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ABANDONMENT NOW A FELONY.

Abandonment is now a felony in New York state. The man who deserts his wife and children can be extradited and brought back from another commonwealth. The penalty is not greatly increased, but the offense has been changed by a law that Gov. Higgins recently signed from a misdemeanor to a felony.

Magistrates' courts have a constantly increasing number of abandonment cases brought to their attention. Abandonments are increasing even more rapidly than divorces. A divorce takes time and costs money. Abandonment is simpler and easier. Hitherto it has also been comparatively safe, as there was little chance of arrest even on the man's returning to New York.

Abandonment is a more serious offense than many crimes which are more heavily punished. Especially where there are infant children, the suffering which results from it deserves certain punishment. Every man should be made to understand the responsibility he assumes when he marries and brings children into the world, and that he cannot evade this responsibility by flight.

THE WORLD'S WEALTH.

The per capita circulation of the world, as estimated by the director of the mint, now is \$9.47 and is being increased at the rate of about 25 cents per annum in gold. The director of the mint, in his estimate, places the population of the world at 1,285,000,000. He estimates the amount of gold in circulation at \$5,382,000,000; silver, \$3,869,000,000; uncovered paper, \$2,933,500,000. This makes a total of \$12,184,500,000, which probably is the most accurate estimate that can be made.

Reduced to a per capita basis this is equivalent to \$4.10 in gold, \$3 in silver, and \$2.28 in paper. In other words, very nearly one-half of the money in the world is gold. When it is remembered that this covers civilized and uncivilized countries, and countries on a silver basis as well as a gold basis, the fact that nearly one-half of the money in the world is gold certainly is an excellent showing.

The United States has a larger stock of gold than any other country in the world. As a matter of fact this country holds nearly one-half of the total amount of gold estimated to be in circulation in the world. The supply of gold, both of bars and gold coin, held by the national banks and the United States treasury approximates \$2,225,000,000. This is far in excess of the stock of gold of any other country in the world. This showing appears all the more remarkable when it is remembered that only a few years ago it was a question if this country was to continue on a gold basis and foreign bankers were withdrawing their investments from this country fearing a depreciation in currency.

WILL BENEFIT COAST.

There has been some mistaken criticism of President Roosevelt for putting Theodore P. Shonts, a railroad man, at the head of the Panama canal commission. Captious persons have been disposed to see in it a disposition to favor the great transportation interests of this country. But the choice was wisely made, for the reason that superior executive ability and experience were needed in the position, and experience were needed in the position. Shonts in the railroad service had demonstrated his fitness.

The new commission is going ahead in the right way. Its decision to

double-track the Panama railroad and put on additional steamships so as to give a five-day service at the terminal ports, shows an intention to benefit the public. Under old conditions the Isthmian railroad and the connecting steamship lines were controlled by the great overland transportation companies of the United States, and operated so as to permit as little competition as possible by way of Panama. This was bad and led to abortive efforts to establish an independent steamship line. But with the Panama road operated by the government, in the interests of the people, and adequate steamship accommodation at Isthmian ports, there will be a great change for the better, from which the coast will derive much profit.

This little Panama line seems likely to prove a great object lesson to the people of the United States as to the desirability of government ownership. It will open their eyes to the obvious fact that the government can operate a railroad as well and as cheaply as any private corporation, and that when road is managed for the public benefit, instead of private profit, it may be made a great help to industrial development and the growth of commerce. A still greater lesson in the advantages of national ownership will be the canal itself, destined to be of vast benefit to the Pacific coast.

STATE NEWS

The new creamery at Eugene is expected to be in operation the first of May.

A Rebekah lodge has been organized at Glendale with over 30 charter members.

Cottage Grove merchants will close their stores at 7 o'clock p. m. after May 1.

Another big cougar has been killed near the Bohemia mines—the fourth one within a few weeks.

Six members of Company B of Ashland have been appointed guards at the Lewis and Clark fair.

The report of the county treasurer of Douglas county shows a balance of \$19,075.84 on hand April 1.

A pleasure boat is to be put on the upper Rogue river this season. It is a gasoline launch of a large type.

Max Baumgart was arrested at Albany charged with keeping his saloon open on Sunday. He pleaded not guilty.

The new city hall at Astoria will be completed by June 1. The Astorian says it will be the finest city hall in the state.

John B. Wrisley, one of the oldest pioneers of Jackson county, died Monday at Persim. He was 86 years old, and came to Oregon in 1849.

Whiskey is being sold at Lebanon in violation of the local option law, and the people there propose to see that the business is stopped.

The Lebanon paper mill, flouring mill, tannery and cannery will each have a display in Linn county exhibit at the Lewis and Clark fair.

The Albany orchestra has been engaged to play the instrumental accompaniment of Belshazzar that will be presented at Corvallis this week.

The Independence creamery is doing a good business this season. The first day of April 1113 pounds of butter were turned out—the highest one day's record.

Andrew A. Sipola was accidentally drowned yesterday afternoon at Booth's Ferry, at Astoria. He was aged 21 years, and a member of the Finnish Brotherhood and Temperance society.

A 17-year-old boy of Kerby has built a miniature locomotive out of lead and tin that will run, and several railroad men are trying to get him a position in the railroad shops so he can develop his mechanical ingenuity.

The voice department of the Normal school at Ashland will put on Gilbert & Sullivan's opera of "Patience" Friday night. The opera will be elaborately costumed, leading costumers of San Francisco having been engaged to attend to this feature.

Beeman and Jewell, who are operating in Rogue river near Grants Pass, were arrested April 13, on complaint of W. R. Williams, state water bailiff, charged with fishing out of season, says the Medford Oregonian. They had about two tons of fish on ice when apprehended. While Mr. Williams was getting out the warrants Beeman and Jewell threw all of the fish into the river, but 107 of them were recovered. The defendants were fined \$30 and costs.

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The clowns are all headliners. There are seven of them. They are side-splitting, button-hole bursting and laugh-making.

On Friday afternoon there will be a balloon race from the show grounds. This is the acme of human daring.

To enumerate in one article all the features would be impossible, but, briefly stated, it is a perfect carnival of aerial specialties, produced by the foremost specialists in their line. Marvelous trapeze performances. Hazardous aerial bar feats. Wonderful return and catching acts. Thrilling high-air equilibrium. Daring teeth ascensions at dizzy heights. Laughable aerial comedy scenes. Exciting high-wire exploits. Dangerous dare-devil episodes. Feats, contortions and every conceivable form and manner of high-air achievements by an army of human beings, flying, darting, climbing, walking, driving and somersaulting through and in the air like unwinged birds.

Remember the date, Salem, one week, commencing next Monday evening, May 1st. Two performances will be given daily at 2 and 8 p. m.

A Blow to Vermifuge.

The Mexican consul general at Buenos Ayres informs his government that by a late scientific discovery it has been proved that the tapeworm is the natural enemy of the germ of consumption, and that the latter cannot exist when the other is present.

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SCHOOL BOARD VOTES TO ALTER CONTRACT

The school board held a special meeting Tuesday evening to consider the matter of reimbursing the contractors, Welch & Mourer for the error made in the specifications under which the contract for the building of the new high school was awarded.

The contract calls for the digging of the foundation to a certain depth, but when the contractors had reached the required depth under the street survey as made by Alderman and Surveyor Gesner they were still short of the foundation, it being apparent that an error had been made in the survey.

The meeting of the school board was called for the purpose of appropriating

\$1643.76, as the sum was required in addition to the contract price, in order to secure a permanent foundation for the new building.

This is the first bill for extra work allowed, and it materially increases the cost of the new structure. The work will not be retarded by the change in the plans, and the contractors expect to commence laying the brick within a few days, and the time for completing the building was extended six days.

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