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TROGRESS OF THE UNIVERSITY.

The report of president Kingsbury to the regents of the University shows important progress at the state institution for higher learning.

During the biennium just closing, the number of college students has greatly increased. The second year of high school work has been eliminated, a two-years' course in law has been established, graduate work provided for, and the entrance requirements advanced till they correspond with those of the best institutions in the country. The University has now an entrance standard that is one unit (a subject taught daily in the high school for one year) higher than many of the older state universities, and only one unit below the entrance requirements of Harvard university.

Perhaps the most important development has been the State Normal School. As the preparatory or high school courses are being eliminated, a secondary training course in high school subjects is being established. In this course, those who get the free Normal scholarships take their high school work, and those who are to graduate as teachers receive practice in teaching the high school branches.

In one year after completing this high school work in the Secondary Training school, the holders of these scholarships can receive a certificate to teach in the grades. To do this they take certain professional work in the Normal course. By remaining three years longer at the University they may graduate with a degree from the Normal school equal to that received from any other school in the Univer-

sity. The fellowship in engineering worth \$500 a year to continue for five years, the gift of Col. E. A. Wall, is named as an example of what several such fellowships would mean to the University. This feature enables advanced students to do research work. The discoveries of better methods in mining and milling work is sure to result from such investigations. It would pay the State to create such scholarships as well as to encourage other private citizens to endow them.

Prof. Cummings, Dean of the School of Arts and Science, urges the importance of the professors getting nearer to the people, by visits to schools and by the delivery of public lectures. He also favors archaeological research to learn of the aboriginal peoples of this State.

School of Mines, is of the opinion where gathered together into compact that the time has come for the prac- towns. The necessity for mutual aid

Venezuela shows the necessity of a poet, his flights are so high and well court of arbitration. Holland would sustained not have dared to take a French, German, or English vessel, no matter how many Dutch ambassadors either of those countries might have sent home as undesirable. But Venezuela has no navy worth considering. A court of arbitration would avert a great deal of injustice between nations.

#### RED CROSS STAMPS

It is not too late to buy some Red Cross Christmas stamps and send to friends. These stamps cannot be used to pay postage with, but by buying them you make your contribution toward a fund that will be spent in the warfare against disease. The stamps are issued by the National Red Cross society, of which Mr. Taft is president. They are to be affixed to letters and packages as expressions of good cheer. There is no limit to the number of these stamps that may be affixed to packages and letters and they cost one cent each. The people everywhere should avail themselves of the privilege

## THE CEMENT INDUSTRY.

Mr. Edwin C. Eckel, one of the leading experts in the cement industry, at the annual meeting of the Associaation of American Portland Cement manufacturers held recently in New York, made the statement that the phenomenal growth of the production of that material is now checked and that the business will decrease, or increase, with the trend of business in general. Mr. Eckel concluded his statement thus:

"Hereafter we may expect that the cement production will be related very closely to general business con-ditions; that in times of prosperity we may temporarily fall behind in capacity, but that the approach of business depression will be marked other by radical decrease in cement output or by its alternative—which is general demoralization in the trade. s general demoralization in the trade The cement industry has no longer room for poorly managed plants or for weakly financed companies, for plants and companies become a men-ace to the entire industry."

That looks very much like a notice to the general public that a raise in the price may be looked for in the near future.

#### IDEAL HOME TOWNS.

Governor Cutler advices the city of Logan to petition the next legislature for authority to bond the city for the construction of a sewer system. This is sound and timely advice, not to say warning; and it applies to most of the towns of larger size throughout the entire State.

Nearly all of the original settlements of Utah were made upon the higher land-on the brow of the hills overlooking the valley. The reasons for this uniformity in the choice of location were several. On the bench land, the purer air, drier soil, better view, closer proximity to the canyon stream, superior position for defense against

possible Indian attacks-these and other likely considerations no doubt determined the choice of the site for each town in the days of the early settlement of these valleys. Always the people were grouped in a village. The farmers did not settle

Dr. Merrill, Director of the State singly upon their farms, but everyand the desire for community life, as well as the idea of defense against Indians, were prime considerations. To be so closely associated that the school, the church, the village entertainment, should be within easy reach, was an idea with which the earlier settlers were always strongly imbued.

There would be far fewer hard luck stories if those who tell them would work harder. Pat Crowe has become an evangelist. But who over heard of a white

crow? "A thing of beauty is a joy forever." That is the public verdict on the Christmas "News."

A terrible example-trying to figure out that the city's income is greater than its expenditures. An increase in the tariff on coal is

wanted. This is solely for the benefit of the "teamsters." If Judge Taft's mother had been a

#### Georgian, Georgia could not have given him a heartier welcome.

Curiosity will often start a man on the wrong road while it takes resolution to keep him on the right one. of aiding in such a worthy movement.

If you cannot look the world in the face look into the shop windows. They are very attractive just now.

And if the mayor succeeds in driving a certain class into the "stockade" will the peonage system be established?

Nat Goodwin says that he never in all his life told his wife a lie. Probably there were lots of other things he never told her.

Compared with the strenuousness of his life for the next two months the President's past life will appear as one of idleness.

Carnegie testifying on steel the very contrary to what Schwab and Gary testified, will come pretty near being a tariff battle royal.

"Wealth is a sin," says a German philosopher. That sin is one from which the great, great majority of mankind are free.

In Berlin they believe that Castro is playing 'possum and had no intention of returning to Venezuela when he left. When it wants to be the 'possum is just

as cute as the fox. At no time is the native hue of resolution so sicklied o'er with the pale

caste of thought nor do enterprises of great pith and moment so turn awry and lose the name of action as at Christmas time when one thinks of all his friends, resolves to send them presents and-doesn't.

## A MORE HOPEFUL OUTLOOK.

Medical Record. Stephen Smith of New York says that in these latter days there is a more hopeful outlook for the fcoble-minded, insane, and criminal classes. We are the as better position to cure, develop, and reform them than in the old days and reform them than in the old days of sogregation. He suggests that the service of any such institution should be organized with every possible effort to individualize the different cases in treatment, and with officers willing to take a great interest in each one of the patients. Every inmate should be the object of especial study and record. The first examination should be axhaus-tive, and should reveal all the faults tive, and should reveal all the faults of nutrition and assimilation. The famof nutrition and assimilation. The fam-ily organization of such institutions is necessary. The attendants should be specially educated along the lines con-nected with their work. They should understand the structure and functions of the nervous system. The supervising silver than go down and take his lead. -Boston Transcript. Free Silverite.

Visitor (to village after an absence of fifteen years-Well, does old man Mossback let the grass grow under his feet any more? Villager-No. It grows over them now, He's dead.-Exchange.

"How came you here, my man?" said the lady who was distributing tracts in the prison to convict No 41144. A Truthful Answer. "I was brought here by my convic-tions, ma'ann," replied the man be-hind the bars, -Chicago News.

Indispensable,

"I shall tell the unvarnished truth in this investigation." "Well," answered Senator Sorghum, "I don't know as varnish is impor-tant But how about whitewash?"-----Washington Star.

#### **RECENT PUBLICATIONS.**

The following special articles appear in the Hampton's Broadway Margazine for January: "The Story of the Ameri-can Indian," Emerson Hough; "The Silver Horde." new serial, Rex Beach; "Jeff Davis, Idol of the Hillbillies," G. W. Ogden; "My Last Days with the Atlantic Fleet," Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans; "Various Criticisms of the Navy, and What They Amount to," Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans; "Come 'Round and take that Elephant Away," Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans: "Come 'Round and take that Elephant Away," a story, Earton Wood Currle: "The Captain's Arm," a story, Perceval Gib-bon;"Give the Working-Girl a Chance." Rheta Childe Door; "An Army Lulla-by," poem, Mary Street Whitten; "Ani-ta and the Seven Boys," a story, Anno Warner; "His Father's House," a story, Josephine Daskam Bacon; "Men and Monkeys." primates, Arthur B. Reeve: Josephine Daskam Bacon; "Men and Monkeys," primates, Arthur B, Reeve; "Brains, Ferninility and Melodrama," "Personalities;" "The Growing Menace of Socialism," Charles Edward Russell; "Step Lively," a story, George Hyde Preston; "In Robert's Looking-Glass," a story, Johd D, Ruff, and "The Real Thing," a story, Guy Bolton,--66 West 35th St., New York.





tical investigation of the problems that confront the mining, building, and manufacturing industries. He thinks that there should be established in connection with the State school of Mines at the University and Engineering Experiment station, which should bear to the school the same relation that the experiment stations of the agricultural colleges do to the latter institutions. An immense saving in the funds devoted to public road-making would no doubt result from the establishment of such a department.

Prof. Stewart, Principal of the State Normal school, comments upon the the great demand for properly trained ceachers, and shows how this institution is serving the State in this important respect.

All the departments are over-crowdad with students, and the greatest need is more room and facilities of all kinds to meet the constantly increasing aumbers applying at the University for higher education.

No student need now go away from Utah to do undergraduate University work in the ancient and modern languages, in the science or in literature, or in the various courses in engineering, mining, education and pedagogy. The first two years in law and medicine are so well taught here that the work is accepted in the best law and medical schools of the country. The undergraduate work of the University is generally accepted in the best institutions; while the graduate or higher subjects in mining, milling, stc., can be pursued to as good advantage here as anywhere else in the country.

Together, it is a highly creditable showing that the University is making on a relatively small income. The progress of the institution is watched with real pride by the citizens generally.

#### A FINE DISTINCTION.

The Venezuelan ministers are registermg their protests against the capture by Dutch warships of Venezuelan vessels, but the Dutch explain that the seizures are not to be regarded as "un-'riendly acts" against the people. They are not almed at the people at all, but at Castro whose government has oflered an affront to Holland.

That is a fine distinction. We wonder what the people of the United States yound reply to such logic. Suppose a warship should selze one of our reveaue cutters off New York, send its men ashore and carry away the vessel o a Dutch port, would the people here accept the explanation that it must iot be considered as an unfriendly act o the nation but only to the governnent? That is the logic that has been "inployed by anti-"Mormons" in Utah who say they do not attack the people, only the leaders. Nowhere else is that tind of sophistry offered in justificuion of hostilities.

The quarrel between Holland and

As a result of this aggregation into towns, the rural communities of Utah have always been urban in character. Our farmers are townspeople. The

villages grow into cities; and the latter now require city methods of water-supply, lighting and sewerage. Pure water and plenty of it is a first necessity. But as the town increases in size and density of population, the gravelly substrata of the bench upon which it is located permit the water necessarily used in irrigation to sink quickly, but only to reappear, greatly polluted and dangerous to health, farther down the valley.

It is this peculiar situation in Utah that renders sewerage systems desirable and often necessary, in the smaller towns, as well as in the larger cities. The expense of providing sewers in the smaller towns will be relatively enormous; but it will pay in the end, and will result in making the towns ideal places in which numerous wellto-do people will choose a place to dwell. The increase in population and

will soon compensate the outlay for sewage systems. Electric lights, a luxury rather than a necessity, are so readily provided by the power from the swiftly descending mountain streams nearby, that lighting systems have already been installed sons. in many of the towns.

With pure air, pure water, and effective sanitation, the towns of Utah will retain their position as ideal home towns. The end in view is worth the effort, and the necessary sacrifice in time and money. Sanitation is the order of the day.

in the sale prices of the real estate

# How old is Ananias?

Look not upon the light when it is 'rcd."

### All the slow battleships are in the dread-knot class.

Tips for Pullman porters never lean o virtue's side.

Don't wait till the clouds roll by. Let them do the waiting.

Nearly all the nations believe in disarming the other nations.

In flats the rent is usually inversely as the square of the rooms.

Tipping did not have its origin in Tipperary as the name might indicate.

Wilbur Wright should make a great

able qualifications and devote all their skill and energy to the persecal super-vision of instruction of attendants and teachers. The cell is the medium of the highest psychic functions. The intimat: texture of the cell is inherited, but may be modified by exercise, nutri-tion, and environment. The brala celli may be awakened and developed and on this depends the education of the feeble-minded class.

#### CORN AND APPLES. Cleveland Plain Dealer.

There is now in progress at Omaha a national corn exposition; at Spokane last week was held a national apple show. Two of the great products of the country are thus placed on exhibition and their importance emphasized. Live stock and dairy shows a regular fea-tures in several cities, and the more ornamental horse show is an estab-listed institution. Both at (mula and Spokane large prizes were awarded for excellent products, and there can be no that much good was accomplished

## CHRISTMAS FLOWERS.

Boston Transcript. Christmas time has its favorite flow ers no 'ess than June, and thanks to th induige their favoritism without giving much thought to a flower's birth month. And every Christmas season has its "leader" in the flower line. For this season someone has said that the prime favorite shall be the orchid known to those who are familiar with the his-tory of orchids as Zygopetalum Mack-ayi. All orchids are beautiful, to those who can appreciate their beauty, but this particular specimen has the some-what uncommon beauty among these flowers of fragrance. It is possibly this fragrance, as much as its outward beauty that commends it as a favorite, though it will hardly become the popular flower of the time for obvious rea-



Wife-John, John, wake up!There's a burglar down stairs and he's tak-ing the silver. Hubby (lazily turning over)-Let Hubby (lazily turning over)-Let bim! I'd sooner have him take my

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