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AS A GUARANTEE OF PEACE: The United States may never need the four new battleships which the President so earnestly recommends.

THE BRITISH ROYAL COMMISSION HAS: Numerous occasions proved that American shippers have a superior advantage over the British shipper.

THE REPUBLICAN PARTY WILL DESIGNATE THEIR CHOICE IN TODAY'S PRIMARIES FOR UNITED STATES SENATOR AND WILL REFER IT TO THE JUNE ELECTION, TO SEE WHETHER THE DEMOCRAT-SOCIALIST-PROHIBITION PEOPLE WANT THE REPUBLICAN CHOICE ELECTED BY THE LEGISLATURE.

THE WEATHER KICKERS SHOULD REMEMBER THAT WAGON'S SEED PLANTING WOULD BE HELPED BY A LITTLE RAIN JUST NOW.

previous year. Mr. Minto sees only two reasons for this increase, namely, an increased population and the fact that merchants are sending out their catalogues earlier this year than usual.

Not in ten years have even the most hysterical of the American "big game" predicted or expected war with any country of consequence on the Atlantic, and the possibilities for trouble in that part of the world are daily becoming more remote.

Portland has been shamefully discriminated against by the California Senators of the Navy, and the California Senator Perkins, but they are the work of these narrow-minded individuals in refusing to send any portion of the battleship fleet to Portland.

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Commercial Club to Hire Experienced Man for Campaign. The Albany Commercial Club will soon secure the services of an experienced man to have charge of the boosting campaign in this city.

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the Willamette Valley is a menace to the health of youth reared in Eastern Oregon he talks arrant nonsense. Every personal experience stamps this opinion as absolutely false.

Colonel James Hamilton Lewis as candidate for Governor of Illinois will undoubtedly establish a code of ethics which will remain as a standard for some years after he is defeated for the office he seeks.

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ONE BY ONE, our early and most trusted illusions are being shattered. Vainly we have already proved to their complete satisfaction that the real author of Shakespeare's plays was Bacon, and that Washington's cherry tree and the apple that William Tell shot from his son's head, only exist in the imagination.

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