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stockraising, stimulate interest in the

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man's occupancy of these lands. The country tapped by this road is rich in

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#### THE "ASSEMBLY" PLAN

A Pendieton paper, East Oregonian in an article entitled, "The Sham Assembly." has these remarks:

The "assembly" plan has been devi by these who want to overthrow the dire primary completely. Instead of having fre-and open races under the direct primary hey would have nominations made by ticians and ward heelers call together for the purpose. In He emerge of absential for the purpose, In He emerge absential plum is far more victors than and convention system. Those who "has government and want is uplify po cal conditions should shun the assembly

This is the plen of a partisan Demo cratic newspaper, that opposes the representative system in party action, because it is unwilling that the ideas of the political majority, represented by party and expressed through party shall prevail. The desire is to juggle everything, and to sophisticate all political action and effort, so as to defeat the predominate political and party sentiment of the state.

Yet in popular government no way devised of accomplishing has been anything except through party action Men must combine and work together, or chnos will ensue; and there must be unity of purpose, based on large ideas and general principles, or there can be no party. Then, if there is to be party, there must be leaders. Lei men theorize how they will, or babble how they will, they never will be able

to escape these conditions. The assembly plan has not been devised "by those who want to overthrow the direct primary completely." or at :nlt. It is the plan of those who wish and intend to keep the primary, and to observe it and enforce it. But they wish to preserve and to enforce the representative system in party, as a guide to party action.

It is found not to be a good plan to permit or invite every man who wants an office to nominate himself. By this system we get all sorts of pretenders and incapables. The sys tem sets a premium on miserable inefficiency and unfounded pretension Candidates multiply on the approach of an election, like the files of Summer. But men of dignity and capacity refuse, or decline, to appear. The consequence is necessity of selection from a multitude of candidates, none of whom has received more than the small vote of a personal faction, or has, or can get, the confidence of a majority of the electors. Yet one of these candidates, who has received insignificant plurality, claims the nomination and expects the votes of his entire party, which, however, ho can't get-first, because there has been a bitter fight, which has made an irreparable breach, and second, because the majority deem him unfit for the honor and distinction. Then the candidate of the opposite party is elected is still a young man, not so very se who may be no better man-and

ple. Democracy never can mean in Roman times, and their allegiance more than government through rep- | to any settled government is uncertain resentative institutions. It is not the at best. Their Christianity is mingled struggle of the units of a mob for asendancy, for that never can result in anything but anarchy, nor in succes-sion of control to one mob after an-other, with loss of all the higher principles and objects for which government is instituted among men. The representative system is the basis of our government and never can be cut from under it; and since there is no way of carrying on government, under a republican system, without party, the representative system must apply to party also. This is just what "the means for suggestion of nominations.

## AN ECHO OF A LONG-PAST TIME.

Behind the suit of L. F. Grover and rife against the Hawthorne estate here is a world of the history of politics and affairs of Oregon, forty fifty years ago-leading up directly to the present time. Grover was a polltician, needing aid. Hawthorne had the management of the insanc of the state, and needed political support. ence has continued to the lawsuit f the present time.

It is a story of family, as well as of olitical and state and property affairs, that would make a highly inter-So Intimately esting chapter. ected was it with political and public affairs, many and many years ago, tha it would be worth telling in detail. The suit at law, now started. tain ccasion to tell the story. It probably wfill

It would not be the province of The Oregonian to enter into the contro versy of the parties at this day. But to relate the political history of the time long past, and of the connection Grover and Hawthorne in their alliance-on the one side prizes of politics, on the other for the profits that were to ensue and did usue from administration of a leading function of the state-would make story of some interest. Strange enough that the connection of that time should produce a lawsuit at this late day.

# SPAIN'S TROUBLES.

By the convention of Algeciras the duty of keeping up some semblance of order in the Moorish province Morocco was delegated to France Spain. In pursuance of this arrangement, the latter nation maintains a force in Morocco which has now come into serious collision with the natives The government of Spain is obliged n consequence, to send out reinforce

ments which have to be drawn from the laboring class. It happens now that the working people of Spain have no relish for foreign war. The utcome of the contest with the United States was not such as to make militarism popular, while an industrial revival is on foot, which occupies the attention of the people and offers a better support to their familles than they have enjoyed for a long time. socialists, who are

ountries, have undermined old-fashloned patriotism with their specious "Why should you forsak reasoning. your jobs and plunge your families into want," they ask, "for the sake of fighting the battles that will never mefit you To make the war still more unnonn

lar, the report has been spread throughout the country that it is waged in the interest of a mining project. Whether this is true or not it has excited the people terribly and fanned the opposition to the war into open rebellion. The Spanish govern ment is thus confronted with internal and foreign war at the same time. while the never-ending Carlist claim to the throne hangs overhead like threatening cloud. In the unsettled ondition of Spanish affairs, a really wise government would have shunned oreign war unless the people heartily in favor of it. Alphonso XIII

with pagan rites and their customs are wild and savage. Another weakness of Spain is the

bigotry of its people. During their long struggle with the Moors they During their Baker shoal, 20,500 feet; Salem Cove flats, 12,500 feet; Newcastle flats, 28, came to regard orthodoxy in religion as the be-all and end-all of life. 12 they were good church members they might be anything else they chose This feeling, united with their unconquerable personal pride, has discouraged industry and promoted poverty In recent years, however, this national trait is being rapidly modified. Work and the sea that not one-third of the dredging done in the Delaware would is not despised as it was formerly, and it is recognized that orthodoxy in -be lief is not sufficient to make the present life endurable, whatever effect it

nay have upon the next one. The Spanlards, tas a nation, have gone to work. The American war in particular gave their industry an impetus which, if they are sensible enough to keep out of foreign complications, may lead to the redemption of the country.

#### TAFT AND THE TARIFF.

the sea can be accomplished on the Columbia, and our thirty-foot channel The tariff bill is completed. Presi dent Taft has won his battle for redownward, and the bill will be should be rushed along as rapidly as passed by Congress in such form as to the port is increasing more rapidly be in the main acceptable to him and than to the country. ance that the improvements keep pace The President has won a notable with its growth

victory, undoubtedly. He not only enforces on an unwilling majority in Congress his specific views as to Important tariff schedules, but he has confirmed the early popular impression that beneath a benignant

exterior there repose a firm will and a stern purpose. It seemed for a while as if he would, through sheer desire to avoid trouble and annoyance, leave the whole business of tariff-building to Congress, and would pass on the its entirety when it came to bill in This was in accord with the him. institutional fiction that the President should assume merely a judicial attitude of non-interference with the legislative branch of the Government; but it is not in accord with the actual position of the President as the head of the whole

Government, responsible for all of its The President insisted on his right, to modify and revise the tariff cause it was to be his bill. ident Taft has justified justified the President lighest expectation of the country in making a Republican Congress carry

out its specific pledge to revise th The Big Stick is still in busitariff. ness, and it is in capable hands.

# TARIFF ON WHEAT.

Of all the silly sophistries presentd by the hidebound protectionists in Heu of sound, sensible argument, none is sillier than the wild statements of the American Economist. Ignorance or misrepresentation in a superlative degree is glaringly noticeable in some comment on the wheat tariff appear-ing in the latest issue of the organ of protection. Assuring its readers that there will be no reduction of the duty on wheat, "while it may be increased," active Spain, as they are in all European the Economist proceeds:

The Loonomist proceeds: That the American farmers are benefited by this duty is proved beyond dispute by the fact that wheat sells for 25 cents least a bushel on the Canadian side, as compared with wheat are the the second sec with wheat on the American side, so navigation closes at the Canadian of Fort William and Port Arthur, on arter Superior. Canada had 22.009.000 la of wheat on hand this Summer, loff from last year. That would have into the United Status but for the

The Economist places a very low es timate on the intelligence of the farmers if it expects them to believe such ionsense as the foregoing. Both Canida and the United States are large exporters of wheat. The surplus from both countries is sold in the foreign markets and the home market price is fixed automatically by the European price less the freight rate, which is exactly the same from American and Canadlan ports. Let us see how our American wheat

is imperilled by the Canadian product. The latest issue of the Liverpool Corn Trade News, under date of July

Kansas,"

Historical Basis of the Life of the Ideal

Personage of the Christian World. MEDPORD. Or., July 27.—(To the Edi-tor.)—Is Jesus Christ a myth, or what he claimed to be—a supernatural personage?. Christianity claims to be a supernat-ural religion. That being its claim, man-kind has a right to expect that it have a supernatural stamp. Christ claims to be a supernatural personage. That being his claim, mankind has a right to ex-pect that his life have supernatural characteristics. ences to this city are made:

feet in the channel for so great a por-tion of the distance between Portland haracteristics. If the world has a great many kinds of If the world has a great many almost of religion, and among them there be one that is the true religion, that originated in the mind of God, that religion must have some characteristics radically dif-ferent from all the others, which make it for the difference between the some pesible to distinguish between the ger ne and the counterfeit.

expensive rock work, such as has made the Philadelphia project such a Over 1800 years ago, a remarkable per-conage walked the streets and lanes of a Roman province in Southwestern Asia. The money which the Government has spent on the Delaware has been While he lived among men, various opinions were entertained concerning od investment, and the money that him is were entertained concerning him. Some held that he was a demon incarnate; others that he was merely a man but a very good man; others that he was what he claimed to be-a superwill be spent in making a thirty-foot channel on the Columbia will be equally profitable to the country at large. All that has been accom-plished on Philadelphia's highway to natural character, the Son of God sent down from heaven. We subscrib to the third view: of God

been no boom. Aimost the same call be said of Portland. The manufacturer looking for a site for a mill, warehouse or factory can buy it in the environs of those cities without paying exorbitantly. If he is content to go well out on the limits of the city, he may do the same thing at Seattle; but Seattle clearly aspires to be rather a forwarder of traffic, like New York, than a great originator of traffic. to the third view: First-Because as a personality Jesus cannot be classified. All the great char-acters of the Bible (excepting Jesus) can be classified. Take any of the great Bible characters, Moses or David, Daniel or St. Paul, or any others and you can dud a group of men to which they befind a group of men to which they be long; a class of men into which they wi like Cincinnati, Pittsburg or Philadelphia ong; a class of men into which it is abs wHI The values of real estate for office, ware house or dock, are almost invariably higher in a forwarding city than in a impossible to classify him. out as a perfectly unique It will not do to put him in He manufacturing city. It is not, therefore to be expected that the future manufac into the cter. same class with Confucius and Moham turing center of the Northwest will be at Seattle, for factories-rates and rall and water facilities being equal-seek the point where initial cost is least. Today, Jesus Christ as a character as fat međ. transcends Confucius and Mohammed as light of the sun transcends the light the moon. The eagle-eyed Napoleon the moon. The eagle-eyed real as a same the moon. The eagle-eyed real and he are a resemble said: "Buperficial minds see a resemble charist and the founders o Tacoma is the great manufacturing con-ter, Seattle a huge forwarder of freight, and Portland; a blend of these two, with the added characteristic of the central ance between Christ and the founders of empires, and the gods of other religions. That resemblance does not exist. I know men; and I tell you that Jesus Christ is market town for a region of intensive agricultural development. Washington, Oregon and Idaho are orchard states, but ordinary fruit costs not a man." The fact that Jesus Christ Stands out as a perfectly unique char-acter, is strong presumptive evidence in favor of his supernatural character. Second-Christ is a supernatural char-Spokane and Portland than in New York or Philadelphia. They are glorlous when states, too, but bread is no cheaper for

all possibilities of rural industry, and in due time will be transformed from acter, because he breaks the universal anish, because he breaks the universal law that "like begets like." God laid down this law in the beginning, and Moses has recorded the same in the first chapter of Genesis. The plant yields seed after its kind. The animal brings state of nature to a domain of homes set in neighborly proximity to Noting the success in these lines that has attended other sec forth after its kind. Christ's mother was sinful; his ancestors running back to Adam the father of the race were sinful But Christ was not sinful, but sinless. tions of the country served by rural electrical railways, The Oregonian is pleased to see this scheme take shape His purity and moral perfection are ad mitted by friend and foe. Richter speak-ng of Christ says: "He is the hollest among the mighty, the mightlest among The great National bunco game now

the holy, who with his pierced hand lifted empires off their hinges, and turned the stream of centuries out of its channel, and still governs the ages." He is the sinless one among a sinful race. How shall we account for this exception. The only way we can account for it, is to accept the Scripture state-ment: "He was conceived of the Holy Ghost." But Christ breaks the universal law, that "like begets like" not only from a moral, but also from a national point of view. According to his natural descent Jesus was a Jew. But strictly

speaking Jesus was no Jew. We mean in those elements or characteristic which go to make up his personality Fotor was a Jew. Read the Acts of the and moral Uncle Sam should engage n a lottery of this kind, he would be brought up with a round turn in short order. The affair next month is Apostles, and see how the Jew in Peter reveals himself. Paul was a Jew Read his letters and you'll be convinced of that fact. But Christ was no Jew uid to be the last that will take place under the lottery system. We cannot that fact. But Christ was no Jew was neither Jew nor Chaldean vell point the finger of scorn at the Mexican lottery gamblers while we neither Greek nor Roman, neither Ori-ental nor Occidental, but a universal character, and therefore entitled to the permit a similar venture in our own and with the Government in the role on of Man.

Third-Jesus Christ is a supernatural character because he rows from the dead. Can this be proven? We think so. Thut such a person as Jesus Christ lived over provement Society. In order to live 800 years ago is admitted by friend and foe. That he led a transcendently pure life, and gathered about him a body of followers who believed him to be the Messiah, is admitted by both friend and which a Portland advertising firm for. That he was put to death by order of the Roman Governor is admitted by friend and for. Now it' Christ did not rise from the dead, the dead body must eye of the newcomer before he could been in one of two places; have been in one of two places; either in the hands of his friends or in the hands of his enemies. If in the hands of his friends it is contrary to reason to believe, that they would have gone up to believe, that they would have gone up elther view with displeasure these glaring

THE TRADE FUTURE OF PORTLAND

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nore on the streets of Seattle, Tacoma

part of forwarding trade, though both Tacoma and Fortland enjoy good reve-nues from it. No man, on the facts pre-

sented, could no more guess whether Se

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atmosphere of the Puget Sound cities.

Granted that the Columbia stays open.

Seattle today claims the largest

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# Country Tributary Will Be Most Densely Settled in Northwest, Says Critic.

The World's Work magazine for Au-Portland, one must think, lies in another gust makes special features of the Pa-cific Coast and the Alaska-Yukon-Pa-The country immediately tributary to

The country immediately tributary to Portland should become the most densely settled large area of land in the North-wost; and there is little doubt it will. The Willamette Valley seems designed by nature to be a veritable warehouse of solid wealth-not of timber that can be out off, nor from mines that can be emptied, but of products of the soli that never cases, but flow in every inclific Exposition, and among the articles printed is one written by a staff writer on "The Future of the North Const Cities." in which these interesting refer There are three commercial functions that create great cities: Manufacturing, that never cease, but flow in over-in-creasing volume as the years go by. A man who studies carefully the whole Northwest might well conclude that this forwarding and merchandizing. Portland is a big forwarding city today and doubtless will be bigger, but her water front alley is to play the very largest part of the ultimate solution of the "cost-ofage consists of two banks upon each In the ultimate solution of the "cost-of-living" problem. For it is not, like Yaki-ma. Wenatchee, Hood River, or Spo-kane Valley, an emporium of special-ties; but it is a country made for the sustenance of men. In line, every till-able foot of it will come under the plow. In the early days, it was a grain coun-try, but today the profits of intensive farming are probably better understood here than in any other section of the river, and that is all that nature allows Tacoma and Portland seem to have buil in the last few years on a solid and tangible foundation. Into Tacoma there have come new railroads, at least two new steamship lines, and many millions of capital from the East. Yet there has

here than in any other section of the Northwest, and the tendency toward evelopment along this line takable

takable. Herein iles the characteristic future of Portland. Of course, for decades to come, the wonderful timber resources and grainfields behind the Columbia outlet srainfields behind the Columbia outlet will maintain an enormous volume of ex-port traffic from the docks, but the Wil-lamette Valley, and the certain ultimate development of Central Oregon, will make Portland a real metropolitan mar-ket city. Its growth is United make Portland a real metropolitan mar-ket city. Its growth is limitiess in pos-sibilities. Anyone who understands the greatness of such Eastern citics as Buf-falo, Toronto, Indianapolis, Louisville or Kanaas City, can see to some extent what this one function of its life may do the Doubland in a quarter of a century. for Portland in a guarter of a century. It is almost a certainty that within a de-cade its fine residence sections will be driven back a mile.

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These seem to be the individual pros-These seem to be the individual pros-pects of the three citics. It is strange, to a visitor who boasts no local prejudics or civic vanity, to study their attitude to-ward the inland regions, and vice versa. It is true that the jobbers of Portland. Seattle and Tacoma merchandiz today into Montana and Wyoming. It seems equally true that if Spokane gets its ntes, these coast jobbers will meet pretty hot competition.

But it is not by any means certain that the interests of the jobbers in Port-land. Tacoma or Seattle are so important aitle will maintain its proport on of the trade. Certainly Seattle will become a very big city within a few years time; but her growth will be the growth of the or so economically valuable that tory 500 miles inland must be cons terrias theirs by right divine. The coast, be-cause it is the coast has certain traffic powers; but, pushed to such extremes as this, it would make of the West another Portland, the Boston of the Coast, is Australia, rich on its coast but starving in the interior. The future of the coast cities themselves, in its full development, absolutely demands the full development of the inland areas. That is a truism of a self-contained, well-rounded, charming htty of a truly metropolitan sort. It is more measured in its gait, more dignified, older and perhaps more solid than the bigger northern city. It grows on the Easterner with a sense of security. There commerce that even Sydney and Mel-bourne are coming to know. Spokane, Missoula, Lewiston, Nampa and Boise, must in the economic nature of things, become splendid centers of local comare fewer people trying to sell things. One fancies that traditions are more sacred, codes less las, innovations not quite so welcome as in the more electric Missoula. merce in their rich territories before Portland, Tacoma or Seattle reach their full growth; and every step the coast may take to retard the inland growth merce in their rich territories enough, and her coastwise traffic is solid as the country, but the real growth of t forward, in preial destiny.

# DEVOTED TO FROTH AND FUDGE

## America's Example of Sordidness and Spiritual Destitution.

New York American. Under modern conditions every great netropolis breeds at the most sumptuous extreme of its social scale a sordidness and spiritual destitution that is matched only by the deepest misery of the poor. New York is no exception to this rule.

The life of the younger Thaws-quite apart from any question of high crime or the grosser immoralities-has been narrow and shallow to a degree hardly to be matched in country towns. It has been a life whose major issues

turned upon matters of food and olothes and the devices for killing time. No one should be surprised, therefore, that this pitable little woman-wholly lacking in objects of permanent inter ext or devotion-should at last have turned upon her husband with a stagy affectation of reluctance, excusing her self with the plea that \$6,000 a 'I want not enough for a lone woman to live on. It is the revenge of nature upon an

STORY THAT FITS CASE EXACTLY Murdock, of Kansas, Illustrates the Bambooaling in the Turiff. Washington Letter to Kansas City Star "After hunting for it half the Sum-

ner," said Representative Murdock, of Kansas. "I have found exactly the story which illustrates the funny position we are in about this tariff bill. knew it was there somewhere, but it

was hard to find. It's an old Spanish story, and it exactly fits our situation. You remember when we passed the Payne bill nobody liked it because it was too high. Then the Senate got it and substituted the Aldrich rates, which were so much higher that the Payne bill looked like moderation itself. Now wa are scrapping around to preserve the Payne rates, and If we su getting them we will feel sure that we have won a great and glorious victory. "Now for my Spanish story. It just touches the spot. A very tall man en-tered a tallor's shop and said: 'I want

# them does the minimum depth of PROBLEMS OF LIFE AND RELIGION water extend for that distance.

To complete this thirty-foot channel out Personage of the Christian World. Philadelphia, the report shows

the defeat of all the pr urely seated on his throne, and a ser ies of reverses might drive him out of the country and bring back the fearassociation is the further consequence Under such a system all political objects are confounded together, and no ful troubles which preceded the ac policy whatever can be maintained for direction of the state. cession of his father, in 1874. This nonarch was the son of Queen Isa-

The object of the "assembly" is to give some direction to party action, bella II, and she was the daughter of nand VII, who departed this life through each party's representatives, so as to secure distinctive results in 1833. Isabella came to the throne as an infant and her entire reign was through party effort. "Free and open troublous. It ended in 1868 with a races, through the direct primary," revolution.

negation of the representative principle. It completely rules out all repesentative men and all fittest men and brings forward for office cheap pretonders, who nominate themselves and invite, not only their own defeat, but rejection of the principles and purposes contended for by their party. lly his brother Don Carios oppos "turns wisdom to folly, as nourishment to wind."

the project, but Ferdinand persisted Our experience on this subject aland his daughter Isabella succeeded ready is abundant. It shows that prac-tically in every case the successful him. The adherents of Don Carlos, saring more for the supposed right of candidate in a primary election, in the absence of a direct guiding force through an assembly of the representheir leader than for the welfare of Spain, plunged the country into civil This crime they have repeated witr. tatives of a party, is the man who agtime and again, but in spite of internal dissensions, which seemed to favor them, they never have won their cause. When Isabella was driven gressively seeks the office; and the man who, during the campaign, can shake most hands, make himself the best mixer, communicate with the largest from the country, a period of anarchy ensued, and then the Carlist claimant number by means of empty speeches. or flim-flam circulars, sent through the was passed by in favor of Victor Emmanuel's son, Amadeo. He managed mails, or make in any way the most to hold on, in turmoil and dissension. ouching appeal to the fancy of hobby until 1873, when he gave up the hopehorsical citizens, as silver advocates, less effort to maintain his position, and abdicated. Another period of ingle tax fanatics, or other groups of people entertaining half-baked noanarchy followed, which was varied will walk off with the nomiby the dictatorship of the picturesque nation in the name of party-and thus the entire body of principles represented by a great party is be-Emilio Castelar, whose lurid literary productions are familiar to the whole It is for these reasons that world. In 1874, when everybody had trayed. grown weary of killing his neighbors, there should be advisory assemblies, to perform a part in the selection or Isabella's son. Alphonso XII, was suggestion of candidates, calling on made King. His reign lasted until the to perform a part in the selection or 12010-00 men to stand for responsible po-Fall of 1875. The present King Althe May fo phonso was born in These, of course, are to submitted to the primary; and the primary is to be conducted in coming his father's death. His mother, Maria Christina, who acted as regent liance with strict forms of law, so during his childhood, managed affairs as to guard it against fraud or irso skillfully that there was no great regularity. Independent candidates can still come forth, if they desire; but difficulty about the succession, and he duly ascended the throne at his masame guide to party nominations and fority. His marriage with one of the to representative nominations will be grand-daughters of Queen Victoria secured through representative party has strengthened his position. Much of the internal dissension which distracts Spain is due to the It is the way, and the only

way, to preserve representative government, and at the same time to heterogeneous character of the nation. give the citizen opportunity to ac-It is composed of provinces which originally independent and complish what he wants through legitimate party effort. The effort to were which never have been very closely legitimate party leadership welded together. The power of the monarchy was founded by Ferdinand out of its existence, and with it the representative principle in party and and Isabella, who united the separate government, is the radical mistake of kingdoms of Castile and Arragon by "free and open races," under rect primary. It ought to be their marriage, in 1469. Their forces, acting together, were then able to conthe direct primary. quer Granada and drive out the checked, and it will be, through the Moors. In the north of Spain the representative assembly, whose deprovinces are inhabited by people who speak either a barbarous dialect or a alone. cisions, indeed, will not be final, but will serve as a guide to party action, through the representative system, language totally different from Span-which is a vital principle of govern-lah. They are relics, in fact, of the

9s 7%d and 9s 8d per cental. It was in the time of Ferdinand VII wheat remains relatively the same that these Carlist pretensions to the throne of Spain began, which have throughout the yar, and it is, of course, very necessary that we should kept the country in more or less con have a duty high enough to prevent the Canadians from selling their wheat stant turmoil over since. Ferdinand. having no male children, desired to abrogate the Salie law which excluded lverpool market, females from the succession. Natur-

American wheat. The protective tariff n wheat has no more to do with fixing the price for the American farmer than it has in fixing the Liverpoo price to the consumer. No more shalow or baseless argument for protective tariff could well be imagined.

THIRTY-FOOT CHANNEL. The experience of Philadelphia in ecuring a thirty-foot channel to the ea offers the strongest kind of encouragement for early completion of a imilar channel from Portland to the Pacific Ocean. Compared with the task with which Philadelphia was confronted ten years ago, the work needed to complete a thirty-foot chan nel from Portland is not at all difficult. Major Herbert Deakyne, englneer in charge of the work at Phila-delphia, has just forwarded his annual report on the Philadelphia improvepent, and it contains many statistics of special interest to Portland. Work under the thirty-foot project was ommenced in 1899, and up to June 30 there had been expended on the projthe sum of \$6,383,671. As to what has been accomplished, the englneer's report says that:

neer's report says that: The original work of the channel, 30 feet deep and 600 feet wide, is now practically completed, from Christian street to deep, water in Delaware Bay, except on Schooner Ledge Bock area, where a few scattering points of rock remain to be drilled and blasted off. It is estimated that only shoul 330 cuble yards of ledge rock remain to be removed, consisting of widely-scattered points projecting from one-tenth foot to one foot above the plane of 30 feet mean

none foot above the plane of 30 feet mean low water. The work is being pushed as ranidly as possible, but from its nature, is necessarily tedious. The extreme difficulty of this work

on the Delaware as compared with the soft mud and sand of the Columbla is shown in the statement that there have already been removed from Schooner ledge 552,345 cubic yards of overlying material, including uiders, and 25,745 cubic yards of ledge rock, more than 100,000 pounds of dynamite being used on this ledge

In all the distance between Portland and Astoria none of the shoals is onement for the people and by the peo- primeval tribes who dwelt in Spain half mile in extent, and in none of

daubs that are plastered all over the country for advertising purpo will 13, quotes No. 2 red Winter and "hard Kansas," the highest-priced wheat a with the Vancouver Civic Improvegrown in the United States, at 95 6d ment Society.

boards may be replaced.

#### per cental. No. 2 Northern Mani-"Any one who wants to believe that oba, the wheat which is threatening the naval student (Sutton) commit-ted suicide while two of his assailants the welfare of the American farmer, quoted at the same time in the Livsat on him, may do so. This is a free country," remarks the Chicago erpool market at 9s 9d per cental, and 3 Northern Manitoba is quoted at

Tribune. Perhaps we shall learn, in due time, that in naval academy par-This premium for the Canadian lance suicide is a mere euphemism for death at the hands of his young gentleman friends, who were putting him through his paces.

Just think how different some things our markets in preference to the might have been had Thaw pere many years ago, secured one of those which establishe price for both Canadian and pearl-handled dog whips like Harry used on the chorus girls. Judicious use of the whip in lieu of the use of an unlimited number of dollars, while Harry was young and tender and in need of discipline, might have saved the family much trouble and disgrace.

> Theodore Roosevelt would be a nighty fine candidate for Mayor New York. And he would be elected, -if he lived in the city. But his residence is in Oyster Bay. However, that shouldn't make much difference in the case of a man who is not of one place but for all places, not of an age. but for all time.

Are the officials of the City of Portland too busy drawing their salaries to give their attention to filling up the oles in the streets-even in the chief thoroughfares? There are hundreds and hurdreds of them-holes as well as officials.

Spain breaks the news of disaster gently, like the man who cut off the dog's tail an inch at a time. But the dog never seemed to appreciate his master's consideration. So with the Spanish people.

get a homestead in the Coeur d'Alene, Spokane or Flathead reserva-

Joffries will fight the "nigger." He has put up \$5000. The world of pugilism is over its nightmare. All that remains is to whip Johnson. That's

The Elks and the W. C. T. U. celebrated the same day at the Scattle Fair. But not in the same way.

Didn't Spain learn, eleven years ago that censoring war news made no real

The flea, says a wise California entomologist, cannot see; but he gets there just the same.

and down the country, preaching that he was allye, when they knew it was a lie and ready to die for that lie. Men don't do such things. Men may by missake die for a lie, but men will not missake die for a lie, but men will not knowingly die for a lie. On the other hand had the dead body been in the hands of his enemics, then when Peter, James and John began to preach the new religion, all that would have been necessary to silence them, was to bring forth the dead body, which would have crushed the new religion for all time. Since the first is contrary to reason and the second never overread the the the you,' and, producing it, he draped it over the shoulders of the customer and hastily reached for a huge pair of acisaors "Hold, what would you do with

those, demanded the customer. "I must cut it off; it is a trifle too long,' replied the tailor. see that it would be more fitting to you if it were a little shorter?'

"The customer studied it some more

Women Flock to Three Senators.

Baltimore News.

Senator Balley's speeches are always popular with women, as they are with men, for that matter. The other day when it was so hot in the Senate cham-

ber as almost to set the asbestos sched

ule after, the galleries contained an audi-ence of dine-looking women, in cool and summery attire. They drank in every

stayed to the last. Tiliman's speeches in variably draw a trowd of women, who like him for the speech he made in the

Mrs. Minor Morris case, and Senator

Dolliver is pretty sure to get a goodly audience of the fair sex.

Test of a Fisherman.

Test of a Fisherman. Deiroit Free Press. The world has many anglers, but Real fishermen are few: An angler loves to sit and chat About the sport wilk you. He'll tell you how he loves the game. How he could spend all day Charling a bailed hook for bass In river, lake or bay And yet the angler is a man-Oh, there are lots of them-Who will not quit his bed to fish At 4 o'clock A. M.

At a ochook A. M. The fisherman will rise at dawn And quickly sip away To cast his line into the deep Before it's break of day. The angler, though, the night before Will swear that he will rise. But when the fisherman gets up. It is in wain he trias To rouse the angler from his sleep-He sticks unto his cot; Would he set up at 4 A. M. To fish? Well, I guess not.

The disherman will row a boat For miles and miles and miles. And, catching but a finh or two, His face is wreathed in smiles The angler wants a cushioned sent And room to stretch and yawn; A place to sloep if they don't bits and weariness comes on. The morning star knows dehermen, And smilling, welcomes them The anglers, though, it nover sees-They sleep till 9 A. M.

word of the Texas Senator's spe-

Since the first is contrary to reason and the second never occurred, the third mugt be true, that Christ rose from the dead. Since he vanquished death and made the grave surrender we believe that Christ is what he claimed to be-"The customer looked it over carefully, screwed his neck around and studied it with care. "I would feel that I ought not to a divine supernatural, character. W. C. REUTER.

I would leef that I ought not to sell to you, sir, unless you permitted me to shorten it. It would speak fill of my workmanship to sell a coat too long for its wearer. Jesus is mainly what the imagination of the Christian world has made him. There is a true history and a mythical history of Jesus. They are separable hu study of the early Christian documents, and said: "The thinks it is not long. I doubt if it is quite long enough, but I'll take it," and the clever tailor held him up chief of which are the Gospels. It is certain that Jesus never claimed for himsolf what was claimed for him by nasfor two prices and sent him away happy, which is just what they are go-ing to do to us and the country with this tariff bill." cent Christianity, after the conclusion of his life. All the records are a growth of the early Christian conscious spirit; and the sayings of Jesus himself.

never reduced to writing in the forms in which we have them, until long after he had passed, are a product of the personal and religious legend connected with his life, and for centuries afterwards in process of development. This is the universal judgment of historical scholarship, including theological scholarship, which is a branch of it. The judgment of the world accounts for Jesus on rational and historical, not on supernatural grounds. His position depends on idealization of him by humanity Nor does the world regard Christianity

either as a supermatural religion or as the absolute religion. It is one of the forms or systems through which the religious consciousness of a considerable part-not a majority-of mankind, finds expression. Students of the history of religions, in their comparative forms,

find no difficulty in accounting for the career and history of Jesus, or for his place in the religious world; nor do they find anything supernatural in it, be youd that which is mysterious and insoluble in the general problems of self-conscious human life.

Calve Tells Jokes on Herself.

Calve Tells Jokes on Herselt. New York Press. Calve has been spendin; several months on her estate in her native province in France, and as a result is telling many droll stories of her ex-periences with the simple country folk. She attended the birthday party of a pensant girl. Joined in the native dances and then sang a ballad. After the ballad an old woman approached Calve and asked: "Does your scream-ing hurt you?" A different compliment was paid her by a visiting villager, who told her he knew the proprietor of a heer garden who would pay her five frances, or \$1 a day, to sing to his customera.

a cape if you have one that will be long enough.' The tailor knew that he hadn't one that was long enough, but he thought he must sell to the visitor. It would be a sin to let a cusexistence dedicated to froth and fudge And it makes life in a sodhouse on a quarter section in Nebraska land seem tomer get away. So he replied: 'Yes, I have one that I am sure will just fit courtly and magnificent.

Aching Void in Wit Reservoirs.

Cincinnati Times-Star. The "O, you" wittleism is now in the full tide of its mad career. To be considered strictly up-to-date one must re-mark on suitable occasions, "O, you kid," or induige in one of the many elaborations of the phrase. Surely, 'Can you not there must be an aching vold in the reservoirs of wit and originality when the entire country, parrot-like, catches ome senseless phrase and introices it ad nausean

> IN THE MAGAZINE SECTION OF THE SUNDAY OREGONIAN

#### "MR. DOOLEY" ON THE NEWS FROM WASHINGTON

Finley Peter Dunne, who was indisposed for several weeks, has taken up his pen. He shines when he writes of prominent men. Read what he has to say of Aldrich, Roosevelt and Taft.

CENTENARY OF ALFRED TENNYSON

Next week the English-speaking world will pay honor to the great poet, who was born August 6, 1809. The Sunday Oregonian presents a page of especially interesting biographical matter.

#### "COMING OUT" OF PRINCESS VICTORIA LOUISE

Charming sketch of Emperor William's only daughter; a shy, studious, serious girl who will be launched socially next month, and thereafter live in a palace of her own.

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difference in the result?