

THE HOMEMAKERS.

A Settlement to be located in Idaho on the UPPER SNAKE RIVER VALLEY.

Mr. H. M. Greene, president of the Plymouth colony in Idaho, made us a very pleasant call during the past week. This colony is located in the finest fruit country in the world.

Commissioner Barrett has favored us with a brand new map of the state of Idaho for which we extend our thanks. The map is exceedingly valuable in many respects. It shows in different colors the location of mining districts, timber belts, irrigated and irrigable lands, summer and winter ranges for stock, forest and Indian reservations, sections where rainfall is sufficient without irrigation, together with all the railroads of the state up to date. The map is made from official data and is accurate.

T. W. Bartley, state fish and game warden, Moscow, Idaho, writes: "The governor and all of us are very anxious to have your party (members) come and settle in what we think is the best state in the union, and if I can be of any service to you in furnishing information, I will gladly respond to any call. I travel all over the state and know its resources very well, and do not hesitate to express my opinion that all who come here will find ample opportunity for investment, homes and labor at good wages. Our crops never fail, and our climate is good, much better than any part of your state. We raise all kinds of grains, vegetables and the finest fruit in the world." Mr. Bartley was for two terms county attorney of Garfield county, Neb., and in 1891 was the populist nominee for judge of the district court in the Grand Island district.

Mr. W. F. Shelton of Idaho Falls writes that the Upper Snake River Valley is on the eve of a boom. That the influx of settlers is very large, every train bringing scores. We are glad to hear this and will be of great value to our members as well as to the company in advancing land prices. We were satisfied prices would advance, but did not look for it before spring. During the summer large numbers took advantage of the low rates and inspected this famous valley, and in returning reported to their friends who in turn became interested and so the stream of home-seekers increases and keeps on increasing. By the time spring comes there will be a rush to the Snake River Valley, Idaho, such as there was to Oklahoma a year ago.

The Home Makers Company has done much to attract the attention of home-seekers to the grand opportunities offered in Idaho in general. We have presented what we knew and honestly believed to be true. We have spent much time and money to get at the truth and then presented it as we found it. Our settlers will be located in as fine a country as it is possible to find in the whole inter-mountain country. Everyone of them who will prove industrious will shortly be in comfortable circumstances. They will not need live in anxiety for fear of possible loss of crops, which is more than can be said of many other localities.

We are in receipt of a letter from a man who states he is ready to join the Home Makers and take forty acres of land, but before doing so writes to inquire as to the truth of a statement made by a friend who observed irrigation carried on in Colorado last summer and saw the irrigators up to their knees in mud during the operation. Such and thousands of similar questions are asked us. While the above is an exaggeration, yet the man who expects to farm and not get his shoes soiled had better remain where he is. He will be out of his element as an agriculturalist. The farmer has no time to spend on keeping his foot-prints polished. The questions asked by some border on the ridiculous.

During the coming week we expect to close the final details in connection with the purchase of the Home Makers Settlement land and then proceed to plat the same and begin allotments. It is hoped that before the end of October we will be in shape to permit those who desire to remove to their lands, to do so. In the meantime we ask all to be patient, we are doing all in our power and with as much dispatch as is consistent with safety. While these matters are being attended to we will continue to receive applications for membership, after the allotment begins no more will be taken on the terms now in force. Anyone desiring to take advantage of the benefits to be had may do so by sending in the advance payment necessary for the desired amount of land, the balance will not be required for some time and may possibly not have to be paid before December 1. Those desiring to locate on the lands immediately after allotments have been made will be required to pay balance on subscription before doing so. Each member will receive due notice in ample time.

Success has crowned our efforts in this grand enterprise. We have expended much hard labor and put forth considerable effort in bringing together a good class of settlers. Great care was exercised in selecting a good location in which we succeeded better than hoped for. We hardly expected to get so near railroad and other modern conveniences as are at our disposal in the location selected. No misrepresentation has been indulged in nor tolerated. The facts have been presented in a plain manner so that everyone could understand. The membership obtained consists of honest and industrious people not afraid to work and with the natural and artificial advantages at their command in the Home Makers Settlement they will all prosper and soon live in comfort.

To those who contemplate becoming members of our Home Makers let us

say, do so at once in order that we may make proper provision for you. We have remarked on a former occasion that some will delay and put off sending in their applications until it is too late. Some seem to labor under the impression that they can join later on. Such is not the case. We have no sufficient members to close up, and will only hold the books open for a short time until we are ready to begin the survey and allotments.

No more long descriptive articles will appear in The Independent regarding the Upper Snake River Valley. We have covered the subject thoroughly in numerous former issues. All readers of the paper are thoroughly posted and for those not regular readers we cannot repeat the matter. The address issued by us gives a full description of the country and location, just as it appeared in The Independent some weeks ago. To keep the matter standing in the paper takes too much space.

The week has brought a large number of applications from those who have been holding off till the last moment. There are quite a number we know of who will have to get action onto themselves this coming week if they expect to become members. There is no use waiting longer, this matter is ready to close and will close.

Don't put any credence in what you may hear derogatory to the Home Makers' location. When you have traced such statements down you will find they are the words of the ever-present "knockers." There is a motive behind it. The intention is to divert you to other parts. Any amount of misstatements and prevarication will be resorted to, to accomplish it. One party reports that he talked with a man, who has met another, who claimed to have been over the Home Makers' location and that it was absolutely rocky and stony and unfit to live on, but that this party had lands to sell in Wyoming, which could simply not be equalled. So there you have it. Members will not for a moment believe that the company whose compensation depends on the prosperity of the settlement would select inferior lands. We expected just such nefarious work, in fact, looked for it, and are therefore not disappointed.

Those of our readers having friends who contemplate becoming members of the Home Makers and who are not readers of The Independent, are requested to inform them that the membership is now closing and for them to make their application at once.

This great home-making enterprise is being conducted under the auspices of the Nebraska Independent, the greatest weekly newspaper in the west. All interested should subscribe and keep in touch with the progress being made. Hand the paper to your friend, he may become interested.

After having carefully studied our plan of Home Making and are in need of a home, and desire a location where crops never fail; where the climate is healthful and mild; where all the natural resources exist to make a country prosperous, and you find that our plan offers you benefits not obtained by settling by yourself far from neighbors; where you have the advantages of school and churches from the start; if you desire to be surrounded by a class of industrious neighbors who will improve their lands and thereby add value to yours, then don't delay another day but immediately send in your application for the amount of land you desire. You will be treated fairly and honestly and will receive a choice and well located piece of land in the allotment.

FOR THE BENEFIT OF OUR MEMBERS.

Excursion and freight rates to the proposed Home Makers Settlement, via the Union Pacific Ry. On every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month until further notice the rate to Idaho Falls will be one fare for the round trip, good for 20 days from date of sale, no stop-over privileges en route. From Lincoln the rate is \$32.50. Should you decide to make the trip inform us of the date of departure. Take receipt for ticket purchased and mail it to us or the form and number of ticket to us. It is of no especial benefit to us, except will aid in our efforts to secure benefits for our members in transportation and freight when ready to move to the settlement.

FREIGHT RATES ON EMIGRANT MOVABLES.

From Sioux City, Omaha, Council Bluffs, St. Joseph, Leavenworth or Kansas City, or any point in Nebraska or Kansas to Idaho Falls, 50 cents per 100 lbs., minimum weight 20,000 lbs.

BEST FOR THE BOWELS

CANDY CATHARTIC Cascarets
EAT 'EM LIKE CANDY
KEEP YOUR BLOOD CLEAN

All weight in excess of 20,000 lbs. 50 cents per 100 lbs. Will pass one man in charge one way if car contains live stock. All freight charges must be prepaid.

There are no iron-clad rules imposed on members as to the time they are to move upon the allotment, nor as to improvements to be made. Members may remove at any time after allotments have been made. They can consult their own convenience and circumstances. We aim to sell to persons only who intend to make their homes on the land, and are perfectly well aware that they will do so at the earliest possible moment.

Address all communications and make all remittances payable to the INDEPENDENT HOME MAKERS COMPANY, 1245 N ST., LINCOLN, NEB.

UPROAR IN ENGLAND

There Will be 500 Public Meetings Held Denouncing the Boer War

At last the English people are revolting against the horrors and the cost of the Boer war. It has been arranged to hold 500 public meetings in different parts of the kingdom during the next few weeks denouncing it. In calling these meetings the following proclamation was made: "All over the country one imperative demand is becoming articulate—that this long-drawn-out agony be ended. An honorable peace is the supreme necessity of the moment to shattered South Africa, to the overburdened population at home and to everyone throughout the empire who values his honor and prosperity. The whole situation must be reconsidered, for the liberals cannot afford to stand impassive while the very foundation on which our colonial empire rests is undermined. "The government has lapsed back a century and picked up the broken thread of tory policy which was lost in 1775 when the United States was sound into rebellion. It is impossible that any solution should be satisfactory that attempts to place the heel of one race on the neck of another. "Only a broad policy that recognizes the magnitude of the issues at stake, places the races on a footing of real equality and insists that representative government be maintained, but within reach of all parts of South Africa can hope to succeed. "Therefore let the liberals of the country, mindful of the glorious traditions of the party, rally as one against the impotence and folly of Downing street and save So. Africa to the empire."

Belligerents

(The proclamation of the British government banishing for life from their native land all leaders of armed bands in South Africa, which comes into effect from Sept. 15, is practically a denial of belligerent rights to the burghers.)
Are these men not belligerents? They curbed our legions in their course.
They fought our soldiers one to ten; They checked again, and yet again, Our armies in their weight and force. With rifle bullets, son and sire, They silenced our artillery fire, And drove us back, in frantic rout, With broken ranks and panic-shout, Dying the earth with dreadful stain, Leaving our wounded and our slain, Reeling and crushed across the plain, By honor, by our blood and pain, These burghers are belligerents.
And yet they're not belligerents, Since pity spared a fallen foe. Upon the red Tugela's banks They saw our shattered, routed ranks, And at Colenso let us go. Their gray old leader gave the word: "Be Thine the victory, O Lord!" And, scornful triumph or disdain, He checked the cannons' iron rain; He stayed the rifles' storm of lead Which swept the bloody river bed, Choked with the writhing and the dead, "It is not human," Joubert said, Ah, no! They're not belligerents! —Bertrand Shadwell, in Chicago Post.

BEWARE OF OINTMENTS FOR CATARRH THAT CONTAIN MERCURY as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is tenfold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine It is taken internally, and made in Toledo, O., by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free. Sold by druggists, price 75c per bottle. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Sure Enough, Why Not?

The establishment of cable communication between Palanog and Legasi completes the last link in cable and land communication in the Philippines. There is now an unbroken service from the extreme north to the extreme south of the archipelago. And this system all belongs to the government, which is independent of corporations, foreign or domestic. The authorities probably congratulate themselves upon their fine telegraphic equipment. But why should not what is good for the Philippines be good elsewhere. If we can have government cables all through an archipelago on the other side of the Pacific, why should we not have a government cable connecting that archipelago with America? If we can have government land lines in the Philippines, why should we not have a government telegraph system in the United States? It is cheaper to send telegrams in Luzon than it is in New York. Our government seems to be reserving its best gifts for its new subjects. The same old corporations are good enough for the citizens at home.—Chicago American.

400 OF THE BEST MEN

In Nebraska Constitute the Advisory Board of Nebraska's Vigorous and Successful Young Life Company, the BANKERS RESERVE LIFE ASSOCIATION. They Are a Guarantee of Good Faith, Good Management, Safe Risks and Rapid Growth.

ALREADY the Bankers Reserve Life Association takes rank with the strongest of life companies. Although less than four years in active existence, this vigorous home organization writes every week more business than its strongest alien competitor.

BUILT upon sound principles, economically conducted, conservative in all things, its growth has been phenomenal. No other company in America of its age has a larger proportion of assets to liabilities and no other company has had a smaller death rate.

THE SECURITIES of the Bankers Reserve are deposited with the state auditor. Every honest death claim is promptly paid. Every business obligation is met when due.

THE OFFICERS of the Bankers Reserve are well known business men of experience, integrity and energy.

THE POLICIES of the company are thoroughly up to date, liberal, scientific, clear, complete and reliable. None better in the world.

THE BUSINESS AT RISK is the best which experience, conservative management and careful investigation make possible. Any so-called "Old Line" company would gladly reinsure it at our terms without medical re-examination.

THE AGENTS of this company are writing the business under the direction of the management with the aid of the Advisory Board and are selecting the best men in Nebraska.

THE ADVISORY BOARD, composed of 400, is made up from the best class of our citizens and it is a part of their contract to assist the company in expanding its business and protect the company from imposters.

B. H. ROBISON, PRESIDENT, Omaha, Nebraska, is in need of more agents to push the good work forward. Excellent territory is open for good men at remunerative compensation. Address, BANKERS RESERVE LIFE.

TRUSTS AND TARIFFS

They Have Nearly Laid the Trade of Germany and the Same Fate Awaits Their Evil Influences in the United States. If economic forces when policies were changed followed immediately, it would not be difficult to instruct the people in political economy. But they are slow in operation and it some times takes years for their full force to become apparent. Years ago this writer pointed out just what the effect of high tariffs would be in the long run. When an enormous duty was put upon sewing cotton the defense made for it was that it would prevent the importation of English spool cotton which would all be manufactured in this country to our great advantage. Writing then upon the tariff it was insisted that that could not possibly be the result. The English manufacturers would simply establish plants here, bring over their workmen, take advantage of the high tariff and the profit would all be back here. It is not human, Joubert said, Ah, no! They're not belligerents! —Bertrand Shadwell, in Chicago Post.

DOCTORING FREE

The British Doctors are Doing This To Introduce Themselves. Three Months' Services are Given Free to all Who Call at Their Office at the Corner 11th and N Streets Sheldon Block, Lincoln, Neb.

A staff of eminent physicians and surgeons from the British Medical Institute have, at the urgent solicitation of a large number of patients under their care in this country, established a permanent branch of the Institute in this city in the Sheldon block, corner of 11th and N streets. These eminent gentlemen have decided to give their services entirely free for three months (medicine excepted) to all invalids who call upon them for treatment between now and October 10. These services consist not only for consultation, examination and advice, but also of all minor surgical operations.

The object in pursuing this course is to become rapidly and personally acquainted with the sick and afflicted, and under no conditions will any charge whatever be made for any services rendered for three months to all who call before October 10. The doctors treat all forms of disease and deformities and guarantee a cure in every case they undertake. At the interview a thorough examination is made, and, if incurable, you are frankly and kindly told so; also advised against spending your money for useless treatment. Male and female weakness, catarrh and catarrhal deafness, also rupture, goitre, cancer, all skin diseases and all diseases of the rectum, are positively cured by their new treatment. The Chief Associate Surgeon of the Institute is in personal charge. Office hours, from 9 a. m. till 8 p. m. No Sunday hours. Special Notice—If you cannot call, send stamp for question blank for home treatment.

discovers that while he was paying tremendous prices for his goods, the same articles were being placed upon the foreign markets at a ridiculously low figure, which absolutely precluded the manufacturer from reaping any profit. In short, the retailer was not only paying dearly for his goods, but he was also paying for the loss the manufacturers were incurring in the foreign markets.

Such a condition of affairs could have but one outcome. The inevitable result has ensued. The manufacturers, secure from foreign competition by the protective tariffs, have increased their prices to such an extent that they have attained an unenviable and absolutely untenable position. The retailer refuses to pay the exorbitant prices, with the result that the demand has considerably decreased. The commercial depression which at first was considered to be only temporary in character has now developed into a matter of grave importance. In the early part of 1900 it was impossible to obtain sufficient labor to cope with the orders in hand. Now it is difficult to find adequate work for the laborers. Some industries, such as coal mining, are still fully occupied, but others, such as the iron trade, are experiencing serious times. The tariffs are being seriously reduced, and wages are declining. Unless something unforeseen happens in the near future to revive the prosperity of the country serious situations will develop. The unemployed problem will become acute. The government has endeavored to save the situation by levying new tariffs and increasing old ones, but reprisals from other countries are being issued if such drastic measures are enforced. And for all this the syndicates are entirely responsible. Had they not assumed such an intolerably despotic attitude no such crisis would have developed. Money has become so dear that it is impossible for any profits to be made. The first industry to suffer from this tendency was the building trade. Builders were unable to raise on mortgages at a rate that would leave them even a small margin of profit. The result was that work in this line came to a standstill. Cessation of work in this trade affected the iron, glass, cement, stone, and cognate industries. Once the canker set in it has rapidly spread and all efforts to stem the tide of depression have so far been completely nullified. The public have now painfully realized that the syndicates have failed to bestow those benefits which for times of trouble had in theory been anticipated, and their power and influence on the markets is now regarded more as an evil rather than a blessing.

The consular-general opines that the high-water mark of German prosperity has been attained not by chance, but systematically and scientifically, and he states that Germans may well be proud of what they have achieved in comparatively so short a span of time. He advances, however, a word of warning. The increase of the tariffs will result in the absolute exclusion of the foreigner, while the syndicates will take immediate advantage of the augmentation of the customs to increase their prices. The British exporters have felt the effect of the tariff considerably, but they are now surmounting the difficulty in the only possible manner, and one that is likely to affect the syndicates very severely. Several British manufacturers who cannot manufacture their goods in England to sell them profitably in Germany are establishing branch works in Germany. They can there compete with the syndicates upon their own ground and upon the same terms. The English exporter now undersells the syndicate at a price which is highly profitable to himself, and since he has to recoup no losses incurred by forcing another or foreign market, it cannot be described as unfair competition. Already several British firms have branch works in Germany, and, owing to the success that has attended this policy, several other firms who have hitherto had an extensive trade with Germany, but which has been killed through excessive tariffs, are emulating their efforts. When this competition becomes sufficiently powerful the syndicates will experience serious times and will eventually be crushed. The English exporter may suffer somewhat in the interim of their English factories owing to the establishment of such branch

works, but it will enable them to direct their attention to new markets, where there is no opposition by heavy protective tariffs.

The consular-general strongly condemns the policy of organizing industries into syndicates or trusts. The home country must be the sufferer in the long run, as Germany has now found out to its cost, and eventually such combinations will be killed, and the home trade pass more completely into the hands of the foreigner.

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The Commoner.

(Mr. Bryan's Paper.) The Commoner has attained within six months from date of the first issue a circulation of 100,000 copies, a record probably never equaled in the history of American periodical literature. The unparalleled growth of this paper demonstrates that there is room in the newspaper field for a national paper devoted to the discussion of political, economic, and social problems. To the columns of The Commoner Mr. Bryan contributes his best efforts; and his review of political events as they arise from time to time can not fail to interest those who study public questions. The Commoner's regular subscription price is \$1.00 per year. We have arranged with Mr. Bryan whereby we can furnish his paper and The Nebraska Independent together for one year for \$1.50. The regular subscription price of the two papers when subscribed for separately is \$2.00.

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THE REALISTIC SCHOOL. From Leslie's Weekly: Vivian's residence is much in the way of book agents, itinerant tea and coffee merchants, enlarged-photograph artists and improved-silver-polish philanthropists.

Every historian is influenced to a greater or less extent by his personal surroundings and the things of his own times. For example: Vivian was reciting in exceedingly new words the old, old story of Peter's release by an angel from prison. All had gone well and glibly up to the point where Peter had found his way to the house of a friend.

"Very well. What did he do then?" inquired the listener. "He—he rapped at the door." "That's right. What next?"

There followed a somewhat lengthy pause. Then an inspiration came to the triumphant young historian. "Why, I guess he asked 'if the lady of the house was in.'"

OF COURSE. He—Dat's his comb on top of his head. She—My! An' dese udders is his side comb. Wot?

"Willie," said mamma, "didn't I tell you to wash your face?" "Yes, mamma," Willie replied, "and I did wash it." "Mamma," piped little Elsie, who had just been vaccinated, "perhaps he did do it, but it didn't 'twe' the first time."

NEW FIRST READER. Why is the farmer's wife mad? Because her son did what she told him to do. What was it? She told him to draw a hog-headful of water.

See the man. What is the man doing? He is hanging the picture. I don't see that he is hanging it. Of course you don't, but you can hear him.

PAN-AMERICAN ROMANCE. The tall, dark young man and the short, blonde young woman had accidentally met and became acquainted while on the way to Buffalo. They had encountered each other in the Court of Fontaines at the exposition and renewed the acquaintance, and every day thereafter for a week, they met at the same place apparently by accident, and strolled through the grounds together.

But the last day allowed by his excursion ticket had come and he could stay no longer. "It has been a delightful week," he said to her. She murmured an assent to the proposition. "And I have come to know you so well that I hope you will not think me presumptuous if I ask you a question."

"What is it?" she asked, with down-cast eyes. "Will you please tell me your name?"

GOT WHAT HE DESERVED. "You know Throggins? Smooth fellow. Great feller. Tries to keep on the good side of everybody. Well, he went to church last Sunday morning and slept through the whole sermon. Then he had the gall to tell the Rev. Dr. Fourthly, after the congregation had been dismissed, that he had never enjoyed a discourse so much in his life, and he would like to borrow the man's script of it and take it home with him, so he could read it again during the day. What do you suppose the doctor did?"

"I can't imagine." "Well, sir, I think he'd seen Throggins nodding, and knew he hadn't heard a word. At any rate, he took Throggins by the arm, led him into his study, made him sit down, and then he read every blessed line of that sermon over again to him before he would let him up. O, you don't get ahead of Dr. Fourthly—not much!"

ALFRED AYRES CONFOUNDED. Victor Smith in the New York Press: Alfred Ayres, who is such a purist regarding the use of the English language that he is sometimes regarded as a crank, wandered into the office of the Appletons, his publishers, the other day, and inquired for Colonel Appleton. "He flew the coop, I guess," said one of the young men. "What?" "He flew the coop." "Oh! If you had said he has flown the coop, young man, I might have understood you," and Ayres stalk