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THE SEPARATION IN FRANCE. The government of France goes steadily forward with its policy of forcing entire separation of church and state. By a vote of two to one on Saturday last the Chamber of Deputies passed the bill for devolution of church property for handing over the estates to the departments and to the communes, and forbidding testamentary dispositions of property to ecclesiastical or pious foundations.

PRIMITIVE MAN IN AMERICA. "Early Man in North America," a subject that has called forth a vast amount of speculation, receives fresh consideration in a treatise just published by the Bureau of American Ethnology. It is a review of the information, thus far obtainable, relating to skeletal remains suggesting or attributed to early man in North America.

How They Began, but Where Will They End? Condon Times. It is comical to hear all the old timers in Condon telling how they made their first start in this country. Invariably they commenced herding sheep. S. B. Barker and Judge Dunn, who can write their checks for six figures, commenced that way. Frank Filter also followed the bleating band, as did P. H. Stevenson, George Blake, John Jackson and last, but not least, the Editor of the Times went through the mill at the same business. We all speak as if we enjoyed the occupation immensely, but we have still to find the man who wants to go back to the job very bad.

THE UNWRITTEN LAW FAILS. A Sensible Article Here, Well Worth Attention. Louisville Courier-Journal. It is impossible for anyone who has human sympathies to contemplate with a feeling of satisfaction a woman entering upon a penitentiary sentence of 20 years for having killed a man who circulated scandalous stories about her. But since the written law does not provide for any infraction of the scriptural "vengeance is mine," the verdict of the jury in the case of Mrs. Anselme, in Chicago, should be commended.

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THE PEACE BETWEEN THE CHURCH AND THE REVOLUTION that was arranged by Napoleon lasted one hundred years, but that concord is now completely dissolved. The new policy began about six years ago, and has since been steadily applied in such a manner which the government interprets and is acting upon as the final judgment of the French people.

OF THESE VESSELS, eight were built in British yards, five in Scotland, one each in Germany, France, Norway and Holland, with one large steamship built in Japan. There were also built in Japan six smaller vessels, ranging from thirty-eight tons to 72 tons register.

REMEDY FOR SWELL HEADS. Corvallis Republican. If at any time you feel yourself becoming uncomfortably inflated, the best way to ever heard of is to soak your head in water until the water is as cold as ice. Rub your face with a piece of green grease like your ears, then go off by yourself for six hours and try to think of something you have really done to be proud of.

GOOD THING FOR SAGE-BUSH COUNTRY. Canyon City Eagle. If Senator Fulton's 60-acre homestead law for Eastern Oregon should become a law the results would be very beneficial for Grant County. Many homestead filings would be made and much land that now brings in no revenue would be deeded and put on the tax roll.

IS THERE REALLY A SANTA CLAUS? Why, Honey, if You Doubt It, Read What This Man Says. John T. McCuchison in Appleton's Weekly. Why, land's sake, child, of course they is. I reckon I've saw him right onto a drearily, too. He's just a ole fellow down across them icebergs on his way here, lickety split, an' you betchey he'll be here on time, too. Never knowed him to fall off, an' what you'd better believe he's got more experience in these matters than me.

A JEWISH VIEW OF THE SABBATH. Dr. Isidor Singer, of New York, a celebrated Jewish scholar and publicist, has been moved by the new efforts for enforcement of Sunday closing laws to address his fellow-religionists on the origin of the Jewish Sabbath, transferred by the Christian world, as a sacred day, from the seventh day of the week to the first. He urges his people to start "a new epoch in our history by shelving our Semitic superstitions once for all."

OREGON VERSUS NEW YORK. New York is still blaming the rest of the country for the poor showing her banks were forced to make in response to the Controller's recent call. The Oregonian is charged by the New York Times with being "boastful" over the excellent showing made by the banks of this state.

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THE BRITISH BARK CASTOR, which was reported off the mouth of the Columbia river a month ago, arrived at Royal Roads yesterday, having been driven north by the succession of gales which have raged off the coast for the past six weeks.

IMPORTANT NEWS ABOUT SOUTHERN PACIFIC LAND GRANT—But Which Spring? W. D. Penton, who stands at the head of the legal department of the S. P. in Oregon, informed a Courier representative that in his opinion the railroad was not going to lose any of its land obtained under the grant.

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RELIGIOUS USAGE WHERE THERE IS SIMPLY the growth of custom and of opinion. The Jews, when the books of Genesis and Exodus took their final form, must have supposed—some of them at least—that the seventh day was sacred because of the idea which has gained prevalence among them that the Creator rested from his labors on that day, an idea probably borrowed from Babylonia, with other legends, as that of the creation and the flood. In Deuteronomy, a very different reason is assigned for the observance of the Sabbath as a sacred day, namely, that it was to be kept in commemoration of the deliverance of the people out of Egypt.

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