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WRITTEN AND UNWBITTEN.

According to the report of his last Sunday night's sermon, Dr. C. T. Wilson, among other things, said this: "A sovernment by unwritten law is a suggestion of terror to some people. They look at you in holy horror at the thought of sanctioning the punishment of crime by a law that is unwritten, not knowing that Blackstone defines the common law of England to be those unwritten principles of justice which have existed back to the time when the memory of man runneth not to the contrary." We think that in these remarks Dr. Wilson has fallen into grievous error. For one thing, he is entirely wrong in saying that a government by unwritten law terrifies people. Whether a law is written down or not matters little. If it can be transmitted and applied securely without reduction to writing, well and good. Nobody will object. The thing that Dr. Wilson advocates and defends in his remarkable sermon certainly has aspects of terror. The terror arises, however, not from the fact that it is unwritten, but from the fact that it is not law.

The plain truth is that the word "law" has no application whatever to the course of conduct which Dr. Wilson and others no less eminent than he sanction in their public discourses. What they argue for is the absence of law, the abolishment of that restraint which compels every individual to turn his cause over to society for adjudi-They would have each person act as judge and executioner in his own behalf. He is to examine the evidence, determine what punishment be fits the offense and with his own hand inflict that punishment. This is to set aside as worthless all the results of the long process whereby the state has come to replace the individual avenger and make itself the common agent of justice to all. It is to forsake the chief onquests of civilization and religion and revert to the methods of primitive savagery when a man either received no Justice or else sought it with his

Were we to admit that it is prope

for each individual to seek justice for himself according to his private notions of right and wrong, civilization would be impossible. For every crime there would be as many different punishments as there are varieties in the temper and vindictiveness of individu-There would be no security for life or property. In fact, as everybody knows, the first step toward civilization from savagery was the limitation of private vengeance and the substitution of the state for the individual as the source of justice. The sort of "unwritten law" for which Dr. Wilson argues is nothing less than the abolishment of law and the delivery of mankind over to anarchy. It is needless to remind a clergyman that all the principles of religion are inflexibly opposed to this. No person can desire a reign of private vengeance for wrong until he is ready Scriptures and the precepts of Jesus. Perhaps we ought to apologize for citing these antiquated authorities in a controversy with a clergyman. We know how little weight they bear in the risk of seeming ridiculous in Dr Wilson's eyes, we will venture to cite both the Old Testament and the New against his wholesale scheme of permitted murder in revenge for private

According to Blackstone, who seems to be higher authority in this case than the Bible, a law is a rule of civil conduct prescribed by the sovereign authority in the state. Whether it is written down or not is of no consequence, but that it should be "prescribed" by authority is all important. practically insured the harvest of a rec-The rules which a person makes for himself are not laws. To apply the price at which it will be marketed is name "law" to them is a serious misuse of language. Truly the common law of England is said, by a pretty bald fiction, to be unwritten. Truly tion in the Pacific Northwest nearly also it is said by another fiction to have \$40,000,000, and as no small portion of it

justice. But if Dr. Wilson thinks that the common law of England is a matter left to individual caprice and vengeance to determine and apply, he wholly by the courts. It is as much a matter of formal jurisprudence as the written, or statute, law, and probably more so. By "unwritten law" Blackstone means something totally different from what Dr. Wilson means by the phrase. The difference is so wide and so patent that it seems al most disingenuous to quote the great legal commentator as favoring the substitution of anarchy for the orderly procedure of the courts. Where in his writings can be found one word which countenances private vengeance in place of that redress which comes through the processes of the state? Dr. Wilson in his sermon has con-fused two meanings of "unwritten law"

which ought, in all candor and reason, to be kept wholly distinct. It is somehing worse than mere ignorance to say that "unwritten law," meaning the common law of England, which is also the common law of the greater number of our own states, is the same thing as "unwritten law," meaning the right of every man to be judge and xecutioner in his own cause. But the doctor has fallen also into another falacy which one ought not to overlook. He says that "among these well-accepted principles this is fundamental, that every man is the natural protector of his wife, his sister and his daughter." Now this is perfectly true. He is also the natural protector of his cow and his dog. But he is not the rightful avenger of any of them. To be a proector is one thing. To be an avenger s quite another. Dr. Wilson uses the admitted right of every man to protect dependents against threatened wrong as proof that he has the right to take vengeance into his own hand after the wrong has been committed The difference between the two propositions is wide as the universe. first is essential to the existence of ordered civilization. The second would destroy civilization.

RIVER SEAPORTS. London, the greatest port in the world, is a river port-the width of the Thames at London being no greater than that of the Willamette at Portland, and its volume much less; but, since London is but forty miles from the sea and has the advantage of a considerable tide, it is not so clearly a river port as some others-say Ham burg, on the Elbe, ninety-three miles from the sea, which indeed is wholly s river port, and on no great stream, vet is the second port in Europe, if not in the world. Hamburg has been created wholly by improvement of the Elbe, originally a shallow stream the whole way to the sea, but now by industry, enterprise and skill deepened for the eccommodation of the greatest com merca centering at any port on the continent of Edrope.

The importance of Hamburg is due wholly to the development of its ma-rine commerce. To open and to maintain its channel to the sea, and to pro vide a system of docks for the constantly growing business, has been the progressive work of a long period. The ity has just voted no less a sum than \$14,375,000 for extension of these conveniences. Increasing size of vessels requires deeper channels, and Hamburg is determined not to lose any advan-tage she possesses. The city now has a population of nearly or quite one million; its position and growth have made it a great railway center, and it is, moreover, the center of an extended system of canals. Nearly 20,000 vessels, registering over 13,000,000 tons entered the port last year. Of course such a city has vast manufacturing interests

Precisely as Hamburg is so situated as to be a great port, and a great railroad and manufacturing city, so is Portland situated. The original advanages of Portland, on which the city began its growth, though neglected emporarily during some past years while railway enterprise was elsewhere directed, begin to assert themselves again, and with a force that astonishes every one who beholds the results. Portland is to be a great city. It is already becoming great. The key to it all is the position in relation to the sea and to the interior; and the connection with the sea remains, as it was at the eginning, the dominating factor. That, with the situation at the gateway of the mountains and at the approach and outlet of the great valleys, will make the city great and constantly greater. Portland will yet equal Hamburg, and may surpass it, before more than a very small fraction of the number of years that Hamburg has seen has rolled by. But Portland must make and maintain a deep and deeper channel to the sea. The progress that has een made so far, giving us vessels of twenty-five feet draught, where at the beginning of our effort there was water for no more than fourteen, gives assurance of still better results yet to come.

PORTLAND'S UNPARALLELED PROS-

PERITY. The first half of the year 1907 was Portland has ever known. Bank clearings, Custom-House receipts, postoffice scripts, building permits, real estate in the slightest degree affects our industrial or commercial growth, hasperiod mentioned. With such enormous gains scored in all directions, it is difficult to select any particular branch of industry as more noteworthy than others, but in percentages of gain over the corresponding month last year, velt for a leader is at present dominant, building permits seem to make the but the aristocratic faction is not exbest showing, the increase over June, 1906, being more than 100 per cent, while the increase for the entire six months to set aside the commandments of the this year has been more than 90 per cent over the first half of last year.

These figures show that a large amount of the property purchased last year is now being built on by the owners. That this move in building has by some of our churches. Still, even at no means reached its limit is quite evident by the fact that there is still an unsatisfied demand for business and cerns and the states should regulate residence quarters in all parts of the city. Bank statements published a few days ago failed to reflect in the slight- and can be none, for nobody disputes est degree anything like a scarcity of money in this city, and with an easy financial situation in the dull Summer season the outlook for the future is very bright. The wheat crop prospects in Oregon, Washington and Idaho are the most favorable they have ever been at this date. The recent rains have ord crop in the three states, and the higher than has ever prevalled in any

previous big-crop year. This crop alone will place in circulation in the Pacific Northwest nearly

several previous good years on the farm have placed in comfortable cirsumstances, it will be available for investment. The first half of the year imber deals which were consummated in the Pacific Northwest. In many of these transactions the consideration given in the deeds was only nominal and it is accordingly difficult to deter mine the full value of the land that has changed hands. In the aggregate, however, the amount is many millions, and there are deals now pending in various parts of Oregon and Washington which will still further swell the amount. Practically all of the money paid for these lands remains in the Pacific Northwest for investment or deposit in the banks. Most of these purhases have been made by Eastern umbermen, who have been driven to this new field by the exhaustion of sup plies in their former homes, and they have already begun preparations for opening up to market some of the

tracts most easily reached. The large increase in the number of nills in this region has resulted in an easier market for lumber on the Coast. but the Eastern demand is still good, and so rapidly does the demand catch up with the increasing supply that there is no doubt about the new mills selling their product as fast as it can e manufactured. While wheat and umber are easily the two greatest resources of the territory served by Portand, fruit, wool, hops, salmon and a number of other commodities will this year place in circulation a greater sum than ever before. Under such conditions there is no reason to believe that the remaining half of the year will show any lesser gains in any line of st prosperous six months that Portland and Oregon have ever known.

WHAT MURPHY DID.

The death of Francis Murphy, the emperance evangelist, removes from his world a remarkable man. Beginning life in the humblest station, he rose to be a social power of the first in Pittsburg, 45,000 persons signed the emperance pledge. His lectures throughout America secured 10,000,000 signers. To this number add those who came under his influence in Europe and the result is something with few

It is incredible that the famous Murphy pledge was kept by all who signed it, but a considerable proportion persevered to the end. The promise was to abstain from intoxicating beverages and to try to persuade others to do the same. Murphy himself never invoked law as a means of "persuasion," but there can be no doubt that his work was one of the most potent factors in creating that wave of prohibition, or local option, sentiment which ow promises to sweep the country.

Every Murphy convert became an enemy to the saloon, and from the enmity which acts through persuasion and denunciation to that which acts through law the transition is easy. It may be possible that in consequence of the efforts of Francis Murphy, Frances Willard and other persons of potent influence, taking effect through prohibitory legislation, we shall in a few years ee the last of the licensed saloon. This, of course, is quite different from seeing the last of liquor-drinking. What the effect will be upon manners and morals is not altogether certain. The saloo has its bad aspect, but as wise and good a woman as Jane Addams perceives that it is not wholly bad. When it goes, what will replace it as a poor man's club?

WHAT IS A DEMOCRAT? Mr. Bryan's answer to the question

"What is a Democrat?" in the New ork World throws but little light upon that vexed and difficult problem. His remark that a Democrat is one who belongs to the Democratic party and votes with it savors of evasiveness, for the whole inquiry relates precisely to the point "Wherein does the Democratic party differ from the Republi-To say that a Democrat is a Democrat and a Republican is a Republican violates no principle of ethics, but it helps us little.

It is rather surprising to see a man of Mr. Bryan's mental agility and in tellectual resources resort to the anclent trick of defining a Democrat from the etymology of the word. That this perplexing party name comes from the Greek demos and krateo and therefore signifies "popular rule," is true enough; but names are not things. A man may borrow a saintly name to do the devil's work under, and so may a party. It is impossible to deduce what a party stands for from the name it goes by. We had expected from Mr. Bryan better things in the way of logic than this somewhat infantile fallacy.

Nor does it enlighten us much to re-

our to Jefferson's remark that some men are by nature aristocrats and others democrats. A democrat is by no means always a Democrat, nor is an aristocrat always a Republican. The simple fact is that in each party, as they exist today, we find men of each of these temperaments. In the Demohe most prosperous six months that cratic party there is an aristocratic cortland has ever known. Bank clear-element which at the last Presidential election gained election gained decidedly the upper hand. There is also a popular element transfers, in short every factor which of which Mr. Bryan is the acknowledged leader. His rule that a Demo crat must trust the people and direct broken all existing records for the the Government for the public welfare would make Judge Parker, Grover Cleveland and Mr. Ryan all heretics The same two elements are equally discernible in the Republican party. The popular tendency with Mr. Roose

> Mr. Bryan's principal error in his interesting but fallible World article onsists in appropriating to the Demo cratic party ideas and principles which in this country do and must belong to all parties. There are some fundamental truths in which we all believe That popular rule is desirable is one of That the Federal Government them should be supreme in National conlocal concerns is another. Over these principles there is no party controversy them. At least they are only disputed by a very small number of voters. A party which should call these primary truths in question could never hope to

succeed in America It is idle, therefore, to attempt to distinguish between the parties by claiming all our basic American ideas for one of them. They belong to both. The parties are distinguished from each other by variety in the method of carrying out these ideas practically and by contrary opinions about their log-ical interpretation. Thus the Republicans and Democrats cannot disagree about the desirability of popular rule, originated in the principles of ancient will fall into the hands of men whom but they may well differ as to whether

or not the initiative and referendum popular rule effective. Likewise both parties agree that the Government ust have revenue, but they may differ as to whether a protective tariff is

the best expedient for raising it. Jefferson's distinction between an aristocratic and a popular, or demoratic, party does not apply in this ountry. We have aristocrats but they few and unimportant to con stitute a party. They may temporarily control either party, but neither for ery long. Political success in America depends ultimately upon the favor of the masses. The favor of the isolated few who despise the people is, in the long run, a positive disadvantage, and

To end the matter, one may venture o say that there is no definition of sternal validity for either party. Both nen and ideas migrate from one to the oday may, and, let us fervently hope, will be a Republican tomorrow. Artides which yesterday composed the Democratic creed are good Republicantinction between our parties as between the Liberals and Tories in England. Here we are all Liberals, or the vast majority of us. Parties differ widely in their historical associations, in the character of their leaders, in the governmental expedients which they advocate; but in their fidelity to Amerfean institutions not at all, let us hope.

There is a small but model American farm in Switzerland, just outside of Geneva, the property of an American who has long resided there. United States Consul Keene cites this farm as industry than have been shown during an object-lesson which promises to be of value to at least one American industry. Last year the owner added two seventy-five-ton American silos to his equipment for maintaining his dairy. For these the product of twelve acres of fine American corn was ground by electric power. During the rocess of grinding Swiss farmers flocked to the place to see what to them was a revelation in conserving and storing food for stock. As a result inquiries for seed corn and orders for three silos have been given, each of which will be a new advertisement of system for feeding dairy stock that cannot fall to become popular with this people. Consul Keene adds that in a ountry abounding in water power the spread of silos will create a demand for electric motors which American manufacturers may readily work to their profit.

> The steel trust and the railroads are discussing the poor rail question, and representatives of the trust are said to have expressed the belief that they could make a superior rail for \$33 per ton instead of the \$28 they are now receiving. The testimony of railroad men is all to the effect that the steel trust formerly made a very good rail for \$28 per ton. Steel rails sell for much less than \$28 per ton in Europe, and the quality is far superior to that of the American rails. Here is another opportunity by which tariff reform could save life and money for the Americans. By granting American raffroad managers the privilege of buying good rails abroad at less money than the cost of poor rails at home the American manufacturer would be forced to meet the competition with might be fewer Carnegie libraries and Corey scandals floating around, but there would also be fewer railroad accidents attended with fearful loss of

The State Teachers' Association, now in session in Salem, promises to be one of the most instructive and pleasant cipal speaker, but owing to illness educational conventions ever held in the state. A variety of topics bearing on public education will be treated from the standpoint of men and women of experience in industrial, business and educational life. The sessions will occupy three days, closing tomorrow evening. A very large attendance of teachers and others interested is assured.

Press dispatches say that Rockefeler's home is being guarded by employes to prevent officers from serving him with a summons. Since some courts delight to exercise the power to punish for contempts, this might afford an excellent opportunity to run in a good bunch. Rockefeller among them, and send them up for ten days for interfering with the work of the court.

The Hamburg-American line has let a contract for a 50,000-ton steamship. Being a progressive country unhampered by any absurd navigation laws, the German company will have this leviathan built at a British yard. Any American attempting such however, would not be permitted to fly the American flag over his ship, after she was built.

If John A. Johnson should be nominated by the Democrats, the Republican campaign managers will know enough not to try to injure his cause by reminding him that his father was ce an inmate of a poorhouse. That was sprung in a state campaign one time and it elected him Governor.

If Pinkerton detectives, hired by the mineowners, got into the miners' labor union and were elected to high positions therein, we wonder if it will turn out that Haywood was also one

If Judge Loving had been sober enough to look after his daughter once in a while perhaps she would not have been out riding with a young man who would get her drunk.

Now if the Beavers can only win the next eighteen games straight, we shall begin to feel that Portland has a faint chance to fly the Pacific Coast pennant another year. Let those who object to a noisy

Fourth put the blame where it belongs. Hancock, Jefferson, Adams and the rest at this late day won't mind the abuse. Japan doesn't like "the great white plague." Its headquarters are in San Francisco, where the Japs are in great

This is the season when American children and the president of the Standard Oil indulge in the game of hide-and-seek.

indignation because of it.

It is noteworthy that neither Colonel Tucker nor his wife lived in Pittsburg. One fails to note among July bargain

sales slabwood and fireworks,

Democrats Mildly Sporest Bla Name as a Candidate,

Pittsburg Gazette-Times, ocrats who are puzzling over the problem of finding an acceptable candidate for the party, one on whom all the factions can unite, are mentioning the name of Jesse R. Grant, son of the late General Grant, for the purpose of dis-covering with what favor his candidacy will be received. Mr. Grant, it is understood, is willing to accept the nomina-tion. He has declared that he is not only receptive frame of mind, but stands ready to come out in the open and make a fight for the honor. Mr. Grant is the only son of the great commander who has strayed from the political faith of his father. It is quite plain that his friends are urging his claims in the hope that in the event of his nomination the sen timent clustering around the name will attract the old soldier vote. That is not likely to follow. The soldiers who vote other continually. The Democrat of the Republican ticket train with that party from principle, and at present there is no reason to affiliate with the Demogracy, simply on sentimental suggestion. General Hancock, a brave and gallant soldier, was nonfinated by the Democrats for President in 1890, but he failed to rally any appreciable number of those who served under him to his support.

It is possible that Mr. Grant may make a good candidate for the Democracy considering the distracted condition of the party. He has led a clean life. In the West, where he lives and is best known, his reputation as a practical miner is expected by the promoters of his candi dacy to be as popular a theme as Pres-ident Rooseevit's record as a rancher. Added to this is the fact that he has never been identified with any faction of his party. It will be more im to the Democrats to consider things than to pin their hopes of suc-cess on the popularity of his father's name. In these days men are judged by what they are, and not by what their

WHAT IS A DEMOCRATI

Brooklyn Eagle, Ind. Dem The World newspaper asks Mr. Bryan: "What is a Democrat?" His answer does not satisfy that paper. Enough people who regard themselves as Democrats, but who do not think Mr. Bryan is a Demo-crat, voted against him, and twice prevented him from becoming President They will do so again, if he be nomi-

Philadelphia Ledger. Mr. Bryan has been answering the question "What is a Democrat?" The nere forwarding of his autograph would have covered the case as effectively. Definition.

Mr. Brynn's Answer.

Cleveland Plaindealer. The Kid-Pa, what is an "automobile The Dad-Anybody that gets in the way of one is automobile meat

Instruction for the Young.

Chicago Tribune.

Johnny-The doctor says

Humphry has Bright's disease. His Mamma-The doctor may call it that if he pleases, my dear, but you should say Mr. Bright's disease.

> Certainly Not. Chicago Tribune.

Physician—Your boy will pull through ill right. He has a wonderful constitu-Mr. Tyte-Phist-I am glad to hear it doctor. In making out your bill, of course, you will not make me pay for what his constitution has done in pulling him through.

"Our John's" Story. From the Youth's Companion. John Barrett, the new director of the bureau of American republics, tells a good story on himself. Some years ago he was asked by a friend to make a

speech at a big harbecue which was to be held at a distant town. His friend was to have been the prinunable to attend; so he sent Mr. Barrett instead. He telegraphed the chairman of the barbecue that "John Barrett, exminister to Siam, would deliver the ad-dress of the day."

The chairman, being acquainted with ninisters of only one kind, was aston-shed that Mr. Barrett should be sent. When the time came for the speech he went to the front of the platform to introduce the speaker. After consulting the telegram again to be sure of the name, he said:

"It gives me great pleasure to intro-duce the principal speaker of the day. The Rev. John Barrett, ex-missionary of Siam, will now speak."

Springfield (Mass.) Republican. Is Orchard's own story a true story in all respects, not merely as to an asserted connection with the defendant Haywood and others of the "inner circle" of the Western Federation of Miners, but as to many of the crimes of which Orchard claims to be guilty? The appearance of the witness throughout the long ordeal of examination, his quiet and self-contained manner and the entire absence of any boastful spirit, conveys an impression of truthfulness. If it was the purpose of the defense on cross-examination to upset the story at any material point, a failure to do so adds strength to this impression If the defense had another purpose view, such as to elaborate the story order to afford ground for future attack, or to blacken the character of the witness as much as possible and so discredit his testimony in relation to the defend-ant, this will later appear. So far, however, the story stands and sends a thrill of horror through the country.

Education Will Tell. Atlanta Constitution. 'Thar, my son, you see what larnin done fer yer daddy, don't you?' What maw?"

"Why, jest as soon as the gover'ment nowed that he could do figgers in his head they 'p'inted him postmaster at \$60 a year, and purty soon he'll be sellin' stamps what goes on letters!"

Chicago Tribune

Mrs. Upmore (making a call)-"Why this is your latest photograph, isn't it' it's an excellent likeness of you, it isn't so good of baby. Wasn't he Mrs. Highmus—"The idea! Did think the little darling in my was baby? That's Fido!"

Architects and Builders' Journal. William H. Tripp of Janesville, Wis., is believed to be the only man in America who can boast of having a mahogsidewalk in front of his home Recently he had a consignment of goods from the West Indies. The goods came in mahogany barrels, from which he had a sidewalk built.

Enjoys a Mahogany Sidewalk.

July Fourth Ahead of Time. Baltimore News. A friend slapped Morris Northway with a shingle, in sport, at Ithaca, N. Y., and set off a lot of matches in his hip pocket. Northway jumped into hip pocket. Northway jumped into Cayuga Lake and extinguished himself.

Where Tillman Isn't Appreciated. Washington (D. C.) Post.
Because many patrons of the Fox River
Chautauqua refused to use their tickets
f Senator Tilman remained on the list
of lecturers, his engagement for July 10 has been canceled.

JESSE GRANT FOR PRESIDENT. | THE TREND OF LOG STUMPAGE

Increase Caused by Available Supply Being Withdrawn From Market. From Census Bulletin 77, issued by be Department of Commerce and

Throughout the country the value of log stumpage is increasing. of log stumpage is increasing. The average value per thousand feet, board measure, for the United States increased from \$2.18 in 1900 in 1905, a rise of 41 cents, or 18.8 pe cent. This advance in the cost of stumpage added \$11,472,115 to the total cost of sawmill material and increased the value of lumber prop-tionately. The increase is due not much to a present shortage in the supply a whole as to the fact that the avail able supply of log stumpage is rapidly being brought up and withdrawn from the market. On the Pacific slope is still to be found the cheapest high-grade stumpage in the country, though the values in this region show substantial Increases over 1900.

Practically all species of merchantable timber have increased in stump-Yellow pine, which was most used at both cen age value. suses, increased in value per thousand board feet from \$1.12 to \$1.68. White pine increased from \$3.66 to \$4.62 Douglas fir, the chief species converted into lumber in the states of Washington and Oregon, from 77 cents to \$1.05 hemlock, from \$2.56 to \$3.51; oak, from \$3.18 to \$3.83; spruce, from \$2.26 to \$3.70 and cypress, from \$1.58 to \$3.42. Red-wood, found only in California, adranced in value from \$1.06 to \$1.55 or The increased value of log stumpage

is reflected in the increased value of the products of the lumber camps. Saw logs, the principal product of the in-dustry, increased in quantity from 25,279,702 thousand feet in 1900 to 27,-25,279,762 thousand feet in 1900 to 27,-280,768 in 1905, a gain of 19.7 per cent; but they increased in value from \$158,-880,352 to 210,074,486, a gain of 32,2 per cent. The number of railway ties reported increased from 22,524,640 to 36,445,308, or 51.8 per cent; while their value increased from \$6,277,433 to \$12,413,793, or 97.8 per cent. The average value of a tie rose from 28 cents in 1906 to 24 cents in 1905. In cents in 1900 to 34 cents in 1905. In this connection it should be noted that the census figures do not include tier cut by farmers during the Winter months and sold directly to the rail-rouds. It should also be noted that the figures are for hewn ties. Sawed ties are forming an increasing per-centage of the total production of railway ties in the country, and they are reported by the mills in thousand feet under the heading of rough lumber. The other products of the lumber camp generally show an increase both in quantity and value: Hemlock bark, however, decreased in quantity from 471,802 cords to 391,691 cords, but it increased in value from \$1,940,067 to \$2,347,463. Charcoal decreased both in quantity and value.

The increase in the average value of all lumber was from \$11.14 per thousand feet in 1900 to \$12.76 at the census of 1965, of 14.5 per cent. The advance extended to all species of both conifers and hard woods, and in the case of several of them was large. Among the conifers, yellow pine ad vanced from \$8.59 per thousand fee from \$11.29 to \$14.03; and cypress, from \$13.34 to \$17.50. Oak increased from \$14.02 per thousand feet to \$17.51; pop-lar, from \$14.22 to \$18.90; maple, from \$11.88 to \$14.94; cottonwood, from \$10.35 to \$14.92; elm, from \$11.57 to \$14.45; and gum, from \$9.75 to \$10.87.

Six Big Battleships Out of Fashion. Omaha Bee. Navy experts report that six of the nation's big battleships are defective in construction. It matters little, as they were built more than a year ago, and accordingly are as much out of style as

last year's Easter bonnet. Lighted Cigar-Celluloid Collar-Hos-

St. Paul Pioneer-Press.
A practical joker touched the business end of his cigar to Charles Collins' cel-luloid collar in a St. Louis streetcar. Collins is in a hospital.

DECREASE IN NATIONAL DEBT Sixteen Million Dollars Less for Month of June.

WASHINGTON July 1-The monthly statement of the public debt shows that at the close of the fiscal year June II. 1907, the public debt, less cash in the Treasury, amounted to \$878,596,756, which s a decrease for the month of \$16.185.775. The cash in the Freasury was increased during the month by nearly \$11,000,000 the total cash in the Treasury The cash in the Treasury totals \$1,688,-

627,086, against which there are demand liabilities outstanding amounting to \$1,269. 445,649, which leaves a cash balance or hand of \$481,581,437.

President Makes Appointments.

OYSTER BAY, N. Y., July 1.—President Roosevelt today approved the placing of Captain Perry Garst on the retired list with the rank of Rear-Admiral. The President appointed Dr. Edwin G. Dexter, head of the School of Education

will assume office August 1.

ANIMALDOM IN THE SUNDAY OREGONIAN

Beginning with the next issue The Sunday Oregonian will publish a series of animal stories in rhyme with colored pictures. illustrations and text by J. J. Mora.

These are most charming. Nothing in Nature so attracts youngsters as the quadruped creation. Endow animals with human qualities that a child comprehends and you have an irresistible attraction.

Now if you add humor, the child's delight is complete.

Mr. Mora, while a capital illustrator, is also a good storyteller; his jingles are certain to be looked for eagerly every

The series begins next Sunday, July 7.

CAN'T FIX EVACUATION DATE

Taft Says Plans for Cuban Election Not Changed.

WASHINGTON, July 1 .- Secretary Taft threw some additional light upon his plans regarding the American evacustion of Cubs today by sending the following cablegram to Governor Magoon at

"I am in receipt of a telegram from General Loynaz Castillo as to something I have had with reference to the restoration of Cuba to the Republic. for the revolution of the government of the island upon the person to be selected by a fair election, as outlined in my letter to you, has not been changed in the slightest. The question of the time within which that can be worked out. due to the doubt as to the time in which the census can be taken, is a mere matter of opinion. Please advise General Cas-tillo accordingly."

NO DISCONTENT ON ISTHMUS

Goethals Says Reports Army Officers Will Withdraw False.

WASHINGTON, July 1.-What would appear to be conclusive contradition of the reports recently published in this country to the effect that the army offloers engaged in the work of constructing the Panama Canal are endeavoring to belittle the task is contained in the cadlegram received at the War Depart-ment today from Panama: "Everything going well and harmoni-ously. Report of dissatisfaction and de-

withdraw absolutely false. GOETHALS."

Will Issue New Small Bills.

WASHINGTON, July 1 .- The Treasury Department today began carrying into effect the provisions of the Aldrich act, which confers upon the Secretary of the Treasury authority to issue all necessary quantities of small bills to meet the busiess needs of the country. The large denominations of gold certificates are being replaced by new \$10 certificates, which will be issued from the subtressury beginning today. Small silver certificates in large quantities will be issued at once, as will a new series of United States \$5 notes, which will take the place of a large amount of silver certificates. It is believed that fully \$350,-000,000 of the new gold certificates will be required to meet the demands.

INDIANS FEELING VERY UGLY

Gill Called From Agency, as Influence Is Gone.

PHOENIX, Ariz., July 1.- The Sheriff's posse sent to Fort McDowell last night on account of the threatened uprising of the Apaches subsequent to the killing of Austin Navajo, a native, by Agent W. H. Gill, returned today. No demonstration was made by the natives, but ugly feeling still exists. Mr. Gill has been instructed to bring his family back to Phoenix, as his in-fluence is considered broken. Two or

three officials of the Phoenix Indian school are left there in charge of affairs. Fulton Goes to Grant's Pass.

ASTORIA, Or., July 1 .- (Special.) --Senator Fulton will leave tomorrow for Grant's Pass, where he is to deliver an address on the Fourth. On leaving there he will visit a number of cities along the main line of the Southern Pacific to confer with the people relative to legislation pending before Con-gress, and will return to Astoria in time to assist in the entertainment of of the University of Illinois, as Comis-sioner of Education of Porto Rico. He Vice-President Fairbanks on July 15.



UNCLE SAM FINDS A SLICE OR TWO ON HIS BACK PORCH MOST EVERY MORNING NOW.