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PORTLAND, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18

RIGHT TO THE PURPOSE.

The Outlook, widely known as weekly review, conspicuous alike for active ability and conservatism, has this to say about the ship subsidy bill; The present bill is rather a measure to inbuilders of American ships than to increase the profits of the present owners and the size of the merchant marine flying the American fing and carrying our foreign trade is simply a measure to help the ors, who last year enjoyed the most profitable season they have ever known, and

to help the ship-owners, who at this very time are trying to effect a combination to prevent lower rat This is precisely to the point and pur-

pose. But in splite of the attempt to form combinations to prevent lower rates, we have lower rates, and no substdy either.

. The rates are now reasonable. The tendency of the freight market proves conclusively that no subsidy is needed to secure to the producers of the country cheaper freights. Subsidy would simply put more money, taken from the people through taxation, into the coffers of shipowners already rich. It would be in effect a guarantee of their business against the natural movements of the market, to which they, as all others, should justly be subject.

Now, however, we may suppose, the argument for subsidy will take a new turn. Last year it was contended that subsidy must be paid out of the Treasury as a means of lowering the freight rate. Doubtless it now will be urged

the naval defense point of view, and in St. Thomas we have an admirable health resort. There are no more earthquakes in St. Thomas than elsewhere in the West Indies. Near St. Thomas are the small British islands that are being strongly fortified, and, with a great American and a great British naval station within close call of each other, there will be plenty of good society for Winter visitors.

than a sand bank and a swamp. Uncle

CONSTITUTIONAL INFIRMITIES.

The vigorous arraignment of our moopolistic corporations, and incidentally of the Industrial Commission's treatment of them, brought by Mr. T. W. Phillips and printed in The Oregonian yesterday, is fully justified by the Commission's action, and by the further fact that, although the Commission had voluminous testimony before it as to the practice of the protected trusts in selling cheaper abroad than at home, it professes itself unworthy to reach any amendment, even after weeks of deconclusion on that most important phase of the trust problem, and mus-

ters the temerity to recommend the creation of another hody to pursue inquiries on that head. One can but conclude that this Commission, like our Congressional committees, stands in generalities and suggestions for contin-

ued research. It is to be feared the basic difficulty what the reseal bill meant, and that no in our corporation problem, or rather the resource most readily availed of by

eral Government, Attack a trust in a

customs and internal revenue devices would lower their prices, but with the means to pay expenses.

Instead of being a sacred thing remany respects a stone wall across the petition and keep out imports through electoral college to an automaten, and taneously. if we could we would also override its

tion of Senators. The inequity of Senatorial and electoral college representation, bestowed to insure the ratifica- the Democrats used it themselves on tion of the Constitution by the smaller the Wilson bill. As for Democratic ab states, has become a heavy burden, horrence of unrighteous tariffs, it need Representatives found unworthy now continue to sit in Congress for a year have never shown that they would reand more after their successors have beal them. They didn't when they had been elected, and the man who takes the chance. his seat in December has to begin his campaign for re-election before the Winter is over. Yet there are many men who, when their crotchets are menneed, profess to consider the Con-

stitution as sacred as the ark of the Covenant It is a wonder Senator Hoar has the courage to propose a change in the date of Inauguration day. How can he expect to share the fate of poor Uzzah at Nachon's threshing-floor?

THE MORNING OREGONIAN, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1902.

diers. When Paris was entered by the Sam has made a good bargain from Germans, in 1871, there were about 100,-000 men in the army of occupation. Taft, "desire peace. If it were not for While the French in that city lost over 23,000 by smallpox, the German loss was less than 100. Extending the comparison to our own country, it is said that in the City of Philadelphia-the tion, and they have worn out the right center of sanitary science-more people die from smallpox in a month than Ger- vere and within the laws of war." many loses in an entire year from the same cause. But, then, we must pay in some way for individual freedom as against paternalism in government. That smallpox takes toll of this princi-

ple merely proves that not all Americans have come up to the ideal of perbe fully realized, must be met by individual responsibility. OUR UNHAPPY DEMOCRATS.

There was not a man in the House of Representatives who wished to vote against the war revenue bill or who entertained the slightest hope of its bate; and yet the minority declared in impassioned tones that it was being deprived of its liberties. What end could be served by a long debate? The only end that could be served was the desire of the antis to howl on the Senatorial plan about anti-imperialism. But for awe of the protected interests, and the cloture, we should have had in the would fain leave them undisturbed by House just such tirades as Tillman and anything more pointed than glittering Dubois have used to disgrace the Senate in exemplification of its dearly prized dignity and courtesy. Everybody knew

debate would change it. Everybody was in favor of it, for it was carried influential campaign committees and unanimously. As for discussion, the corporation lawyers, arises through our subject has been discussed for three awkward and antiquated fixed relation- years, and stands in no need whatever ship between the states and the Fed- of oratorical buncombe on either side. The bill is commendable in principle state and it becomes a creature of in- though iniquitous by incident. Its erstate commerce. Attack it in the wrong lies in the fact that the taxes Federal courts and you trench upon the that ought to be repealed are not inpowers reserved to the states. It is ternal revenue taxes, which are not burtransparently wrong that a corporation densome, though the tax on tea is unshould be licersed in New Jersey to do just, but customs taxes, maintained for things in Minnesota contrary to the law the benefit of protected corporations. of Minnesota, Business corporations are The bill is discreditable in the respect subject to the states. This was once that it is designed to bolster up the well enough, because their operations tariff iniquity and prevent concessions were local. Now that their operations to Cuba and the Philippines. Yet it is are National, the law controlling them entirely probable that the war taxes should be Federal. This infirmity of could be repealed substantially as this the Federal Government is a sort of bill proposes and relief similarly be converse to the infirmity under which granted to most of the sufferers from the states suffer in the arbitrary ar- unreasonable tariffs. Reduction of durangement which has given to Congress ties on products of protected trusts

which enable the Treasury to be over- possible exception of sugar, would not flowing at times when state and munici- materially affect the volume of imports pal governments are sorely put to it for and the proceeds of duties. In so far as reduction stimulated imports, customs revenues would be increased, for vealed by divine inspiration, it is in at present the trusts defy foreign com-

path of progress. We have had to ab- the tariff. War taxes can be repealed rogate it in practice in reducing the and customs schedules lowered simul-Instant repeal of the war taxes, thereclumsy and demoralizing rule for elec- fore, affords basis neither for Democratic umbrage nor for Republican inac

tion on tariff reform. As for cloture not be taken seriously. The Democrats

THEY HAVE ONLY TO BEHAVE. At was Alphonse Karr, a witty French writer, who, when asked if he favored the abolition of capital punishment, replied, "Yea if messieurs, the assassins, will make it safe for us to do so." This is the natural reply to the petition presented by United States Senator Hoar recently asking for an investigation by

a Senate committee to the end of taking steps for the suspension of hostili-

America. "The great majority of the people of the islands," says Governor these barbarous guerrillas they would be glad to settle down and earn a quiet living. The action of these barbarous to any treatment but that which is se-North of a line drawn across Luzon through Manila complete order prevails. "An American can go anywhere through the country there, unarmed and alone.". An isolated region of disturbance exists south of Manila, in the swamps of Batangas and about Laguna sonal liberty in government, which, to Bay, but even this district, according to the last report of Geenral Bell, has been substantially cleared of brigands The Island of Negros is at peace. It has 500,000 population, and turned out

the last year 106,000 tons of sugar. In Panay, which is densely populated, there is not a single village or large town where an American cannot go safely unarmed, ' Cebu and Mindanao are at peace. There is some fighting in Samar, never held by Spain, save in two isolated towns, because we insist on creating a condition of industrial order and security. These are the facts of the present situation in the Phillppines. Our methods call for no more just protest than did the operation of trooops during the twenty years our that followed our first beginning of the Union Pacific Railroad, From 1866 to 1877 we were obliged to punish the hostile Indians most severely and force them to choose between peace and extermination. The Filipino brigands are as barbarous and cruel a foe as ever were the Apaches, and both Senator Edmunds and Senator Hoar voted for appropriations to wipe out the Indian.

A great movement is reported to be in progress to organize educational work In the South. It has attracted the attention and obtained the support of a number of men of great wealth, like John D. Rockefeller and his son. According to the Atlanta Constitution, among the white people of the South there are as many illiterate men over 21 years of age as there were when the census of 1850 was taken, fifty-two years ago. This ignorance of reading and writing exists among the white men of the South who have come to full age since 1881. These figures do not include the children of negroes. This condition of affairs, this Georgia journal says, is not explicable on any grounds that are creditable to the white people of the South. This illiteracy is described as abnormal, and due to a false and vicious educational system which needs to be corrected, even at the sacrifice of much ornamen'al instruction and imported 'culture," so-called. We do not believe the South is too poor to educate its people out of illiteracy, and the Atlanta Constitution is of that opinion, for it says that, making every allow

ance for the impoverishment consequent upon the Civil War, the South since 1870 has had the opportunity and the means to improve the educational status of its white people far beyond the low standard of fifty years ago.

The joint committee of the New York Legislature recently refused to report a bill which recognized the practice of osteopathy as a distinct school of medicine. This decision was based on the fact that osteopathy was nothing but massage masouerading as an all-around school of medicine; that all there is in osteonathy that is true is a matter of common knowledge and common usage in the regular schools of medicine. In Massachusetts the registered list of persons authorized by the State Board to practice the healing art includes the names of several osteopaths, for the only requirement is that all the appliongs mainly to Livingston and not to cants shall pass the general examination in medicine. The law specifically der: prescribes that there shall be no discrimination against any system or school of medicine, providing the candidates pass the regular examination prepared by the board. This is fair, and is all that any osteopath could ask. The state says: "We do not care whether you are an osteopath, so-called. or not, but we do care whether you have a fundamental, scientific knowledge of anatomy and physiology." A mere masseur has no more title to hold a license as a genuine doctor than a good nurse has a right to hold a license to practice as a genuine doctor. -

RUSSIA'S DEVIOUS COURSE.

Chicage Record-Herald. In an interview with a Washington correspondent Count Cassini said of Russia's course in China;

pleasure to listen to such an opera as "The Princess Chic," which opened to a Acting in concert with the other powers Russia strove to maintain peace and good order throughout the portions of territory placed within her guardianship. It has been crowded house at the Marquam last night Kirk LaShelle has written a book which announced frequently and solemnly that Rus sia harbored no design to annex Manchuria. As peaceful conditions were restored vast confashion, and Julian Edwards has set it tingents of the Russian forces have been withdrawn from China and Manchuria and the territory returned to Chinese officials.

With regard to the first of these asset tions it should be said that no part of China was ever placed within Russia's guardianship. Russia simply assumed the control of Manchuria, and she stated the case in this way: "Incidentally to necessary defensive measures on the Rus. sian border, Russia has occupied Niu Chwang for military purposes, and as soon as order is established will retire troops therefrom if the action of other powers be no obstacle thereto."

It will be observed that the reservations the fact that they were seeing and hearing in this statement are its most important part, and as an evidence of good faith Russia at once began to negotiate a separate Manchurian convention with the It has built a real plot, with a Princess who assumes all kinds of disguises as the central figure, surrounded by a stal-Chinese, while taking her share in the general convention of the powers. This wart body of men, while a collecton of the prettiest girls one would care to see is Manchurian agreement has been pubsaid lished in its entirety, and it may be in brief that it provided for the comon hand ready to be soldiers, courtiers, plete domination of the Russians to the damsels or anything that is necessary to exclusion of other foreigners. Its charlively movements and gorgeous stage plo actor was such that the United States tures. Government protested to China that while skillfully contributed by peace negotiations continued it was of various conditions, and plenty of lovemaking, mostly done by the Duke, the Princess Chic and a soubrette, who is exnot advisable for her to enter into separate agreements with any power, and this note had the approval of all the inceedingly comprehensive in her affections terested nations, except Russia. The pressure against Russia then became has the most singing to do, and she did it greater than the pressure for Russia, and last night in a way that won her audi-ence from the start. She has a sweet,

A Russian note on the subject, which was issued April 5, 1901, eight months after the capture of Pekin, attempted to explain Russia's actions, and concluded no follows:

While the Russian Government maintains its present organization in Manchuria, to pre-serve order in the vicinity of the broad fron-tiers of Russia and remains faithful to its original and oft-repeated political programme, it will quietly await events.

center of control was far south of the frontier, and Russia at once began to figure on another convention. The negotiations have been managed with great secrecy, but it is understood that a new treaty which has been framed provides for the continued occupation of the prov. ince by Russian troops, for the drill of native troops by Russia and for divers exclusive privileges for Russia. It has en opposed by the United States, as well Count Cassini's utterances will hardly affect the policy of this Govern facts are too strong against him.

JEFFERSON OR LIVINGSTON?

Who Should Have Chief Credit for Louisiann Purchase?

Some think that too much credit is given to Jefferson for the Louisiana purchase To be sure, the purchase was made when Jefferson was President, and it is therefore quite natural that to him the principal part of the credit for the purchase should be accorded. The claim is made, however, that Jefferson was at first opposed to the purchase, and that the principal credit for it should be accorded to Robert R. Livingston, of New York, who was our Minister to France when the purchase was made. In the National House

phony orchestra, which comes to the Mar-quam Grand Theater next Friday and Saturday night, will open tomorrow morn-ing at 10 o'clock. The orchestra is a star of Representatives a few days ago Champ Clark, of Missouri, concluded a characteristic speech with a rhapsodical glorificaorganization throughout. The four celeprated soloists that appear are all well and tion of Jefferson for the part he played favorably known in the East. No orchesin effecting the Louisiana purchase, and tra seems to enjoy the popularity of the Chicago symphony orchestra, save poswhen he sat down Representative D. S. Alexander, of Buffalo, who represents the sibly the Boston symphony. 224 New York district in the House, took issue with Representative Clark and The University of Oregon Glee Club, claimed that the credit for the purchase which is now touring the Willamette Val-

AMUSEMENTS.

in old Ben Franklin's days, and of music

positively gaseous in its lightness, it is a

lends sentiment and fun in a charming

o such music as one does not often hear

-grand opera music, translated into a lan-

presenting it is all good. In a cast

the preparations for the coronation

boys at a circus.

singer inspires the auditor with a desire

to hear the end of the song, and of the

many a long day, and it is not surprising

that the audience speedily awakened to

a good thing, and applauded like little

Mr. LaShelle has taken the story of

Charles the Bold for a subject, and out of

There is abundance of merriment

clear voice, which she uses with consum

River God," she displayed it splendidly

topical song, earned them something like a dozen recalls. Mr. Metcalfe, who has a

voice of fine bass quality, also distin-

guished himself in a more serious effort, "War Is a Bountiful Jade," a swinging

solo, with a men's chorus behind it. The

tet in the last act, in which are heard Miss

Berri, Miss Hunting, Mr. Wilke and Mr. Knight. Edna Floyd is a pretty sou-

as Charles; Frederic Knight makes good

use of what opportunity he has to use his

tenor, and the remainder of the principals

are admirable. The company, which numbers 59 people (not press agent's fig-

ares), has been well chosen, and the work

of the chorus was marvelous, being par-

ticularly effective in the magnificent

finales. The scenery is sumptuous, and

tonight, tomorrow afternoon and tomorrow

COMING ATTRACTIONS.

Chicago Symphony Orchestra.

The sale of seats for the Chicago sym

crowning number of the opera is the

mate art, and in two songs in the sec

Maud Lillian Berri, as the

Eyes"

night.

four gentleme

Princess Chic

After a wilderness of musical comedies Beef may now be bought retail at a masquerading as comic opera, of lyrics which are but variants of themes stale wholesale advance in price.

Lucky the milliner that gets the job of uilding the coronation bonnets

NOTE AND COMMENT.

There is still room for a few more holce names on the registration books,

Perhaps Hon, Charles A. Towne may yet head the Wall-Street presidential ticket.

guage that the ordinary theater-goer can A negro minstrel was lynched in Misray he enjoys without crossing his fingers sourl the other day. He must have tried and winking at the truth ? The company to spring a new joke. lozen or more there are no sticks. Not a

At last accounts General Dewet was stil on the other side of the kopje and about three laps ahead four comodians, it would be difficult to

say which is the funniest. Such an opera-Funston is well again. The widepresented by such a company, costumed awake newspapers will immediately send with a lavishness that makes reports of their best reporters on his trail. insipld, has not been seen in Portland fo

Cuba didn's know that the protection Congress talked about before the Spanish war was meant for the trusts.

The signs of Spring are multiplying. Several loads of household furniture have been seen on the streets lately.

People who have distinguished themselves by having the automobile face and golf eve must now get the German tongue to be in style.

A case of an innocent man in prison has been discovered. As there are many guilty ones out of prison, however, he sught to be able to console himself.

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We call the attention of our readers to poem by our esteemed contributor, Miss Tillie Johnson, which might have been considerably better never than late.

We have received a communication and six inches of poetry from a sweet young thing who says her name is Met Rivers. act, "If" and "The Water Nymph and the It contains a theory as to the whereabouts of Tillie Johnson, which would Miss Berri is withal a good actress, and her playing of the part could hardly have be all right if it wasn't all wrong, as subsequent events have proven it. Howbeen improved upon. Dorothy Hunting is another member of the company who ever, it shall not long be withheld from possesses unusual vocal gifts, and her singing of "The Love Light in Your an anxious public, and will be published on the installment plan, one line at a was such as to cause disappointtime until it is all in. When the poem ment that she was not heard again in a is completed, a prize will be offered to the solo. Thomas Leary, Edwin S, Metcalfe, W. A. Lawrence and Neil McNeill conperson who shall be able to gather it totribute all the comedy that is necessary, and do it well. Their last endeavors, a gether and make a poem out of it.

Mr. Editor, Dear Sir-Ime glad yu appreshiate mi potery an wood have sent yu sum last weak but I am studyin an preparin myself for a moar eggsalted osishun. Thare is a Man hear who sez he is goin to the legislater next year an if my bruthers ole and Sven vote for him he will make me clerk when the legislater meets in Salem. He sez I will brette; Hubert Wilke does some fine work only have to smile an look purty an draw my salury. and I will meat all the most brilyunt men in the state such as senators and nuzpapers and grafters whatever tha are. I send you sum potery inspired by the acshun ov yure chamber of commerce. I never saw the chamber but it must be as blg as the dance hall at Detroit* to hold so many the costuming, as has already been said, men. is something to go a long way to see. "The Princess Chic" will be repeated THE CHINESE MUST GO.

I red in your good paper how sum Portland people want

To bring more Chinee hoards to our fare land.

How any one who knows them could think of such a thing. Is really more than I can understand. I dont know many Chinees and dont want to

know no more. And if I had my way I'd make them dance, I hate thare nasty pigtales an thare little

inty eyes, a way thay ware thare shirts outside

Th'ave the awfullest complexshuns on them that was ever saw. Thay must have vallow janders good and bad

we could get rid of them for an all. Your friend Tillie Johnson, sweet singer

the Santiam an expecting to be clerk in the nex legislater would be Mighty, Mighty Glad.

• She means Detroit-on-the-Santiam.

China refused to sign the agreement,

The organization was then intact, the

the freight rate is so low that the poor shipowner is entitled to payments from the Treasury as a means of making up his losses. Any argument for subsidy will do, provided the Treasury can be opened by it. The esteemed Post-Intelligencer, of Seattle, doesn't care which of these forms or directions the argument takes. The subsidy's the thing, and the reason for it unimport-JITT.

WELL WORTH WHILE.

The United States Senate yesterday, without division or amendment, ratified the treaty providing for the acquisition of the Danish West Indies. Since the decline of their sugar industry these islands have been of small value to Denmark. In 1867 Secretary Seward agreed to pay \$7,500,000 for St. Thomas and St. John, but the treaty ultimately failed of ratification by the Senate. To day our Government pays but \$5,090,000 for the three islands of St Thomas islands largely as a naval station. Porto Rico has not a single port that can be compared with St. Themas harbor in of the upper river would be practically natural advantages for a naval station. The harbor of San Juan is deep enough. Upper Mississippi was practically of St. Thomas. It is a mile and a half the case of the Mississippi it took two wide, two miles long, would accommoenient distance of the canal which we portance the Mississippi has as a chanmore to us than all the rest of the The case of the Columbia is precisely three islands. The Island of St. John is the same. The upper river must also turesque and fertile of the three. Its by the Eads jettles at the mouth of the machinery and modern methods for the production of raw sugar, in the belief would follow the purchase of the islands Seattle paper is honest in its contention. by the United States, and they have also been planting cocoa, coffee and other tropical products to take the place of sugar.

the most part speak English, and there islands worth much more to this coun- public schools. While prudent people try than they cost. We sell the Islands today the food they do not raise, and by vaccination between their children most of their cotton goods. In the year spirits amounting to \$568,935. In the tivated persons. When once a great naval station is built, there is little value of vaccination often cited is found favorite Winter health resort for Americans. The climate is far better than

COLUMBIA AND MISSISSIPPI RIVERS Newspapers at Puget Sound-but perhaps there is but one, only one at least that makes itself aggressive in the matter-naturally desire to arrest development of commerce through the Columbia River. This is from the Seattle Post-Intelligencer:

The silly and only excuse offered by Th The silly and only excuse offered by The Oregonian, in its juggling with the question of river intervenent, for its slaughter of up-per river interests, is that the only place to begin the improvement of a waterway is at its mouth. Until that has been completed, work on the upper reaches is thrown away. The argument is imbeelle, the facts directly contrary to the assumption. Suppose that ne-money had been appropriated for the Missis-sippi until the Eads jutties were finished. Suppose that New Orleans had dared to fight upper river appropriations until there was a upper river appropriations until there was a deep channel from that city to the Guif.

And yet it is the improvement at the mouth of the Mississippi, so that vessels Filipino guerrilla chiefs who habitually may enter the river and reach New Orleans-this result it is that alone makes the improvement of the Upper Mississlppl and its tributaries desirable, ad-John and St. Croix. We buy the vantageous or possible. If large vessels could not come and go at New Orleans, to and from the sea, navigation not camp stories; they rest on the eviuseless. All the money expended on the but the entrance is narrow, shallow and tortubus. No harbor outside of built and an outlet was had for com- murdered them with knife, bolo and form Cuba in the West Indies is equal to that merce from New Orleans to the sea. In club. This was done to save them from generations, or three, to prove the fal- were in pursuit. In April, 1901, Bradate 260 merchant ships, and has lacy of the notion of beginning to build ganza presented himself as an insurplenty of deep water. It is within con- the house at the top. The only im- gent officer and took the oath. He was shall build at Nicaragua or Panama, nel of commerce it has acquired by con- and sentenced to be hanged in Decem-The harbor of St. Thomas will be worth struction of the jettles at the mouth. her last. The last issue of the Army of little importance in any sense. The be improved; but the first necessity is a fantry who was an eye-witness of the large Island St. Croix is the most pic- channel at the mouth, like that created fearful massacre of three commissioned planters have introduced modern Mississippi. The matter is so obvious, so necessary to common sense, that the fully mutilated the dead bodies of the committee of rivers and harbors will officers. A recent report from Bohol that a great revival of the industry entertain no other idea. Possibly the gives the details of a narrow escape If so, its stupidity is marvelous,

Now and again American parents pro

test vehemently against the official reg- precipitated into a pit which bristled The inhabitants, white and black, for ulation that requires children to be vaccinated as a matter of public precaution is no doubt that we can make the before they are permitted to attend the guide who accompanied them was im generally place the safeguard furnished before he could be rescued. Another nearly all the coal they sell to steam- and a disease at once loathsome and floor had been released from its supships comes from this country, but dangerous, and so highly contagious as ports and balanced on a central pillar, Great Britain has hitherto sold them to cause general alarm wherever a pa- so that the floor would tilt and thrust tient afflicted with it is found walking its occupants into a cellar which was 1900 the islands exported to the United abroad, there are many who, from scru- equipped with rusty bayonets and States sugar, molasses and distilled ples of various kinds, and more who sharpened bamboos placed on end. from carelessness, refuse or neglect to same time American imports aggregated take this precaution. In Germany no have been warned to guard against this \$525,000. St. Thomas is likely to become such laxness as this is permitted. Every barbarous method of warfare, so that a favorite health resort for Americans child is and must be vaccinated before today few houses are entered without who enjoy a tropical Winter. The cli- the age of two years, and revaccinated a careful preliminary examination. The mate is said to be quite as fine as that upon entering school. As a result of worst miscreants among the leaders of of Nassau, in the Bahamas. The people this requirement there were only these Filipino banditti are men who are intelligent, and number many cul- twenty-eight deaths from smallpox in have been village schoolmasters; one of all Germany in 1990. An example of the the worst was a man of intelligence doubt that St. Thomas will become a in the German and French armies. Ger- priest. And these are the kind of creat many requires all of her soldiers to be ures whose severe punishment excites vaccinated, while France does not make the sympathy and obtains the protest of

stopping methods of waging war." The list of signatures includes George S. Boutwell, 84; Rev. Theodore L. Cuyler, 80; Rev. Edward E. Hale, 80; Colonel Higginson, 79; George F. Edmunds, 74; Carl Schurz, 73; Professor Norton, 75; W. D. Howells, altruistic philosopher, and John Burroughs, ornithologist and skillful mixer of bosh and botany. Of course, the signatures of Erving Winslow and William Lloyd Garrison are appended to this petition. The humanity of these antiimperialists seems about as indicrously misplaced as that of the little girl who, on being shown a picture of the "Christian Martyrs Thrown to the Lions," ex-

claimed, "There is one poor llon that don't appear to have any Christian martyr." The appeal to "end this barbarous warfare" should be made to the practice unspeakable cruelties upon

their Spanish prisoners as well as upon Americans. These Filipino bandits have buried American prisoners alive; have cut them to ribbons with boles. These are

dence given before our military courts Francisco Braganza, in Februarye 1900 at Baliuag, bound 103 young Spanish rescue by General Bell's troops, which recognized, arrested, tried, convicted

and Navy Register contains a letter from an enlisted man of the Ninth Inofficers and forty-eight men at Balangiga by a mob of bolomen, who shame from death of two officers of the Ninteenth Infantry, who, having occasion

to search a suspected house, had hardly entered the main floor when they were with sharpened bamboo stakes. Both the officers were injured, and the native paled on one of the stakes and died building was discovered whose main

The Army officers in the Philippines

who had received the education of a that of Florida, which is little more the matter compulsory upon her sol- "the old guard" of anti-imperialism in long in getting rid of the law."

At the recent Good Roads Convention at Albany, N. Y., it was voted to recommend to the Legislature the appropriation of \$1,000,000 for highway construction during the ensuing year, and to urge the passage of a so-called "widetire" bill, which will require the use of

tires at least four inches in width upon heavy vehicles. The State Engineer and Surveyor, in his annual report, proposes that the state issue bonds to the amount of \$10,000,000 for the construct tion of trunk roads to connect the principal cities of the state. He explained that such an issue could be retired in seventeen years and would cost the citizens of the state but \$760,000 annually in taxes. With it, upward of 1250 miles of good macadam road could be completed in less than four years, giving the state, with what is now built, 1425 miles of good roadway.

Behold the ravages of the accursed gold standard! Superintendent F. D. Kilburn has made his report showing the condition of the savings banks of the State of New York on January 1. 1902, The total resources of these institutions are shown to be \$1,131,564,624. which is an increase during the year of \$65,500,408. The amount deposited increased \$17,832,313, the aggregate deposits in 1901 being \$2\$6,155,826. No report hitherto has ever presented figures approaching these in magnitude.

It has been stated by the British War Office that of the 446,088 horses bought for the South African War, 77,101 came from the United States and 11,364 from Canada. At the average price given of \$140 to \$150, American horse breeders have had a good time of it, but it has been death to the horses. And the end is not yet.

The pension bill as passed by the Senate includes a provision prohibiting the collection of a fee or compensation for aiding in the passage of special pension bills. The introduction of such bills has been largely increased, the number introduced into the House this session being between 4000 and 5000.

"The principle of protection," says the Baltimore American, always a Republican and hitherto a protection paper, "is rapidly being made odious by its unreasonable and unnecessary application, and once the American people are impressed with this fact, they will delay

Jefferson. Said Representative Alexan

I think that the time has come when it should he stated upon the floor of the House that there was a man behind the President wh there was a man behind the President who will yet be recognized by all Americans as the one of all others responsible for the Louisiana purchase. I welcome the coming of the St. Louis Exposition if for no other res-son than that it will be the means of again bringing to the attention of this country the truth of history. It ought not to minimize the efforts were rightly spent, but it will certainly bring into view the magnificent work of a distinguished New Yorker, Robert R. Livingston, Minister to France, by whom and Livingston, Minister to France, by whom and through whom the Louislana purchase was made. Napoleon announced his determina-tion to sell whatever American territory he had obtained from Spain, and without hesita-

tion Mr. Livingston took him up, agreed upor a price and reported the transaction to Mr. a price and reported the transaction to Mr. Jefferson, who at once assumed that he had no Constitutional authority to make the pur-chase. He went so far as to write intimate friends, members of the United States Senate, urging that they look with disfavor upon the proposition, since it could not be approved un-iess a Constitutional amendment was adopted opening the way for its purchase by the Executive and its ratification by the Senate; but while Jefferson was urging its uncon-stitutionality Mr. Livingston completed the hargain, secured the co-operation of the Barsuitationality all, lavingston completed the bargain, secured the co-operation of the Bar-ings-who negotiated a loan of \$15,000,000, the purchase price-and then sent a confidential letter to the President saying that unless the purchase be ratified at once, Napoleon would change his mind.

Upon the receipt of this letter President Jef-Contine receipt of this inter President det-ferson incoped his Constitutional objections, wrote his Senatorial friends to say nothing about it, and urged them to get together and confirm the purchase without delay. That, in brief, is the history of the Louisiana purchase. brief, is the history of the Louisiana purchase, and that history, wrought out in all its details by the orators who will be heard at the St. Louis Exposition, should be written in let-ters of gold and published from Maine to the Golden Gate, that the country may know that the man with the nerve, with the breadth of mind, with the foresight to make the pur-chase and force its multifaction was not chase and force its ratification, was not Thomas Jefferson, the narrow constructionist of the Constitution, but Robert R. Livingston, one of New York's greatest and foremost statesmen. I do not wish to depreciate the part taken in that great historical transac on by the President of the United States whose name is justly honorsd; American effi-ens should recognize the fact that the man to whom we over the honor and the debt of gratitude for the Louisiana purchase is Robert R. Livingston, of New York, and not Thomas efferson, of Virginia.

Another Carnegie Epitaph.

New York Times. New York, Feb. 10.--(To the Editor.)-Here lies a man who was the possesson of millions. This money he gained by indomitable pluck, perseverance, great managing ability, and principally by the pow erful assistance of a high protective tariff He was a great manufacturer of steel rails and sent to Japan 10,000 tons of the same at a price of over 52 a ton less than what could be made for in England.

After he had made this colossal fortune realizing that the United States had poured it into his pockets, he very kindly and magnanimously, in the closing year of his life, gave back some of this m to the people. May all tariff-enriched millionaires and trusts follow his glorious example! Requiescat in pace. A. D.

We Shall Keep the Philippines,

The archipelago is the property of the United States and will remain such for all present purposes. It is folly to dis-cuss whether we are to retain these islands, release them or retail them or wholesale them to another power. The temper of the people is unmistakable. They mean to keep the Philippines.

evening of this week, at the Y. M. C. A.

University Glee Club.

while reveral specialists have been placed on the programme. Professor S. M. Glen will spear as bartione soloist, and a number of the college boys will do special stunts. The Oregon Glee Club has made a number of successful tours, its last appearance in this city being on January 1 1900. Under the training of Profess Glen the club has developed into one the most popular musical organizations in the state. Tickets for the concert are now on sale at the Y. M. C. A. office, on Fourth and Ynmhill streets.

VARIOUS ITEMS. The longest stretch of railway without

urve is 211 miles, from Buenos Ayres to the oot of the Andes, on the now Argentine Pacific Ratiway. A bequest of \$50,000 from the estate of Henry Villard has been made to Columbia University for the establishment of a chair of Germanic languages.

The longest bridge in the world is the Lion bridge, near Sangang, in China. It extends five and one-quarter miles over an arm of the Yellow Sea, and is supported by 200 huge stone arches. The roadway is 70 feet at the water and is inclosed in an iron network Thomas Hitchcock, who has stirred up so much criticism in New York through his de-clining to give up his opera box to Prince Henry, is a man of wealth and culture and was known for many years as a financial writer over the pseudonym of "Matthew Marshall."

Miss Forrest, who died at Jedburg, Scot-Miss Forrest, who died at Jeaburg, Scot-iand, recently, S4 years old, was accustomed to say that she remembered Sir Walter Scott speaking a few kind words to her when she was at play in Friars, Jedburg. At her fa-ther's gunsmithshop Sir Walter often oalled to have antiquities repaired.

President Harper, of the University of Chi-cago, is making an effort to gain an accurate cago, is maring an expense incurred by students during their study at that institution. He has prepared a series of questions, called the "students budget," covering every item of expense from candy to tuition fees.

Engineer Rjevousky, of St. Petersburg, has invented an electric motor plow which is said to make a furrow 12 inches deep, with a saving from 5 to 7 per cent in power as ompared with the pony plow, with a shallower furrow. It elicited great admiration at electric congress just held in Moscow.

The Skeptics. Bliss Carman "It was the little leaves beside the road."

Said Grass, "What is that sound So dismaily profound, That detonates and desolates the air"s" "That is St. Peter's bell." Said rain-wise Pimpernel; "He is music to the godly, Though to us he sounds so

nds so oddly. And he terrifles the faithful into prayer." Then something very like a groat Escaped the naughty little leaves.

Said Grass, "And whither track

These creatures all in black, So woebegone and pentinent and meek?" "They're mortals bound for church," Said the little Silver Birch; They hope to get to heaven And have their sins forgiven, If they talk to God about it once

And something very like a smile Ran through the naughty little leaves,

Said Grass, "What is that noise

That startles and destroys Our blessed Summer brooding when war tired?"

"That's folk a-praising God," Said the tough old cynic Clod; "They do it every Sunday, They'll be all right on Monday. It's just a little habit they've acquired."

And laughter spread among the little is

ten here if she had more culture.

Now that election time is approaching and the intelligent public of this state is anxiously looking forward to the usual blennial treat of oratory and information, it is proper to offer some suggestions in regard to the selection of speakers. Few politicians realize that in making speeches they discharge with their words a torrent of bacteria and other microscopic organisms of different varieties, the harmful or harmless character of which depends upon the health of the speaker. It can readily be seen what a capacity for spreading evil the unhealthy public orator is endowed with. True, many of them sluice their mouths and organs of speech so often with some form of alchoholic stimulant and disinfectant that their breath is not so charged with deadly organisms as it might be; but it is well known that the mouth secretions of healthy people frequently contain such virulent microbes as the staphylococcus pyrogenes aureus, and the diplococcus lanceolatus, while that diphtheria bacilli may be present in the mouths of people who are not suffering from the disease has been conclusively and repeatedly

demonstrated is a well-established fact. If so much danger attends the speaking of healthy people, what must be the risk of listening to long-winded speeches from persons suffering from consumption, influenza, or any other disease which affects the air passages, and the worst of it is that the louder the orator talks, and the wider he opens his mouth, the greater is the number of bacteria bacilli,

microbes and other organisms thrown out and the further they reach, and when such an orator coughs or sneezes no one in the largest hall is safe. It will, therefore, be seen that it is very advisable that election orators should talk as little as possible, and that the public should

stay away from such speech-making as much as possible, and trust to the reports of immune reporters who attend the meetings.

PLEASANTRIES OF PARAGRAPHERS

Sympathetic - Daggs-I'd have you know, sir, that my ancestors were blue-blooded. Diggs-Too bad: why didn't they take something for it?-Ohio State Journal.

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Photographer-Now I want you to look as if you were not having your picture taken. Customer-Then you'd better give me back the deposit I made-in advance.-Life. For a Rainy Day.-He-I don't see why a

woman shouldn't lay something by for a rainy day as well as a man. She-Why, they I have a lovely rainy-day skirt-Philadel-a Evening Bulletin.

Gratitude .- Mrs. Tunner-My dear professor. I cannot thank you enough for this absorbing course of lecturers. While hearing you speak, I have actually been able to entirely forget my dek baby.-Brooklyn Life.

Ahead of the Game.-Miss Graspit-Oh, mamma, what do you think? Clara Upperten has eloped. Mrs. Graspit-How fortunate! Now we won't have to send her a wedding present.-Chicago Daily News.

Not a Great Drawback -- Friend-There's an amateur dramatle organization in your village, lsn't there?" Suburbanite-Yes, but I usually

isn't there?" Suburbanite-Yes, but I usually manage to dud an excuse for not attending their performances.-Brooklyn Life. "My dear," the said to ber invalid hus-band, "you haven't forgotien that sealskin sacque you promised me, have you?" "How can you think of such things," he protested, "with death so near to me?" "But, my gracious! sealskin is quite fashionable for mourning."-Philadelphia Record.

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