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politics must deal with more and more exclusively in the future. We may therefore expect that argument, plain facts and pure reason will play a part increasingly important in the campaigns of the future.

MR. BOURNE'S NOMINATION

Jonathan Bourne, Jr., has been nominated by the Republicans of Oregon as their candidate for United States Senator. It was thought until yesterday that another had been successful.

The people of Oregon have elected, under the direct primary law, to choose through the machinery of the several political parties the nominee for United States Senator, as well as state, county and other officers.

Some months since Mr. Bourne undertook a campaign of education of the voters of Oregon as to the merits and exact terms of "Statehood No. 1," and incidentally to bring to public attention the fact that he was himself a candidate for United States Senator.

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REASON IN POLITICS

In this country there are three sources of influence which may be used in politics. The first is money and the second is personal loyalty. Both of these are dangerous to a pure democracy.

COMMERCIAL ASPECTS OF THE DISASTER

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It is unnecessary to say that most liberal treatment will be extended to the strikers by all of the financial and commercial interests on the Pacific Coast and throughout the United States.

The effect on Portland and other Pacific Coast cities cannot be serious. Several "fat years" have left the Pacific Northwest in an easy financial condition, where we can aid in helping our stricken neighbor over the crisis which now confronts her.

before they could arrange matters and secure collateral for meeting it. If the opening day is postponed until a sufficiency of funds can be massed to allay the fears of depositors, the uneasiness which culminates in financial panics will subside and no serious damage result.

OUR MURDERS

Mr. Andrew D. White is only one among many eminent authorities who tell us that America has more murders in proportion to its population than any other country.

The "fundamental law" or new constitution of Russia seems to be fully as "square" a deal for the people as the celebrated division of game between the white man and the Indian.

That needlessly large number of obstructionists who are making strenuous efforts to prevent the construction of the Panama Canal are offered a new argument by the San Francisco earthquake.

LOOKING FORWARD TO LONG STRIKE

Coalminers in the anthracite region approach the first of May with a feeling that a strike will be inaugurated at that time, which means eight months of idleness and its attendant anxieties and miseries for them.

The prospect is appalling to a world much larger than that composed of coalminers, their families and the operators. It has come to pass that coal, next to bread itself, is the staff of life.

Chicago had two eras—before the fire and after. For twenty years following 1871 the popular mind divided every historical event, great and small, into the two periods.

The new St. Mary's Hospital, at Astoria, to be dedicated next Sunday, is another monument to the elder church which has ever been the forefront in providing means to nurse the sick and bind up the world's wounds.

THE SILVER LINING

Honest hearts and honest men. Exist on earth today; But where they are, and who, and when we'll meet them, we can't say.

A truthful girl existed. On earth long ago, Successfully reared. The bent to flirt, you know; To catch one in this century your best brains you may rack.

Benevolent financial kings. There are, we do not doubt; A thief may be some other things. If you could find them out; You can't turn up a pluto who doesn't grip his sack.

A hard heart blights the world. Sympathy nourishes affection that makes life bearable. You usually have to hit an obstacle to know how fast you are going.

Weakness and duplicity are bad enough, but a knocker is the limit of evil. Whoso trieth to raise himself up using some one else as a footstool hath an insecure foundation.

The man who is hurt mortally remains silent. The vision sped. And left my brain to reel; Just now a girl! Then swift and whirl! She stepped on a banana peel!

The one who does the talking seldom does the work. If a scheme don't pay, get up and dust; Don't wait for some one to say you must.

Life is full of spotlights. If you have a good front, try to get in one. Advertise yourself, my son, but be sure that the goods will give satisfaction.

A threat is the most futile utterance a man can make. If it were not a bluff he would not make it—he would do something.

Spring Hints. To clean the stove—hire an Afro-American. To clean house—let it go till next year.

To make sure that your nose bushes with a forist. To provide against catching cold—take a dose of strychnine.

To cure hysterics—go to the vaudeville show; like cures like. How to move—look at your bank book and see if you have enough to buy a new outfit.

To get rid of the blues—draw yourself. To realize that your troubles are unimportant—go to San Francisco. To be misinformed—read the red-ink papers.

To stop the cheating of butcher and grocer—stop eating. To interfere with similar practices on the part of all tradespeople—stop living.

To get a good perspective on yourself—compare your own estimate of yourself with the general opinion held at the office. To do the best you can with an opportunity—drop it.

To gain relief from things that annoy you—lick your little brother or sass your wife. To be absolutely happy—you can't do it without a big, red automobile.

The Good Times of Graft. Boston Herald. The late Samuel H. Ashbridge had the distinction of being elected Mayor of Philadelphia by a plurality of 120,000, which was the greatest any candidate for the office ever received.

Indian Territory Humor. Kansas City Journal. A good story is told on John R. Thomas, of Muskogee, a well-known lawyer of that city, who was formerly Judge of the Western District.

DAVENPORT'S SAN FRANCISCO

Home Davenport in the N. Y. Evening Mail. The first city a boy sees, though he may be grown and upward, still he is impressed by the city he sees.

I went there in 1868. Held spellbound by awe of that beautiful bay through I rode up and down Market street, far out on Valencia, trying to find a place to alight.

These thoroughfares were crowded all the time with distinguished lawyers, great actors and actresses and famous athletes. The brightest newspaper men in the world walked along the sidewalks.

In later years, when skyscrapers arose, a tall building would stand majestically by a little old wooden building that had perhaps been there since the city was founded.

At clubs the witliest speakers joked off any serious attempt to get frightened over the rumbling sounds and the unsteady buildings.

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STRIKE THREATENS FRANCE

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LABOR REVOLT SCARES FRANCE

General Strike on May 1 Causes a Panic in Paris. PARIS, April 25.—The gravity of the strike movement throughout the country, which assumed alarming proportions last week during the height of the excitement caused by the San Francisco earthquake, has been improved, but the people have been wrought up to a state of apprehension concerning the imminence of a crisis May 1, when all the ranks of labor will make a gigantic eight-hour demonstration.

Whether this will be accompanied by violence and bloodshed is only conjectural, but the people are intensely alarmed and the authorities are adopting extreme military and police precautions. The garrison at Paris is expected to be rapidly strengthened, and it is believed that the army will be taken to the streets.

The labor organizations do not conceal the fact that it is their intention to make a supreme effort. These bodies are paralyzing the minds of capitalists and revolutionists, who counsel violence, but the responsible leaders insist that the movement has a pacific object similar to the American eight-hour day movement.

Some of the newspapers freely assert that the movement is the prelude of a revolution in which the proletariat intends to overthrow the existing regime. The alarmist rumors add to the real danger. Some of the reports picture the business and residential parts of Paris as about to be blockaded, the streets barricaded, and in brief, a veritable renewal of the Commune.

The strikes in the north, where 40,000 miners are still out, in Paris where the bakers' and bookbinders' and employes of the jewelry and paper trades are on strike; at Brest, where all branches of labor have voted for a general strike, and at other points, are merely a prelude to the national labor movement to be inaugurated May 1, when it is expected that the entire proletariat will quit for a day and perhaps for a longer period of time.

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WILL CONFINE PARIS WORKMEN TO OWN QUARTER OF CITY

PARIS, April 25.—According to a semi-official statement made by a high official of the Prefecture of Police today, the military and police are prepared to meet every eventuality, May 1. He said the police canvass shows that 50,000 men have stopped work, of which number the disorderly element does not exceed 20,000.

Against these can be massed 42,000 to 45,000 troops, namely, 20,000 infantry, 10,000 cavalry and 12,000 Russian Cossack Guards and police, with large additional reserves.

The police will endeavor to localize the manifestation to the Place de la République, which is the great labor center, the vicinity of the labor exchange. This will prevent the manifestation from gaining the center of Paris or getting west of the Prefecture of Police.

The police are convinced that there is no danger of lack of food supplies owing to the strike in the provision trades. They declare that the dealers in provisions are reaping a harvest by spreading alarmist reports. The police are in favor of closing the stores altogether.

In conclusion, the official of the Prefecture stated that the situation, while serious, does not warrant it being represented as a tragedy. The painters have decided to stop work May 1 and to remain out until granted an eight-hour day and a weekly holiday.

ROCK INJECTION TRIAL DELAYED

ROCKFORD, Ill., April 25.—The Dowling injunction proceedings were today postponed until next month.