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TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 1889.

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, April 30th, 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 Pennington, 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 observed by the good people of this commonwealth.

THE MORMONS have made a little settlement in Canada, and the Canadian government seems badly scared about it.

SECRETARY BLAINE has received notifications from a number of the Central and South American governments that they will send delegates to the "Three Americas Congress," which is to be held in Washington next October.

DR. TANNER announces that he will pass into his grave ready for burial about the first of May.

OFFICIAL calculation of the money circulation of the United States on the first of April of each of three successive years show the amount of outstanding currency to be greater now by \$7,000,000 than one year ago, and greater by about \$85,000,000 than two years ago.

It is thought that the silver question will be the cause of considerable discussion in the near future.

PREPARATIONS are being made for the celebration in Portland, on the 30th of the month, of this inauguration of George Washington as the first president of the United States.

HERE is a short sermon out of church, printed in a late number of the Golden Rule, on overworked superlatives.

Beloved brethren and sisters, it is not only true as the Scripture saith that in many things we offend all, but quite as true that in many things we all offend and none of these things relateth to the unjustifiable use of superlatives.

Secondly, I would address my remarks to young men. You, my young brethren, do not use the school-girl's epithets, but you frequently use something far more objectionable.

The advantages of the Australian system of balloting are many. This system has worked well for several years in Australia, and is endorsed by many political associations in this country.

One hundred years ago today, the 23d of April, 1789, Gen. Washington arrived at New York, having been en route from Mt. Vernon eight days.

JAY GOULD weighs 101 pounds. "His weight in gold" would be a less fortune to him than to any other millionaire in the world.

The Educational Entertainment. Recitals and impersonations. Program for Tuesday, April 23rd, at the opera house.

ORCHESTRA. A true story.—Elizabeth Stuart Phelps. Katharine's visit to New York.

Female chaperon.—(Impersonation) Arranged for Miss Hinds. Vocal solo, La, Hear the Gentle Lark.

Mad Mag.—(Impersonation) Miss Hinds. PART II. Instrumental duet.—Selection Messrs. Keller and Chase.

There are many people who come to Oregon, stay a few months and return to their old home, and tell all their neighbors of grand old Oregon and how cheap Squire Farrar of Salem sells first-class groceries.

Worship.

Wide open stood the church's doors, And hundreds crowded there, Bedecked in Sunday finery, Because the day was fair.

A stranger strolled by the place, Approached and bowed his head, And to the sexton gray and grim, He reverently said:

"Methinks 'tis well the people should Upon the sabbath day Collect in numbers such as these To contemplate and pray.

"How noble is the thought, my friend, That thus from far and near, The rich and great do congregate, To humble supplicants here."

The sexton wiped his sweeping eyes And sadly turned away; "The President, you know," he said, "Comes here to church to-day."

"SCRAPS."

Fort Worth, Texas, has the only big union stock yards south of St. Louis.

The next congress will consist of 330 representatives and eighty-four senators.

Oxtail soup and head cheese at the same meal is where we make both ends meet.

In one small district of Japan 1178 horses were slaughtered last year for use as food.

Edison says that only one-fourth of the coal is used—the rest goes up the chimney.

A German artillery officer is said to have produced a new explosive from carbolic acid.

The elite of Japan wear the native dress in-doors and the American styles on the street.

Comparisons were they uttered by a poet, would probably be none the more odious.

Philadelphia supports a permanent company of minstrels, and is the only city in the country that does.

One of the latest inventions is a three-cornered screw nail that will drive easily and will not split the wood.

It makes Cuba seem nearer to be told that it is only ninety miles from American soil to the walls of Havana.

The wife of the Japanese minister at Washington learned the English language, so as to speak it fluently, in one year.

St. Augustine, Florida, is the oldest civilized city in the United States, having been founded by the Spaniards in 1562.

In Buenos Ayres the punishment for theft is death; but the penalty is only enforced when the criminal becomes incorrigible.

A young divine tells a story of a groom, who after the marriage ceremony, slipped a \$2 bill into his hand murmuring, apologetically, "I'll do better next time."

New York World: Young Pat—"What's a jave's doubt, father?" Old Pat—"Be jave's, it's the uncertainty uv a man buried alive, whether he's dead or not."

Fliegende Blatter: Sorrows of the cross-eyed man.—"Miss, may I have the honor of the next waltz with you?" "With pleasure."

Barnum is within three months of his 80th year, and he is as strong a teetotaler as ever.

New York Weekly: Handsome young Canadian—"Are you in favor of annexation, Miss Oldmaid?" Miss Oldmaid—"Oh, this is so sudden! Yes, I am yours."

One-third of the whole population of Iceland emigrated last year, moved, it is said, by the unpopularity of the Danish government and the blandishments of Canadian emigration agents.

Young Journalist—"Do you keep all sorts of pens?" Salesman—"Yes. Which do you prefer?"

Y. J.—I've been advised to use a trenchant pen. I'd like a small box of them, and you may put in some caustics, too.

"If I knock three times on the coffin-lid during the church service you must let me out," said James Deley of Providence, as he was nearing his end the other day.

Everybody wept and listened, but James did not sneeze and the burial went on. If he forgot it the fault was his own.

Inate Father—"Young man, I am amazed, astounded, sir, that you seek to marry my daughter on so short an acquaintance. You are almost a stranger to her. The Young Man—Well, she don't take any more chances than I do. She's almost a stranger to me, too.

Yes, daughter, yes; you do right to model in clay, to paint the lights and shadows of dyspepsia on china and fire your work. That's what I'd do with it if I got a chance.

Pottery is the oldest industry in the world. Adam was made of clay, and Cain got up the first kiln. Account heavy on the "n."—Bob Burdette.

A MOTHER'S LULLABY.

Come nestle your head on my bosom, love, O, sweet, winsome babe that you are! With eyes like the sky that is glowing above, And hair like the sheen of a star.

Lie close to my heart, while I sing to you A song of true happiness born. For the sun has slipped out of the sky-roof blue, And the birds to their tree-couches gone.

The flowers have folded their petals in rest, The stars hang their lamps in the sky; A breeze, with the mark of the rose on its breast, Goes dreamily wandering by.

The wee, wee moon, like a sickle of gold, Is low 'mong the far purple hills; The cricket, that shy, little turbulent scold, Her gossip still noisily tells.

All things go to rest, save the crickets and wind, To sleep till awake by the sun, When the glad little song-birds sew madrigals find.

To tell that a new day's begun, So close your pink eyelids in sleep, my dear, My darling one, pure as a star, And dream happy dreams till the morning dawns clear.

And the showery of night flee afar. —E. B. Love, in Good Housekeeping.

CONQUERED BY SNAKES.

A Gang of Outlaws Hounded In by an Army of Serpents.

The close of the civil war left some portions of the South in the hands of desperately wicked men. Particularly was this true of parts of Missouri, Mississippi, Arkansas, Louisiana and Texas.

In my territory, says a writer in the New York Sun, as I soon ascertained, were some of the worst desperadoes in the West.

"Captain, then ten days ar' up, an' I reckon Bill Dade hain't shown hisself."

"No, he hasn't come in."

"An' he won't, nuther."

"I don't expect he will."

"Wall, ar' you gwine ter let him an' his gang keep up their whoppin' an' shottin' an' killin'?"

"No, Bill Dade and his gang are now outlawed by proclamation. I am going to hunt them down and wipe them out."

"Right off, Captain?"

"As soon as I can arrange for it."

"You kin arrange right now, Captain. That's what I'm vere fur. How much a head if I wipe out the Dade gang?"

"Just five an' every one of 'em has committed murder an' wip a dozen times over."

"I can't offer a reward for their heads. I have outlawed them, and the military authorities have the right to shoot them on sight."

At that moment word was brought me that Dade's gang had come within two miles of headquarters and murdered two of the command who were stationed at a freedman's rendezvous to preserve order.

This daring man-hunter stepped into his canoe and paddled up the river about five miles. Then he carefully made a bayou to the right, and carefully made a bayou to the left, and high ground about two miles from the river.

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