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THE LADDER OF ST. AUGUSTINE.

Saint Augustine! well hast thou said, That of our vices we can frame A ladder, if we will but tread Beneath our feet each deed of shame.

The low desire, the base design, That makes another's virtues less; The revel of the ruddy wine, And all occasions of excess;

We have no wings we cannot soar; But we have feet to scale and climb By slow degrees, by more and more, The cloudy summits of our time.

MOVEMENT OF THE FLEET.

Congressman Hull, chairman of the house committee on military affairs, is quoted as saying that "in Iowa we feel that we have the right to send our fleet anywhere we please."

We do not see why any one except those who will lose the sale of some supplies and repairs to the fleet should give the visit of the battle-ships to this coast, or even their permanent transfer here, a second thought.

It is proper and natural that the big fleet should be where the greatest danger exists, and if there is any danger at all, which we do not believe, it is in the Pacific rather than in the Atlantic.

And the more formidable the fleet on this coast the least likelihood of any use for it.

We presume that some of the ships will return to the Atlantic in due time.

We are morally certain that most of them will stay here. And they ought to stay here.

We know Great Britain. We know France. We know Germany. Nobody knows Japan, and until we do know that people better it is just as well that our fleet is where it can see what is going on.

A nation so new in the family of nations, and which seems more disposed to quarrel than the rest of the family combined needs watching a little.

IT IS CERTAIN THAT WE SHALL NEVER ATTACK JAPAN. WE BELIEVE IT TO BE CERTAIN THAT JAPAN WILL NOT ATTACK US DURING THE PRESENT GENERATION.

BUT WE KNOW THERE ARE JINGOES IN JAPAN WHO DECLARE THAT EITHER THE JAPANESE SHALL BE ALLOWED TO OVERRUN THE EARTH OR THEY WILL FIGHT, AND NEITHER WE NOR THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT ITSELF CAN FORTELL WHAT THE COCKINESS OF THOSE JINGOES MAY ACCOMPLISH.

There will be no war if the Japanese government can help it, but the mikado may be no more able to prevent war than President McKinley was in 1908.

The battle-ship fleet is coming here for the better protection of American interests in the Pacific and everybody knows that it is only such a reasonable precaution as any nation which maintains a fleet at all would exercise.

It is not a ground of offense to any nation, and if any nation makes it a ground of offense it is because it desires and intends to do things to us which a big fleet would probably prevent.

And we do not believe that the Japanese government has any such intent.

And whenever the ships go back which do go back, we presume that they will go by the Suez canal and on the way pay such a friendly visit to Japanese waters as that which some Japanese ships have been paying in Hampton roads.

THE ALLEN STOCK COMPANY.

To Be the Attraction at the Grand Opera House All Next Week.

After having played continuously in Portland for 54 weeks the Allen Stock Company is about to take its departure for California where they will spend the winter. Having two weeks to spend before their California engagement Mr. Allen, the manager, decided to play one of them in Astoria and the other here. Of the Astoria engagement which opened last Monday night the "Astorian" has the following comment: "The opera house was crowded last night at the initial performance of the Allen Stock company, the play given followed in the lines of the

good old stock days when comedy, pathos and sentiment was expressed.

"The company produced 'That Girl From Texas' and the stellar role was played by Miss Verna Felton who showed herself as a most capable leading lady, holding her audience with her clever conception and handling of the part, in a most pleasant atmosphere; she varied from the lighter moods to the more effective ones with such an ease as to be a delight and treat for all who witnessed the play.

"Mr. Irving Kennedy proved himself worthy of his part as Lord Arthur and carried it through with much skill.

"As Hans, the eccentric German, Mr. Seabury made the real fun of the piece and as a comedian, touched the humorous side of his part, giving all its points.

"Mr. Ayres played Shaun McCrey effectively, displaying no effort, but that of ease and grace.

"The company as a whole is strong, precise in their work and absolutely in all their details."

The company commences its engagement at the Grand opera house next Monday night in the delightful comedy "That Girl from Texas," with Miss Verna Felton in the stellar role. Each night during the week a new bill will be presented, and a meritorious performance is assured. Although popular prices will prevail, the plays will be put on in a much better manner than some of the higher priced productions that have been seen here.

The old Pennsylvania Dutch Dunkard recommends "Hickory Bark Cough Remedy." Guaranteed to cure your cough, and guaranteed to be pure. Made from the bark of the shell bark or white hickory tree. For sale by dealers everywhere.

SOCIAL GOSSIP

For the Winter.

There promises to be much of interest for the Salem music lovers this winter, and no doubt there will be several concerts and musicales during the season. Miss Winifred Byrd, the talented daughter of Dr. Byrd, of this city, who has for the past few years been studying at the Boston Conservatory of Music will remain in the west this winter and Salem people will more than likely have the opportunity of hearing her in concert. The College of Music will be in charge of Arthur von Jessen, piano; R. A. Heritage, vocal, and Le Roy Gesner, violin. The latter department has just been added this year and the university is indeed to be congratulated on securing so able an instructor.

One of the prettiest studio rooms in the city is that in the First National bank building, which will be occupied by Miss Shelton, piano; Miss Minnetta Magers, vocal, and Wm. Wallace Graham, violinist, all of whom have a wide reputation as thorough musicians. They will give student recitals every month.

Gaither-Chamberlain Wedding

Many Salem people attended the wedding of Miss Marguerite Chamberlain, the second daughter of Governor and Mrs. George E. Chamberlain, to Mr. H. Rowan Gaither, which took place Wednesday evening at Calvary Presbyterian church in Portland. There was a large attendance of guests from all over the state, as the bride is a great social favorite. Mr. Gaither is a southern man, from the home of the Chamberlains in Natchez, Mississippi.

The wedding party was composed entirely of young people, and made a most pleasing picture. The matron of honor was Mrs. Charles T. Chamberlain, sister-in-law of the bride, and her gown was an elaborate lace robe over silk. The maid of honor was Miss Eva Coshow, formerly of this city, and very pretty little brunette. She wore cream veiling, with lace trimmings over silk and made after the modified empire style. The three bridesmaids were Misses Belle Cunningham and Eva Tyrell of Portland and Miss Frances Nelson of Albany, and their costumes were pink chiffon over silk, and each carried an arm bouquet of pink asters, with fern.

The bride, who is pretty and of commanding appearance was given in marriage by her father. Her gown of white elysee cloth, with an underdress of white chiffon over satin, was made in the empire style and very becoming to her style of beauty. Her veil was held in place by a coronet of diamonds and pearls, and she carried a bouquet of white asters with fern. The other members of the wedding party were Dudley Randolph Clark, who was best man, and Jack Latourette, John Kerr and Gordon Moores, who acted as ushers.

The reception was held at the Irvington home of the Chamberlains and was attended by the relatives and immediate friends. Among those who attended from this city were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Gatens and Mrs. Stelton, of the executive department, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Cannon, Mrs. E. C. Patton, Miss Mina Parrish, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Stockton, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Gatch of Salem, and Misses Jones and Mrs. Rankin of Lash Meadows.

For a Winter's Visit.

Miss Genevieve Potter, a graduate of the '07 class of the Salem high school, left Tuesday evening for an extended Eastern trip, going first to Victoria and Vancouver, B. C. Her next stop will be made in St. Paul and Minneapolis, where she will visit friends. She will also visit friends in Lansing, Michigan, and then leave by way of Niagara Falls for Washington, D. C., where she will spend some time before leaving for Jamestown, where, after a short stay, she will go to Boston to spend the winter with her uncle, T. J. Potter. On her return trip in the spring she will visit most of the principal cities of the South.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

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Wm. Davidson, representing the Campbell automatic safety gas cut-off, is in the city, and will exploit the wonderful invention of his company for several weeks. As is well known, there is considerable danger in the use of gas, such as the light being blown out accidentally or otherwise, and the object of this invention is to have the gas absolutely turned off as soon as the flame is extinguished. The invention is that of Victor E. Campbell, formerly of Goldendale, Washington, and is by many considered to be one of the greatest inventions of the age.

While Mr. Campbell has always been of an inventive turn of mind, it was not until the asphyxiation of Miss Elida Wilbur, at San Francisco, California, February 16, 1898, that Mr. Campbell decided to take up the work of solving the problem of a safety gas burner, and while Miss Wilbur was but an acquaintance of the family, the anxiety of her friends and her lingering illness and unconsciousness for two years following the accident before her death, only added inspiration to the work undertaken by Mr. Campbell, and he resolved never to give up the work until his efforts had proven successful and an absolute safe gas burner had been an accomplished fact.

During fair week this wonderful invention will be displayed at the pavilion, and demonstrations will also be made at the A. L. Fraser plumbing establishment adjoining the Board of Trade rooms. After the fair is over demonstrations will be continued at the latter place, and everyone interested is invited to inspect the invention.

The Limit of Life.

The most eminent medical scientists are unanimous in the conclusion that the generally accepted limitation of human life is many years below the attainment possible with the advanced knowledge of which the race is now possessed. The critical period, that determines its duration, seems to be between 50 and 60; the proper care of the body during this decade cannot be too strongly urged; carelessness then being fatal to longevity. Nature's best helper after 50 is Electric Bitters, the scientific tonic medicine that revitalizes every organ of the body. Guaranteed by J. C. Perry, druggist. 50c

A Cow Shot.

An interesting case occurred near this city last evening. Here is the version of it given the Democrat: A cow of Mrs. Hunley got into the garden of Mr. Schwatka. John Schwatka finally got his gun and shot the cow twice. Mrs. Hunley demanded the price of the cow, \$40. The young man came to town consulted a lawyer and telephoned his father to pay for the cow, which though filled with shot, will probably live, and this was done and the matter dropped.—Albany Democrat.

An Ounce of Prevention

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FACTORY BEGINS BUSINESS

Western Electric Manufacturing Company On Liberty Street Starts Machinery Yesterday Morning

The wheels were started turning yesterday morning in Salem's new electric and gas-fixtured factory, at 245 Liberty street. This is the Western Electric & Manufacturing company which was organized entirely by Salem capital and promises to become one of the foremost industries of the state.

The big addition which has been added to the company's building, has been filled with machinery and is now ready to handle an enormous business.

The stock rooms are being filled up rapidly with all styles of fixtures and material in the rough which will be made up into designs to suit the trade. Including in the \$10,000 order which was placed in the east several weeks ago, are some of the most elegant goods to be seen on the coast. Many bronze life size statues are now in the show room, the original of which cost from fifty to one hundred thousand dollars. Over 500 bins have been constructed in which to keep the various designed fixtures.

The polishing department is fitted with the heaviest buffers, and with automatic iron saws and air pumps.

The assembly room is equipped with lathes, drills, brazing machines and brass designing saws and the plating department machinery is probably not excelled on the coast. The large plating tanks are capable of turning out \$500 worth of work per day. The plant contains all the latest machinery and equipments including a photographic department and will probably soon be doing a business that will bring thousands of dollars into the city.

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