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slump as that of 1907, but by far the greatest steady influence in the market has been the quiet purchasing by investors who bought stocks to hold as dividend-earners, and not to be turned over on the first advance of a point or two.

and divers accepted theological views fall to the ground. It may be practical considerations of this nature more than any deficiency of vision which prevent other astronomers from seeing those Martian internal improvements which are so distinctly visible to Professor Lowell.

On Broader Lines. The Portland Seaman's Friend Society which was organized more than thirty years ago and which, in spite of its former sectarian limitations, has accomplished much good for the port, has recently been reorganized on much broader and more practical lines.

Methodist Activity in Rome. What the American Church is Doing Through Its Missionaries. BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS OF THE Methodist Episcopal Church, 160 Fifth Avenue, New York, Feb. 10.—(To the Editor.)—Many who were previously unaware that the Methodist Episcopal Church was at work in Italy

Suit Follows Auto Accident. S. Russell Smith, Realty Man, Defendant in \$2600 Action. S. Russell Smith, of the real estate firm of Smith & Everett, with offices in the Swetland building, is being sued by J. J. C. Watten, a member of the Circuit Court for \$2600, because his automobile ran into Mabel H. Watten's car on August 31, 1909.

\$30,000 Voted For Missions. Adventists Set Aside Large Sum to Spread Creed. The North Pacific Union Conference, Seventh Day Adventists, in session yesterday in the East Portland Church, voted to appropriate \$30,000 for the foreign missions of the denomination to be called the Southern Oregon Conference and heard an extended report on education by M. E. Cady, educational secretary.

Even more in the East than in the West people are desiring to get out of the city and into the country. Throughout New England and New York farms are abandoned, the fences have disappeared, the dwellings are down, the barns are falling, the sunnyside and the crabtree are growing up again, and little is left to mark the site of many a farmhouse but the cellar hole.

The Glavis Method. Mr. Glavis sets himself up as censor of the motives and the conduct of Secretary Ballinger. "Misconduct," he says, but he "makes no charge of corruption." It is his opinion that Ballinger has done it all.

A Direful Road to Riches. J. Thorburn Ross was convicted of misappropriation or "high finance" juggling with state school funds. His wild speculations with money confided by depositors to his now defunct bank did not enter the indictment.

Remembering the Maine. The twelve years which have elapsed since the destruction of the battleship Maine, in Havana Harbor, have been among the most momentous in American history.

Guardian Sought for Boy. Son of Late H. W. Goode Without Legal Custodian. Thomas G. Greene filed with County Judge Webster yesterday morning a petition that some responsible person be appointed guardian ad litem for Henry F. Goode, the 15-year-old son of the late H. W. Goode.

Half Price Asked Allowed. City Must Pay \$3500 for Three-fourths Acre on Mount Tabor. The city will pay \$500 for three-fourths of an acre on the south slope of Mount Tabor belonging to G. S. Hanson and the remainder to the city.

Domestic Science Draws Course at O. A. C. Attracts 220 Men and Women. OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, Feb. 15.—Special. "The exercise of 'Farmers' Week,' including the special programme offered by the school of Domestic Science and Art, has attracted 220 men and women, which is more than double the number ever in attendance at these exercises in forty years.

Improvements in Mars. Professor Percival Lowell, of the Flagstaff Observatory, clings valiantly to his old habit of seeing things in Mars which are invisible to other astronomers.

Valueless Memoranda. MOSIER, Or., Feb. 14.—(To the Editor.)—Noticing an account in the Oregonian of an old newspaperman's account of Lincoln's death being sold for \$250, I have found an old paper named "The Ulster Gazette," dated January 4, 1890.

What She Was Talking About. The library and household effects of a man who had once entertained in a lavish way were sold at public auction one day last week, and among the things were many which had belonged to the fallen family's hospital.

No Time for Domestic Cares. Tacoma Tribune. Mr. Glavis has entered the apple business in the Oregonian. "Then he ought to attend to business. But Mrs. Glavis he didn't attend to domestic business either," says the Oregonian.

Lineman Asks \$15,000 for Fall. John W. Taylor, a lineman who fell from a telephone line last April when a portion of it split away, brought suit in the Circuit Court yesterday afternoon against the Portland Telephone and Power Company, demanding \$15,000 damages.

Bad Check Passer Confesses. ASTORIA, Feb. 15.—(Special.)—J. L. Downs, who was arrested Saturday evening for passing a bad check, was arrested by the Justice Court, and appeared on an information charging him with obtaining money under false pretenses. He was committed to the County Jail in default of \$300 bonds to await the action of the Circuit Court grand jury.

Roosevelt in Moving Pictures. Scenes of African Hunt Secured After Vast Effort and Risk. Experience of the great game hunter Roosevelt in British East Africa were illustrated by moving pictures shown privately in the East Portland Church last night.

Sensitive Stock Speculators. Drastic liquidation in stocks, which was so much in evidence early last week, seems to have spent its force. While there was some reaction yesterday from the excessive buoyancy of Monday's market, the net gains from the low point reached have been substantial.

A Just Decision. It is a comfort to learn that the decision of the Southern California supreme court taken away from Senator Tillman the custody of his grandchildren and gives it to their mother. There is where it belongs. In order to effect this piece of manifest justice the court had to struggle with the law a little, but the result is no harm in that. It is justified with every day.

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