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Discretion of speech is more than eloquence.—Bacon.

Pilgrim Fathers Couldn't Spell

WE WONDER how many of the Pilgrim Fathers could have got by if there had been a literacy test for aliens in 1620 such as is proposed by the Burnett immigration bill, passed Wednesday by congress.

We don't know how many of 'em could read; but the colonial records make it very plain that MOST OF 'EM COULDN'T SPELL.

The Burnett bill lets no foreigner in for keeps unless he (or she) can read 30 words, chosen at random, in some



language. Character, willingness to work, eagerness to learn are put aside as not to be counted.

That isn't all. The bill provides that even though the applicant passes the 30-word test, he must be kept out if he believes in or teaches the destruction of private property, anarchy or the overthrow of organized government by force.

The bill doesn't say what kind of property, what kind of anarchy or what kind of government. It might be private property which ought to be destroyed—as, for instance, gambling machinery, opium joints, lottery tickets or houses of ill fame. It might be GOVERNMENT LIKE RUSSIA'S, which can be made serviceable to human liberty only after its forcible overthrow.

It may be that immigration, the immigration of worthy aliens, needs to be curbed for a time. It may be that Uncle Sam needs a breathing spell while he assimilates what he has.

But can anything good be said in favor of the 30-word reading test? Can we with safety rest our ban on the narrow foundations of this bill?

Up to this time America has spelled OPPORTUNITY and because of that fact has enriched itself with much of the old world's best blood and brawn.

SAN FRANCISCO'S municipal street railway netted her \$25,348 in 1913, and she's out for \$150,000 profit this year. And she's got a nice start on a sinking fund to redeem bonds, too.

What Next?

MORE and more, we begin to suspect that the feminist movement is somewhat aimed at man's inalienable rights.

Here's the case of Frank Holyoke, at Los Angeles. A woman goes on the witness stand and swears that Frank frequently tried to put his coat on where he should have worn his trousers, swore dreadfully and hence was insane when he made his will.

Men who try to wear their coats where their trousers ought to be have always considered blasphemy a natural and proper right and they will very likely combat woman's interference in the matter. At any rate, it will be tough if a fellow can't wear his clothes as he likes without laying himself open to the charge of insanity.

Wearing the coat where the trousers ought to be, or vice versa, may be a strong instance of freedom of attire, but the first step of encroachment upon personal rights always leads to others, and if woman's interference isn't checked at the start, there's no telling where they'll make gents wear coats or trousers.

Eternal vigilance is the price of wearing your clothes as you please, fellow citizens.

RUB PAIN FROM STIFF, LAME BACK; END BACKACHE, LUMBAGO, SCIATICA

Get a small trial bottle of old-time, penetrating "St. Jacobs Oil."

Ah! Backache is gone! Quickly—Yes! Almost instant relief from soreness, stiffness, lameness and pain follows a gentle rubbing with "St. Jacobs Oil."

"Oil" is a harmless backache, lumbago and sciatica cure which never disappoints, can not injure and doesn't burn the skin. Straighten up! Quit complaining! Stop those torturous "stitches." In a moment you will forget that you ever had a back, because it won't hurt or be stiff or lame. Don't suffer! Get a small trial bottle of "St. Jacobs Oil" from your druggist now and get this lasting relief.

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You don't need to be embarrassed by not being dressed properly or worrying how to get it. You can have correct attire for all occasions by just opening an account with us and pay what your income will permit. We don't charge any extras, higher prices or lower the quality of our goods.

Select anything you desire from our large and complete stock of clothing and furnishings for men and women. Pay a small sum down and the balance when it is most convenient for you.



Eastern Outfitting Co. 1332-34 Second Ave., Near Union St. Seattle's Reliable Credit House

THE LATEST NEWS FROM NOAH'S ARK



My, My, How Things Have Changed!

You'd think that they were happy. Just as happy as could be. You'd think that this young couple lived quite contentedly. For each and every evening. He'd always spend at home. He passed up poker parties. This hubby wouldn't roam. But then—this spoils the story. We'll turn things round about. The suffragette must every night. The wife was always out.

The Mother Tongue.

"Does Miss De Gabb resemble her mother?"

"Not so much at first sight; but when she begins to talk, there's a speaking likeness."—Judge.

Where is Rosa.

Mr. Cyrus Green—Molly, what is that picture called in the catalog?

Mrs. Green (reading)—"Cows After Rosa Bonheur."

Mr. Green—By gosh! I see the cows, but where is Rosa Bonheur?

Perfectly Right.

"According to this paper," observed Mr. Goodwin, "a man has lived a year on beer alone."

"Well, that's as it should be," observed Mrs. Goodwin. "Any man who lives on beer ought to be compelled to live alone."

Too Particular.

Star Actor—I must insist on having real food in the banquet scene. Manager—Very well, then; if you insist on that you will be supplied with real poison in the death scene.

Why, John!

A man purchased some red flannel shirts, guaranteed not to shrink. He reminded the salesman forcibly of the guarantee some weeks later. "Have you had any difficulty with them?" the latter asked.

"No," replied the customer; "only the other morning when I was dressing, my wife said to me, 'John, where did you get that pink coral necklace?'"

Helps Some.

Visitor (to widow whose best pig has died)—Well, you know, Mrs. Higgs, these little troubles are sent to us by Providence for our good.

Mrs. Higgs—Oh, yes, sir, but what a comfort it is to know that there's one above us won't let Providence go too far!

Rightly Traced.

Mrs. Tightwad (visiting at the preacher's home)—What beautiful buttons you are sewing on your husband's coat! Do you know, my husband once had some just like them?

The Preacher's Wife—Yes, we found them each Sunday in the collection bag.

A Lawyer, testifying at Savannah, declared a certain man was unfair, conceited, an egotist, lacking in personal courage, craving the spotlight, and with no conception of justice. You get a second guess if you fall to guess the first time that the man referred to is a United States judge.

We Get You.

The Merry Matrons' club was hostess at a dinner to Mrs. J. E. Tiger to a number of friends, as well as the husbands of the members of the club.—Westminster (Okla.) Times.

Maybe Bob Fitzsimmons has come back. But our opinion, which on prizefight stuff is no better than Jim Corbett's, is that he hasn't even turned around.

White House tonight! Ah! The toastmaster lied, did he?

Did you ever hear of a man sued for breach of promise who had as much money as the woman demanded?

The innocent bystander is one of the world's most necessary citizens. Without him, who would get shot in the leg?

ANOTHER NAME

"Father, don't men call themselves bachelors before they get married?"

"Yes, my boy."

"And what do they call themselves after, dad?"

"Hush! It isn't fit for little boys to know."

A Cincinnati woman whose husband made her move 14 times in one year has sued for divorce. A woman should hesitate before throwing away a man who can afford to move that often.

"Sir," cried the Mexican staff officer to the commander-in-chief, "we have taken the rebel army!"

"Then," thundered the chief, "put in another reel and take me!"

PEOPLE IN SEATTLE ARE AMAZED

No medicine has ever caused such amazement in Seattle as the simple mixture of buckthorn bark, glycerine, etc., known as Adler-Lika. This remedy drains such surprising amounts of foul matter from the body that it is known as the most thorough bowel cleanser sold. Adler-Lika acts on BOTH the upper and lower bowel and JUST ONE DOSE relieves constipation and gas on the stomach almost IMMEDIATELY. Swift's Pharmacies, Second Av. at Pike, and 135 Broadway N.

DR. E. J. BROWN

ROBBED BY A DENTIST ON FIRST AVENUE

People come to my office every day and complain about being robbed of their money by some dentist on First av., representing himself to be Dr. E. J. Brown, or his assistant.

Beware of fake Dr. Brown's OFFICES are at

713 First Ave., Union Block

I can guarantee to save you just one dollar every time you pay me a dollar for dental work, because while my work is often superior, it costs you less than one-half the price charged by other high-class dentists. You see, I make a dollar and you save a dollar when I do your dental work.

When you come to my office, be sure and see my picture in my sign, at the entrance of the building; it's just like the one in this advertisement.

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Seattle's Leading Dentist

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Open evenings until 8 and Sundays until 4 for people who work.

ADVENTURES OF JOHNNY MOUSE

SOME ONE LOST A BUNNIE. TAKE IT HOME AND OPEN IT.



ITS BUNNIE HEY! BUT IT'S VALUABLE.



HELLO THERE!



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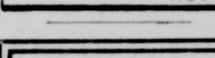
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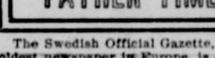
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

SURE, WHY NOT?

Editor The Star: In the name of Uncle Samuel, why shouldn't Governor Lister or any other governor dance with any lady in the land, even though her hands may be blistered by coming in contact with the ridges on a washboard? As long as the women can vote, isn't that a sufficient qualification for a dance with the man whom she aided in obtaining his high office? BEN WADE.

A BRUTAL DRIVER

Editor The Star: Is there no way to stop brutality to animals in this city? At the corner of Third av. and Madison st., Thursday I witnessed a brutal attack upon a dumb animal. A wagon, loaded high with barrels, and driven by a young man, had evidently become stuck in the car track. The two horses were doing their best to pull the load from the track, but were unable to budge it.

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districts, to that portion of the ballot to be presented at the coming election, relating to water mains.

The question is, shall the cost of new mains from now on be paid by bonds, and out of the general fund, as in the past, or by the property owners in the districts through which the mains pass?

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Is it the Lord's will that such attacks should be made upon innocent people who were "made in His image and likeness"?

We read that Jesus said: "Love one another" and "Suffer little children to come unto me," and a righteous God should not be blamed for the selfish, ungodly acts of greedy mine owners. MRS. C. E. WILLIAMS.

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Eilers Music House To Remain in Seattle

R. S. Fringer, 18 years with the Company, and 32 years in the piano business, to continue as Manager and Vice President, with a substantial money interest in the business.

The City's largest and most popular musical institution yielding to strong and persistent pressure brought to bear upon the owners by friends, patrons, and business interests, made possible by improved financial conditions.

R. S. Fringer, manager since the house was established and to whom the larger share of credit is due for the great success which it has achieved, was also reluctant to see his company relinquish their foothold and withdraw from such an important point as Seattle their long and firmly established business and used his efforts and influence from the beginning to have them continue here.

This finally resulted in holding matters in abeyance, and instead of closing the house, as announced and intended, December 31st, an option was secured by Mr. Fringer on the purchase of the business and he conducted a vigorous price-cutting sale for a time with a view of reducing the stock to where he could take advantage of this opportunity. While this great campaign resulted in selling more and better pianos at smaller prices than was ever accomplished in the same length of time under similar circumstances, Mr. Fringer found that the business was still too big to buy and take over outright, but he acquired additional and substantial money interest in the same and will direct very largely the future policies and destinies of the Seattle house.

Many of the variety of causes that made it necessary to take steps to close out our Seattle business have since taken a more favorable turn, and it is evident from the many letters of congratulation and approval received since our initial announcement in the papers a week ago that every one is pleased with the happy outcome of the many problems that were involved in this situation.

I wish to take this occasion to publicly extend my thanks personally and the thanks of my business associates to the people of Seattle and the Northwest, and especially to our many friends for their confidence, generous patronage and good efforts exerted in helping to make our house a permanent Seattle institution.

In conclusion, I beg to state that no customer of ours shall ever, through any neglect on our part or lack of proper performance of any instrument secured from us, have any cause to regret the purchase of it. Every instrument must prove exactly as represented. Should even one out of the enormous lot of instruments sold by us prove defective or imperfect in any way, just as soon as the facts can be ascertained the trouble will be remedied. The guarantee that goes with our instruments is a guarantee that absolutely protects the purchaser, without parley or equivocation, differing in no respect from warranties issued by the majority of other concerns.

As previously announced, we sold our sheet music and small musical instrument departments on January 1st to the Rose Music Company, who were formerly at 1420 Second Avenue, but who have moved into and now occupy the first main floor in the Eilers building jointly with us.

We will in the future concentrate and specialize on the world's best pianos, including such distinguished names as Chickering & Sons, Kimball, Sohmer, Haddorf, Eilers, the Autopiano, the Bungalow and others; also the famous new Edison diamond-point, needle, disc and cylinder phonographs, and the renowned Victor talking machines, with such a variety of prices and terms that something suitable can be found for every income and purpose.

