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NARROWNESS.

In Southwestern Washington a part of Washington? Geographically, the fact is that it is just as beneficial to Southwestern Washington as it is anything more than a territorial vassal or dependency to be exploited at will by the superiors and overlords of Puget Sound.

DEBILITATING REFLECTIONS.

Debilitating reflections upon the education of the clergy arise as one reads of their attitude toward art in Boston. Naturally we expect the Boston clergy to be about the most cultured in the country.

MR. PERKINS' SOLUTION.

Mr. George W. Perkins is no doubt a potent agent for a fashion, but not a dangerous one. Like a star he has fled from his sphere. Mr. J. P. Morgan's firm knows him no longer.

THE RATE-DECISION PRECEDENT.

The stock market, which suffered a bad attack of hysterics when the Federal Reserve Bank raised the rate case was announced, has fully recovered its former buoyancy and there seems to be a fairly good demand for the new issues of securities put out by some of the roads.

NOT THE OREGON SYSTEM.

The initiative and referendum in Washington, if approved by the people at the next general election, will undoubtedly differ in its practical workings from the Oregon system.

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ing and there is nothing to hinder collective action. So the prestige of the representative wanes and direct government grows in favor.

Mr. Perkins beholds with approval the same tendency acting in business. The evacuation of useless men and devices proceeds apace.

APPROPRIATE APPOINTMENTS.

Governor West has appointed two new Pilot Commissioners. The Pilot Commission as it now stands is made up of James Monks, a Portland boiler-maker; John Kopp, a retired brewer of Astoria; and Frank J. Taylor, an Astoria lawyer, all estimable men and mostly good Democrats.

PROTECTING THE UNWARY.

George H. Monroe, of New York, who stands near the head of his class of promoters of get-rich-quick schemes, was convicted last Thursday and sentenced to three years in the Federal Penitentiary at Atlanta.

ROAD BILL'S DEFEAT RESENTED.

Southwest Washington Not Satisfied With Explanation. CHEHALIS, Wash., March 14.—(To the Editor.)—The explanation of State Highway Bill No. 1000, which was the subject of the defeat of highway legislation at the recent session of the Washington Legislature, which appeared in the Tacoma daily on March 13, does not explain in this section of the state.

THE BIRD'S NEST.

Down Comes a Dog Statue. The Borough Council of Batswana, England, has decreed that the famous "brown dog" statue be destroyed.

More About the Mormons.

SPRINGFIELD, Or., March 14.—(To the Editor.)—I was surprised to read in the Oregonian of the two editorials which I inclosed and would suggest that the author of them read the article in the Oregonian of April 10, 1910, in the Cosmopolitan and inform himself on a subject of which he seems vastly ignorant.

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