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Authorities at home, and in the strengthening of the ties linking the nation to its distant outposts.

A FEW CHARTY FIGURES.

Mr. Thomas N. Strong, president of the City Board of Charities, three days since addressed to the Oregonians a communication in which he maintained that the system of relief adopted by his organization was modeled exactly after approved modern methods.

The Oregonian was greatly surprised at the surprising deficit which Mr. Strong was mistaken. In order to remove any doubt, he instructed its Minneapolis correspondent to investigate and report.

A GRAVE MISTAKE.

One of the mistakes of trades-unions, and a grave one, that cannot fail to have its handicap upon labor in the next generation, is that which sets a sharp and narrow limit to the number of apprentices allowed in each affliated trade of the federation.

Imperialism in the President's message to the Senate dealing with Santo Domingo he used some suggestive words—"the forward race," "the backward race."

Fashions in legislatures. Fashions change in legislative methods, as in everything else. Time was when a bill would encounter heavy seas and the sharks of its critics.

PHILIPPINE SUGAR AND TOBACCO.

The House committee has made a favorable report of the Curtis bill reducing the duty on tobacco and sugar from the Philippine islands.

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It will be a relief to all concerned, including the thousands who read the newspapers in every civilized land, when the fragments of the body of the late Grand Duke Sergius are finally hidden away in a receptacle in the Chaudoff monastery.

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England will, it is said, cheerfully pay her share of the enormous cost of the arbitration council that has been decided against her in the Dogger Bank incident.

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Dr. Osler thinks a man is "comparatively useless after he is forty years old." Dr. Osler is aged fifty-six.

try as well as our own, there is not much prospect for immediate relief from that direction.

FOR A CITY BEAUTIFUL.

The vigor with which prominent citizens and men of affairs of this city have taken up the subject of civic improvement is gratifying and encouraging in a high degree.

Now, said the old lark, in a story which delighted and instructed the children of a past generation in an old school room.

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NOTE AND COMMENT.

A correspondent sends us the following essay from Vancouver: "Revolt smolders in the Caucasus. Russian Poland is in a state of unrest.

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"Thousands of miles away Kuropatkin struggles to uphold the honor of the Russian standards. Bleeding soldiers freeze to death in the snows of the Far East.

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When the King of Italy gets his inter-national Board of Agriculture into working order we may have some strange results.

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Oscar Hammerstein recently called District Attorney Jerome a "bajazzo," and the New York papers have been printing learned commentaries on the word.

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Max Beerholm, the irrepressible caricaturist and essayist, has been censuring English actors for their lack of ease on the stage.

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It's getting so that a hard-working criminal isn't safe in his own jail.

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Married life, we fear, will be a time of anything but peace for the Crown Prince of Serbia and his Duchess Cecelia.

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Premier Balfour has cause to rejoice that Secretary Wyndham added no postscripts to his MacDonnell letters.

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The woman who lamented the fate of the horses wounded by the bomb that killed the duke and duchess in the French women who went to see a man torn asunder by horses.

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Tennessee has towns named Shoo Fly, Turn Turn, Jet Turn and Washington Gossberry in this state are put in the shade to a certain extent.

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From various sources, Writing from Manchuria to the editor of the Novoye Vremya, N. A. Demchinski, a Russian publicist, says: "The most preposterous of the St. Petersburg fables is the one which declares that Kuropatkin loved and trusted by his officers and soldiers."

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"Like you, I don't propose to present to discuss Kuropatkin's military talents," but as an eye-witness, have the right to criticize the administrative organization of the army.

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A few days ago an officer of the Red Cross, who was under orders to start for the Far East, gave me the substance of a talk that he had just had with the director of that organization.

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On his way to inspect the military magazines at Novorodonsk, Russian Poland, the officer in charge fled, after bringing two soldiers to set fire to the magazines.

It was General Sakharoff who invented the term "south front" for the Russian rear, and now the London Times compels him upon inventing a "graceful turn of phrase" in his official report of the battle of Hekotsu.

In Carl Joubert's "Truth About the Czars" occurs the following remarkable story. The grand visit which Nicholas II paid to France a few years ago was a period of severe strain both to himself and to his gentlemen-in-waiting.

It has been well informed by my St. Petersburg correspondent, says the Paris correspondent of the Independent, Father Gopov has taken as his guide in more ways than one the bold and healthy teachings of President Roosevelt.

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A Bill of Sale. In one of the Police Courts the other day the question of ownership of a horse arose.

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