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A DUTY FOR EVERY CITIZEN.

The Oregonian offers herewith a memorandum of the various questions and subjects to be decided by the people of Oregon at the election November 3. These measures, submitted under the initiative or through referendum to the people, make a grand total of thirty-two.

OUR NEAREST-STATE CLARITY.

The Sanitarium near Salem for sufferers from tuberculosis, for which provision was made by a legislative appropriation of \$75,000, will in a very short time be ready to accept and treat patients. Unlike any other sanitarium of this character in Oregon, the institution will give preference to the indigent who are afflicted with the pitiful and wasting disease.

WATCH THE CROSSINGS.

Each crew supposing the track clear, a freight train crashed into a streetcar, overturned it and injured a dozen or more passengers. Monday night, that there were no fatalities nor serious injuries was due to good luck, not to foresight. It was the duty, well known to every railway employe, to send a flagman to the crossing.

THE CLASSES AT THE Y. M. C. A.

It is not everybody who realizes that the Portland Young Men's Christian Association is, among other things, a great popular college. The courses of study which are offered to young men at its night classes cover substantially every branch of useful knowledge and the instruction is aimed directly at efficiency.

NOT "DISGRACED."

The grand jury has again filed the stereotyped report, familiar to the public for many years, in regard to the crowded, unclean, ill-lighted, ill-ventilated condition of the City Jail. A "disgrace to the City of Portland" is the stereotyped phrase which accompanies the report. One thing is made clear. The City Jail is a fine place to keep out of. If the air is impure, there is plenty of fresh air outside.

THE CHAIR FOR THE SEWING MACHINE.

An important thing to remember in running a sewing machine is to have the feet exactly the right height. The neglect of this detail has been the means of giving a bad name to many a willing thing of steel and iron. For a long time the operator has not only gets very tired, but the machine runs noisily and heavily.

NEW YORK HOUSECLEANING.

Indeed, few persons realize how badly the New York Republican organization needed cleaning out until T. R. was forced into the fight.

time for the roses and lilies. If we raise nothing but roses, whereon shall we feed?

THE UNFAIR ALPHABET.

Thirty-two candidates for the lower house of the Legislature submitted their names to the Republican primary in Multnomah last Saturday. The names, beginning with Abbott and ending with Wetherbee, were grouped on the Republican ballot in alphabetical order. The alphabetical arrangement is the law. It is symmetrical and orderly, in that it is clean and easy for the voter; but the results are disastrous for the candidate who is not near the head of the list.

IN MR. SCOTT'S MEMORY.

Memorial services for the late Harvey W. Scott will be held under the auspices of Pacific University at Forest Grove tomorrow. Something like a half century ago—in June, 1863—Mr. Scott entered that University and graduated therefrom, the only member in his class and the first graduate of the institution.

THE WICKED STAGE.

There is sound sense in Mr. Wilton Lackaye's remark that the home is the place where plays should be censored. It often happens that the suppression of a play by public officials merely stimulates curiosity. This was the case with Bernard Shaw's "Mrs. Warren's Profession," which the New York police would not allow on the stage when it first crossed the water.

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cramped quarters of the jail are as objectionable to those who seek accommodations there through their offenses against society as these conditions are to themselves and to other well-ordered citizens.

No doubt the jail is unclean. It houses for the most part unclean people. No doubt it smells bad. Such people carry their odors about with them. No doubt it is ill-ventilated and dark and damp. To the extent that these defects in sanitation can be, they should be remedied.

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Isben first invaded this country all his dramas were lumped together as objectionable. They were immoral. They tended to destroy the family. They were a danger to the nation.

Conceding with Mr. Lackaye that an objectionable play now and then gets a foothold on the stage, it is not quite so certain that these latter plays are frivolous.

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RETAILERS CREATE HIGH PRICES.

Apple Grover Says That Some Portland Merchants' Profits Are 300 Per Cent. DAYTON, Or., Sept. 26.—(To the Editor.)—As there are frequent discussions in the newspapers with reference to the high cost of living, and in conjunction therewith notice is made of the great prosperity of the farmer, it might be well to consider every phase of the subject before coming to a conclusion.

Larger sized apples that would pack 125 in a box, were offering, according to quality and location, at 25 and 30 cents per dozen, and these latter were being retailed at 20 cents a dozen, for which the retailer paid from 50 to 75 cents per box, according to quality.

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FROM CRADLE TO THE GRAVE.

Essay by Robert G. Ingersoll, Regarded by Many as His Masterpiece. Robert G. Ingersoll's Essay on Life written after the birth of his grandchild.

From the cradle to the grave, from the first cry of the infant to the last gasp of the dying, the human life is a continuous process of growth and decay.

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YELLOW JOURNALISM TO DATE.

Not the Newspaper, but Sympathy-Working Magazines. A few years ago "yellow journalism" was discussed so much that we all came to know just about what "yellow journalism" was.

Then the newspapers all began to get up ever since. Meanwhile, under cover of the lapsing of "yellow journalism" discussion, a new variety of "yellow journalism" has crept in and spread itself to an unwarranted extent.

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