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EASTER.

ALL nature and the indomitable spirit of mankind emulates the awakening, the arising from the tomb each Easter morn, tribute of the soul and every breathing object on earth to the Christ, arisen from the dead, to whose conquest over death the churches tomorrow pay reverence with their sweetest songs, their most beautiful ceremonies, their flower-laden and sweet-perfumed alters. Dr. Washington Gladden epitomized all this when he said: "If you look into the face of humanity on Easter day and listen to its accents and watch its movements wherever the message of Easter has been spoken you know that it is joyful news, good tidings. The pealing bells, the jubilant songs, the churches and the homes bright with the flowers of spring, the festive garments, the whole costume and utterance of Christendom show that the word has been spoken as a word of cheer, a word of hope, a summons to rejoicing. Is not this in itself a great achievement? To fill the heart of the world with a great hope and an unselfish joy—is not that a great good? That Jesus the Christ has done all this for the world no man can deny."

But Easter is more than a church holiday—the holiday of all church holidays for rejoicing—for Easter typifies the world arisen with Christ bearing promise of the new regeneration of all and for all. The spirit which pervades the house of worship—even the same spirit which pervaded the spot where the risen Lord had lain when Mary Magdalene, and Mary the Mother of Jesus and Salome came with sweet spices that Sabbath morn so many years ago—pervade today the earth. Bursting bulbs and buds, and foliage, and tender shoots under ground feel the same impulse that moves the new awakening, and moved the Lord to arise.

The Easter miracle, commemorated in all the churches and cathedrals this Easter season, is having its counterpart throughout the world. This same miracle is being emulated by the arising nature and the awakening souls of men. Nor was the miracle of old more wonderful than that of today, unless it be that the modern awakening is the most wondrous since it so closely resembles the rolling away of the stone before Joseph's sepulchre nineteen centuries ago.

Simultaneous with this new awakening in commemoration of the old, is the rising of the civic spirit. With the Christ, nature and the soul share their miracle of reborn life with the city, whose spirit seeks at Easter time a new outlet for its transcendent being and, as we arise to require better and happier civic things, we are but paying a new and added tribute to the wonderful, radiant power which rolled away the stone for the risen Lord years ago.

It is impossible to satisfy either a wool grower or the Oregonian. In spite of the fact that wool is higher than for years both these parties insist that wool would be higher if it were not for free trade. However that may be, and it surely does not make a good showing, it is certain that that other cry that the wool grower cannot keep even on less than 20 cents a pound for wool is a lie, straight. They have not only kept even, but have made money even under the high tariff and at 12 cents a pound. As a matter of fact the sheepman can raise sheep at a profit at the present price of mutton and not count the proceeds from the wool.

If the eugenic ideas are followed out there will soon be a race of giants and another of pigmies. The strong are urged to marry the strong, and as the balance of mankind naturally marry they will have to be content with marrying the weak and imperfect. If the theorists could furnish an abundance of strong healthy men for all the women to marry, and at the same time furnish strong healthy women for all the men to wed there might be some sense to their program. As it is it is simply utter blamed foolishness.

That a man carrying the handicap sobriquet of "Bathhouse John," should win in the Chicago election where the women voted, is a stinging commentary on American politics and a keen criticism on the way in which the political pool is to be purified by the women's votes. One of the features of the election was that of 217,000 registered, only 100,000 women voted.

Illinois added sixteen to the thirty counties already dry, at the election Tuesday. This may be taken as an indication of

what is going to happen in the next few years to the balance of the United States. It is the consensus of opinion of those who have studied the situation that Oregon will go dry in November.

Only 20 per cent of the women voters of Jackson county have registered. But as the male citizenship of the country has too frequently neglected the most serious obligations of the suffrage right, criticism of the women is hardly in order.

Judge Bennett seems to be getting the support of a majority of the democratic newspapers of the state for governor. He is one of the ablest men in Oregon and especially well qualified for the office of chief executive.

Mrs. Bernhardt, "the Divine Sara," divine because eternal, announces that she will give another of her series of farewell tours this year. It is a farewell tour but not a farewell to her.

Each new dance seems to approach just a little nearer the realms of indecency. This while the war on drink, tobacco and every other vice goes merrily on.

A Seattle thief stole a cripple's clothes recently and the Times suggests that "the thief should be made over to fit the clothes."

Hobson's race for office in Alabama was similar to his sinking of the Merrimac during the Spanish war—spectacular but useless.

When Hureta gets ready to get out of Mexico it is a safe bet that he will not purchase a return ticket.

"Will Baker sleep or celebrate?" asks the Herald. Well, it is dead sure she can't do both at the same time.

The Bard's off Day



It's hard to swat the lyre head, and keep the blame thing swanging, when you've got a cold, with aches un- told around your brainpan hanging. I have the gripe, and bark and yip, until I scare the neighbors, still I day through, my must do, the long "literary" labors.

My lungs are lame and all my frame seems sore and dislocated; I cough and sneeze and bite my knees in anguish unabated. Yet I must raise my loosed lays, some optimistic springing, and urge the toffs who have no coughs to keep on jangling, singing. My eyes are red, my aching head, feels like a football weedy, and when I speak my pulleys creek; my voice is hoarse and weedy; I sob I pant, kerchoo and rait, I whoop and squeak and strangle, my works are punk throughout my trunk, my nerves are all a-jangle. I punch the lyre but there's no fire or rapture in my swatting; the winged steed is lame indeed, and stumbles when he's trotting. Don't roast too hard the halting bard, or load him down with cursin'; you do not know how much of woe he may have on his person.

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THE ROUND-UP.

Wasco, Sherman county, suspended all business Thursday and the whole town turned out to work on the roads. Two miles of rough road on the McDonald grade were put in good shape.

As a result of the explosion at the works on the Celilo canal 40 men have quit. An examination as to the leaving a missed charge is being made, and criminal carelessness will probably be proved.

Burglars entered the store of W. E. Ott, at Roseburg Wednesday night and got away with \$139.

An ordinance introduced in the Oregon City council forbidding the use of cigarettes by any person under 50 years of age was defeated Thursday night.

August Ise of Fossil, has traded the Fossil flour mill to Spokane parties, getting \$40,000 for it. He has been in Fossil about a year and the profit in the sale of his mill nets him \$10,000.

A fine rain visited Rogue river valley Monday, breaking a long dry spell and doing much good. The rainfall there is 10 inches below normal this year.

Hambledon Hall, in Lostine, burned Tuesday night. The plant of the Lostine Reporter, located in an adjoining building, was also destroyed.

Considerable street improvement at Baycon is contemplated this season. The Tillamook Herald's correspondent says it is thought three or more miles of pavement will be put down.

Wasco county's largest tax collection aggregate for a single day this year was \$63,638.93, on March 14, as compared with the largest day last year of \$39,824.77, on March 4.

The old rifle range west of McMinnville has been resurveyed, and is being put in shape for spring target practice for McMinnville's company of the O. N. G. Regular practice will begin on May 1.

SPORTING JOLTS

Possibly it was a typographical error, but it was cruel and unusual to call Ed Walsh a "slob artist," even though he does throw the spitball.

If Jimmy Collins plays third base this year it is possible that the Giants will utilize that promising youngster, John J. McGraw.

Tom McMahon little realized the effect when he whipped Jess Willard. Now the public will have to stand for several columns of aibi stuff by Tom Jones.

The battle between Messrs. Ritchie and Murphy is scheduled to take place in April. So is April Fools' day.

"Modern boxers get too much money," says Tommy Ryan, who evidently has seen some of our white hopes in the ring.

If we understand Mr. Weeghman aright, the only break into the Chicago Feds is to use a jimmy.

We don't know who proposed that rule in the National league prohibiting ladies' day, but we'll bet C. Murphy did not vote against it.

Tom Seaton still insists that he will not play in Brooklyn. It is said that he prefers to play in the U. S. A.

There is nothing surprising in the report that Charlie Ebbets has started trouble in the International league. Charlie can start trouble with equal facility in any old league.

In view of the recent conflict in Milwaukee, we should consider Mr. Murphy fortunate in having his business engagements with Mr. Ritchie postponed so often.

A married man often fools himself into the belief that his excuses are believed when they are merely endured.

Location of American Banks Abroad Would Help Our Trade In Foreign Countries

By Secretary of Commerce WILLIAM C. REDFIELD

VERY weak spot in our foreign trade is our unwillingness to give the credit which the foreign buyer expects and which our competitors offer. True, there are foreign houses having their own offices in American cities who may prefer to buy cash against documents because they can buy more closely in that way and American houses who have become experienced in foreign trade do extend reasonable credits. But, as a rule, our American concerns and especially those who are new to the foreign field SEEM TO HAVE A FEAR THAT THE FOREIGNER IS GOING TO PLAY SOME SORT OF TRICK UPON THEM and insist that their goods shall not go out of the country until they have the money in hand.

It is no doubt true that there are places and persons with whom this is necessary. One cannot abandon caution in the foreign field any more than he can do without it at home. On the other hand, it is also true that in every important foreign city there are business houses a debt from whom is as good an asset as one might want. The concerns with which it has been my privilege to be associated in the past years have sold certain carefully selected concerns on open account precisely as they did in America and without loss.

IN DISCUSSING THIS, HOWEVER, IT MUST NOT BE FORGOTTEN THAT OUR FOREIGN COMPETITORS HAVE AN ADVANTAGE OVER US—SOON, WE HOPE, TO PASS AWAY—IN THE PRESENCE OF GREAT BANKS ALL OVER THE WORLD TO ASSIST THEM IN THEIR COLLECTIONS AND WHOSE SERVICES CANNOT BE GIVEN TO US WITH THE SAME ENTHUSIASM AS TO THEIR OWN NATIONALS. WE HOPE UNDER THE NEW CURRENCY LAW—AND, INDEED, IT IS DISTINCTLY PROPHESED BY WELL KNOWN FINANCIAL MEN—THAT IN TWO YEARS OR SO WE SHALL HAVE AMERICAN BANKS ABROAD PREFERING TO AID AMERICAN MERCHANTS AND MANUFACTURERS IN THE EXTENSION OF THEIR FOREIGN TRADE.

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