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THE COURTS AND LEGISLATION.

The Hon. Walter Clark, Chief Jus of the Supreme Court of North Carolina, endeavors to prove in the current number of the Independent that the Federal judges ought to be elected by the people and not appoint-ed by the President. He would apply this rule to all the judges, both those of the lower courts and the Justices of the Supreme Bench. The reasons which Mr. C.-rk offers for his opinion will appear strange to most people, reared as we have been to look upon Federal judges as a superior order of do no wrong. He clearly indicates a conviction that the authority which National Government into a close oli-garchy; and since, in his opinion, the ppointment of the judges is often dic-

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The Oregonitation out changing its ontward form, that the men who made it could not recognize these who pretend that the courts are those who pretend that the courts are the only safe guardians of the Constitution. everything. WILLAMETTE VALLEY TRANSPORTA-In the constitutional convention the

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TION Announcement that the Oregon Electric line will extend its road from the present terminus at Salem to Euproposal to confer upon the Federal ourts the power to annul laws of gene will be most graciously received Congress came up four separate times, not only at Portland and Eugene, but

production has very little to do with

prices and irrelevant factors almost

Each time it was debated, fully con-sidered and voted down by a decisive all along the route. The Oregon Electric seems to be one of those cormajority. Not more than three states porations which does not confine its building to paper, but actually invests It is a rule of law everywhere accepted that when the interpretation of a law is in in steel, ties, roadbed and equipment. We have been somewhat "shy" on dispute the intention of the lawmak. roads of this class in Oregon, and, for that reason, the work of the Oregon ers is decisive upon the matter if it can be ascertained. There is no trou-Electric will be doubly valuable to the ble whatever in ascertaining what the intention of the constitution-makers The building of this line to Eustate. gene will largely aid to solve the transwas in regard to the annulment of portation problem for the Willamette Valley. It will supply all of the inter-mediate territory between Portland and Eugene with quick and frequent on clearly and unmistakably four arate times. Each time they detransit at lower rates than now preed the power to the courts. And yet vail, and it will also offer an opporcourts, which pose as the only tunity for the fruit, hop and lumber-men of the Valley to get their prodistworthy conservators of the Constitution, have usurped this authority ucts on the market with much greater and exercise it so frequently and confacility than ever before. temptuously that they have made the legislative department of the Govern-Operated as an independent enter-

prise, this line can turn over at Portland the immense traffic originating in the Willamette Valley to the road missive vassal. So thinks Judge Clark. But the usurpation is now so strongwhich offers the best inducements to the shippers. If it remains clear of intrenched in custom, he believes. that it can only be remedied by a conentangling alliances with any one of the big roads leading across the continent, its business will be sought by all, and every shipper along the line will for a term of years only, instead of profit by the competition thus created. The business of the Willamette Valley for life, rs it now stands. As to the wisdom of such an amendment people will differ according to their temperais increasing so rapidly that there is no question about the success of the ments and prejudices. As to its prac-ticability there can be but one opinion. road, and, as soon as it is completed to Eugene, there will undoubtedly be It is useless to think of amending the Federal Constitution. It cannot be feeders built out across the country

traversed by the main line. It is not at all improbable that the immense traffic of Central Oregon may yet find relief by means of a Willamette Valley electric line. There is plenty of power at various places throughout the state, and the line could undoubtedly haul wheat out of Central Oregon at a much lower freight rate than is now demanded by the men who are carrying it out with out of it may be a task which pre-sents some difficulties, but we are contraction engines. The same natural conditions which cause heavy grades fident it can be done. If the post roads clause does not suffice, surely it through the mountains into Central Oregon also create water power for operation of the roads. It is the ad-vantage of rapid transit and good serv-

can be managed under the general welfare provision. ice between Portland and the Valle MEN AND WOMEN. cities and towns that will first anneal to the people, but in due season still greater benefits will result from the in-We are disposed to agree with one of our correspondents, whose letters are printed today in another column, creased development of the country now neglected for want of transporta that a jury of women would be less amenable to the wanton wiles of Waytion facilities.

mires and their lawyers than men are. Not that women understand the little With a line to Eugene right through a territory which produces traffic at arts of their sex better than men every mile traversed, it will not be do, but they are differently affected by long before it is extended south

well as east. Southern Oregon is becoming famous as a fruit country, and For example, it was reported that when the Mayor appeared in court Mrs. Waymire "cast a withering glance at him." Now that glance was, of bearing. An excellent illustration of thim." Now that glance was, of bearing. An excellent illustration o ourse, carefully studied, and it was the development that follows construct emitted with a perfectly definite in- tion of an electric road can be seen tention to produce a certain effect along the Oregon Water Power Comupon judge, reporters and spectators. Had these individuals been women inpany's line to Estacada. This has changed a scantily settled and poorly developed country into an almost unstead of men, one can assert with unbroken line of small farms and gar-dens. It has afforded city workers an qualified confidence that the wither ing glance would have failed of its obect. They would have read its puropportunity to get out into the country and enjoy the pleasures of a little garpose instantly and steeled their hearts against it. The men read it equally den and orchard of their own, and it well, but their poor, silly hearts were has enabled the small farmer along butter beneath its beams. We believe it is agreed by lawyers the route to get his products to market at small cost and with quick serv-

that a jury of men is by nature unfit to render exact justice to a handsome What has been accomplished along woman, whether she be plaintiff or this older line will now be in evidence beings who can make no mistakes and defendant. Dickens set forth a great along the route of the Oregon Electric, do no wrong. He clearly indicates a conviction that the authority which has been gradually grasped by the Federal judges is transforming our National Government Into a close oilhe can make capital of a woman's is apparently still walting for cheaper sexuality before a jury. His specious money with which to build railroads, appointment of the judges is often dic-tated by the corporations, the tendency of the subject white the tendency of the oligarchy is to subject us to a group of a narrow and conscienceless and they are almost invariably ef-

more permanent residents to take the MURDER OF EX-SHERIFF BROWN place of that wandering army which drifts in at harvest time and drifts out again when harvest is over. The ruling of the department will work a

hardship only on the big wheat kings most of whom have done well enough out of the industry to live quite com-fortably on 160 acres for the remainder of their lives.

A young boy, beaten and driven out into the night, which he spent shivering under a pile of lumber rather than brave the wrath of his inhuman father by returning to the shelter that he called "home." is truly an object of plfr. One cannot help wondering where the mother was when a case of this kind is reported, and, if present, what she was doing while the beating of the boy was going on. The maternal instinct should rise to meet an emergency of this kind with any weapon that comes handy, from a rolling-pin or iron poker to the broomstick. Force is the only argument that can be used successfully against a bully or that will put to rout a cowar who uses his strength brutally against who uses his strength orutally against a child. The time to use it is when the emergency occurs. Blood-letting has fallen into disuse in therapeutics, but there is no doubt of the efficacy of nosebleeding when brought on to bring a bully to a realizing sense of the fact that there are some things that he cannot do, even in his own house, with impunity.

President Roosevelt in his speech be-ore the Deep Waterways Convention at Memphis yesterday disclosed his intimate knowledge of the possibilities of the great river of the West when he said that "the removal of obstructions in the Columbia and its chief tributaries would open to navigation and inexpensive freight transportation fully 2000 miles of channel." This is a greater mileage than is covered by all of the rail lines controlled by the Harriman interests in Oregon, Washington and Idaho, and with the great awakening in interest in the subject we are almost certain to experience but little difficulty in securing the necessary appropriations for placing these channels in condition to handle the traffic which is already taxing the capacity of the railroads and is creasing more rapidly than ever before. It is something new to receive from so far from home such encouraging tributes to our great system of undeveloped waterways.

"Trade, like water, finds its own levels and follows along the highways of least resistance," said Secretary Straus in a speech before the National Convention of Cotton Manufacturers held in Washington yesterday. And then, to make the filustration clearer, the well-informed chief of the Department of Commerce and Labor threw cold shivers down the back of the worshipers of the sacred tariff by telling them if they built tariff walls too high in this country they would en-courage the building of higher walls on the other side. To overcome the obstaclés now encountered by trade be recommended revision the trade of the tariff. If these distressing admissions that there is something wrong with our tariff system continue to come from men so high in authority,

common clay of which our long-worshiped idol is constructed. President Clark, of the Mount Hood Railroad, is much chagrined over what he terms the premature announcement

of the plans of his company to build line from Portland to Denver. bases his objection to the publication of the news on the grounds that it will interfere with securing right-ofway and other privileges. The pro-jected route of the road is through a country which is so badly in need of a railroad that it seems hardly possible that there would be any attempt hold up the road for unreasonable for right of way. If sums there

His Only Safe Way. Walla Walla Statesm

front gate,

It might not be a bad scheme for Sena-tor Borah to employ Attorney Darrow to precede him every time he enters his On the Level of Russin.

Eugene Guard. If this lawlessness is not curbed and some method found of allencing loud-mouthed demagogues and yellow news-papers, our country will in time degen-erate to the level of Russia. Is Brown But One of Manyf Baker City Democrat. Is it possible that every man who been active in ferreting out evidence against the Western Federation of Miners

is marked for death? Ex-Sheriff Harvey Brown had been active in the Steve Adams case as a detective in the employ of the Pinkertons. Is it for that reason that a deadly bomb was employed to get him out of the way?

Life of No Man May Be Safe.

Tacoma Ledger. If what the murdered man said just be-fore death is true, the life of no man who is active in the prosecution of members of the Western Federation is safe. It is an awful charge, which all law-abiding and patriotic citizens hope is not true, yet there is the plain ante-mortem statement: If the guilty should be caught and the statement of the ex-Sheriff confirmed in the trial, the question of whether Harry Orchard told the truth, which has never been answered, might then be answered.

Reign of Terror Imminent.

Eugene Register. If anyone in the Federation of Miners a responsible for this dastardly act, and if the perpetrators are caught, they should be made such an example of as should be made such an example of as will put an everiasting quietus on such an organization or any other of similar nature, making it foreyer, in the future a hissing and a byword among the upright citizenship of the country. If this Nation does not rise to the occasion and stop the redhanded flendishness of anarchy that prevails in the country. It will pay a penalty, the price of which will be the blood of innocents and a reign of terror

A New and Fearful Terror. East Oregonian.

What man who speaks his sentiments on these questions is safe from the bomb or the bullet? Who can escape if profeasional murderers set their plans to "get him," as it is believed has been done in the case of Frank Steunenberg and Harvey K. Brown? The dynamiter may be at your elbow in the guise of some respectable agent, solicitor or business man. He may be spying upon your acts from day to day, in the guise of a sick man, "hore for his health"; he may be within sound of your voice, when you are discussing these questions, in the guise of a traveler passing through the city-you don't know where they are, what they are doing, whom they are spying upon

No Pulliation for This Crime. Pendleton Tribune

Pendleton Tribune. Cowardly in the extreme, it was at the same time a fit method to accomplish the murder of a man whose only fault was the performance of his duty in the en-forcement of the law behind which the people stand as the representatives of the Government-as, indeed, the Government itself. The unspeakable outrage com-mitted in this manner is all the more das-tardly for the reason that in the United States, of all countries in the world, any citizen can come as nearly having his own the next session of Congress will be states, of an countries in the word, any cilizen can come as nearly having his own way about his every movement as any man or woman should ever have vouch-safed to him or her. There is no op-pression, nor anything that savors of it. almost certain to disclose the very anywhere.

But Suppose It Be Truet Tacoma News.

Perhaps the Sheriff was wrong in his Perhaps the Sheriff was wrong in his dying conclustons. It is difficult to be-lieve that the Federation is involved in this murder. It is incredible that they could plot this crime or sanction it, or even have knowledge of it. If the motive for this murder had its inception in the Steunenberg or Adams cases, where is the combined of accuration to and? Brown carnival of assagaination to end? Brown was one of the least of those concerned in the late Haywood prosecution. Is the Governor of Idaho marked for death? Is Senator Bornh? County Attorney Hawsenator bound, county actions in the leg? Mayor Haines of Bolss? Are all the witnesses for the state? Some of these men live in expectation of the assasshi's bomb or bullet or knife. The Governor

BREVITY ALL RIGHT IN ITS PLACE. There Are Other Consideration

<text> than this cart form of expression. Gymnasts of literary power there be whose thoughts stand forth in scant and sublime attire. But Professor Louns-

bury is right, of course, in the contention that it is "exactly the same with the clothing of our ideas as with the clothing of our persons," which would make the costume of a gymnast unfit for a Fifth avenue promenade. Much that, strictly

avenue promenade. Much that, strictly speaking, is superfluous in our outer garb makes for comfort and decorum. Compare the weak effect on the Roman mob in "Julius Caesar" of the stole brevity of Brutus with Mark Antony's graceful and powerful oration. The ques-tion of fullness or concisencies of style is one, at bottom, of what Herbert Spencer calls "economy of attention"-of attention more readily fastened, sometimes, by a redundant salutation than by proceeding at once to talk business. "Lift up your head, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye cveriasting doors" possesses majesty and strength which concisences would utterly destroy.

GOOD NEWS ABOUT U. S. NAVY.

Our Shins and Guns Superior to Any Others in the World.

Chicago Journal. While the air is full of charges that the

Navy is not fit to take the long voyage around the Horn into Pacific waters and we are told that our battleships are unequal to a possible contest with the Jap-anese vessels, it is gralifying to read in the eighteenth annual issue of Jane's "Fighting Ships of 1907," Just published in England, that "both in ships with high-power guns or impervious to vital injury at long range the United States injury at long range the United States fleet is superior to any other navy in the

world.

world." This English authority does not dismiss the American Naval force contemptuous-ly. On the contrary, it says that our Navy is "an extremely good second" among the world's sea-fichting arms. While our two American Dreadnaughts

while our two American Dreadnaughts are only contracted for and it must be several years before they are in commis-sion, we have a Navy that is remarkable for effectiveness, in contrast with mere bigments bigness.

bigness. On top of this reassuring news come the tidings from Sandy Hook that the United States possesses an explosive far superior to the Japanese shimose, which did more than anything else to enable. Japan to whip Russia. Since then the secret of shimose's composition has be-come known to all the great powers, and hence shimose can never a rain be the come known to all the great powers, and hence shimose can never acmin be the great factor it was in the recent war. But nobody outside of the Go.smment knows what the new American explosive is. It is called dimnite, after its inven-tor, Major Dunn, of the Army ordnance corps, and is said to have such force that heavy armor plate way a veried into

heavy armor plate was surveyed into thousands of fragments by its terrific imutet. Governor Hughes in a New Light.

Kansas Clty Star. Who says Governor Hughes is too austere? Who says he has no sense of humor? Who says he is unsympathetic and stern and all that sort of thing? Well, to the back seat with all of them! It is reported that the Gov-ernor, in a speech delivered at the Cen-

tral New York Fair the other day, "tickled" a crowd of 25,000, which crowd cheered him and hailed him as "the next President." But the real line on Mr. Hughes is not found in the achieve-ment of "tickling" the crowd. He was watching a Japanese acrobat perform.

"That is a girl, Governor," said Colonel Threadwell. "I know, Colonel," responded the Governor, quietly. "I can tell them in

any language. "Her name is Okimo," someone vol-

"I knew it was O. K.," said the Gov-

retire from the stage a few years ago be-cause of a damaged voice. After a long rest, she reappeared several months ago, but the reports led one to fear that she had been premature. At the recent Wag-ner Festival at the Prinzregenten theater, however, she appeared as Elizabeth in

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however, she appeared as Elizabet! "Tannhauser," and, says the Aligem inded more beauti ful and fresher than ever, not a trace be-ing perceptible of her indisposition. New York is not the only city in which New York is not the only city in which opera houses are multiylping. St. Peters-burg will soon have three. The cay has been growing so fast that the Imperial Opera long ago censed to have room for all who wanted sents. A few years ago Prince Zeretelli opened a second opera-house, but this, too, was so remarkably measured that it we longer accommodates ceraful that it no longer accomodates all who are eager to hear operatic music -especially those whose means are limespecially those whose means are fille-ited. Consequently, arrangements are be-ing made for a People's Opera-House, which will hold 4000 spectators, who will pay popular prices. Several Russian cap-italists have provided the funds, and a number of young artists will coperate in an attempt to produce the master-merks is a worthy manner. The reperin an attempt to broad The reper-tory is to include two operas that will be new to St. Petersburgers-Wagner's "Fly-ing Dutchman" and Goldmark's "Queen of Sheba."

MUSIC

Money came in shoals to Gabrielli who spent it as fast as she made it. And she was capricious. Once, the Viceroy of Skilly asked Ga-brielli to sing for him and when she re-fused he sentenced her to 10 days in jail. Here she gave daily concerts, of course without charge, paid the debts of her fellow prisoners, and distributed money among the indigent. This continued until her scatteres expired and when she was liberated she was received with shouts of approval from the populace. For years she was a popular idoi. Then youth, beauty and volce left her. At 60 years of age, when she was a haggard old woman she died penniless at Bologna. Whenever you see a musician who de-clines to work graits, heedhess of the fact that he may be a teacher making his \$10,000 or \$20,000 a year, don't blame him if he declines to work for nothing. He's thinking of Gabrielli.

It is related that Ravelli, the tenor, had a mortal hatred of Minnie Hauk, because she once choised off his high B-flat by a too-comphrensive embrace. To add torture to Injury. Ravelli's ex-pression of wrath being mistaken by the audience as a great burst of enthusiasm he was loudly applauded amid crics of "encore." Another tenor, Brignoll, when he did not receive from the audience what he considered a proper amount of applause, usually declined to sing the re-maining numbers, pretending that he had suddenly been stricken with a sore throat.

Nicholas C. Zan, a haritone well known in this city, is now earning a high salary singing in vaudeville for Keith's circuit in big Eastern citles.

Miss Anna Held began her New York and stand the second stand to be a second to be season in "The Parisian Model" last. Monday night, with new songs as well as new dresses and scenery. Otis Harlan is in the company this year.

The Ernest Gamble Concert party began its premier this season at Hartford, Coun.. Its premier this season at Hartford, Conn., with approaching appearances at Boston, Weilesley College, Trenton, N. J. and Philadelphia, two concerts being given at the latter place. The artists expect to visit this portion of the Pacific Coast about the end of next February. Mr. Gamble is one of our most artistic Amer-ican concert singers, his voice being a rare baseo cantante.

The late Edvard Grieg might have lived longer had he not been so attached to his home, near Bergen, a picturesquely situated villa commanding a splendid view of the island-studded flord. The climate of that part of Norway, though mild, is excessively humid, and this was had for a man like Grieg, who had only one lung. a man like Grieg, who had only one make and was a victim of frequent asimalic attacks and other troubles. He knew this quite well, and made up his mind some time ago to abandon Troldhaugen if he could find a purchaser who would pay Shortly for that villa what it was worth. for that villa what it was worth. Shortly before his death such a purchaser ap-peared. The famous firm of Peters, in Leftste, which prints all his music, bought the villa, and on the following day made a present of it to Grieg, at the same time begging him to accept the privilege of living in any part of the world he chose, entirely at the firm's expense. It was a generous offer, but it came too late.

came too late. . . . Lovers of Wagner's music will be glad

to hear that Fraulein Morena, who is to be one of Conreid's singers at the Met-

ropolitan the coming season, is herself again. Idoltzed in Munich, she had to

eral courts have made themselves the of Portland, the good women, appreci- so long as they are built and operated supreme and irresponsible rulers of the country by assuming the right to of Congress. This veto acts power is disguised under various names and exercised with divers palliations in form and language; but it is real thing and it is probably the most important single fact in our Governmental system. Everybody will recall that the United States Senate iebated the rate bill not in the slightest degree upon its merits, but solely upon the question whether the Supreme Court would approve of it or not. Mr. La Follette was the only "It is Senator who touched upon the rights and wrongs which the bill was designed to remedy. All the others, Spooner, Bailey, Long, Fulton, disto be done to meet the wishes of the courts. Is this not a strange phenom-Is it not somewhat incongruof the Government assuming this servile attitude toward another which by Constitution is its equal, but not that overcapitalized corporations must its superior? tains no hint whatever that the courts are justly capitalized; but we do main-shall be the exclusive interpreters f tain that the higher their capitalizaequally distributed among all three earn dividends upon it; and we think

as much as to either of the others, necessary relation between capitaliza- ble properly to handle the crop when The Supreme Court has no more con-stitutional right to annul a law of Con-cut no figure in the speculations of gress than Congress has to annul a doctrinaires, they are rather important about 160 acres and could work it ision of the court. So thinks Judge to the owners of corpoorate stocks, and the desire for them exerts a not caping injury. Clark. He argues that it never was the in- altogether negligible pressure upon of-

tention of the constitution-makers to ficers and directors. Thus in practice will supplant wheatgrowing in many power upon the there is a very definite relation be confer political courts; but the authority to annul, or tween capitalization and prices. Here, laws is political power of the as almost everywhere else, the cuthighest order. It makes the courts and-dried conclusions of economic And theorists look very pretty on paper, our supreme legislative bodies. the singular anomaly of it is that they but apply only partially to the living increase in the population, something are not only beyond the choice of the facts.

The Federal Courts always rule that people and above all possibility of becorporations are entitled to a fair held responsible, but they are practically exempt from effective crit-profit on their invested capital; and To utter or publich what is they compute the invested capital from farms by the great wheatgrowers has intended to influence a court while a the amount of stock which has been resulted in decrease in population at issued. Hence in the decisions of the is pending brings upon one punishment for contempt. But it is in courts the rule prevails that capitaldeciding cases that the courts really ization determines prices. Whether tricts were showing substantial gains, enact new laws and repeal old ones. the rule is just or not is another mat-Hence this legislation, which is more ter entirely. important than any other, goes on al- it is not just; but it is the rule all the all of the wheat grown in Oregon, diost in secret. Certainly it is en-

tirely exempt from public discussion. By this half clandestine process of lawmaking. Judge Clark points out, arctile proffered, whether it is trans-Constitution has been entirely portation, sugar, kerosene or life in-ing, and each of the ten farmers is surance. Capitalization, dividends, making more money out of his small transformed; and it has been done so quietly, so inconspicuously, that very fair returns upon capital invested, and farm than the former wheatgrower few people know anything about it. all such questions, are entirely ex- made out of the entire quarter section He makes the perfectly true remark traneous to the issue; but as things when it was devoted to wheatgrowing. ton that the Supreme Court has so altered go in this imperfect world the cost of What the Pacific Northwest needs is ton.

fective. It is safe to wager that the women ple of Oregon who builds the railroads to serve their patrons. weigh the circumstances with a nicer SMALLER FARMS, MORE FARMERS.

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ense of justice. There will hardly be any widespread prow over the new ruling of the In-The vilest creature on earth, and the most dangerous, is a woman who abuses the power of her womanhood to betray a man to his ruin. No dwell on them. It will have the effect "squeal," but it is not bound to do so. words can express her infamy, for she of reducing the acreage held by the has turned the most sacred of all wheat kings and of increasing the things to the lowest purposes of evil. number of small farmers, an advan- afford to others to "turn state's evitage too obvious to require explana-

CAPITALIZATION AND PRICES

patch in yesterday's Oregonian, a popular superstition that a corporation capitalized at more than importance of this ruling may be rets actual value must charge prices alized when it is understood that there higher than would be charged if cap- are men living in the City of Pendle-Spooner, Bailey, Long, Fulton, dis-italized at its actual value." This quo-ton who are farming as high as 3000 acres upon which there is not a single Post. The able writer goes on to say that scores of states have based legis- the big holdings into smaller holdings lation on the superstition, and he de- and the invasion of the reservation by ous to see one co-ordinate department votes a column of really powerful ar- a more humble class of growers and Lane. gumentation to show how false it is. the crowding out of the big wheat We have no wish to try to prove kings. The present season has offered an The Constitution con- charge higher prices than those which excellent Illustration of the advantains no hint whatever that the courts shall be the exclusive interpreters f our fundamental law. That power is equally distributed among all three earn dividends onen it; and most the source internation of the savan-tages of farming on a small scale as compared with what is generally known as "bonanza farming." Pracdepartments of the Government. It this is the common view. If they do not care to make dividends for their fields was on the big farms, where Supreme Court and to the President stockholders, of course there is no the scarcity of labor made it impossi-

without much help succeeded in es It will be a great many years before diversified farming

localities in Oregon, Washington Idaho, but a limitation on the size of the wheat fields will be of great benefit to the country. In the case of Uma-

As stated in a Pendleton dis-

tilla County it will result in a large barbed-wire fence at the boundary

townships in the county where the steadily increasing absorption of small

a time when all other portions of the Northwest outside of the wheat dis-In the Williamette Valley, which

The only fair way to determine where not infrequently ten families affect the quality of the water.

a put-up job, or a futile dalliance? Or was it both?

such a purpose there would be small likelihood of any one securing an award that would be unfair to the rallroad.

Mayor of Portland, whoever he may

Lane. "Sed nemo," etc.-"'No one is wise at all hours." There is great

poetry, of which the following is a

If the Government is in earnest

bout wanting to keep the little brown

'olumbia, why doesn't it put up

So, and the same, as to Mayor

dence."

to keep it.

passage, to wit:

believe he was.

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from her French husband.

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stantly prepared for death. Where Will It All End? Government is under no need or ob-Olympia Recorder. That such another fiend in human form ligation to worry about "keeping its as Harry Orchard exists almost exceeds belief. But this bomb outrage proves it true, whether he is a tool of the miners or not. That there is such a connection beword" with criminals. It may be terior Department which compels the expedient for it to keep its promfarmers who lease Indian lands to ises of immunity to those who

tween this and the forerunning murders The main reason for keeping them alis a belief strongly supported by the asso-ciate circumstances. If this is the work of the miners, whether by organized diways will be the inducement it will It is a prerogative of the rection or individual initiative, the ques-tion arises, where will it all end? Who else is marked for death? Where next the red hand fall? Many other prominent state to use one of the parties to a crime to detect and convict another and where immunity has been prommen have incurred the enmity of the min-ers in the Colorado troubles and the Idaho prosecutions, as officials, prosecuised it is well, as a rule, to keep the covenant. But the state is not bound tors and witnesses: are they threatened with a like fate? Revenge and intimida-tion appear to be the motives. We have every confidence in the

Women for Jurors.

PORTLAND, Or., Oct. 4.-(To the Edi-tor.)-After reading The Oregonian's ed-itorial "Salacious Harples" the thought came how would a jury of women do to try this modern Deillah? They would not prove as wax before her "smilles, tears and wiles, as men jurors do.

clara H. CARPENTER.

But should she confident. But should she confident. As sitting queen adored on heauty's throne. Descend with all her winning charms begirt. To enamour, as the zone of Venus once Wrought that effect on Jove so fables tell-PORTLAND, Or., Oct. 4.-(To the Edi-tor.)-I wish to thank The Oregonian for the great satisfaction given me by its ed-itorial headed "Salacious Harples," in The Oregonian of this date. To a man -Even so, the Mayor of Portland must be up to the emergency. We agement of Gladys Vanderbilt to ount Szechenyi is contemporaneous these earrion birds of society whom you tagement of Gladys Vanderbilt to so justly condemn, your handling of the subject cannot fail to appeal and win his admiration and approval. with the announcement of irrevocable separation of Madame Anna Gould

O. L. MAYHOOD.

Marry or Get No Property.

Atlanta Disptach in New York Times. men from sneaking in from British Because his son "refused to wed and have heirs," Jasper Smith, an eccentric capitalist, of Atlanta, has sued the son and recovered valuable property deeded to

One unreported cause for decrease in Union Pacific earnings in July is lack of cars to haul the freight that was offered. Thurmond to marry, as I wanted gri children, but he refused to do so, and I want my property back." The jury, without leaving the box, gave the property to the father.

A year ago Mr. Smith declined to pay for a portrait of himself on the ground that the artist, without consulting him, had painted in a neckile, a thing that during his long life he had never worn. The artist sued, but Mr. Smith proved he had never worn a necktle and w

Kills 92 Copperhead Sankes Pittsburg Dispatch,

Harriman is off the Chicago & Al-ton, Harford County, Maryland, has killed ton board. We congratulate the Al-52 copperhead snakes near his home this

Summer.

ernor, "but I did not know her last name. finds it prudent, we are told, to be con-Now, where is the man who could

have risen to the occasion more defily than that? Chauncey Depew could not have done better in his most "haleyon" days. Isn't there a warmth in that kind of humor to fire the heart of the Isn't there a warmth in that common people"? For the first Charles Evans Hughes looks forr ble as a Presidential possibility. formida-

Hodearrier's Extensive Wardrobe.

North American. James Wellman, hodcarrier, owns: Fifteen business sults, latest style and nest materials. One sult of evening clothes. One dinner suit.

Several ultra-fashionable Fall and Win-

r overcoats. Two fine walking sticks. Wellman was arrested for stealing \$580 of the funds of the Church of God and the Saints of Christ, in Pittsburg. This is the widely-known feetwashing sect. The hodcarrier was one of the most ardent feet-washers in the congregation He

brought his wonderful wardrobe to Phila delphia with him Magistrate Scott turned Wellman over to Detective Robinson, of Plitsburg, who took him back to that city.

A DAY LIKE THIS.

The other day when rain poured down I sure believed the world would drown, It rained so hard, it rained so long The streets were streams of sticky of The streets were streams of sticky of The Willamette a leaden flood, Combrella-roofed we all did scud, A sad dispairful, swearing throng. The men looked glum, the wo mud. The men lo scowled, women

The horses floundered, drivers growled, All in the pouring, soaking rain. The smoke hung low above the street, The newsboys tramped with sodden feet. And every man I chanced to meet Declared 'twould ne'er be fine again. Today there's not a single cloud Upon the heavens; the mountains proud Lift skyward all their snowy peaks. The horses toss their heads and prance, The men shake hands, the children dance, The pretty girls at every glance Scatter the smiles they've saved for

weeks. I like to ride to Council Crest

And stroll and loaf and dream ...d rest Upon a blessed day like this. I like to see a pretty gown Inwoven with the green and brown Of frosted leaves; and see the town Warm with the sun's last, lingering kiss Warm with the sun a last, higher I love to see the gardens gay With rose and dahlia on a day Like this, so clear, so calm, so love to see the happy throng Chatting and idling all along The street. Their voices like a song of many parts, sing on till night. Of, would that every day might be A day like this, -as bright and free From gloom, with such a happy crown, it might, if girls would smile together

And men wa weather. watch them and not the weather. Bo smile on, girls, no matter wh ther 'Tis rain or sun the sky sends down. C. H. CHAPMAN.

The Italian publisher Sonzogno paid \$500 for a prize libretto by Fausto Sal-vatori, and asked Mascagni to set it to "Cavalleria Rusticana." Mascagni ac-cepted it, although he admitted at once that he was not particularly interested. He has now definitely declined the task. When Salvatori asked on what ground. Mascagni replied: "I cannot set to music a system of philosophy." The plain truth is that Mascagni has for years been so unsuccessful with all of his operas and his recent tour in this country, where he ran into debt, that he is not going to take any chances with a doubtful lib-

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retto. Miss Matilda de Lerma, the singer who is to be the star in the next grand opera season, has been in Mexico with her mother in strict incognita.

At Laredo, on the Mexican border, her baggage was inspected, and the officials wanted her to pay duty on her jewels and furs. She stated that she was an opera singer in Mexico for only a few weeks, and that the duty was unjust. The offi-cial did not give much credit to her claim, because opera singers seldom travel

The matter seemed difficult to solve, when Miss de Lerma started to sing some high notes, going up as far as A sharp, and every one present in the station ap-plaude, her. The officials were convinced in this way that Miss de Lerma is a singer. . . .

A chorus singer's life in "opera"--Morning rehearsals lasts until noon, when there is a half hour or less for lunch, and back the warbiers go again for either a matinee or the regular af-ternoon rehearsal. At 6 o'clock they are turned longs a few minutes for supper ternoon renearsal. At so but they are turned loose a few minutes for supper and then it is back again for the even-ing performance. This programme holds throughout the season. The "Knight for a Day" company, for instance, has been running in Chicago all Summer, but re-hearsals go on every morning just the same

ine and hire a bulldog? which has not been noticeable for a long time. In fact, there are some Not the least congratulatory feature of Oregon county and local fairs this

year is that every one has more than paid expenses.

Fortunately all this talk about versified farming has reached a stage hanging the name of Bull Run doesn't

Up there at the Mayor's office was it

ton board.

We think that in general thirty years ago was producing nearly