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the people? The Federal Constitution gives the reason. This leaves not a word to be said.

OPEN DOOR MUST NOT CLOSE.

The belief that has always been uppermost in the minds of the American people since our naval parade began forming for the Pacific cruise is that the trip was being made for the purpose of checking any possible disturbance which might arise between this country and Japan.

It is accordingly the duty of the United States to protect her interests in the Pacific by assisting in the preservation of Chinese territorial and administrative entity.

China has recently been making long strides toward civilization, and with the development of her industries and the construction of railroads and other industrial improvements, there has come a widening of the eyes.

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THE INDEPENDENCE LEAGUE.

The report that Mr. Hearst's Independence League will take an active part in the Presidential campaign is interesting and may be important.

The original radical policy of the league was its strength and weakness at the same time. This policy was to be a respectable, connected element in the country, but it powerfully attracted all the discontented.

What can the league do but adopt a conservative platform? It is certain that the Republican and Democratic parties will declare for radical policies.

and he will push it to the front as soon as he dares. If, again, the league turns to the National initiative and referendum, that also has been bespoken by the alert Nebraskan and not by any means abandoned.

That the latter potentate does not love the perennial Nebraskan goes without saying. What aspirant to despotic rule does love those who stand between him and the throne he desires? Moreover, if Mr. Bryan is elected President next fall there is a chance at least that he will be re-elected four years later, and the chance is much better than any that Mr. Hearst would have.

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MEDICAL ADVERTISEMENTS.

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RIVER AND HARBOR IMPROVEMENT.

The speech of Senator Knox at the Lincoln's birthday banquet at Pittsburg was one of the most exhaustive and convincing arguments that have yet been made in the cause of river and harbor improvement.

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shown returns in increased population and development far in excess of the cost of the improvement. A similar demonstration with a much more flattering showing from an economic standpoint has been made by the people of Portland with the money spent by the Government and by the Port of Portland in deepening the channel of the Columbia River.

When this work was commenced the difficulty experienced by vessels coming to the port were so great that owners forced the traffic entering and leaving the port to pay a light rate from \$1.50 to \$2.50 per ton greater than from San Francisco, and from that port it was frequently the custom to send Oregon products for shipment to the foreign markets.

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REFERENDUM IN OREGON.

It is pointed out in other States as "The Oregon Example."

The beauties of the referendum as applied to a whole state are beginning to dawn on Oregon. The last Legislature appropriated \$25,000 for the support of the state university.

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NEW YORK YAVNS OVER BRYAN.

Hint Given That Peerless One in Disillusion at Close Range.

In 1896 Bryan defiantly stigmatized New York as "the enemy's country." But despite his bravado and his pretenses that he didn't care what New York thought he has been feverishly anxious to secure New York's good opinion.

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DULL TIMES AND THE ARMY.

Chicago Tribune. In the East many of the unemployed are finding employment in the ranks of the army.

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BOONAPARTE DEADEND.

Westminster Gazette. Frederic Febvre publishes in the Gaulois an interesting document preserved in the archives of the Theater Francaise.

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SILHOUETTES

Misunderstood truth is the easiest road to error.

Our alleged policemen permit young rowdies to play ball in the business streets. Sometimes I'm almost convinced that this is a jay town after all.

A local girl spells her name Guesyev. Now wouldn't that make you bite your left elbow?

A preacher in Cleveland advises people not to marry unless they feel that they will die if they don't. Well, that might be some excuse.

Dicky Dingbats' Essays. Series A, No. 3. WIMMERS.

What's the Use? Did you ever notice that when a man conceives an especially clever plan for getting rich quick he is sure to find some one else has a scheme of the self-same kind?

Did you ever observe that no matter how bold every notion you have will turn out to be old? You may seek all in vain an original one—There is nothing new under the shining sun.

A Practical Utility. Willis—Papa, what is an insulator? Papa—An attorney for a corporation, my son.

With two society weddings in prospect, the jewelers are commencing to dust up their out-of-date cut glass and silverware.

Every prosperous man looks like a grafter to the thrifless.

A Bloody Dissertation. The United States declare a great war and, argue as the peace advocates may, we are going to have one whether we want it or not.

Keep Your Weather Eye Out. Let us see, was Jonathan Bourne ever mixed up as a prime factor in an Oregon Senatorial deadlock?

Crumbles Great Wealth Interests. Philadelphia North American, Rep. By the time that the malefactors of great wealth get through the President's message they will have another patriotic one all to themselves.

THE LOGICAL CANDIDATE. Seems perfectly silly this fuss they are making. A-seeking somebody to take Teddy's place.

Remember those school marm who tatted our shoulders. And coaxed us to stick to our books and our slates.

And where are the boys of those old-fashioned mothers. Whose futures were carved with assiduous care.

And all and each one of us knows every son of us. Is a dark horse for conventions to choose.

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