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## Philadelphia, Pa .-- Ryan's Theater Ticket

#### PORTLAND, WEDNESDAY, OCT. 10, 1906

CHURCH AND STATE IN FRANCE. Further to illustrate the contention between the government of France and the Roman Catholic Church, we make use of an article in the latest number of the Outlook, which itself is a review of two articles from the French press; one on the conservative or reactionary, the other on the radical or liberal, side The new law requires every religious association in France to be registered as an "association cultuelle." The term itself jars the sensibilities of devout Catholic religionists, since in their eyes it lowers the claims and dignities of the church, and puts a great historic and divine institution on a level with other associations that have no such claims nor can rightly pretend to them,

The first of the articles from the French press, brought forward by the Outlook, is from La Croix,-as indicated by its name, an orthodox Catholic journal. It puts lts protest against the new law in the form of a dialogue between a country priest and one of his parishioners. The parishioner did not understand why the Pope should con-demn the law, since the French government only asked submission to the general law of association, whether secular or religious. The Outlook, translating, gives this as embodying the substance of the priest's reply: they accepted the gift of a farm or a field on condition that they should recognize no longer your paternal authority, that they should deny 11? Well, the government has, as its mem-bers acknowledge, loft the Pope, our father, our chief, cutatide its deliberations; it has even arranged matters so that the bishop, repre-senting the Pope, should not necessarily be chief of the particular "association culturelle." If I should accept this, my supreme chief would be no longer the Pope, it would be the Council of State. I would resemble a soldler condition that they should recognize no long Council of State. I would resemble a soldier who should say to his Colonel, "You are no who should say to his Colonel, "You are no longer my Colonel." Could the Pope admit that the Council of State, composed of politi-cians, and perhaps of Protestants and Free-masons, could be the court of last resort? No. The Pope in accepting such a law would destroy himself, for if the Pope is not the supreme chief in religious questions he is no longer the Pope. The other article appeared in La great achievement. The open air is Temps, characterized as "perhaps the good for players and lookers-on. The most reliable of all French journals." It is presented as the joint work of "a group of eminent Roman Catholics. priests, magistrates, academiciane and pens sometimes that the exquisite skil men of letters"-though the parts are of their practitioners almost disarms unsigned and may be the work of a sin- criticism. Baseball we can enjoy with gle hand. But since the Pope has condemned the law good Catholics would be cautious about expressing approval of it. These letters express surprise at the Pope's wholesale condemnation of idealists. No people thoroughly' ma-the law; for the church is not a govern-terialistic could find lasting pleasure in the law; for the church is not a government analogous to those of the world, a purely esthetic sport like baseball. "you, Most Holy Father, are and greater than your adversaries. You are the vicar of Jesus Christ. Your kingdom is a kingdom of peace, mercy and pardon." The authors of the article, the Outlook tells us, call the Pope's attention (for the article is addresse to him) to the practical advantages of the law, and to the moral and material distress that would result from its rejection by the church. Among these advantages are: The liberty of ecclesiastical nomination (or hishops) by the Pope, putting an end to the unholy alliance by which secular politics have counted for much hitherto in the nominations made by the state to the Pope for episcopal preferment, in return for which the state paid preferment, in return for which the state paid the ecclesiastical salarica. It now gradually alandons such payment. If the French hier-archy does not comply with the law requiring each church to be registered as an "associa-tion cultuelle, it loses the control of many million dollars worth of property and of many thousand churches. Furthermore, Catholicism itself will be diminished, while Frotestantism, by reason of its "associations cultuelles," al-ready constituted and enjoying the favor of the state, will speedily occupy some of the the state, will speedily occupy some of the positions of vantage which the Roman Cathpositions of variance which its round. Cath-olics would be compelled to abundon. The name "association cultuelle" certainly does not sound orthodox to Roman Catholics, but the liberais among them are ready to adopt it as defining their place under the law which applies to any religious body. From the standpoint of the priest, in aided by disturbed weather conditions the article in La Croix, the situation That is doubtless the reason for the exfor the church in France is a very embarrassing one. And his standpoint is late in August and early in September that of historical and dogmatic Roman Catholic Christianity. For the church, both in its historical and dogmatic institution; a sacerdotal and hierarchi- through August, or very near the end cal institution; it is of miraculous and of that month, and then wet rain will divine origin; it is, and ever has been. under divine guidance, and therefore troop home at once. They go to meet conferred in any of its forms, and very and thereby protected from error. To the equinox.

its sacred and historical claims. What tial storm theory. They are called by a result of this new departure in blg name-meteorologists. legislation is to be attempted in the know not so much. The ones who t is almost a safe prediction that the church, thrown upon voluntary support and receiving new strength through in- served facts, none the less. When the dependent spiritual zeal, will be vitalized, not weakened, by it For we think the people of France will adhere these learned men, whose conclusions to the policy of this new law of dis-association of church and state.

#### STREET IMPROVEMENT IN PORTLAND.

A relic of mossbackism in Portland is provision in the charter giving owners of two-thirds of the property on a thoroughfare power to prevent improvement of the street. It enables parsimonious persons and stingy estates to save themselves a few dollars at the expense of the city's progress. The sums saved do nobody any partic ular good; only afford spending i mone for fogy individuals and idle heirs oringing them no material benefits and holding back the advancement of themselves and the community.

The remonstrance power is used chiefly by possesors of large tracts of land, held either as cetates or for spe ulative purposes, or both. The individuals wish to "realize" the full worth of the land, not alone for today and tomorrow, but for years to come, but want their properties brought into high alues by improvement of other streets than their own. They wish to benefit from the progress of the city without sharing the cost. They are land drones and "mossbacks," and do more to hold back the enhancement of the city than

any other class of citizens. Improvement of streets is one of the most important subjects of charter en-actment in cities. It has been found in the best-improved cities that the city government should have power to make street improvements, whether abutting owners want them or not. Large owners naturally prefer to retard many improvements "for the future," when there shall be "more need" of them, intending, of course, to have them made call that interesting personage, 'some day" when not spending so known to the primitive Jews as Satan much money elsewhere. Parsimonious and he was the avowed enemy of Jeconservatism should be denied this hovah, the tribal delty of the Israelites. emonstrance privilege. Portland cannot afford to have its growth held back tem of communication with the spirit by poor streets. Its increasing commercial importance demands smooth, well-drained thoroughfares, Realizaion of big land values requires them Every piece of highly valuable land in Portland has been made immeasurably valuable by street improvement. Stinginess in this respect is short-sighted the Jewish hierarchy Jehovah's estaband injurious to the interests of the municipality as a whole.

#### BASEBALL.

Chicago wins both the major baseball pennants this year, that of the American and that of the National League. spirit realm must come through the em-This is an unheard-of distinction, Alissarles of Satan, or through the admost every one of the great cities of the East has flaunted one of the pennants; hitherto none has won both. The first game of the series to decide the championship of the world was won by the American League club.

The perennial popularity of baseball s one of the curiceities of our current history. Those who call the age degenerate and say that the taste for prize fights and football shows that we are lapsing into barbarism may grow cheerful over the wholly healthful passion for baseball. In this game there is no brutality; no exhibitions of craftiness; no subtle scheming. As far as human things can be, baseball is de cided by skill alone. A game is a contest fairly played between two teams perfect in physical condition, graceful ing in ac ment. The man in the field who calculates the trajectory of the lofty ball and receives it accurately in his hands as it approaches the earth is no mean mathematician. An old college president was once heard to recommend baseball to his boys because it improved their geometry. Most certainly it im proves their health, both physical and moral. There is no game which affords such an exhibition of pure beauty as baseball, beauty of motion and of skill. It is played, too, in circumstances of ideal charm. The enthusiastic audi-

mind as the habit of conversing with brought under the law of "associations them, who would derive the cause from cultuelles" is equivalent to dispute of another source. They deny the equinocthe other world; and the form of this converse seems to make little differ-Believing that an intelligent will Some

France will be, through which secular them know a great deal, while others has ordered human affairs, we should be obliged to conclude that occult government or regulation of the church, know the most are commonly those knowledge was forbidden to us, not be cannot be determined now or soon; but who profess to know the least. They cause we cannot attain it, but because behold their science in swaddling it drives us mad. Peculiarly suscepticlothes, yet a pretty big giant of obble to the disastrous effects of spirit converse is the mind of woman, though humble weather observer speaks of there are many men who go to wreck equinoctial cause of storms, oftentimes on the same shoal. It will, in fact, be a happy day for mankind when the are based on theory, say his are based on superstition. This puts him down whole field of the so-called supernatural has been analyzed and reduced unand out. It would be interesting to der the categories of the intelligible hear from Jim Thompkins, of Mount Some progress has been made in this direction by the psychologists, particu-Hood, the man who predicts a hard

Winter from an uncommonly large supply of acorns; also from a number authorities who foretell the weather, all the way from one week to one year ahead, merely by making observations on the goose bone, the squirrel's fur,

bird songs, the hardness of nutshells and the shadow of the groundhog. But, getting back to the equinox, it is a fact well established that schools repen about the time of the Autumn quinox and that young Johnny and Mary always feel the equinoctial force drawing them away from the beach

back home, a little while before. Johnny knows that about that time, also, he goes down to the store for a ew suit and must be more careful of his clothes thereafter. He feels, fur-thermore, that he must keep his hands and face cleaner. Oftentimes he dons his first pair of "long pants," and Mary dons her first long dress and puts up her hair. Their father puts in Winter fuel at \$4.50 a cord for wood and \$8.50 a ton for coal, and frequently must pay

for calcimining the walls, so that the family exchequer is at low ebb funds. All this is the effect of the equinox, nor has any meteorologist ever successfully disproved it

#### SPIRITISM.

Elder Snyder, in his statement last Sunday that the Bible imputes all comstrictly correct. The devil, as we now Was

Jehovah had established a regular sys world through the divinations of the priests in the temple; and naturally he yould use this when he had a message to deliver. Any other messages, fore, necessarily came from the devil or, at any rate, from some power hostile to Jehovah. With the downfall of lished method of communicating orders and predictions fell into disuse. The Christian church then assumed the function of delivering such messages as the Almighty wished the world to hear. and again the conclusion was natural that all other communications from the

versary himself. For this reason orthodox Christians reject such revelations as those of Joeph Smith and Mr. Dowie, as well as those of the spiritists. They reason that if any spirit had a message to ammunicate which was acceptable to the Lord it would come through the

stablished channel, that is, through the church. The rarity of messages from the spirit world cent through the church in modern times would seem to indicate either that the Delty was not such concerned with human affairs nowadays or that there was something wrong with the medium. Still, though the machinery has almost or quite ceased to work, the organized churches

slaim to be the only authorized trans-

larly by those who investigate the dark realms of hypnotism and thought transmission; but nothing whatever by the

#### devotees of the cults.

Residents of Irvington, Holladay Park Addition and other districts that suffered from a shortage of water last Summer will note with satisfaction the announcement that the new pipeline from the upper reservoir at Mount Tabor will be completed and the water turned on in a few weeks. Completion of this line was due three months ago, but from various causes, chiefly, it is said, the scarcity of labor, the contractors were unable to finish the work in the specified time. While the stress of the season, due to the large amount of water used for sprinkling lawns, over for the present, those who suffered annoyance from the delay to the pipeline will be gratified to learn that this annoyance will not be repeated next Summer.

## The number of rural free delivery

routes in operation October 1, as shown by a report of the Fourth Assistan Postmaster-General, at date was 36,566. with petitions pending for 2424 addi tional routes. The extension of postal privileges to rural districts thus shown is a credit to the intelligence of the American people and a compliment to the sagacity and energy with which the postal affairs of the Government are administered.

A correcction of a wide misunderstanding of Mr. Roosevelt's spelling re form is made editorially in the New York Times. The President's order has nothing to do with phonetic spelling. His simplified method is not an atom more phonetic than the common one. The misuse of the word "phonetic" characterize Mr. Roosevelt's spelling shows how little use we, as a nation, make of the dictionary.

The teacher who is sick, but is not permitted by her religious belief to admit that fact, is dangerous as a crank only through the nature of her indisposition. If her allment be diphtheria scarlet fever or any other malignant contagious disease, no amount of ophistry can construe her violation of the rights of others by appearing in the schoolroom into a personal or religious right.

Holty tolty! Emperor Bill is highly ndignant because a diary has been published which tells of the differences between himself and Bismarck, which caused the latter's retirement. Bill wants to know how it could have been published without his permission. am It," says Bill; "and everybody in Germany must ask me." We order these things differently in America.

German wire is driving American out of Australia by virtue of lower freight rates. Here is a lovely argument for a ship subsidy. Tax the people to help the steel trust meet German competition in Australia. Nothing could be people, they can perhaps be fooled into believing it is kind to them also.

#### PAUL AND THE ENDOR WOMAN Rev. Mr. Snyder Does Not Envy the "Latter's Defender.

FORTLAND, Oct. 9.—(To the Edi-tor.)—I have just read Mr. A.'s apol-ogy for spiritism in this morning's Oregonian. He thinks that "Paul was just the same kind-religiously speak-ing-of a human being as is Mr. Sny-der." Mr. Snyder does not taink that he deserves to be ranked as highly as the Apostle Paul. Of course, Mr. only intended to degrade the apo by ranking with him Mr. Snyder. evidently thinks that Elymas, the sorcerer, was more of a Christian than the Apostic Paul. Well, the record says that Paul rebuked Elymas, who

was forthwith smitten by blindness by the hand of the Lord. If the record is true, the Lord vindicated Paul and severely rebuked Elymas. Paul was not intolerant. He merely told Elymas what he thought of him, and the Lord ild the rest. Intolerance is the us of human methods of coercion to com

pel observance of some religiou dogma. This Paul did not attempt any more than we attempt to compe others to become Adventists, and ob serve the seventh-day Sabbath. All we do is to tell people what we think of them, and quote scripture to sustain our opinions. They can still go on and do just as they please, and we will still respect them as men, though we may radically differ with them It matters of religion. Christ himself, whose spirit of toleration Mr. A. recommends, once said to the Pharisees.

"Ye are of your father, the devil." Mr. A. refers to the presence of Moses and Elljah with Christ on the Mount of Transfiguration to prove that Sam Orr yard. Christ believed that "other spirits of so-called dead people could do like wise." Will Mr. A. give us the date of Elijah's death, and prove that Moses was not resurrected previous to his thera presence on the mount? Most children know that Elijah was translated to heaven without tasting death, and from Jude 3 we may reasonably infer that Moses had been previously resur-

Mr. A. promises to defend the woman of Endor as "a medium and an ideal character." Very well; we do not envy him his task. The 28th chapter of I Samuel contains the whole nar-rative of Saul's night scance with 'the woman of Endor. Verses 6 and reads thus: "And when Saul inquired of the Lord, the Lord answered him vandie three. Then Saul said, seek me not. . . . Then Saul sau, sees me a woman that hath a familiar spirit that I may go to her, and inquire of her." Saul did not consort with the woman of Endor until after he was rejected by the Lord. After the woman had described to Saul some sort of spirit manifestation purporting to be the dead Samuel, this spirit manifestation itself said to Saul: "Wherefore dost thou ask of me, seeing the Lord is departed from thee, and is become thine enemy?" This woman's charac-ter certainly needs defending, but but ose who defend her voluntarily class themselves with her, and with the rebellious and apostate king who with her after he was rejected sorted by the Lord.

#### GEORGE A. SNYDER.

#### of garden huckleberries grown by Z. T. ALWAYS THE WORK OF SATAN Views of the Average Adventist on the the berries and altogether the bush must have contained a full gallon of the lus-clous fruit. The berries greatly resemble Subject of Spiritism.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Oct. 8.-(To the Editor.)-I see in today's paper that the Rev. Snyder, of the Adventist faith has delivered himself on another of his per lodic attacks on modern spiritism or spir

itualism. For the Rev. Mr. Snyder I have a great respect as a man, and have lis-tened with pleasure to several of his ad-dresses on civic liberty, Sunday laws, etc., but on the question of spiritualism he is as narrow and prejudiced as any other member of the Adventist denomina

tion. His contention that modern spiritism is

of the devil is in strict accord with his (Snyder's) narrow theology. There is nothing the average Adventist minister blackberries in the Alsen Valley and of how on account of their great size and fine flavor somebody ought to preserve knows so little of and talks so much about as modern spiritualism. To him the Bible, according to Adventist inter-pretation, is the court of last resort, and, and put them on the market. Some why have seen them claim there is opportunity there for a big industry. The sweetness and the size of the berries are not the learning wisdom by experience, he sel-

#### THINGS DOING IN OREGON. Stoning a Cougar to Death.

Roseburg Review. J. B. Young and the three McClain brothers stoned a large cougar to death at Bristow Prairie, near Hazel Dell, Lane County, a few days ago. The men and their dogs fought the beast for over two nours before it was killed.

#### Yield on Young Apple Tree,

Cottage Grove Leader. W. A. Hartung bas a young Northern Spy apple tree that began bearing fruit this year. . Mr. Hartung allowed to imhad to prop all the limbs up carefully to hold up even that number, and he thinks he cut off fully 200 apples in order to pro-tect the tree. The growth of the fruit here this year has been tremendous.

### Hood River's Rival.

Medford Mail. Those who have Newtowns and Spitzmbergs aren't losing any sleep herding the wolf away from the door. Growers of fancy fruit of these two varieties can figure on "velvet" to the extent of at least a pair of plunks per box this fail. And why is all this thus? Quality, my boy, quality; that's all. Color, size, keep-ing quality, shipping quality, packing. That tells the story.

#### Oregon Pin Money.

Independence Enterprise. The Fishback family took the record at

op-picking this year. Mrs. J. L. Fish-ack and sons, Russell, William, Robert, Perle, Leonard and two daughters, Ina and Letta, earned \$550.15 picking in the Sam Orr yard. The family worked 18 days, averaging \$30 a day. The Fish-back family have picked in the Orr yard for a number of years, and there is no stuffing baskets or unclean picking with

#### Cause and Effect.

Athena Cor. East Oregonian. John Bell & Son are among the largest wheat growers in this neighborhood, and on they had burnner this Saturday they totaled 19,964 wheat.

## One of the largest checks ever drawn in Athena in payment for a crop of wheat, was written Tuesday by M. L. Watts, cashler for the Preston-Parton Milling

Company. It was in favor of J. Bell & Son, and was for the sum of \$23,983.83.

An Oregon Possibility,

Albany Herald, Here is a new one. From caseln, by a recently devised process, threads are made, long, strong and silky, with a beautiful lustre rivaling the product of the

slik worm. It seems that like coal tar, the milk pail offers great variety in its

Perhaps after a while a pall of skimme

the cow were fed on the mulberry the silk

worm would have to retire from business

Oregon Garden Huckleberry.

One of the most practical exhibits

shown at the Redmond fair was a plant

branches of the plant were londed with

nuckleberries in appearance, though they are larger and more solid. They are very

nsipld in taste however until put in

the form of preserves, when they become the equal in taste of the old-fashioned

"olallie" gathered from the mountain tons

by the klootchmans and peddled in town at the price of \$1 a gallon.

Evergreen Blackherries in Alsea.

McClay on his farm near Redmond.

list of possible manufactured produ

milk may be sent to the dressmaker

returned a handsome gown. Possibly

Boston Transcript.

To few Americans has been granted the privilege of a personal audience with the Sultan of Turkey, and to only one has come the opportunity of securing a draw-ing of the famous ruler as he is today. That one is Homer Davenport, the wellknown cartoonist, who recently arrived in Boston on the White Star liner Caponic. Efforts were made by the secret agents of the Sultan to locate and destroy this drawing, which Mr. Davenport produced from memory directly after his audience, but the arilist concealed the previous like-ness in a bale of hay and thus managed to convey it out of the Sultan's domains. Mr. Davenport's visit abroad had for its chief object the selection of some blooded Arab stock of horseflesh, for the purpose of establishing a stock farm in this coun-try, in which quest he had the companionhip of two men who were as ready as himself to "rough" it in the wilds of the Far East in the accomplishing of their purpose. They were Charles A. Moore, Jr., Yale., '03, a strapping big man, of athletic propensities, and Jack Thompson, who being something of a vegetarian, was left in charge of the stock of seven-teen blooded stallions and ten marce.

It was while arranging for the transfer of these horses from Arabia to the Medi-terranean that the cartoonist had his meeting with the Sultan and managed to secure a drawing of his features. Inas-much as all alleged photographs of the Sultan which have appeared in the last forty years have really been likenesses of the Sultan's brother, Mr. Davenport, is may be imagined, values his drawing highly, especially since it has become al-most certain that the life of the Sultan Corvallis Times. They tell of the thrift of everyreen will run its course within the next year

## Mother of 10 Children,

New York Mail. Mrs. Emma Shaplof, who is said to have been the mother of the largest family in New York State, died at her home in

#### Rescue of a Drowning Boy by a Coon Bay Capitalist.

North Bend Harbor. L. J. Simpson Wednesday morning saved little Willie Noble, a lad of 7 years, from drowning. It was a narrow escape for the boy, and Mr. Simp son himself was almost exhausted

when the rescue was made. Mr. Simpson was going out to Ten

GOOD DEED WELL DONE.

Mile that morning with County Judge Hall and Commissioner Anderson to view the new road. Pete Robinson's lew the new road. Pete Robinson's aunch and the launch Union were towscow between them, the Union in the lead. The scow had on being in the least the team of horses, board the wagon and team of horses. Mr. Noble, grandfather of the boy, and Mr. Cox, of Ten Mile, were also on

The boy had been playing, jumping from the hoats to the scow when, as they were entering the south end of the canal in ten feet of water there was a sudden splash. Mr. Simpson thought at first a dog had jumped overboard, but Robinson soon gave the

alarm. Mr. Simpson ripped the buttons off his vest as he started for the rear of the scow, and divested of hat, coat and vest no leaped into the water. Quick as he was the launches had gone thirty or forty yards beyond where the boy fell overboard. It was a

It was a race with death. Mr. Simp-son is a strong swimmer. He was making for the lad with all his might, He saw the boy sink once, twice and the third time. He had the spot marked and dived. It was gome time before he reappeared and those on board felt some anxiety for his safety. But when he did come to the surface Mr. Simpion had the boy in his arms. He swam towards the shore and was soon in shallow water. With the boy slung across his shoulder and the water pouring out of him he awalted the launches that were backing up.

The boy was all right in two hours and Mr. Simpson went on to Ten Mile with the party, wearing his wet clothes

## MADE A SKETCH OF THE SULTAN

Davenport Also Succeeded in Securing Seventeen Arab Stallions.

comes, not to reward some low trick, but to show appreciation of real and excitement is deeply moral, Much as one may deplore football and the less degenerate prizefight, it hapno apologies to an accusing conscience Our love for the National game con firms what Baron Speck von Sternberg has said of us, that we are at heart

ence affords inspiration; the applause

DOINGS OF THE EQUINOX. The equinox was a bit early with its is not as old as humanity. The two Portland storm this year, if that of cults differ not at all in their origin, September 13-14 was its doing. city usually has a blow of wind and a rise to great power and dominate mod-fall of rain about that time, or a bit ern civilization, while the other is humearlier, but occasionally it is followed by a storm nearer the equinox and then by several weeks of clear weather. I term "Satanic" is applied to it in re-proach by its more powerful rival;

At the equinoxes, September 22 and March 21, day and night are of equal length. The sun follows the line of the when Satan became a formidable com equator in his path around the earth. The sun's disc is just above the horizon at the north and the south poles. Just now Winter's dusk is falling on Manichaean heresy in Southern Europe the north pole and Summer's dawn is rising over the south pole.

Very severe storms have occurred about the time the sun is wont to cross the equator. The Gulf storm of two weeke ago is an example. Hongkong had a hurricane September 18. Portland was drenched with heavy rain September 13-14. A storm occurred in the English Channel October 2. The Galveston cyclone and tidal wave were on September 8, 1900, and the great tical power over human affairs is constorm in Samoa March 15, 1889.

The change from Summer to Autumr in the Pacific Northwest is always herodus of people from the sea beaches, the delegates. Beach residents have acquired a subconscious knowledge that early in September the sea resorts are to be claims, is attacked by the new law, and drenched by heavy rain. It matters alleged revelation from the world of its claims virtually denied. But the not if the rain is to be followed by clear spirits has ever imparted to mankind church is a law unto itself; it exists skies; instinct takes them back to their a single bit of useful knowledge. The by divine authority, and its law comes Winter home, like wild ducks seeking advancement which the human race from lips that pronounce the infallible Southern climes. That instinct tells has made has been achieved through The church is a supernatural them dry weather will probably last its own efforts, unalded by communicome.

mitters of intelligence between the world of spirite and that of living men. every denomination claims the DOWER o communicate with the Almighty through prayers and more or less elab orate incantations, and individuals in

all sects assert that they receive messages in return. This is a survival from the earliest In the primitive world each times. tribe had its local Delty who was in direct and frequent communication with the priesthood, or body of medicine men. Among the Jews this duty, or privilege, was confided to the Le vites; but in all other tribes there was a similar social group. It may be sus pected that the practice of spirit divination which, as Elder Snyder well says, the Bible utterly abhors, nothing less than an intrusion into the Hebrew world of religious practices from the outside. It is known that the

arly Israellies were somewhat prone to lapse from the worship of Jehovah and adopt the beliefs and ceremonies of "heathen" tribes. The reader who vishes to trace the progress of religion from its origin in the animistic cults o primitive men to the present time, will find a useful and accurate guide in Tylor's "Primitive Culture." He will learn from that work that in

nodern spiritism there is absolutely

nothing new. Both the orthodox, or occlesiastical, spiritism and the irreg-ular, or Satanic, present nothing that is not as old as humanity. The two This but one of them has had the fortune to

ble, persecuted and disrespectable. The though there has been more than on occasion in the history of the world petitor with Jehovah for the worship

of mankind. To illustrate this remark one need only recall the spread of the and the terrific and long-dublous strug gile of the Church of Rome to eradicate The Manichaeans were worshipera

of the devil, though they did not exclude the Christian delty from their pantheon. The difficulty in pursuing time appreciation of the duties and rethis subject lies in the fact that the names of the two beings are often interchanged and the deity which on nation names God is called Satan by others, and vice versa. So far as prac

cerned, Satan holds a high hand today. The case is guite similar to that be tween Croker and Mr. Low in New York politics. Mr. Low got the glory and bracs-band music, but Croker got Whether or not it is really a re

proach to spiritism that it is Satanic need not be decided here. It is much more to the point to observe that no

cations from spirits either great or small. It would be hard, therefore, to That is why they nearly all point out what benefit spiritism has

asy to enumerate evils. There is noth be regulated by the state and to be Yet there are learned men, plenty of ing, for example, so unsettling to the Whatever happens, Chicago wins,

The name of John F. Caples has stood for energy and public spirit in this ommunity for nearly forty TORTS. While according to Nature the effective period of his life is in the past, his many friends hope that he may recover from his present illness and remain in the enjoyment of the quiet pleasures of life for more years.

Howard Gould and Frank Gould and Anna Gould all seem to be having domestic troubles of their own; but there are sundry accommodating gentlemen who would be willing to take a chance at matrimony with Helen Gould.

Mr. Heney insists on postponing the emaining land-fraud trials till Decem-er. The defendants would take it more good-humoredly if Mr. Heney would permit them to name the particular December.

To say that a man has been hanged is regarded as rather coarse and vulgar nowadays. It would, however, he correct to say that his death was due to apnoea, superinduced by pendulous Illaqueation.

The San Francisco courts are finding in the insurance cases that "there is no evidence to justify the conclusion that the fire was caused by the earthquake." It must have been Mrs O'Leary's cow.

A small boy whose touching loyalty led the police yesterday to release his father from jail deserves a better father. It may be hoped that the father will strive now to deserve such a son.

Just to show his impartial attitude toward everything and everybody, Senator Balley offers his services to the State of Texas to prosecute the Standard Oil Company. What's the fee?

It is a pleasure to note that Hon. John D. Rockefeller has still his oldsponsibilities of an American citizen. He registered yesterday.

Mr. James J. Hill continues to be onsiderably exercised about what is going to happen along about 1950. Bu we scarcely think it will happen to him or to Mr. Harriman.

They are also having a dry and dusty Fall back in New York; but, udging from the activities of the candidates, there is no danger of the mud supply giving out.

Senator Beveridge says that even the Democracy "has good qualities." Is this a graceful acknowledgment or great discovery?

The very best that Mr. Hearst and Mr. Hughes seem to be able to do is to say something pleasant about them-

Referring to baseball championships that's the way Chicago likes to play it.

nance to answer his attacks by meet him in public discussion. The devil his explanation for everything wrong, and he cleverly dodges the texts of scripture which contradict his narrow views by fit. ting in the devil where he is needed ting in the devil where he is needed. Thus the interview between Saul and Samuel was a trick of the devil, who personated Samuel, though nowhere does the Bible say so. But, he argues, it must have been the devil, for Samuel as dead, and the dead know not any-

For the discoveries of modern research in mental science and phenomena con-nected with spiritualism, he has the groatest contempt, and the one answer-it is the work of the devil. It makes to be the work of the term of the main of the second secon devil and will be destroyed with the dev

If at the last. The limits of a newspaper letter are too small to reply to all the mistaken statements made in an address like the Rev. Mr. Snyder delivers at these times, but, if he or any other minister or lay man of his faith, will undertake a public discussion on the subject, I will supply someone for the spiritualist side who will ably defend that side, and those inter-ested may decide who has the best of it. D. E. LUNSPORD.

#### Sagacious Observations.

H. G. Wells presents in Harper' Weekly "An English View of An American Problem." It is a discourse on cor ruption in politics. He has some excellent observations. Here are some of them:

It seems to me that the political corru the thet plays so large a part in the Ameri-can problem is a natural and necessary un-derside to a purely middle-class organization of society for business. Nobody is left over definite to a pinery mitdeness or summarian of, society for business. Noboly is left over to watch the politician. And the exil is enor-mously aggravated by the complexities of the political machinery, by the methods of the Presidential election that gractically prescribes a ticket method of voling, and by the absence of any second ballots. Moreover, the passion of the simpler-minded Americans for aggres-sive legislation controlling private morality has made the control of the police a main source of party revenue and draged the sa-loon and brothel, essentially retiring though these institutions are, into politica. The con-stitution flee up political reform in the most extraordinary way; it was planned by devout republicans, equally arraid of a dictatrothip and the people; it does not so much distribute power as disperse it; the machinery falls readily into the hands of professional poli-ticians with no end to secure but their inticians with no end to secure but their im mediate profit, and is almost inaccessible to poor men who cannot make their incomes in

its working. Advance Funeral (Hearsed) Notes. Wall Street Summary.

They are now calling him Willie Ranilsodolph Hearst.

Hearst says he's not for Murphy. Maybe Murphy won't be for Hearst-at the

It now looks as if the people of New State would enjoy this election Hughesly.

The receiver is as bad as the thief. Murphy stole the nomination at Buffalo and Hearst accepted it.

A man may be rich enough to buy mination but too poor to buy a state

New York State is not for Socialism Preaching Socialism may win Socialistsit can't get the majority of the people,

Coney Island As a Barometer. New York Herald. City Engineer reports that Coney Island s sinking into the sea. Probably it is trying to get away from that Buffalo ticket.

only inducement. On the Ruble farm, for vines have grown with such thrift that 30 acres of fine bottom land has been literally taken by thom. The vines climb the small trees and the berries hang in great clusters like grapes, making a picture of great beauty. On another farm in the vicinity there are 25 acres literally gone to blackberries, and in this tract, as well as on the Ruble farm, practically the whole crop goes to waste. Here is another favorable to a cannery for Corvallis,

> A Quiniault Diana. Hoquiam Washingtonian. The story of a woman at Netarts, Or.

having killed a bear, is equaled, if not exceeded by Mrs. Anton Kistner, who resides at Quiniault Lake. Two weeks age Mr. Kistner, having business in Hoquiam, left his wife and young family alone at their lake home. One morning Mrs. Kist-ner beard the dogs barking, and soon found that they had something treed. She went to the house, setting a rifle, and proceeded to the tree, where the dogs were, when she expled a huge cougar or mountain llow upon a limb furiously lash-ing his tail. Nothing dainted, the in-trepid lady took a fine bead and fired, bringing the animal tumbling to the ground, when she soon dispatched it with another shot. After performing the feat of killing an animal which was the terror Mr. Kistner, having business in Hoquiam

f killing an animal which was the terror of the neighborhood, she proceeded to rid the beast of its hide, which measured seven feet four inches from tip to tip. The hide will be tanned and made into a rug. which it is hoped will long grace the home of this courageous Diana.

She was 44 venes old, and had borne 19 children, ten o whom-six boys and four girls-are living She was married in Austria I years She was married in Alsura 25 years ago, and came to this country five years later with her husband. The oldest of the children is Julius Shaplof, 24 years of age, who lives in Yonkers. The eighteenth child, now four years old, was haptized Theodore Roosevelt Shaplof. The third birthday of the young

Shaplof. The third birthday of the young-est, Arthur, occurred yesterday. Mrs. Shaplof is survived by her husband, who is also about 44 years old. There are three grandshildren living.

Wall Street Watching Secretary Taft,

New York Journal of Commerce. Wall street is sliently admiring the work of "Governor Taft." He is surely carving big way to the White House, Incidentally the President's handling of the situation is also heartily indors No one seems to dream of suggestin that Congress ought to have been con suited. It is a tribute to Presiden suggesting Roosevelt-and perhaps something else to Congress.

#### The Most Independent State. Washington Tin

New York, on the record of the figures, is now a Republican state. On the record of fact it is the least partisan state in the Enion. It is, in fact, the most independ-ent state. The leadership of a great met-ropolitan independent press has made it that way, so much that way, in fact, that nly votes against the advice of the press.

