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THE CRITIC.

A mud-turtle sat on a stone in the sun,
And blinked in a slow stupid way;
A vain little fly
Came loitering by
He stopped on that same rock to say
"You're the ugliest creature that ever I saw;
You are clumsy, and stupid and slow,
And just how you manage at living at all,
Is a think I should much like to know."

But the little mud-turtle spoke never a word
As he sat on the stone in the sun;
He wearily blinked,
He thought as he winked,
That a wise fly would let him alone,
But the fly had grown proud of his power to torment,
And he buzzed at the mud-turtle's head
Till the turtle at last gave one short snap,
And the critical insect was dead.

It is really too bad that the fly never knew
That turtle was wiser than he;
For a creature that thinks
As it winks and it blinks
May a dangerous enemy be.
And because one can chatter and buzz, and annoy
'Tis no proof he is clever or wise.
He may do no more good than to serve as the food
For the one whom he feigns to despise.

SUGGESTIONS FOR SALEM FROM A MISSOURI TOWN.

What a live and active commercial club can do for a town is indicated in the case of Hannibal, Missouri.

Hannibal is chiefly known afar as the early home of Mark Twain. For many years the town was content to rest with its laurels as **THE BOYHOOD HOME OF THE GREATEST AMERICAN HUMORIST.**

Mark Twain himself had made it famous in his writings, such as "Tom Sawyer" and "Huckleberry Finn," in which books the Hannibal of sixty years ago is described.

But that Hannibal was only a village, a small, straggling collection of houses lying in a valley between the hills that rise north and south from the bank of the mighty Mississippi.

EVEN NOW SOMEBODY OCCASIONALLY REFERS TO MANNIBAL AS A VILLAGE.

As a matter of fact, Hannibal grew considerably after Mark Twain left there.

So did every other western town which time and chance blessed with a railroad or two.

Hannibal got to be a city of about 12,000 people, **BUT THAT WAS ITS LIMIT IN THE NATURAL ORDER OF THINGS.**

It had grown up to just as big a town as the agricultural country lying back of it could support.

That country was all cultivated and developed so there was no natural economic reason why Hannibal should grow just of itself beyond its little old 12,000 or so, which it maintained with **SCARCELY A FLUCTUATION THROUGH SEVERAL DECADES.**

Less than ten years ago Hannibal began to wake.

A commercial club was organized.

Some of the leading business and professional men got together and said to themselves:

"We have here a beautiful town, with a fine climate, several railroads and one river—the biggest ever.

WHY DON'T WE GROW?

We have grown to the limit as a farming community, and what we need now is factories—just factories.

Let's reach out and get a few!"

THAT WAS GOOD STIFF TALK.

Hannibal was tired of being known as the somnolent village where Sammy Clemens white washed the fence—or bribed the other boy to do it.

SO THE BUSINESS MEN REACHED OUT.

The first thing that came Hannibal's way was a shoe factory.

IT DID NOT COME WITHOUT PULLING.

Other good towns wanted it too.

But Hannibal wanted it so badly that special inducements were offered.

Hannibal got it. With the shoe factory came an increase in population.

Many skilled workers were required.

Besides this, many of the local young folks who had been merely hanging to the ragged edge of existence—out of jobs most of the time—soon found profitable employment and grew to be skilled workers.

Thus the shoe factory worked both ways.

IT BROUGHT NEW PEOPLE, AND IT PUT NEW LIFE INTO THE OLD PEOPLE.

Of course it helped business generally, for the weekly payroll was large and the people spent it right in Hannibal.

The next thing was a whole lot bigger than a shoe factory.

It was a regular sten-strike. For some years a rocky region south of the city had been suspected of being guilty of portland cement.

The commercial club of Hannibal induced experts to visit the place and examine the ground.

After much fuss and furor a big company was organized, cement plant costing more than a million dollars was established, and in one large lump about 5000 population was added to Hannibal.

THE TOWN GREW SO FAST THAT YOU COULD ALMOST SEE IT EXPAND.

New business blocks in brick and stone began to go up. New bank buildings appeared. New hotels with private baths were built.

Only four years ago Mark Twain went to Hannibal to see if he could find any old boyhood friends.

He stopped at the biggest hotel in town and asked the clerk for a room with a bath.

The clerk stared at him in amazement.

NOBODY HAD DARED SUCH A PREPOSTEROUS SUGGESTION IN THE HISTORY OF HANNIBAL.

But if Mark Twain should go there now he would find a hotel with private baths and private telephones.

The commercial club did it.

Hannibal is now a thriving city with about 20,000 people.

It is still reaching out after factories, because every factory means a considerable increase in the population.

ALL INCREASES MEAN MORE BUSINESS FOR THE BUTCHER, THE BAKER, AND THE BUILDER, NOT TO SPEAK OF THE BANKER.

The country is full of just such towns as Hannibal, which have within themselves the possibility of much larger growth.

The right kind of commercial club or board of trade can do the business.

WOMAN AND CARDS.

(Independence West Side.)

In Seattle last Thursday a boy of seventeen years by the name of McLeland was arrested with two others for holding up a man on the street. When questioned concerning his home he said:

"There is no use going there. Mother is having a card party this evening **AND HAS NO TIME FOR ME.**"

The officer, nevertheless, took the boy home, only to find that he had spoken the truth.

The mother refused to listen to the officer because it would interrupt the card games.

"LOOK UP THE BOY'S FATHER, I HAVE NO TIME NOW."

The officer served a subpoena upon the woman to appear at the hearing of the case and departed with her boy for the jail.

HOW MUCH COMMENT IS NEEDED UPON THE ABOVE?

It seems to us that the mere recital of the story would fill with terror the heart of the mother who loved, yet for this, or for other cause, neglected her boy or girl.

THIS WAS NOT THE FIRST TIME THIS MOTHER HAD NO TIME FOR HER BOY.

How far back did the neglect run to bring the boy to such a condition?

We imagine some one will say, angrily, "But this is an exceptional case."

Yes, so was the case of Evelyn Nesbit Thaw's mother; exceptional because their sin found them out in such a way **THAT THE DETAILS BECAME PUBLIC.**

We do not wish to sermonize; we think the story itself is much too vivid to need much comment.

Only this much further: the vice of **NEGLECTING ONE'S CHILDREN IS BECOMING FAR TOO PREVALENT**, and is sapping the foundations of morality and of the nation.

Take care of the boys and the girls and vice and crime will vanish as if exercised by a magician's wand.

OREGON LONGS FOR DELIVERANCE.

When will the boodie bosses of Oregon be brought up with a sharp turn, as has been done in Frisco?

There are vague rumors that a large fund has been raised at Portland **TO BRING THEM TO TIME THERE.**

It takes money to investigate and lay bare and publish to the world the corruption that exists.

The Capital Journal was abused a few months ago when it said **OREGON HAD ITS ABE RUEFFS**

Local politicians, who are sensitive on such matters, flew into fury at The Journal's statement.

Will any well-informed man deny that a fund of \$1,000 would not dig up grafts right here in the Capital?

Is our city, county, school and state government so perfect that we would find **NO ILL-GOTTEN GAINS, NO TAINTED MONEY?**

The people of Oregon long for deliverance from all grafts all the way from Portland to the local county governments.

Take the little item of the way the Oregon school lands have been grabbed and frittered away, so that this state has one dollar of school funds to show where adjoining states have five to seven dollars?

BASEBALL SCHEDULE.

Local Baseball Teams to Begin Series of Games June 10 and Close August 30.

This season's games which will be played under the auspices of the Salem Baseball League promise to be of great interest to the lovers of the old-time sport. There will be four teams in the league, the Y. M. C. A., the Merchants, the Woolen Mills and the Fairmount club. The management of each team is busily engaged arranging the personnel and the line-up of its respective aggregation. The games will be played on the University field, and will be free to the public. The schedule of the contests is as follows:
Merchants vs. Y. M. C. A. June 10
Woolen Mills vs. Fairmount June 12
Merchants vs. Woolen Mills June 14
Y. M. C. A. vs. Fairmount June 17
Merchants vs. Fairmount June 19
Woolen Mills vs. Y. M. C. A. June 21
Woolen Mills vs. Fairmount June 24
Merchants vs. Y. M. C. A. June 26
Merchants vs. Woolen Mills June 28
Fairmount vs. Merchants July 1
Woolen Mills vs. Y. M. C. A. July 3
Y. M. C. A. vs. Fairmount July 5
Y. M. C. A. vs. Merchants July 8
Woolen Mills vs. Fairmount July 10
Merchants vs. Woolen Mills July 12
Fairmount vs. Y. M. C. A. July 15
Merchants vs. Fairmount July 17
Y. M. C. A. vs. Woolen Mills July 19
Woolen Mills vs. Fairmount July 22
Merchants vs. Y. M. C. A. July 24
Woolen Mills vs. Merchants July 26
Merchants vs. Fairmount July 29
Woolen Mills vs. Y. M. C. A. July 31
Y. M. C. A. vs. Fairmount Aug. 2
Merchants vs. Y. M. C. A. Aug. 5
Woolen Mills vs. Fairmount Aug. 7
Merchants vs. Woolen Mills Aug. 9
Y. M. C. A. vs. Fairmount Aug. 12
Fairmount vs. Merchants Aug. 14
Woolen Mills vs. Y. M. C. A. Aug. 16
Fairmount vs. Woolen Mills Aug. 19
Merchants vs. Y. M. C. A. Aug. 21
Woolen Mills vs. Merchants Aug. 23
Fairmount vs. Y. M. C. A. Aug. 26
Y. M. C. A. vs. Woolen Mills Aug. 28
Merchants vs. Fairmount Aug. 30

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High school building, 75 cords of fir.
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