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whole progress of society and civilization, as well as of the individual man, has its roots in inequality of talents...

THE OREGONIAN HAS HIGH REGARD FOR THE CATHOLIC CHURCH, and it is sorry the Catholic Sentinel (Portland) does not link it to the 'orthodox'...

THE CHURCHES OF THE LAST generation expected, and were willing to learn, more from the pulpit than nowadays. The spread of education...

WHICH PASSAGE THE CATHOLIC SENTINEL reprints; and then proceeds to say: The Oregonian seems not to know that this is a political party...

THIS, OF COURSE, is from the standpoint of those who find the Catholic Church the seat of authority in religion...

WHY ISN'T IT PLAIN? W. H. Candee, of Welser, Idaho, thus addresses The Oregonian: Several times recently in your editorial...

THE HUMAN BEING, in his capacity as a producer of wealth, either by handwork or brainwork, produces everything of value to mankind, including accumulated capital...

THE SENATORIAL FIGHT in our neighboring state has not yet reached a stage where sensational developments supply the groundwork for the usual racy stories...

ONE DUTY which Oregon owes to her sister states, Washington and Idaho, at this juncture, is to be instant, in season and out of season, in pressing the claim of the three states...

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serious omission in its note of warning. It failed to state what would happen to the vacant chair in the commerce committee in case R. H. Piles or John L. Wilson were elected instead of Charles Sweeney...

HERE, THEN, is an undertaking of National importance indeed, but of vital interest to three contiguous states. The conditions are embodied in law, the active state doing her part honorably and energetically...

THE SUGGESTION made by such a completion of the completion of the jetty would be endangered may be left untouched. Whether Mr. Burton be justified or not in his contention that this work is not under a continuing contract plan...

IT IS THE OPINION of many citizens whose judgment is worth consideration that a part of the Lewis and Clark Fair Grounds should be acquired by the city for a public park. The plan is not yet perfected, but an outline of it appears in other columns of The Oregonian...

IT IS A CONCLUSIVE ARGUMENT that the 'Taxpayers' League has presented against the proposition that has appeared in the Legislature to increase the annual tax on the whole city for payment of bridges over gulches...

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THE SAME AND TURN it over to the United States. Fifth—The State Commission obtained and paid for the right of way under the plan, and with the continuing concurrence of the local authorities...

REPRESENTATIVE Smith of Josephine wants to prohibit candidates for office from giving the honest voter a drink or a cigar. That in all very well for the candidate, but what will the voter think of it?

A PORTLANDER was rushing around town yesterday looking for a new house. "What's the matter with the house you took last week?" asked a friend. "It has three bedrooms," replied the other, "and I'm chasing a house with only one, so that all our relatives can't come to stay with us during the Fair."

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THE LEGISLATURE should take prompt action on the bill appropriating \$100,000 for the Washington exhibit at the Lewis and Clark Fair. The sum named is none too large; in fact it should be regarded as the very minimum to be considered.

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NOTE AND COMMENT. One of the Hood River men at Salem is R. E. Morse. No doubt many of the Legislators have made his acquaintance. Representative Smith of Josephine wants to prohibit candidates for office from giving the honest voter a drink or a cigar...

A SEATTLE jury acquitted a prisoner and presented him with \$10. If the custom spread none but wealthy jurors will dare to vote for acquittal. One hundred indictments were returned by the grand jury at Pueblo, Colorado leads Oregon by several laps.

ETHICAL EDUCATION must be going ahead in kangaroo-like jumps. Yesterday we had the Northwest Ethical Educational Society and today comes a pamphlet from the New York Society for Ethical Culture. It is evident, by the way, that New York is a trifle ahead of Portland, having passed from education to culture.

BECAUSE her husband charged her for smoking cigarettes a Chicago woman committed suicide. If all the husbands and the wives of smokers were to commit suicide what a number of vacant jobs there would be. Enemies assert that Russian civilization is not equal to American, and yet Russia is having a strike almost as big as any this country has ever had.

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STRANGE PEOPLES OF THE WORLD. ARAUCANIANS, PATAGONIANS, FUEGIANS.

A LARGE number of tribes of barbarous aborigines are scattered over South America. The most interesting of these are the Araucanians, Patagonians and Fuegians...

THE ARAUCANIANS are among the fiercest, boldest, most warlike and most unamiable of American savages. They fought the Spaniards for three centuries, often with signal success, showing remarkable skill in the use of their native weapons...

THE ARAUCANIANS learned the use of the lasso from the Spaniards, but they soon outdid their teachers in handling it. The lasso, as most Americans who have lived in the West know, is a long hemp or leather rope with a noose at its end and the object in throwing it is to catch the neck or legs of the animal...

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THE FIRST explorers who saw the Patagonians thought they were giants. Their name means in Spanish "large feet." They are taller than the neighboring tribes, and some have been found among them who measured six feet four inches. Their average height, however, is about five feet ten inches. The most remarkable peculiarity of the Patagonians, considering that they are savages, is their cleanliness...

THE MOST wretched people on the American continent—perhaps the most wretched of all—are the Fuegians of the Picheraya, or as they usually are called, after the islands they inhabit, the Tierra del Fuegians. Their country is that of the Eskimo, cold and desolate as that of the Eskimo, and even in the warm winter, as the Eskimos do, the Fuegians go almost naked. A small piece of seal skin thrown over the shoulders is their sole clothing, and even in the warm weather when they are rowing boats or taking other vigorous exercise, their bare skins are exposed the year around to the rain, snow, sleet and ice which the violent winds are constantly blowing against. They wear seal skin boots, but they never saw a hat or other covering for the head until white explorers came among them...

THE FUEGIANS are very fond of fish and have their dogs trained to dive into the sea and catch food for them. Unlike many savages, they do not eat their dog raw. They carry fire with them wherever they go. They usually have two or three canoes, so they can cook a meal without returning to land. When the supply of fish runs out they dine off their dogs. They prefer their dog meat, but they eat the dogs when they are out of meat. Because the dogs can fish for them while the old folks cannot.

THE FUEGIANS are a very careful study of the Fuegians, declared that they had no religion. As soon as a youth is able to support a wife he picks out the girl he wishes to marry. He goes to his parents' consent to marry her. He then goes to the bride's home and stays for a week or two, but the bride's relatives follow in not pursuit, but soon from the wood die. The couple emerge from the wood die. The groom settles for his wife with her father, and he is received into the bosom of her family by all its members. He persists in his unwillingness to pretend to cherish her and to consent against her son-in-law for a long time, and often refuses to speak to him for years.

BITS OF NORTHWEST LIFE. Alex Hodenpyl's Helpfulness.

Alex Hodenpyl's Helpfulness. Scoggin Valley Corr. Forest Grove News. Alex Hodenpyl is helping New Hall on his milk route while the roads are so bad, they each take it a day about on the road.

Terrible Casualty to the Ducks. Hillside Corr. Forest Grove News. Anderson Baker, while duck hunting, had the misfortune of an explosion with his gun, bursting the barrel and blowing the lock off. He escaped with no injury, but several of the ducks did not survive.

Pem Patton's Enterprise. Patton Valley Corr. Forest Grove News. Pem Patton has made a wonderful improvement in opening a lane from Red Bluff to the church. He is planning to have R. F. D. at his door, which will be a great benefit to a number of others.

Jake Buxton's Misery. Forest Grove News. Jake Buxton says that the sorrowful look on his face these days is not caused by the closing of the Iron House, but by the fact that his daughter is visiting with her parents in Newport and he has to get his own meals.

They'll Get Dem Presents Back. Arlington Record. We are receiving reports of several thrifty young men who have 'best gals' engagement rings for Christmas presents. Well, some of them will feel rather sheepish when they get a 'shake' for the 'gals' considered the ring merely a Christmas present.

He Did Not Return Alone. Springdale Corr. North Yakima Herald. Dwight Moody was not so fortunate as to bring back a wife from his Eastern trip as was Ben Cutler, who brought home instead of a wife he brought something else more interesting to the general public—the measles, and has innoculated the community in the vicinity of Springdale.

Governor La Follette's College Days. Earle Hooker Eaton in Harper's. During his university days young La Follette's oratorical powers began to make themselves felt. Born with a gift for public speaking, he speedily developed into an eloquent and convincing talker, and was a conspicuous figure in the literary and debating societies. The interstate oratorical contest between Ohio, Wisconsin, Kansas, Indiana, Iowa and Illinois was one of the notable events of the college year, and in 1879 he entered the lists as a competitor. The subject of his oration was 'Halo,' and even the 'best gals' of the University of Wisconsin, second in the broader forum of the assembled colleges of the Badger State, each of which had sent its best speaker, and third in the interstate competition itself when the six champion orators of as many states were pitted against each other on the same platform.

Young La Follette staked everything on the merits of 'Halo,' used the same oratorical 'tricks' on three contests and carried off the interstate championship with ease. The winning oration, treasured still in scores of Wisconsin academy books, contains a quotation from the Bible, which was printed in many West-ern newspapers, was recited by ambitious schoolboys for years, and was even today a quotation in the grade school. It was a great success, and La Follette was a new conception of the character of a lawyer.

GROWTH OF A NEWSPAPER.

Growth of a Newspaper. Coos Bay Harbor. The Oregonian is a paper New Years. It was a credit even to The Oregonian. This is saying a good deal. You cannot produce a paper of this quality beyond that. One does not praise the Oregonian as one of the best papers of the United States, and its influence is felt throughout its length and breadth of the land. It has long had the reputation of being one of the best edited papers in the country.

THE OREGONIAN is one of the established monuments of the Northwest. We are all proud of it. It is a paper of the Northwest. Crater Lake or the deep-water harbor of Coos Bay is the Oregonian is one of our finest institutions. It is a paper of the Northwest that can sustain such a paper. The Oregonian is a fine illustration of enterprise, shrewd opportunity and ability. The Oregonian is not an accident. It is the result of the brains of its owners, R. S. Smith and M. Pitney, who had the field and they had the ability to make the most of the opportunity.

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OUT OF THE GINGER JAR.

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