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VICARIOUS SACRIFICE.

The movement on the Richards place has produced excellent results. It not has stopped vice there, but has put a check upon similar misconduct and vice at the Hotel Portland and elsewhere. Of course the original attack could not have been made on the Hotel Portland. It is owned by the Ladd and Corbett and other estates, and the influences that protect it are too powerful. But when the attack on the Richards establishment was pushed, vice at the Portland and other places, taking alarm and warning, sought cover. A few days ago The Oregonian announced that a change would be made at once "in the arrangements for entertainment of ladies and gentlemen" "rathskeller," or bar-room, of the Hotel Portland. It meant that no more liquors would be served to "ladles and gentlemen" there. Before that time tinual orgies and carousals of the Bacchae had been observed therein, and in other highly respectable places also. Richards is the vicarious sacrince. But the vicarious sacrifice is universal; and-unjust as it is-it is about the only effective way for redemption of mankind. The whole history of the human race is the lesson of vicarious sacrifice and atonement. Let Richards But sacrifice of Richards cuts vice out of higher places. Thus the town obtains purification. When the outof regeneration.

# A FAMOUS PHRASE.

Almost every pregnant and famou saying in the mouths of men has had a long history. A proverb has been defined as the wisdom of many, but the wit of one. As the idea that underlies a familiar saying undergoes modification when new conditions arise, so the proverb, or sententious expression of the idea, changes its form. Yet the truth at bottom remains the same.

Lincoln at Gettysburg said that the great battle on that field had been fought, that government of the people, by the people and for the people might not perish from the earth." Mr. Charles E. Carr, of Illinois, in an address before the Historical Society of that state, is at the pains to say that the idea and the words were not original with Lin-They were not, certainly. The idea had-a very long ancestry, before Lincoln gave it this expression. And his words varied but little from those

used by persons who had preceded him. Some asserted at the time that Lincoln was guilty of plagiarism. But the expression, nearly as he used it, had long been the common property of the English-speaking world. In few instances was Shakespeare the author of the sententious expressions which are found everywhere in his work. He made everything his own, by improvement and adaptation. It was the same with this expression of Lincoln at Gettysburg. It had been a germinating and growing maxim of democracy for many centuries.

The matter has been thoroughly in vestigated by many, and it is agreed that the phrase-though with variations -had been so often used as to becom mmon property. It appears substantially as Lincoln used it in Webster's reply to Hayne. It was used by Theore Parker in an anti-slavery convention at Boston in 1850, and by Joel Parker in the Massachusetts Constitutional Convention in 1853. The first appearance of this phrase, so far as it has been possible to ascertain, was in the preface to the old Wyclif Bible (A. D. 1384), which declares that "this Bible is for the government of the people, by the people and for the people. phrase had sunk into the consciousness of Abraham Lincoln. He didn't stop to think where he got it, nor probably

The death of Captain John McNulty at The Dailes on Thursday removes another from the rapidly thinning ranks of the pioneers who helped to make history in Oregon, Captain McNulty commanded the first steamer which the O. S. N. Co. placed on the river above the Caecades, and in that golden age of steamboating the man in the pilothouse was a much more important individual than is now the case. On the middle river he handled the R. R. Thompson, Harvest Queen, Mountain Queen and all of the other fine steam which laid the financial foundation from which the rich and powerful O. R. & N. Co. of the present day was build-

in those days, but the glamor of romance which hung over the river in the steamboating era has been dissipated by the coming of the railroad. A few of the old-timers still remain, but they are nearing their last port, and when in a very few years they join Captain McNulty, "Dan" O'Neill. "Tom" Smith and others of their day and age, there will have vanished a type of men which changed economic conditions will prevent the world ever again beholding.

CHURCH AND POLITICS.

The official board of Grace M. E. Church, acting through Mr. E. T. Johnson, has pointed out to Councilman Masters an alleged variance between his action in the Richards case as a member of the liquor license committee and his duty as a member of the Methodist Church. The resolution of the official board raises two questions, both of which merit careful and candid discussion. What control may a church properly assume over the political ac-tivity of its members? When a man's duty as a public officer conflicts with his duty to his church, which has the higher claim to his obedience?

To the first question the official voice of Methodism replies that "it is not the province of the church to give affirmative direction to or assume to control the franchise of the citizen," and this is sound doctrine. It is so well established in American thought and practice that no church which should fall to accept it could hope to thrive in this country. Aside from polygamous practices, the worst charge against the Mormon hierarchy is that it undertakes to dictate to its adherents how they shall vote. Such dictation is political tyranny of the worst sort, no more to be endured from an ecclesiastical organization than from a railroad corporation or a ward boss. In joining a church a man resigns none of his rights or duties as a citizen; to vote according to his own ideas of political expediency is both a right and a duty-perhaps the highest which an American enjoys. No church may infringe it without disloyalty to republican principles and minent danger to its own prosperity. A church may very properly make its teaching trend toward political rightcousness; it may exhort to lofty ideals and admonish against foolish or vicious courses in public as in private conduct; but with exhortation and admonition the church must stop. To command is beyond her province.

A Councilman takes an oath to obey the law, not to obey his church. So long as his official conduct conforms to the law, he has full liberty to follow his own conscience and judgment without regard to ecclesiastical authority. If his constituents disapprove of his conduct they may and ought to express their disapprobation as citizens through the press, in public meetings and at the polls but never through the machinery of a church. Ecclesiastical control of politics has invariably proved disastrous to church and state alike. Any church which assumes such an attitude that a man's duty as a public officer conflicts with his duty as a church member puts itself in a false position. Mr. Masters' first duty as a Councilman is to administer the law honestly and intelligently. The law as it stands practically requires the Council to license saloons. The members may and ought to discriminate among saloons as to locality, character and number, but there their discretion ends. As a Councilman Mr. Masters must vote to license certain saloons, and he must use his own judgment which they shall be. This is his duty to the public, and if it seems weak. The full remedy is in their own hands at the next city election without any resort to ecclesiastical

### INCREASING TRANSPORTATION FACILI-TIES.

It is announced that the Canadian Pacific will issue \$20,000,000 pew stock. from the proceeds of which new branch fines will be built in the Canadian Northwest. The Grand Trunk Pacific. which crosses Canada some distance north of the Canadian Pacific, is endeavoring to secure charters from the Canadian Parliament for building more than a score of branch lines in the country lying west of Winnipeg. With both of these big lines building so many brench roads, or feeders, Western Canada will be more extensively exploited in a short space of time than any other region in the West. Whenever a transcontinental railroad is built and equipped for thousands of miles, every additional ton of traffic turned over to it by a feeder pays a larger proportion of profit than was secured from the original traffic generated along the main line.

Development of these necessary feed-

ers in the Pacific Northwest for a number of years after the main lines were completed was retarded by financial difficulties and attendant constantly changing management of the properties. Now that all roads are in a healthy financial condition, there will be more of a disposition to increase the earning power of the main lines by increasing the traffic with branch lines. Some surprise has been expressed over the announced intention of the Harriman management to extend the lines to Puget Sound. Such action is perfectly natural and logical. Puget Sound has vast timber, coal and fishery resources. A number of large and prosperous cities have been built up by these resources, Traffic of these cities and the adjacent ountry is of great magnitude, and the Harriman system has been handicapped in securing its share of it through having to enter the field over the tracks

of an active competitor. Greater part of the lumber manufactured on Puget Sound, as is the case at Portland, finds its market at the eastern end of the transcontinental lines. All of it is now going out over the Hill roads, and will continue to take that route until Mr. Harriman taps the field with his proposed road. The route which he will select has not yet been announced, but at the worst it would not involve construction of more than 145 miles of new road. By construction of this 'mileage he would secure the haul of many hundreds of trainloads of lumber every year over a main-line mileage ten times to fifteen times as great. He would also be in position to secure a share of the traffic in westbound freight which was needed for local distribution on Puget Sound. With excellent deep-water terminals at San

terminates at Portland.

Traffic all over the Pacific Coast is expanding so rapidly that it is almost a necessity that better facilities for handling it be provided. The Northern Pacific has been handicapped in doing business with Portland by a roundabout haul over high mountain ranges, and is now preparing to come into Portland over its own tracks by a water-level route. The Harriman system has been handlespped in doing business with the Puget Sound ports because it had to disadantages of both roads are now to be nullified by the building of additional mileage, and both of the localities interested will profit by the improved facilities. When these roads are completed the management will undoubtedly discover that the main line is still physically able to handle more traffic, and accordingly there will more feeders built wherever there is traffic in sight.

ALASKAN STEAMER LINE. There should be no faltering or haggling over the support that is needed to secure and maintain a steamship line between this port and Alaska. There has been plenty of evidence from men vitally interested that Alaska is sadly in need of better trade facilities than she now enjoys. The importance of the trade and the wonderful possibilities for its development and expansion are fully understood. The territory involved is entirely too large to be hampered in growth by having but one port in which to handle the large and rapidly increasing truffic. Less complaint has been filed over poor transportation facilities with that one port than over the business methods of the men who assume exclusive ownership of Alaska. It is the mistreatment given the Alas kans that has caused them to grow restive under Seattle domination, and seek the competition to which the im-

portance of the country entitles them. Portland and the tributary territory supplies a large amount of merchandise and farm products that find a way to Alaska through the Seattle middlemen. Both buyer and seller will gain an advantage by direct dealing. A line from Portland will, of course, meet with strong opposition, but, if it receive the united support of the business community, it can be made a success. The prospects for its becoming a permanent fixture are better than they have ever been before on account of removal of the fuel handicap formerly suffered by steamers running from Portland. Oil is a much more economical fuel than coal, and oil costs less at Portland than on Puget Sound. If we can now establish regular communication with that wonderful land of riches, the trade will grow so rapidly that we will never again be shut out of the field. prize is well worth striving for, even though a premium must be paid to secure a footbold.

### IS IT NOTHING TO YOU?

It's a pretty good old world we live shines all day, and the moon dodges around Mount Hood early in the evening and shines all night, barring a brief eclipse. Both see plenty of good men and good women who heed the admonition of Jeremiah. Jeremiah was the worst old pessimist ever, yet he said some things to stir the blood. "Is it nothing to you, all ye that pass

by?" Yea, indeed it is. The good people who are restoring sight to the little half-orphaned girl, who are clothing and feeding the naked and hungry; the good men who gave them shelterconflicts with his duty to his church, these people would change the Lamen-The one discordant note in the story will find its solution. There is enough left by the revisionists of the good, old

crossroads Methodist doctrine of hell fire and damnation to provide for the shiftless husband and father who would desert his little brood. His day is coming.

MILTIARY REFORMS

Mr. Frederic Louis Huldekoper has an article in the North American Review for February which advocates a general reform in our military system. The article is to be followed by others, and therefore does not state Mr. Hutdekoper's opinions fully, but he seems to advocate both an increase of the standing army and some more efficient method of providing officers for it. He argues that our present system of depending upon volunteers when war occurs is wasteful of men and money More men are enlisted than would be necessary if we had an army of trained soldiers under efficient officers; supplies are equandered; lives are needlessly sacrificed; and each war is followed by a monstrous train of pensions which more than doubles its cost. Since the close of he Civil War we have already paid in pensions about three-fifths of its entire cost, and the list is now, forty years after Lee's surrender, larger than

ever before. To reduce this list otherwise than by the slow operation of disease and age is out of the question, but it is the part of wisdom to ponder deeply any measure which promises to lesson the burden resulting from our next war if we ever have another. Whether Mr. Huldekoper's suggestion of a larger standing army would have that effect may be doubted. There would probably be just as many pensions to pay after the close of a war and between wars we should be under that additional expense of a great military establishment which is exhausting the resources of the European nations. Americans have always looked upon a standing army as a nec-essary evil. It has been the unvarying policy of our wisest statesmen to keep our permanent military force as small as possible, and the almost unanimous popular sentiment which approves their policy is thoroughly sound and not

likely to change. But the Nation ought to have a constant supply of trained officers so large that troops in time of war need never be put under ignorant commanders. This practice, as Mr. Huidekoper points out, amounts to nothing less than wholesale murder. Trained officers may be provided by means of a properly organized militia without increasing the standing army. Enrollment in the militia and compulsory drill for a short time yearly may wisely, perhaps, be imposed upon all able-bodied males of military age. This would furnish expert experience to a large body of offi-

However that may be, the rules for Francisco and Portland, there would be no necessity for handling any of the over-sea traffic from Puget Sound, and so that it should depend on merit, and the road, if it is built, will probably be not on seniority. The mere fact of one raving.

simply a feeder to the system which man being older than another should not decide which is entitled to promo tion. Ability, soldierly merit, ought to of the regular army and put us on an

be the crucial factor. This reform would add a great deal to the efficiency incomparably better footing than we were at the outbreak of the Spanish War. Kansas City packers have been asked

to offer bids for 235,000 pounds of emergency rations for the United States Army. This suggests a possibility of use the facilities of a competitor. The trouble with China that will call American troops thither in some force. It also, let us hope, suggests the necessity of a better, cleaner, more suitable "emergency ration" than was provided for the troops mobilized in the South during the early part of the Spanish War, and for those that were pushed on to Cuba later. The embalmed beef lesson was a bitter one to the country. costing it dearly in the lives of its soldiers, and proving that the commercial instinct was stronger than that of patriotism, unless carefully supervised. General Miles made some mistakes when he was at the head of the Army. but his denunciation of those who were responsible for the embalmed beef and the canned rottenness upon which the soldiers were fed in Florida, on Army transports and in Cuban military camps was not one of them. The expose came too late to be of benefit to the emergency rations for use in a tropiosl climate in the Spanish-American War, but if it insures a wholesome, nutritious and suitable emergency ration for the use of troops suddenly called to China, there will be no discount upon its value.

> It is absurd to say-whoever may say it-that any "attack" has been made on United States District Attorney Bristol by The Oregonian, or through The Ore-gonian. Mr. Bristol had not been con-It was interesting to know why. It came to the knowledge of the Washington correspondent of The Oregonian that the reason was that unprofessional conduct in an important matter had been alleged against him. The particulars then could not be ascertained, but in a general way are known now. Withdrawal of Mr. Bristol's name by the President confirms The Oregonian's statement. This journal alleges nothing whatever against Mr. Bristol. But it thinks Mr. Bristol knows himself by this time that he has not been confirmed. The Oregonian has simply endeavored to tell what has prevented the confirmation. It is in no way more responsible for non-confirmation and withdrawal of Mr. Bristol's name than it would be responsible for the death of a person because it had named the malady that took him off.

The Government will order "open ings" this year of a total of 505,000 acres of Indain reservation lands. Bills providing for these have passed the House. The lands covered are in Oklahoma, being portions of the Kiowa, Comsnehe and Apache reservations. The usual provisions were made for the platting in, after all. The sun gets up early and and sale of townsites. The area of reservation lands is still great, and as the Indians are steadily diminishing in numbers, these land openings are likely to continue for many years. They will indeed, and should, continue until each Indian has his fair allotment and no nore. Good arable land, lying uncultivated through sentiment, will not be the order in this country half a century

"Dreadnaught" is a name suited to navies. This giant in naval architecture and power will be launched at of old times. architecture, and her advent into the navies of the world as the largest and most powerful battleship affoat, the finished product of naval architecture, will be of interest to the fighting powers of the world.

Stanford's baseball manager says to Berkeley's: "I can prove you have five professionals on your team"; Berkeley tinue their pernicious activity until the ounters with: "You're in the same fix." And these unblushing confessions are published. Is it a wonder that uni- ! versity faculties find themselves forced to butt into the game and order the hired men off the field?

The merchants of Portland are doing omething now to dispel an impression prevalent in some quarters that Alaska is a part of Seattle's back yard. Seattle s going to have to reform some of its notions about geography and trade. Mrs. Graham, the New York W. C. T.

I, president, denies that she said it was nobody's business whether wine was served at the Roosevelt wedding breakfast. Certainly; but whose? Mr. Heney thinks one-half the court

Judges of San Francisco are crooked. That is a very moderate percentagefor San Francisco. Mr. Longworth, it appears, is to be spared the humiliation of beckoning his

ter the wedding. Illinois justice must weep that wifenurderer Hoch was not born a cat.

thirsty guests into the china closet af-

Senatorial Vituperation.

Brooklyn Eagle None should think that Tillman's attack on President Roosevelt is unprecedented for savagery or injustice. With better manner, but not with better motives, Ben Wade and Henry Winter Davis attacked Abraham Lin coin with speech as bad, and with spirit as diabolic. More than a score of Senators attacked President Andrew Johnson with a ferocity as marked as Tillman's, but veiled with a classic culture that intensified the ferocity. Charles Sumner attacked President Grant with a contempt which even Tiliman could not feel for the atrong character of Theodore Roosevelt. Ros-coe Conkling assailed R. B. Hayes and James A. Garfield quite as bitterly an Tiliman has Roosevelt, though, of course, with a grammatical grandiloquence and a measured malignity quite his own. All of these attacks hurt the mer who made them and hurt not the men upon whom they were made. That should be the result this time. It is within the equities that it should be. A distinct gain to temperance of thought and speech is revealed by the revulsion from Tillman's violation of both. He has relapsed, but the Senate has much improved. That is the advance to be noted and applanded. Time was when the Senate would not have lacked a small minority to abet any verbal brutality against a Presi-dent. Many Senators deplored and dent. Many Senators deplored and pitied Tillman's fall, but none sympathized with him or shared or approved his

### THE SILVER LINING.

That unearthly din just beyond the orthern horizon is not the echoes of the Tacoma grand jury investigation. It is merely Seattle knocking the heads of her rival telephone companies together.

The masters and pilots of Puget Sound demand a new investigation of the naturalization frauds. They ought to be willing to do most anything to divert public attention from their testimony in the Valencia investigation.

To tell the honest truth, we believe that Mayor Lane wrote that poem for Harry Murphy, at least the last line, "Hurrah for us and right!"

Councilman Masters is not the only one who is "awfully tired." Wonder if it is one of the premonitory symptoms of "real humiliation"?

The penny-ante players for whom Sheriff Word makes life a horrid vision of police courts and prison bars should learn the seductive Oriental game of fantan. It seems to be a more stippery article when a police raid comes off. Judging from the changes worked by

the climate of South America on exotic diplomats, especially Northern-grown varieties, we risk the prediction that further botanical research will reveal that the common American life-insurance company. Cinchus Graftoribus, is a native of Venezuela, Bolivia or Ecuador. Chicago's new gas ordinance imposes

fine of from \$25 to \$300 on companies selfing poor gas. The enforcement of such a law in Portland would make municipal ownership of the present gas company's plant a dead cinch inside of a month. Mr. Harriman would have taken greater

pleasure in reading the Police Court story of Jim Hill's commitment to the Poor Farm if it had been the other Jim, For Mr. Balfour's sake let us hope that

the English tariff fence is not of the picket variety. From the erratic progress of the banner

of reform in Junction City it is to be inferred that the pathway of the standardbearer is not an asphalt pavement. Mr. Roosevelt and Senator Clark are

still friends. The Montana Senator did not ask the President to admire the architecture of his New York mansion. There was no chance for an argument over the art gallery.

Like the justly famous sauce of similar name, Mr. Wooster's testimony in the "Fads and Fancies" case is hot stuff. It adds a relish, even to a well-roasted Mann

The drummers who are making a crusade for clean sheets in Georgia hotels should realize that there are certain limitations. What is the landlord to do while the sheet is in the washtub, for example? Or if the extra sheet happens to be doing duty as a tablecloth? And, by the way would these high-toned gentlemen of the road prefer to sleep on the sheet first or start it on the road to the laundry at the breakfast table?

We don't know how Mr. Wallace feels about it, but most of us would rather have Secretary Taft let us off with a cussing. The Secretary is out of our class in a crushing contest.

Ghosts of early Christian martyrs who happened to be lingering about St. Symthe largest battleship in the world's phorien's Church in Parls, when the tax collector called, must have been reminded . . .

court displays a sadly deficient sense of humor. The tribute Ella Waeeler Wilcox

pays to the science of medicine gives us the impression that she has been to hear Sam Jones preach. The Annapolis hazing trials have been ordered suspended. The hazers will con-

order is extended in its application. A French bacteriologist announces that

sea water is a cure for all the ills that flesh is helr to. Captain Cousins evidently feared an overdose. Papa McCurdy says he is glad to be rid

of the cares incident to the presidency of the Mutual Life. The Mutual Life can heartily reciprocate.

A local paint shop is displaying a slab of material said to be a section of 1000 coats of paint applied at intervals during a period of 14 years. Some variety actress must have met with a mishap.

Jack London's campaign for free advertising is beginning to bear fruit. The Derby Neck, Conn., free library has withdrawn all his books from circulation and denounced him as an anarchist and a traiter to his country. Bully for the wooden nutmeg state!

The White House attic these days must bear a strong family resemblance to a pawn shop after a panic.

#### Mixed Intelligence. Bridgeville Tribune. Frequently typographical errors cree

into newspapers, and the result is often hûmorous, bringing forth many a laugh even on serious subjects. The Tribune has had more than its share of there blunders of late. Last week "we" got three items "all balled up" in the rush to get out the paper. The effect was startling, and if the Tribune had been had to be suddenly reversed. It was all caused by transporing a couple of lines of type. J. D. Curry, one of our most respected citizens, has been ill for some time with rheumatism. The Tribune made the startling statement that as a result of his sickness he had given birth to a II-pound boy. As a matter of fact that boy belonged over in the home of Samuel

In the item relating to the birth of Mr. and Mrs. Cox's 12-pound, boy the Tribune said it happened "while the whistle blew." Now, of course, it is possible that a whistle was blowing at the time, but we doubt it. That line referring to the whistle blowing should have been under the item about Riley carying the dynamite. The Tribune sincerely regrets the

# Behind the Times.

Pittsburg Dispatch.
The Berlin Street Railway Company. which has a monopoly of the traction lines in the German capital, is capital-ized at but \$25,000,000. This is enough to make the average American traction magnates weep for the ignorance of his German colleagues. They do not seem to have grasped the first idea of street rallway management over there.

### THE PRESIDENT'S WAY.

New York Tribune. There is probably no other man who has President Roosevelt's accurate knowledge of the political conditions in all our states and territories. He

gets his information at first hand from men who are doing things the country over. Whenever a new factor appears on the horizon in any section the President takes early oportunities of ascertaining just who and what he is. In this process of acquiring information and studying men and affairs the President shows no prejudice and plays no favorites. If there are factions in a state, representatives of each are

honored by an invitation to meet and talk with him. These invitations do not, and should

not suggest partiality, nor do they give any clew to the President's personal feelings, as must be apparent to all who study understandingly the list of White House callers for a week or more. Nevertheless, there are people who read into such incidents all kinds of meanings. An illustration of this has been given recently in New Jersey. The President had heard a good deal about Senator Colby, but had never met him until a friend of both arranged for an invitation to luncheon at the White House. That started the politi-cians, experts as well as amateurs, guessing as to what it all meant. Could it be possible that the President was going to throw down the regular organization and cast his influence and power on the side of the Colbyites? While the conundrum was still in circulation Mayor Fagan and George L. Record, of Jersy City, appeared as White House guests. As they are affiliated with the reform wing, of which Senator Colby is the official leader, the wiseacres had no further doubt about the President's intention

to project his personality into the mael-strom of New Jersey politics.

The next act in this little comedy came when Governor Stokes, accom-panied by Senator Dryden, called at the White House by invitation. As they represent the regular organization Re-publicans, the prophets and sons of prophets immediately perceived a prophets immediately perceived a change of heart on the President's part. These speculations, guesses and assertions are, of course, the veriest nonsense. President Rooseveit's position is that if a good Republican who wants to meet and know the men of "light and leading," whather or not they are and leading," whether or not they see eye to eye with him on public ques-

#### Title Won Before Breakfast. World's Work.

Ven Bulow became a Prince in a sud-den and curious manner. When the Mo-roccan controversy had continued two months, it still seemed that German; might emerge from the dispute with scanty success. In this controversy, Von Bulow's diplomatic skill had been pitted against that of M Delcusse, the talented statesman who had directed the foreign affairs of France with conspicuous success for seven years. Von Bulow, however worked with great dexterity, until he contrived suddenly to bring about Del-casse's dramatic defeat. His retirement into private life followed. When Europe up one morning to learn that phile Delcasse had quitted office, it could hardly believe the report. At sunrise a special messenger was sent to the imperial palace with the news. The Kaiser overjoyed, rose, dressed quickly, and drove to the Chancellor's official residence. Extending his hand impulsively, he said: "Prince von Bulow, I congratu-late you on your success." Von Bulow healtated and looked questioningly at the Kalser, who added: "I have created you a Prince as a token of my gratitude for your services to my dynasty and the em-

# Good Deal of a Bore.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat. We are getting rather tired of the orth pole. It has been overdone. Time was when we were intensely curious to know about it, and thought posts are carried. The main town is forced to surrender. The most edifying speciable of all is the skurrying to cover of the respectable establishments.

The Chicago court finds Commissioner Commercial value, but now it is quite to you?" We are all of one family, and that has been in the English navy. Her cover of the respectable establishments.

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# Case of Mistaken Identity.

Hartford (Conn.) Courant. The ease with which mistakes in the identification of persons may be made was Illustrated in a case which has just been decided in New York. A letter-carrier was arrested charged with passing a check that had been stolen from the malland the indorsement forged. A business man and three women in his employ Mentified the letter-carrier as the man who passed the check. As a matter of fact, the carrier was attending a funeral at the hour when, according to the sworn testimony of four people, he entered a store and passed a check. Fortunately for him, he was able to prove this beyond a possibility of doubt. Otherwise he would probably have been convicted and sent to the penitentiary. As it was, he sued the merchant for false arrest and got a judg-ment against him for \$3500.

#### Military Postage Stamps. Chicago Journal.

The latest new postage stamps are a de-cided novelty. Issued in Italy, they are reserved for franking the correspondence of the noncommissioned officers and men of the Italian army. There are different stamps for various corps and regiments, and consequently a large number of de-signs. For instance, on the stamp as-signed to one regiment is the portrait of its Colonel, on another a representation of a court-martial and on others views of the cities where particular corps are stathe cities where particular corps are sta-tioned, while on the stamp specially re-served for the Bersaglieri appear a few notes of music—those of the first bar of their farnous refrain. None of these stamps will be offered for sale by the authorities, nor should they be sold by soldiers, and collectors will doubtless ex-perience some difficulty in obtaining un-used specimens.

# Strolling With Jim McPhoys.

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Says I to stolld Jim McPhors. As down the path we strode "How often when you and me was been We tramped this dusty road!
How sweet them boyhood walks was, Jim!"
"We never took no walks," says him.

"And oh." says I, "the happy talks We had in them old days! How brisk we chatted on them walks Which now seems faraways.
You recollect them talks, hey. Jim?"
"We never had no talks," says him.

"Ere, 'ere," says I, "you can't forget That cool and shady spo Aside the spring, where oft we set When you and me was hot?". A queer look come to me from Jim; We never set nowheres," says him

Quit puttin' on them airs:
What's makin' we two hit this pine
Except to set somewheren?"
"I thought," says Jim, with some surprise,
"Twas just to get the exercise."
—Richmond (Va.) Times-Dispatch.

### SOME THINGS IN THE OREGONIAN

TOMORROW First and best, the most comprehensive telegraphic news service by the Associated Press and special correspondents, of any Pacific Coast newspaper; then the customary de partments, and the best features that can be bought:

#### ABRAHAM LINCOLN. SAVIOR OF THE UNION

Epitome of the life of the great emancipator and brief estimates of his character by American and European statesmen, soldlers, historiang and poets together with an article by Judge George H. Williams on the famous Lincoln-Doug-

#### DOES THE STAGE HELP THE WORLD?

Sarah Bernhardt, the greatest livng actress, says yes; Rev. Reuben ing actress, says yes; Rev. Reuber A. Torrey, successor to Evangelist Moody, says no. Two written state-ments holding diametrically oppo-site opinions, each expressed with vigor, clearness and force,

#### FOR BETTERMENT OF SOCIAL CONDITIONS

What the People's Institute Club at Fourth and Burnside streets is ac-complishing for the "North End" in the way of manual training and domestic industry: Illustrated with photographic half-tones showing the various classes.

#### SAINT'S DAY THAT CUPID STOLE

St. Valentine was an early martyr and died for the church. How its observance was changed from religious to secular is told entertain-ingly, accompanied by pictures of Cupid as conceived by noted artists.

### JAPANESE CHILDREN

LEARNING ENGLISH Annie Laura Miller, daughter of Consul Henry B. Miller, writes from Tokohama about model children in modern schools who devote about one-fourth of their hours to ac-

outring English; well illustrated.

#### SPIRITUALISTS OF TWO DIFFERENT KINDS

... B. Wells writes of the stereoand of genuine seekers after psy-chic knowledge. In the latter class he gives names of 40 distinguished vers who are open-minded and waiting for further proof.

#### VALENTINE FOR THREE

A readable, kindly story by Louise Lexington, involving an orphan girl who serves as an active agency in

#### AT THE COUNTY FAIR Pictures and text of the sixth installment are funnier than any of

THE "ROOSEVELT BEARS"

the preceding chapters. The two Teddles wind up a most exciting day with a balloon ascension. INDIA ONE OF THE WORLD'S GREAT SHOW PLACES

#### Frederic J. Haskin writes from Bombay about the unrivated works of Nature and the unequaled crea-tions of man: the wild waste of

wealth on worthless things.

DIPLOMATS EXCITED BY TEMPEST IN TEAPOT Alice Roosevelt's wedding could not come off without some heartnot come off without some neart-burnings. The society correspond-ent of The Oregonian in Washing-ton this week describes the tem-pest in a teapot caused by the fall-ure of Baron Hengelmueller, the Austrian Ambassador to invite the Ministers Plenipotentiary and En-toys Extraordinary to contribute with the Ambassadors toward a

### wedding present for Miss Roose "IS THE PRESIDENT A BOSS?"

BY LINCOLN STEFFENS Lincoln Steffen's studies in govern ment have won him an internati His invest are fearless and unprejudiced and his style clear and brilliant. He has already contributed studies as to the way the House and Senate respond to the nation's will; he announces his topic for tomorrow. "The President as Boss," in which nounces his topic he will describe how an American President who wants to do things

#### is forced to act. UPWARD STEPS OF A THIRD

OF CENTURY Mrs. Abigail Scott Duniway, a ploneer in the equal suffrage move ment, although unable to attend the National Woman's Suffrage Convention, sent an address which was read before the convention by Mrs. W. P. Olds. This will be published in full tomorrow, and is an interesting account of the equal

### suffrage campaign in Oregon. NEW YORK AUDIENCES AS

VIEWED BY A CRITIC Emilie Frances Bauer in her New York letter describes a typical top-gallery theater audience attracted to one of Mrs. Leslie Carter's productions. She also touches in her letter upon a topic in which Misa Bauer is much interested—the strange case of a New York singer who was supposedly called back to life by Dr. John D. Quackenbos, a well-known practitioner in thera-peutic suggestion. This case has aroused much discussion in New

#### CALIFORNIA RACING AND PRIZEFIGHT NEWS

San Francisco is now seeing its greatest racing season nearing its conclusion. There are three big conclusion. There are three big stake events yet to be run, the Derby, the Waterhouse cup at two miles and a quarter, and the Thorn-ton stakes. Fred J. Hewitt, a wellknown sporting writer, in his week-ly letter gives the current gossip as to the starters and also discusses the developments in James Coff-roth's prizefight trust.

# TWO PAGES OF SPORTING

The Sunday Oregonian devotes two pages to the news of the sporting world, which is gathered by the Associated Press, special cor-respondents, and local writers. The National and local field is covered, and The Sunday gonian prints more legitimate sporting news than any other newspaper in the Northwest.

#### REVIEWS OF SOCIETY. MUSIC AND DRAMA

Two pages are devoted to the so-clety news of the week, with illustrations of prominent women who figure in the news of the week. Weddings, society events, announcements of engagements and coming society affairs are fully covered. Two pages, with Illustrations, are given to reviews of the attractions, and gossip of stage people. Musical happenings are also completely reported.

#### BUILDING AND REAL ESTATE REVIEW

The fact that Portland is in the midst of a marvelous development is made apparent each week by tate market and the building movement, which are exploited each week in the real estate department, to which a page with illustrations