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THE GREAT PARTNERSHIP.

The Underwood bill represented a reduction of approximately 50 per cent from the present "indefensible" wool The La Follette bill propose a cut in raw wool of about 12 cent. Now a 29 per cent ad valorem duty is the product of the joint genius of La Follette, high protectionist, and Underwood, (nominal) free trader. For Underwood, now for protection. promises free trade as an ultimatesome day, when the country is ready for it and it will not hurt anybody. About five years from now, perhaps.

Meanwhile Underwood is for stiff protection-high protection and woolens. So are the Democrats, all of them. Why? Why do they stuitlfy their record, traverse their every expression, reverse every professed Democratic policy, ignore every previous Democratic tariff bill, buresque the tenets of Morrison and Wil-

son and Mills? Why? Because the Democrats have embarked on a buccaneering enterprise with the insurgent Republicans to wreck the Taft Administration. That

ENGLISH AND CHINESE.

in all.

It might displease some of our rabid naters of the Oriental if the learned should finally decide that the Chinese language is the most highly developed in the world; but there is some prohi bility that they may do so. Dr. Edward Sapir, of the Canadian Geological Survey, who knows a great deal ut Chinese, rather inclines to the opinion that it has advantages over any other tongue and felt free to say ich the other day in a lecture be fore the savants of the Pennsylvania University. It employs only the simplest possible means, he says, but "can express the most technical or ophical ideas with absolute lack of ambiguity and with admirable conriseness and directness." This is high praise. We have been accustomed to hear almost the same said about English, though it is seldom held that our language is free from ambiguity. is all but impossible to say anything in English which cannot be made to mean something else by a little in-The emphasis of the voice genulty. n make wonderful transformations

in the significance of a sentence The formula "John struck James" may appear at the first glance "absofree from ambiguity," and no lutely doubt it is so when written, but not when spoken. The voice, by its intonations, can make it pass through variety of meanings from a simple statement of fact to a question, a denial or a acornful exclamation of sur-We have heard a great deal prise.

therefore more efficiency. To express future time some writers feel com pelled always to employ auxiliaries Now and then like "shall" and "will." they are indispensable, but very often cutions. the future idea comes in of itself. For example, it is needless to go to the trouble of saying "If John shall go to trennes. he will meet his tomorrow The same thought is better mother." conveyed by the simple formula 1111 goes to town tomorrow he will John The genlus of our meet his mother." added speech dispenses more and more with grammar. This amounts to saying that it becomes more and more like may Chinese, Perhaps there the some time be a contest between these wo languages for the supremacy of As things now stand, Engthe world. lish would have the advantage, for our spelling, with all its horrors, is not so frightful as the Chinese word signs, but progress sometimes comes on rapidly in the Orient. Nobody can

tell how soon the Chinese may cut off their pigtalls and adopt a phonetic alphabet: When they do so their language may pechape enjoy a fair prospect of becoming the speech of the world.

THE MATTER WITH FORTLAND.

A vallant soldier of the Civil War. naking an address at a Grand Army gathering near Vancouver the other day, drew a dark picture of the future, for "graft has fustened on nearly everything in the country." Another inve veteran, acknowledging the perils that surround our institutions, expressed the conviction that the "country will ot be ruined." but that in the end the "common people will rise up and put an end to graft, just as they conquered the hideous monster of rebellion during the dark days of '61-'65. The Oregonian yesetrday contained a half dozen news stories, based on one form or another of graft, or corruption, or misfeasance in public office. All related to the secret and briminal deeds, or misdeeds, or alleged mis-deeds, of various officials and other more or less well-known persons of Portland and Multnomah County. The superintendent of a rockpile

had accepted \$100 for the unlawful clease of a prisoner. Two detectives and a private detective agency were

making charges and counter charges against one another growing out of the recovery through alleged illicit means of a quantity of stolen goods. An impeccable lawyer, known chiefly through his championship of certain diareputable clients of the underworld. made charges of graft by blackmall against a detective and a newspaper reporter. A public officer was used by a common woman of extortng \$2 from her. A police sergeant was dismissed by the Mayor for "incompetency" with the plain implication that there were serious specific reasons. And so forth, and so forth. The papers are full of charges, accusations, animadversions, intimations. insinuations and innuendoes of crookedness, dishonesty and rascality; mostly charges, accusations, but

etc. The very air is clamorous with the outery against the unfaithful police and the peculating detectives and other officials. The din and clangor for reform resound through Graft, highways and byways. graft everywhere, but not a grafter in The Mayor is shocked and appalled,

is becoming suspicious that and large cities in respect to its comparasomething is wrong and he is going birth and dtath rates. The forto do something now pretty soon. tive mer tends to decline, the latter to ininquisitive and surprised Police Com-Were it not for a constant inmission is industriously prying into crease. flux of fresh blood from the country. things day and night, being convinced city-bred mankind would become exthat the late Simon police administra-Like animals in captivity, men tion was not all it should have been finct. do not reproduce their kind very suc and that somebody, somewhere. Home within city limits. Vigor how, did not do as he should have done. The new Chief of Police censfully comes from contact with the soil. But it must be confessed that the soil does has issued a lot of timely admonjtions and valuable observations, and not always impart vigor. The Oregonian quoted the other day stands ready to wield the ax when some discouraging figures which show other says the ever somebody that depopulation is proceeding apace The District Attorney was on New England farms. As one race never so busy assembling his corps after another takes possession of stenographers to draw indictments those regions it loses its fertility and and thus spread dismay in the ranks There is some begins to die out. of the wicked lawbreakers. The inground for hope that Oregon will not follow this had example. Our climate and general climatic conditions revincible hosts of a resolute officialdom are grandly moving on. They are a trifle uncertain about where semble those of England so closely they are going, but they are on their that perhaps our population will continue as prolific as their British for-These are the significant things the bears, at least on the farms. Very public sees and hears in a single day likely the towns are hopeless cases -every day. There is a vast lot Ephraim is joined to his idois. Let thundering in the index. Meanwhile him alone. the trains are loaded with gamblers, macquereaux, touts, outcasts, parasites, loafers, pimps, confidence men. MR. ROOSEVELT'S DISTINCTION. on women and the off-colorings The parallel drawn between the action of President Roosevelt in elimi-nating the waterfront of Eyak and and off-scourings of every shade, va riety, complexion and breed, who have heard that the "town is open" Valdez arm and the action of President Taft in eliminating the water-front of Controller Bay, Alaska, from and that the pastures are green and the feeding good. Why are they com-ing here? Who sent them the word the Chugach National forest has that encouraged them to flock in from every quarter? Who volunstirred the Colonel to a defense. He endeavors to draw a distination teered to give them immunity and pro-tection? Why the spectacle here now tween the two acts, though he admits the justice of the parallel. He says of a rejoicing and unrestrained underthat the conditions surrounding each case must decide the course of the world? Government and bases his criticism

were created by William the Conqueror were almost extinguished the Wars of the Roses and Henry VIII disposed of a few more by exe-Charles II repienished the supply by conferring dukedoms on his illegitimate sons by French mis-William II raised to the peerage some of the Dutch generals and admirals who won the throne for him. Since then the regular supply tles. of peers from among statesmen, law yers, generals and admirals has been to in a yearly larger degree by the conferring of titles on rich manufacturers, merchants and other business men who gave liberally to the campaign funds of the party in power.

In fact, though the secret has been jealously guarded, there is said to be a regular scale of prices for different titles, ranging upward from a barony, which is the lowest. The campaign contributor is rewarded in Great Britain with a peerage as he would be rewarded in the United States with embassy or a tariff duty. A suc the cessful lawyer climbs to front rank until he becomes Lord Chancel-

lor with an hereditary title. But no sooner does a brewer attain peerage than his blood changes from red to blue and he imagines himself to be made of different material from the "common people." So strong is the influence of association men elevated to the peerage by a Liberal ministry to increase 1110 canty following in the upper house developed into true blue Torier in a few years, though they have been known as rampant Radicals in the House of Commons. Had Asquith cre. ated 500 new peers to swamp the Tory majority, his artificially created majority would gradually have melted away The entire atmosphere of the House of Lords is suffused with Toryism and the creation of new peers is mere makeshift which must be repeated every time the two houses clash. By restricting the Lords' veto Asquith has adopted the only practicable means of preventing its continually blocking legislation until its constitu-

tion is entirely changed. A DISCOURAGING REPORT.

It is not surprising to learn from Dr. C. S. White's report that the rural birth rate in Oregon is greattr than that of the cities. This is the rule everywhere. But it does startle one a ittle to be told that there are countles in Oregon where the death rate equals and in some cases even exeeds the birth rate. This is race su cide with a vengeance. If the King of Terrors obtains an easy victory over life in a new state like Oregon, what havoc must he be working in the older communities? So far as rural Oregon is concerned, the blight of sterility does not seem to have struck The human race still thrives in the meadows of the Willamette and throughout the Inland Empire. Baker is one in a creditable list of counties which exhibit a birth rate about double their death rate. Would that the same might be said of Marion and Salem appears to have Multnomah. experienced the fate of almost every capital city, small as it is. People who flock to these places are usually in search of retired comfort. Then families have been reared and dis persed. It is hardly to be expected that many children should be born in

households. their Portland no doubt is like other

the variety of its resources or the cost and difficulty of its development. even the wealth of the Guggenheims is sufficient to monopolize Alaska Their name is a bugaboo to the con servationists, but it remains for the President and Congress to derive all the good for the public out of their enterprise and to guard against all evil

results of their monopolistic proclivi-Mr. Taft is working along the same lines as Mr. Roosevelt worked in tryng to bring about the development of Alaska without sacrifice of the public interest, or waste or monopoly of its esources. He should be given full credit for doing so, and his acts should not be viewed with suspicion inspired by Mr. Pinchot. The only good purpose which can be served by controversy between the President and his predecessor is to center attention the urgent need of laws for the de-velopment of a long-neglected and little known territory.

The occurrences at the City Jall the other night, when "Lizzy-Mandy was a dandy" was being rendered by an

inmate, may possibly suggest some valuable new disciplinary resources to jailers and wardens. Under the torture of the coon song, it is reported that the hardest cases suffered acute-Many of them groaned in agon Very well. Why not sing "Little Redwing" to the habitual drunk when he es to jail? Would he ever co again? A single treatment with alnost any rag song might be expected to reform a hardened wife-beater by The possibilities of the method are

making the prison a place of horror. Infinite. The efforts of the Canadian Tories to switch the campaign to other issues than reciprocity is a hopeful sign for Laurier, who should certainly be able to fasten the voters' attention on that

main issue. As the protected manu-facturing interests are mainly in the Eastern provinces and the agricultural interests mainly in the West, It quite possible that the Liberals may strength in the East, but equally likely that they will make compensat-ing gains in the West. Should Champ

Clark's ill-advised speech on annexa tion be used by the Tories, its effect will be counteracted by the quotation of Taft's speeches against that policy.

The Panama-Pacific Exposition at San Francisco in 1915 will be for the benefit of the whole Pacific Coast, and it rests with each state to see that it gets its share of the benefit. The recommendation of Colonel H. E. Dosch that Oregon have an information and immigration bureau at the exposition is wise, for only by such means can Oregon secure her share of the investors and settlers who will be attracted to the Pacific Coast.

The gospel has finally prevailed over the law in Iola, Kan., to the credit of the town, in our opinion. It was in Iola that a modern. Daniel sentenced a woman to break stones in the chain-The Mayor interposed and pargang. ioned her. This saves Kansas from a humiliation which ought to have made every man within its borders

blush for shame. Is it impossible for fola to elect sensible judges as well as Mayors?

The plain inference from the language of Mr. Perkins, Judge Gary and their like is that they want the trusts made part of the Government, with officials in at least partial conpublic trol of them. Sooner or later most of our public officials will be elective. The movement in that direction is unmis-Will the time come takable. the voters of the country will choose the President of the whisky trust?

With natural reluctance, but with true British

OPINION OF LAFFERTY

Eugene Register. It is about time Congressman Lafferty gave more attention to law-mak ing and less to other things that put him into the limelight in no enviable fashion.

La Grande Observer

Colonel Lafferty should devote his spare time to that enlarged home-stead bill he promised his constituents before election, and not be so handy with his pen.

Amity Standard!

The least that can be said about the Lafferty affair is that Governor Weat has a right to expect an early resigna-tion from the Second Congressional district representative.

Salem Journal.

Congressman Lafferty might with ome effect ask that of his critics those mocent among them should "first innocent among them should "first cast a stone." It isn't the innocent ones who are throwing the rocks, but rather the "wise ones."

Roseburg News.

Lots of men "see things that look good to them"-but unlike Congress-man Lafferty they don't put it down on paper. . . . Presuming that the reports concerning Mr. Lafferty are true, that gentleman should uncere-moniously be "fired" by an outraged constituence constituency.

Roseburg Review.

Under the new reapportionment law, Oregon is entitled to another Congress-Oregon is entitled to another Congress-man. But while she is about it she should select two new Representatives to the lower house of Congress, one of them to displace Lafferty just as them to displace Lafferty just as quickly as the recall law can be put into operation.

Pendleton East Oregonian. Lafferty is an improper man for Ore-gon to have in Congress. The people of this state do not sanction insults to little girls. Lafferty should resign or he should be ousted under the re-call. He was elected under the Oregon system. It is now up to the people system. It is now up to the pe of this district to show that under Oregon system the people may quickly get rid of a public servant when he proves himself unworthy.

Modford Mail-Tribune.

Medford Mail-Tribune. - Evidently Lafferty's real name is not Arthur W. as he once proclaimed, nor Amidon W. as he later asserted, nor Abraham W.--"call me Abe, boys"--as he said during the campaign. A mysterious initial A. does not stand either for Algernon nor Alfonso, but for Ananias, and as Ananias W. (Romeo) Lafferty he should be known to fame. to fame.

For such cases as Lafferty's, was the recall devised.

Lebanon Criterion.

We sympathize with the Second Con-reasional district of this state in the material it has to represent it in Con press. The young girl masher is bad greas. nan it is unthinkable.

Just think of Lafferty and Bourne as examples of statesmen to represent a new and growing state in the Congress of the country. The tender-footed Eas will think us the "wild ,and woolly West sure enough.

Pendleton Live Wire.

Friends and constituents of A. Friends and constituents shocked and greatly disappointed by the stories of his personal misconduct emanating greatly disappointed by his personal misconduct emanating from Washington. In its most con-servative phase the story is serious enough and grave enough to spell de-feat for A. W. Lafferty, Representative from Oregon. Unless he is able to from Oregon. Unless he is able to repudiate the story in some more sub-stantial way than at present, he may as well retire gracefully from politics. Otherwise, he will find himself thrown out.

Hood River News.

Abraham Walter Lafferty, Congress do to good effect if we had free trade man from the Second Oregon district man from the Second Oregon district has successed in covering himself with odium at the National Capital. If the press dispatches be correct Mr. Laf-ferty has been devoting his energies in meats. with our best customers show that Canada is not only third in the list, a toward attempts to

The Battle of the Columbia

Oh, they've loosed the toothless dogs of war Down where Fort Stevens stands.

And theoretical battles' roar Shakes broad Columbia's sands. Where each loyal native son Helps to man the monster gun. And dreams about the theoretical Glory to be won.

Imaginary foemen come A-sailing o'er the sea, Ethereal squadrons throng about, With grim hostility; And the searchlights to and fro O'er the heaving waters go, To seek the fancied formen out, So we can lay them low.

Fainting into his comrades' arms, The captain staggers! See, A hypothetical rifle ball Has hit him in the kneel 'Mid fancied bullets flying near. A hundred men are dying here;

Oh, haste to drive the foemen back. Or they'll get tired of lying here. loser upon the surging sea The spectral warships ride

Now soldlers put some theoretical Shot holes in their side! "Boom, boom!" The cannons' roa The cannons' roar! Enough! They need no more They're sunk, and all the waves are red With hypothetical gore.

Now load the guns another time, And in the salty main By way of making certain, We'll sink them all again, Above the field, on high. While in theory they die, Grim Mars will shake his gory locks-And wink the other eye.

Tis thus we rally round the flag In mimic war, my mates, To save from hypothetical foes,

Our Lares and Penates; Next day the papers' story Shall describe the struggle gory (?) And tell our friends at home

Our theoretical glory. -Dean Collins. Portland, August II, 1911.

GREAT YEAR IN EXPORT TRADE Enormous Proportions of Uncle Sam's

Foreign Business,

Indianapolis News. The details of our trade with for-eign nations during the fiscal year 1911 not yet available, but the principal totals have been published. They show that our imports amounted to \$1,527.-985,088 and our exports to \$2,048,691. We bought \$28,962,342 less abroad 392. last year than we did in 1910, and we other countries \$303,706,672 more Foreign peoples, last year, bought \$530,706,204 more from us than we did from them. This has never been equaled, except in 1907-05, and then only on account of the abnormally plated conditions at the time of the

The increase in exports is largely due to cotton, which shows an increase of \$124,618,418, representing the jump from 6,254,495 to 7,818,714 bales, and also a batter price. The value of our bread-stuffs exported dropped about \$10,000,-000, but there was a \$17,000,000 increase. October crisis. 000, but there was a \$17,000,000 increase in meat, dairy products and food an-imals. Oil showed a \$2,500,000 drop. The report is complete enough to in-dicate that our status as exporters of incate that our status as exporters of raw materials, in excess of manufac-tured product, has not changed. Fo instance, notwithstanding our foster ing policies, our cotton furnishes em For foster ployment for foreign workmen in foreign mills, and we buy some of the cotton cloth. The drop in breadstuffs naturally suggests the value of Ca dian reciprocity. It is true that of Cana the meat exports show an increase, but this may be temporary, for our cattle and hog-raising area is contracting, while our own demands are increasing to such an extent that J. Ogden Armour says that Europe not only must begin look elsewhere for her meat, but that even we may import from the Ar

Advertising Talks

By William C. Freeman

Mr. Nowland, of Fels & Co., Philadelphia, knows what newspaper advertising has accomplished for his own company, and is a great believer in it for every business.

He related an incident to me the other day about a Philadelphia business man, living a few doors north of Market street, who had never been visited by an insurance man, nor had he ever been approached on the subject of insurance, nor did he know that a big insurance building was at the corner of Fourth and Chestnut streets, Mr. Nowland, in commenting on this,

said: "This man was a good subject for

insurance, and probably would have been written up by almost any agent who called, or, if he had been solicited through advertising, he would have probably gone to an Insurance office to apply for insurance for himself."

There are undoubtedly many men throughout the country about which the same thing could be said, and who could be reached through advertising in the daily newspapers.

All forms of insurance should be advertised.

If the big insurance companies would get together and contribute to a fund to be used for advertising, and then run in the dally newspapers a series of educational insurance talks-human interest appeals to the people, pointing out the advantages of taking out pollcles in reliable companies, it would help their agency men very materially in writing insurance and troble their business in no time.

I have talked to a great many in surance agency men on this subject. They are all firmly convinced of the value of newspaper advertising, so much so that they would be willing to surrender a part of their commissions if the companies they represented advertised in the newspapers.

I don't believe it would cost the in surance companies more than two per cent of the net income from their annual premiums if they advertised in

this manner. There is a great business waiting for the insurance companies. Why not go, after it, gentlemen, on the lines suggested above?

(To be continued.)

Brad's Bit o' Verse

Copyright, 1911, by W. D. Meng. I've know some fellows who were mooth and others who were swift; sch had his little line of work, each had some special gift; but when it comes to stacking ice in huge and massive piles, the Honorable Bacon puts a crimp in all their styles. wrote a library or two of scientific lore, he plucked the wreath from Learning's brow and made Dame Wisdom sore; he wrote our Shakespeare's dramas and the songs of Bobby Burns, he edited the latest dope on bootjacks, prunes and churns. The codes of Coldnel Blackstone are the product of his brain; he wrote Gray's Elegy, and gave to Keats his lofty strain. Old Homer never penned a line; his claim is all a sham; for Bacon wrote those spic gems (see latest cryptogram). The speeches of Demosthenes, the Lays of Ancient Rome, John Bunyan's Pilgrim's Progress, and the song of Home, Sweet Home, the tragic lines of Sophocles, the battle cry of Bruce, George Washington's Farewell Address, Huck Finn-but what's the use? If you would find an easy way to scale the heights of fame. take some old book, invent a key, and

Wrecking Engine Wrecks Phones

An unusual accident occurred at Girard,

smashed and one house was hadly

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about the influence of intonation upon the significance of Chinese words. Some say that the language never can he reduced to phonetic writing because the voice has so much to do with what the speaker means. Some thing similar was the case with the Chinook jargon, as every ploneer knows. It had no degrees of compar ison in the grammatical sense, but the speaker could easily make an adjective pass to the superlative degree by the way he uttered it. We doubt whether intonation is not as important in English as in Chinese. When the curves of the voice can completely re-verse the significance of a printed form, we could scarcely expect to find anything more effective, no matter where we look.

Dr. Sapir remarks that in Chinese the position of the words in the sennot depend at all on grammatical in-This is substantially the flections. case with English also. But in both languages it is only in print that posttion is so important. When the words are spoken, any arrangement can be made to mean anything you like by the orator's intonations. Chinese, according to Dr. Sapir, belongs to what Is called the "isolating type" of lan-guages, in which word forms are never altered by inflection. The verbs are not conjugated, which implies, by the way, that there are no irregular verbs, a boon to learners. The nouns add no ending to signify the plural numbar, and adjectives are not compared. The units of the language are like peb-bles or little pleces of wood whose position can be changed at will, but their form never. It seems as if such a language ought to be easy to learn, but the common report is that Chinese is repellantly difficult. Comparatively few persons have mastered it in spite a good deal of commercial advantage in being able ot speak and write it.

Perhaps the difficulty lies not se much in the language itself as in the way it is represented on paper. Each Chinese word has a fixed symbol, and the language cannot be written until these have been committed to mem-The task would be terrible, even If the symbols were as simple in outline as our letters, but the truth is that they are extremely complicated. According to scholars, there are some \$0,000 of them. Good Chinese literary men are supposed to remember whole array, but they begin to learn them in childhood and never learn anything else. The process is semsthing like learning to spell English, which is so difficult that it puts our schoolchildren three or four years hahind German boys and girls of the same age.

English is not a completely "isolating" language, but it moves in that Formerly our tongue had direction. many inflections, and it retains some of them, but they are dropping away. Verbs were once conjugated in the subjunctive mood. Writers occasionally use the subjunctive still, but ft sounds archaic in most cases. The plain indicative will serve the same date little further back than the revo-purpose with more simplicity and lution of 1688. The peerages which

It is child's play for the Mayor it "investigate" conditions that are obvious to all and to suggest that he is going to leave the "vice policy" of his administration to a commission of disinterested citizens. It is idle to blame the impotence of the police and the disorganization and insubordination of the police force on the civil service rules. It is nonsensé to pretend that a stern policy of proecription against the army of undesirables now here cannot at once formulated and enforced. It is time for firm and definite action and less long Doubt, hesitation and vacillatalk. tion by the authorities are the opportunity of the vicious and lawless. The way to enforce the law is to enforce

the law.

PEERS SAVE THEIR PRESTIGE.

The British peers might paraphrase a famous epigram by saying: "All is lost save prestige." Having been forced to choose between giving up the shadow of power which they had foolishly imagined to be a reality and having it taken away from them by the creation of a swarm of new peers. they give it up rather than subject the peerage to the loss of social preswhich would follow a flood of tige new peers. For the creation of 500 new peers at one time would make a title so cheap as to be an object of ridicule. In order to command respect among the fuft-hunters, the holder of an ancient title would have to print the date of its creation after it on letterheads, etc., as a college graduate might write "Harvard 'o7" after his name

The impression that the House of Lords is even mainly composed of descendants of barons and statesmen of the middle ages is wrong. Probably the majority of present pecrages

of Mr. Taft's course in the Controller case on the difference in Bay conditions The point of difference which he emphasizes is the fact that he did not know that the Guggenheims were operating in Alaska, while Mr. Taft He did not know "that did know. there was the slightest danger of the Guggenheim syndicate, or any other syndicate, obtaining control of Alaska." though their operations had been proclaimed in the newspapers

before they began to build railroads. It is not easy to conceive what great difference the operations of the Gug-

genheims should make in the course of the two Presidents, Mr. Roosevelt must have been familiar enough with Alaska conditions to know that only men of large capital could develop coal

mines and that the men who owned the coal mines would wish to control the railroads and shipping facilities. He must have known that they would seek control of the waterfront he elim inated. Whether they were the Guggenheims or any other men made no difference to the result. Mr. Taft kne that the Guggenheims were operating in Alaska and acted with full knowl edge of the fact. He eliminated the Controller Bay waterfront to facilitate the operations of Mr. Ryan's company, a rival to the Guggenheims, but with the knowledge that Mr. Ryan could

secure only alternate tracts and therefore could not secure a monopoly. If, after building his railroad, Mr. Ryan should sell it to the Guggenheims, the Government cannot prevent the sale, but in granting a charter for the road

it can guard against any evil results from such a sale. In speaking of a possible monopoly of Alaska by the Guggenheims. Mr

Roosevelt shows that he has not fully realized the immense size of Alaska. ready.

with fate, the House of Lords has voted away its veto. It was a poor thing, after all, not worth quarreling Ten years from now, when the over. peers have taken up their new and greater tasks, they will wonder at the disturbance they made over a trifle. The allied lords and laborers will bring social salvation to England.

Congratulations are due J. Hennessy Murphy for the fight he put up and won against the Denver people would despoil the estate of a dead Portland girl. The judge's disposition to fight windmills (British) by way of diversion does not lessen his ability to make good when he tackies the real thing.

H. C. Frick's retirement from the Union Pacific board is a case of submission to the spirit of the anti-trust law, though its letter was not violated He is free from the arrogance which prompts most captains of industry to defy the law.

James J. Hill's Conservation Congfess this year will discuss soil. Last year the subject was public lands and the year before the forests. By and by the body may take up the baldheaded man and his need of conservation.

If the liquor dealers who observe he law would join hands with law, they would soon drive such fellows as Frank Mays out of business Men of his stamp are recruiting agents for the Prohibition party

Hop-picking is about a month off and the man who contracts at present prices may miss half as much more. The world must have the Oregon hop at any price.

Now the Water Board can see what it "has went and done" by compelling people to arise at unseemly hours to irrigate. The early morning trains are to start half an hour sooner.

May Joe Morrison return from Linnton much improved in health and morals by his labors at the quarry.

People from the prairie states need pocket compass and map when they penetrate Oregon timber.

Watch the gasoline market. Standard Oil had to pay \$42,395 costs in the dissolution sult.

Making flour from skim milk may be feasible, but making pork is sure and profitable.

So long as the stock keeps shead of the reaper, Oregon need not fear race suicide.

One of the grave affairs agitating Seattle is an alleged combine of undertakers.

Again the battleship Oregon is

fair sex than is seemly for a states-man-particularly a statesman chosen to this high office through the channels of the direct primary-anti-corrupt practices route. An attempt to redeem practices fould. An attempt to redeem some of the promises made by Lafferty to his constituents previous to his elec-tion, would undoubtedly be more appre-ciated than any success he may attain as a been we

Corvallis Gazette-Times

as a Don Juan.

Corvallis Gazette-Times' We strain at a grast and swallowed a camel. Had Lafferty, the despised, happened to have met the charming disk Kubel in the formal way—intro-duced by even a casual acquaintance of both—all would have been well, even the sequence of a scoun-rel than he appears to be. Had Laf-rel than he appears to be. Had Laf-terty's message to Miss Kubel been re-rel than he appears to be. Had Laf-terty's differently and the acquaintance ippend into nothing worse than mar-riage, which is not impossible even though Lafferty were leas a man than he appears to be, the press would have fought us delightful stories of the found of Oregon's Congressmen with one of Washington City's fairest daughters, a washington city a fairest daughters, a washington city's fairest daughters, a washington c a high school girl whose likeness in a great newspaper so impressed the Westerner that he overstepped the bounds and laid his heart and fortune at her feet even before he had hunted up some friend to say for him: "Miss Kubel, permit me to introduce Mr. Lafferty." Of course Lafferty deserves a good kicking, and it's too bad that Papa Kubel falled to deliver it, but worse things are left unnoticed as we strain at the gnat. strain at the gnat.

Lafferty and the Recall.

Lafterty and the Recall. PORTLAND, Aug. 11. - (To the Editor.) -- Could the "recall" be applied to the Hon Mr. Lafterty? Or are Con-gressmen and tomcats exempt? If so, what would be the most dell-cate method of intimating to a gentle-man of his passionaic nature that a resignation was in order? Is there any truth in the report that Miss Ells Wheeler Wilcox is contemplating run-ning for Congress on the Sweetheart ticket? If not, why not? JOSEPH MGEE.

The recall is doubtless not applica hle to a member of Congress. The Constitution provides that each house of Congress alone shall he the judge of the qualifications of its own members; and the Federal statutes, besides, control the elections. The State of Oregon might possibly "recall" Lafferty, but the House at Washington need not on that account disqualify him from mem-

Stung.

Moonlight soft and silv'ry. Grass begenmed with dew, Summer breezes sighing, A cance-brand new.

Water gently washing Banks of shadowy hue, Sleepy birds a-twitter, A cance-and two.

Just by chance I saw them. Though they never knew Drifting in the moonlight, A cance-brand new-Just two-one Sue! -Elizabeth Wallace.

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but that both our experts and imports in that quarter have increased in 1911 over the 1910 fiscal year.

The following statistics of our trade

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U.S. exports. 4576,000,000 287,000,000 270,000,000 135,000,000 Great Britain . Germany 163,000,00 101,000,00 115,000,00 Canada An unusual accident occurred at Grace, O. A wrecking engine, equipped with a large derrick, was rushing through the town to the scene of an accident, when the boom of the derrick caught up the poles and wires of the telephone com-pany where they crossed the railroad's right of way. Before the engine could be stopped, nine poles were torn down and bumped against houses. Windows were smashed and one house was badly One of the depressing features is that the Chinese customs reports, have just been announced, show which of exports to that country in 1910, and of exports to that country in forw, and yet this is the great land of commer-cial promise for the next several de-cades. Is the door really open? Or are we simply falling to enter?

English Pensioners Live Long. London Chronicle.

Pensioners are long lived. The finance accounts of the United King-dom, just issued. illustrate that truth. There are pensioners still living who There are pensioners and firing who were granted their allowances in the times of George IV and William IV, and there is a princess-Augusta Car-oline of Cambridge-who received her annuity in 1843. Longevity is most notable, however, among the judicial pensioners, for there are many officers of the courts who have drawn their pensions for 60 or more years. But one misses the keeper of the Marshalses, who until a year or two ago was alive to take us back to the time

A Medical Visitor Calls.

"Little Dorrit."

Sir A. Conan Doyle's Sherlock Holmes Story-The greatest detective plays an important part in "The Adventure of the Three Students" and displays his analytical powers in solving a fas-

cinating mystery. Grand Duke Spends Thirty Years in Exile-A European correspondent throws an interesting light upon Russian court life by the story of how a progressive relative of the Czar lives forgotten in the wilds of Tashkend.

Uncle Sam's Daredevil Explorers-Uncle Sam has many employes, and how he sends some of them to perform heroic feats is the subject of an illustrated article.

Bridging the Willamette Is Tremendous Task - An illustrated article tells of the difficulties of bridging the Willamette River at Portland and takes the construction of the new O.-W.

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Comic section, with Sambo, Twee Deedle and Widow Wise. Illustrated Woman's Section.

Order from your newsdealer today.

How the Wily Chinese Smuggles Opium-Against the ingenuity of the Chinese opium smuggler, the skill of the Secret Serv-Many strange devices of the lawbreakers are exposed in an illus-

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Horrors of Modern Conflict. Would Be Terrible-What would

happen should the three great European powers really clash is the topic of an illustrated article.

Boston Transcript. Sympathetic Vlsitor-Mrs. A. wh do you suppose makes you suffer so? Mrs. A.-I don't know. I'm sure. a what I believe nothing but a post-mortem will ever show. S. V.-You poor thing! You are weak you could never stand that. The Essence of Luxury.

Puck. "Yes, I welcome the era of high prices—one may live so much more luxuriously." "Just how do you make that out?" "Why, there are so many more things that one cannot afford."

The Romany Sway. Ann Bunsion in the Speciator. I wish I were a syngy free To dance beneath the rowan tree, To wade in waters cool and sweet Or press the thyme with naked feet. I wish I wore a scariet gown And ran upon the windy down To gather munbrooms in the dew. Soles and whortleberies blue, Hips and haws and hazels brown. For seiling in the narrow town. Where every wide-eyed child would cry-"There goes a sypap masing by!" And run to buy my wares of me And wigh that he were half as free. The other to full my can The Romany Sway.

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The stars would play at hids and see Or if the moon of dreams were high i'd be a gypsy that could fiy To visit with the honey bee, Or chase the awallows o'er the sea: And in the sarly morning dark i'd rise beyond the boldest lark. And holding to some angel's frock I'd enter heaven and never knock; For once inside they'd let me stay. For all would take my part and say. "The bat a little gypsy free. Let he, good doorkesper, let bei"