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KINDERGARTEN VS KILLING-MACHINES

Recently this writer called attention to the fact that the premium money paid a firm of iron-clad manufacturers for extra speed of a war vessel would build, equip and conduct 207 kindergarten schools for two years. The opiniou was expressed that to start ten thousand poor little children right in life was of more importance than armies and navies. The contrast was a violent one and started not a few minds to considering the underlying principles. The Sunday Oregonian devotes a column of editorial to refuting the position taken, and argues with much ability on the value of a navy, and the necessity of being ready for war as an assurance of peace. He quotes Bacon, Solon and the New York Times as suthorities for maintaining a costly naval force. He cites Salamis, Lepante, can be made a source of profit in the Trafalgar and Actium, to show the danger of extinction from a naval power superior to our own.

Without wishing to engage the Ore- farmer and laborer who toll and progonian in controversy it occurs to any duce and taxpayers, have to rustle for a thinker that the authorities cited, and living without a dollar of help from the the naval battles referred to, are not government, will always consider that quite "apropos." We have passed the a base advantage has been taken of days of Bacon and Solon, though they them by the official class. The comboth taught that the force of moral mon citizen will be more and more exideas was the most potent civilizing cluded from a chance to enter the pub power. The fact that Cleopatra and lic service as long as nepotism prevails. Pompey lost their armies and governments at Actium has nothing to do with a situation such as exists in the United States [today, Bacon of 300 years ago and Solon of 3000 years ago are not to the point in this controversy.

Our country needs moral development. It needs employment for its millions of unemployed poor people, more than the boast of naval power or the pomp of warlike preparations against imaginary foes. We need a betterment of our moral forces more than a patchwork of a few millions here or there on a warship. The bands, rational development into better manhood and womanhood and a better type of citizenship, or all the navies and armies we can construct shall not save our nation from dissolution. Germany and England told us in our recent strike trouble that we were on the verge of destruction and it was true. So long as men can become multi-millionaires in a generation, while the wages of their employes are constantly ground ter. "-New York Recorder. lower and lower, and no material reduction in the price of the service such monopolies render, and laborers resort millions and billions of dangerous mito brute force and destruction of life and property our need is not of navles on the seas, but more wisdom at home. Our country has no foes abroad equal .reach the anarchist or assassin in our large cities. When harvest hands work for 75 cts. a day and the farmer is doing his work and boarding himself at a loss to put wheat on the market at 40 cts. which costs him 60 cts, a bushel, when money is constantly growing scarcer, when more and more are unemployed, is not a time when our nation can to advantage build more warships. The argument for navies and war has always been advanced for the protection of wealth, not for the uplifting of the masses. Charles Summer, of Massachusetts, and John Bright, of England, surely tower above the heads of ordinary writers and thinkers and they were opposed to armies and navies in time of peace. If we had a hundred ironelads, chances are we should not have a chance to shoot anyone for twenty years. Yet they would cost three to four hundred millions. day life. Hood's Sarsaparilla keeps the blood pure and less liable to absorb the Then we would not have ships enough to guard our coasts and harbors stretched along eleven thousand miles. While a navy may be of importance to our commerce, there are matters more Important and vital to our national growth and security.

DEMOCRATIC NEPOTISM.

Some papers pretend to find fault because Black, Murphy et al,, Democratic federal officials at Portland, are appointing each others sons to the fat places in the government positions at their disposal. They are only following the example of their superiors. The practice of nepotism has become so general from the cabinet and United States senators to pathmasters on the country road districts, that not to be guilty of it is rather reprehensible and a sort of political offence, a crime, not against the public treasury, but against the private purse, an outrage not on party ethics, but upon family privilege. The appointment of sons, daughters. nephews and relatives generally by the member of the family who gets office will tend to relieve the public service of some of its hardships that make office holding almost equal to working for a living. A man is not going to rebuke his own fiesh and blood for not doing work exactly right, nor dock his

daughter or wife for short hours, or raise a row because a little public cash disappears. The practice of nepotism will also encourage marriage and child-raising. By offering a pecuniary inducement, the much neglected industry of childgrowing will receive a stimulus. It is going to pay to have children if they

public se vice, Nepoti-m will never be very popular with the rank and file of any party. The

-New York Ledger.

But they do not count much anyhow !

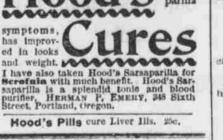
A surgeon's Terrible Mistake.

"A few years ago," said Charles J. Patterson of Philadelphia, "I learned the secret of the life of a man who had passed more than a quarter of a century with scarcely a smile. He had been a physician and sargeon and on one occasion had to remove an injured eye in artist. order to save the other eye and prevent total blindness. The night before the operation he had been drinking heavily with some friends, and although the following morning he was sober his hand was unsteady and his nerves unstrung

"After administering chloroform he made a fatal and horrible blunder, removing the well eye by mistake, and thus consigning his patient to perpetual the eyes, the hearts, the brains of a blindness. The moment he discovered say, but for years, since pictures of modmillion future citizens requires a more his error he turned the man over to a ern Paris have been so popular, it has been employed by many artists. competent surgeon, deeded everything



Indigestion, Cramps



Sharing the Burdens. The keynote of prosperous and suc-

pessful existence is justice. It matters little to what condition in life one may turn, this statement ap-

plies with equal force to all. It is necessary to share and share alike, so far as one's ability goes, the burdens of existence. To put upon one individual, one class or one nation the responsibilities that should be divided equally among all is one of the surest ways to bring about dissatisfaction and altimately open revolt. To every man his share of the burden is the only rule that will, for any length of time, hold

good, and the only one upon which healthy, steady and permanent prosperty can be established. Philanthropy, benevolence and good will toward men are all very well when defined in the right way, but when these words simply mean that one class or one individual shall take up the responsibility that of right belongs to another the terms lose their meaning and become only another mime for injustice.

Queer Studios. One day, says Henry Bacon in his book on contemporary French art, when f was coming up the Champs Elysees, a ab with the green blind down attracted my attention. It showed that some one was paying 2 francs an hour for the privilege of remaining stationary as long as he might choose to do so. Presently up went the curtain, and there ap-

peared the head of Jean Beraud, the At his invitation I put my head into the miniature studio to see his last pic-His canvas was perched upon the ture. seat in front, his color box beside him, and with the curtain down on one side to keep out the reflection and to hide himself from the prying eyes of passersby he could paint at ease through the opposite window a view of the avenue

as a background to a group of figures. Who originated this idea it is hard to



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he possessed to him and hurried from the neighborhood like a convicted thief. The remainder of his life was one constant round of remorse, and he rapidly developed into a confirmed misanthrope. of the royal Bengal tiger. The secret of his life was known to a number of people, but when it was tiger. finally revealed to me it explained a mystery and mado me respect the man, to ask you a question." for however grave was his original blunder, which in some respects was of all day." course worse than a crime, his repentance was of the most genuine charac-

Effects of Sunlight.

Where a river is polluted by sewage, crobes flourish in its water and are car- ger's eyes, "if I couldn't tell the differried along with it to spread disease and death around its banks unless their de- tie my stripes into a string and hang myvelopment is arrested. If the sun does self with it. Indeed I would," and the not shine upon such a river, it may be- elephant went back to seesawing on his come a peril to whole communities. to those at home. Warships will not But if the sunlight does reach it freely trunkfuls of dust and grass along his the germs are destroyed, and the water is kept comparatively free from infection

Recent experiments in Italy have shown that sunbeams are able to destroy bacteria in water at a depth of at least 20 inches beneath the surface. One might almost liken the rays of light in such a case to javelins and arrows piercing an enemy, for it has been found that the destructive action is greatly diminished if only the perpendicular sunbeams fall upon the water. The slaughter of the microbes is by far the greatest when both perpendicular and oblique rays enter the water uninterrupted. Like a ship in action, the sun is most powerful when it can rake the enemy with a cross fire. And it has to shoot its tiny arrows of light a long to shoot its tiny arrows of light a long way—almost 93,000,000 miles! Bnt, fortunately for us, they get here and the relief and cure of weak back, weak they are effective.-Youth's Compan

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"No," growled the tiger. "What's the difference?"

"Well," chuckled the elephant as he blew a washtubful of dust into the tience between myself and a jackass, I'd front legs and distributing occasional spinal column. - Detroit Free Press. Rabbit Skin Jelly.

According to Figaro, a new and successful industry has been discovered in the selling of rabbit skins to confectioners for the making of calf's foot jelly. The hair is taken off and used for stuffing of couches, manufacture of hats, etc.; then the skin is subjected to certain processes until the oils are extracted. It is said that over 5,000,000 skins are annually imported into England from Melbourne alona

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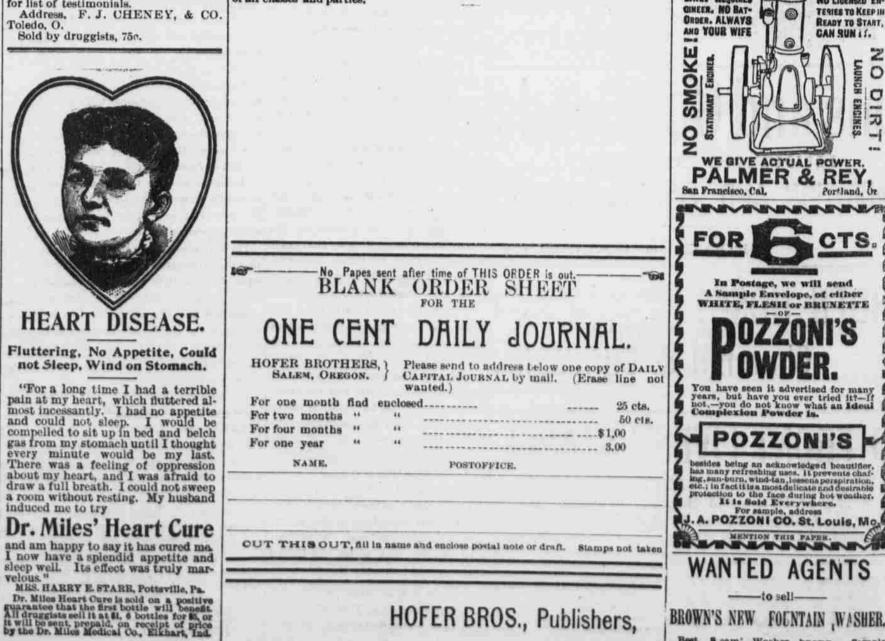
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