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DEMOCRATIC PONDERRINGS.

The leading Democrats of the country seem to be in what the Yankee woman called "a state of mind" over their party. Mr. Bryan is not the only one of them who is exercising his intellect to solve the "mystery" of New York.

Expert examination of the accounts and publicity of their accounts are the pressing needs in this state. They should be examined at the coming session of the Legislature.

A BENEVOLENT MONOPOLY. One of the richest corporations in the country is probably the stingiest, the Pullman Palace Car Company.

TURKEY'S STRANGE REFORM. Step by step constitutional reform has gone forward in Turkey until yesterday there was an assembly of Parliament.

PURE WATER FOR SHIPS. The old complaint of the inability of ships in port to secure a supply of pure water is again heard.

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able serious trouble with the canal work. It is hardly reassuring, however, to learn that the accident was expected would seem to offer grounds for an investigation which might be continued until it was determined how many more similar accidents are expected to happen.

BANK GUARANTEE IN OREGON. Although Oregon rejected Bryan and his particular 15,000-bank guarantee—by nearly 25,000 votes and the nomination of Bryan.

The charges against Chief Campbell, so far as they have appeared, are trivial. There was delay in testing and accepting certain fire hydrants and the Fire Chief is to be "fired" unless he should be satisfied with Mayor Lane and his accommodating committee.

Representative Humphrey, of Seattle, in the editorial duel between the Pacific railway mail district divided, the northern section into Oregon, Washington, Montana, Northern Idaho and Alaska.

So far that Alex-Gelderland affair appears to be a nice, genteel, ladylike little war. Everybody will approve of a naval engagement where no blood is spilled and nobody is hurt.

Just because Santa Claus does his good early in the morning, his body should go sneaking through drawers and dark closets to find out what's in store.

Since Boni has withdrawn his demand for an allowance from the Gould estate, it is evident that he is willing to starve to death.

The person who receives the Christmas presents want them bought early. It is not yet too late to be early.

This cold weather and shortage of rain should start the weather growers again. Now the question rises whether the varied races will understand the new

regime and conduct themselves with moderation and self-control. Will they, in their ignorance, misinterpret the change for cessation of Turkish government? To ward off this danger the Young Turks have been resorting to education, particularly in Macedonia and Albania.

The Oregonian, printed at one of the most prominent tide-water ports of the Pacific, has exceptional facilities for studying the practical effects of the Japanese ship-subsidy system.

The trial judge in the Hains murder case promoted the cause of Justice and saved a lot of annoyance by forbidding the mother of T. Jenkins Hains to sit by his side during the trial.

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FROM JAPAN'S STANDPOINT.

How the ship subsidy is regarded by Trade Journals. The New York Japanese-American Commercial Weekly, in its issue of December 5, under the heading "Navigation Subsidies," prints the following:

Has the advent of the government's generous subsidies to the navigation business been realized? asks the Toyo Asahi. The journal asks an interesting question in the negative. Looked at merely from the increase of tonnage a tenfold advance has been made since the advent of the subsidies.

From this viewpoint, then, the paper asks, is the question in the negative. As the present system works, the companies profit by the increase of the tonnage without developing their automatic power of work. The mere increase of tonnage does not therefore produce the development of shipping business in the country.

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CITY GRANT AND TUBERCULOSIS.

Two Former Portland Men Speak at New York Health Exhibit. Extract from New York Times, Dec. 8. Dr. Woods Hutchinson and Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, formerly of Portland, Or., were speakers at a session of the American Museum of Natural History, in connection with the tuberculosis exhibit.

Dr. Woods Hutchinson declared that \$25,000,000 of the city's money was being wasted every year in graft and stupid management of the city's affairs and that for one-fourth of that sum tuberculosis could be blotted entirely out of the community.

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SILHOUETTES

BY ARTHUR A. GREENE. In a recently-published list of the 10 best books for children, I fall to find "Three Weeks" or the "Dameron."

Secret society initiates and criminals gets their degree. Most women take grand in preference to cream with their tea.

Our George Chamberlain returned home Wednesday from wanderings off, and it was observed that the procession of the equinoxes paused in its course, the sun drove the clouds to back seats and shone, while the birds sat up and sang, "Are You Sincere?"

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Would Madden a Perfect Lady. Syracuse Herald. And now instead of that life and death struggle, he has an early end and death. Mr. Hobson has been predicting comes the news of an agreement between the two countries, which in effect makes them partners in the Pacific. But it is enough to make a perfect lady mad?

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