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MORE TALK ABOUT HARMONY.

There is a great deal of talk about the political factions in Oregon by people who seem to enjoy the fact that there have been factional differences and who seem to be discussing this question only with a view to increasing the breach. It is constantly repeated that the entire delegation at Washington is at odds with the President and that every recommendation made by the delegation is sure to be turned down, etc. Whereas, just the opposite of that condition seems to be the real state of affairs. Much fuss is, for instance, made over the statement that Mr. York was recommended by the entire delegation and turned down. The truth is he was not unqualifiedly recommended by even one of the delegation. Another howl goes up about the surveyor-general having been bounced. This was probably the case, but that gentleman had not been recommended by any member of the present delegation, in fact, he was probably the creature of a former delegation. The man who succeeded him, however, Hon. John D. Daly, of Benton county, was unanimously recommended by the present delegation, and received his appointment without question. In the case of Knowles, of the La Grande land office, Booth and Bridges, of the Roseburg land office, there seems to have been personal objections to these gentlemen on the part of the administration. They were held up for that reason, but even in these cases the delegation has been requested to agree on other persons, to whom there would be no personal objection, and from the newspaper accounts, which are not published in the interest of factionalism, it is quite apparent that the present delegation is receiving every courtesy due it at the hands of President Roosevelt. Where objectionable parties have been recommended, the delegation has always and in every instance been requested to name another party for the office, showing conclusively that it has been intended at all times to leave the matter of selecting the parties to be appointed to the delegation. As a matter of fact, the most cordial relations exist between President Roosevelt and the Oregon members. How could it be otherwise? The Journal does not always agree with Messrs. Mitchell and Fulton, and even when it would have been pleased to see a disagreement between either of them and the chief executive, it has always discovered that they "stood pat" at the other end of the line. Senator Mitchell, especially, has at times done things that displeased this writer, but, somehow, he has always managed to do the thing that pleased the President, and, of the two, it is not surprising that he should prefer to be on good terms with the head of the nation. But these are not personal matters, and should be looked upon from the standpoint of the greatest good for our state, and the constant agitation of partisanship is neither a benefit to the party, or any faction of the party, nor to the state itself. There is a cry from certain quarters of "harmony, harmony," but there is no harmony, and it may be possible that the gentlemen who are making this cry the loudest, have the least use for harmony. After a fight between two boys the situation can be adjusted, either by spanking them both and settling their differences, or by taking them both in hand and administering good, fatherly advice. But to eternally punish one, or applaud the other simply widens the breach and is a damage to all parties. This is equally true of politicians. To sit back and sulk and abuse the other fellow and ask for fair treatment yourself will eventually receive the condemnation of all.

Reading Table Talk

About the Newest and Best Books
and Magazines

A MAGAZINE IDEA.

An Opinion of the Russian-American Situation.

The intercourse of nations depends upon enlightened self-interest. Sentimental considerations can never hold out long when that self-interest is injured. The "traditional friendship of Russia for the United States," the diminution of which some of our Russian friends deplore, was merely a belief on the part of Americans that Russia was their friend, as against Great Britain, and a hope on the part of the Russians diplomatists and statesmen that they could use the United States as a check to Great Britain. The old American irritation against Great Britain has subsided notably since 1828. In the last two or three years, Russia has been irritating the Americans and treating them as if they were fools or children. She has lied steadily. That is her habit. She has broken her solemn engagements. She has suborned the Chinese to break theirs. She has practically slammed the celebrated open door in our faces. And she is "surprised" that she has lost American sympathy. Whose sympathy has she in Manchuria duplicities or the quarrel she has been trying to force upon little Japan? Having robbed Japan of the fruits of the war with China in 1895, she proceeded to gobble Manchuria, to menace Japan's influence in Korea, to urge upon Japan the closing of the Korean treaty-ports of Mokpo and Masampo, and to object to the opening by treaty of two other Korean ports, Yongsampo and Wiju. Poor Russia must have its ice-free port, but Corea's free ports must be closed to the commerce of the world. Russia is a hog; that is the plain English and fact of the case. She will exclude foreigners from commercial privileges as far as she can. Her ambitions and power are growing dangerous to the world. In a conflict with Japan, she will not have a friend on the merits of the case—Every body's.

Beautiful Easter Souvenirs.

Paul Elder and Company have sent us specimens of their Mosaic essays, very pretty booklets printed in artistic letterings and color work on rare paper for the Easter time. They are on such topics as Success, Happiness, Friendship and Nature and kindred subjects. They can be seen at Patton's Press, Book Store.

Literary Note.

Paul Elder and Company announce several volumes in press for early issue. Among them are the following: "Psychological Year Book," compiled by Janet Young; the purpose of the compilation being to illustrate the active influence of the power of thought in practical affairs; "The Simple Home," by Charles Keeler, being a discussion of the architectural construction and furnishing of the home building in the style suggested by the title, the volume is to have ten illustrations; "Fairy Tales Up To Now," by Wallace Irwin, author of the Love Sonnets of a Hoodlum; Being Old Myths Made Probable; the typography of this little humorous volume is to be on the scheme of the modern newspaper, in fact that thought is to be the motive from cover to cover, one blinding of the book being done in genuine newspaper matrix. The publishers will also have ready in time for the Easter season a series of Impression Broadsheds, being illuminated leaflets designed by W. S. Wright. Baker City Herald.

The twelve intended for this season will include selections from Sill, Browning, Muir, Stevenson and others. "Flowers of Fate" recently published has proved a great success and is having a large sale.

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Will Have Plenty of Work.

The county assessor of this county, whoever that may be, will have a busy time of it when elected to serve the next term. Aside from the regular work of the office, he will have to take a census of the county, as provided by the state law.

Every 10 years the assessors of the different counties in the state are required by law to take "an enumeration of the inhabitants and the industrial products" of their respective counties, the work commencing March 10th. The last time this was done was in 1895, which will bring the next census in March, 1905.

Malheur county's assessor will not have as easy a time as some of the assessors in the state; his work will lie over a scattered territory—through the mountains and out on the ranges, where the people are shifting from place to place, and conditions are ever changing.

In Multnomah county it is estimated that the work will require the services of at least 40 deputies, and there the property, products and people are bunched where they can be easily reached. In Malheur county six or eight men will have to do the work, searching for their data among the hills and mountains, and sage brush of the plains.—Ontario Argus.

Hard Times for Lacemakers.

With all France's prosperity, lamentations are being raised over the decay of the home-made lace industry which, says a correspondent, if matters go on as they are going now, will be a lost art in France. It is pointed out that half a century ago there were still over 50,000 dentilleres in the department of Calvados alone, who earned their four francs a day. In Auvergne there were more than 100,000, while Lorraine reckoned half that number. Now there are not 2000 of such lacemakers in the whole of Normandy, and Auvergne and Lorraine can only show 10,000. Depopulation has been rapid in the lacemaking districts. It is to the limitation trade, with its machinery, that the mischief is to be attributed. Out of 50 Parisian establishments which once gave employment to the women of a single rural district, only three have survived. It seems strange, in an age so luxurious as this, that the passion for real lace, of all things, should be numbered among the has-beens. Promoters of a movement to restore the industry, with the aid of the minister of commerce, are appealing to fashion to help them out. But they have powerful rivals in the manufacturers.

Do it Today.

The time-worn injunction, "Never put off 'till tomorrow what you can do today," is now generally presented in this form: "Do it today!" That is the terse advice we want to give you about that hacking cough or demoralizing cold with which you have been struggling for several days, perhaps weeks. Take some reliable remedy for it TODAY—and let that remedy be Dr. Boesch's German Syrup, which has been in use for over thirty-five years. A few doses of it will undoubtedly relieve your cough or cold, and its continued use for a few days will cure you completely. No matter how deep-seated your cough, even if dread consumption has attacked your lungs, German Syrup will surely effect a cure—as it has done before in thousands of apparently hopeless cases of lung trouble. New trial bottles, 75c; regular size, 75c. At all druggists. At Dr. Stone's drug stores.

They Hit the Pipe.

Awakened from their lethargy by an article in the Herald last evening relating to the known existence in Baker City of a hop joint, liberally patronized by white women of the under world and their male consorts, the police last night raided the joint and arrested two Chinamen and one white man. The Herald article caused the regular patrons of the place to stay away, which accounts for the small number of friends captured. They were given a hearing this morning before Acting Police Judge Messick and Hong Kong, a Chinaman, was fined \$10, and Frank Hill, a white man, was sentenced to the rock pile for 10 days. "There is but one way to clean out Baker City's iniquitous joints," said Judge Messick, "and that is to enforce the law. I propose to enforce it in every case coming before me, where the evidence justifies it."

THE HOUSEHOLD GUIDE

"When did you see Lucille and Edgar last?" asked Dick Wells one Sunday morning upon his return from a business trip, says the Chicago News.

"Last night," answered his sister, Alice, with a deep-drawn sigh.

"Anything wrong in the dovecote?" asked Dick, on the alert to hear about his youngest sister, a bride of a few weeks.

"The doves were not cooling last night, Dick. They didn't even twitter." "A family row already! Edgar always appeared to be a decent sort of chap, but I suppose one can never tell how a man will develop in domestic life. There's one thing certain. I won't stand for any funny business on his part. If he—"

"Now Dick, don't blame Edgar before you know anything about the matter. Lucille is not the abused wife you imagine."

"When I went into their little library last evening they were sitting in frigid silence. Edgar was reading and Lucille was trying to embroider, but her eyes were too full of tears to see her stitches."

"The brute!" interposed Dick. "Wait until I tell you the whole story. Of course, I saw immediately that something was wrong, and it was only a minute or two before Lucille motioned to me to follow her upstairs. 'I am a disappointed woman,' she sobbed, and, of course, the next moment she was in my arms crying just the way she did that day you threw her doll down the well."

"No digressions, if you please, Alice."

"I got the whole story out of her finally. A heavy snow fell night before last, and, as Lucille was seeing Edgar off yesterday morning he suggested that she hire a man to clear the walk in front of their house. She decided that no man was to be had, and that if the walk wasn't shoveled off immediately Edgar would come home and think she did not attend to his wishes as a dutiful wife should. She told Molly, the cook, to go out and sweep a path. Of course, you know what happened then. Molly assured her in a forceful manner that she had not been hired to do a man's work, and added that even a child like Lucille should know better than to ask her."

"Lucille reprimanded her for her impertinence, and Molly grew even more insulting, according to Lucille. Then what do you think your sister did? She retired with dignity to her rooms and took down a volume you gave her, 'The Housekeeper's Guide.' Upon consulting that valuable work she learned that one should never speak to a servant when angry. The more she thought of Molly's behavior the angrier she grew, so, of course, she couldn't speak to her all day, and she was so afraid she would and say something harsh that she did not dare go down stairs to lunch."

"When Edgar came home in the afternoon, Lucille was watching for him, and she ran to meet him at the door. He had the misfortune to inquire why the snow had not been shoveled off the walk. Lucille, who, of course, was not in a very amiable mood, took his inquiry as a criticism, and told him that she did her best to run his house satisfactorily, but that he did not appreciate his efforts. Then she told him that he must tell Molly that if she were not respectful and obedient she would have to go. Edgar declined. He told Lucille that he managed his office, and that it was her place to look after the affairs of the house. Lucille wept and told him that she couldn't say a word to Molly because she was angry with her, and she gave the 'Housekeeper's Guide' as her authority. Edgar said the book was tommyrot. Lucille then said he had insulted her brother Dick, who gave her the book. So, as I told you when, when I arrived they were not on speaking terms."

"Well, didn't you say something? Didn't you talk to Lucille and show her—"

"Now, Dick, of course I didn't see—"

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ture either of them. I prefer to let them settle their own troubles. I have enough worries of my own, without playing the thankless part of manager of other people's affairs."

"I see it all! Molly has left, and they have come home for Sunday dinner. Bless their hearts!" And Alice, a natural house mother, rushed to the door to let them in.

Clark and Buchanan.

George Clark, who was experting the books of Clatsop county, yesterday received a telegraphic message from George Buchanan, his business associate at Canyon City, Grant county, stating that Zach Martin, treasurer of the county, had committed suicide, and urging Mr. Clark's presence there immediately. Mr. Buchanan was experting the Grant county books at the time of the suicide.—Astorian.

Sensible Government.

The government of Belgium has issued an order that every newspaper in the country is entitled to free use of every railroad. The business of newsgathering the government regards as of great importance to the development of the nation. The government following this sensible and up-to-date view will find a free press of even more use than a standing army.

THE NEW VERSION.

A soldier of the Russians Lay Japped at Tschirvsk. There was lack of woman's sense And comforts which Might add to his last moments And sooth the final way. But a comrade stood beside him To hear what he might say. The Japped Russian faltered As he took that comrade's hand And he said, "I never more shall My own, my native land; Take a message and a token To some distant friend of mine. For I was born at Smilxvitzgorsk Fair Smilxvitzgorsk aki on Irkizvskimov."

—W. J. L. in New York

If Sad, Why? "I hear a sad story from the poverty of the Le Baron sons' who are living in New York. Mrs. Johnson was formerly Mrs. Hoffman, the idol of the debutantes. No girl ever had such influence as they, for no girl has since come who is quite so popular as she. Now she has spent all her money and lives on the miserable miser her husband earns by a clerk. They live in a poor quarter and Mrs. Johnson, who is not more than four, has suddenly become an old man in appearance, bent, worn and white haired. She and her husband, however, are fond of each other and happy over their baby. The Johnson's old friends have been her," says the San Francisco

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