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### CARRYING SAILORS TO LOAF.

When a law is passed in one house of Congress in response to the demand merely for the benefit of two years of one interest concerned, and when delay in the operation of the law. No another interest declares the law destructive of its business, then justice of direct legislation will be complete and wise statesmanship require full unless it covers all phases of petitionhearing and calm consideration by the ing. other house. For this reason the House should hear and consider the serious be directed against this particular objections made by the ship owners to measure. It proposes to submit to the the La Follette seamen's bill.

sumption that they are the most imcarried in sailing vessels. The truth any other petition. The voter could is that the sailing vessel has almost thus obtain a clearer idea of the purdisappeared from the sea and with it pose of the measure and the signing the able-bodied seaman of song and would be wholly voluntary. The exstory. Its place has been taken by the pense of counting the votes which steamship, the most important part of whose crew is in the engine-room. Next in importance on a passenger steamer comes the steward's department. The deck crew now has little to do except clean the decks, boats and brasswork-do janitor's work, in fact

-load and unload stores and baggage, graphical manner in which the ap-or drop the lead when the ship is in pearance of the latest child of the man who stabbed a wackes. Alsatian shallow water during foggy weather. furl a sall. A Hamburg-American steamer recently came into Portland ter, with a crew of forty-nine, only four W of whom were in the deck crew.

The safety provisions of the La Follette bill require two able-bodied seacarry all on board. Atlantic liners italization and grammar are not origalready carry the required number of inal with us, but with the aforesaid lifeboats, but the bill discards life- organ. The steamship Congress, which is to ply on the Pacific Coast, has fourteen lifeboats and fourteen life-osition? Has the practice of involving, rafts, which the inspectors pronounced them, but the bill would substitute fort with display type. the deck crew would have to be increased from twelve to thirty-two, the bill permitting five officers, four quartermasters and the coxswain to serve as boat-handlers. The extra twenty men would have nothing to do except in case of accident; they would be simply paid to loaf. The Congress car-ries a total crew of 170, and the majority of the men in the steward's and ongineer's departments are equally Mr. Gus Moser happens to agree with competent for boat work, but they are The Oregonian on the one issue, the left out of consideration. Recent mahandling boats, for they have had is promoting Mr. Moser's candidacy.

training.

home. There is a certain danger at sea corners on the fly and attempt nothpletely tied to the river as a railroad's against which no human agency can ing with the hands in the meantime. It will be remembered that in the pranches are tied to the main line guard. It can be avoided only by not traveling. Even if it could be elimnor until we substitute for the single Vancouver illustration the presence of stern-wheel steamer powerful tugs inated, sea voyages would be so ex- an invalid in the house increased the pensive as to be impossible for any pedometer's daily record from thir-

teen to thirty miles. were apparently walked in behalf of the invalid, yet if the bedroom were The chief fault of the newest propetition circular-that which was printed in full in The Oregonian Sunday-is its failure to cover referencount for the seventeen additional miles. In the face of such a record dum petitioning. The bill applies only one would have to admit that the pato the initiative and provides a systient was somewhat querulous or the tem for starting new measures on the

pedometer wrong. way with 100 signatures, which must be supplemented, however, by the ap-The average woman has cause enough to be tired when night comes. proval of eight per cent of the voters There is no doubt about that. But registered thereon at the primary elecher weariness is not the result of covering long distances. For the ordinary Th most extensive forgeries yet disperson it is actually more tiresome to stand still than to keep moving.

covered were on the university referendum petitions. Moreover, the refer-endum lends itself more to abuse in Housework keeps a woman 'on her feet almost continuously and houseother particulars than does the initiawork is never done. It is not de tive. Fewer names are required and preciating her industry to doubt that a smaller amount of money will secure covers thirty or even thirteen The miles a day in performing her duties. ease with which referendum petitions

UNDER THE CONQUEROR'S HEEL.

is a constant temptation to affected interests to apply the referendum Acquittal of the German army officers accused of assault on and wrongful imprisonment of citizens of Za No measure designed to correct the abuses bern will only intensify the hatred felt by Alsatians for their foreign rulers and will encourage the soldiers to

greater outrages. The spirit which an-Other justifiable criticisms may also imates the German soldlers is shown by the action of the court-martial in measure. It proposes to submit to the believing whatever was said by an officer and disbelieving whatever was It is first necessary to examine the title of every proposed measure must said by a civilian. There we see the conditions with which it is proposed to deal and to see whether the bill fits The printing cost thus involved could of superiority by the Germans and conthem. The bill legislates for the sea- better be expended, in publishing the tempt for the Alsatians. How can the men-the sallors-on the apparent as- entire measure on enough copies to be Germans hope to Germanize the condistributed in limited numbers in each quered provinces when they continuportant part of a ship's crew. It seems polling place, there to be signed by the ally keep the people in mind of the to assume that ocean commerce is still voter if he so willed as he would sign hateful fact of conquest?

This trouble began when Lieutenant Von Forstner\* ordered all his Alsatian recruits to report themselves with the formula, "I am a wackes." Wackes is a word coined by the Alsatians as a term of contempt for unde-strables, conveying the idea of rogue

WELL PUT.

BILL IS NOT ADEQUATE.

them and put the law to vote.

may now be obtained at small expense

We rather like the terms and typoitself that is, of course, another mat-

We are informed that "on the ba'l't lynched, until troops dispersed them. Mr. U'Ren and others: "THE STATE Mr. U'Ren and others: "THE STATE every lifeboat, and enough lifeboats to SENATE AND OFFICE OF SENATOR. structing his men on the folly of this says, service in the French army and,

Whoever before heard of Mr. U'Ren educated society in all countries. The sugar-coating and jokerizing reached the best ever fitted on a vessel, no its just oblivion? If so, the change of to pursue any who insulted him. The skill being required to lower or holst policy certainly justifies a little ef- affair was discussed in the Reichstag.

## NO CHANGE 'IN POLICY.

That apostle of obliquity, the Portland Journal, is unduly suspicious that that they could not remember what its own slanting methods of giving Von Forstner had said, and a dozen support to candidates are about to be were arrested on supplication of gazening. adopted by The Oregonian. As The about regimental affairs, but were re-Oregonian expressed disappointment leased over Dr. C. J. Smith's announced atti-

tude on law enforcement, and because from twelve years of age upward, bekeen detective instinct and timid state rine disasters have shown many of the of mind of our neighbor give it the ensue. One afternoon a young man ing the harbor and the Columbia River the inspiring, though makes the total penalty, up to Seplatter men to be equal to seamen in conclusion at once that The Oregonian should something at Von Forstner at its own expense with only partial we freely admit both the inspirer and and a dozen other officers. They drew aid from the Government. It will probably occur to level- their swords, pursued and caught him. Reporting on the Volturno disaster, headed persons that a determination but he got away, to the delight of the crowd. Fifty soldiers, with fixed baylawlessness, while an admirable resoonets and with drums beating, wheeled out of the barrack yard, and the Lieutenant announced that, unless the order to fire. Of course, the crowd dis. violations disqualifies one for Governthey passed the courthouse two judges or, no matter how sound may be his came out, a soldier told one of them other policies. o move away, and he replied that the In conformity with its usual custom, soldiers must not give him orders. He was arrested and taken to the castle, The Oregonian, if it discovers among the Republican aspirants for nominabut released. Thiry other persons were tion one it deems to have peculiar fitdetained in the coal cellar. ness for the office, will not leave its The soldlers are now in a feud not opinions to inference. only with the people, but with the civil All who may be inclined to judge authorities. The latter seem to aim at conciliation, but the soldiers delibertheir fellows by their own fear of toeing the mark are advised that it is ately antagonize the people and keep useless to attempt to read between the lines of this article. There is no inthe fire of revolt smoldering.

towing strings of barges; nor until we have in Portland facilities for quick Seventeen miles transfer of cargo between river and ocean craft. By these means we can make the river the trunk line of a on the first floor an average distance transportation system and can prove for each round trip to the bedside that, rightly developed, such a system

posal for dispensing with the paid would hardly be more than 100 feet. is far cheaper than a rail line, even There would have to be nearly 900 if we add to the river rates interest on calls from the sick chamber to ac- the cost of improvement. Would 'Comedy of Errors see, And if eugenics were the rage That his attention did engage, That little scene, I'd like to bet, 'Twixt Romeo and Juliet Able, determined men, backed by

capital and by a community alive to its own interests and not willing to Would show up thusly on the stage: sacrifice the large, ultimate gain for

Romeo entering we see: Julie above, on the balcony; Romeo stands with uplifted eyes. And, after this fashion, his merits he the small, temporary gain, can do these things. They can thus clear the way for what should be done now, but can be done only when practical demcries: "Oh, Jullet, my heart's bright star,

onstration has carried conviction to onstration has carried conviction to the minds of rallroad men—the co-or. dination of rall and water lines, so that each shall be a complement to, not a rival of, the other. Then rallroads will not be crying for capital with which to increase their facilities for the handling of traffic which has outgrown their capacity. They will not need to ask higher rates that they may raise this capital, for they will communication of the speak and contractive did he speak attom be capital for they will not a rival of the speak and certifics it sound and strong, with my digestion nothing wrong, and likewise he remarked, "You affit (Authoritative did he speak

may raise this capital, for they will carry the high-class freight, paying Although in grammar somewhat weak.) Since this is thus, then Juliet. If you'll be mine, then I'll be thine, And it will make a marriage fine high rates, and will leave the lowclass freight, paying low rates and reuiring great terminal space and vast Twixt Montagu and Capulet, colling stock, to the water lines. Oh, Juliet!" We need a readjustment of our en-

And Juliet would say-But no! tire transportation system to accord with economic law. When we have I thank the gods it was not so, I'm glad that Shakespeare's plays promade it, the water lines will be crowded with traffic and the railroads will Came in an era non-scientific:

profit by the fact. As in recent legis-For, with sugenics in his bean, He would have spoiled a dandy scene. lation, the people must do good to the railroads against the railroads' will. WHICH SIDE GIVES INSPIRATION?

There appears to have been a change Parallel Between Andrew Jackson and of policy on the part of the Adminis tration in regard to the treatment of United States. During the first days

Mexican combatants who come to the United States. During the first days of the siege of Ojinaga federal refu-gees were disarmed by American troops and driven back across the border. These who crossed when the gees were disarmed by American troops and driven back across the cigars. As I understand it, when thirsty for an inspiration for a con-stitutional bust, our Governor draws rebels captured the town seem to have been disarmed and interned in Texas. been disarmed and interned in Texas. The latter is the procedure recognized by international law. It was followed in 1870-71, when the whole French a trisk demand for busts of Jackson, so that the faithful can bust away as army took refuge in Switzerland. The Oswald busts.

Swiss fed and cared for the men until Since everybody "hollers for Woodrow" now, I go to the fountainhead of the "holler" to inform myself whether our great Governor inspires his inthe war ended, then sent the men home, sent the bill to France, and our France paid it. The difficulty in fol-lowing this procedure on the Rio Grande seems to have been that the Mexicans came over in units and strag-gling parties over a long extended line, not as an organized body under their France paid it. The difficulty in folcommanders. Our immigration laws tion. may also have been an obstacle. But Says Mr. Wilson in effect:

it would seem that all legal obstacles to granting asylum might have been walved in the case of men fleeing from a victorious army which makes a practice of murdering prisoners.

tion. Says Mr. Wilson in effect: Says Mr. Wilson in effect: The impulses of Jackson's time craved for a here, rather than a statesman; not for a ting asylum might have been in the case of men flecing from louis army which makes a prac-murdering prisoners. The Democrat in the back-cogitating on all the years the construction of a states there is \$35.11 in ited States Treasury for every ound to give his head a doleful hen informed by a heartless that the money is not to be around. For what, indeed, was we elected? the people in other states are Federal aid in draining swamp Federal aid in draining swamp When the Democrat in the backwoods, cogitating on all the years the Republicans have handled the money of the country, reads there is \$35.11 in the United States Treasury for every man, woman and child in the land and writes to Washington for his "share," he is bound to give his head a doleful wag when informed by a heartless official that the money is not to be passed around. For what, indeed, was Woodrow elected?

While

asking Federal aid in draining swamp land, Willamette Valley farmers pre-pare to do the work with their own resources. This is an example of self-Constitution, no less than the laws of help worthy of emulation. It is in line the statute book." gan a practice of laughing or shouting whenever a lieutenant passed, with the certainty that a commotion would Thus far Woodrow Wilson on An-drew Jackson, the inspiration of our famous Governor, who will deny that

tember 1, not inclusive, a total of five the inspired were moved by worthy motives, honest and sincere, if that will add any glory to the Constitution Will add any glory to the constitution and the laws,

# HARDSHIP IS SEEN IN TAX LAW Severe Construction Is Put on New Act by Mr. C. W. Hodson

PORTLAND, Jan. 11 .- (To the Ed. If Shakespeare, when he wrote his itor.)-Just another word relative to the new tax law discussion.

Eugenic Shakespeare

Gov. West Ends at Certain Point.

PORTLAND, Jan. 11 .- (To the Edi-

By Dean Collins

plays

ssed the dope of modern days. After all the "explanations" and He would have done some tall revising Upon his style of dramatizing; pologies have been made, and demon-"Macbeth" a problem play should be In criminal psychology: And "dual personality" Would "Comedy of Errors" see: strations based on theories and hype thetical cases have been disposed of,

we find: That the rebate of 3 per cent for prompt payment of taxes has been done 6.32.5.2 with, in the face of the undisputed fact that it costs over twice that amount to make the collection.

That, instead of being permitted to make installment payments, without make installment payments, without penalty and interest, we are now com-pelled to pay all before April 1, or pay a penalty of 12 per cent up to Septem-ber 1, when an additional penalty of 10 per cent is levied, not only on the tax unpaid, but also on the 12 per cent penalty, thus compounding it; and, then, on top of all that, another 12 per cent interest is charged on the whole.

relief for this year is concerned. We are confronted by a real condition, no

tell the story.

theory-pay or take the consequences, at the close of the month of March

If the oft-repeated statement be tru

that the man who labors with his hands, and is one of the "ultimate con-

candidates in the coming election. wonder how this suggestion will b received. C. W. HODSON.

The sub-committee which will have in charge the preparation of a charter for the consolidated cities met Thursday.

Twenty-five Years Ago

From The Oregonian of Jan. 12, 1889.

Salem, Jan. 11 .- A large number of egislators are in the city and are be-

Salem, Jan. 11 .- The Marion County

Pomona Grange passed resolutions asking the Legislature to memorialize

Congress to create a department of ag-riculture; also to amend the Constitu-tion of the United States so that Senn-

ors may be elected by direct vote of

Hon. Joseph Simon's friends main-

tain that he will be elected President of the Senate. It is conceded that either Mr. Thompson, of Portland, or Mr. Smith, of Hood River, will be elect-

sleged by candidates for clerkships.

doorkeepers, pages, etc.

the people.

ed Speaker.

That, interest is charged on the whole. That, instead of having six months in which to pay the second semi-annual payment, without penalty, the time has ben reduced to five months, with negative The last revival meeting of Mesars, tudd and Brown was held last night at the First Presbyterian Church,

Annie Firmin and John Jack will That, instead of having six months in head the company of stock players at the new Park Theater. which to pay delinquent taxes, penalty and interest, before a certificate of de-linquency can issue, the time has been

J. Grandy, of Pleasant Home, died last Saturday and was buried Monday under the auspices of the M. A. Ross Post, of Pleasant Home, and Farragut Post, of Latourelle Falls. He was com-mander of the latter post. cut down to one month, and the 15 per cent additional interest still at-That, instead of rates of interest be-

ing reduced to conform with the state's law covering usury, they have been left the same as in former years. Circulars are posted at the Postoffice

A learned, though strained, thesis on the question of absorption of losses suatained by non-payments, etc., and the statement that whether we see such items or not, they are in the levies, is wholly beside the question. Presenting such "stuff" is an insult to the intelligence of the tax-paying pub-tic. Given faise previous equality rates chronials are posted at the rostolico asking for sealed proposals for carry-ing the United States mails from Port-land to Albina, 1.4 miles, 14 times a week each way by schedule of one-half hour's running time each way.

Hon. John H. Mitchell and A. H. Tan. ner have formed a partnership for the purpose of law practice and have se-cured offices over the Commercial Na-tional Bank building, Second and Washic. Given false premises, equally false conclusions can be reached. This is a concrete question; one that needs be looked squarely in the face; that will ingion streets.

brook no bocus-pocus in an effort to "explain." Let every taxpayer take his George M, Hoyt, of the O. B. Company, has a copy of the first Port-land city directory, which was issued in 1863. It is the copy which was given by the company to the officers of the steamboat Wilson Q. Hunt. last year's receipts, as has been sug gested, and compare the payment de Sested, and compare the payment de-manded this year with those made last year. He fully understands why his obligations have been largely in-creased. But towering away above and beyond everything cles stands the fact that he must pay it all at one time or submit to the usurious exactions of the state

Samuel Connell, bookkeeper at J. C Carson's planing mill, returned yester-day from a trip to San Francisco, San lose and the Santa Clara Valley. state It is useless to pursue the subject further, so far as attempting to secure relter for this year is concerned. We

Half a Century Ago

From The Oregonian of Jan. 12, 1864.

New Orleans, Dec. 18 - At a late con-vention of the Free State men, called for the purpose of electing delegates In the meantime let the taxpayers give thought to the fact that our pri-mary election is approaching. We will soon select candidates for legislative positions — men who will enact our laws. Would the suggestion he out of to the convention of Union men of the sinve states, to be held at Louisville, a delegation of colored men was admitted to sents and the convention was place that in making these selection heed be given to the type of men wh present their names? Would it not b possible to induce men of substance, o opened with proyer by a negro min-Inter

Washington, Jan. 1 .- Information standing in the community, of known ability and probity, of sterling moral fiber, to offer their services, if assured they would not be set aside for a cotarie of "cheap skates" who will ap-peal only to class prejudice and pas-sion? rom Bermuda confirms the report that the privateer Florida had been run on a reef and a hole knocked in her bot tom, having been frightened by a Brit-ish mail steamer.

Washington, Jan. 1.-A bill will be atroduced instructing the President to call out \$00,000 men in addition to the S00,000 mentioned in the last call; not that \$00,000 are expected to be secured, but that one-fourth at least will be obtained and \$300 each from the resumers," is, in reality, the one who in the final anniysis pays the taxes, then how imperative it is that he weigh carefully the question of his support of mainder

Last evening a general alarm of fir-was occasioned by the burning of a portion of the roof of Starr's amoke house and bacon-curing establishment on Front street, between Oak and Fine The house contained five or six load-We think Mr. Hodson does not read the law correctly in one particular, The house contained five or my load of hacon belonging to A. FL Johnson though perhaps that inaccuracy does not affect the argument for the inof the Empire Market. stallment plan of taxpaying or for the

rebate principle. If the property-own-Bark Industry .- The weather baving er pays no part of his taxes before April 1 the penalty is one per cent per so far moderated as to render free pay-ligation of the Columbia downward in a day or two very probable, Capitain today.

We are informed by Cantain Tro engineer, that the steamer Vancouver, Captain Turnbull, will essay a trip to alty is increased to 10 per cent if the taxes are still unpaid, and also there-Vancouver today.

civilians and Von Forstner told his s diers to use their weapons if attacked

Forstner and besleged him in a house calling upon him to come out and be course, Von Forstner coupled, as he

> Von Forstnerwas hooted on the streets and was given a guard of four soldlers

and loafer together and being applied

by Germans to Alsatians in general, Soldlers are sometimes attacked by

U'Ren brain is announced in his home soldiers repeated the remark in town It is rarely called upon to furl or un- organ. As to the value of the mersure and an angry crowd pursued Von

as his recruits say, the French flag. with a word which is debarred from

blaze of indignation burst out anew,

civil authorities thought the Lieutenant should be disciplined for

provoking the uproar. Instead, the ecruits were hauled out of bed one night and made to sign a declaration

were arrested on suspicion of gossiping Then the young people of Zabern,

the captain of the Grosser Kurfuerst pot to resort to lawlessness to suppress says the first boat he sent to the rescue carried three men who were not lution, is not in itself a sweeping qualsallors, the second boat four and the ification for the office of Governor. third boat five. These boats rescued That, on the other hand, an intent, if thirty-two persons before daybreak in elected, to set up oneself as military a heavy storm and high sea. The cap- dictator and supreme judge of law tain says:

Not only our sailors, but all the mon em-ployed in the different departments on board, are constantly drilled in handling

The Kroonland rescued eighty-eight persons from the Volturno, and her captain says in a telegram to Senator Burton:

Many volunteers from all departments of my crew offered to go in the boats. All were eligible for the work. I selected crews composed of sallors, firemen and stewards, in my judgment the said firemen and stewards being more competent for the work than some of the deckhands, due to our frequent training in post-drills.

The competency of men in the stew-rd's and engineer's departments to handle boats is proved by the fact that the three departments on the Maurltania have an annual boat race in New York Harbor and by the further fact that the firemen's crew won the recent reader of The Oregonian will know race, attributing its victory to its having taken the coxswain from among the firemen instead of from the deck, as formerly. The same statements ap. ply to vessels on the Great Lakes. The Detroit & Buffalo line gives a prize to the most efficient boat crew on each crew in the whole fleet. A crew of Ignace and then won the grand prize.

The manager of this line says: We have ten boats in our fleet, and in a number of cases the steward's crew were first in efficiency. The able segmen crew were usually second or third.

The La Follette bill ignores all this excellent material for rescue work in to do the work which can be done by a total of thirty miles. the steward's and engineer's men. It does more. It excludes from classification as able seamen the men in the some specified length of step and that life-saving service, who are trained to each movement of the body, even if do nothing else except save life, also excludes the fishermen and baymen, who would make splendid mats- average step for which it is set? That rial for boats' crews.

experience of seamen the bill draws it would register the twenty-seven no distinction between the degree of inches each time?" risk involved in navigating different waters, except that it does not apply to vessels on rivers, harbors and small Obviously, the risk is less on a coasting vessel, which is rarely out of signaling distance from shore, or on a lake vessel, which is rarely out of outes is always in water so shallow that, if it were to sink, the upper decks would not be submerged, than on . vessel which crosses the ocean. But the bill throws all into the same class. In requiring enough lifeboats to carry all on board. Atlantic liners would scam to exercise super-abundant caution when the wireless has come into Volturno, promptly brings many steamers to the rescue.

After all reasonable precautions are taken, a person cannot expect to be

timation herein that The Oregonian WHY THE RIVER IS NOT USED. will or will not support Mr. Moser, Mr. Dimick, Mr. Crawford or any Withdrawal from service on the Coother aspirant for the Republican lumbia River of the Open River Transnomination. When The Oregonian portation Company's line of steamers takes part in the contest, if it does, it will take part in such a way that every for increased use of the river. We are who is its preference or whose candiasking the Government to follow the construction of the Cellio Canal by improving the upper river and dacy it is promoting.

WALKING IN HOUSEWORK.

the navigable channel will be extend-A reader of The Oregonian at ed until a steamer can go from Portto the most efficient boat crew on each to the most efficient boat crew on each bad some experience in housework, as crew in the whole fleet. A crew of for a finance carries the prefix "Mrs." this hope is doomed. When we ask Greek firemen won the prize on the St. and Amity is not noted for its idle the Government to improve another many. rich-writes a letter questioning the stretch of the channel, we are likely to accuracy of the pedometer carried by be met with the answer: the Vancouver housewife. This in- "Why don't you use what we have

the Vancouver housewife. This ingenious instrument, it will be remem- already given you? So long as you her mistress. A fine way to get the bered, indicated that that particular woman walked in performing her household duties an average of thir-longer channel? The Government a ship's own crew and compels it to teen miles a day, and on some days, does not improve rivers merely to sup- attend to the matter of hours and carry a large number of extra hands when she had the care of an invalid, ply work to men and to excite admiration. It improves them to carry the

"Is it not true," asks the Amity commerce of the country?" doubter, "that a pedometer is set for That answer would be a poser. behooves the people of the Pacific Northwest to remove the possibility of It but a few inches, causes the instrubeing faced with it. They must make ment to register the full length of the water transportation not only a theoretical possibility through the mere if it were set for twenty-seven existence of a navigable channel; they In the provisions as to number and inches and she moved but six inches

Alas for the confirmation many omen got of their firm conviction that they walk each day as far as

Oregon City and back, it must be adboats seems to be practical proof that mitted that the pedometer is at best the river is not the cheapest and best but an ingenious toy. It approaches route. It is in other countries; why accuracy only when a person's aver- not in this? Because in creating the sight of land and which on some age step is ascertained by walking a navigable channel we have only begun measured distance, the instrument is the work; we have only done as much set accordingly and the pedestrian sets out on a definite expedition. as a railroad company does when it builds a trunk line. Its work is not

Probably no two women walk the done until it has built stations same distance in doing housework. branch lines to open the tributary Some houses are more conveniently country and bring traffic to the main arranged than others; some women line

plan their work better than their size Our water lines will not succeed un-Four miles an hour is a good til we have built modern wharves at general use and, as in the case of the swinging gait on a straight-away all river ports, with modern, economic road. An Army on the march avermeans of loading and unloading, free

ages two and one-half miles an hour. from all control hostile to-water car-To cover thirty miles between dayriage; nor until we have built short light and bed time indeors one would railroads reaching from river ports to consider his foolishness. They unver as safe when traveling as when at have to travel a fixed path, round the into the interior, which are as com- get away.

The New York idea of municipal

ownership as applied to the Stapleton But your genuine Jacksonian, not taxes are still unpaid, and also there-ferry is to tie up the ferryboat and the gent who inspires with his coffee after the delinquent taxes hear 12 per the gent who inspires with his coffec t and toothpicks and smiles at the iadies, finds inspiration in other sides of Jackson's character, which is his political heritage and needs not a re-minder thereof. In his heart of hearts, Jackson was a constitutionalist, as the Governor of Carolina found out too well; was a fighter who could fight when something came up worth fight-ing about. When, on the high creat of his popularity, he clashed with the civil authorities of New Orleans, and was haled into court and fined 556 he keep the crew on the payroll. What and was the use of running the ferryboat? crowd dispersed, he would give the It was only a pretext for drawing the salarles, anyhow. Doing away with the persed, and the soldiers followed. As pretext is more honest, straightforward, and therefore, commendable in the eyes of Tammany.

Mayor Mitchel is seeking a police commissioner who can not only catch the criminals, but steer them through be criminals, but steer them through o prison, for the courts of New York ity have a great habit of giving sus-

traveled.

City have a great habit of giving susfriends higher up. Tammany judges front in critical times, went there in may thwart the work of an anti-Tam-J. HENNESSY MURPHY. many administration. tary.

#### Patrons who think the rural mail

carrier has a "snap" must raise their estimate on learning that an Illinois servant of Uncle Sam who got tired and quit early on Christmas has been gives force to the plea recently made found guilty and may be fined \$500 in The Oregonian by Mr. Smallwood and sent to jail besides. The Governand sent to jall besides. The Govern-ment is not a hard taskmaster, but does not relish excuses.

The Waterbury watch will be alwe indulge the hope that by degrees lowed to run down. A generation ago almost never accurate? Is it not true this remarkable timepiece furnished that it is set for some specified length of step and that each movement of the body, even if but a few inches, causes the instrument to register the full length of the avorage step for which it is set? That is, if it were set diversion to its owner, for when he had nothing else to do he wound it. The running-gear was always a few laps ahead of the stem-wind, but not for 27 inches and she moved but six inches it would register the 27 inches each time? This would make some -

Despite belief to the contrary, the domestic has many more "rights" than overtime.

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#### DAYTON, Dr., Jan. 11.—(To the Ed-itor.)—In order to settle a controversy, please inform us where the Goldan Rule had its origin, and where in the If anything more were needed to It show the moral unfitness of Spain to sit among world nations, it is fur-Bible, if it appears therein, we may find the following or a similar quo-tation; "As ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them." nished in the news of wide prevalence of lotteries. The lottery is to a nation as the drug habit to an individual.

When all the "bottoms" in the valley have been drain-tiled and "white" Luke vi:31. land made productive, the storehouses will not hold the yields. It will be a huge work, but it will pay in proper tion. Results on a small scale are seen in several countles.

H. L. Gill has returned to his first love, the Woodburn Independent, after a few years in commercial life in Port. He made the Independent land. powerful paper in the old days and will do so again.

The election of Professor James Dryden to be one of the officers of the happy!

ociation is vindication of his work with the Oregon hen and her utility.

The deluded robber who rifled a mail car out of Los Angeles Saturday night will have many years in which the cent interest from September 1. are unable to discover in the law any authority for the statement that interest is compounded or that penalties are imposed at any time on accrued penalties, except that a certificate of delinquency, when issued, bears 15 per cent

purchaser of the certificate. the property.

RAT SHOOTING NOT LONGER GOOD Colonel Lawson's Provens With Re-

volver Brings Forth Inquiries.

How Far Does Woman Walk? AMITY, Or., Jan. 11.—(To the Edi-tor.)—I read on page one of The Ore-gonian, January 8, that a certain lady of 200 pounds weight walked 13 miles per day, and some days 30 miles. I ask, does she? I should not like to come in contact with a 200-pound object moving at the rate of 30 miles a day in an ordinary house. was it not!

been small callbor that did the killing an ordinary house. I may be mistaken, but should like to ask if a pedometer is not an instru-ment for estimating distances, but is

Which is right? Was it a wharf rat or a wood rat the Governor killed, and have there been any other rats killed in this state of late years? A man at Whiteson, in

this county caught a field mouse in a trap some time ago and we have heard oldtimers say there was a rat killed Was the rat a male or female, and what did it measure from the end of

his nose to the tip of his tale? YAM HILL

The disputants are entirely at sea

It was not Governor West who shot the rat, but Colonel Lawson, superintendent of the penitentiary, and commander of the intrepid forces at Camp Copperfield. It was neither wharf rat nor wood rat that was killed. It was

a rat of much lower intelligence, else it would not have broken into prison. Prison rats are said not to be more vulnerable in one spot than another. Probably they now fall dead from fright at the mere sight of Colonel Lawson.

The incident of the rat shooting was not altogether novel either as to marks-

The Golden Rule substantially as quoted is found in Matt. vil:12 and manship or kind of animal killed. Veracious reports of popping over Confuctus, several centuries before Christ, enunciated the Golden Rule in range may be found in such standard negative terms, as follows: "What ye would not that others should do unto you, do ye not unto them." The rule had also been "exworks as "Deadshot Dick" or Sixshooter Sam," but for further particulars as to this particular tale the cor imined and approved" by Socrates and respondent is referred to any honor prisoner now at liberty in his neighborhood. Rats are not wholly extinct In Oregon, but the shooting is no longer considered good by informed

Mothers' Pensions.

YAMHILL Or., Jan. 10.-(To the Ed. itor.)-I have heard that widows of Oregon may get a pension if they have no other means of support. If this is so please state where to apply. MRS. E. SPRAGG.

Pensions are granted widows only where there are minor children to be supported. Application should

Why No Teacher on Programme?

PORTLAND, Jun. 11.- (To the Ed-ltor.)-The city of Portland has every reason to be pleased with the interest that is being shown in her schools through the Parent-Teacher Associa

At a luncheon in the Crystal dininginterest on the total paid in by the room of the Oregon Hotel on Jan. 11, were assembled 350 representatives of Parent-Teacher Associations and edu-cators of Oregon. That total includes, of course, the taxes, penalty and interest assessed against

The addresses were made by State Superintendent, President of City Board of Education, City Superinten-dent of Schools, a representative of business men, father-president of Par-ent-Teachers' Circle, mother-president of Parent-Teachers' Circle, president of Parent-Teachers' Circle, president

M'MINNVILLE, Or., Jan, 11.--(To the Editor.) -- To settle a dispute, please state at what distance it was the Gov. ernor killed the rat, and did he kill him the first shot, or did he have shoot him several times? Must have

Will someone kindly explain why called a Parent-Teacher Association when no address was delivered from the teacher's standpoint? The one speaker designated in the news report A says through the shoulder is the best place to hit a rat. B claims through the head is a more vital spot. peaker designated supervisor. is a teacher, is a supervisor. INTERESTED.

Origin of "Oregon."

CENTRALIA, Wash., Jan. 10,-(' the Editor.)-How did the State

Oregon get its name? William Cullen Bryant in 1813 sa In Thanatopsis: "Or lose thyself in th continuous woods where rolls the Or gan, and hears no sound save his ow dashings." What river do you su pose he referred to? Bryant spells Oregan instead of Oregon.

E. J. CROFT

The origin of the name "Oregon" ha long been a matter of unsettled dis pute. Bryant's reference is to the Co lumbia, which was originally known a the River Oregon



# Year-End Bargains

January inventories are now in

Merchants and manufacturers are cleaning house and disposing of short lines, odd lots, broken sizes, and discontinued styles.

The one place for you to learn about the attractive goods thus of-fered and the alluring price reduc-tions, is in the advertising columns of The Oregonian and other good

ewspapers. There is not a day goes by without its sale of this or that.

Opportunities for shrewd buying are numerous for every individual or every family. The advertising in The Oregonian

is a bold sign-post clearly pointing

Don't pass it by but follow its

It leads you down the straight road to Opportunity and Economy. Newspaper advertising, always profitable to those who make it their business to study it, is now so full of reward to the reader that nothing but sheer carelessness should keep one from heeding its valuable suggestions --- Adv.

"No, sir. I'm not going to shoulder any implied responsibilities. All I am going to say is 'take her.'"

tor.)-In order to settle a dispute, blease state what year was it that the Coxey Army left Portland for Wash-ington, D. C. SUBSCRIBER. Coxey Army ington, D. C.

Washington (D. C.) Star.

PORTLAND, Jan. 11 .--- (To the Ed-

Westerners. Financial Progress in Wooing. sportsmen.

READER.

"So you want to marry my daugh-ter," said Mr. Cumrox. "Yes," replied the young man. "I hope to hear you say take her and be

difference in the number of miles

Golden Rule,

Will some one kindly tell me if I

1894.

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Central Willamette Valley Poultry As-

The withdrawal of the open-river

must make it a concrete, daily existing and growing fact by using that channel. They must use it on its mer-its, because it is the cheapest and best means of transportation.