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SAVE THE BOY.

Judge Frazer, in his Juvenile Court, is proving to the boys that justice is neither blind nor cruel. He almost proves that he has grasped the deepest truth of sociology and religion, that justice is the same as love. Or, if not quite the same, that without love there can be no justice. The bandage over the eyes of the woman's figure that only stands above the entrance to our Courthouses indicates nothing of the true quality of justice, but much of the cruel indolence of the rulers of men. Justice is not the simple weighing of fact against fact in the scales of indifferent reason; it is the vast comprehenon of multiplex causes and effects remotely drawn through interacting circumstance and motive; it is the interpretation of heredity, education and transient passion writing the enigmas article on the "Cheerful Life of the of the soul in the hieroglyphics of

deeds; it is sympathy, the eternal fulness, its calm and uneventful record

cuts one of the bonds which constitute the family. The Juvenile Court in fis recent work, admirable as that work is for a suggestion of rest. The cheerful in itself, must be classed among the devices of modern society to relieve the

much is he less a father and a man.

The wrong hath full relation to the ev-

feels it as a wrong or not. We believe

ourselves most adequately naming the

Almighty when we call him "Father."

It is in his quality of father that a man

takes part in the double eternity of past

and future. It gives meaning and dig-

nity to his life and is weightiest among

Which, then, would come nearer to

ideal justice, for society to oust the par-

ent and discipline the child, or for soci-

ety to see that the father does this him-

self? The one course is comparatively

easy, the other enormously difficult.

The one is cheap; the other might in

DETECTIVES AND BUNCO MEN.

and go as they please, fight one another

for "fat" assignments, defy their su-

periors to discipline them, and hunt for

wrongdoers where, when and how it

suits them. Their jealous guarrels have

brought the service into contempt, and

continually exposed the public to dan-

gers which it pays them to prevent. If

the new Police Chief is as vigilant

and fearless as he should be, he will put

a stop to this scandalous situation; and,

if he is not, he will permit things to go

Chief of Police be vigilant and fearless

unless he is properly supported by the

a very definite kind that the Mayor

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things, should not overlook

other pastures.

the attributes of the citizen,

sence of his moral nature, whether

Man wants but liftle here below, Nor wants that little long. parent of his natural functions; to make the child look to an institution for what is for the time being an object of he ought to get from his father; and therefore to impair the integrity and But this feeling will be fleeting. Walt destroy the efficiency of the home. The until the frost 'comes' Then "the opfather of a family should himself nurportunities of a pleasant lifetime in ture, discipline and school his children. which to cultivate the cheerful, indi-As a member of the state, he obeys; as gent, peaceful mind" will cease to alhead of his family, he rules and pro-The plea of weariness that would lure." tects. Thus he completes his manhood. put indolence; ease and contentment-By as much as society takes from him the crowning virtues of the cheerful life the governance of his family, by so

bition, will dwindle into insignificance and become the object of our contempt instead of our desire.

AS TO "SCREENED GRAVEL." Perhaps Mayor Lane does not know screened" gravel when he sees it; per

haps also he "knows nothing \about streets." But there are divers and sundry property-owners in this city who indorse what His Honor says in regard to defective pavements caused by the larger rocks used in construction and smuggled in, with or without the inspector's knowledge, for "screened gravel." In a contention made against this swindle by a number of propertyowners on East Burnside street several

volve all the expense of decent wages, years ago, rocks, not the size of "goose fair hours of work, leisure, good homes eggs" which Mayor Lane found in the and healthy environment for parents screened" gravel on Morris street. who must earn their living. The probthe size of bricks-five-quart kettles, iem of neglected and criminal children water palls-were taken into court in is fundamentally one of bad homes. It evidence of the justice of the protest. may be palliated by sending the chil-The boulders were covered, however, dren to the seashore; it can be cured and allowed to remain. The city has only by giving their parents the ambipatched up the defects on several blocks tion to rear them nobly and so devising by subsequent redressing and frequent social conditions that this ambition may

rolling, but the fact remains that rock from 10 to 14 inches in diameter was worked into this street on specifications that called for screened gravel, not more than four inches in its longest Bunco men, confidence men, sure-thing men, abound in Portland. They diameter. And the improvement passed muster of all concerned except a third. ould not remain here unless they were protected; and they should not be pererhaps, of the owners of abutting mitted to stay, whether protected or operty, who still protest payment. not. The duty of the police is to drive Mayor Lane is young in his office, or them out; and, if they are not made to he would not be astonished at the sight move on, the police confess their willof rocks "the size of goose eggs" being ingness to let them stay. They confess vorked into a street the specifications anyway, when they fail, as they have and contract for the improvement of failed, to note the presence here of these soft-handed, soft-voiced, well-dressed which call for "screened gravel." The question when it reaches this point is crooks, and to put them behind the bars not what kind of gravel or other material used makes the best street, but whether the specifications under which as vagrants, or compel them to reek

The city detectives know that these the contract was let are being followed fellows are in town; or, if they do not know, they are incomprehensibly ig-MORE GRAFT OR MORE GRACE? norant of a cardinal principle of their

There is a comfortable thought in isiness, which is to spot a crook when nany minds that our day has seen no they see him. Truth is, the detective force of Portland is deservedly under new modes of graft. Those that exist are all old. Their number does not insuspicion, so that it need surprise nocrease; and our belief to the contrary body to be informed that bunco men mes from our being so much me are working here without molestation. honest than our fathers were. We The department has long been without strong supervision. Detectives come

> sciences of an earlier day would have cented no taint. It cannot be hoped that posterity will admit without deiuction this moral superiority which we claim over our predecessors. Probably it is allowable in part, but not fully. People today undoubtedly condemn with keener discrimination than those of two or three decades ago, but they ertainly have also more to condemn.

Some of the forms of graft are very recent. The characters in one of Andy Adams' stories, the time being about on as in the past. Yet, how can any 1880, speak with surprise of the attempt of a swindling corporation to Mayor? Here is a chance for reform of assign a contract to its members as who has started out to reform many fraudulent intent, was probably just as years. legal, or illegal, then as it is now; but

it was not common. Now, not only are THE "CHEERFUL" VS. THE STRENUOUS such assignments common to escape corporate responsibility, to evade the law and to swindle generally; but this Mrs. L. H. Harris, of Nashville, has method of graft has been enormously in a late number of the Independent an South," which appalls through its rest.

The contention between Russia and

to 1896. If it shall cease by 1906, either for a suggestion of rest. for catching, though Southerner who is a breathing, though in our view scarcely a living, illustra-tion of the declaration that— by treaty of peace at this time or by the force of arms within the next year, a century of fitful contest and occa-

sional conquest will have been rounded out. The civilized world cannot wish to see Japan shorn of the fruits of her envy to his tired brothren of the North | fiercely waged endeavor. The question cannot be settled except on the basis of justice which Russia has never been disposed to grant. It will be useless to gloss over the bitterness that lies at the root of the strife. Japan will not, neither should she, "patch up a peace" with her vanouished but still haughty and-at a safe distance-defiant adver--above the demands of energy and am- sary.

> Reform we are told, should deal with use, rather than with effect. This we

belleve. Hence when newsboys are gathered together at the invitation of nen who are the friends, helpers and apologists of boys and induced to abandon, for their own sakes, physically and financially, the habit of cigarette smoking, we are constrained to the view that reform in this instance is not a catchword used to define a sentimental effort, but that it represents something real and effective. With all efforts of this kind the good sense of practical men and women in the community is in It is not enough that men full accord. should be earnest in working for boys along judicial and economic lines that lead to useful citizenship. They must also be practical, and it may be said of Judge Frazer and others who have taken up this work in this city in con ection with the Juvenile Court that their efforts meet these requirements and ape full of promise.

The gunboat Bennington has been floated. Rear-Admiral Goodfich has reached San Diego, and the result of the investigation with which he is charged will be awaited with sorrowful interest by those who mourn a son, a brother or a friend among the victims of the disaster that sent the vessel in one awful moment to the bottom of the harbor. With equal interest and not less anxiety the responsible heads of the Navy Department await the tale that is to be told, that they may learn thereby to avoid, if possible, its repeti-tion. We may well believe that there will be no discount upon responsit or glossing over of carelessness in this case. The Government does not conduct investigations in such a case to screen those who are culpable, but to find them out.

The dog days are bad enough: a row in a church is had enough, but when the two occur simultaneously the com munity visited is promised a combination to be justly dreaded.

And so the heaven we argued No nearer to us got. But it gave us a taste of something

A thousand times as hot.

shudder at deeds, it is said, and call Sang Will Carleton in characterizing them graft, in which the obtuse con- the bitterness of theological discussion in the family. The church represents a larger family, but repeats this experience many times multiplied when it opens its ranks and lets contention enter.

Business conditions of the country are gauged by the fron and steel industry. Yesterday's official statement from the United States Steel Corporation that unfilled orders are 1,500,000 tons in excess of last year's at this date shows that construction is still on the increase. Crop reports, taken with continued activity in all lines of manufac ture, indicate no abatement of prosperindividuals. Such an assignment, with ity which has marked the past eight

The Salem man who beat his wife and threatened to kill her will probably be best punished if sent to the Peniten tiary for a good, long term of years. if whipped and turned loose, he may developed. The three or four men who yet attempt the life of the woman whom own a packing-house, for example, will he promised to love, honor and cherish. incorporate as a private car company, It would be well if both a flogging and

OREGON OZONE. Day's News Reviewed.

Judge Cotton says he won't be Judge; New York is hot-of course; Out at the Fair big sales of fudge; Maud Go

A cablegram printed in the San Francis Bulletin states that "the picturesque ceting between the Russian and German Emperors, according to private dispatches, ended with a gal luncheon on board the German imperial yacht Hohensollern." Many tales have been told about the ferocity of the Russians and the appetite of the Germans, but this is the first time their rulers have been accused of cannibalism. Who was the poor girl?

There are 47 survivors of the charge of the Light Brigade at Balaklava. Now if his foot there were but two more we might call them the British Forty-niners.

\$2500 for "a very nice write-up" in New York's best-seiling book of the season, "Fads and Fancies," The Senator exi-dently expected more space in this blog. dently expected more space in this blography than a member usually contributes to the Congressional biography list. He has gotten his write-up on the side, be-fore the book has appeared, and now he bridge, who had to walt for the next car, probably feels that he has been squander- and at Grand avenue there ing money.

In describing the embarkation poetry, the New York Mall says: "Mr. Stokes had on a gray suit and white shoes He wore no hat." Thus it appears that even the rich get rattled on their honeymoon. Think of starting for Europe without a hat!

The Southern Pacific Railroad is said to be experimenting with a sand-binding plant known as the sea fig, the scientific equilaterale." It would appear that by wrapping that name around and around it, though, is that the name Bryan appears in the middle of its first section, followed by the words "the mum," from which we opine that the scientists have been playing a joke on the Southern Paci-

A talented correspondent of the Manitoba Free Press, who writes entertain-ingly and approvingly of the Lewis and Clark Exposition, spells the name of our beautiful river thus: Willomette, It is juite evident that the Canadian brother thinks the name of the river rhymes with 'comet."

Up in Chatham, Ontario, the citizens have an unwritten law which beats Oregon's wife-beating statute. A man became intoxicated, went home and beau his wife. An impromptu jury of elevenone man missing-put on black masks, called at the wife-beater's house. took the culprit outside, looped a rope under his arms and dropped him into a well. Every minute for half an hour they dipped his head under water. Then they pulled him out, tied him to a post and gave him 500 jashes. That is what might call heroic treatment, but for the fact that the subject was no hero.

Imperial Confidences.

The Emperor of Germany and the Car of Russia met on the Island of Bjoerkoe and rushed into each other's arms. "Say, Cousin Bill," asked the Czar, "what do you think my chances are?"

"Is this for publication, Cousin Nick?" "Not if I know it, Bill. Give me your candid opinion The Kaiser looked stealthily about him.

in all directions, as the stage villain does when he reaches a moment in which he wants to be alone. Futting his hand to his mouth to muffle the sound, the Kaiser mid:

"Say, Nick, did you ever hear the vulgar American remark concerning the snowball in the realm ruled by the Emperor Pluto?"

LETTERS ON VARIOUS CURRENT TOPICS

Street Cars Overerowded by the Portland Consolidated-Protest Against Court's Finding in a Dog Case-Overerowding of River Launches-What Is the Origin of Evilt-The Name Milwaukie.

PORTLAND, July 35-(To the Editor.)- | voice, is good or bad according to the use Last Saturday uight. I was on a Mount Tabor and Sunnyside car that had seating accommodations for 36 people, if they sit closely together. There were 103 of us. The 104 passenger said to me, as we were jostled, men and women together, in a manner that was indecent and a disgrace to chvilination. "Do you think if way mark

a manner that was indecent and a disgrace to chviliantion: "Do you think if we'were to petition the streetcar company, they would furnish better accommodations for the Mount Tabor people?" I asked him what sort of a clitzen was he, anyhow? Were we to act as though the streetcar company were a Cars, with his foot on our neeks, that we must peti-tion his michtings for our streng? Both It is reported that Senator Depew paid 12560 for "a very nice write-up" in New the barn, with their work done for the

night. As we journeyed along, we left several eight more. When conditions arise by which arro-

In describing the embarkation for gant individuals possess a monopoly, they Europe of J. G. Phelps Stokes and his act much like the way the Czar of Rusbride, the young Jewess who writes love sia does, when dealing with his people. Some months ago, Mount Tabor Some months ago, mount rator people could have little packages sent up on the cars, during other than the rush hours, by paying 5 cents splece. Now the con-ductors are not allowed to carry such packages at any price. Appli the management as to why this accommodation to the public has been taken away brings no response. Business men who write letters to them are treated just about the way the Caar would be exname of which is "mesembryanthemum pected to treat a business man who would

write him a letter. The long-suffering public, which daily the pesky object one should be able to hold down almost anything-even the Great American Desert. The trouble with the base of the able to by the "first families," through the me-the dium of this street railway, rejoice that they have a champion in The Oregonian. and from its agitation they look lief. MOUNT TABOR

TWO KINDS OF BRUTES

One Scalds a Dog and Is Lightly Punished.

PORTLAND, July 26 .-- (To the Edi-tor.)-The complaint filed in Justice Seton's Court by the secretary of the Oregon Humane Societz, against Henry Harvey, a farmer near Gresham, was tried in the above court on Tuesday last, resulting in imposing a fine of but \$55 for reasting W. W. Cotton's Scotch collie, cannot be overlooked by the Humane Society without protest against the trivial fine imposed for an act of outrageous crueity, surpassing in torture, any case brought to the knowledge of the society during a periol of more than 30 years. That the public may know the true facts, the de That the tails of which have not appeared in print, the writer is impelled, through a

sense of outraged justice and disregard for brute suffering, to state the circumstances as proven in Judge Seton's Court. I was called up by phone or Saturday by Mr. Davis, manager of the Cotton farm, requesting the Humane Society to take up the case against Harvey. On Sunday I visited the place where I found the suffering animal swathed in bandages which had been previously applied by a veterinary from Portland. During the afternoon Mr. Davis and myself removed the bankages that I might ascertain the extent of the injuries and redress the burned parts. The sight was sickening. Portions of the sexual organs were burned crisp with flesh sloughing off, thighs were thoroughly cooked down to the knee joint and the hind ture drew his breath. With these con-ditions in view, and little, if any, chance for recovery, the animal was humanely relieved of its great misery and pain. Now, as to the perpetrator of this fiendish act, which would put the

volce, is good or that so on without end. she makes of it. And so on without end. Nearly all our lile and discomforts come from the artificialities with which we sur-round ourselves. Man, it is true, can be be be be round ourselves. Man, it is true, can work with and aid nature, but by his power of invention he can also mar nature and blot out his own happiness. I repost my first thought, then, that man's highest interest lies in his finding also

out the true, natural use of all things. Oh, the beatuy and the delicacy of the highest and best fitness of things. And there is perfect fitness everywhere, if we can find it, and there is perfect law and perfect adaptation everywhere. It is misand that breeds discord and confusion, and sickness, and pain, and sorrow. How meek and appropriate are the flowers of the garden! They do not strive to be the garden! They do not strive to be more than they are-try neither to fly nor to sing-but are content to be beautiful and fragrant, and in their modesty and worth how they bless and beautify

I said above that the law is perfect and present everywhere and always. That is true, and the law is so perfect that it will convert and enlighten every soul. The vision of the seer is true though the time of accompliances.

time of accomplishment may be long. Under the law, and because of it, there is, in truth, no such thing as chance, or accklent, or miracle. Nothing happens, Everything is caused, and the law renders the interpretation. But these great un-deriging considerations are continually overlooked and disregarded in high places. Captain Drake, of the Mare Island Navy-yard, is reported to have said of the Bennington disaster that "It was one of those unfortunate societoris that may oc-cur at any time, and for which no satistory explanation can be made. Yet sother officers tell us that the bollers were rotten and leaking and had been so for some time. Drake is evidently a round man in a square hole. He is a misit, but it is altogether likely that he would deny the accusation. The misfit never knows he is a misfit, but often claims special adapation. The Chicago theater disaster and the of the knows he is a misfit, but often claims special adapation. The Chicago theater disaster, and that of the steamer Slocum on East River, were the result of misfit work. And so trouble multiplies all over the land.

"In the good time coming." It will not be so. The man with small conscience will not be made the chief custodian of the bank's funds. He of little prudence the bank's funds. He of little prudence and less humanity will not be allowed to drive his auto at will through the crowd-ed streets. In that day really strong women like Lacretia Mott, and Lucy Stone, and Ellinabeth Eddy Stanton will take the field for equal suffrage; and then, too, a coarse fibred man with a haritone voice will not be asked to sing "In the Sweet Bye and Bye." nor will a modest, eweet-voiced girl be asked to sing the rollicking songs of the circus clown. Neither will "Old Hundred." nor "Ail Hail the Power of Jesus Name" be sung in schottische time. There is a natural fitness of things even in musie, and let us all strive to catch on to that which is appropriate and helpful rather than the revers. is appropriate and helpful rathe the reverse. L. W. M. than the reverse.

DANGERS ON THE RIVER.

Warning About Overcrowding of Gasoline Launches.

PORTIAND, July 25.--(To the Editor.)--Having read the account in The Oregon-ian of the collision between a launch and rowboat a few evenings ago, and the marrow escape from loss of life. I am prompted to sound a warning against the carciess manner in which hundreds of lives are being daily handled by these small launches. All who have stood on PORTLAND, July 21-(To the Editor.)small launches. All who have the water front and watched the the water front and watched these small craft with their loads of human freight, packed like sardinas in a box, and on some occusions sealed all over the top deck, know that the passengers stand a very small chance of saving their lives if the launch should go to the bottom from striking a rock, snag, collision or explo-sion. Had it not been that another boat was near at band at the time of the down to the knee joint and the aind quarters of the animal paralyzed, mak-ing it impossible for it to stand, and with much difficulty the suffering crea-ture drew his breath. With these con-ture drew his breath. With these conto the unfortunates water, or for their lives in the water, or

intellect from Mephistolian crueity and the imagination of the busy bustlers of transforms Jehovah to Jesus, Justice the North, who are ceaselessly running immeasurably difficult; so difficult to and fro in pursuit of aspirations that whole nations, whole ages, have pleasures and business. "It is worthy given over attaining it, substituting for of note." says this writer, "that there modes of retribution. Justice, not recent cults in living. The reason is, marcy, is the highest of God's attri- we have a cult of our own." butes. Buddha despaired of justice and preached the hopeless gospel of renunclation; Mohammed despised justice and preached the gospel of the sword. was justice incarnate

love? The answers men have given to this question mark the epochs in the upon nerve, muscle and brain as the history of Christian civilization. And "strenuous life." It does, however, these are four. "Love," said the earli- take in one's neighbor genially, withest zealots, "is the passion of the soul out becoming a missionary or a taskfor God." Their answer produced the master to him. dark ages and the hermits of the desert. "Love is the passion of the soul for the church," a later generation said; and keyed as they are to the very highest their answer produced witchcraft and note in the ceaseless effort "to do some the inquisition. The sphynx of history insisted upon her riddle. The nineteenth placidity that amounts to stupidity, century guessed at it, guessed twice, in This cheerful life is literally void of enfact. "Love is the passion for humanity," was the first venture, and the magic formula built asylums for the insane, schools for the blind, hospitals for the sick and homes for the aged. But the Sphynx, though this time with some reluctance, shook her head again. The answer was beautiful, but wrong. through benevolent institutions shall the world be saved; not through institutions of any sort. Our asylums and refuges are not unlike the little book which John the Revelator swallowed at the command of the angel. Sweet in his mouth, it turned exceedingly bitter in his stomach.

Finally Science appeared and took a turn at the riddle. "Love," such was her guess, "is the passion of the soul for truth." The Sphynx nodded and slew herself. The riddle was solved. It tive people when the thermometer runs is the bold, militant, unfilnching passion and enthrone justice over the world. cowardly and equally suicidal. Here is but holding inflexibly in the scheme of the world and disastrous to ignorefection of justice may, in its conseuences, bring wrong and ruin. What tensify one more widespread and fundamental.

To dispraise any activity of the Jusenile Court would savor of cruel incavor and exalted purpose. Nevertheless, it must be said that many of these activities are the functions of parents

In the male, which saves the of the quiet habits of a quiet people to passionate vengeance and indolent are no disciples among us of the more

She goes on to tell us that even the "simple life" has in it too much of discipline, too much of self-restraint. Disciples of simplicity are apt to be skeptical of their less abstemious neighbors. God's law is justice, and love is the She admits that the "cheerful life" is fulfilling of the law. What, then, is not so self-cultivating as the "simple

life," nor so drastic in its requirements of many new ones.

In the opinion of Mr. Conrad Krebs This we would call an ideal state of who has certainly taken great pains existence were it not that to our senses to inform himself upon the subject. hops will be hops this year, not only in Oregon, but throughout the country and thing," it is the very embodiment of a England. In this view he urges hopgrowers not to contract their crops at present, and congratulates those who ergy, except when it listlessly combats have the residue of the crop of 1904 on hand and in good condition. It may be hoped that the estimate of the shortthe principles underlying the strenuous life, or indulges in mild contempt for the simple life with its studied represened yield of Willamette Valley hop-yards that Mr. Krebs presents will be sions and grievous self-denials. It concedes that some one must/be given to modified by the systematic examination activity because "tool people" are re-quired to make conditions and hold of conditions that will be made at the instance of the Hopgrowers' Associathem together, but these the cheerful tion early in August. The hop industry people of the Sunny South neither envy has come to mean much, not only to nor seek to emulate. The true Southgrowers, but to a large laboring class in erner does not join in the effort, so the state. Hop money has strenuous in the North, to reach the mean many little additions to the comtop-"that stingily constructed and preforts of life in farmhouses, a substantial "lift" on the taxes, the purchase of

carlous elevation above the narrow brow of public opinion, from which so children's schoolbooks, bits of finery many disciples of fame and strenuosity for the girls and good clothes for the topple back into their original dust." boys in many a farming district. Let The picture thus graphically drawn us hope that it will not be greatly curof the cheerful life is attractive to actailed this year by a short crop. riot in the 90s. It is possible to com-Bigamist Collins naturally objects to for truth that shall set us free from evil mend it, to long for the realization of returning to San Francisco. He fears a conspiracy to railroad him into the what it portrays, even to essay feebly The salvation of society is to know the to emulate it in the striving, racing, uttermost truth and rely upon it abso- distracted North, where the fever of Penitentiary. His fears are doubtless well founded. Even in San Francisco distracted North, where the fever of uttermost truth and rely upon it abso-lutely. To shy at a known truth, and public questions constantly runs riot to act as if it did not exist, are equally in the blood. Our men are climbers; the courts, the officers of the law, and the public, usually combine to punish malefactors of the Gollins stripe. If this our women are strivers. Both are forone, for example, unpleasant enough, ever on the alert. Now questions of re-regrettable, perhaps, in the extreme, form excite and torment them; again sharp practitioner, who lived with two sisters as busband to both, and denied the criminal class or the pauper the legitimacy of his own children, then is borne upon their hearts and an effort repudlated his lawful wife and marwhat seems at first sight like the per- is made to take the thriftiers into the ried a third woman, shall go unwhipt of justice, there ought to be a move-ment to have a better understanding strong arms of their endeavor. Educational methods engross and political rights a present evil may originate or matters distract, and, as if to close the with Canada as to our extradition laws.

last sanctuary of peace and quietude. brolls are taken into the churches for settlement, but for further agitatior

Japan will soon be reduced to its plain-est ferms. The Japanese are neither shortsighted nor forgetful. They know what they wand, what they must and This glimpse of the Sunny Southland where everything, now that slavery has been abolisized, conduces to repose; where conteniment dwells in close conwill have, and what they are now able to take—the right and the opportunity to live move and have their national being, unvexed and unhampered by the Musand not of public officials; nor can it tact with small things, is attractive be-be depied that when a court assumes cause just now we are weary. We look unvexed and unhampered by the Mus-any duty which a father ought to do, it longingly across the border, grateful covits. Russian aggression dates back

as an ice company, as a tannery, as ent could be his. manufacturers of fertilizers, and so on

Porto Rico is becoming Americanized almost endlessly; and under these difare rapidly than our most sanguine ferent names the same men will buy statesman could have hoped. Delegates of themselves at low rates, to 'conceal profits, and sell to the pubrepresenting sixty-five out of sixty-six lic extortionately. As corporation No. 2, they may do legally what, as municipalities of this promising insular possession lately assembled in conven tion and petitioned Congress to inaugorporation No. 1, the law forbids them urate "sweeping reforms" in all departto do. It is a pretty device, and exceedingly soothing to a sensitive conscience. ments of the island government. As No. 2, again, they may buy a con-_

Says, the spokesman of the Mikado's trolling interest in an outside business, which, as No. 1, they could not law eace delegation: "The Japanese will be guided by moderation and no excesfully own. Or, as No. 2, they may lease a railroad to themselves as No. 1. sive demands will be made." To this and absorb the profits of No. 1 in rent. The possibilities of this form of graft sentiment the world will say "Amen." Let us hope that M. Witte's ideas of what is moderate will harmonize with are easy to conceive, and it is only on Baron Komura's

> We do not suppose that the Captain Spencer whose sensibilities are so greatly shocked by the betting on the horse races at irvington is the same Captain Spencer that recently won a large amount of money in an election bet from Hon, Frank C Baker

Curious how the accidental change o a single letter will reverse a written statement. In The Oregonian yesterday a headline reads "Ruin Falls in the Palouse," where it was intended to say that the region had been blessed with rain.

Perhaps Emperor William agrees with the Czar in regard to the impossibility and presumption of requiring a heavy indemnity from a vanquished come to foe. It makes all the difference in the world whose ox is gored. -

For the moment public attention is diverted from municipal and corpora-tion graft to the Government printing office. Evidently to the end of the President's "big stick" there is at tached a strong broom.

The local weather observer speaks a hot spell lasting eight days. Heat is omparative. You didn't hear the thousands of Eastern and California visitors in Portland complain of the weather the past week.

vited to visit Coos and Curry Counties. Now Dr. Withycombe should get an invitation to hold a farmers' institute in that portion of the state.

Emperor William is now going to visit Emperor Christian. Emperor William sees to it that there is always something doing in royalty.

Cabinet of "Doctors."

Newark (N. J.) Advertiser. Perhaps the doctors in convention at Portland, Or., who resolved in favor of having a doctor in the Cabinet, overlooked the fact that there are several members new in it who are entitled to the "doctor."

A Jungle Story

The President of the United States pat pon a soap box on the offshore of Oyster Hay. Around him gathered the three Junior Teddy Roosevelts, the four or five Roosevelt cousins and a few other boys. 'Twas night. The ocean breezes, such as sweep Manhattan Beach, sighed in the treetops. Low murmured the baby oysters in the bay as their mammas tucked them into their little oyster beds and crooned them to sleep. From afar over the dunes came the "whoo-whoo" of a host owi. "Twas an eerie sound. The boys drew closer to the commander-in-chief of the camping-out party, and one of them said: "Bay, Uncle Ted, tell us a bear story." "No, Uncle Ted," protested another, "tell us a wildont story." "You bet he won't!" exclaimed little

Kermit: "he'll tell us a mountain lion story-won't you, pop?"

The President looked into the enger faces, thirsting for adventure, and re-

flesh. There is no justification what-ever for an act of this kind. Had Har-vey been a man of judgment and gov-"Boys, I'll give you a square deal-I believe in that; I'll tell you a llon, a wildcat, bear story; and if there are any other ernable temper, this explanation and true statement of facts would not have appeared. There can never be circumanimals that you would like to have included, I can deliver the goods. Now wouldn't you like to have a Dakots antestances which will justify any person ope thrown in for good count, and a in torturing (for revenge) elider a man or beast. And when a court of justice permits itself to lose sight of the fact Texas buffalo, and-say, boys-bow would you like me to put in a Spaniard? I've that the animal in question was not, nor cannot be, considered a responsible moral being, and that torture is nothught down all of them with my trusty rifle, you know."

The President gazed meditatively into the dying embers of the campfire and paused for reply.

"Say, pop," said Archie, "didn't you ever tackle a bird?" "What, Archibald?" "A bird, pop-how about that Santiago Round Robin?" said Archie, "didn't you

ROBERTUS LOVE.

A Limit to All Things.

Philadelphia Telegraph. He had been away on a long journey and upon his return his wife was detail ing to him a number of reforms and im

ing to him a number of reforms and im-provements which she had successfully engineered during his absence. "And you know," she said, "the drawe that was locked for over a month and which you said couldn't be opened excep-by a lockamith? Weil"--triumphantly-"

"Well, well! How in the world did you do it?"

Go.H7" "With a hairpin." "And the oven door," she continued, "has been elipping around on one hinge for ever so long, just because you were too hazy to fix it, but it's all right now." "Well, I'm giad you had it fixed." "Had it fixed! I fixed it myself-with a hairpin."

"And then there's that crayon portrait

of mother that stood in the corner for almost six solid, weeks because you never would bring me any picture-books-I got it up with a hook I made myself-out of a hairpin." "Ye Goda!" he said.

ing him and brihing him for a year, trying break him of biling his nalls, and I toke him in a weak."""With a hairstand

blush of shame upon the face of the preservers and not one carries either a famous dog-esters. He it was who lifeboat or raft. I ask you all, what are provided the sole incentive which en-ticed the now dead collie to his place are on board, and the launch, from any where he keeps several female dogs in cause, starts to sink? Unless so nconstrained condition. Becoming an-oyed with the instinctive visits of his neighbor's dogs, instead of notifying the owners of the fact, he deliberately and viciously plans the mode of torture and confesses to first applying coal oil to his bushy tail, which hurned the hair off but failed to reach the flesh. The second application was entirely satisfactory to Mr. Harvey, up to the time when he learned that the case had been placed in the hands of the Humane Society. Not waiting for the warrant for his arrest to be served, he conclud-ed that it might be a mitigating cir-cumstance to surrender himself to the proper authorities, which he did. In his plea he attempts to justify the act, and asks for mercy, when he showed no mercy. Could he have been subjected to the excruciating pain only for one hour that the helpless colle endured, no doubt Mr. Harvey would realize that coal oil and fire combined would burn

case. The punishment in cases as above stated, should be the full extent of the

ceeding \$100 or both fine and imprison-

arations are made by the launch men to protect the lives of the passengers in their cars in case of accident, we will some of these fine days have another some of these fine days have another Benington case right here at home with some of our own relatives numbered among the lost. The small gasoline launches are not compelled by law to carry any life-saving apparatus what-never, but let every person before going on board such launches first ascertain if there is a sufficient number of life pre-servers handy, if there is a life raft that will float from top deck in case the launch sinks and also if there is a small boat carried or trailed behind. If all of these provisions have been compiled with, then our chances for a watery grave have been reduced. Above all don't ride on an overcrowdad launch. DR. W. E. MULHOLLAN. DR. W. E. MULHOLLAN.

HOW MILWAUKIE IS SPELLED

Mr. Himes Insists That Final Syllable is "ie," Not "ee."

PORTLAND, July 26-(To the Editor.) It is a matter of common observation that numerous persons have frequently, in time past, called attention to the erroneous spelling, as they have insisted, of the ord Milwaukie, the name of the city on the east bank of the Willamette, six miles south of Portland. These persons have claimed, since they supposed it was named after Milwaukee, Wis. that it ought to be spelled in like manner. There is no reason whatever to suppose it was named after the Wisconsin city. Lot Whitcomb, ing when applied to dumb creatures, though governed by inslinct, we take issues at once and openly denounce the opinion and verdict rendered in this after the Wisconsin city. Lot Whitcomb, the founder, was a native of Vermont, and came across the plains to Oregon in 1347. There is no evidence that he ever lived in Wisconsin, although he was a contractor in Chicago for a time. He es-tablished a paper-The Western Star-at-Milwaukle on November 21, 1858, and in the headlines of this paper, in the first and all subsequent issues, the name is spelled as last above written. And so he continued to spell it as long as he lived. No one in this country thought of spelling the word otherwise until a "wise man from the East" appeared in this region in the early As to take charge of the pan-senger department of the Oregon & Calilaw-imprisonment in the County Jail not exceeding 60 days, or by fine not exment. This should have been the pun-ishment and we believe the humane sentiment of this city will bear the writer out in the statements herein made. W. T. SHANAHAN. Cor. Sec. Oregon Humane Society. EVIL IS GOOD OUT OF PLACE senger department of the Oregon & Cali-fornts railroad. He began spelling the word "Milwaukee," and that style has en in vogue ever since in railroad cir-

cles. The original spelling of the word, even in Wisconsin, was with the final syllable "kie." It is so noted on some of the early maps of the Wisconsin Territory-a name, by the way, which was originally spelled "Oulsconsin." My authority is the "Re-port to the Secretary of War of the United States on Indian Affairs." etc. by Des Lobitich Words D To be the construction Rev. Jedidiah Morse, D. D., in 1830, who was under commission of the President of the United States for the purpose of of the manuaching of hings good places to which they are adapted ousands of illustrations of this funda-nial proposition will occur to the minds every thaughtful person at once. A sin of saind is harmines in a brick, but who desaid is harmines in a brick, but mblesome in the eys. The human hand imposence and usefulness is good, but is bettle or in the arus, but has had in a footnote states that it "is said to be derived from 'Man-ma-mab-time desaity revolver. Alcohol is good to the United States for the purposes of accertaining, for the use of the Govern-meet, the actual states of the Indian tribes in our country. In this report Dr. Morse spells the word under consideration "Mil-is and in a footnote states that it "is said to be derived from 'Man-ma-mab-tion of the United States for the purpose of accertaining to the usage in Oregon for more than half a century." Assistant Secretary Oregon Historical Science of the United States for the purpose of assistant Secretary Oregon Historical

Nothing Happens, but Everything Has a Prime Cause.

Has a Prime Cause. PORTLAND, July 38.-(To the Editor.) -Man's progress in the world is measured very ascurately by his mastery of the truest and fittest use of the things and the elements about him. In fact herein is the philosophy, or explanation, of so-called "evil," that has puzzled thought throughout the ages. Really there is nothing positively evil in all the whole universe of God. What is usually de-nominated evil is nothing but the mis-use of or the misplacing of things good in themselves and useful for the purposes or piaces to which they are adapted. Thousands of illustrations of this unda-mental proposition will occur to the mind of every thoughtful person at once. A grain of sand is harmless in a brick, but thoublecome in the sev. The human hand

Governor Chamberiain has been in