It would seem that the scope of the

board's powers is broad enough to

enable it to ascertain in what partic-

ulars the interests of the consumers and the interests of the producers can

unjustly burdened or favored. It is

possible, too, by reading the report

of the board, that the public may more clearly identify those Repre-

sentatives or Senators who are for

tariff revision downward only as ap-

plied to the products of somebody

ise's constituents. But when an at-

tempt is made to enter the field of

comparative costs of production, it is

probable that difficulties similar to

rates on a basis of physical valuation

will be discovered. In the same way

that many different factors handled

by as many different methods govern earnings of railroads of like value,

The Western sheepman knows in a

The cost of

general way at what price he can

Winter feeding is the main factor,

and accessibility to market is an im-

portant one. But in no two localities

are they identical. On whether a

reasonable general average in pro-

ducing costs can be struck by the

board depends the value of its inves-

can undoubtedly accomplish som

good in supplying the President and

Government with information that will be of aid in the administration

For the more studious, too, constant

ooks becomes monotonous. On the whole, it is no doubt worth

The underwriters, after paying an

seams were opened and so much

put into San Francisco for repairs

place the blame for such accidents on

the Columbia bar than there was in

the old days, there will be an effort

made in certain quarters to spread the

impression that this is an unsafe port

for ships. The record of the past five

years, and especially of the past two

for vessels of 3000 tons greater carry-

to a degree that makes them unman

fleets of vessels will be entirely im

"Apple Mary," who ran a fruit and

this nature.

ageable, they will, of course, take the

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### RECORD OF TWO YEARS

Two years ago today William Howard Taft was inaugurated President of the United States. He was the successor, personal choice and residuary egates of Theodore Roosevelt, a President widely popular with the masses and deeply odious to the classes. No President following Roosevelt could reasonably have hoped for the rare fortune of fulfilling general the Massachusetts people had nothing public expectation; any incumbent of the kind in mind. But obviously might fairly have been satisfied if he should have been able to impress the country with his sincere purpose and genuine desire to give a really sound and efficient Administration.

President Taft's task throughout has been one of unusual difficulty; but it is not too much to say that he finds himself at the end of the first half of his four years in far better and atronger position before the country than during the first year. If the Taft regime shall grow in favor for the ensuing two years as it has grown in the past six months, it may safely be said that he will be far more formidable as a candidate for re-election than a year ago appeared possible for then the popular esteem of the Presidential policies and methods was at a low ebb

Probably it ought to have been anticipated that any President after Roosevelt, who did not carry out the Roosevelt policies and adopt the methods, would allenate a Roosevalt : great part of the miscellaneous Roosevelt following. Mr. Taft sought to carry into affect the Roosevelt pollcies, but it would require a mighty strain of the imagination to picture him doing as Roosevelt would have The Big Stick gave way early In his Administration to the soft smile and the winning word, though later these not always potent methods were supplanted by the Stuffed Club. Now we find that the President has qualities of fixed purpose and unswerving energy that he displayed all too rarely in the earlier months. That Presi-dent Taft had reposing somewhere behind that beaming face and be neath those great shoulders a mind of independence and a heart of oak no one has ever doubted; but the trouble seems to have been that he has not always been willing to rely on them

If the public once supposed that Taft would be merely an imitator and emulator of Roosevelt, it found out early that it was mistaken. Doubtless President Roosevelt believed that President Taft would follow more closely the Roosevelt path, accept the Roosevelt example, and be guided by the Rocsevelt counsellors, if not the Roosevelt counsels. But he did nothing of the kind. That he sought to keep the peace with certain very ag-

uncontrolled power to regulate socisty when it is concentrated in the hands of a small and irresponsible group of men is not altogether pleas-Would it not be better for society itself to do the regulating under

### THE BECALL OF 1780.

Ex-President Roosevelt surprised his audience in his recent Chicago speech by affirming that the principle of the recall was in reality an ancient device, familiar to our American forbears and employed-or placed where it could be employed-in case of need or emergency. "In 1789," said Colo-nel Roosevelt, "the State of Massachusetts put into its constitution precisely that provision for a recall." The New York Sun has been searching the rec-ords and it concludes that the clause to which Colonel Roosavelt referred was the following (Article VII of the present and original Massachusetts natitution):

In order to prevent these who are vested, ith authority from becoming appressors, he people have a right at such periods nd in such manner as they shall establish y their frame of government to cause their ublic officers to return to private life and fill up vacant places by certain and reg-iar elections and appointments.

It is to be observed that the people assert here the right to "fill up vacant places by certain and regular elections and appointments." far as the recall involves a special midterm election to name the successors of recalled officers, it would seem that they intended to assert the right to dismiss unfaithful or undesirable public servants at any time. Posthey contemplated retiring sibly who are vested with au-'those thority" into private life whenever it seemed expedient; but they did not think, apparently, that there need be a great hurry about electing their

locessors It would be a little more convincing if Colonel Roosevelt would take his turn at investigating Massachusetts history, and find out how, when and our Revolutionary forefathers where put into practice this ancient, though very mild, recall, if they ever did.

### ME. ACH AND MR. BUEF.

It took the California courts a long time to start Abe Ruef upon the last stratch of the road to prison. A queer-looking order of the Supreme Court and a legislative investigation of that august tribunal were part of the interesting programme. But at last the convicted grafter did get started and everybody supposed the wearisome tale of his evasions of the somewhat flexible California law was But they reckoned without the over. indefatigable and ingenious Henry

It seems that while Ruef was on the way to the penitentiary Mr. Ach appeared before Judge Lawlor and asked for another week's delay. There had already been a delay of everal years and another week probably did not seem to matter much to the Judge. At any rate he granted it when Mr. Ach promised that no obstacles would be put in the way of the sentence. Ruef was to go quietly to prison and serve out his time. This was what Mr. Ach promised, and the ocent and confiding Judge Lawlor believed him. It takes a good many essons to teach some judges the true

character of some lawyers. What Mr. Ach did was to employ the delay in perfecting an appeal to the United States Supreme where he hopes the case against Ruef will drag out to an interminable length while his client roams the country on bail. This is one way to practice law. Doubtless it is a way which the profession likes. If other rs did not like it they would the United States. Imports of axe expel Mr. Ach from their professional were \$191 from Great Britain and We have not heard of their \$35,547 from the United States, and of societies. doing anything of the kind. The courts must also like it. If they did saws, \$1101 from Great Britain and \$77,998 from the United States, Canada is a good customer of ours they would hardly take Mr. Ach's word so easily. They might even disbar him. In theory a lawyer is an officer of the coust. He and, being right at our doors, she will still further increase her trade as soon as the reciprocity measure makes it easier to do business with us. is bound not to lie to the judge and to help forward the administration of justice instead of hindering it. But TARIFF BOARD BILL IMPROVED. all this is old-fashioned. Mr. Ach There is a strong probability that stands for what is most up-to-date in the Tariff Board bill will pass the legal practice. Senate today and in that event it awaits only the signature of the Pres-

business. This is cheering. Still, the vast territory depended the growth and prosperity of Portland.

The impregnability of Portland in this trade field was touched on by President Stevens, of the North Bank and Oregon Trunk lines. With a water-level town and practically water-level country," said he, "you of necessity command the situation, and are bound to reap the reward." The railroads have provided and are still

providing us with the facilities for opening up the immense territory that is drained by the water-level routes, and no effort should be spared to increase the population of producers in that territory as rapidly as possible. There is a great field for 'publicity work opening before us, and as this city has never yet failed to meet any demands that have been made for the legitimate exploitation of this field there will be no halting now in the most critical period in all our history.

### PARADOXICAL RECIPROCITY.

The American Economist, official organ of the standpat element in both parties, waxes wroth over the Canadian reciprocity measure. In its desire to show up the alleged iniquities of the proposed measure, the Economist gravely attempts to prove that reciprocity would be detrimental to both countries. "We are not only to deny protection to American producers of farm products, but we are to enter into a policy of so-called 'reciprocity' whereby we exchange the markets of \$0,000,000 people for the markets of 9,000,000 people," says this oracle of the standpatters. This view of the matter appeared in the Washington correspondence of the Economist. In the same issue, the London correspondent of the paper assures us that the reciprocity measure is being opposed in England because "the Eng-lish workingman is at last having his eyes opened to the fact that free trade means dear food."

Summarizing these two views, appearing in the same issue of the pa-per, reciprocity would be a bad thing for the American farmer because it would bring competition from Canada, reciprocity is not wanted because it would remove protection and weaken prices for farm products and

it is also not wanted because it "means dear food." It is rare indeed to find such an unselfish, impartial authority on foreign trade-one that can look after the interests of both Canada and the United States-but the Economist, sometimes known as the "Comicalist," is a rare publication. It even makes deep, dark hints that Capada will be punished by Great Britain for daring to enter into a reciprocal agreement witr this country. This "get-even" policy as outlined by the Economist involves the refusal of Great Britain to buy grain from Canada. As Canada already allows Great Britain a preferential tariff on agri-

ultural implements and other manufactured articles, it is, of course, pos sible, by following out the Econo mist line of reasoning, for Great Britain to get real angry and refuse to sell Canada anything. Contrary to the belief assiduously circulated by the anti-reciprocity peo

ple, the British preferential is not ruining the market for American goods in Canada. During the last cal year Canada imported merchandise to the value of \$233,071,155 from the United States, while her imports from Great Britain during the same period were \$95,666,004. In farm im-plements Great Britain sold Canada

\$888 worth of plows, while the imports of these implements into Canada from the United States in the same period were valued at \$944,290. mowing machines, horse rakes, hay loaders, harvesters or cultivators and weeders were bought by Canada from Great Britain in the last fiscal year, but the Canadians bought \$238,-865 worth of these implements from

ARMY MEN SOON PROMOTED GRANGE IS FORMED AT NYSSA make investigation of any such subject whenever directed by either house of Con-

be

### Malheur County Lodges Assemble to Vancouver Regulars Glad Congress Organize New Body.

Gives More Officers.

VALE, Or., March & .-- (Special.)-Seven grange organizations of Maiheur County VANCOUVER BARRACKS, Wash. March 3 .-- (Special.) -- Among many of grange organizations of Maiheur County met at Nyssa and formed the Pomona Grange. A. H. Darnell, state lecturer, gave the principal address, and Mr. Spence, state master and Mr. Gekeler, deputy state master, of Eastern Oregon, had charge of the ceremonies. Dinner was served by the Ladles' Aid Soclety of Nussa the officers of this post joy prevailed today, when a telegram was received from Washington, D. C., stating that a all had been passed granting to the United States Army 220 more commis-sioned officers. This will make a great change in this post in promoting a number of the officers. While the Army asked for 612 more officers, part of which were to be detailed to agriof Nyssa. Officers elected were: Master C. W. Mitchell, of Nyssa; overseer, J. Edwin Johnson, of Vale; lecturer, Mrs. Stewart

of which were to be detailed to agri-cultural colleges and universities in the United States, as military instruc-tors, the officers here are grateful for in the First Infantry at this post, Captain Charles E. Tayman and Captain Francis E. Lacey will be made majors; Network Captain Charles E. Tayman and Captain Francis E. Lacey will be made majors; Captain Charles E. Tayman and Captain Captain Charles E. Tayman and Captain Francis E. Lacey will be made majors; Captain Charles E. Tayman and Captain Francis E. Lacey will be made majors; Captain Charles E. Tayman Captain Francis E. Lacey will be made majors; Captain Charles E. Tayman Captain Francis E. Lacey will be made majors; Captain Charles E. Tayman Captain Francis E. Lacey will be made majors; Captain Charles E. Tayman Captain Francis E. Lacey Will be made majors; Captain Charles E. Tayman Captain Francis E. Lacey Will be made majors; Captain Charles E. Tayman Captain Francis E. Lacey Will be made majors; Captain Charles E. Tayman Captain Francis E. Lacey Will be made majors; Captain Charles E. Tayman Captain Francis E. Lacey Will be made majors; Captain Charles E. Tayman Captain Francis E. Lacey Will be made majors; Captain Charles E. Tayman Captain Francis E. Lacey Will be made majors; Captain Charles E. Tayman Captain Francis E. Lacey Will be made majors; Captain Charles E. Tayman Captain Francis E. Lacey Will be made majors; Captain Charles E. Tayman Captain Francis E. Lacey Will be made majors; Captain Charles E. Tayman Captain Francis E. Lacey Will be made majors; Captain Charles E. Tayman Captain Francis E. Lacey Will be Mateo C those found in trying to fix railroad Francis E. Lacey will be made majors; A. H. McGreggor, of Ontario; ceres, Mrs. First Lieutenants Ralph B. Lister. Nuhey, of Nyssa; pomona, Emma Rob-Brady G. Ruttencutter and Augustus inson, of Eig Bend; flora, Mrs. Peter Tensen, of Nyssa; lady assistant stew H. Bishop will be promoted to cap-tains, and five second lieutenants will become first lieutenants as Irving J. Phillipson, A. J. Davis, Arthur D. Budd, James A. Ulio, John H. True, Walter E. Pridgen. Lieutenant Colonel James S. Rogers, of the First Infan-try, who is second in rank in the post to Colonel George K. McGunnegle, com-manding officer, will be promoted to the sector of the Second Market State Stat H. Bishop will be promoted to capmany differing conditons enter into the production of farm products, of to Colonel George K. McGunnegle, com-manding officer, will be promoted to the rank of colonel. Lieutenant-Cologiven by Professor Conklin, of the Onnel G. S. Bingham, deputy quarter-master-general, goes to the rank of colonel, Lieutenant Allen J. Greer bers. The next m The Grange is composed of 100 mem-bers. The next meeting will be held at Vale, April 21. will be made captain. will be made captain. Lieutemant Henry M. Fales, First Infantry, has been detailed to inspect the organized state militia of Oregon, tigations in that particular. But it LEGAL FIGHT WINS \$20,000

and he is now performing that duty.

FIST FIGHT ENDS IN COURT

of the customs laws, and as suggested, there is need for first primer instruction for certain members of Congress, Schoolboy and Professor Come to

Blows; Latter Arrested.

perusal of political campaign hand-MEDFORD, Or., March 3 .- (Special.) -As the result of a fist fight between while to create a permanent tariff him and Seely Hall, a 17-year-old puboard, and give it an opportunity to show what it can do. pil in his class, Professor J. P. Cudihy, of the High School, was today taken before Justice of the Peace Dox on a

charge of assault and battery. The hearing was postponed until Monday. The fight occurred during the after-noon session Thursday. Hall had been excused from class, but decided to at-tend, and, entering the classroom after the recitations had started interrunted inusually long list of total and partial losses on vessels recently wrecked in the waters of Puget Sound, British Columbia and Alaska, have at last an the recitations had started, interrupted Columbia by noisily dragging a chair across the floor. Cudhy reproved him and or-dered him from the room. Hall tauat-ed the teacher with a remark and the River. The British steamship Queen Alexandra, in crossing out last Saturday with a very heavy list which increased her depth from two to three There they came to blows. Hall land-ing a stiff punch on Cudlhy's eye. feet, got out of the channel and struck everal times with such force that her

ing a stiff punch on Cudihy's eye. The teacher answered in kind, with the result that the faces of both were soon covered with blood. Court Hall, father of the boy, swore out a criminal father of the boy, swore out a criminal water came in that it was necessary to there is less disposition to

omplaint against the teacher. natter will also be investigated by the School Board.

LICENSE TAXES LET ALONE

Treasurer Kay Not to Collect Gross

### Earning Assessment.

ports, will easily silence any of this SALEM, Or., March 3 .- (Special.)unfavorable criticism. There is plenty State Treasurer Kay has decided to of water on the Columbia River bar make no attempt to enforce collection of the license taxes on gross éarnings under chapters 1 and 2 of the laws of ing capacity than that of the Queen Alexandra, but if the vessels wander 1907. out of the channel or are listed over

The Attorney-General submitted an opinion recently to the effect that such taxes are not now collectible and the State Tax Commission has assumed the

ground and may sustain injuries. These accidents happen wherever same position The situation as to gross earnings steamships ply, and no first-class port taxation is pointed to as a question o of sufficient merit to attract large double taxation. The question of as-sessing public service corporations and railroads is left entirely to the nune from an occasional accident of

and railroads is left entirely to the State Tax Commission under the law Mrs. Belle Johnston who was acquitted in the Superior Court last Fall for murdercreating that commission. as that commission believes Inasmuch that the ing Frank R. Hauck, after admitting that she had killed bim, is planning to bring suit against the estate to recover a room bill, which he is alleged to have sandwich stand near the entrance to the Chicago Board of Trade building, died yesterday. For forty years this noted character sold fruit and sand-wiches to the brokers and speculators who have made the Chicago grain pit and its gigantic "corners" famous throughout the world. As were fore of taxes under the new law will be more red her, together with unpaid laundry bills amounting to \$105.

While he was employed on the Northwhile he was employed on the Johnston ern Pacific and living at the Johnston home, at Rigney Hill. Hauck is said to have allowed his room and board bill to accumulate. Several laundry bills position taken by Judge Burnett in the were paid by Mrs. Johnston, she alleges. Immediately after the acquittal of Mrs. Johnston, she caused comment by esking

Timely Tales of the Day

"To any person gifted with a moiety of a soul, who has made Oregon his home, it becomes irksome to live else-

nome, it becomes irresome to live else-where," said Jeff, W. Hayes, yesterday. "This has been the experience of so many that exceptions are rare. "Many of our old-timers will remem-ber Elli Winters, who carried on a small fish cannery down the Colum-bia River, near Oak Point, a dozen or bia River, near Oak Point, a dozen or more years ago. He was quite a fa-miliar figure on front street, 30 years ago, where he could be seen ho with such people as William Wadhams, Sylvester Farrell and Henry Everding.

who seemed to hold him in esteem. "Misfortune overtook Winters about the advent of the present century which put him out of the canning busin and he betook himself to California where he became a miner, prospector, rancher and nearly anything else that

would win him his daily bread. Winters was a good, whole-souled fellow, who made many friends and who tried, himself, to alleviate the rough pathway of his fellow beings. He made many friends among the ranchers and their families.

ranchers and their families. "And it so happened that when Bill Winters' hirthday rolled around, as it did every year on the anniversary of the "Father of his Country," the good people in his neighborhood undertook to give him a surprise birthday party. He was invited to diverge at a calculation invited to dinner at a neighboring rancher's house, where were assembled a score or more of his friends pre-

a score or more of his friends pre-pared to give him a 'send-off.' "After dinner, Winters was invited to open up his presents. There were the usual briarwood pipe, smoking to-bacco, necktie, or two, slippers, etc., when quite a large package, neatly done up in wrapping papor, was still left unopened. This gift came from George Stroud, who had come down from Oregon a few months previous for rest and recreation and, as he was con-

VANCOUVER, Wash., March 3 -- (Spe-cial.) -- After much legal fighting, and ap-peal to the Supreme Court. Bernard Stark today was paid \$20,006.17, judgment allowed him by a jury in the Superior Court against the Washington-Union Coal Company. rest and recreation, and, as he was con-siderable of a joker, much speculation was manifested by the assemblage con-

cerning the contents of the package. "When Bill Winters cut the stringer of the last present, it unfolded what The case was brought from Olympia, or Thurston County, where the company operated coal mines and in which Stark was badly injured and crippled for life. appeared to be a lot of old papers, and a titter broke into a ripple of laugh-ter from the company. Winters picked The jury returned a verdict for \$20,000, but appeal was taken to the Supreme Court, which sustained the verdict. The up one of the papers and read the ading and exclaimed:

"'My friends, this 's not a joke. Why these are Oregonians! Yes, these are Court, which sustained the verdict. The company was compelled to pay interest on the judgment until paid. Just as W. S. T. Derr. clerk of the court, was going to pay \$21,682.17 to Stark's attorneys, he "My friends, this 's not a joke. Why these are Oregonians! Yes, these are Oregonians, and,' he continued, his voice husky with emotion, 'I have not seen a copy of The Oregonian for more seen a copy of The Oregonian for more seen a copy of The Oregonian for more than il years. Yes, my friends, I thank you for your kind remembrance of me, but this is a treat and when I take them to me able to be a solution of the served with a restraining order from Easterday's court, from paying The balance was paid. them to my cabin on the hill, I will read every word of them," and the old man brushed away a tear." CORVALLIS ORATORS ARE MANY

When employing printers from every large city on the Coast assembled in their Cost Congress here last week one of the delegates from Seattle embraced an opportunity at the Hotel Imperial to get even with San Francisco for a slur on the Alaska-Tukon Expedition.

on the Alaska-Tukon Exposition. San Francisco delegates with their chorus "Rings on Her Fingers, Bells on chorus "Rings on Her Fingers, Bells on Her Toes" boosting the Panama-Pacific Exposition had gathered a crowd in the Imperial lobby. After a particu-larly vociferous refrain the Seattle man approached the leader of the singers, "You fellows are all right now," he

said, "but wait until you get your P. P. E. buttons printed. Then you will be up against it like Seatle was with its A. Y. P. buttons everyone work its A. Y. P. buttons everyone wore when our fair was on. "A San Francisco drummer in a face-

tious moment said A. Y. P. stood for 'After Your Purse.' Now here's where I get back at San Francisco for that slap. P. P. E. stands for Pick Pockets

Everywhere,' and when your fair but-tons are distributed everybody will tell you about it." "We've looked out for that," replied

one of the San Franciscans. "How?" inquired the Scattleite. "There won't be any initial buttons."

tate man, had as a customer the other day a rather shrewd but upsophisti-cated Swede. Ole had a good-sized wad of money and wanted a ranch up the by and wanted a ranch up the The deal progressed satisfacvalley. torily until Schalk remarked:

deeds. Aye vonts mortgage," remarked the buyer.

Fourteen, to Date, Sign to Enter Debate Try-Out March 14. OREGON AGRICULTURAL COL LEGE, Corvallis, Or., March 3.-(Spe-cial.)-Fourteen debate contestants expressed their intention to get into the field and more are expected to enter the tryout contest March 14. Six men will be chosen.

The victory over Washington State College last year gave this institution the decisions in two contests on both sides of the question. The question for debate this year between these two in-stitutions will be the subject of gradu-al abandonment of the protective tariff. Three of the men who were on the debating teams last year are in College sgain this year and will try again for places on the team. These

Crippled Man Victorious in Appeal

in Coal Mine Action.

are E. B. Lemon, A. A. Asbahr and A. P. Gibs WOMAN WILL SUE ESTATE

Murdered Man's Property May Be Lessened by \$105.

THE DALLES, Or., March 3.-(Special.)

-The Dalles Water Commissioners will expend \$10,000 on improvements in the city reservoir and \$10,000 on the pipelines from the Moadows as soon as work can

pipe at the Meadows, where the water

HALF A CENTURY AGO.

From The Oregonian, March 4, 1861.

Hurrah! Today is Inauguration Day, about this time Mrs. Lincoln has given the last touch to Old Abe's inauguration

The unusually fine weather on Sun

has been flowing through ditches.

TACOMA, Wash., March 3.-(Special.)-

George D. Schalk, the local real en-

"Now, we will fix up the deed and the place is yours." "Not much, by yimminy. Aye ant vont

gressive and troublesome friends of the former President, like Pinchot, is undoubtedly true; and that he should have fallen out with them was perhaps inevitable, so long as he unwilling to turn over the conduct of his Administration to them. It was natural that, being repudiated by some of the most ardent and conspicnous of the Roosevelt friends, his relations with the ex-President srould have been sorely strained. But no rupture occurred, due no doubt to the great magnanimity and unexcelled patience of President Taft on the one hand and the real forbearance and real liking and respect for Taft by Colonel Roosevelt on the other.

It would be easy to enumerate the early mistakes of the Taft Administration; but it need not be done here. It is just as easy to determine the nfluences and indicate the forces that have slowly regained for the Taft Administration the respect and, in a large measure, the confidence of the country. If the President for his own purposes, or through mistaken counsels, once made an alliance with the reactionary and non-progressive wing of the Republican party, he has made it clear in recent months that he is identified with no faction or element of his own party and will more homebuilding families. Land without population is a wilderness. work with the leaders or members of any party to promote policies for the and population without land is a ral welfare. The Canadian reciprocity measure was put through the mob.

lower house largely by the aid of the The strong feature of this advice is Democrata; and, if it shall pass the that it can be so easily followed. This Senate, the same spectacle of a distate has the climate, the soil, the revided Republican party and a practisources and the opportunities. In inviting the landless as well as the capcally united Democratic party making t possible to enact the most popular italist to our state, we can offer them legislation of the past two years will tangible and definite propositions from he seen. A singular feature of this which the element of chance has been most anomalous situation is that the removed. the rush to a new mining camp is ever confronted with the fear that the god-President, by his acceptance of support from the opposition, has strengthened himself not only with dess of chance will not favor him. The fortune-seeker who comes to Orehis own party, but with the people at large. It is a paradox that The Oregon determined to secure a home and competence has before him the ingonian will not attempt to elucidate.

Political prophecy as to the future disputable fact that success will reof President Taft and his Administraward honest efforts. It is a certainty, tion cannot be safely employed at this not a possibility, that Oregon has to It is but a little more than a offer to the world. time.

The efforts of the Portland Com-mercial Club and other publicity oryear until the next Republican National Convention. If the President continues to progress in the regard of ganizations have been rewarded with the country in the next few months splendid results, but the construction his nomination would appear to be of a big mileage of new railroads in assured. He is undoubtedly a candidate now; and, from present appearthe field and the work of the future ances. Colonel Roosevelt is not a must be on a correspondingly broadmed scale. No man is more familiar candidate. No other would have the chance of defeating with the possibilities of this field not Mr. slightest Taft: and it is not likely that any more friendly to Portland than Mr. other will try seriously. We suppose Howard Elliott, president of the Northern Pacific. There is special

FIELD FOR PUBLICITY WORK.

state has tremendously widened

ident. The measure passed the House The "booster' banquet" held at the by exactly a two to one vote, and there received the support of Demo-Commercial Club rooms Thursday night brought together an unusually crats, Republicans and insurgents. In the Senate the chief opposition large attendance of the representative. has apparently arisen on the Demobusiness men of the city, and it also cratic side through a desire to force revealed a unanimity of sentiment rethe calling of an extra session, algarding the future of publicity work though Senator Bailey and his Demin this city. No better advice haz ocratic associates in the committee ever been offered our people than that on finance, which reported it to the contained in the telegram of James J. Senate, gave notice some days ago Hill, wherein he says: "Let the men of that they would "resist it in all Oregon look forward, not backward. proper ways." Now that an agree-Let them have confidence in themment has been reached to vote on the selves and the future growth of their state, and constantly direct their efsuccumb. forts toward bringing to their state The Oregonian has not been con-

vinced that a permanent Tariff Board formed as once suggested could ac complish toward solving the tariff problem, good commensurate with the expense involved, but the bill as now before the Senate is an Improvement over the original proposals. Un der the provisions of the bill the membership will be five instead of seven. as once proposed, and not more than three of the members will be chosen from one political party. The mem-The fortune-hunter joining bers are to be appointed by the President with the approval of the Senate. Sufficient restrictions have thus

been thrown around the organization of the board to give the public confidence that its reports will be unpartisan or unblased, and in view of the numerous attempts in magazine articles to associate the interests with the drafting of the tariff schedules it is perhaps as important that the public should have authentic knowledge of the situation as the President and Congress. Furthermore, such a board is needed as an aid to those statesmen who, like Senator Bourne, frankly admit they know nothing about the riff and will vote "with my friend

Aldrich.' An outline of the duties of the board is given in section 3 of the bill:

That it shall be the duty of said board The financial resources of the Sage fund commission make it a dangerous for. Its campaign against the New York lean sharks will probably succes of the growth and prosperity of that that great territory west of the Bitter Root Mountains that great territory west of the Bitter Root Mountains and that great territory west of the Bitter Root Mountains and the next five years than in any provious fund commission make it a dangerous for. Its campaign against the New York lean sharks will probably succes because it can underbid them for

the world. As very few of the men who at times have made millions in wheat deals ever had anything left when they died, the fact that "Apple Mary' left a fortune of \$60,000

proves that there is more certainty of securing a competence by running fruit stand than by running a "cor-ner" in wheat. "Old Hutch," who en-

gineered one of the biggest and most uccessful "corners" ever consummated in Chicago, ended his days as pro prietor of a peanut stand, but he started in the business so late in life that he left no \$60,000.

In placing an order for 30,000,000 feet of ties with a Lewis River firm, the Harriman lines offer ample corroboration of their statements regarding the big improvements that will shortly be commenced in the Northwest. This tie order alone will dis tribute about \$300,000 among the tumbermen and loggers who will fill it. The disbursements for other material which will go with the ties and for the labor in laying them will reach a figure many times greater than the cost of the ties. Incidentally, these disbursements, acceptable and valuable as they are, are but a small part of bill, the opposition is expected to the benefits that will result from this

great work.

A young man was sent to the rockplle for a year yesterday for larceny.

His wife of two months will take up the toll of self-support. They had been acquainted but a short time be-fore marriage. "What fools these mortals be!" -

The people of this Nation have not yet got down to living on mussels. There is too much good beef, pork and mutton, as well as wheat and corn, to allow this digger diet. Scienwho would develop the mussel tista are wasting time.

Up-state people in both directions who think Portland is disposed to "hog it all" are asked to consider their benefits to come from the big sum Portland men are contributing to exploit the whole commonwealth.

The Hood River girl who was declared the champion speller of the county has something of which she may feel proud. The day is passing when bad penmanship can cover poot spelling.

Why should not stamp sales in Port-land load those of Seattle? Monthly statements of business accounts require large expenditures for postage.

Tricks will not keep Abe Ruef out of jail. He is in desperate straits when it is necessary to lie to the court to gain a little time.

There is more food for the tingoes in Japan's purchase of immense quan-

A stuffed zoo for Portland would be

lower court. GAME BOARD NAMING SLOW

W. L. Finley Offered One Place, West to Appoint Five.

SALEM. Or., March 3 .--- (Special.)-"Appointment of the State Board of Game and Fish Commissioners will be proceeded with slowly," said Governor West today. "Under the law provision is made for five members. Four of them are to be appointed by me and the fifth will be elected by the board.

Two of the members must come from east of the Cascade Mountains. "So far I have tendered W. L. Finley, of the Audubon Society, an offer as one of the Audubon Society, an offer as one

begin. They will also make an investiga-tion es soon as Spring opens with a view to putting in a plant to secure power and light for the city from the of the appointees. He is a Republican, I have also offered a Democrat, whose name I am not at liberty to disclose, power and light for the city full the flow of water they now control. They will advertise for bids for relining the open reservoir in the city and will build a parapet three feet in height with a railing on that around the whole of the reservoir better to protect it. They will also lay four miles of 20-inch wooden where the Meadows, where the water another appointment on the board, but has refused for business reasons I intend to appoint the men regardless of their political affiliation."

of their pointeria arritation." In the meantime no changes will be made in the offices of Master Fish Warden and State Game Warden. These appointments will be left en-trate with the bound and the Countertirely with the board and the Gover-nor says he will take no active hand in making these appointments.

MAN. 70, SHIES AT ALIMONY

Aged Oregon Couple Not Yet Given

MEDFORD, Or., March 3.—(Special.) —Judge Calkins, of the Circuit Court, today postponed his decision in the di-vorce case between Louis C. Sivers, 70 years old, and Nancy Jane Sivers, his wife, several years his senior, until the mark costion A Mr. Winnie, living at the head of Washington street, was badly burned by the explosion of a burning fluid

The case was originally filed several lamp. months ago by Sivers, a resident of the Evans Creek district, who is known lo-cally as the "onion king." The court at that time ordered that Sivers pay \$20 per month alimony, pending the settlement of the case, but as he has not done this, Judge Calkins today or-dered that the records show default on

ters by a former marriage. They have

### Minister Dies at Albany.

More revenue cutters have been seized at New Orleans, and some forts in Arkansas are reported to have been taken by state troops. Today Abraham Lincoln will be inaugurated President of the United States. We have all confidence that States. We have all confidence that his administration will be character-ized by wisdom, justice, patriotism and fidelity to the Constitution, vigil-

ance in guarding the rights of every state, and fearlessness in defending its own. In its executive head will be combined, in some good degree, the Leona Faulknor, Cora Gatta, Vernon Gatta and Hubert Gatta, all residing in the vicinity of Albany or Lebanon. patriotism and magnanimity of Wash-ington, the philosophy and stern Re-publicanism of Jefferson and the self-reliance and inflexible purpose of Jack-

son. In the prescribed mode, and in strict conformity to the Constitution and laws of the country the people OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, March a Senator Piles today se-cured an amendment to the sundry civil bill, appropriating N0.000 to defray the expenses of a Congressional junketing party to Alaska.

"Why, you don't want a mortgage; a dead shows you own the property." "Ant no yuse talken dead. Aye know yot Aye yont. Von taem in Mannsota, for and receiving the gun with which she killed Hauck. Aye buy farm an' tak deed. Oder fal-ler him gat mortgage. Bam-by, sax months or so, mortgage faller, sure as hal, kom an' tak, deed, farm an' whole RESERVOIR TO BE FIXED

dam husiness. You ant got me mort-gage, Aye vont tak farm." The deal is still pending. The Dalles to Expend \$10,000 in Improving Water System.

Going, Going!

N. Y. Star. Man has but little here below. And he will have less yet. If he has to shure his franchise With a bloomin' suffragette.

### THAT ADMIRABLE ADVENTURER.

Mr. Peter Ruff Will Make His Appearance in

Tomorrow's Oregonian.

It will be the first of a series of nine delightful, compelling tales from the pen of E. Phillips Oppenheim.

In "Ill Blows the Wind That Profits Nobody" Mr. Oppenheim holds the tense interest of those who care for a real adventure tale.

Which is one of many striking features of tomorrow's big paper.

With St. Patrick's day at hand a page on the achievements of Irishmen in America is of particular interest. The Irish have done, and are still doing, great things in America and some of the leaders are written of in a page story with illustrations.

Are you at par, physically? Or are you one of the army of indoor workers that has failed to take proper exercise? There is a page article on gymnasium work in Portland that will interest you in any event.

"Militia" is a term that conjures up visions of dress parades and tin swords. But the militia has changed and is now a vital factor in the plan of National defense. There is an interesting page, with illustrations, dealing on this topic.

Housekeepers, people of fashion, athletes-people of all kinds and ideas-will find the news of their particular hobbies.

And there will be pages for young readers, a comic supplement-and things far too numerous to list, even in a general way.

Added to which is the best news service money and enterprise can get.

ALBANY, Or., March I.-(Special.)-William Wayman Gatts, a graduate of Albany College, and minister of the Free Methodist Church, died at his home in this city Wednesday, aged 32 Mr. Gatts had been a resident of Linn County almost all his life. He was or-dained a minister in the Free Method-ist Church at Waterloo several years ago and preached there for some time. He had been in poor health for the past few years. Mr. Gatts is survived by five sisters and two brothers--Mabel Fitzwater, Bessle Bilyeu, Neille Hare, Leona Faulknor, Cora Gatta, Vernon

Piles Amends Civil Bill.

no chudren.

## win." Perhaps Mrs. L. does not look at Abraham with pride, as the old boy Separation.

starts off to tell the people what he thinks of doing for the next four years. Hooraw for Old Abe-Hooraw!

ernment property, which he is bound by law to protect. The bill suspending mail service in the seceding states has passed the House by a large majority.

day gave Portland a really Christian look, and the turn-out of people to church was a good indication of the faithful observance of the day. The ultimatum of South Carolina

has been presented and responded to. The President says he has no power to negotiate for the surrender of Govhis part. Both old people were in court. She entered a counter-charge, alleging he was too familiar with grand-daugh-