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Legislatures and Congress has finally begun to know at the courts—the heart of the civic body. It is of ill omen that his defenders are numerous and powerful.

But Judge Hooker is what biologists call a monster. Nothing like him came before; nothing like him will follow. He is not the first of a new species of judge; he is unique of his kind.

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THE GRAFTING JUDGE. Was Warren B. Hooker the first individual of a new American species of judge? Scientists now tell us that new species of plants and animals may originate without warning.

Evolution goes on by gradual changes, but jumps, not by gradual changes, but jumps, not by gradual changes, but jumps, not by gradual changes, but jumps.

AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT REFORM. Another piece of decayed timber has been removed from the wobbling Statist Bureau of the Agricultural Department.

COMPETITION ON ISTHMIAN ROUTES. The threat of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company to withdraw its steamers from the Panama route unless the Government would permit continuation of the monopoly so long enjoyed by the corporation was in vain.

AS AN ATTRACTION FOR THE EASTERN VISITORS TO THE EXPOSITION, PROBABLY NOTHING OF ITS CLASS WOULD SURPASS THE PROPOSED EXHIBITION ARRANGED FOR 300 UMATILLA INDIANS TO APPEAR IN A REPRODUCTION OF THE CUSTER MASSACRE.

ONE OF THE PLEASANT SURPRISES IN CONNECTION WITH THE FAIR IS THE STEADY LARGE ATTENDANCE. Admissions on weekdays do not depart far from the 17,000 mark.

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THE JURY, PASSING ON THE PRISONER'S LIFE, MAY IN THE NEXT TWELVE HOURS HAVE A LIFER OF QUILLER THAN HIS OWN.

FOREIGN MISSIONS. Opinions upon the outlook for foreign missions vary with men's prejudices. A man free from prejudice and perfectly informed would hold an opinion absolutely correct.

METHOD OF NOMINATIONS. Whether the Republicans of Oregon should hold conventions to nominate or "suggest" candidates, in advance of the primaries, that is a matter of discussion in many quarters.

THE MISSIONARY MAKES TWO MISTAKES, one of dogma and one of method. The dogmatic mistake is to divide religions into two classes, true and false.

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IT IS REMEMBERED THAT THE PRESIDENT recently, in an address before a body of physicians, suggested that General Leonard Wood, a doctor, and regretted that the country could not properly reward him for the services he had rendered.

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OREGON OZONE

When Governor Folk met Governor Hoch, He said: "Our surmises rhyme: But if I were Folk And you were a Hoax, Now wouldn't it be a crime?"

It is reported that a party of Portland young men have organized what they call the Mirth Club. This is said to be their rallying cry as they go down the Trail:

Rah! Rah! Rah! out of breath! Rajah! Rajah! tickled to death! Mirror Maze! Gay Parade! Wa-hoo! ah-hoo! who are we?

Judge Cotton called upon the President at Oyster Bay yesterday, and probably stayed to dinner. But the South can't object, as his name has the right color, even if he does come from a state that has a Mississippi Democrat for Governor.

Now, why should the German Camerouns (The horror my soul condemns) Permit their people to fill their plate With blacks and whites but eight? Is the ratio such in Njemas?

Soliloquy of an Airship. (Applicable to any airship anywhere.) I am an airship—Behold me!

I know I'm not much to look at, But take a squint anyhow At me. Most useless of all things earthy, Most hopeless, and surely most helpless: Are you not sorry for me? Do you not weep for me? If you have tears, prepare to shed them now.

So that you may climb on top of the shed And come in out of the wet. For I am going to tell you The sad story of my life: Alas!

Pity the poor airship! Help! Help! I am the weakest proposition that flies—Except that I don't fly. I just float—A little, sometimes; But any old tub can float. Listen!

Once I was a mere bubble of gas, Floating around in space, But an adventurous geese got hold of me, Imprisoned me in this confounded gunny sack.

Cigar-shaped, But truly scented not with the Havana aroma. (Nay! nay!) Potage-shaped is more like it, Though I am not worth the price Of one respectable potato. For all practical purposes, This geese got hold of me and said: "You're an airship!"

And truly was I glad to know it, For I had imagined myself merely a bag of gas With a flimsy framework underneath And a choo-choo engine worth about four bits Canadian.

But this geese, whom the world proclaims Inventor (With his press agent's aid) Calls me an airship, and I reckon I am, For having no resistance myself I cannot pretest, Or kick; And if I'm not an airship, What in the name of Sam Hill, Or of Jim Hill of the G. N., Am I?

I don't know; Do you? What do I look like—thirty cents? Well, I'll feel like a pewter nickel That has been stepped on by a Missouri mule.

After I come down from my first flight, Unless the wind is favorable, Al! there's the rub! And the wind is never favorable Enough To make me sky-hook successfully. The trouble with me is That my gabgig is too big and bunglesome To cope With the arctic currents of ozone That rule the cerulean realms Where I must do business. Wherefore?

I invariably flunk And refuse to perform my appointed stunt, Just at the critical moment. If I could sail And tack and turn around And evolute artistically, I should be drigible—Whatever that means— But I can't! And that's why I Don't fly!

ROBERTUS LOVE. Gifts for Liberals. Boston Herald.

According to a report made at the present meeting of the American Library Association in Portland, Or., \$3,128,999 was given for libraries in the United States during the last seven months of 1904.

One man of the jury cannot see as the other eleven do. That is what he is there for. It is the beauty and the glory of our incomparable jury system. The jury may protect his friend, or the friends of his friend.

General Fred Funston's strenuous father has been fined \$5 for wrecking three Kansas saloon joints. A hero and a martyr in one family is overcrowding things, even in Kansas.

It may be remarked that about 99 per cent of Eastern people who have visited Portland this season, will serve as walking advertisements for Oregon and the Fair.

Depue's feelings are hurt and he is sad. Yet why? He has been advising his juniors these many years to smile at adversity.

Peary evidently wanted a vessel so strenuous that it would "get there," consequently he named it "Roosvelt."

The jury, passing on the prisoner's life, may in the next twelve hours have a lifer of quillier than his own country.

"MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP" AT SAN FRANCISCO

The Supervisors Have Decided to Rebuild and Operate the Geary Street Railway as an Up-to-Date Electric Line.

A writer in the Sacramento Union says the most important and interesting politico-economic experiment ever undertaken by any city in California will be inaugurated in San Francisco before the end of the present year.

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ODD BITS OF OREGON LIFE

Enjoying Themselves. Long Creek Ranger. C. H. Lee and some other fellows are taking their annual outing on the mountain south of town.

No Wonder He's a Bachelor. Castle Rock Leader. J. Newton, of Hazel Dell, went to Kelso lately.

Salutiferous Encounter With a Cow. Sara Corr, Vancouver Columbian. A young gentleman and a young lady from Vancouver, were enjoying a drive on our streets Sunday.

A Friendly Rattlesnake. Madras Pioneer. One day last week Aaron Hoffman had an experience with a rattler which he will not soon forget.

Thoroughly Equipped. Judge. The late Thomas H. Reed sometimes evolved complicated jokes, but the one of Governor LaFollette's is as roundabout as any of his.

Telephone Comparison. Seattle Commonwealth. There is no large city in the world, save Stockholm, where the telephone is in such general use as it is in San Francisco.

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