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THE MASK OF THE CITY.

A whirlwind of faces adown the dark street,  
 A clatter of hoof-beats, a scuffle of feet,  
 A clanging of bells and a rumble of wheels,  
 As round me the tempest Humanity reels!

II.  
 What on the faces that pass do I read?  
 Blood is the script and the motto is Greed.  
 Pale are the scepters that sweep down the pave,  
 Pale as the foam on the crest of the wave,  
 Pallid as foam when the angry seas rave.

III.  
 Women and children and men in the throng,  
 Troubled with life in a tumult of wrong!  
 Weary of earning the boon of a grave,  
 Paying for power the price of a slave,  
 Selling their souls for the gold they may save.

IV.  
 Civilization and progress I hear  
 Dinned by a discord of pain on my ear,  
 A scramble for gold and a scuffle for gain,  
 And who shall not say at the last, "It is vain?"  
 And who shall not cry at the close, "All in vain?"

V.  
 Lift up the masks from the throng in the street,  
 Fling off the weeds of despair and deceit,  
 Under the turmoil of passionate strife  
 Pushes the spirit of beauteous life;  
 God is beneath all the pain that is rife!

—Charles Keeler in Success.

WHAT IS HOLDING SALEM BACK?

Two city administrations have gone into office pledged to improve streets. The work has been slow.

Hampered by an unwieldy city council, that spends too much time on personalities, MAYOR RODGERS HAS BEEN ABLE TO MAKE LITTLE PROGRESS.

A road expert has appeared in Salem, A. Wilbert, of the department of agriculture, who says some of our street work is rotten.

He condemns the South Commercial street improvement AS ABOUT ALL THAT COULD BE BAD.

He says it was extravagantly and improperly constructed, and will never make a good road without constant repairs.

Only one side has ever been used, and that is a torture to the feet of horses, and uncomfortable to ride over.

IT SHOULD NEVER HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED BY THE CITY.

Looking back over the construction of South Commercial street it appears to have been a systematic effort TO MAKE FURTHER STREET IMPROVEMENT UNPOPULAR AND IMPOSSIBLE.

In the first place it was dragged out as long as possible until everybody was disgusted with the delay. It was made needlessly expensive.

In the next place it was never, on the part of the city, attempted to enforce the details of the specifications.

Progressive citizens were all the time terrified with the idea that it would be so mismanaged THAT NO ROAD WHATEVER WOULD BE BUILT.

The surveying of the road and the laying of the grades was so botched and confused that no one knew where the lines really belonged.

The street was never finished properly, and was left in the worst and MOST IMPASSIBLE CONDITION POSSIBLE.

The whole history of that improvement indicates that THERE WAS METHOD BACK OF IT, to delay and make unpopular any further improvement.

If that was not a program of serving the interests of mossbackham and preventing the improvement and development of the Capital City, what was it?

The opinion of the expert government road builder confirms this view.

JAPANESE IN SCHOOLS.

The adult Japanese who are in Chicago are evidently seeking to do what they were doing here—crowd into the grade schools.

The school board has excluded them, but we shall hear nothing said about it.

The Japanese consul was promptly to the fore, but found no cause of complaint, as the resolution excluded all foreigners.

But as no other adult foreigners in any number wish to get into the public primary and grammar schools, it was, of course, the Japanese whom the exclusionists were after.

A good deal has been said about the small number of Japanese adults found in our schools by the federal investigators.

That is because the adults had left during the agitation.

There were never, of course, any great number in the grades—probably half a dozen in one school at the most—but that number was enough to make trouble in those schools, and it was their increasing numbers which induced the enforcement against them of the "anti-Mongolian" clause of our school laws.

We are very glad to see the Asiatics working east in considerable numbers.

We shall be glad when they become abundant in all eastern centers of population.

Then it will be seen that we of the Pacific coast do not in any way differ from other Americans in respect to the policies to be observed toward those races.

THE DOCTRINE THAT WE MUST NOT DISCRIMINATE AGAINST IMMIGRANTS OF ANY RACE WILL NOT STAND.

WE DESIRE EUROPEAN IMMIGRANTS OF THE RIGHT CHARACTER.

WE CAN NOT GET ON WITH ASIATIC IMMIGRATION OF ANY CHARACTER.

IT IS A MATTER WHICH DIPLOMACY CAN NOT LONGER AFFORD TO IGNORE.

If Asiatic immigration into this country and Canada is not stopped such scenes as we have recently witnessed in Washington and British Columbia will become every day occurrences, and if the Orientals penetrate into the middle and eastern states in such numbers as they are found here the outbreaks will be as frequent there as anywhere in the wild and woolly west.

And no legislation, no treaties and no military force can prevent them.

If the races are brought in contact they will fight.

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OREGON'S ROYAL PRUNES

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to the prune to make it talked about.

When it arrives at the factory, it is weighed first, then it is wheeled over to a big hopper and dumped unceremoniously therein.

Now things begin to happen to it. As it reaches the bottom of the hopper it is dropped into the buckets of an elevator and carried upstairs, where it is run on to the grader, a long tray, with a bottom like a peek-a-boo waist, mostly holes, of different sizes, the tray, 30 feet or more long has a slight incline and is kept in motion, the small prunes dropping through the upper end of the grader where the holes are the smallest.

As they pass down the holes are larger, and another and larger sized prune passes through these, this being kept up until the largest of all the 30-40s, which means from 30 to 40 make a pound, are run over the end of the tray.

While now sorted according to size, and incidentally value, they have only begun their preparatory course.

They are run off into bins until wanted. When their turn comes they are again taken to the elevator and sent upstairs to be "pressed."

Here there is a big cylinder three or four feet in diameter and perhaps 18 to 20 feet long. This lies nearly horizontal, but has a slight dip downward from the elevator, and has a slow rotary motion.

Through its center passes a perforated steam pipe. The prunes are dropped into the upper end of this cylinder by the elevator, and are given a rolling exactly as you see given peanuts in a roaster, finally coming out, pretty hot at their treatment, a little swelled up about it, but soft and tractable.

Down they go into another bin, a hopper from which leads down to the pressing machine.

In the meanwhile over in one end of the building a young fellow is at work at a machine nailing boxes.

Beside him is a great pile of box material. If you watch him you will see him make a deft motion or two and pick up a box, complete, except the bottom and top. He turns out 2500 of these boxes in a day.

When the tops are nailed on the boxes go to the facing room.

There is really the most interesting part of the plant, for there besides the prunes are 50 of Salem's "peaches" pretty girls with big aprons and eyes, with swift and nimble fingers, tongues and glances.

It takes a good prune to get into this society, for they must be suitable for factors.

The boxes with the tops nailed on are placed face down, and with a deft motion a couple of sheets of white papers are laid in the box, and the prunes are laid in, two layers deep and pressed firmly into place. It looks easy, and probably is—when you know how.

The boxes thus "faced" go to the presser where the amount necessary to fill them is weighed and in a jiffy they are pressed down solidly, the box is pushed to one side where the bottom is nailed on and the boxes are wheeled on big trucks to the store room, where another of Salem's pretty girls pastes a big label on the end of the box, telling the world

that the contents of the box was grown in Marion county, packed by Tillson & Co., and warranted to be as good a prune as is grown in the whole wide world.

And now, if you were not so, when you began to read this article, you are probably "full of prunes."

Tilson & Co. last year handled about 4,000,000 pounds of prunes at the plant here. This year it is expected the pack will reach 5,000,000 pounds, and the plant at Roseburg belonging to the same company will handle more than 2,000,000. Yesterday two cars were loaded for shipment, one carrying 87,000 pounds going to New York.

At present there are 49 men on the payroll and 45 girls employed in the facing room, which number will probably be increased to 55 next week.

A few calculations gives one an idea of how much 5,000,000 pounds of prunes means and what it represents. Counting each prune as covering an inch square of space, they would make a row of prunes from Astoria to the New York and then back to Chicago, or would cover a quarter section of land with a solid layer of prunes.

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