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TARIFF AND RAW PRODUCTS.

During the many years that the tariff has been "revised" by the one political party and then by the other, big manufacturing interests of the East have clung to the protection of their raw products.

On this question the Democratic party went to pieces last time in power. The Republican party has just been wrecked on the same reefs of discontent.

INCREASING IMMIGRATION.

Secretary Nagel's prediction that next year will see more immigrants than this one will excite apprehensions for the country's welfare in many an anxious breast.

BAKER AND THE NEW ASYLUM.

Baker need not buy a suit of sackcloth and a pile of ashes to mourn in because a site for Oregon's branch insane asylum was not chosen at Baker.

INDIVIDUAL PUBLICITY EFFORT.

Oregon looks forward to 1911 as the banner year of material progress. No obstacles lie in its way.

vote unless they are paid for it in hard cash. Huns and Russian Jews are not often guilty of this at their doors.

NOT A NEW ALLIANCE.

Governor Woodrow Wilson's proposal of an alliance between students of politics and practical statesmen may have surprised his audience at St. Louis.

THE DEAF MUTE SCHOOL.

According to the estimates of Superintendent Tillingham, of the State School for Deaf Mutes, an appropriation of \$71,200 will be required for the maintenance and betterment of the institution for the next two years.

THE CURE FOR PARTNERSHIP.

"Extreme partnership," observes the Pilot Rock (Or.) Record, "tends to befog the minds of the people and permits prejudice to take the place of reason."

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BRYAN'S POLITICAL CHARITY.

Our old friend Bryan, the one who "also ran" for President thrice, calls Woodrow Wilson bluff. He has misgivings, too, about Harmon, the Ohio Governor, who was a member of the Cabinet of the unmentionable President Cleveland.

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MESSIAH HOUSED IN WOODEN HUTS.

A painful commentary on the completeness of the disaster wrought by the earthquake is to note in the current commercial directory of Sicily only three tiny printed pages devoted to Messina, which the year before commanded so large a bulk.

WALTZING MOUSE ENDS HER LIFE.

Terpsichorean Disappointment Fatal to Rodent Who Couldn't Reverse. Susie, the waltzing mouse, who made her debut a few seasons ago, waltzed herself to death in the mouse-trap at Bronx Zoological Park.

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