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PORTLAND, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5, 1905. PROBLEMS OF RACE IN GOVERNMENT. It can hardly be supposed that the Philippine Islands ever will hold such relation to the United States as Canada and Australia hold to Great Britain.

WHEN ADAM IS HATED. Adam in budding April are two very different persons. In winter man looks upon Adam as a mildly interesting personage, of weak yet by no means vile character.

NORTHERN SECURITIES FINALE. The opinion of the United States Supreme Court on the celebrated Northern Securities case has at last reached the public.

LABOR AND MACHINERY. A disaster in a coal mine is shocking enough when it is the result purely of accident. When it follows a deliberate purpose, as is suspected in the explosion in the Joseph Letter mine at Zelger, Ill., it assumes an added degree of horror.

incapable of it. Of certain tropical dependencies of France, Mr. Ireland says: "The history of those which were granted popular government fifty years ago has been one of disorder, injustice, brutality, incompetence, and dishonesty. These facts became matters of common knowledge in France; and in the new French dependencies not a single constitution has been established which grants any effective control of affairs to the people of the country."

THE MOVEMENT OF THE NEW TIME. Yesterday's election in Chicago marks a departure in the municipal life of the country, in the direction of socialism.

Let us make the statement a concrete one. Consolidated companies have the sole right of way through the streets of Portland. That is, they own, or assume ownership, of the streets.

Preventions of goodness, occasional donations to charity, and support of religious revivals, will not long cover this scheme of greed and profit. What right have these select few to the streets of Portland, to make money out of them? It will be a burning question, presently, in the life of Portland.

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deposited in trust, and was accordingly returned to them in the same shape as it passed from their hands before the formation of the securities company.

In its opinion the Supreme Court mentions the 3500 other stockholders in various parts of the world, and seems to take the view that these stockholders are merely in need of protection in their holdings; that are the two main gladiators in the struggle.

Recent dispatches have placed the public in possession of all the facts regarding the most important enterprise ever undertaken by an American people. Possibly the first transcontinental railroad might dispute for first place in National history, but not in world events.

While the magic number seven for the full commission, set in the act of Congress, is adhered to, the burden of the organization and construction is to be divided between the chairman, Theodore P. Shonts; the governor, Charles E. Magoon; and John F. Wallace, chief engineer.

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were withdrawn, and revenge, it is believed, has found a way to gratify its purpose by the introduction of dynamite into the mine.

Of course all contention based as was this one must in the end be overcome. Bitter as has been the fight against machinery as a usurper of the right of man to make a living with his hands, its adversaries have been in the end compelled to yield.

The Portland & Astoria liner Numanlia, drawing twenty-three feet of water, reached Astoria over an hour before high water a few weeks ago, but, despite the fact that the water was smooth, the pilots refused to take her out.

Portland exporters continue to charter ships to carry four and other products to the Oriental markets. March and April shipments by these outside steamers will aggregate more than 20,000 tons, and the regular line, with its infrequent sailings, is doing nothing to increase the service.

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NOTE AND COMMENT.

Cover pictures on the Eastern magazines just now tend to make one satisfied with Oregon. Most of them show a girl in a rain storm or in a gale of wind.

Messrs. Torrey and Alexander, the Americans who are revivifying in London, can point with pride. At one of their recent meetings a well-known music-hall singer arose and announced that he would write no more comic songs, and his declaration is said to have been received by the audience with "demonstrations of the liveliest satisfaction."

Nella L. Allen is the name of a school teacher in Saco (Maine), and the Kennebec Journal calls attention to the fact that it reads the same backwards and forwards. Adam's introduction of himself to Eve yet remains the best palindrome, however—"Madam, I'm Adam."

An exchange finds in a Japanese newspaper an item saying that "Mr. Chol Ki Yen, an aged Korean Councilor of State, who is a strong reformer, has been sitting outside the palace gate at Seoul for five days. He proposes to sit there until the needed reforms are carried out. A picturesque custom of this kind should be introduced into America. Mr. Fliegel might place his camp-stool at the corner of Second and Oak, while Mr. Albee would ornament the entrance to the City Hall. There are great possibilities in this idea."

The first Panama Canal Commissioners thought too many things were infra dig. The new ones know they're in a fix or get out.

General Miquelto-note the affectionate diminutives—has fifteen followers all ready to set Santo Domingo ablaze with revolution. But they'd break for cover if some one made a noise like the gong of a patrol wagon.

The March lion got away without a shot from T. R.

Freckles and tan are Nature's own patches and powder.

Tacoma burglars made a restaurant cook hot by locking her in the ice box.

One thing attracts attention in a case that is being heard at Hillsboro. One of the witnesses admits that a woman in the case "did his necktie for him," but naturally attaches little importance to the admission from a damaging, or damages viewpoint.

THE IMPORTANCE OF POLAND

How the Russian Government Has Tried to Win the Nobility—The Peasantry and Their Attitude—Harsh Laws—Gifts of Lands.

EX-ATTACHE in Pittsburgh Dispatch. DURING the past week public attention has once more been attracted by sanguinary riots at Warsaw, Lodz and in other important cities and towns of Poland to a people whose fate has always excited in a very marked degree the interest of Americans.

While there is no prospect whatsoever of this struggle being crowned with success since Germany and Austria-Hungary, which in the eighteenth century participated in the division of Poland with Russia, are bound together with the latter to prevent any restoration of Polish independence, yet the situation in the Polish provinces of the Czar just at present is especially in the one of 1883, a wide gulf exists between the nobles and the educated, well-to-do and patriotic classes in Poland, the peasantry being badly treated by the landowners, who exacted from them exorbitant rents and taxes.

Today the situation has changed. The former gulf between the educated Poles and the peasantry is almost completely bridged over. For the nobles have come to the conclusion that they are powerless to recover their independence without the support of nearly two million peasants in Poland, and are therefore endeavoring by every means in their power to conciliate the good will and to educate them in what they describe as a patriotic spirit.

FAIRBANKS AND LA FOLLETTE. Saturday Evening Post. Men at the Opposite of the Republican Party. Vice-President Fairbanks has plenty of strong backing. He can come nearer to filling the shoes of the late President McKinley than any other man in the Republic.

Independent Companies Fall. Tulsa (Col.) Delta, March 8. Unable to meet its obligations, the Tulsa Telephone Company's property was sold for \$150 by Sheriff Collins Friday noon at Tulsa, judgment having been rendered last week for \$25 in favor of D. B. Sloan, who had been suing the company, to whom the claim was assigned by the bank.

Smoke and Beauty. Black and White. Here is a theory—London smoke is a tonic. In the sulphur that finds its way via smoke chimneys into the air, there is hidden the secret of the London complexion? Over and over again it is remarked how much finer is the town than the country complexion. Put a London girl beside a country girl, and then chance to one the London girl's complexion is the better.

How to Please Woman. Pittsburgh Dispatch. A woman likes to be truly loved and to be told so. She likes some noble, honorable man to be thoughtful of her, kind and considerate of her welfare.

Something Left. Philadelphia Press. "Hard drinking has lost him his money and his reputation as well." "Not altogether." "No." "No; he still has his reputation for hard drinking."

The White Brother, Too. Ashland (Ky.) Independent. Booker Washington urges his race to read the Bible and to be as good as the essentials of life. That's all right; but the colored brother has queer notions at times about what constitutes the essentials.