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THE DYING YEAR

The Old Year dies! Upon that shriveled form,
That glowed so fair but twelve short months ago,
The ghost called Memory takes its sentinel watch
And lingers yet till History brings her scroll.

Farewell, farewell in that mysterious realm
Where Time has marked thy well-appointed niche,
Thou'lt still be link in that unending chain,
The spirit-flow that's called Eternity.

A DISGRACE TO THE GOVERNMENT.

When there has been as much fraud carried on in government and state lands, it is a shame and a disgrace that the department should drag two men before the grand jury like Senator Mitchell and Congressman Hermann.

Senator Mitchell is one of the oldest men in the senate in point of years and length of service. He is chairman of the committee to build the inter-oceanic canal, and ranks high in influence and position.

Congressman Hermann was commissioner of the general land office for six years, and handled about twenty-seven millions of public money, and never was accused of taking a penny directly or indirectly.

As congressman going on fifteen years, he has never been accused, even by the most rancorous political enemies, of taking a penny from any man, woman or child, directly or indirectly.

It is a shame and a disgrace, and an insult to the people of this state to single out their two most trusted public servants, and arraign them before a federal grand jury on the diaphanous charge of conspiracy to defraud the government.

The people of Oregon will uphold Senator Mitchell in his defiance of the public prosecutor and all his political enemies, to do their worst, and starting back to Washington, his post of duty.

Mr. Heney is doubtless doing his duty as he sees it, and trying to strike terror into the hearts of all who have practiced any fraud or deceit on the government in securing public lands.

He is a young man trying to make a reputation—a national reputation at a time when the indictment furor is running high in the whole country. But in seeking to humiliate and brand with infamy men who have spent their lives in the service of the people of the West. He is seeking to blacken stars in the sky, when he should be engaged in snuffing candles.

WANTED—A STREET COMMISSIONER.

The Young Men's Republican Club is understood to be working to have a young man appointed street commissioner.

They argue, we have no objection to any man for that office who is a good Republican, but we want progress.

They say why cannot we have a street commissioner who will push for better streets with all the vim that Judge Scott pushes for good roads?

It is certain that there has been a divided responsibility for the past year in the matter of the streets of Salem.

Street Commissioner Tarpley says he has done what the street committee and the city council has ordered him to do.

Chairman Geener, of the street committee says he has been overruled by the aldermen in putting unscreened gravel on the streets.

The young men say let us have a man who is enthusiastically in favor of better streets, and he will find ways and means to build them.

FAST AND FUTURE.

The dying year has brought its sorrows and joys, and while many will remember it only for the heartaches given, many others will treasure throughout their lives the thought of the happiness that was theirs. This has been true of all years, and will be the history of all that are to come. It is nature that some of us must pass beyond life's horizon each day, each week, each month, each year, and those who are left cannot understand, nor will we understand until all the years are rolled into eternity. Hope dries our tears, we see the bright side as we pass along, and joy is ours again.

A CHINESE CUSTOM.

In that old land of China it is said that the young people wait on their elders.

In our land of civilization the young people sometimes wait on the elders when they want something.

It is a common sight in our American

homes to see the mother and the father working for the young people.

Of course, that is part of their parental duty, but sometimes it is carried so far that mother or father work early and late, when the young people take their ease.

Ought we not imitate the Chinese more, and say to the young people—work and let your elders take their ease?

What is more beautiful than young people getting busy at housework, and saying to their parents—you rest, and we will be as respectful, at least, as the heathen Chinese.

"FAR SIGHT" FOR FAULTS.

The only thing that can easily be found where it does not exist is fault.

That is, you can easily find it in others. But in yourself, though you be blackened with it, you can't see it.

If the other fellow has a fault—and sometimes if he hasn't—you are quick to perceive it. And, of course, you know how it might promptly be remedied. It is the simplest thing in the world to know the remedy for the faults of the other fellow.

You incessantly find fault with the weather. It is either too warm or too cold, too wet or too dry, too sunny or too cloudy, and you have a good deal to say about it. Very seldom is a day just to your taste, and even then you are apt to complain that the morning may be bad. To hear you go on about it day after day and week after week, some simpleton might suppose that if you only had control of the weather for a while you would soon teach Divine Providence a thing or two.

And the times never suit you. It's either hard times, or else some other people are making too much money by methods you don't know anything about and so don't approve. Deep in your subconsciousness you are quite sure that money-making which you can't comprehend and can't imitate can't be honest. At the same time, for the man poorer than yourself you have little respect. Had he your energy and your intellect, you think, he would be as well off as you are. So you find grounds for complaint in that some men are richer than yourself and some poorer than yourself and that you are not richer than you are. To hear your voluble goings-on about it one might suppose that if you were regulating the complicated business affairs of the world they would be far better managed—even though you can't regulate your own present little part in them to your own satisfaction.

And the government is all wrong, too, in your opinion. As a matter of fact, you may confess to yourself that you are unable to vote with real discrimination for county sheriff, but you do think you know all about running the national government and settling all international difficulties. You may not know why your own ward has a boulder in the town council, but you can find all kinds of fault with the President of the United States or the Governor of the state.

You may be loudly preaching for world-wide peace, when you can't get along amicably with your own wife.

You may not be able successfully to run a little corner grocery but you think you know all about regulating the big trusts.

You don't know what are the elements of failure in your own business affair, but you think you know just exactly what are the faults of the great railroads.

You may not be able to write two sentences grammatically or think two connected thoughts consecutively, but you are probably finding fault with this able editorial and foolishly imagining that you could write a better one.

The trouble with you is easily diagnosed. It is one of the most common disorders under the sun. You are "far sighted" in your mental vision. You see only the things that are beyond the reach of your hands and are blind to those that lie about you. You see the faults of the other fellow but not your own.

And how much time and worry you waste over faults that are beyond your reach to remedy, and how many opportunities you miss to correct the faults that are directly under your own control.

Train your vision in upon yourself and see if you can't find, without aid of a magnifying glass, enough faults to correct, which will keep you out of other people's business the rest of your life.

What affair is it of yours that the Japs and Russians are bent on slaughtering one another? Of far more importance is it to the world and you that you cause your wife and your neighbors no ground for contention with you.

Of what avail are your puny protests against the weather? It is enough for you to take advantage of the sunshine and prepare for the rainy day.

No amount of complainings can change the times in the least. The most that may be done by the wisest of men is to fit himself into them.

See that your proposed political reforms begin at home. If you make an

honest and intelligent citizen of yourself you will have done the most you can possibly do toward establishing honest and intelligent government.

HO, FOR PANAMA!

The first flush and novelty of the war in the Philippines having been tasted and cast aside by adventurous young Americans, the next world-famous clime to be conquered by this indomitable race is Panama, says the East Oregonian.

The same thrill will fire the veins of the young American, in thinking of the dash to Panama, as filled his heart with hope and his mind with dreams of conquest when he marched away to embark for Luzon.

Men are wanted in Panama—strong, staunch, hearty, robust men, of physical prowess, horse sense, mulish tenacity and a bulldog nerve, all of which ingredients are found in plentiful supply on the Pacific coast.

The government wants clerks, bookkeepers, timekeepers, engineers, assistant surgeons, hospital experts, nurses, doctors, civil engineers, expert powder men, mining engineers, ditch engineers, steam engineers and all classes of laborers to oversee and have charge of the monstrous task of digging the canal.

For this service the government will pay the highest salaries ever paid by a parsimonious government for ability and capacity.

Applicants for the position of bookkeeper, timekeeper and clerks must be between 18 and 40 years of age, and will receive from \$1200 to \$1800 per year and all expenses.

For the hospital service, surgeons, physicians and nurses between the ages of 20 and 50 are wanted at salaries ranging from \$1200 per year for hospital assistants to \$250 per month for surgeons.

Civil engineers are wanted, from 25 to 50 years of age, at salaries reaching from \$85 per month for chainmen to \$300 per month for chief engineers to have charge of surveys.

Steam shovel engineers and steam crane men from 25 to 50 years of age are wanted at salaries of \$190 to \$220 per month.

All these employees must be sound in body and mind, of splendid physique, because of the enervating climate, and of splendid morals because of the horrible temptations of the Spanish towns on the isthmus and in close proximity to the canal zone.

The only examinations to be conducted in the west for the positions will be at Cheyenne and Denver on January 10 and 18.

Panama will be the most intolerable climate ever tackled by an American, but if common sense, rigid military discipline and the most strict and minute sanitary regulations prevail and are fearlessly enforced, it will not be so bad as pictured at present.

France killed 50,000 natives in 10 years on the isthmus, but there was chaos in all the camps and debaucheries and intemperance among all classes.

These will kill men in better climates, and if followed will soon end the primrose path in such a spot as Panama.

American sense and discipline have made Havana a fit place in which to live. The same virtues are making of Manila and Honolulu models of health and cleanliness. Colon and Panama City will yield to the same treatment.

X-RAYS

Grand juries and weather bureaus are pretty uncertain things to tie to.

New Year resolutions are good to make. Even if you find that you break over, it is better to make the trial and fail than not to try at all. Don't make them with the mental reservation that you'll give them up in a pinch, for if you do you'll have no difficulty in arranging the said pinch. Make them in good faith and honesty and you'll discover the heroism to keep them inviolate.

New Year Resolutions.

Shout the song of happiness,
Let the wild bells ring,
Send the gladness all along,
Cheerfully we sing.

Resolutions all spread out,
Come and take a few,
Know you'll pass them up again—
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STATE SOCIAL NEWS

Mrs. Edna Bramlet died at her home in Fruitland Saturday morning. The funeral was held at the residence Sunday 10 o'clock a. m. The services were conducted by Mr. Mitchell. Interment was had at Macleay.

Alva Jackson went to Eugene Tuesday to visit relatives.

There was a social dance at Mr. Bowden's Friday night.

The Christmas exercises were held Saturday evening at the church. A good number were present. The children did their part well. The tree held presents for both old and young.

A party was held at Mr. Brokaw's Monday evening. All present report a splendid time.

The subject for debate at the Literary and Debating Society was decided in favor of the affirmative. The subject for next Tuesday evening is: "Resolved, That it is better to have the respect of the people than their love."

The family of Mr. J. F. Wisner moved to Salem Tuesday.

Fight Will Be Bitter.

Those who will persist in closing their ears against the continual recommendation of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, will have a long and bitter fight with their troubles, if not ended earlier by fatal termination. Read what T. R. Beall, of Beall, Miss., has to say: "Last fall my wife had every symptom of consumption. She took Dr. King's New Discovery after everything else had failed. Improvement came at once and four bottles entirely cured her. Guaranteed by J. C. Perry, druggist. Price 50c, \$1.00. Trial bottles free."

Eisteddfod at Utica.

Utica, N. Y., Dec. 31.—Delegations from musical and literary societies are here from various parts of New York and Pennsylvania, with a few from across the Canadian border, to take part in the Eisteddfod which opens tonight and concludes Monday. The liberal prizes offered in the various competitions has attracted an unusually large attendance. The affair is held under the auspices of the Cymreigydion society of this city.

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