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country of ours is not modern France nor Germany nor Italy nor England. The practice of those old countries will not fit here at all.

subject we have a right of protest—first, against obstruction of our development, and second, against diversion of these resources to the support of a vast official body of obstructionists who are aliens to our citizenship and have no part or lot with us in the real work of subduing the wilderness of nature and opening opportunity for the industry of man.

FORESTALLING THE PRIMARY. Just think of it! They have the direct primary in California, as in Oregon, Minnesota, Nevada, Utah, etc.

IN Oregon there is "a set of forces" who pretend to think that this sort of proceeding is treason to the right of candidates to nominate themselves.

THE MARVELOUS "PACIFICS." When the late Edward H. Harriman passed on to a world where neither the roar of trains nor the clink of gold is disturbing friends and enemies alike admitted that as an organizer of capital and as a realizer of the American dream, his equal had never appeared in all the world's history.

CURIOUS THEOLOGICAL DEBATE. The common saying that it is impossible to prove a negative is admitted by many exceptions. It has been proved conclusively, for example, that the circle cannot be squared.

OUR TRADE-STEALING LAWS. Undanayed by the threats of enormous fines for alleged violations of our coastwise navigation laws, the Hamburg-American liner Cleveland has gathered another big crowd of excursionists and steamed away from San Francisco on the return voyage.

THE LADIES ALWAYS WELCOME. Jordan Valley Express. A Byrd and his best girl, the Express, called Friday last. Mr. Byrd wished to show the young lady how the mechanical operations were carried on in the publication of a great religious paper and she took an intelligent observation of the works.

On Delicate Ground. Washington Star. "Father," said Little Rollo, "what is a democracy?"

Not So Darned Unanimous. The Hermann trial ended in no verdict being given, as the jury failed to agree. The vote was polled at eleven for guilty and three for acquittal.

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For Morgan's Collection. St. Paul Pioneer-Press. J. Pierpont Morgan might indulge his taste for antiquities by purchasing the cold storage supply of eggs.

light further details of the workings of this state, by which travel and transportation of freight on the Pacific are hampered in a most vexatious manner. Discussing the matter in a recent number of the Independent, Rev. Mr. Doremus Scudder, a prominent American Congregational minister, says in a church at Honolulu, states that freedom of travel between the Hawaiian Islands and the Pacific Coast is unknown.

SPOKANE AS AN EXAMPLE. The Spokane Spokesman-Review is the only journal in the whole Northwest which desires the Government to take toll in perpetuity of the natural resources of the states.

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REPUBLICAN ASSEMBLY LAUDED. Best Men Will Be Nominated. Silver Lake Leader. Sentiment is fast gaining in the Republican party in favor of the assembly plan to place tickets in the field for both state and county officers.

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ALAS FOR OUR FOREFATHERS. New York Times. James Henry Stark, of Boston, has written a book called "The Loyalists of Massachusetts and the Other Side of the American Revolution."

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