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PORTLAND'S CENSUS.

The Federal census of Portland for 1910 does not come up to the expectations of some citizens who have a highly optimistic view of the value to a city of mere numbers; it realizes the estimates of some others, who through many years have observed the substantial growth and steady progress of Portland towards a desiiny of real metropolitan achievement and who are content that the world should know what Portland actually has in population, in commerce and in worthy civic advancement and real

municipal development. The record as it stands is a purvel. It tells of the astonishing forward march of a growing city in the great Northwest, successful competition with other bestling, hustling and hurrying places. It is a rivalry that has been stimulating and profitable. It has done much for Portland in the cultivation of a spirit of emulation and enter-prise; it has done as much, or nearly as much, for others, though they have perhaps less to show for it than has Portland in the way of a healthy expansion and a genuine prosperity. There is such a thing indeed as going too fast. It is well for the army that pushes forward to the fighting line and above the requirements of the 25 to take great care it does not get

ad of its commissary. Ten years ago the population of Portland was 90,426; now it is 207,an increase of 129.2 per cent, or 116,788, a growth in ten short years greater than the entire population of the city in the fifty-five years of its history up to 1990. Scattle's population is 237,194; in 1900 it was 80,671, making an increase of 156,523, or 194 per cent. It is an astonishing story for Seattle, a wonderful advertisement of the amazing advance of that unique city. There ought to be no feeling of envy here that the northern neighbor has done so well. There will be congratulations that the famous Seattle spirit has wrought results so gratifying and actual. Yet it will not be taken amiss, we hope, if attention is called to the fact that the vast enthusiasm of Seattle over its own progress, and its equally wast admiration of itself for what it had done, permitted the announcement to be made everywhere that Scattle had at least a decrease of more than \$2,000,000 in 260,600 people. If the official census, the Seattle clearings for the same which will be and should be everywhere accepted as anthentic, shall cause a feeling of disappointment and hagrin in Seattle, the suggestion may be pardoned that it is well to do only a fair amount of rainbow chasing in the presence of the obdurate and pragmatio census-taker. Here in Portland our prophecies were modest and

the vine maple and other obstinate cially when we consider that unless underbrush remains to be solved. the people prosper the railroads cana very large proportion of cases the owner of logged-off land finds it less not prosper, and that what is good for expensive to rid himself of the stump than of the living, tenaciously-rooted undergrowth.

conomic failure. The extraordinary

make out the case for char-pitting.

will do what is claimed for It.

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tribute

000, bringing the total up to more

than \$315,000,000. The reserve over

per cent rule was \$18,270,000, the

highest figure recorded since last Sep-

financial situation is also reflected in

have clarified the commercial air

somewhat and now that there will

soon set in a back flow of crop-mov-

ing money from the country to the

city, it is reasonable to expect a re-

sumption of the activity that was

checked last Summer by unwarranted

fears over the result of the November

elections. Prices for farm products

are lower than they were last year,

leased and available for other uses.

GIVE THE RAILROADS A REST.

Northwest have few if any better

friends or more enthusiastic boosters

among railroad men than Howard

may other part of the world.

ever, where in many cases the traffic

tain as to just what the returns may

portunities for investment in schemes

them.

Portland, Oregon, and the Puclfic

Now that the November elections

easier rates for money.

This improvement in the

one is good for the other. SPECIAL PRIVILEGES TO BREWERIES.

Powers of attorney, which have been If char-pitting proves to be feasible, onvayed by 115 saloon-keepers of if men can be taught to do it at the Portland to local breweries, give the cost estimated by the Government expreweries a control they should not pert, of \$10 to \$50 an acre, the State have over the retail liquor trade of the of Washington has struck a fine barcity. Since a limitation has been placed gain for its investment of \$5000. A on the number of saloons in Portland, striking feature is that the proces saloon men holding licenses are given nvolves no outlay but labor. And the preference by the city authorities there is many a claim-owner who when the licenses for a coming year would be glad to market his own labor are granted. Thus the man who holds on his own land in slack seasons. It a retail llouor license has a monopoly insures profitable employment to thouover it so long as the Council does not sands without going away from home

ose to oust him for cause From a financial viewpoint it is a big With the power of attorney, howthing to put land under the plow ver, a brewery may force a saloonwithout adding so much to the cost of resper out of business and present the t that it forever after must yield inlicense to any other man so long as erest on an exorbitant stim or be an the Council cannot, or does not, find ause to object to the new holder of fixed investment in very high-priced the llcense.

lands is coming to be more and more In presenting their views and intera factor in the cost of living. Cheaply ests to the Council, the breweries have leared stump land means immediate explained that the powers of attorney relief. If takes no unusual perception have been issued to them in exchange to see a great many millions of dollars for financial backing given saloonadded to the wealth of the state if the copers, and that without them a sa-Federal Government and the states oon-keeper might become delinquent and forfelt his license, leaving the It is to be hoped, too, that every owner of uncleared land who can afbreweries in the lurch. Thus the prewerles have been permitted to ford to do so may attend the demontransfer licenses at will, the Council, strations to be given at Yacolt, Wash., however, reserving the right to interand perhaps elsewhere. As has been pose its objections, which it has never said, theory does not always fit practice, but it will be worth m great deal If all men are to be equal before

of effort to master the process if it the law, the liquor law as well as general laws, then the powers of attorneys to breweries are wrong. It is not the CLEARING ITNANCTAL ATMOSPHERE. usiness of the city to serve as a The New York bank statement for medium between saloon-keepers and the week ending last Saturday is the breweries in financial deals.

There is no just reason why the most satisfactory that has appeared swortes should deal in city con since early in September, when Colonel sions which are limited to a designat-Receivelt was circulating Bryan theories in the West and causing cold number. As the saloon business la nder the police power of the city, the ahivers to run up and down the spins ouncil can govern the licenses, if it of capital. The loan expansion of nearly \$13,000,000 was the largest inchooses, regardless of the powers of attorney held by anybody, and an crease reported since inst Spring, and effort should be made to see that busian increase of more than \$17,000,000 ness favoritism should not enter into the matter of awarding these special unt to show a gain of nearly \$5,000,privileges.

PRESSING THE LIMITS.

Solid, substantial, conservative and compact, Portland lives up to her reputation even in the census returns. Since its inception, Portland has never shown a disposition to stretch its limits until they cracked. When demands by business, or by increasing population, required two stores or two dwellings where only one of each existed, the additional buildings were vicinity of those already built. As a result of this polley no difficulty was ever encountered in determining where the city ended and the country began. Portland has pushed its suburbs ahead

but the crops are larger, and large sums that were sent into the interior have never been any long stretches for crop-moving purposes will be reditions" that have necessarily been The situation in Portland is remade to the city. flected in bank clearings for the week As a concrete illustration of this of \$9,652,375, an increase of \$2,542,prominent characteristic of Portland 450 over the same week last year. growth, the census figures are inter-Unfortunately for the Northwest as a esting. We note, for instance, that whole some of this gain was offset by the average population per square mile

within the city limits of Portland is 4229, while the average within the limits of Scattle is but 2893. Portland, instead of sprawling over miles of territory not yet needed for city purposes, finds ample room in 48 square miles, while Scattle is trying to give a metropolitan appearance to \$2 square miles of territory. If the Elliott, president of the Northern Pa- area within the city limits of Seattle were so densely populated as that within the limits of Portland the cen-

sway over the whole Western Coast in the interest of the British; many American statesmen regarded the

Pacific Coast too far away ever to be of use or benefit to the American people; transcontinental railroads were not dreamed of; west of the Rocky Mountains the region was a vast wilderness and as was also most the region between the Rocky Mountains and the Mississippi; the only Americans who had followed Captain Gray, and Lewis and Clark hither were occasional fur hunters.

The canal idea was not new with Goethe, but his consciousness of the ultimate power of the American republic will stand as one of the notable things in literature and history. A strait between the two oceans through America, it will be remembered, was

day. In 1550 a Portuguese navigator, Antonio Calvao, proposed a canal to the King of Spain. In 1780 Nelson proposed a canal at Nicaragua. In ditto; but near the close of the day I 1894 Humboldt proposed one of five noticed that the librarian passed In this retrospect, the territory.

of the process.

That large and influential circle of essimists which tightened its hold a its purse strings in the Autumn f 1905 and awalted the coming of the dump" that was to follow the Fair has been nursing a similar delusion for the past few months and has experienced similar results. It is forunate for Portland that in the closing days of 1910, as in 1905, every train is bringing into the city and state about a hundred optimists whose presnce enables us to make an admirable offset for the influence of the pes-

simists. It was the abundance of natural resources and excellent facilities for turning them into money that made Portland a great city, and as these resources have been hardly touched, the city will continue to grow more rapidly than ever.

No surprise need be felt that the

executive committee of the Grange repudiates any suggestion or intimaput up alongside or in the immediate tion that it is responsible for the odious county (single) tax scheme, successfully engineered through the initiative by Mr. U'Ren and other leading lights of radical and revolutionary Does theories and vagaries. the of it as the city has grown, and there Grange remember the sad fate of Old Dog Tray? Bad company in legislaof vacant land between different "ad- tive projects has got the Grange into a similar plight. But no doubt the Grange will retrieve its error, and get busy now devising and promoting a plan to extricate the farmers and the rest of the responsible citizenship of Oregon from the clutches of the single taxers.

This Nation-wide crusade against the Chinese laundry is a little late in getting under way, for the competition of the steam laundry has been se keen that, except in a small way, the Chinese laundrymen are in the posttion of Othello so far as their original occupation is concerned. Another potent factor in eliminating the Chinese laundry from our list of industries is the scarcity of Chinese help in "The Lord Bishop of Washington will other callings. Chinese labor is not lation of 346,778, or something less the best in the world, but since the ex-than the 1920 figures will show for clusion laws became very strict, the clusion laws became very strict, the supply has fallen so far short of the of Washington was a part of the diodemand that almost any kind of an intelligent Chinaman can find more remunerative employment than is possible in competition with a steam launof the posters! Away off on the Pacific Slope there dry.

come; Dr. McLoughlin was holding HARVEY W. SCOTT AS LIBRARIAN TOWN BIGGER THAN LEGISLATURE Interest Shown in Visitor Is Followed

by Life-Long Friendship.

W. J. Dean, in Ashland Tidings. Late in the Fall of '64 I found my-elf marconed for several days in the city of Portland, Oregon-rained in I was just down from the John Day mines and was heading for some educational institution, not yet fully decided upon, but with the University of Seattle strongly in the lead. The next day aff-er articles

er arriving, as I was strolling leisurely along the streets dodging the big rain drops to the best of my ability, a sign in a stairway attracted my attention It was, "Portland Library Rooms,

Below the conspicuous hending there was some reading matter in small lettering which, had I taken the trouble to examine, would no doubt have p havoc with the foundation of sketch. this

America, it will be remembered, was sought by navigators nearly three hundred years before Goethe's time and a canal cut through the Panama isthmus was thought of at an early "This little hamlet is bigger than you are." Every farmer, every stockman, every man in Oregon living outside the pale of corporation, is by this act dis-franchised so far as pertains to temper-ance legislation. The amaliest insplict may place a suboon beside his schoolnot caring a rap whether the downpour outside let up or not. I put in full time until noon and was

different routes for such a waterway, me several times looking rather The Panama Canal is an inevitable product and stimulant of the growing greatness of the American nation. That growth where bound, etc. In few words I gave the de-That growth made the canal a neces-sity in the thought of a great German intellect very soon after the nation be-ter a good school," he said, "you can do gan its career and when its people occupied but one-third their present territory. In this retrospect, the territory. In this retrospect, the spread of the American people has been natural, inevitable, irresistible, of books" if I could make use of them. and, moreover, in pursuance of a great design, unconscious though the Ameri-can people have been of it during most lating upon the advantage to me, or young man, of a thorough any other course of study.

When the time came for closing the ibrary and I was shout to retire, he incidentally called my attention to the fact that of course I had not policed that the library was not free to the public, that certain monthly dues were ouired, etc. This was an embarassing revelation and I hastened to apolo-gize, but he cut me short, said he took in the situation exactly and almost commanded me to come to the library when-ever I pleased and make myself at home; also to count on him as a friend-that he would gladly assist me in any way he bluo:

Measure Suggested to Curb Rating Then he gave me his name-Harvey W. ott, adding that while acting as librarian he was putting in spare time reading law and doing some writing for Editor.)-In The Daily Oregonian of November 35 there is an editorial en-

Needless to say, I took his advice and was moon enrolled as a pupil at Pacific University. During the school year that followed, whenever I had occusion to go to Portland, Mr. Scott would insist on my calling on him "for a chat." This I was glad to do, for he was one of the most entertaining conversationalists I ever knew. He could make any subject interesting. While but little humor seemed to flow from his pen. In private conversation he showed a keen appre-ciation of the ridiculous and was a master hand in bringing out the abourd, lu licrous or grotesque in any subject-mat-er in hand. He was intensely in earnest and seldom hesitated, from motives of solicy, in giving vigorous expression to his opinions.

For many years it was my good fortune a keep in close tooth with the in close touch with this valuable His letters to me were replete keep in friend. with cheering words and wholesome coun-sel. So it may be inferred that the writer will ever hold in grateful remem-brance the name of Harvey W. Scott.

ENGLISH CLERGY MADE ERROR.

Now No "Bishop of Washington" on Pacific Const.

Washington Herald. Over in England all the bishops are my lord." Here it's different. About About this Bishop Paret, of Maryland, had an entertaining experience. "Everywhere," said the bishop, "when I was on my first visit to the Pan-Anglican conference, I saw in London large posters on churches and elsewhere to this effect:

America.

Bishop of Olympia.

pleasant sensations of the palute,

First Birds of Paradise Arrive.

principal value lies in the tail feath-

James E. Platt, who brought th

Living by His Pen.

Beating Ping Bodie's Record.

run every evening.

Baltimore American. "I hear that author friend of yours is

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Suggestion Made That Local Option Is Faree Under Home Bule.

PORTLAND, Or., Nov. 24 .- (To the Edtor.)-An editorial in your issue of 22nd notices "Home Rula in the Country"; "proper and desirable limitations on the home rule act-the home rule unit should not apply to villages or country places." That wenkness in the home ile bill was pointed out in the very valuable digest of the measures to be voted on by The Oregonian the day preeding the election, yet the constitutional amendment was enacted fast and hard, granting to every incorporated munici-pality in Oregon, no matter how small,

act the local option law becomes a

One safeguard available, in some in

One safeguard available, in some in-stances, against the conditions sug-gested is the adoption by the Legislature of an act prohibiling the incorporation under the finitiative of any town not having 500 or more inhabitants. It is understood such a measure will be ad-vecated by the Greater Oregon Home Rule Association. This haw would pre-

Rule Association. This law would pre-vent the coloniaing by the saloons of new towns adjacent to "dry" towns or cities, but obviously would not deprive

the small towns now incorporated of any

powers or privileges granted under the

MEN WHO PAY NEED PROTECTION

Powers of Non-Taxpayers.

titled "A Dangerous Tax Law." In this

article you show the injustice and ab-surdity of the amendment approved by

the people at the late election, all of

OREGON CITY, Or., Nov. 25 .- (To the

home rule amendment.

"exclusive power to license, regulate or ontrol" saloons within its borders. Now how is the Home Rule Association going to prevent or interfere with home rule in the incorporated country town? We have said to the Legislature,

something not far removed from biting sarcasm. "Do you think you can joke

This is contempt in its worst form and I'm going to hold him in"-here the magistrate paused and tried to think of the biggest sum of money he of criminal prosecution, poverty or officer expense is thrust upon his county by its existence and may be called upon to suffer for its demoralizing effects, but

had ever heard of. The frightened lawyer stutteringly explained that his client had no inten tion of giving offense; that his name was Isnac Wontell, and whatever he any way or manner to use the ballot the premises he is an allen. With this had done he would never repeat. The prisoner caught the drift of the pro-ceedings and broke forth in a torrent farce and a humbug-all towns had the right to exclude saloons before our local option law was heard of, and with the exception of a few well apof connected sounds that no American phonograph would record. "See there," said the lawyer. "This

pointed roadhouses near the metropolis, where joy riders go and sometimes live proves it." to return to the city. located out on the farm. A FARMER. to return to the city, saloons are not

The court was somewhat mollified, "Why didn't he give his full name at first?" the magistrate asked. "Twe a good notion to give him the limit of

The case was compromised finally by Wontell paying \$1 for his failure to ob-tain a license.-New York Herald.

A negro servant had been discharged by her mistress because of various fall-ings, and a few days afterward called with a request for a recommendation. Her former employer, with the best heart of the world, decided to assist her in obtaining a new situation, and wrote a letter which dilated upon all the colored girl's good qualities and made no mention of her shortcomings. Dinah read the letter through with glowing eyes, her black face shining more with every word. When she had finished she turned to the lady and

eald: "Laws, missus, but yo' cert'ly did say dat nice. Now, missus, with er strong recommen like dat ter back me, don't yo' think yo' could hire me fo' dat job ergin?"-Housekeeper,

. . . George von L. Meyer, the Secretary

George von L. aleyer, the sected at of the Navy, praised at a naval dinner in Washington the old sea dog. "One of these typical old sea dogs," he ended. "was persuaded one day in Philadelphia to attend a tea. I met which is undoubtedly true, and in the latter part of said article you say: "This new amendment is a menace to property and to the fiscal system of the state. It puts as large a city as him a short time afterward, and said: Portland is at the mercy of the non-"Well, Marlinspike, I hear you's been doing tea parties in Philadel-

Portland is at the mercy of the non-taxpaying element," etc. This is true, and it applies to the country as well as cities where there are large numbers of voters who are not taxpayers. Now if the people are phia?" "'Yes, sir,' the old sait replied, 'I did go to one tea party, sir." "'And how did you feel there among all those ladies?" I asked.

going to legislate for themselves, they "I felt like a sperm whale doing crochet work,' he replied."-Detroit can certainly do a better job than that. Let us propose an amendment something like this: Every legal voter shall be required

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to register, as at present; it shall also be ascertained at that time if he is a taxpayer or not, and the registration "But don't judge a man by appear-ances," said Mayor G. S. Marshall at a

taxpayer or not, and the registration book that goes to the polls shall so state: all matters to be voted on at state, county or municipal elections car-rying appropriations and all matters relating to taxation shall be so ar-ranged on the official ballot as to be easily detached. When a voter gives his name to the election board, the reg-ister will show if he is a taxpayer or not. If he is, he will be entitled to cast banquet in Columbia. "Jackson Wentworth, after an ab-sence of 30 years, returned to the home of his youth, Jackson had a slight affection of the skin which made his nose very red. Hence, when he called

afraid you've become a hard drinker." "'Don't judge by appearances, Dr. Steenthly,' said Jackson Wentworth, "I not. If he is, he will be entitled to cast the whole ballot; if not, the chairman will detach the small part (containing hardly consume two glasses of beer a

appropriations and tax measures) from hardly the ballot, and then he cannot vote for week, something for the other fellow to pay for. If he has failed to register and has to soothi 'Well, then,' said the minister, in a soothing volce. I guess your face, Jackson, is like my gas meter. It regbe sworn on election day, he would not get the full ballot, as there would be isters more than it consumes." - St. THE

LIFE'S SUNNY SIDE

One of the magistratic axioms is that all testimony is founded on fact, and when any witness is slow with precise information this same law may be invoked with telling effect. Which, to the analytical mind, will explain what nearly happened to the street eddler who failed to obtain a lic nd was taken around to call on Magistrate O'Connor,

"Call the next case," said the court. The pedier appeared before him.

"What's your name?" "I. Wontell."

"What's that?" shouled the astounded court, with the judicial ear beat forward like a monoplane on a curve. "I Wonteil."

"Oh, you won't," said the court, in

"If your honor please," said the pris-oner's counsel, stepping forward. "I know his name-Isaac Wontell." "Oh, yes, Isnac will," replied the magistrate, with a tone of conviction. "This is contempt in its worst form ouse door and he has no voice in the He will be taxed to pay for whatever

their realization is generally satisfactory or somewhere near it.

The growth of Portland in the first half of the past decade was moderste; from 1905 to 1907, following the historic Lewis and Clark exposition, much faster; and for the three years just past greater than at any previous time. Increase of population at the rate of nearly 1000 a month for ple," Mr. Elliott calls attention to an ten years without adventitious aids is a matchless record for any city in the 200,000 class.

Portland knows where it stands. It is a city of 207,214 population. If it had been permitted to enumerate many of the laborers in the Deschutes and on the Tillamook road, and elsewhere, who were recruited from Portland, and who may he properly said to belong here if where, it would not have suffered from the inexorable excisions of the prying census bureau. Knowing where stand, we may cut our garment according to the cloth in all our munleipal projects, though we should have, too, a correct and appreciative view of the needs and requirements of future, for we are going to have a large city here. It would appear to in the Pacific Northwest. be certain that, if its progress shall not be interrupted-where is there on our horizon the faintest cloud of suspicion or doubt that it may be interrupted ?--- it will be at the next census far the greatest city in the Pacific Northwest.

CHEAP LAND CLEARING.

If the expert of the Department of Money has already been provided for Agriculture assigned to demonstrate the practicability of a new method of ridding logged-off land of its stumps | tems are carrying forward in the Pasucceeds in proving also his assertion that his way is cheap and capable of being adopted by men of ordinary tion and vexation, railroad securities skill, he will confer an industrial boon

skill, he will confer an industrial boon on Western Oregon and Washington. The trouble with most of the methods heretafore exploited has been that they worked well in theory but failed in practice to accomplish in the hands of common men what experts had been able to show for them. "Stump-pitting." or "char-pitting," are terms used to designate the pro-cess of destruction which the Federal Department of Agriculture, in con-junction with the State of Washington, will spend \$10,000 to place in the hands of people who own slump hand. On paper, there ought to be no diffi-culty. One needs only, the instruc-tiona say, to lay a fire around the stump, to cover il property and watch It as one would an ordinary charcoal and lo! the thing is \$10 to \$50 an acre, the latter figure does not exist and will not exist until being only for extreme cases. That much for the theory. But the process chance is greater and capital, unceris not altogether new, and one reason why it has not been put into use uni- be, will surely be reluctant, especially versally is that men have not learned when the whole world is offering ophow to deal with less favorable conditions than the demonstrator picks that are not hampered by too much to show his work. Fir stumps, half legislation, rotted, soggy with the water of many

So far as Oregon is concerned, her Winters, yet good for twenty-five greatest need at this time is not more years as obstructions to the plow, railroad legislation, but more railpresent a problem of their own, and roads. When we get all the roads we like that they had an interest here. Immigration to Oregon had not be-

Always optimistic, and posed of abiding faith in the futur sus figures would have shown a popuof this country, Mr. Elliott has never overlooked the fact that prosperity

and adversity in this region are and Portland. always will be mutual for the railroads and the people they serve. In saying that "the greatest present THE CANAL OF A GREAT AND GROW-

ING PEOPLE. need of the Northwest is more peo-Ships may pass through the Pana-

economic condition that appears in ma Canal two years hence, thinks President Taft. Final completion of its worst light whenever we send money out of the Northwest for comthe waterway, he says, will be effected modities which should be produced on New Year's day four years and one here. We need more people because month hence. there is an insufficient number to pro-

Dreams of 400 years will then be duce what is actually needed for those realized. The United States will have and will be presented to the next Coloalready here, and also because there a most valuable artery between the are better opportunities for both capi- two oceans. Its continental divisions tal and labor than can be found in will be brought together more closely than ever before. Its commercial To get the people here and to disrange and its defensive and offensive over the millions of power will be greatly enhanced in the acres of idle land we need the heart-American hemisphere and in the lest co-operation of the railroads. world at large. The canal is india-This assistance we have been receivpensable to maintenance of the Moning on a targe and growing scale roe doctrine, to support of a strong since the beginning of the present navy and to growth of a great peo-

somewhat aggressive competition beple. tween the Hill and Harriman interests It is interesting to note that the German poet Goethe foresaw this Now that the railroads have manned consummation by the United States out a broad and comprehensive plan nearly a century ago. Goethe's for supplying this immense region breadth of foresight in various direcwith necessary transportation facilitions was remarkable. In 1827 he discussed the travels of Humboldt who spent the years 1797-1804 in the ties and that it is a foregone conclusion that all of the rest of us will American hemisphere, most of share in the prosperity bound to folthe low this development, it may be well time in South and Central America. seriously to consider Mr. Elliott's com-Goethe's words (translated) are of plaint regarding adverse legislation. new interest, now that the canal is so soon to be finished:

soon to be infished: This much is certain: If by a crossent of this kind it could be accomplished that vessia with all sort of cargoes and of every size could go through such a osnal from the Guif of Mexico to the Pacific Ocean quits insajouinble results would fol-low for the entire civilized and uncivilized human races. I, however, would be sur-prized if the United States would miss the charge to get such a work into ber hands. a number of the big projects which both the Hill and the Harriman syscific Northwest, but much more will be needed. With too much legislaas an investment do not appeal to

encountered in an over-abundance of Of chief interest in this prophery is regulations. In a new country, how-

the remarkably correct estimate of the future growth and needs of the United a railroad is built, the element of States, At that time, the American people had not occupied the Pacific side of the continent. The California possessions were not acquired from Mexico until nearly a score of years later. The Oregon country was a wilderness and the governments of

neither Great Britain nor the United States, regarded Oregon worth contending for.

Nor did the American people rea-

area consists. And the problem of countered in regulating them, espe- gun; the missionaries had not yet | Portland's population in 1920.

A bill imposing jail penalty on any surgeon who carves out an appendix not in a diseased condition is the latest thing in freak legislation proposed rado Legislature. Its possible adoption calls up visions of long rows of bottled fragments of anatomy preserved by careful surgeons for exhibits threatened damage suits, and of efforts by the busy paraphrasers along something like this line:

Peter Piper pickled a peck of picked appendixes

While the expediency of annexing suburbs is always a debatable question, no one can deny that annexation is an important factor in census returns. For particulars on the affirmative side, see New York, Pitts-burg, Cleveland, Los Angeles and Seattle. On the negative side, see Portland.

Half an hour's time may be well spent today making a list or a partial list of gifts to be bought for Christmas. Don't let holiday shopping drive you; better drive it, and start tomorrow.

pense attached to such a schen In the interests of saleswomen whose vital energy is cruelly taxed during the two weeks preceding Christmas, The Oregonian appeals to this community to begin its holiday shopping in earnest early this week.

All the apple publicity that Oregon gets at this season of the year from London to Vladivostok, to say nothing of the United States, will figure in the fourteenth Federal census.

Cottage Grove has a fine hard-surfaced business street, if it did fail to become a county seat. This item may be a bigger inducement to investors than that lost. about one pound and a half each, an are said to be worth \$400 a pound. Th

seems to be improving in the black

learned how to hit them gently enough.

making a fine living by his pen." "Yes. He's stopped writing and gone to raising pigs." An answer to the question "Do fig-

No one is barred from guessing

preach in this church next Sunday morning." That was before there was no way of knowing if he was a tax- Louis Globe-Demo I am aware this sounds severe, and

some will declare their rights are being cese of Maryland, and when, therefore, taken away, but I do not believe any-one should be given the right to vote if there was a Lord Bishop of Wash-ington at all, Bishop Paret was that for some expensive measure unless he is prepared to help pay for it. GEORGE C. ARMSTRONG. bishop. Yet he was not the preacher

was a Bishop of Washington, and it was this bishop the English clergy were inviting to their pulpits under the idea that he was the bishop of the Capital City of the United States of

California Lawyer Cites Conviction Antedating Recent One in Chicago,

MODESTO, Cal. Nov. 23 .- (To the Editor)-Several newspapers recently published a news item from Chicago Since then, intentionally or otherwise, there has been no "Bishop of Washington" on the Pacific Coast. He is called the Bishop of Spokane or the negro on the evidence offered by three Apple Advertisement Suggested. PORTLAND, Nov. 22 .- (To the Ed-itor.)-I notice that the trade in the

East knowe most of the apples that come from Oregon, irrespective of lo-cality, as "Hood River apples."

I do not consider this fair to the I do not consider this fair to the other sections of the state that produce such fine apples. In order to advertise the apples of whole Oregon per-mit me to make a suggestion. Have a day set aside at the public and was tried in the city of Modesto, in the Superior Court of Stanislaus County. The state proved the presence of the defendant near the place where the crime was committed, before and after way on account of the dange schools in Chicago, Pittsburg, Phila-delphia or New York City and let it be known as Oregon apple day, and the commission. But his presence at he had seen menaced the old route. the place at the hour of commission could not be proved. The only testi

give to each pupil an apple wrapped in paper on which is printed some ap-propriate advertising matter. In this mony was that of an accomplice, which way Oregon apples would reach every uncorroborated, could not have secured his conviction. The missing link in house in the city, and to me it appea as a very desirable direct form of adthe chain of evidence was supplied b vertising. By appealing to the Board of Education the names of pupils could be ascertained and thus the fruitgrowthree finger prints on a cigar box which the defendant had used to hide the candle. The finger prints were de-veloped by Frank Dupue, a finger-print expert in the employ of the state. ers would know approximately the ex-J. E. C. After comparing them with finger prints of defendant, Mr. Dupue testi-Yes, the plan would put Oregon fied that he was convinced of their apples into every home all right, but ecognizable to the parents

identity. The jury convicted the de fendant on May 20, 1919. The convic only through youthful smiles induced by tion was the first of its kind secured in California. The date indicated that it was prior to the conviction in Chicago, and if the press dispatches are true then the Tevis conviction must be the first finger-print conviction in the United States. Owing to its povelty New York World. The Zoological Park, in the Bronx, the case was fully reported in all San

has acculred three birds of paradise. They are believed to be the first that have ever reached this country alive. Francisco newspapers of that date. I may state that without the aid of the finger prints one of the boldest safecrackers on the Coast would have escaped punishment. Yours truly, Birds of paradise are not good to eat. They cost too much, now that the price of beef is reported to be likely to go down. These three weigh LEON YANCKWICH.

Choice of a Girl.

Chicago News. I am acquainted very well With divers maldens fair: They seem to weave a woodrons spell-No man could fall to care For each of them if he but knew How 'twould his heart rejoicel I like them all-of course I do-But still, I have my choice!

Cordella's written, so they say, "Best sellers" two or three, "Best sellers" two or three, And Mabel signs herself "B. A.," And Phyllis signs "M. D.". Fuir Kate the path of suffrage walks, While Sylvia studies germs, And I'm enneshed when Doris talks In scientific terms.

I like them all, these girls I know, Their deeds and titles, too. I find the lot congenial, though Each has her "mission" true. Cordella, Phyllis and the rest Quite set my brain awhiri; Bat simple Saille suils me heat, Because she's just a girlf

Washington Herald. New Connie Mack must make a home

CAMELS GIVE WAY TO RAILROAD

Holy Carpet Goes to Mecca This Year by Steam Caravan.

New York Sun.

The pilgrimage to Mecca, which is toon to be undertaken throughout the NOT FIRST FINGER-PRINT CASE. Moslem world, will be marked this year by another concession to modern-The holy carpet, the covering which is annually takon from Catro to Meeca for the Knaba, the most sacred part of the holy shrine, will travel by stating that a jury had convicted a railway. Usually the caravan to which negro on the evidence offered by three the holy offering is intrusted has emifinger marks. It was asserted that barked at Suez for Jeddah and thence the conviction was the first one secured on such evidence. The Oregonian in its issue of November 12 commented on the fact. The writer believes that this member is in the inter part overland to Mecca. But the latter part overland to Mecca. But the latter part of the journey is through a hostite country, and the pilarims have often been compelled to resort to many dethe fact. The writer believes that this in the United States. In May, 1910, the writer was connect. C D States of a man spectrum of the holy carpet at Cairo was held a worther holy carpet at carpet at Cairo was held a worther holy carpet at Cairo

in May, 1910, the writer was connect. ed with the defense of a man named C. P. Tevis, accused of the crime of burglary. The carse arose in Oakdale and was tried in the city of Moderate in old route to Mecca. This change is said The evidence was circumstantial. to have been one of the results of the who recommended the use of the rail way on account of the dangers which

Aposiles Held First Direct Primary.

Scriptural origin of the direct primary has been discovered by Rev. J. W. Graves, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church in Des Molnes, Iowa.

"The spostles in selecting a successor to Judas named two candidates, Joseph and Matthias, and then they east lots and the latter was chosen said Mr. Graves, in announcing that he would select candidates for church of-

fleer by the primary method. "The last four verses in chapter one of the Acts is my proof that the mod-ern primary had its origin in the Bible

"That was as truly a primary as could be. The eleven first chose two candidates and then elected one. "I will follow this plan at my church

primary. Two ballots will be cast by each member for every office, and those receiving the highest number will be declared the candidates. At the January election officers will be elected from these

Anti-Mail Order Magazine Started. Indianapolis Star.

The organization of a corporation for the publication of a magnatine to be called the Monitor, a farm and household magazine, la provided for in arti-cles filed with the Secretary of State by the Monitor Magazine Company. The incorporators are Charles A Morey, Fred T. Loftin and Thomas P Lovett. Others are interested as stockolders, it is understood. The principal purposes of the publication will be to increase the sales of merchants in the regular lines of business and curtail mail-order patronage by the education of consumers.

A Modern Miss Muffet,

Chicago Record-Herald. Little Miss Muffet Sat on a tuffet, Eating some curds and whey; Although she was sprightly She was hobbled so tightly That she simply could not get away

three from the Aru Islands, near New Guinea, says he caught them by dress-ing himself up as an imitation tree and making noises like the whispering The Tennessee Supreme Court upwinds. In that way he managed to get near enough to stun them with blunt arrows. He killed six before he holds the state law against the manufacturers of whisky, but the distance

When Connie Mack visited the Pope,

asked was not about the score.

nres lie?" needs another: Female or Seattle?

belt.

Down in Florida Saturday a negro was "quietly" lynched, with the usual bombardment of rifle balls. Justice

is short to the Kentucky border.

perhaps the first question His Holiness