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GERMS OF WESTERN STATEHOOD

In the April Forum William E. Smythe returns a negative answer to the query, "Shall Nevada be deprived of statehood?" He asserts that Nevada has great natural resources, that its mineral wealth has not been exhausted, and that irrigation will some day make it a western garden spot. He attributes a great part of the state's existing depression to the practice of men made rich by its mines to scatter their fortunes in distant states and countries.

"The men made rich by the mines of Colorado," says Mr. Smy the, "had the gratitude and patriotism to spend their money where they made it. Tabor gave Denver her first important impulse by erecting splendid buildings as monuments to bis faith in the city's future. Hagerman planted the Midland railway on the continental divide, and expended millions in reclaiming arid lands tributary to Colorado commerce.

. The wealth taken from the mines and railroads of Nevada, on the other hand, contributed nothing to the embellishment of her citizens or the conquest of her waste places. It went to build palaces in San Francisco, New York and London, and to increase the social gayety of Newport and Paris."

No doubt this is the true explanation for much of the striking contrast between Colorado's glory and Nevada's dec'ine. From the beginning, Denver and Colorado were blessed in the quality of their citizenship, their pioneers quickly learning to hold in affection the state's sunny plains and snowy summits. They founded homes in the new land, adorned them, expended their fortunes in public buildings and enterprises, and taught their children to hold the state in affection. Their daughters were not peddled around Europe for matrimonial alliance with seedy nobility. Their sons were not led to believe that the chief end of life was to make money and clear out of Colorado.

A New York court has rendered a decision full of "horse sense," hold- latitude. Gell once remarked that ing the Pullman company responsi- in traveling through the Morea in ble for despoliation (or thievery) on March he found "summer in Mespalace cars. A lady who had lost a sina, spring in Laconia, and winter sealskin sacque while occupying a in Arcadia, without having moved Pullman seat on a western journey beyond a radius of fifty miles." was informed that the company was not responsible for unchecked baggage on the cars. She was referred to the proviso printed on the ticket disavowing responsibility, and told concerning the sending of White to to attend to her wraps when she rode on the cars. With the true spirit of the woman who means to know her right, the victim brought suit, and the judge not only awards her the cost of the sacque, but incidentally but one day, and received some asdeclares that the common carrier cannot limit his responsibilities by elab orate warnings on the pasteboards entitling the holder to personal trans port. The truth is, the limitless re strictions printed on tickets are a complete negation of just the service of the commonest human instincts. the traveler bargains for. More than It is probable Wasco county will this, the proviso in regard to articles have a few dollars to pay for the on the cars is really an encouragement to dishonesty on the part of the casual employes admitted to the trains. As a rule the thefts on the cars are operated by either the car employes or confederates who obtain admission through their connivance. Hence the New York verdict ought to be made known wherever the palace cars run. The Pullman contention of irresponsibility, considering unto and die, we cannot but feel the exorbitant charge, is in contempt thankful that in Oregon, at least, of its duty as a carrier. Its a part of there are still verdant hearts, too its grab-if-you-can policy. - La Grande Chronicle.

Today the exercises over the Grant tomb occur in New York. The

which he drew on in great emergen. has been the history and measure of can." cles with such result that he became the world. Under Philip of Macegreat. Grant grew up when great don it awakened to the measure of men were to be useful, when there its powers, and under Alexander it was something for them to do. His sent the tide of its civilization across Americanism was developed in this the deserts to mingle with that of the environment, and the times not only Indus. The wealth of oriental imcalled for him, but it called forth a agery, added to the modern language still greater character, that of Lin- and literature, was in our opinion coln, as well as other strong and true immeasurably more valuable than men. Grant, however, stood, and the gold or silver or plunder taken still stands, next to Lincoln in ser- from the followers of Vishnu. vice to his country and in the hearts Against the Persian, Greece at Therof his countrymen.-East Oregonian. mopylae made that herote resistance

ABOUT GREECE.

dulging in it. And so it is in the only surrendered bare walls and information about the country of the falling she broke his power so that Hellenes:

is 64 degrees at Fahrenheit.

from the sea or ten from the hills. About one-half of the population are agriculturists and shepherds.

It is the only country in the world the Turk. whose armies are provided with the Oras guns and paper-covered cart-

The Greek flag is a white cross on a blue ground—the Bavarian colors and the Greek cross.

Greece is more thickly populated than any other country in Europe, with the exception of Sweden and

It has few rivers and many hills. None of the former are navigable, and many of the latter are fortified.

Its present boundary limits were determined by an arrangment among Great Britain, France, Russia and Turkey concluded at Constantinople on July 21, 1832.

Only about 70,000 of the inhabitants speak any language other than Greek, and only about 20,000 pro fess any religion other than the or-

The chief characteristics of the average Greek are his inquisitiveness, fondness for excitement, love of discussion, desire for knowledge, an aptitude for learning, and eggressive patriotism.

The climate has two striking peculiarities-the heat in summer and the cold in winter are far more intense than those of any other country in the world lying in the same

PERHAPS VERDANT.

The Walla Walla Statesman, commenting on what we said recently this city, remarks:

This is the same man who came here a few days ago from Huntington, and therefore the Chronicle is wrong in stating that he should be a charge of this county. He was here sistance on his way to California. what verdant or they would ship ing on the Pacific ocean. him on to some other place.

It may be that Wasco county officials are "verdunt," or it may be that Walla Walla county officials are void care and burial of a human wreck, flotsam of humanity, blown hither by the chilling winds made doubly cold by having been in contact with the hearts of men. It may be our officers are "verdant," but as we looked upon that helpless and hopeless derelect provided with shelter, rough though it be, where for a few days, his last, he may be administered tender to fire a dying man by the brakebeam route into some neighboring town.

that saved Europe from subjugation and taught the world the value of A war, or even the prospect of freedom. Later against the vast one, always bring out a great deal of armies of Mahomet III the Emperor information about the countries in- Constantine did royal battle, and case of Greece in the present war. famished treasuries to his enemies. The New York Sun furnishes this Greece fell a prey to the Turk, but Charles Martel was able to stop him It has a population of 2,187,208, and save Europe. Since that time It is called "Hellas" by its people, her fate has been hard and unde-The mean temperature of Greece served. It is in accordance with the eternal fitness of things that Ger-No part of Greece is forty miles many, France, Austria, and the balance of the countries that would never have existed but for Greece. should turn their guns upon her to It is an area of 24,977 square miles. support and protect Europe's enemy.

A CANAL.

In last week's San Francisco Exthis article 3,000 Frenchmen are at heaviest battalions." work on the canal and work is prcgressing night and day. They are running seven mammoth dredgers in its completion. Should this work keep up two years hence vessels should be passing through without the franchise held by the French government, instead of a corporation, which would prove of advantage to marine interests.

Some might say that this would not augur well for the future success of the Nicaragua canal under the patronage of the United States government, but a closer view of the matter would convince most any one that such would not prove to be the case. In the first place the Nicaragua canal is primarily the ideal crossing from the Atlantic to the Pacific. It is a much shorter route for all vessels from England, France, Russia, Germany and the Atlantic coast of the United States to the Pacific coast of North and South America, Hawaii and the Orient, and would therefore be more advantageous. Another thing that would render the Nicaragua canal the more popular is the fact that the vessels would have a spin in fresh water going through, thus killing the barnacles that attach themselves to the bottom of a vessel, and saving the heavy expense of dry-docking. This one item would render the Nicaragua canal the ideal waterway through the continent.

Be that as it may, it is evident that easily within the life of the pres ent generation will be witnessed the opening of a much-desired passage between the two oceans, and the The Wasco county officials are some. building up of the countries border-

The Turks may not understand the science of government, but they know how to fight. From the time that Mahomet first led his little band of fanatics into battle, that race has practically unconquerable. They are fighters still, backed by a hatred of the Christian, and sustained by a blind faith that he who falls in far exceed any previous season. battle, goes straight to Paradise, to dwell forever with unnumbered houris. They go to the battlefield and death as cheerfully as a tramp tackles a free lunch, sure of being, whatever the result, better off for it. The Greeks, on the other hand, are degenerate and demoralized, without leadership and discontented with their government. We sympathize with the objects that caused the Greeks to go to war, and we regret their defeat; but at the same time we deplore their We owe much to the Greeks; that judgment. They have set a fine exremains of General Grant will be laid is, Christian civilization does. We ample to the powers, but the powers

permanently to rest. General Grant owe them our religion, our liberty, will not profit by it. On the conwas a simple, great man. He was our art, and the legendary lore that trary, England and Germany will an American. He was taciturn and lightens and makes perfect our liter- condole Greece with the homely grave in all things, and this assured ature. Commencing with Lycurgus old couplet, "Let those get who have found to be peculiarly adapted to the rea wealth of latent reserve force, the history and example of Greece the power, and let those keep who lief and cure of all Female Complaints,

> highly incensed at the Dole govern. tion, Headache, Fainting Spells, or are ment for refusing a landing to a lot choly or troubled with Dizzy Spells, of Japanese immigrants, and the Electric Bitters in the medicine you press of that country is urging the need. Health and Strength are guarangovernment to send the immigrants teed by its use. Large bottles only fifty back and land them under the guns conts and \$1.00 at Blakeley & Houghton, we recommend as a superior of a warship. They siso urge that Druggist. the United States be taken in hand by Japan and made to keep her hands off of Hawaii. This sounds easy enough to a lot of little people the county court rooms on Tuesday, the who whipped China so easily; but 25th day of May, A. D., 1897, at 2 with America it is a much larger con. o'clock p. m., for the purpose of adopt | medium price, equal or better tract. Uncle Sam is not looking for ing suplimentary articles of incorpora- than the average so-called a row, and if he were, would not want to quarrel with trundle-bed business as may come before said meettrash. It begins to look as though ing. By order of the Board of Directors, we will have to annex the Islands, for just as soon as some other government says we shall not have them, we will not only want, but will take them.

The situation in Greece is anything but cheering to the triends of that country. At nearly every point where they have met the Turks they Southern Pacific Comp'y have been beaten, and while they seem to have fought well, their leadership has been poor and their retreats simply the fleeing of demoralized mobs. There can be but one result, and that is a peace made on such terms as the Christian nations of Europe see fit to allow Turkey to aminer was an article of some length impose. After all, it seems as though regarding the work now being done there was truth in that old saying on the Panama canal. According to that "God fights on the side of the

Mosier Items.

The railroad company by its new train schedule gives this place the "black eye" in good shape. The only east-bound passenger train on which it the long, tedious journey around the is possible to leave or arrive at Mosier, horn. The canal will be operated on passes here at 12:27 a. m., which necessitates an all-night vigil. The railroad people seem determined to make the people here patronize the river lines. which they would surely do had we a good convenient boat landing. If the boat companies would now arrange with our people for a landing, they would surely get considerable business from this point.

Mr. Max Young of Astoria has been looking up the silica business here for several days past. We hope that his visit may result in a boom that will bring among us many such genial as Mr. Young. Mesers. Bryant and Berry are Leave for Sheridan, week days, at 4:30 p. m. also back, and are preparing to open up

Mr. John Evans has taken charge of the engine at the diamond drill on Chenoweth creek. Mr. Evans is a first-class machinist, and the right man in the right place.

Miss Lindsay of Hood River opened school on the ridge last Monday. Sam Stark says the new teacher is all right, and does not allow any "monkey" work. Mrs. J. M. Watt was taken quite sick last night. Dr. Hollister was telephoned

for and came down on the morning train. Wm. Stevenson has cleared up quite a patch of land this spring, and is now renodeling his dwelling on the ranch, which would indicate that Billy has some notion of carrying out his oft-repeated threat of securing a "cook."

Rev. U'Ren will preach the funeral sermon of Mrs. Renoe next Sunday, May 2d, at No. 8 schoolhouse.

Mrs Evans, accompanied by her grandson, 1ra, started for Sumner Co., Kansas, last week. She expects to return to Oregon as soon as she can arrange her affairs in the land of cyclones.

A son of Mr. J. W. Davis arrived last week from Kansas. We understand Mr. Davis will also become a resident of this locality. We are glad to see the country settling up with practical and experienced young farmers, who have the grit and stamina to go to work and clear up as fine a fruit belt as exists anywhere. This refers to the benches along Mosier and Rock creeks, and extends back from the river twelve miles or more.

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