Mr. Blaine was to be secretary of state, even before the national conventions were held, and so Mr. Blaine finds a continental congress already ordered. Chili has accepted the invitation, and this will result undoubtedly in the acceptance of Peru, Bolivia and Ecuador, three nations which stand greatly in awe of Chili and will not do anything to provoke her wrath.

DISPATCHES from the Lower St. Lawrence and the Gulf tell of the most remarkable event that has ever occurred in that locality.

From the upper end of Anticosti Island to the Magalen Island a driving, blinding snowstorm began, and great floes of ice came down from the St. Lawrence and the Saguenay.

The few people along the north and south shores and on Anticosti witnessed a sight that startled them. As far as the eye could see up, down and across the gulf the floes still moving were packed with harp or Greenland seals. The ice was fairly black with them. It was impossible to hunt them in the moving ice, but the snowstorm ceased and the ice packed.

Then everybody, old women, boys, girls, old men and farmers from miles around, armed themselves with clubs, hatchets, or any other weapon they could get hold of, and went on to the ice after the seals.

It was a fearful slaughter, and the poor animals seemed so dazed by the sudden attack that they were absolutely incapable of making their escape. A knock on the head was sufficient to settle them, and before night every person that could walk had his or her pile of dead seals awaiting transfer to the shore.

In Gaspe there were over 4,000 killed, and one priest had 330 to his credit. Along the north shore, from Cape Tenor to the Mingan isles, there were 5,000 taken, and in the Esquimaux isles the slaughter was fearful.

They are not the fur seal of Alaska, but they are valuable for their oil and their hides at least for boats, truck covers, etc. They are worth $3 each, and the fat is worth $5 per hundred-weight.

It is said that China uses $500,000 worth of opium every year, and that it is rightfully called the curse of the people. Opium is now grown in every province of China. The seed of the poppy is sown in November and and its juice is collected in February and March.

Grange Resolutions.

Chehulpum Grange at Jefferson, during its last meeting, passed the following resolutions:

Whereas, There has been a twine trust formed, and binding twine advanced to an unreasonable price; therefore,

Resolved, That we, members of Chehulpum Grange, will not buy twine at the proposed combination prices.

Resolved, That we will not purchase any twine binders so long as twine is sold at combination prices.

Resolved, That we will hereafter purchase our machinery from any company that will put binding twine on the market at reasonable prices, and we recommend further that our state master correspond with all subordinate Granges on the subject, that they may act in accordance with these resolutions.

Motherly Solicitude.

"What a fine little fellow," said the patronizing old gentleman who had been elected representative for four successive times from his congressional district. His remark was addressed to a kind faced lady who held in her arms a little fellow who blinked gravely at all that was going on.

"Yes," replied the lady, "his father and I set a good deal of store by him."

"Well, he's a bright looking little fellow. Maybe he'll be a congressman some day."

"Maybe he will," said the mother, "but," she added earnestly, "I'm going to do my best to raise him right."

Different Points of View.

A minister, with a rather florid complexion, had gone into the shop of a barber, one of his parishioners, to be shaved. The barber was addicted to heavy bouts of drinking; after which his hand was consequently unsteady at his work. In shaving the minister on the occasion referred to he inflicted a cut sufficiently deep to cover the lower part of his face with blood. The minister turned to the barber and said, in a tone of solemn severity:

"You see, Thomas, what comes of taking too much drink."

"Aye," replied Thomas, "it makes the skin verra tender."

A Little Mixed.

They were passing under the elevated railroad and the din overhead was almost deafening.

"This bustle makes my head ache," she said.

"Probably," observed he, "if you were to wear a small one"—

"Sir!" she indignantly cried, "if that's the noise confuses me."

"I beg your pardon," stammered he, "I am confused too."

First stranger (in the fair way)—Be you one of us?

Second stranger (with dignity)—I do not know what you mean by "one of us." I am posted [illegible] the international [illegible] to [illegible] up the price of the [illegible].

First stranger (genially)—Your hand, pard, I'm a train robber.

"SCRAPS."

A man named Dory has just named his first infant Hunky.

Kate Field is writing a novel based on the horrors of Mormonism.

They say that Seattle druggists wear such big diamonds that they are frequently mistaken for hotel clerks.

Every dead limb on a tree should be cut away, not only for the appearance of the tree but to avoid the encumbrance.

A little paint where it is needed will save rust and labor. Like oil. Paint also makes an old building look new.

A Sutter county, California, farmer has a traction engine that will plow seventy-five acres of land in twenty-four hours.

As there was never a season more favorable for the flow of maple sap, there may be more hope of obtaining pure maple sugar.

Glass windows commenced to make their appearance in English private houses in 1180. Glass was first brought to England in 663.

Edwin Booth's physician has forbidden him the use of any more strong cigars. The actor will be permitted to occasionally smoke a corn-cob pipe of very mild tobacco.

A Long Island waiter found a pocketbook containing $6,800 and returned it to the owner. He received twenty-five cents as a reward for his honesty.

Rider Haggard had announced and [illegible] that he would write another book [illegible] made that [illegible] Mary Anderson [illegible].

Vienna is to have a beauty show for men, and prizes will be awarded in four classes—the handsomest man, the finest mustache, the biggest nose and the baldest head.

The Mexican consul at Los Angeles turned a nice little penny by charging $3 to $4 for passports to cross the line, and scooped in many tenderfeet. No passport is needed.

In several cities in the United States, natural history gardens are being established in connection with the public parks, thus enabling persons to instruct as well as enjoy themselves.

Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt has sent her check of $1000 to the mayor of Charleston, South Carolina. The money is to be used in caring for the grave of General Francis Marion of revolutionary fame.

A paper contains the following in an advertisement: "Coffins and Caskets. I will sell 20 per cent. cheaper than any other party. Ladies and gentlemen Laid Out at any hour of the Night or Day."

A gentleman made a purchase in a drug store a few days ago. The clerk tied up the package, and inadvertantly neglected to cut off the twine. The purchaser carelessly put the package in an outside coat pocket and left the store. He had gone nearly a block when a passer-by noticed the string trailing behind him. He had unwound nearly a ball of twine without knowing it.

Kansas Possibilities.

A Kansas paper just received gives the following suggestive advice for that state: "It is hoped that the papers won't brag too fiercely upon the crops this year until they are harvested. If the present indications hold out and we are not infested with chinch bugs, overwhelmed with hail stones, nor blasted by withering hot winds, it will be timely to spread broadcast that we have the garden spot of the earth. Until the grain is in the stack, and the corn is in the shock, it will be well to keep mum."

A Fortunate Druggist.

Mr. Edwin W. Joy for many years and now a prosperous druggist on the corner of Stockton and Market streets in San Francisco, probably never dreamed of rivaling in wealth the mining kings of the country. But various rumors having been floating around to the effect that he has struck it big, an Examiner reporter was detailed to unearth the same, and after much difficulty unraveled the following story:

It seems that about seven years ago an [illegible] physician, a great student of botany, located in this city. His practice was not extensive, and yet the few cases that came to him attracted no little attention. His success seemed to be in the treatment of liver and kidney disorders and vitiated blood. In fact his ability to cope with these common complaints was marvelous. He seemed almost infallible, and his quiet modest methods and his well-kept secret was as much a mystery as himself. After his departure about a year later Mr. Joy determined to fathom the secret, and copying all the prescriptions he had filled for the erratic doctor he began a systematic analysis. In his examination he discovered running all through the prescriptions for liver and kidney troubles, vitiated blood and stomach disorders a couple of vegetable extracts indigenous to California, as simple and as well known under homely every day names to every school boy as to entirely dissipate the suspicion that they were the active principles involved. So certain, however was Mr. Joy that he had discovered the secret, that he embodied the new elements in a preparation of Sarsaparilla to disguise the taste, and put it before his customers under the modest name of Joy's Vegetable Sarsaparilla. Immediately the same marvelous stories came back of its astonishing effects, and the mystery was solved, and the talk it has created has steadily caused it to step into prominence, and orders pour in daily from all over the coast. And thus another California industry leaps into existence.—S. F. Examiner.

THE EXILE IN CANADA;
Or, The Boodler's Lament.

I wandered to the river's bank
And looked across to where,
Upon the other side, I saw
The lights reflected there:
And, as I gazed, a longing came
To reach that place once more,
And walk upon the good old soil
I'd often trod before.

Last night I dream'd that once again
I saw the old, old home—
Where oft, when I was but a lad,
My wandering steps did roam—
I'd crossed unto the other side
Of this wide, running stream;
Alas! I woke in full delight,
To find it but a dream.

Oh, could I but retrace the years!
And backward go once more,
I would not then be cursing fate
Upon this barren shore.
What recks it that I have the gold
Wherewith to pass all time?
Since I must while away the years
In this most wretched clime!

Ye stars that shine so bright to-night,
In yonder vault above,
How merrily you're looking down
On friends that I do love.
Would I were there; but yawns a gulf
Wide as eternity!
The sheriff's arm, the broken trust,
Doom me to misery!

So, here an exile I must stay,
On this cold, barren land;
No sight of home, or kindred dear,
No grasp of friendly hand;
With gnawing thoughts of keen remorse
Like specters, ever near;
Nor one kind smile, nor welcome glance,
My lonely life to cheer.

—H. McGrath, in America.

HIS NOTIFICATION.

How Thornton Executed [illegible] mission.

"She'll have to go; ain't no way out o' that. She'll have to skip," said Dave Kinney. He squinted in a cross-eyed manner at the cracker-crumb on his tawny, scraggy beard, and transferred it carefully to his mouth. There was a wedge of cheese on his left knee. When the Fence Corners School Board—originally Fennett's Corners, but thus aptly abbreviated—held a meeting, it was, by general agreement, in old Banks' grocery, where crackers and cheese, and maybap a herring, might relieve its tedium. But to-night there was an alleviating interest.

"About the size of it," said Silas Saunders. He preferred tobacco, and rolled a quid under his tongue. "This ain't no place for her here. Why, I wouldn't answer for the consequences if she staid; there ain't no tellin' what might happen, ner what devilry them boys might be up to. Look at Corny Rourke, six foot two or three if he's an inch, and chuck full, chuck full, chuck full! He's always he's the one to put the teachers out, and there ain't no doubt but what it's his idee this time. Barricadin' the school-house right out bold first day o' school; now, who but Corny'd 'a' thought o' that?"

There was something of contemplative admiration in his tone.

"Goin' to be done, whoever's doin' it," said Kinney, exploring his cracker-bag. "Goin' to git in at eight o'clock to-morrow mornin' an' shut up the door and fasten the windows, and any teacher that gits in 'll have to git in through the key-hole or a crack; what they said."

He had told it before; He had called the meeting for the purpose of telling it. But it was interesting to dwell upon.

There was an impressive silence.

"Wall, we'll have to give her notice. You're jest the one to do it, Thornton—eh!" Saunders observed to the third member of the board. He was himself uneasy. "She got along fust-rate, summer term," he added. He appeared to feel a vague and wholly impotent regret. "Needs the money, should judge."

"She need't 'a' made no calculations to teach no winter term here—not to Fence Corners," Kinney responded, with some contempt. "If there h'ain't be'n a winter for five years but what there's be'n a rumpus, and gener'ly school shut up, w'y, she needn't 'a' looked for there goin' to be."

It was unanswerable, but the store-keeper entered a weak suggestion over his motley counter.

"I should think that gang ought to be broke up," he said.

He expected no rejoinder, and got none. The School Board's attention centered upon no such whimsical irrelevancy.

"Reckon [illegible] the one to notify her, Thornton," said Saunders, again.

He wriggled unquietly on his stool.

Thornton sat motionless. Whether in fact or by a trick of the ill-burning lamp on the counter, his good-looking face with its heavy, light moustache, appeared pale. He sat with his arms crossed on his knees and his eyes on the floor, silent.

"Jest so," said Kinney, with an air of impartial decision. "You can git it off better 'n Saunders or me, Thornton. You're a better lookin' man, anyhow, and you're better rigged up," he concluded, with politic suaviousness.

They made an attempt at a careless dismissal of the subject. Kinney got up and threw his cheese-rind in the stove. Thornton passed his hand over his mouth and swallowed hard.

"You can jest put it easy," said Kinney, encouragingly. "You can tell her jest how 'tis, and how it's for her own good, and ain't to be put off ner avoided. You can tell her she done first-class, summer term. W'y you can tell her jest what you're a-mind to," cried Kinney, magnanimously.

Their colleague arose. He was a tall and powerful young fellow, but there was an odd laxity in his movements now as he went toward the door. He held his hat-brim to his lips, too, and turned his face away from the light. Hanks stared after him till the door closed.

"I s'pose you've found out that Jim Thornton's about the bashfulest feller in town, ain't you?" he queried.

There was no response.

"And you've prob'ly suspicioned, same as other folks, that he's kind o' sweet on the school-ma'am, or would be if he dast!" pursued the store-keeper.

The School Board was silent.

"Wal," he concluded, with a grin, half of disgust, half of admiration, "you couldn't 'a' hired me to be'n that mean to a yeller dog—not to a yeller dog!"

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Thornton made his way up the road through a warm and lightly falling early snow that widened and softened and beautified it, dark as it was from the infrequency of buildings and hubbly with the frozen mud. He forgot to put his hat on till he met a man in a wagon, who stared at him. His face and hair were damp with melted flakes. He went slowly, almost creepingly, for there was in his heart a terrible, sinking dread of what he must do. It was almost more than he could master.

Where was she! Bissel's; he knew she boarded at Bissel's and it was not far; he could see its light through the snow laden trees. The pain at his heart was all but physical; he winced, and kept his hand on his nervous mouth; there was a mist in his eyes, and it grew into tears. He was not surprised at them, nor ashamed of them: he

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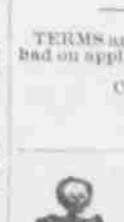

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