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COMPANY OVER-REACHING ITSELF.

THE city of Chicago is up against it in the matter of a crematory. It seems that the plant that handles and disposes of the garbage of the city is owned and operated by a private company. The city is desirous of purchasing the plant, but the company does not desire to sell at the price offered, and the city will not buy at the price demanded. In order to force the city's hand the company has served notice on it that unless it comes through and pays the price demanded, that it will close down its plant and let the city dispose of its garbage as best it can. The company, no doubt thought it had the city over a barrel, and could make it pay any old price rather than have an epidemic of typhoid or something of that kind.

This is one case however, where cunning and greed will over reach itself. The mayor of Cincinnati some years ago showed the way around this kind of a dilemma, when the ice plants shut down and refused to operate on account of a strike. On that occasion the companies undertook to force the public to take sides with them as against the strikers, by shutting off the ice supply right in the middle of the hot season. The mayor of the city had some brains and also some initiative. He declared that the public health demanded the operation of the ice plants, that the cutting off of the supply meant sickness and distress for the city, and so he invoked the law of eminent domain, and took possession of the plants as a public necessity, and operated them, too. The courts sustained him in this just as they will Chicago if she declares the closing of the crematories a menace to public health, takes possession of them and uses them until other arrangements can be made. The whole is greater than any part and all Chicago is certainly larger than the garbage companies. This move would make the company do some swift thinking, and then it would operate its plant, and that steadily and quickly.

A GREAT FAIR IN EVERY WAY.

THE STATE FAIR, the 52d held in the state, has come to an end after the most successful meeting in its history. The weather clerk was on his good behavior and gave us clear skies and a perfect brand of weather generally. The exhibits were the finest ever seen in the state and therefore as fine as ever seen in the world. The attendance was a record-breaker, the races, despite the disgruntled Californians, who kicked because the fair was not held in July to accommodate them, were splendid, and the floral display on the grounds way beyond anything ever before attempted. This latter feature was due to the intelligent and artistic work of Mr. Hugh Bryan, of Portland, and was universally admired and praised.

The receipts this year for the first time will exceed the outlay and leave a nice little surplus. However while the matter is fresh in our minds we should make a note of a few things that can be done to add to the pleasure and comfort of fair visitors. One of these is to make some arrangement by which those in the grand stand can be made to keep their seats as the races finish, and permit those behind them to see them. There is universal kicking about this evil, and it is one that will be difficult to stop. The management has the right to believe it is selling tickets to ladies and gentlemen, who will not deliberately rob all others of their right to see what they have paid to see, especially as their action in jumping to their feet as the races end, does not better their view. No gentleman forgets what he owes to those in whose company he is thrown, and it needless to say that a lady should be as much of "a gentleman," as her escort.

Another thing that would add much to the pleasure of mothers with small babies, is a room with two or three nurses, where babies in arms can be left for an hour or two, while their mothers rest their tired arms and also get a chance to look around a bit. It has been suggested, too, that a "lost and found" department be maintained, where lost kids could be taken, or word left for them. At this point too, messages could be left by those separated, or in case one was suddenly called away, and meeting places arranged. When one gets separated from another in a mob of 20,000 scattered as they are at the fair grounds, it is next to impossible to get together again, especially if one of them gets up in the grand stand and a sort of information bureau would go far towards correcting this.

"NO SENTIMENT IN BUSINESS."

AN OLD MAN, who had borrowed heavily, lost his nerve when his business affairs grew troubled. He went to his banker, haggard and broken, threw up his hands and begged the banker to foreclose. "I'm all in," he exclaimed hopelessly. "Save what you can out of the wreck—I can not see my way to carry the load another minute." The banker happened not to be a Skylock, but a warm-hearted human being. He patiently drew from the man the details of his troubles, showed just enough sympathy to bring out the full flood of confession and when the old man had finished, the banker said:

"Now, see here, John; our bank doesn't want to toss you into the street. The trouble with you, I fancy, is that you've been too near to your problem. You've brooded upon it until it has got your goat. I want to make a proposition to you. You say you have some payments which must be met this week, and then matters can go for some time before they'll reach another crisis. I'll personally advance the money for those immediate difficulties if you'll promise to go away for a rest and not give a thought to your troubles until you feel refreshed."

The man jumped at the offer, shed tears as he stammered out his thanks, and departed as with a new lease of life. Three weeks later he returned, clear-eyed and smiling. During the interval the fog in his brain had blown away, he had conceived a plan to surmount the obstacles, and today he is making good. The bank has not lost a dollar and that kindly banker is on the man's list as one of the saints of earth.

No sentiment in business!

Who was the pagan who uttered that calumny?

Better put it the other way 'round: There's no decent business, no honest,

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worth-while business, which can afford to try to get along without sentiment. For it's heart value, not money, which constitutes real riches.—Fargo, N. D., Courier-News.

A society for the study and practice of eugenics and the improvement of the race through scientific methods and reincarnation, is to be established in California. This is along sensible lines. When the society can reincarnate the soul of Bill of the play, old Shake himself, of Tom Jefferson, or others of that class, there will be something doing. We fancy the society will have trouble in managing the reincarnating act and all that, but in these days all that is required to do anything is to organize a society with a grand Hi-luk-a-dink and chief cock-o-lo-rem or two and the thing is done. There are thousands just anguishing to join any old society if it has offices enough to go round.

"John," said Mrs. B. Uptodate, Saturday as she finished dressing preparatory to doing Shriners day at the fair, "is my dress too tight around the bottom?" "Well Birdie," replied John as he surveyed the skirt fore and aft, front and rear as his charming wife turned in front of him to display its effect, "it is pretty snug, dear, and it is pretty tight around the ankles, too."

W. J. Bryan is a great man and a great statesman—on paper, but when it comes down to practical things in the way of running his office, he is not making a brilliant record. He, like many others, can tell others how to do things that he cannot do himself. He will hardly go down in history as a great secretary of state.

Judge Humphries, of Seattle, is now the greatest thing on earth in his own estimation. Wonder what would he feel like if he owned an auto and drove it himself?

WOODBURN NOTES

Woodburn, Oct. 4.—(Special)—Mrs. E. Boscoe and daughters, Lizzie and Mabel attended the state fair at Salem Wednesday.

The Misses Benjamin were shopping in Woodburn Wednesday.

Mrs. J. K. McKenzie and daughter, Mrs. E. Scrivener and granddaughter Fletha of Pleasant Hill are the guests of Mrs. Robert Schermer this week.

Mr. E. Lindekin took in the fair at Salem Wednesday.

Mrs. E. E. Settlemier who has been with her daughter, Minnie who is at the Good Samaritan hospital, returned to Woodburn the first of the week where she will spend a few days before returning to Portland.

Misses Grace Lindahl and Bessie Cunningham attended the fair at Salem Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. August Schermer, Mrs. R. Schermer, of Woodburn, Mrs. E. Scrivener and daughter Fletha, and Mrs. J. K. McKenzie of Pleasant Hill motored to Salem Wednesday in Mrs. Schermer's car and took in the fair.

Mrs. S. E. Kemp and daughter Frances were among the Woodburnites who took in the state fair Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Binkley, spent Wednesday with their daughter, Mrs. Will Jenkins, who is in the Good Samaritan hospital at Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Kinchloe and family, left Wednesday for Medford where they will visit several days with friends before going to California where they expect to make their future home.

Mr. M. Earl of Grants Pass is a Woodburn visitor this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Hall and children, attended the fair Thursday.

Mrs. Geo. Thomas, formerly Miss Lola Armas, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Armas this week.

C. Ausman of Portland visited friends at Woodburn Wednesday.

Miss Marie Skel was shopping in Woodburn Wednesday.

Mrs. T. Comrack and children spent Thursday at Salem.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Goodale are camping at the state fair grounds this week.

Miss Gwendolyn Warner will spend the week-end in Salem with her sister Miss Gladys Warner and take in the state fair.

Mrs. Marian Dawkins spent Thursday in Salem visiting friends and while there took in the fair.

Arlie Walker went to Salem Thursday to make arrangements about going to school and also to take in the fair.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Balwebber and family attended the state fair Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Landon were among the ones that attended the fair this week.

Misses Anna, Ester, Lizzie and Ruth Dinwoodie attended the fair at Salem Wednesday.

Blanche Mack and Agnes Wilford were Salem visitors Wednesday.

Misses Jessie Hicks, Millie Branigan Olive Haskell and Ida Schermer also attended the fair at Salem.

Misses Louise and Gertrude Grassman took in the fair Wednesday.

Mrs. T. C. Mason spent Thursday at Salem.

L. Reed took in the state fair at Salem Thursday.

A. E. Miller of Portland spent several days this week with friends in Woodburn.

Mrs. A. Wilford and daughter, Lucie,

and sons, Leo and Willie, were Salem visitors this week.

Miss Lena Hageman of Gervais visited friends in Woodburn Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Ellison spent Wednesday at Salem and took in the fair while there.

Mrs. Hall Lewis and children of Coquille are visiting her mother Mrs. Sadie Dimick.

Ray Durant is spending his vacation visiting Elwin Evans at his farm home near Dallas, Or.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Shaw, of Portland spent the week end with Mrs. Shaw's sister, Mrs. Monica Durant.

Lester Boggs of Klamath Falls is visiting his uncle, Lorin Guerin and friends in Woodburn for an indefinite time.

Mr. Robert Evans, of Portland, formerly of Woodburn, spent a few days this week visiting old friends here.

Seth Beebe has returned to McKernan Washington after several days visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Beebe.

Al Nehl, of Corvallis, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nehl this week.

Misses Millie Walker and Myrtle Olson spent Friday at Salem.

Mr. Frank DuBois took in the state fair at Salem Thursday.

Mrs. Will Mehan and Miss Nellie Hunt attended the state fair Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Bitney and daughters Hazel and Aletha and son, Dewey, motored to Salem Friday and spent a pleasant day at the state fair.

Miss Clara Miller will spend Friday and Saturday taking in the fair at Salem.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Walker and daughter spent Friday at the state fair.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Muller of St. Paul had the very sad misfortune to lose their little son, Clarence Charles, Thursday night. He was 1 year and 7 months of age, Mr. and Mrs. Mullen have been staying in Woodburn for the last three weeks so as to give their son better care. The funeral services will be held at St. Paul today.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Schermer, Mrs. J. K. Schivener and daughter, Fletha, attended the fair at Salem Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Shaffer and son spent Friday at the state fair at Salem.

Miss Hilda Nehl took in the state fair Thursday.

Messrs Geo. Brune, Eugene Riches, Misses Ethel Bonne and Della Beck motored to Salem Thursday and took in the fair.

Miss Louise Shaffer is visiting friends and relatives in Salem this week.

Messrs. Jessie and William Reeves of Gordon, Neb., who have been visiting their sister, Mrs. Fred Nendel for the past two weeks, returned to their home Thursday.

Rev. and Mrs. Gordon and family left Friday for Astoria, where they will make their future home.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Smith have returned after several months stay at Sheridan. Homer Allemen spent Friday at the state fair at Salem.

THE ROUND-UP.

The senate has agreed to Lane's plan and Portland is likely to get a four-story public building for postoffice and other government purposes.

An oak tree 19 feet in circumference and 326 years old, was cut down at Monmouth a few days ago. Another standing near it is 26 feet around, and presumably is much older.

Clatsop county will vote November 4 on issuing \$400,000 bonds for building roads.

M. Purdin has been named mayor of Medford in place of W. M. Eifer, who dropped dead a short time ago.

Officers have unearthed two barrels of beer and a barrel of miscellaneous wines in a Roseburg hotel.

The grass on the eastern Oregon ranges is said to be already exhausted

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and sheepmen are up against it. This is said to be the earliest date on which the grass has given out there in many years.

The Grange District and Juvenile fair opened at Sandy, Multnomah county, Friday, with a large attendance.

The franchise granted by the county court of Jackson county to the Bullis company to build interurban roads in the county has been revoked, it being illegal.

It's all off with the dog muzzle at Astoria until next summer. The open season for Towser's mouth began day before yesterday.

Eugene Register: Aviator Steele, of Marshfield, has set a new Pacific coast record for distance over the ocean, and still lives. All of which furnishes further proof that Oregon is in many ways a most remarkable state.

The Astoria Budget, bracing itself for the inevitable, says: "Portland has discovered a gold mine in one of her city parks. Wonder what Seattle will do now? Probably she will find diamonds growing on the shrubbery in the suburbs."

"Baker county stone should be used in the new federal building in Pendleton because it is the best stone and because it is eastern Oregon stone," is how the Baker Herald makes practical application of this "made in Oregon" thing.

Still in the ring, though lamentably disfigured, is a celebrated Hood River canine. The News tells the sad story thus: "Marloech, Phil Carroll's famous fighting dog, met his Waterloo Saturday when he tried to tear a charge of dynamite from a stump at the home of George P. Hitchcock. The dog lost an eye and sustained a broken shoulder in the encounter."

Fossil Journal: James G. King brought in a two-year-old dressed ewe that weighed 80½ pounds. He sold it at 9 cents, making \$7.25, and the pelt is worth 50 cents. When a man can get \$7.75 for a two-year-old ewe, raised in bunch grass, it would seem that sheep business is a long way from being "played out" yet. Jim could have got 80 cents more for his ewe if he had cared to peddle her around town in quarters, and four dollars more had he sold her on the block.

The "ruin" scream now only arouses mild derision.

Read The Journal For News

Extra! Extra!

For the first time in the history of Salem the people of Marion and Polk counties can secure all kinds of sacks at right prices in this city, instead of spending their time and money in going to Portland. We are paying one cent a pound for all kinds of rags. We also are paying \$13 per ton for all kinds of cast iron. Highest prices paid for all kinds of old clothes, household goods and furniture. We buy and sell everything from a needle to a piece of gold. All kinds of tools and machinery and pipe bought and sold. The house of a half a million bargains.

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