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PORTLAND, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1.

The habit of dependence on the state grows everywhere, and it grows by what it feeds on. Multitudes are coming to think they can do nothing for themselves, any more. Growth of this habit is by no means peculiar to Oregon, where man is not disposed to kill the coyote any more, unless the state hires him to do it. In Massachusetts they are having an experience entirely similar. A million dollars have been spent within a year in the endeavor to exterminate the gipsy moth, but it persistently refuses to be exterminated, and members of the Legislature are beginning to express the opinion that it is time the people of the affected districts, instead of cailing for more appropriations, were trying to do something for their own protection. It is said they do nothing of the kind, but rely wholly on the state, entirely willing to draw money from the treasury for fighting the pest on their own land.

This habit forces legislation, and the legislation in turn feeds the habit. The state must be the guardian and supporter of the individual, in most of the affairs of his life. He is no longer able to cut his beard without the assistance or superintendence of the state, or to buy butter for his table, or to protect his fruit from winged or creeping pests, or his flocks from the ravages of wild beasts. No one now thinks of doing anything for his own education; and the citizen puts up incessant demand for enlargement of the functions of the state, in all conceivable ways, so he may "get a job," in which the duty is but nominal and the salary secure. He thinks his services as an old citizen, or his name as the son of an old citimen, should entitle him to a pension. Next thing the state is to have is an inspector of horse-shoeing, and then perhaps next thing a state inspector of stepladders, so persons of the household may not fall and break their necks or limbs. Nobody can look cut for himself any more, and we need a state inspector of rubber shoes, to see that we don't get our feet wet and gallop off into a consumption. This exercise of the care of the state is capable of infinite extension, and it is clear that in the science of multiplying officials we have made but a beginning. From several localities we hear that wild geese are in the wheat fields. What's the state going to do about that? Appoint a state commission to deal with the subject and give it power to hire the owner or the owners of the wheat fields to make war on the geese? Evidently it's "up to us," in ways innumerable.

It is to be hoped that the Northern Pacific's move toward the Nehalem Valley is undertaken in good faith, and not, as some profess to believe, for the purpose of scaring off another project to connect Portland with that country. But whatever the alm of the Northern Pacific announcement may be, it should not be permitted to upset plans for direct connection between Portland and Tillamook County. The timber of the Nehalem will afford a large traffic, it is true. So, doubtless, will the coal of the valley. But Portland has more at stake than merely the hauling of timber or coal to market. Probably no considerable development can take place in the Northwest corner of the state that will not to some degree benefit this city. We should not, however, be content with a portion of the benefits when a little energy will bring all to us. For example, we should not be content to see the Northern Pacific carry the traffic of the Nehalem country around Portland to and from the East, though we might get a little incidental trade of the new community. Portland's interests and the interests of the Nehalem Valley and Tillamook County are identical, and they should be knit together industrially, commercially and socially. Communication between these places should be direct and untrammeled by the exigencies of transcontinental traffic. Portland is the natural marketplace and commercial center for all the country westward to the coast. The short rail haul to this market would be so inexpensive that the demand for harbor improvements at Tillamook and Nehalem Bays might be done away with. Not the timber supply, or the coal, or the agriculture, or the manufactures of that region, but all of them, Portland wants. It will aid their development. It will contribute its advantages to bring to its best the native wealth of the region, and the benefits will be mutual. But this is not to be accomplished by roundabout, indirect transportation accommodations. Give Tillamook County a direct route to Portland for her products, and the mat-

of itself. Give the Nehalem Valley one either Marlborough or Frederick the that ought to come to it through proper traffic routes will be denied and Portrect to the rich Nehalem country.

was created Lieutenant-General field Scott was made Lieutenant-Gen- the stern conflict of life with life. 12, 1864, and made General July 25, 1866, tunities, Napoleon behaved with and Major-General Sherman was made Lieutenant-General. On Grant's resignation of the office of General in 1869. before his inauguration as President, Lieutenant-General Sherman became General and Major-General Sheridan became Lieutenant-General. Lieutenant-General Sheridan succeeded on the retirement of Sherman to the command of the Army, and was ultimately promoted to the rank of General. On the death of General Sheridan in August, 1889, Major-General Schoffeld, as the ranking Major-General, took command of the Army, but was not appointed to the rank of Lieutenant-General until February 5, 1895, and was retired with that rank in September of that year. The present law provides for but three Major-Generals, and gives the senior Major-General the temporary rank and pay of a Lieutenant-General, but the nding Army bill provides for one Lieutenant-General, six Mator-Generals and fifteen Brigadier-Generals, instead of six, as now. Under this new law General Miles will be assured of his present rank of Lieutenant-General, as the bill forbids the reduction in rank of any officer because of the changes brought about by its provisions. When the offices of Lieutenant-General and General were successively given to Grant, it was not expected that they would continue beyond the retirement of his successors, Sherman and Sheridan, but General Schofield, in the last year of his active service, finally succeeded in becoming Lieutenant-General, and now his successor, General Miles, is likely to secure the same honor.

NOT A FAIR MEASURE OF THE MAN.

Professor Goldwin Smith, in the curexpresses the opinion that such a man as Lord Rosebery, who has been Prime again be Prime Minister of England, sight to be in better literary business than making a book out of "the petty miseries of Napoleon at St. Helena, his squabbles with Sir Hudson Lowe and the bickerings of his little household." The criticism of Goldwin Smith is interesting as that of a very able writer of Napoleon is as bitter in its complete oral sense or humanity as if it had his way to Elba Napoleon was more | England by Grattan, England.

their turn came. The same French out of France and in less than twenty years hooted his successor, Louis Philtppe, still more derisively off the throne. If Cromwell had falled and there have been any lack of mobs to hoot him on his way to the scaffold or deportation to a place of exile? Goldwin Smith charges Napoleon with the murder of Pichegru, of Toussaint l'Ouverture and Hofer. Pichegru had every motive to commit suicide, and doubtless died by his own hand. Napoleon had no more motive to order his assassination than he had to direct that of Moreau. If he could afford to sub-

Pichegru, while Pichegru had every liberal sliding scale of wages for was captured and shot by sentence of a | can be made to pay. military court, just as a Boer leader who took up arms after surrender would be liable to execution by military court if captured. The shooting of several thousand prisoners of war at Jaffa rier, but, on the other hand, it costs was justified by the laws of war, as more to live in the city than in the they had repeatedly broken their parole. Wellington, in his dispatches af- organizations, which have from time to ter Badajoz, laments the mistaken hu- time urged Congress to increase their manity which spared the lives of the pay. garrison of Ciudad Rodrigo, saying that capped by their inability to interest if they had been shot Badajoz would representatives from the rural districts not have cost him 5000 men. Weiling- in their cause. From \$600 to \$1000 and to surrender and forcing the attacking rules is considered by country folk genparty to storm it forfeited life and pro- erally quite good enough. tection of property. Wellington's army | rural carriers working in conjunction

Napoleon's eye. Measured by his capacity for personal gratitude to his companions in demands of his constituents. arms, or his conduct of war, Napoleon's

road that leads around Pertland to the Great. Napoleon must be measured East, and a large part of the advantage not only by the standard of the political morality of his time, but by his enormous opportunity and the temptations to which he was subjected. He land and the country will suffer from tions to which he was subjected. He it. Portland should have a railroad di- had all Continental Europe at his feet for more than ten years; he commanded supreme power, and he was con-A correspondent inquires when the stantly tempted to use it despotically offices of General and Lieutenant-General were created. George Washington every hour; his public life was a long every hour; his public life was a long struggle with his own worst passions Congress in 1798 in anticipation of the He was a man of affairs, not a poet, United States becoming involved in a and his struggles and his conquests, war with France. Major-General Win. his success and his failure, made up eral by brevet in 1840. U. S. Grant was | man with the world. Measured by his appointed Lieutenant-General March enormous temptations and his oppormore moderation than any man of his time. As a diplomat, he was sometimes tricky, but so was Metternich and so was Bismarck. His military and political career was entirely just and patriotic up to the peace of Tilsit, in 1807 His war with Spain was a very great blunder, and his Moscow expedition was an act of madness. A very able Frenchman, M. De Blowitz, the Paris correspondent of the London Times, in a recent article confesses that since Napoleon "no man has seemed a sufficleatly energetic pilot to steer the French bark toward a port where it anchor in safety." In neither personal nor political morals, in personal humanity neither in peace nor war, does Napoleon suffer by comparison with any of the statesmen or soldiers of Europe of his day of glory or defeat.

HISTORICAL FALSEHOOD.

The denunciation of the reign of Victoria by the United Irish-American Societies at New York City as one in which "greater injustice, more cruelty, grosser wrong, were inflicted upon hu manity in general, and upon the Irish in particular, than in the reign of any other English monarch." is a very gross falsehood. The truth is that every im portant act of reform in the government of Ireland, with the exception of the Catholic emancipation act of 1829, was enacted in Victoria's reign. It was in Lord Melbourne's administration, from 1835 to 1840, that the tithe system and municipal corporations were reformed in Ireland, and Ireland was given a poor law. This first administration under Victoria commanded the support of the great Irlah "liberator," rent number of the Atlantic Monthly, O'Connell, who confessed that the Mulgrave-Drummond administration under Lord Melbourne's Premiership gave Minister of England, and who may Ireland a good and deservedly popular

government. It was an English House of Lords that, in 1844, on appeal, reversed the judgment pronounced by the Irish court against O'Connell. The coercion bill of Sir Robert Peel was defeated by the arrival of the regiments from home, British House of Commons in 1846, and O'Connell was on cordial relations with and historical scholar, whose estimate | Lord John Russell's Ministry, which succeeded that of Peel. He welcomed denial to the great Corsican of any the appointment of Lord Duncannon as Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, and supbeen written by Sir Walter Scott or ported the Ministry in Parliament. evidently under a spell, and "feels that toria's reign that has not advocated a as it is the public treasury.

Ireland, but the Conservative Ministry | business experience? The mob in any country is always a of Salisbury has not hesitated to encowardly, cruel brute and a fool. The large the scope of the reforms secured same French mob that hooted at the by Gladstone. The insurrection of the Senators at Washington, as to Mr. Mc-Royalists, the Girondists and the Dan- "young Ireland" party of 1848 was bit- Bride's mental, moral, physical, polititonists as they rode to death hooted at terly denounced by O'Connell; and its cal and legislative vigor are printed by Robespierre and the "Terrorists" when leaders, when convicted of treason and a sheet at Salem. They are amusing, sentenced to death, had their punishmob that threw up their caps for the ment commuted to banishment. Most character by affidavits would be, "Mereturning Bourbons hooted Charles X of them escaped to America, and those turned to Ireland.

When we recall the horrors of 1798, been dispossessed by force of foreign brutal policy which prevailed under arms of the throne of Britain, would George IV and William IV, it is a gross historical falsehood to say that Victoria's reign has been conspicuous above that of all other English monarchs for cruelty to Ireland. The steady abatement of misrule in Ireland has been one of the glories of the reign,

A FOREGONE CONCLUSION.

Rural postal delivery can scarcely as yet be said to have fully passed the mit the fate of Moreau to public trial, experimental stage, though it has taken be certainly could afford to let justice a place in the postal service that gives take its course with Pichegru, who was promise, not only of permanence, but of detested by his old comrades of the expansion. It is freely predicted by French Army because of his treasons—some members of the House committee ble correspondence with the Austrian on postal affairs that a systematic effort will be made in due time by those Napoleon had no motive to murder specially interested to secure a more motive to murder himself. The negro who serve in the capacity of mail cirliberator of St. Domingo died in prison; cuit riders. Thus far rural mail-carhis capture and death in prison was riers receive a maximum rate of only discreditable to Napoleon, but it was \$500 a year, and out of this they must not a wflit worse than the seizure of care for their own horses. It has not the Seminole Chief Osceola under a flag been found difficult, thus far, to get of truce by General Jesup, United reliable men to ride the rural circuit, States Army, and his confinement in but the statement that this pay is "not Fort Moultrie, where he died. Our Gov, enough" has been freely made, and it ernment, under President Jackson, meets with the ready indorsement of treated Osceola as treacherously as Na- the large number of persons who think poleon did Toussaint. Andreas Hofer that Uncle Sam should be made to pay was a Tyrolese insurgent leader, who not only all that service performed for after surrender again took up arms, him is worth, but as much more as he

It is cited in this connection that city mail-carriers begin work at \$600 pe annum and work up to \$1000. The advantage thus far is with the city car-Their efforts have been handiton held that a fortified town refusing a position protected by civil service in Spain was guilty of far worse ex- with their city brethren, however, the cesses than any French army under case will be strengthened, for the country representative cannot afford, politically speaking, to be indifferent to the

This view foreshadows the organizacharacter for humanity and sensibility ton, a little further on in the expanto human suffering does not suffer by sion of rural mall delivery, of the comparison with that of the Duke of Amalgamated Order of Urban and patriotism which the country will estiter of further shipment will take care Wellington, and rises far above that of Rural Mail-Carriers, the wage scale of mate at its value.

which Congress will be practically forced to indorse. No time is set for this concerted move upon the Nation's source of salary supply, but members of the committee on postoffices and postroads see in the course of time an army of rural carriers 40,000 strong. joined with a force of city carriers numbering 25,000, marching on Congress for an increase of salary to \$1500 a year. While conceding that everywhere and at all times the laborer is worthy of his hire, it may be hoped that the postal

all honor to her as a wise and beneficent ruler, it may be said that the world will breathe a sigh of relief when all this pomp and display is of yesterday. The strain of the past fortnight upon could find shelter from the storms and the English people has been severe in many directions, while that upon the royal family has been intense. Already the heir apparent is seriously ill with nervous exhaustion, and will be unable to join the funeral procession, while the women of the family are on an emotional rack, the tortures of which can readily be imagined. One and all will no doubt be glad to take up the burden of life again, which, as compared with the burden of death, will, for a time at least, be easily borne.

> As pointed out by the Army and Navy Register, the delay in the passage of the Army reorganization bill has created a great deal of embarrassment to the Government, and under the most favorable circumstances the adjustment to new conditions, including the withdrawal of volunteer regiments from the Philippines, will be attended with great expense—an amount not less than \$1,500,009, and probably \$2,600,090. It will be necessary to charter additional transports to bring home within the necessary period about 12,000 volun-teers, and it is estimated it will cost \$115 per man for water transportation from Manila to San Francisco, and this feature of the situation alone makes the additional cost fully \$1,380,000. two of the twenty-six regiments to be brought back from the Philippines have ther embarkations at Manila until the which cannot be before April 1. These new regiments of regulars, of course, will be little better than undisciplined mobs of recruits.

Perhaps if Representative Eddy looks deeper into the project for bonding pub-Lockhart, or some other English Tory Since O'Connell's day there has been lic officials he will find that his objeccontemporary of the prisoner of St. steady progress in the reform of the tion to it is based on a misapprehen-Helena. Goldwin Smith thinks that government of Ireland. There is not a sion. The beneficiary in this matter is while Lord Rosebery is veracious he is distinguished English statesman of Vic-Honds in dealing with the great conqueror he more liberal treatment of Ireland than signed by citizens are often found imis dealing with something more than was tolerated in any previous reign, human." The critic of Lord Rosebery's save the few years that an Irish home ers fail. These guarantee corporations book makes much of the fact that on rule Parliament was extorted from can always be made to pay. This county and city would be some hunthan once in peril of his life from the from 1868, the year of Giadstone's dreds of thousands of dollars better off fury of the people against their fallen first great reform administration, down if their Treasurers, Sheriffs, etc., had tyrant." This is not true, only in the to the present date, there has been been been bended by a security company. sense that his carriage was surrounded steady progress to better government of Banks and express companies have long by a mob, which was no more the peo- Ireland. The dis-establishment of the ago learned the wisdom of looking to ple of France than the English mob Irish Church and radical reform in the guarantee companies instead of their that stoned the Duke of Wellington's peasant land tenure was the work of employes for reimbursement on defalcacarriage and smashed the windows of Gladstone and Parnell. Gladstone did tions. Why must the public be forever his London house were the people of not succeed in enacting home rule for behindhand in the methods approved by

> Testimonials from thirty or forty as a woman's attempt to establish he thinks the lady doth protest too much." who did not were pardoned and re- It must have been felt that there was grave room for doubt, or these testimonials from Washington as to abilinot have been solicited. Supposing city that is utterly shameful, them genuine, that they were solicited for use in Oregon is plain upon their face. This will scarcely strike any one as a fudicious expedient.

> > One of the real needs of Oregon is a state mining bureau. Under proper direction it would devote its attention to inquiry into the mineral resources of the state, furnish information about them and be of great assistance in their development. We have a Fish Commis sion, a Dairy Commission, a Fruit Commission, all of them important in their spheres; but the mining industry, which is destined perhaps to greater importance than any other, as yet recelves no such attention. It se-The Oregonian that the Legislature might well consider this subject.

> > In order to meet such expenses of the state as are just and necessary, we ust avoid those we can get along without. One of these is a residence for the Governor. There is no more reason for the state to buy the Governor a house than there is to buy the Treasurer one, or the School Superinendent. The White House at Washington is an office, and as such a necessary part of the public buildings. No need exists at Salem, as the Executive chambers are ample for the Executive business.

The Oregonian does not at all wish be or to become mentor or prompter to the Legislature. But it will say once ore that it trusts the memorial to Congress in favor of The Dalles-Cellio country. City carriers have protective canal will not be overlooked. The Legislature of Idaho has taken action. through a strong memorial, accompanying it with an address of high ecomic value. We beg once more to solicit the attention of the Legislature of Oregon to this important subject.

> dispatches that, owing to the small demand for silver dollars, it is proposed to coin them over into smaller coins What an awful revelation of National turpitude in shaking the dollar of the daddles! Twenty-five Senators voted against

It is positively painful to read in the

GRAIN INSPECTION A FRAUD.

The Tacoma Ledger is much distresse over the alleged interference of The Orein the State of Washington. The Ledger says:

Washington certainly keeps inside its own jurisdiction, and may reasonably request that Gregon de the same. The advice of Gregon is not wanted, purticularly as it is not disinterested advice and is tendered for the benefit of Gregon.

The facts are that Gregon is Jealous of Washington between the content of the content

ported from the State of Washington is shipped, and Portland exporters with branch houses at Tacoma export over half of all of the wheat shipped from that port, and Portland supplies the assumption of sovereignty over the Phil-linances for moving nearly all of the crop lppines there is not a way in history, not of the State of Washington. Including the amount of whear exported by Portland Intolerable injustice and inhumanity cried the amount of wheat exported by Portland shippers from Tacoma, Seattle and Portland, the Oregon metropolis is shown to control the distribution of considerably

The Washington State Grain Inspector catabilished a grade of 58 pounds per bushel for No. I wheat. He thus advertised to the world that the State of Washington had a poor crop, and 55-pound that to candid, honest men has not been already dictated by the same generous vantage" which the Ledger claims for the
Washington farmer, Fortunately for the
latter, the grain committee of the Portland Chamber of Commerce refused to permit the quality of Washington wheat to be discredited by any such grade, and it was raised to 59 pounds, and every bushel of No. 1 wheat that has been exported from Tacoma this season has been shipped under the 13-pound grade of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, and not under the lightweight standard of the Only bushel of No. 1 wheat that has been exthus far sailed. After 9000 men have been sent home there are to be no fur- under the lightweight standard of the Washington Grain Inspector. The Washington state grain inspection service is a farce, and gives the farmer no protection whatever, for the simple reason that no attention is paid to the Inspector or the grades which he establishes.

The Ledger proceeds on the hypothesis their robbing the farmer. The farmer Idaho. The grain business does not differ from any other business, so far as honest dealing is concerned, and any dealer or Tacoma is becoming quite a shipping int for wheat not tributary to Portland, and the Ledger might avoid a repetition of the ridiculous misrepresentations which it has been making by gaining a little actual knowledge of wheat grades and the

THE PRIVATE GRAFT. They Have It in Chicago and They Chicago Journal, The criminal conditions of Chicago are

unsparingly laid bare in the February number of McClure's Magazine, by the well-known writer, Joslar Flynt (Mr. J. F. Willard). It is a narrative that is startling in its array of facts and an inthe execution of Emmett in 1803 and the ties never discovered in Oregon would dictment of the Police Department of this De the people of Chicago know that

here is the criminal center of the United States, the thieves' paradise and the thugs haven of security? Are they aware that there are 50,000 thieves, tramps, swindlers and other criminals who make their home here, most of whom are known to the police, and, by reason of that fact, live here with impunity? Is it any wonder that crime is rampant

when the police stand in with the crimi-nals and share the spoils? Mr. Willard gives the names of pickpockets and hold-up men who have "operated" here for years under the protection of the police. and he relates cases where thieves have been actually ordered to steal by police officers so as to be able to pay up for pro-

These criminals flock to Chicago because they feel safe under the Harrison rule. One of them told Mr. Willard that they like Harrison. "I like him and the 'push' likes him, 'cause he gives us rope, Certainly he give them rope for he is not only "the friend of the workingmen," but the friend of the nonworkingmen. The latter are his undeviating and most faithful supporters. They fill the lodg-ing-houses, and, when out of jail or the bridewell, as they usually are at election time, they vote for Harrison. It is idle to say that this vast horde of criminals cannot be broken up and scat-tered. They will fly like frightened sheep

from the strong arm of the law when the know that that arm will strike, and strike Put an honest, incorruptible, courageou

business man in the office of Mayor, and the railroads leading from the city will be crowded with men and women fleeing from the wrath to come. There is no use in mincing this matter longer. Mr. Harrison either will not or cannot cleanse the city. His Police De-partment does not Intend to do it, for it

is hopelessly corrupt, as Mr. Willard absolutely proves. As one thug said to him, "wherever you see thieves and grafters as thick as they are here you can put it down that the police force is grafting. How much longer is Chicago to endure a grafting police department?

A Winter Song/ Washington Star. When the wind stabts in a-blowing An' de snow is driftin' dasp An' the snow keeps on a-snowin'
While de sumshine goes to sleep,
Yoh spirits dey gits glummar
An' it's mighty habd to smile—
But you knows it will be Summer,
If you'll wait a little while.

An' when de wind is shriekin' An when de wind is strickin it will soften now an' then. Like some gantle voice were seekin' fich to cheer us cullud men. Oh! dis cabin needs de plumber, An' de wiove is out o' style; But we knows it will be Summer, if we waits a little while. THEY ARE SIMPLY ANTI-AMERICAN

St. Paul Ploneer Fresa.

When Judge Taft announces that the Fllipine insurrection is on its last less, and General MacArthur asserts that there is still need of a large army, the York Evening Pest proclaims Judge Taft to be a llar, and General MacArthur to be a true man. But when Judge Taft characterizes the drink evil in Mandia as "disgracefut," and General MacArthur that there is no more drunkenness than in a city of like size in America, the same paper proclaims the Genoral to be the liar, and the Judge to be a true man. his hire, it may be hoped that the postal service of the country will become self-supporting before so formidable an addition to its expense is demanded—certainly before it is allowed.

The obsequies of Queen Victoria will be marked by a military pageant the like of which the world has never seen. Though a woman of peace and a monarch whose long reign was comparatively free from devastating wars, the late Queen is said to have expressed a desire for a military funeral, the idea being possibly more to emphasize the power of the nation than as a tribute to her personal greatness. With all due respect to her memory as a woman, and all honor to her as a wise and benefit to be facts are that Oregon is sealous of Washington, betraying this circumstance every time there for that Oregon is sealous of Washington, betraying this circumstance every time there is a Webfoot yawp against wheat linspection. In the later state No. 1 wheat the standard amounts welch 58 pounds. In Oregon the standard in the there is a Webfoot yawp against wheat linspection. In the later state No. 1 wheat the standard amounts welch 58 pounds. In Oregon the standard in the way with your anti-imperialst. It is the way with your anti-imperialst. and utterly untrustworthy; won by place or pelf to utter things contrary to his convictions. Be he as pure as snow he cannot escape calumny. From the most obscure corporal to Judge Taft, who, though an anti-imperialist, gave up his life place on the federal bench because he felt there was work to do in the Philippines, not one who has ventured to control the property of the property of the control of the property of the control of the property of the propert to The Oregonian, so ardently engaged in the attempt to befoot them.

The Ledger displays considerable ignorance regarding the wheat business and the jurisdiction of Oregon concerning it. The grain committee of the Portland Chamber of Commerce establishes the grades under which all of the wheat expected from the portland of the constant of the portland of the Spanish war. Encased in their own narrow self-righteousness grades under which all of the wheat expected from the portland of the portland that to the spanish war. Encased in their own narrow self-righteousness they did not recognize in 1878, and have the portland that you also the with orists here and there, heard the cry. control the distribution of considerably more than two-thirds of all of the wheat produced in Oregon and Washington. Taking these facts into consideration, The Oregonian feels disposed to claim a slight jurisdiction in territory in which Oregon's commercial interests are so vitally concerned.

The Washington State Grain Inspector found that it was humanity alone that

> wheat was the best it would average. This is the "obvious advantage" which the Ledger claims for the permit the quality of Washington wheat or degree whatever has it been justified country has been altogether too generous and humane, and that had it dis played a tithe of the malignity wit which these papers charge it or practice a half of the severities and decelts laid at the door of its officers, military and civii, much blood would have been saved and the islands would have been farther that all exporters are thieves, and an honest man like the Washington State Grain Inspector is required to prevent their robbing the farmer. The farmer along on the road to liberty than they shipping 10,000 bushels of wheat or any quantity of wheat or Tacoma does accept the grade of the buyer, and that grade is uniform all over Ottson, Washington and ion and open to debate. If they believe this, it is their unquestioned right to express their opinion and to support it dealing is concerned, and any dealer or exporter who steals from the farmer by fallure to pay No. 1 prices for No. 1 with such arguments as they can command. It is because they persistently—fallure to pay No. 1 prices for No. 1 if not wilfully—refuse to recognize the wheat will be forced out of the business by his own actions in very short order. Tacoma is becoming quite a shipping that have actuated and continue to actuate the nation and its high officials in this matter; because they have been dealer to be a shipping the ships of they label them hypogray and cant; charge the basest motives where the pur-est exist, and because they indiscrimi-nately accuse all that do not agree with them with dislionesty and wilful cruelty, actual knowledge of wheat grades and the manner in which the wheat-exporting business is conducted in its own port. conscience of the nation, and that other men are as honest and as conscientious and perhaps as wise as they, they may matter temperately and charitably, we venture to say that the cause of anti-expansion or anti-imperialism, or what-

> > incharitableness and cannot flourish. Portentous Day in Lincoln. New York Sun.

All day yesterday an enthusiastic but a reverent crowd filled the wordrooms of the Weekly Bryan. The Peerless glowed with hope and speech. The Boy Absalom and Bryan Chorus Club sang silver and anti-trust hymns. Telegrams of congratula-tion were received from Coln Harvey, Cy-clone Davis, Web Davis, General Jim Weaver, Tobe Schrutchins, Hez Lung and

other eminent Bryanites.

Seven letter-carriers broke down under their weight of registered letters, and had to be carried off in ambulances. The cashler, who has been counting out the m for weeks, had an acute attack of cash-ler's cramp and a substitute had to be pro-cured. At 3:17 P. M. Lincoln Hose Company No. 2 was called out to extinguish a batch of Colonel Bryan's manuscript. which had set the composing-room afire. At 4:12 P. M. the aliver pen with which the Colonel wrote the lending articles for the first number of his paper exploded with a terrible slat of thunder. Nobody was hurt, but the heart of Dr. John H. Girdner, of this town, to whom the pen had

ner, of this town, to whom the pen had been promised, was broken. When the Colonel went to bed, a tired but a happy man, at 2:25 this morning, he said that nothing in the world both-ered him except the fact he had to buy his

PLEASANTRIES OF PARAGRAPHERS

"Rubber, spun-glass, steel, and ivory are most elastic substances." The writer of seems to have forgotten the human conscie— Hoston Transcript.

"Boohoo! Johnnie Jones has moved away! "Bookoo! Johnnis Jones has moved away!"
"Were you so fond of your little happmate?"
"Naw! but, bookoo! He was de only kid on
de block I could lick!"—Brooklyn Lite.
Still More Impressive.—So she refused
you?" "That's the impression I received."
"Didn't she actually say no?" "No, she didn't.
All she said was "Ha-ha-ha." "—Cleveland
Plain Dealer.

Small Boy-Mamma, does God see every-thing? "Yes, dear." "Does he know I'm going to say, 'Now I lay me'?" "Yes, dear." "Well,

I'm going to say the other one."-

Depends on the Victim.—"There are two kinds of grip going round." "What are they?" "The kind a person gets who can afford to stay in bed, and the kind a person gets who can't afford to stay in bed."—Chicago Record. The Cake Foll.—Mrs. Newlywed—'I had har-rid luck with my cake. Mrs. Binthare—Too bad—did it fall? Mrs. Newlywed—Tes. I placed it on the window-ledge to cool and my hus-hand, either by accident or design, pushed it off.—Cleveland State Journal.

Those Dear Girls.—Ters.—Manuna was rum-maging through the attic today, and she found the cradle I used when I was a baby. She was going to throw it out, but I wouldn't let her. Jess-I should say not. Antiquities are all the rage now.—Philadelphia Press.

"Polly. dear, suppose I were to shoot at a tree with five birds on it, and all three; how many would there be left? Polly (aged 6)—Three, please. Teacher—No; two would be left. Polly—No, there wouldn't. The three shot would be left. and the other two would be fited away.—Tit-Bits.

NOTE AND COMMENT.

Kansas may be dry, but the news from

Riots are taking place in a Russian University. The hazing bug is evidently umnavigating the globs.

There are still a few commissions in the British Army which are not held by members of the German royal family.

The prospect of making good Indians of the inhabitants of Oklahoma has materially lessened in the last few days: Judge Caples is coming home, and we

shall be reminded that Oregon is the brightest spot on "God's green earth." This hazing inquiry throws light on obfects hitherto shrouded in the densest ob-

scurity. It has found Admiral Dewey, Colonel Watterson says he never heard of the highball, which is not surprising.

They only take it straight in Kentucky. England will be occupied somewhere in the next 100 years and that somewhere

might just as well be South Africa as

The lightning that is playing around the Capitol at Salem finds so many rods erected that it is unable to decide where to light.

he had never heard of the appoints of the new Field Murshal in the British The chances that William Waldorf As-

Dewet keeps right on fighting, just as

tor will be appointed a Customs Inspector, a Postmuster, or a Baronet by the new King are not very bright,

As soon as all the cash subscriptions have been received. Editor Bryan will go to Europe, and leave a "sub" to collect the cabbages and cordwood.

A man down in Alabama was killed by lightning walle at a telephone. That is rather s summary way to take a man off, and when his sins are so fresh, too.

We may expect the Legislators to come ome today and try their best to get the third house to approve some of the measures they hope to pass next week.

The asphalt fuss down in Venezuela reminds us of the fuss we had several years ago over the paving of Washington street.

Everything comes to him who waits for nothing, but nothing comes to him who waits for everything. The foregoing is the result of profound study, and there is no appeal It may be delicately possible that abol-

ishment of one Circuit Judgeship in Multnomah County is opposed by lawyers be cause it would remove a goal of ambitious longing. Mrs. Nation has received an offer to star on the stage in "Ten Nights in a Bar-

room." One night would be sufficient. Besides that probably would be all the heatrical manager could stand. Will Pat come under the category of the law whereby a bounty will be given for crow scalps? The next thing needed

is a bounty on mosquito scalps. Let not a genlus at Salem miss his opportunity. Several of the colleges have decided not be represented at the inauguration of McKinley and Roosevelt. It is understood, however, that the graduates of the

Electoral College class of '01 will be present. Senator Simon has asked Senator Mc-Bride to help him by telegraph in his endeavor to get recognition for the Coumbia. Does the senior Senator have more influence away from, than at, Wash-

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An American who was sojourning in Spain at the time says that on the very day when Dewey was destroying the Spanish squadron at Manila a representative audience, including some of Spain's gain a larger audience. But until they do tive audience, including some of Spain recognize these lings and argue the bravest and best, were attending a patriotic bull fight in Madrid, applauding the words of the famous matador: With the ease with which I have killed this noble ever they may choose to call it, will lose ground. It is rooted in dishonesty and animal, the bull, will the glorious Spanish esty and Nation uphold the truditions of the past and keep green the laurels of their Ulustrious fathers by triumphing over the

Yankee pig." The Rev. Mr. Sheldon, of Topeka, has this to say about the evangelical churches in England: "There is more formality there than here. I could not get used to this. The pulpits were high and open from the rear. There was a formality about the way the minister is treated. At one place the sexton and church officers were full dress suits. They met in the vestry and ushered me into the pulpit, I do not speak in a critical way of this -it is their form and custom. The singing was beautiful. I never heard such singing before in churches as in England and Schotland, unless in Dr. Hillis' church, in Brooklyn. They have only the words, and do not use notes. There was more reverence in the churches. We have a certain irreverence they have not. never saw a person whisper in service all the time I was there. And everybody brings a Bible. I wish this were so here.

Lapse of the Old Man.

Denver Post. Pa ust to go to church an' pray An' in class meetin' have a say An in class meetin' have a say,
Had fam'ly washup ev'ry night.
An tried to raise us boys up right.
The preacher called him "Brether To
An said he was a child o' God
'E'd bin an inted 'mong the saints,
An' cleansed from all his sinful tal
An' that same preacher ust to be
At our house purity frekently.
To read a chapter o' the Word ther Todd," An that same presenter ust to be At our house purty frekently. To read a chapter of the Word An' pray ontil I het they heard His supplications fiyin' fround. Clear to the other and o' town. An' then he'd stay fur dinner. My, But how he'd make the obsiden My, An' praise ma's ecokin', an' she'd amile An' on his waitin' plais'd pile. More provender, an' he'd jew' flop. His jaws an' never holler 'Stop.' An' never break away ontil. He hadn't no more space to fill. Hut, as I was sayin', pa. Was jes' a Christian up to taw. But since the time he got to be A polertician, somehow he Thinks more o' gittin' office placed Than of the means o' sayin' grace; Don't never go to church no more, Nor kneed down on the fam'ly floor With its around, an' and the Lord To temper the avengin' sword. To us shorn lambs, an' shed the light O' grace upon us day and night. O' grace upon us day and night. Ma says be's backsitd from the fold, That on the throne he's slipped his hold, That on the throne he's slipped his he An' he is that way 'cause she knows No poisertician ever goes To heaven, an' she's skeered that he Is founderin' is the sinful sea. But I've a sort o' Christian hope He's yit a hangin' to a rope. To pull back to the fold again When he has got his fill o' star. The rope a bein' rather alim The rope a-bein' rather alim For sich a befty fish as him. But he hange to it as true as steel-He saks a bleesin' every meal.