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PORTLAND, THURSDAY, JAN. 17, 1907

The other day Mr. Tiliman delivered ne of those queer epeechee of his in the Senate which make good citizens side but his frenzied cruelty, his insensibility to civilized ethics, inclin

what of the young man in George Ade's "Fable" who journeyed from New York to yisit his cousin in Fos-toria, Or Nothing in Fostoria was sumptuous enough to satisfy him. Everything paled and dwindled before when later the cousin repaid the visit he found the haughty youth installed upon his perpetual theme of "social South Carolina aristocracy; one pictures him descended from a long line of the haughty gentry for centuries. After hearing him boast of his "caste" nd the "purity of his blood," and the iner clay" he is built of, one expects to learn that he is the son of at least "a hundred carla"

called "the poor white trash" of South Carolina. Before the war this parish caste, lowest of the low, was equally despised by the white gentry and by the negro slaves, Ignorant, indigent, indelent, utterly craves of spirit, they "finer clay" from which Mr. Tillman draws the princely blood that courses through his aristocratic veins. Of late years this element has gone into polltics and obtained control of the state. He is their choice for United States Senator, and entirely congruous he with the social class that supports h

When a man comes into power who has had to take kicke all his life and kies the boot that kicked him, what is his first impulse? Why, to find some-body that he can himself kick with safety. Mr. Tillman and the rest of the poor white trash of South Caro-lina stand just as much in awe of the genuine old aristocracy as they ever did, but the negroes are at their mercy; and all their imbruted qualities come out in their treatment of this dependent and helpless race.

Almost every part of Mr. Tillman's recent speech, indeed of all his speeches, justifies these strictures equally well, perhaps. He stands for lynch law, burning negro criminals at the stake, shooting down colored persons whom he dis-likes, and especially for holding the negroes in perpetual servitude. In his opinion, as expressed in the speech we refer to, it is a social crime to treat colored men, as we do others, according to their merits. The President stated in one of his messages that he was determined to deal with white and colored men on precisely the same principles. This excites Mr. Tillman's direct wrath. It stirs up in his fiery and aristocratic imagination dreadful visions of "social equality." From Mr. Roosevelt's pre-cept it would follow that if a negro has the same merit as a white man he should receive the same treatment poslightest acquaintance with society understands perfectly that "social equality" depends upon conditions, very remote from merit. Unfortunately Mr. Tillman has no such acquaintance; he therefore concludes from Mr. Roose-veit's remark that the President is cager to mingle in colored social cir-

daughter to a negro.

It is noteworthy that those Southerners who really know what "society" and "social standing" are have no such

social caste. It is an indiscretion so pleasing to their fancy that they are deed, the greater part of the talk we is a trifle vague. Well-informed perthing in existence as "pure Caucasian blood," and it is well that there is not. The best hope of America is in that mingling of races which always has gone on here and will continue for to produce a race which shall combine the best traits of every other, with the ter the inferior has been the victim. not the aggressor. If the whites desir to keep their race purity intact from the blacks, their wish is easily attained They have only to observe the seventh

WHERE HARMONY IS DESIRABLE. From Millard O. Lownedale's letters one is compelled to infer that he be-lieves the State Hortfcultural Society to be a body without fairness or justice. If the officers are unsuitable. Mr. Lownsdale can perform no higher service to the fruitgrowers of the state than to attack them upon the floor of the eoclety. If they are unfair not believe the this body of studious,

eclining to exhibit with the Horticul-ural Society "as at present officered" is a mistake. As a leading fruitgrower of the state it is his duty to exhibit not at a different time and place from others, but in open competition, that and that others may benefit from the example of his success. If the officers treat him unfairly the merits of his fruit will be the severest possible reproach to them. If they are united in a conspiracy against him there is no better way to convict them than by giving them every opportunity to exso intelligent as the members of the

Close union among the fruitgrowers of the state is desirable for many reasons. The destruction of pests, the problems of transportation and mar-kets, proper legislation, for example, demand united action; and to secure united action the fruitgrowers must have some official agency like the Hor-"holy," the society is necessary and should have the hearty support of every fruit man in the state. Mr. Lake may have all the demerits which Mr. Lownsdale ascribes to him, or he may not. In any case, the proper place to attack him and show up his sins is upon the floor of the society. Should all the fruit men whom Mr. Lownsdale believee to be dissatisfied with Mr. Lake join the society and vote against him, his term in the secretary's office would be very brief.

We have no desire to "crack a planwith Mr. Tillman. From his ravings commend to his prayerful meditation the suggestion that his course of coni obtain among the fruitgrowers of the state.

BUYING APPLES ON THEIR MERITS The bill introduced in the State Senate for the purpose of preventing the labeling of packages of agricultural products in such a manner as to mis-represent the facts concerning the place of their production is one to which no objection can be offered. Dif-ferent localities sometimes produce dif-ferent characteristics in fruit, as to flavor, texture or other qualities that difference in food value or in general merit, but if the fruit of one locality has a particular flavor which a pur-chaser desires, he should not be im-posed upon by a dealer who sells him fruit falsely branded.

Whether the apples of Hood River better or worse than those of the Willamette Valley, there is no reason why the product of one locality should be sold as the product of another. The bill now before the State Senate on this subject will, if it becomes a law, be of benefit to the Willamette Valley. This last year some 15,000 boxes of apples were shipped in boxes bearing the brand of a Hood River, packer. They were not expressly represented as Hood River apples, but an erroneous impression was given. If this sort of practice be stopped, it will be but a short time until there will be packinghouses in the Willamette Valley and that part of the state, will begin to make a reputation for itself. That is, assuming that an enterprising spirit can be aroused in Willamette Valley growers, who were so lacking in that spirit when the State Horticultural Society conducted a competitive exhibit in this city early this month. every apple hang by its own etem.

The clerkship abuse, concerning which there has been much discussion for many years, is not so much an in jury to the state on account of the amount of money that is thereby wasted as because of the spirit of ex-travagance it breeds. In employing clerks for whose services they have no need, and who, in many instances, are

LEGISLATIVE CLERKSHIP ABUSES.

incapable of doing work of any parti-ular value, the members of the Legilature commence a policy of disregard of public trust which it is not easy afterward to control. Surrounded by idle clerks, male and female, who draw salaries for labor they do not perform, the members forget the pledges of economy they made in the campaign and absorb the all-pervading spirit of

Comparatively speaking, the expense of clerk hire is not great. To have a sufficient number of competent clerks at reasonable compensation is, in fact, cies and possibly desires to marry his a measure of economy. The people did not send men to the Legislature to paste blis in books or to do the work of stenographers. They do not exect such service and would not be satisfied writhing boy who had become a murfear as Mr. Tillman expresses that the negroes will contaminate their "pure members of the Legislature to employ a host of clerks who are not needed."

fools as not to know when they are being robbed. They know that a memalways in dread of committing it. In- ber of the Legislature who will deliberately vote away \$10,000 on clerkship graft will, if it suits his purpose, vote unfaithful in small things cannot be

itself, but it is the beginning of a pol-Legislature employs men and women who sit around and do nothing most of the time, the people will retain their distrust of that body and continue to heave a sigh of relief when the session

The apparent purpose of Mr. Huntequality with his wealthy rival in the ace for office. It is not desirable that and rich here, as elsewhere, is difficult in the extreme. There is abundant pre-cedent in this and other countries for fixing a limit to the amount of money a candidate may spend in electioneer ing. Mr. Huntley's bill places it at 20 per cent in general, but permits legislative candidates to spend \$100. Or course, it is comparatively easy to vade provisions of this kind; still they With the forfeiture of office as a pen-

The bill permits each candidate to file a statement of his qualifications with the Secretary of State, who is to print as many as he receives in a pamphlet and mail a copy to every voter in the best interest of the public. Another section makes it unlawful for church and charity committees to continue to prey upon candidates, as their custom has been. When a man is running for value, and it is not credible that men to the exasperating solicitors he gains nothing; if he refuses their demands he makes enemies. It is well for the law can.

All this is very well; but why do Mr. Huntley attempt to make it unlaw-ful for an editor to sell his editorial space to a candidate? It is disgraceful, of course, for an editor to do such a est advertising in the newspapers is the least objectionable and the most effective way to electioneer. Purchased editorial opinion generally reveals itself by the unmistakable marks of ining to sell his opinions, perhaps the law may as well let him do so. In a short time they will ruin the

TURERCULOSIS AND SCHOOLS Legislature that is more than timely and is well worth heeding is that eachers in the public schools be reupon tuberculosis, its cause, communicability, methods of treatment and prevention. School boards generally sumption in a teacher as a bar to employment in the schools. This is a long step in advance of the time when, the disease not being known to be communicable, men and women suffering from it even in a somewhat advanced of which the germs of this dreaded disease, sown unconsciously by the teacher, were carried.

This source of contagion or com-

municability has, however, been removed; good health is now considered essential to good teaching and to contact with children in warm often overcrowded rooms. The next step toward checking the advance of tuberculosis in the community is through the systematic and general dissemination of knowledge relative to its cause, prevention, treatment and plan that, if followed, will provide for start a campaign of celerity? necessary enlightenment in the homes of the land. The task imposed uport teachers would not be a difficult one. A textbook containing the necessary instruction, succinctly set forth by a physician who has made a study the disease from its subtle incipier on through the several stages of its progress, would be required, and proficiency in the knowledge that the book contained would become a part of the teacher's equipment,

The "woeful ignorance" that exists concerning the nature of tuberculosis and its various forms and phases, all leading, if unchecked, to the same result, is a matter beyond dispute. There is but one way to dispel this ignorance, and that is through patient, careful, in telligent dissemination of the knowl edge among the masees, which now belongs to the few. As tersely stated by Governor Chamberlain, "to educate the children of the public schools upon this subject is to educate the home." His suggestion, if acted upon by legislative provision and later by the State Board of Education, will provide a simple and effective means of arresting the progthe scourge of the world, the despair of medical science and the shuddering dread of myriads whose inherited physical tendencies furnish good

A figure in the trial of Chester Thompson that is scarcely less painful to contemplate than that of the mie-guided prisoner himself is the young girl with whom the boy was so deeply derer through what is claimed to be mental unbalance, induced or emphaof this calamity almost suggests that The people are not niggardly in their be variously construed. To some it the negro question, the Senate will be marriage with a negress offers some attitude toward the expenditure of will betoken the heartless coquette, sure to hear some language.

nocent of intent to enliet the affections tee. Though called by the state, Miss Any one lacking pity for the youthfu murderer before must have felt a twinge of divine compassion at his evi-dent writing under the cool gaze of the witness which he felt but did not

In his primary campaign for the nomination for the office of State Printer W. S. Duniway exposed certain methwere elected. The people took him at his word. One of the evils he promised years. At the opening of the session Duniway has offered to carry out this known and popular, was not nominated y was too large to be thus accounted He made a campaign against graft such as no other man has made in Oregon, and it was upon this that he won. He made promises in writing Fortunately for him, he stands ready to cut out the grafts as pointed out in the campaign literature. When the people elected .him they indorsed his plan of reform and they expect him to carry it out. They will look at the ex-pense bills for state printing during his

The legislator who frames a lay which, being faithfully executed, will compel recreant husbands and irresponsible fathers to support their wives County Judge of Multnomah County ily and decamps, leaving the burde upon the wife to bear if she can, an upon the county to carry if it must. is safe to say that the public, long imposed upon by delinquents of this type, apon the county rockpile, and divert their earnings, assessed at a reasonable rate, to the support of their deserted

on Legislature a resolution for the taxation. The resolution should be can be no doubt as to the result. A small exemption in favor of every householder would to some extent encourage the the burden upon small property-owners and shift it in a proportionate degree recognized as valid in Oregon, but was recently declared unconstitutional by

Dr. J. B. Beatty, Secretary of the Itah State Board of Health, recomnow in session, the pasasge of a bill to prevent the marriage of persons menis good as far as it goes. It will probably become a law, in which case supplemental legicistion making the obje-contemplated effective will follow i due time. The offspring of the mentally defective, born out of wedlock, would be quite as undesirable to the state as those born in wedlock.

The desire of the weather forecaste for this district seems to have warped its meteorological judgment. The rise cinity." promised or prognosticated three days ago, is sadly behind time. In the meantime, the plumber smiles in anticipation of a rich harvest when the thaw sets in, and the fuel dealer reaps his harvest from day to day as he sits in his cosy office and takes orders for wood and coal at constantly advancing prices.

James J. Hill's remedy for the present shortage. His opinion and the facts do not agree, but to stop universal clamor why not provide more cars and then When the majority of the Republican party last April voted for Willis Duni-

way it had faith in his promise of reform. It takes grit in a politician to turn down a matter of \$10,000 profit. It med to be called graft. The committee on counties will be an important one at this session of the Legislature, if all the proposed county

division bills should be introduced and the legislative apportionment bill goes to the same committee. It would appear that what Spokane really wants just now is to get the In-

terstate Commerce Commission to make good the promises of Mr. Jim Hill to a druggist, a hotel man and a gro-The lady who would be but isn't a clerk can get even by declaring her opinion that the member from her county is not so much of a statesman.

. As viewed from this distance, Senator Guggenheim's toga seems a misfit, Besides, the gold lace trimming will always be subject to adverse criticism.

after all.

Missing-One water wagon, last eard of between January 1 and January 7. Finder will please return to Father Time before January 1, 1908. Public-service corporations are sched-uled for some rough sledding at Salem the next few weeks, and not a few

Indications point to a very active season for the Third House at Salem, with unusually large business in sight.

When Tillman replies to Spooner on

Royal Ladies.

New York Sun.
John Barrett is a born di
has distributed tact f Argentina to Corea and from Panama to Siberia. He combines the Latin dexterity try of Eastern Siberia or communicating eloquence. But we love him best as a model of graceful tact, of restraint and the Daughters of the American Revolu-Barrett faced the daughters bravely, told them about the full hands of queens that mould of tact. Let us hurry to meet the royal women that have met the Hon. John Barrett. There was great surprise was not the hardened face I expected to see," says Mr. Barrett. Whatever be whom the Chinese poets call the Son of the Wind. The Empress and Mr. Barrett had a nice talk. Mr. Barrett made it so. The Queen of Siam must be several n diameters more intelligent

convergation") sitting beside her at the like that? Proud as Mr. Barrett is of his pupil, he doesn't palliate her faults: There is a French delicacy, an inimi-

table refinement in this diplomatic critiism. In her native contume the lady le mbiguous and embarrassing: In her native dress it is hard to tell her and the King apart. Women here would That is a warm country, and not so many of these outlandish folks. The next picture on the slide is Japan:

My only regret about the En tume, which is much less becoming than the native dress. She is much more innecessary salutations he appears bored and to wish you well away.

make allowance for the Emperor, who was not bored, but embarrassed. A feeling creditable to the Emperor's modes. The Empress heard a good long talk fr Mr. Barrett one morning. The interpreter wanted "to shut it off," but "I

Nobody can read the Hon, John Barthat this accomplished and wonderful man were director of the bureau of

WHAT ARE WE COMING TO!

PORTLAND, Or., Jan. 16 .- (To the Editor.)—I note in the daily press that one Dr. McGer, a recipient of the bounty of J. D. Rocketeller in the matter of church donations, has become enthusiastic about his benefactor and gone into the prediction business. He says that Mr. Rockefeller is "a type of the American of tomorrow," representing the highest form of "the incarnation of concentrated effort." whatever that may mean. I have also been pondering over a statement recently made by Protessor Lombroso, the distinguished Italian criminolo-

gist, who after carefully studying Mr. the malady of greed; that his malady is extremely dangerous and highly contagi-ous; that for the best interests of human-ity he should be confined separate and apart from the balance of his fellows."

Now, assuming that Dr. McGee is correct and that Rockefeller is "a type of the American of tomorrow," and, second-ly, that Professor Lombroso is also correct in his diagnosis of Mr. Rockefeller, would it not be wise for the unaffected portion of our people to take to the Weyerhauseran woods before the infection comes general?

fenator On Board Makes Different Washington (D. C.) Herald. It is generally agreed among occ pauts of the galleries at the Capitol that the most polite and accommodating member of the Senate is Mr. Pettus, of Alabama, aged \$5. One of the most rigld rules pertaining to the running of the elevators at the Senate wing is that when a Senator is a passenger the car must not be stopped except when it arrives at the floor to which the Senatorial occupant desires to be carried. Whenever Senator Pet-tus enters one of the elevators he is carreful to legulice of the conductor where the other occupants desire to be taken, and then instructs that obeisant functionary not to bother about him but let the other passengers off at their floors just as though no member of the Senate were among his passengers. Frequently it nappens that when other Senators are abourd an elevator the car is kept bebbing up and down between the floors for several minutes before the ordinary passengers can be landed at their destination.

PORTLAND, Or., Jan. 15 .- (To the Editor.)-I wish to make an appeal for the birds during this unusual weather, we their food supply is almost entirely off and they have no warmth by w to warm their feet.

To save the birds means to save the farmers their crops. The birds that make a business of picking the larva from bark, etc., will thank you with a song if you will tie a piece of suet firmly to a limb out of reach of the cat-any meat not saited will do. Sust is the more preferable, for it does not freeze easily. Bread crumbs are always acceptable when not frozen hard. By all means keep water ready in tins, for birds must drink, and they like their bath even in the coldest weather. Both country and city folk can do this. The farmer who will throw out some haymow sweepings each day share his prosperity of 1906 by scatter even one-tenth of one per cent of grain on the edge of the woodlands, will be doing a work of charity now almost overlooked. ROSS NICHOLAS.

in With Horticultural Society. LA FAYETTE, Or., Jan. 16 — (To the Editor.)—Is the editor of The Oregonian asieep? So soundly sleeping that he has not read his own columns? Your editorial, "Is the Valley Asleep?" read or had given heed to your own growers to take part in a competition under the control of the State Hortifore and after the display in which Valley growers showed their that time, without going in circumstances would I become a memment than that of a society whose ex ecutive officer (one who practically conducts the society) was already for this prejudice has been publicly reticultural Society as long as Mr. Lake is its secretary or controls its affairs. Let Mr. Lake step aside from the man-agement and the manipulation of the

State Society, and you will see how quickly there will be a representationed a very extensive one, from the etitions of that society. Please give us credit for having reasons for our ley do not relish having the plantation whip of some vituperative accretive or even of the editor of The Oregonian, cracked about our ears, and be told to dance, whether we wish to do so or not. At our own proper time, and

that you (forgetting your previous comments) so vaguely hint at in your open to every fruitgrower of the state. But no amount of hectoring will change our plans, for we will not be driven, and are ready at any moment to strike back when we are publicly attacked. M. O. LOWNSDALE.

PORTLAND, Jan. 15.—(To the Editor.)—The view taken by our City Council that this city should have a the Union that has been without chief of police for two years, and that the reason why the police department is in such a bad condition.

As a citizen and a taxpayer I object o any appropriation being made for he salary of chief of police until a egular chief is appointed. Neither hould any salaries be paid Captains Bruin and Slover, as the court has decided that the examination and ap-pointment of those officers were lite-gal. If may also be asked if salaries should be increased in the police department or any other department before the Supreme Court has decided if the city could not earn \$50 own resources. To pay such men \$100 or even \$30 a month is certainly a waste of the taxpayers money. W. L. JONES.

WALLA WALLA, Wash, Jan. 13.— (To the Editor.)—It may be that John F. Logan is honest in believing as he asserts, that anti-railroad pass legis latton is all bosh. The people are almost to a man op posed to this granting of special privi ileges to snyone, much less a public servant If Mr Logan succeeds in having his proposed bill made a law he will not only make himself unpopniar, but the Legislature that dares to

If the representatives of the people at the Legislature do not think they are properly compensated for their in bors the people would rather that they able manner rather than they should grant to railroads and corporation special privileges. It would be cheape for us to pay in cash and not place for us to pay in chish and not place ourselves under obligation to any person or set of persons. A PLAIN THINKING VOTER.

Why the Valley Growers Will Not Go Proposed Remedy of Abuses in Rail-

PORTLAND, Or, Jan 15.-(To Editor.)-Some three or four 3 ago, the writer had occasion inquire into the methods of disnosal of lands held by transconmatters, because of the withdrawal of desirable lands from the market.

It was never intended by Congress that anything in the land grant acts should be road' in any manner other than a trustes lands. Neither was it intended that such acts should be the basis of larg-land heidings by corporate interests. For had such been the case, there would now be no cause for suits at law because of parties were able to pay the price asked

sum represents the true value of the lands. The price is made as inconsiderable as possible, in order to induce settle ment and encourage development of new territories for the prevention of conges-

along their rights of way, the money from the sale of the lands otherwise collectable by the United States land office to accrue to the saltroad companies as a bonus for the construction of the

Any construction of these acts which would make it possible for a railroad twithhold the lands, or to realize a large sum from the sale thereof, is in direct violation with the letter and spirit of

It is doubtful, however, to the writer's of the grant laws, could be made to

mphasizing the maximum sum for which United States. He would further propose traffic and other immediate needs.

than that stated in the act authorizroad. And since the railroad companies have of their own free will violated im-plied obligations in their refusal to dispose of these lands except as they saw fit, claims for interest against the ap-parently invested capital of \$2.50 per acre can neither reasonably nor justly

Such a measure would remove any inthe unearned increment. Moreover, it would rather induce the railroad to a once throw these lands open to settle ment, as, since it could then not profi by a continued withholding of the same immediate returns from increased traffic would be at once sought for. This, the exact condition would obtain that was intended in the original act.
LOUIS G. MAYER.

PORTLAND, Jan. 15.—(To the E.)—The law that snow and should be removed from the sidewalks is certainly a dead letter here. It is a pity that such a good law is not enforced, as the snow on aldewalks is a great inconvenience to pedestrians. a month if they were thrown on their | Can a person who does not comply with so very important ordinance good citizens and worthy of our support? The writer thinks that they are no good. ALBERT JOHNSON.

NEWSPAPER WAIPS.

"I's chartrable enough to believe said larie Ebon, 'dat mistakes is boun to have en. But some folks do have a way of burryin' 'em."-Washington Star. Tommy - "Pop, why do people put pennie in the collection plate?" Tommy's Pop-"Because there are no smaller coins, my

on."-Philadelphia Record.

"She blushed when I perused her counte-nance." "What of that? It is no more than natural when a woman sees her coun-tenance is perused for her face to get red." "Haltimore American. "I'm not going near that restaurant

again." "Why not?" "Some fool took my umbrella and left his in its place." "But you might run access him." "That's the trouble. I don't want to. I've got the best umbrella."-Milwankee Sentinel.

Miss Passay—"The idea of her saying I didn't look more than 40!" Miss Pepprey—"But she didn't say that." Miss Passay—"No? Then I misunder—" Miss Pepprey-"Yes, she said you acted as if you thought you didn't look more than 40."

NO ARGUMENT ABOUT THIS



TO AVOID FURTHER ROWS IN CONGRESS OVER MEMBERS NOT BEING AT WORK, WHY NOT ADOPT SOMETHING LIKE THIS!