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PORTLAND, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6, 1907

## AMAZING GROWTH,

eterans with pitiless hand, but still The Oregonian has received from the he pension bills increase. The simple Manufacturers' Record, of Baltimore, a fact is that a large fraction of those amall pamphlet entitled "America's Amazing Advance." One naturally sets who now draw pensions on account of he Civil War took no part in the conout to read such a composition with weariness. Our commercial prosperity Some of them have to consult flict. their history books to learn when it is so harped upon that an account of it is worse than a twice-told tale. It ook place and what it was about. Many other pensioners are men of great wealth. It is a curious speculahas been told from the stump, in the newspapers and in the magazines, not ion whether a patriotism which actwice, but a thousand times, until, like every tale of wonder, it has lost by epts a pension which it does not need s genuine. Has the general effect of repetition its power to thrill. Still, as the pension system been to pauperize the recipients? R is commonly said reads this pamphlet, which was by Richard H. Edwards, in written that old-age pensions would pauperize workingmen. Why should they act in opite of the triteness of it all the pulse begins to heat faster and the head to ne way upon people in general and in

whirl. Surely if the strong adjective "amaning" was over in place, it is apopriate here. Our material advance in the last ten years has been amazing, and nothing less.

Government for internal improvements, We have learned, albeit somewhat Consider, for example, the increase slowly, that the best way to solve our transportation problems is to perfect a in the value of farm products in Amerlea. From 1870 to 1890 the gain was system of Internal waterways. Recent about half a billion; but during experience has shown that no railway next ten years it was more than four vstem which we can construct will be and a half times as much. In other idequate to do the carrying business o words, the annual advance in the value he if farm products is now nine times as great as it was a quarter of a century indispensable to supplement the rail-ways, and now it is our turn to take ago. Nor is this adequately accounted for by the increase of the number of

are some grounds for misgiving. Maerial prosperity depends largely on oal, iron and lumber, and of these natural resources we have not been waste of them all. Enthusiasts are in the habit of eaying that nature has provided us with an "exhaustless supply," but this is far from the truth. Not only is the supply limited, but the lim-its are in plain sight. Conservative estimates place the end of our forests outside of the Government reservarions, within twenty years. Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota, whose forests were just as "exhaustless" as those

This is probably true, though there

of Oregon, are already stripped bare, and it does not take much acumen to discern what is going on here. Scienists predict a comparatively early failure in the supply of coal also. Such facts as these need not frighten us, but they should lead us to mingle prudence with enthusiasm while we contemplate the future.

but the policy is working an injustice on a large number of legitimate home-More hopeful even than the great maerial development of the country is he equally amazing moral growth spekers growth closed.

which we have experienced in the last ew years. After a long period of financial anarchy we have at last be-

ome rich enough as a nation to look after our souls a little. We are beginsubsidy bill. It devotes nearly a colning to find that the inner man is of umn to a post mortem over the reas much importance as the outer. Mormains. Unfortunately, the Seattle paality in public and private life has per is about as far from the facts in lately acquired an unprecedented imthe case as it was before an inquest be ortance with us. The result is almost came necessary, "Oregon is indifferent iniversal dissatisfaction with the con-Agency. Denver - Hamilton & Hendrick, 905-912 ditions of former years. Our famillar Escentsenth strest; Fratt Book Stors, 1214 Fifteenth strest; I. Weinstein; H. P. Han-fore we begin, quite properly, to hate the carrying trade of Oregon is done by foreign vessels." asserts the Seattle pa-This surprises the Manufacturthem. ers' Record, which says that "our peo ple seem to be without polse or balance." We have polse enough, but, now that we are so rich, we naturally Oregon is opposed to ship subsidies be-cause the only base on which the plea

long to become respectable. Who can

blame us for it?

**OUR PRODIGAL CONGRESS** It cannot be denied that the Fiftyinth Congress was rather given to extravagance. It disbursed the public funds with a generous hand. But liberal expenditures are not in themselves a cause for reproach, neither is parsimony of necesity a virtue. Much de-pends on what the money is spent for.

The increase in our military expenses has been very large, out of proportion one may frankly say, to the requirenents of the Nation. The people approve a reasonable outlay for the Navy, but we are pretty likely to watch the growth of the Army with

calous eyes. No one can find much consolation in the fact that the Government spent nore for pensions last year than ten

ears ago. The burden of our gratitude o the saviors of the country seems rather to be increased than diminished by time. Death thins the ranks of the

rating out of San Francisco four the largest, fastest and finest American ships affoat, not even excepting the Atlantic liners which fly the American flag. The assumption of the Post-Intelligencer is that American steamships in the foreign trade are found only on Puget Sound, when, as a matter of fact, San Francisco annually clears foreign more American steamships than are

of the South and Southwest are

SUBSIDY POST MORTEM.

The Seattle Post-Intelligencer is in

eep despair over the death of the ship

or hostile to shipping subsidies because

r, and "California is not keenly anx-

ous for aid to American shipping for

nuch the same reason." For the in-formation of the P.-I, we will say that

for subsidies is made is that the for-

eigners are carrying our commerce too

cheaply. If it could be shown that a subsidy would reduce freight rates and

and all other states would support it.

he P.-I., "prefers to have foreign

teamships do its carrying to the Ori-

The Harriman syndicate is today op-

"The Harriman syndicate,"

cleared from Puget Sound. But there is still hope for the truth, even on the part of subsidy-hunters, and we heartily agree with the P.-I. in the statement that "soon or late the common sense of the American people will assert itself and there will be real inquiry into the subject." When that

inquiry becomes searching, we shall find the Post-Intelligencer, Represent-ative Humphrey and all of the other honest but uninformed subsidy artisans working hard to undo the harm which their efforts in bchalf of the subsidy steal has wrought. "While the light steal has wrought. "W holds out to burn," etc.

A NOTABLE DEBATE.

In the current number of The Readers' Magazine Mr. Bryan and Mr. Beveridge begin a debate on state rights chich everybody will find lively and ome may find amusing and some, perhaps, edifying. Mr. Bryan harps upon the old theme that somebody wishes to withdraw power from the states and confer it upon the Federal Government, This le absurd. Nobody proposes to do anything of the sort.

The plain fact of the case is that it is essential to the public welfare that some of our governing agencies should exercise a power which has hitherto he country. Other nations learned ong ago that rivers and canals are iain absolutely in absyance. The states have not claimed it. The Federal Government has not selzed it. It is not among the much-vaunted of the states because

take nearly 1,090,000 acres from the Col- hearted boy. No doubt the girl wife ville indian reservation, and the hun- and mother and assistant breadwinner dreds of poor settlers who have been is used to "punishment." She had camping for years on the borders of lived several years with a creature who this rich region awaiting its opening according to his own appraisement of conomical There has been wicked for settlement will be compelled to himself, is a very small specimen of a man when it comes to effectiveness in ferior grade. Oregon and Washington have suffered much through the land the world of labor and of kindness in the domain of home. frauds, though it is perhaps the iniqui-

Wouldn't it be a fine thing if all the ties of some of our own people that has newspapers and all the people were shouting "Best Legislature Oregon ever brought on us the punishment now being administered. It seems strange, however, that the vast timber regions had"? But they are not. There are ninety men who have lost an opportuim une from this forest-reserve mania. nity to go down in history as the With their public domain still open awmaking body ever assembled in this for settlement while so much of ours is state. Some of the members lost the closed, the other states and territories will profit by the influx of settlers who opportunity through no fault of their own, for they were in the minority. But each must suffer in a measure for are barred from the Pacific Northwest. Posterity may rise up and bless the the acts of all. This should have been present Administration for stunting our record-breaking Legislature and perlevelopment now in order that it may haps it was, but the records broken, if any, were not in the direction of legishave an opportunity to expand later, lation for the people. The newspapers and the people have a few words of on whom the gates have been commendation for the work of the re-cent session, but the praise is thrown

in incidentally in a mase of criticism. What an honor it would have been to be a member of the "best Legislature Oregon ever had." The members of the seesion of 1907 will hand no such honor down to posterity.

# The University of Oregon appropria-

ion is said to be threatened seriously by the referendum. While the amount oted to the university is heavy and indeed formidable, it would be little short of a calamity to that institution to have it "held up" for months. A state university may be a mistake. The location of the University of Oregon may be regretted by many. But if Oregon is to have a university that bear. its name and speaks, or is supposed to speak, for its educational endeavor along higher lines, it should be properly equipped for work by the state. Other-wise its work will drag and the gradu-ates of its high and other preparatory thus add to our profits and admit of the expansion of our business, Oregon schools will be drawn to other universi ties. This is the plain fact. The university should either be adequately squipped and supported by the state or it should be dropped entirely from the list of the state's educational benefient because they are beyond the reach of any American regulation or control."

The millmen's strike in this city at he very opening of a busy season and a prosperous year is a matter of deep regret. It can only be hoped that the en will prove reasonable in their deands and the millowners ready in acquiescence, so far as these demands are reasonable. When stubbornness meets stubbornness in a case of this kind, the nterests of the public suffer and local rosperity is checked. Laborers can

not afford to lose time when wages admit of substantial savings, nor can manufacturers afford to close their expensive plants when the demand for their products is active and insistent. counsel of moderation in a case of this kind is the voice of wisdom,

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General Batyanoff, a Russian naval fficer, is quoted in a St. Petersburg able, as declaring that American shipbuilding yards can turn out in two years as many ships as European yards can turn out in five years. He ac

ingly recommends that the Czar let to American builders a contract for construction of a Far Eastern squadron.

Seneral Batyanoff probably had in view the present crowded condition of Euro pean yards when he made the statement with which he is credited, but he would have been indulging in no exaggeration had he stated that the Ame can yards could build better ships than have ever been turned out by the foreign yards.

Farmers of the Willamette Valley

will note a recognition of their needs in the item in the river and harbor bill that provides \$60,000 for the improvement of the Upper Willamette River. While recognizing the value of rallroads and ardently desiring their extension, the farmer folk are loyal to the river and hall with satisfaction an BALLINGER TAKES OFFICE.

Succeeds Richards in Land Depart-

ment\_Pollock to Be Retained.

WASHINGTON,, March 5.-Judge Richard A. Ballinger, of Washington, LONDON, March 5 .- In introducing the navy estimates in the House of Com-mons today, the Parliamentary Secretary today succeeded Governor William A. Richards, of Wyoming, as Commission er of the General Land Office. Afte being sworn in, Mr. Ballinger had a of the Admiralty, Mr. Robertson, went over much of the ground covered in the memorandum on the subject referred to After and an in these dispatches February 28. He said the Admiralty believed the two-power standard would be adequately maintained by the proposed programme for construc-tion. During the past 10 years Great Britain had added 1.132,205 tons to her

informal confegence with the bureau and division chiefs. J. H. Ballinger, of Seattle, a cousin of the Commission-er, will act as his private secretary. Judge Ballinger enters upon his du-ties as Commissioner coincidentally with the entrance of James R. Garfield as Secretary of the Interior. Sec-retary Garfield and Judge Ballinger

vere classmates at college. Before retiring, Mr. Richards received the following letter from the President: \*

many, \$485. Two years hence Great Britain will have completed six new bat-tleships. including three of the Dread-naught class and three armored cruisers I hereby accept your resignation. Two-years ago you told me that you could not stay longer than this date. I told you then how I regretted to have you go. Let me reli-erate my assurances of my personal regard for you and of appreciation for your long and faithful services. You have given your best ability to the disinterested service of the Government. I thank you for it on be-half of the Government and I extend you my heartlest good wishes for your future. Me Disherts will return to Woo-I hereby accept your resignation haught class and three armored cruisers of the Invincible class, while neither France nor Germany would have a single ship of those types completed. The home ficet was a logical develop-ment of its concentration in home waters, and furnished additional security against the remote risk of invasion. The cha nel fleet was stronger now than in 1965. the Mr. Richards will return to Wyo ming. HE PREFERS TO KEEP WARM

It is reported that the present As-

It is reported that the present As-sistant Commissioner, George F. Pol-lock, will be rotained. Mr. Pollock is a friend of the new Secretary, Gar-field, and of Gifford Pinchot, who has great influence with the Administra-tion. With the comment is in balance With this support, it is believed Mr. Pollock will continue to hold his position. Should there be a change, it is stated with positiveness that Special Inspector Greene, of the General Land Office, who is a candidate place, will not be appointed, for 2110

# TAFT WILL VISIT CARIBBEAN

Congressmen Accompany Him to

Panama, Cuba and Porto Rico. WASHINGTON, March 5-Secretary Taft has invited Senator Kittredge of South Dakota, and Representatives Bur-ton and DeArmond of Missouri to ac-company him on his approaching trip to Cuba, the Isthmus of Panama and Porto Rice, and they have accepted the invi-tation in order to acquaint themselves with conditions in those places so as to help them in participating in the legislation in the next Congress relative thereto.

Messrs, Noble, Stearns and Freeman Messrs. Noble, Stearns and Freeman, all engineers, will also be of the party, with the special purpose of examining the test pits that have been dug on the site of the projected locks at Gatum and giv-ing the Secretary the benefit of their pro-fessional opinions as to the work in progress. The trip will be made in a naval vessel. naval vesse

The start will be made March 24 and corsets. Others who have prospered in business, he said, are Prince Furstenhers, who owns geveral large brewerles, and Prince Donnersmarck, who conducts a silk manthe party will go directly to Colon, stop on the Isthmus two or three days, run over to Cuba, making a similar stop, and then go to Porto Rico. The stay in Porto Rico will only be for a day, and Governor Winthrop, who is quitting the island to assume his new offices as As-sistant Secretary of the Treasury, will accompany the party home.

REFORM IN POSTAL SERVICE

Commission to Suggest Improvements for Meyer to Execute.

WASHINGTON, March 5.-President toosevelt today had a conference with Roosevent today had a conference with Postmaster-General Meyer and members of the Postal Commission, including Sen-ators Penrose and Carter and Represent-atives Overstreet and Gardner of New Jersey. The Commission is to make a thorough investigation of the metho he administration employed in the postal ervice, with the view to suggesting re-orms and improvements that may be for the betterment of the service. There was a general exchange of ideas between the President and his callers regarding

Mr. Meyer believes that the most im proved business methods should be adopted in all branches of the postal serivce, with a view to its being entirely selfsupporting, and that reforms should be put into effect wherever there is any evi-dence of a want of system or laxity of nethods.

#### STEVENS MAKING GOOD RECORD Denies Intrigue Against France.

March

BRITAIN STILL RULES WAVES CURZON AGAINST ROSEBERY

The chan-

navy, while Russia, France and Germany

The British navy was the cheapest in the world. It costs \$45 per ton. That of France costs \$520; Russia, \$465, and Ger-

German Aeronaut Declines to Ac-

company Wellman to Pole.

BERLIN, March 5. - Walter Wellman

head of the Chicago Record-Heraid Polar expedition, recently wrote a letter to Captain Von Krogh, one of the best-

German Aristocrats in Business.

BERLIN, March 5 .- A young German

nobleman, in an appeal to his class to enter trade, dropping the obsolete idea that it is beneath their dignity, points to some illustrious examples that they may

The Kalser he says, it is well known

Hohenzollern stores. Prince Christian Hohenlohe is anothe

example pointed to. He conducts differ

ent businesses on his estate in Wurtem-hurg. One factory makes oatmenl, an-other makes cakes and a third makes

Forms New Party In Venezuela.

andez (El Mocha), is the recog-head. The independent parts

nized head. The independent parts will advocate absolute adherence to the Constitution. Therefore it will favor

the succession of Vice-President John Gomez for the unexpired term of

Medals for Dutch Lifesavers

HOOK OF HOLLAND, March 5 .-

orated Captains Sperling, Jansen and

Berkhout with the gold medal of the Order of Orange-Nassau. All of the crews of the boats which participated

in saving the lives of the passengers and crew of the steamer Berlin, which went ashore here February 21 were given silver medals of the same order.

Prince Henry of the Neitherlands, behalf of Queen Wilhelmina, has de

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together had added only 1,108,268 tons.

Minister Says She Can Whip Any Warm Contest for Chancellorship of Any Two Navies Afloat. Oxford University.

LONDON, March 5 .- An interesting contest is imminent between Lord Curzon and Lord Rosebery for the vacant Chan-cellorship of Oxford University. It has been supposed that Lord Curzon, who was nominated to this office some

days ago, would be returned without op-position, but now Lord Rosebery also has accepted a nomination and the mat-ter will be decided on March 14, when the election will be held.

#### Asks Czar to Build Ships in America.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 5.-General Batyanoff, formerly an officer in the navy, is trying to persuade the Emperor that Russia should have a squadron in Far Eastern waters at the earliest pos-tible moment, and is recommending that the projected warships be built in the United States and not in Europe. The General declares that the American ship-

building yards could turn out in two years as many ships as European yards could in five. Russia is soon to begin the construc-tion of two battleships of 21,800 tons displacement with a speed of 21 know tons dis-placement with a speed of 21 know, tur-bine machinery and armaments of ten 12-inch guns each. It is reported these vessels will be laid down in St. Peters-burg yards this Spring, and it is hoped to fisish them in four years.

Terms of New Japanese Loan.

LONDON. March L-The prospectus of the Japanese conversion loan will be is-sued March 9 and tists opened March 11. The amount will be \$115,000,000 at 5 Captain Von Krogh, one of the best-known German aeronauts, inviting him to be his assistant in the attempt Mr. Well-man will make this Summer to reach the North Pole in a balloon. According to the Lokal Anzelger, Cap-tain Von Krogh has declined this invita-tion, believing dirigible ballooning has not yet reached a stage of perfection that guarantees the success of a Polar at-tempt. of the amount will be apportioned in London and the issue price will be 8%; Haif of the amount will be apportioned in London and the rest to Paris, where the loan will be handled by Rothschild Brothers. In London the issuing banks will be Paris' Bank, the Hong Kong & Shanghai. Banking Correspondent Shanghai Banking Corporation, the Yokohama Specie Bank and the Rofhs-childs. The loan is intended exclusively for the redemption of \$110,000,000 6 per cent bonds issued in 1904.

#### People Flee From Moving Mountain.

NAPLES, March 5 .- The mountain in the Province of Polenz, above Monte-murro, which for two days past has been slipping down into the valley, seems been slipping down into the valley, seems to be moving much more alowly. The fight of the inhabitants, however, con-tinues, fearing a repetition of the terrible earthquake of 152, in which 300 persons lost their fives. The present avalanche has destroyed 30 dwellings and two churches, but there have been no victims, the people having had sufficient warning to escare. The Kalser, he says, it is well known, possesses extensive pottery works on his estate at Kadinen, in East Prussia, and conducts them himself with vigorous com-mercial seal. The productions of these imperial factories are sold in Berlin by a branch of the business known as the Hohenzollern stores. to escape.

#### Hamburg Stevedores Strike.

HAMBURG, March 5-The controversy between the shipowners of this port and the stevedores has become active again. The latter refuse to do any night work, which has been abandoned since May day. 1906, as a demonstration against the pun-ishment of their comrades who participated in the May day celebration. This afternoon the owners decided to engage men at other places and substitute them for the stevedores.

### NEW YORK, March 5 .- Nicaor Belet,

a son of the late General Bolet. Pare-za ex-Minister of Venezula at Wash-ington, is one of the promoters here of a new political party for Venezula to Sulphur Yellow the Proper Shade. LONDON, March 5 .- According to Draper's record, sulphur yellow, which al-ready has a vogue in Paris, will be the popular shade this year for both wom-en's frocks and household decorations. be known as the Partido Independent be known as the Fartus Independent Mr. Bolet hopes to be able to bring into its ranks many of the members of the Liberal party, as well as members of the Nationalist or Conservative party, of which General Jose Manuel

#### Prince of Wales Full Admiral.

LONDON, March 5.-The Prince of Wales, who held the title of Vice-Ad-miral in the navy, has been promoted to be a full-fiedged Admiral.

# Morocco State Bank Incorporated. PARIS, March 5.-The Senate today assed the hill incorporating the Morocco

King Edward at Biarritz.

BIARRITZ, France, March 5 .- King Ed-

and arrived today on a special train

Garfield Takes Oath as Secretary.

WASHINGTON, March 5.-James R. Garfield took the oath of office as Secre-tary of the Interior today. The oath was administered by Warren H. Choate,

clerk of the Bursau of Corpora-

State Bank.

com Paris.

the lesson. To carry it out in practice will require money, and a great deal farmers; for that has only been about 4 per cent per annum. What is the

secret? A cause which is not always of it. attended to in proportion to its importance is the development of irrigation An irrigating ditch will make land The most enthusiastic supporter of worth \$100 an acre and upward which the President's forest reserve policy before the water came to it was worth will hardly approve of the wholesale he water supply creates withdrawal from settlement at this billion dollars, and it has time of more than \$,000,000 acres of The water supply creates nothing. been doing it, sometimes inconspicuous- land in Oregon and Washington. The original purpose of the forest reserve ly, sometimes with pomp and circum stance, all over the arid West. With irrigation has come the era of intensive as distinguished from haphazard retention of moisture at the head of and wasteful agriculture. Land which our large streams. The forest reserve must be arillicially watered is too was also invoked for withdrawal from settlement of large tracts of very mountainous and scenically beautiful costly for shiftless farming. Morethe irrigationists have taught the whole nution the art of extracting land without great value for agriculgreat returns from small patches of tural purposes. Public land was plenti-The day has gone by when our ful when the forest reserve idea was farmers sought by killing toll to make first put into effect, and the ease with one man's industry suffice for the culwhich legitimate forest reserves were tivation of land enough to keep a created awakened the cupidity of land dozen busy. Small farms scientifically thieves of both high and low degree. immense grants of the tran account for the rapid in The crease in the quantity and quality of tinental railroads embraced considera-

agricultural products. But there has ble areas of land which were practicalbeen an increment of aggrogate value hich requires further explanation. Mr. Edwards points out that agriit was a comparatively easy matter to culture developed faster than manufac-

have the limits of forest reserves extures in this country. Hence there was' tended to take in this worthless land. years a continuous oversupply of foodstuffs with correspondingly low In effect this amounted to confiscation prices. It seems strange that this of private property of the railroads, could be true, for there has never been and, as this of course was wrong, the time when the entire population of Government remunerated the roads by the world was properly fed. Still there offering them the choice of other lands ould be and actually was more food to the amount of the same area in lieu than could be consumed in America of that confiscated. This lieu-land act while the people of Europe were in was the most powerful weapon that The cost of transportation made could have been placed in the hands of want. the difficulty. ufactures has created a market for forest reserves for no other purpose the farmer's products at his door, while than to furnish a base from which lieuthe extension of railroads has cheapened transportation. The result is that thievery of this nature has been pretty food is cheaper and better in Europe well checked, and the heavy withdrawthan it was twenty-flye years -ago. als made this week by the President while the farmer receives more for raising it than he did then. The probwere all of lands which were not affected by the lleu-land laws. lem of overproduction has been solved The injustice of the proceeding lies by better transportation and the in the fact that, scattered throughout Oregon, Washington and Idaho, are thousands of houest settlers who, failwith of the home market, although the quantity produced has been multi-

olled with startling rapidity. Farm values and the quantity of foodstuffs which we send to market are only one example of our prosperity. Steel, cotton, lumber and almost every-thing else that can be named have kept pace with them. It is perhape literally true that no age or country ever experionced anything like the material development of America during the last two decades. But Mr. Edwards prethat all this is only a beginning. All that we have accomplished, he says. The real creation of values is yet to come, and it will be so vast that we must find some adjective of larger

institution was adopted it was never dreamed of. We refer to the power to

nother way upon soldiers?

There will be no popular protest against the increasing outlay of the

FOREST RESERVING OVERDONE.

regulate the great corporations which carry on intenstate business. Shall this authority go to the states or to the Federal Government?

Which of them can do the duty best? To ask the question is to answer it. The conflicting legislation of the states concerning corporations amounte to no regulation. This the corporations well know, and therefore they are, almost line. without exception, ardent advocates of extreme state rights. The regulation of the trusts is something that the states could not do if they would; but hitherto they have not shown the elightest wish to do it. The clamor about state rights in the promises began exactly when

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joke was on.

the Federal Government took up the problem of regulating the trusts. Its purpose therefore was manifest. It was to paralyze all action and continue purpose the anarchy which had up to that time prevailed. We do not accuse Mr. Bryan of being a secret friend of the monopolies, but his incessant desire to complicate the question of regulating them by worthless for anything but forest with the entirely reserves. In due season the men in charge of these grants discovered that to say the least. with the entirely different matter of state rights looks like thoughtlessne

John Kelly, whose death occurred at the North Pacific Sanitarium yesterday after a brief illness from pneumonia, was widely and most favorably known in various business capacities in this A seafaring man in his youth, he was known in early navigation interests between this city and San Fran-cisco. Becoming tired of life afloat, he engaged in business in life ashore in the early '70s, and in 1881 formed a The development of the jand thieves. It led to creation of partnership with David M. Dunne, which continued until about sixteen years ago. He was Commissioner from

land scrip could be secured. But land Oregon to the Paris Exposition, and later engaged in fire and marine insurance. His business versatility and energy were attested throughout all the years of his life. He was noted for probity in business for good comrad ship among his associates, and in his

earlier years for his active public spirit. His death comes as a surprise to his many friends. ing to find nomes to suit them in the

city.

surveyed districts, have entered these The man who seeks to get back the wife who has left him, "not because he wants her, but to punish her for lands now embraced in this sweeping forest reserve windrawal and have hewn out homes in anticipation of the opening of the country and recognition leaving him," proclaims by word of his own mouth the woman's reason for of their squatter's rights. Withdrawal abandoning him and his home. This a of such an immense area at this time recently deserted husband of Oregon will not only work a hardship on these settlers, who are entitled to considera-tion, but it will also retard immigra-City proclaims as his purpose in put-ting the police of several citles on the track of his eloping wife. Leaving the tion to this country. There is, of children out of the question, as the par-All that we have accomplished, he says, is like the preliminary work of the farmer in clearing the stumps from his cluded in these latest withdrawais, The rich Colville country is an ex-woman's abandonment of her husband, even the ough, as is surmised, she went aple of the development-stifling effect meaning than "amazing" to describe it of this policy. The caw reserve will away with a hig, blundering but kind- Heney's scalpel.

"reserve when the purpose of keeping it open to naviga-Excavation in February Beats Any

Month-March Still Better. A rumor is out that John D. Rocks WASHINGTON, March 5 .- Chief Enfeller is about to make another elabor-

incer Stevens is trying to make scord before he turns the Panama we ate donation to the cause of education over to his successor. Colonel Goethals as is evidenced by a cablegram from him or philanthropy. On being questioned, all that the oil king would say was received by Secretary Taft, which says that "I have something in mind which I believe will be of great benefit to the "In 25 working days in February exce-vation in the Culebra cut was 638,644 yards. On the same basis a full month public." Possibly Mr. Rockefelier intends to reduce the price of oil or gaso-

HENRI POST FOR GOVERNOR

Succeed Winthrop.

WASHINGTON, March 5 .- Mr. Henri Post, of Bayport, L. L. and a former Assemblyman for that district, has been selected as Governor of Porto Rico by the President, to succeed Gov-ernor Winthrop, who is to become As-sistant Secretary of the Treasury. Mr. Post is now Secretary of the Insular Government, and is about 43 years of age.

APPOINTS WICKERSHAM AGAIN

President Refuses to Turn Down Alaska Federal Judge.

WASHINGTON, March 5 .- The Presifent today signed a recess appointment for District Judge James Wickersham, of Alaska. The Judge is now serving his second term on the bench, but his nomi-nation for that term has not been con-firmed by the Senate. Charges against him are being investigated by the Department of Justice.

#### New Rules for Private Postcards.

WASHINGTON, March 5 .- An order has

WASHINGTON, March 5.—An order has been issued by the Postmaster-General providing new regulations governing the size, form and weight of private post-cards entering the mails. Such cards must be made of an unfolded piece of cardboard, not exceeding 3.9-16 by 5.9-16 inches, nor less than 2% by 4 inches. They must in form and in quality and weight of paper be substantially like the Government postcards. They may be of any color, not interfering with a legi-ble address and postmark. Very thin sheets of paper may be attached to them on condition that they completely adhere to the card. Cards bearing particles of glass, metal, mica, sand, tinsel or other similar substances, will not be accepted for mailing, except when inclosed in en-velopes. velopes.

Cannon's Party Starts for Isthmus

NEW YORK, March 5 .- To the West NEW YORK, March 5.-To the West Indies, the Spanish Main and a two days' stop at Colon, that the Panama Canal work may be visited, the steamship Bluecher, of the Hamburg-American line, mails today with her cabins full. In the large party are several members of Con-gress. including Speaker Cannon, who takes the trip to see the operations upon the Isthmus of Panama.

PARIS, March 5.—The Madrid corre-spondent of the Eclair, in a dispatch dat-ed today, quoted Garcia Alix, who was Minister of Finance in the Villaverde Cabinet, as denying that the Vatican au-thorities made efforts to prevent King At-fonso from visiting France, as nemi-foficially stated in Paris. March 2 fonso from visiting France, as officially stated in Paris, March 2.

MADRID, March 5 .- Premier Maura, in

Push Reforms, Leave Church Alone.

NEW YORK, March 5.-A. W. Eager, manager of the Hotel Martha Washing-ton, announced tonight that a suite of rooms had been engaged at the hotel by an interview today was quoted as saying an interview totaly was quoted as saying he will try to realize many of the re-forms upon the liberal programme, but that the multiplicity of other and more serious questions compels the relegation of the church issue to the rear.

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# "GUESS I'LL HAVE TO GO DOWN THERE AND DO IT MYSELF"





of his administration

Duchess of Marlborough Coming.

would have been 722,000 yards, should go considerably over 800,000 yards. The Government authorities working on the Chicago Subtreasury shortage are proceeding on the theory that the Secretary of Porto Rico Chosen to

noney was taken by some practical joker who is now afraid to restore it If this is true, some difficulty will be experienced in determining whom the Dr. Evans, the Thaw alienist, says it

was all due to a "brain storm"; but the storm is now over. Your true expert always manages to evolve a milllion-dollar theory to fit a million-dollar client.

There was something the matter, It eems, with all the initiative petitions filed at the City Hall Monday. Just at this juncture the City Hall seems to be

Dr. Driver tells the Portland preach nnation than their congregations. Go gently, doctor nuch-or as little.

\_\_\_\_ Now they are talking about a referendum for the State University appro priation. Two years ago we had a nor-mal school referendum, and the normal schools won.

St. Johns is on the jast lap of her third year as a municipality. Can any other three-year-old in the Pacific Northwest show greater speed?

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Oregon will never forget its debt to President Roosevelt for protection of 4,000,000 acres of forest against future vandalism. -

Consumers of whisky, beer, cigars tobacco and imported luxuries will pay the billion-dollar National expense bill, -

No Oregonian teels unkindly toward Uncle Sam on account of \$3,750,000 for rivers and harbors.

And now Mr. Abraham Ruef will pend some bad half hours under Mr.

living up to all expectations.

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