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A CONFESSION.

Dear little boy, with wondering eyes, That for the light of knowledge yearns...

Though oft I shake my head and smile To hear your childish questions flow...

Dear little boy with eager heart Forever on the quest of truth, Your riddles oft are past my art...

Dear little boy with hand in mine, Together through the world we fare, Where much that I would fain divine...

MACHINE WITHOUT EFFICIENCY.

While the newspapers were able to present the purpose of the Multnomah delegation...

The delegation showed determination to secure the speakership, but having secured that, let things drift.

If the Multnomah delegation had acted with a purpose there would have been more results.

There was no unity or harmony between the members from Multnomah in the two houses.

they were interested would have saved the day on many matters. So they lost their commission bill, their park bill, their census bill, Cascade county, the Jayne mill, Clark county, etc., etc.

They gave the opposition the chairmanship of the standing committee on resolutions which became a disintegrating force during the entire session.

Well, it may be better for the state that they were so ignorant of the game of politics, but little satisfaction to their friends who put them in a position to do things and saw them fail.

ONLY A WOMAN.

Miss Ida Tarbell is only a woman, but she can think and write.

For years she has been battering away with her typewriter at the Standard Oil iniquity.

At last legislatures and congress are acting. They have been reaching and thinking.

Saturday Miss Tarbell suggested that pipe lines be declared common carriers, subject to regulation by law.

Monday senators and representatives fall over each other to be first to enact her suggestions into law.

Great is Tarbell, if she is only a woman. If she keeps up her lick she may be President some day.

The two great forces that rule the world are mind and money—intelligence and wealth.

In the final conflict the latter is always subordinated by the former. Mind conquers money.

Mind is not the possession of the male sex alone. Nowhere in the world is this fact more patent than in our country.

Deprived of the ballot, with many laws and customs still against her, woman is winking her way against all obstacles.

In the empire of mind she is mistress of the world far more completely than in any other realm. Ida Tarbell against the four hundred millions of the Standard Oil.

PULPIT AND POLITICS.

The Portland Journal applauds ministers who take up political propositions in their pulpit and thresh them out in their pulpits.

Of course, that is its present scheme of uniting the Democratic party in Oregon with the Prohibitionists and

church-agitators. But is it sound in principle.

Is it not a restoration of what the church in all countries has sooner or later accomplished—grasp the reins of secular power? Is it not secularizing the church and religionizing the state?

Is it not restoring the partnership in government between the churches and the politicians who want power at any price? The revolutions of the past have all been against church and state.

This team hitching up together may work better in our country than in others, but in all lands where it has prevailed the church has become weak and the government corrupt.

Whether it is Rabbi Wise or Methodist bishop or Catholic priest who mounts the pulpit to expound political campaigns its effect is the same, and the result can be discovered by any student of history.

PAY OF MEMBERS AND CLERKS.

The Eugene Register hits the nail squarely on the head when it says that the clerkship graft will not be done away with until Oregon gets wise and provides a decent salary for the members of the legislature.

There are clerks in the legislature today receiving much higher salaries than are paid to the lawmakers. Small boys who are serving as pages, and who are incapable of earning more than 50 cents a day at any other occupation, are drawing \$5 a day out of the public treasury, while the senators and representatives are allowed only \$3.

This condition of affairs is nothing short of ridiculous, the graft will continue, however, until the legislators are paid a salary sufficient to justify them in employing clerks at their own expense.

When this is done, there will be no danger of more clerks being employed than are actually needed. The present system merely provides an opportunity for the payment of personal political debts at the expense of the people, but there is not much hope for any immediate relief from the graft, and \$8 committee clerks and \$5 pages will probably increase in number with each succeeding session of the Oregon legislature.

The Journal never supported Senator Mitchell for election, except in 1893. It supported Corbett twice. It has never had the publication of land notices. It has only asked fair play for any accused man.

X-RAYS

A few more vetoes wont hurt anything, Governor.

A legislature is a master opportunity for a political bar.

The Burns-Rame libel suit will be one of the hottest things ever tried before a court.

A great Asiatic race question is the cry, "Arabia for the Arabs." Well, let 'em have it.

The Massachusetts legislature and the annual Bay State dog show are on exhibition at the same time.

New York has some muddy streets. That ends it. No street improvement at Salem for the next 40 years.

It would have savored a little too much of progress for this legislature to have created a few new counties.

It is not known where the whipping post is to be located at Salem, but it is to be hoped it will be out of sight.

The legislative boarding house keeper counteth her coin and prepareth to spend the rest of the winter in Southern Oregon.

The little girl with the big bundle of books that she has had at home studying nights is still the greatest promoter of race suicide.

It will take about ten French revolutions to secure the reforms that are really needed by the people of Russia—ten wide, ten deep, and ten long.

Lots of young people go wild over basket-ball who would never think of going out and picking up a basket of chips for mother to get supper with.

W. W. Steiwer, who is indicted for land frauds, was always a member of the Simon faction. So were a number of Salem men connected with the land business.

Nebraska editors are in session at Kearney, Neb. They are discussing such redhot topics as the anti-pass

question, newspaper libel and a direct primary law.

So the specialist said you'd have to give up smoking for a while, eh? "Yes, and he also said I would have to give up \$15 for good."—Collier for February 18.

It would seem as though Prince Louis of Battenburg could be landed safely in this country with something less than a whole squadron of the navy. A small tug would do.

The number of persons who are willing to come to Oregon and live if we will give them a quarter section of good government land, and a position with a good salary, is still large.

The free rural mail and the farmers' telephone are reconstructing our government and making it more democratic. If the parcel post were added, we don't know what would occur.

Members of the legislature are at home picking up the lost threads of their private business and considering the profit of making seventeen kinds of a fool of yourself for \$3.00 per day and mileage.

Miss Dolly Hefty is one of the few young lady editors and newspaper publishers of Oregon. It is unnecessary to add that the Gardiner, Douglas county, Gazette is a clean and patriotic newspaper.

The editor of the Glendale News is making a hard fight for roads to the mines. The development of the country depends more on good roads, electric trolley lines and branch lines of railroad than on anything else.

Rain, rain, most glorious rain, How glad we all are that you've come again.

We meet you with kindness, we greet thee of old,

Us Webfeet like water better than cold.

The Astoria Astorian (Rep.) speaks of "the gang of Democratic politicians who have to a great extent controlled the political affairs of the city and county, aided and abetted by weak-minded Republicans, when it came to passing the charter over the veto of a Democratic politician, the Republicans had the short end of the fight." The

SAVE SOMETHING

He who earns a small salary and saves part of it is better off than he who earns a large salary and spends all. No matter how small your income, something should be regularly laid by for future needs.

No one's income is so small that something, even if only a very little, cannot be saved.

SAVE THAT LITTLE. We Solicit the Accounts of all Who Wish so Save

Savings Bank Department Capital National Bank.

thirteen Republicans who voted with the ten Democrats to sustain the veto probably did not relish getting in that unlucky and fatalistic number.

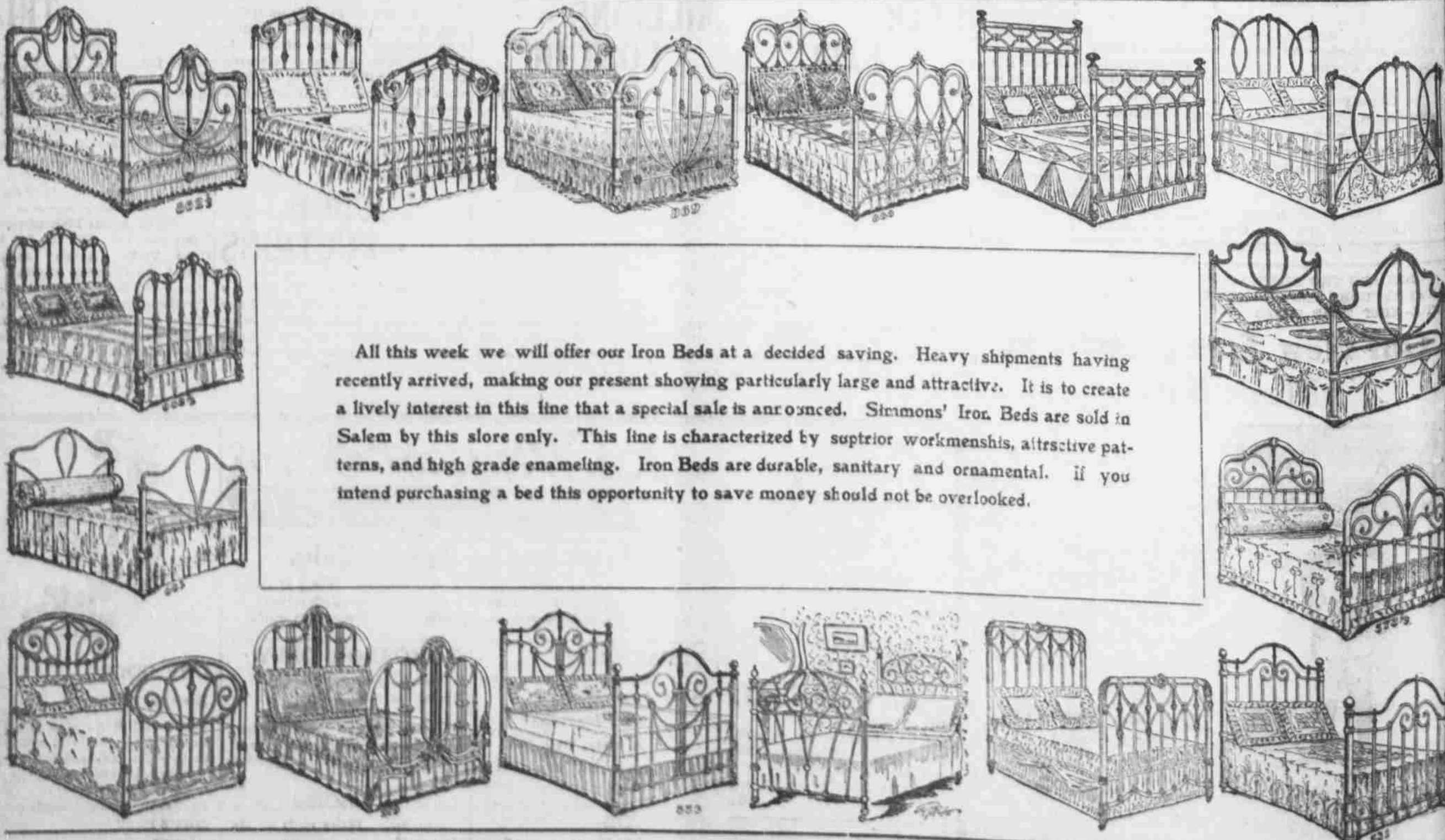
The bill introduced in the legislature for publishing the laws enacted at Salem in all newspapers of Oregon was killed before it had a real chance to breathe. Our lawmakers expect people to obey the laws, but give them no means of finding out what the law really is. If they were published in every newspaper in the state, the "ignorance would be a crime."

As only a favored few get a copy of the Laws of Oregon, published in book form; the great majority of our people know little about the laws passed in gross at capitol headquarters. Publishing them in newspapers, at cost to the state would be but a little more than is now paid.—Hillsboro Independent.

Peculiar Disappearance.

J. D. Runyan, of Butlerville, Ohio, laid the peculiar disappearance of his painful symptoms, of indigestion and biliousness, to Dr. King's New Life Pills. He says: "They are a powerful remedy for dizziness, sour stomach, headache, constipation, etc." Guaranteed at J. C. Perry's drug store, price 25c.

Special Price on Iron Beds



All this week we will offer our Iron Beds at a decided saving. Heavy shipments having recently arrived, making our present showing particularly large and attractive. It is to create a lively interest in this line that a special sale is announced. Simmons' Iron Beds are sold in Salem by this store only. This line is characterized by superior workmanship, attractive patterns, and high grade enameling. Iron Beds are durable, sanitary and ornamental. If you intend purchasing a bed this opportunity to save money should not be overlooked.

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