## THE MORNING OREGONIAN, TUESDAY, AUGUST 22, 1911.

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CORTLAND, TUESDAY, AUGUST 12, 1911. 

#### A TIDAL WAVE IN 1912?

The New York World on paper does i not make out a strong case before the electoral college for the Democratic

Presidential nominee of 1912. Indeed, the New York Democratic newspaper is sadly discouraged over the outlook. The horoscope does not forecast Democratic victory without New York and other well-nigh impossible Those optimistic seers who have been indulging in political crys-Tal-gazing and have been able to see nothing but a continuous procession of Democratic states marching under the Democratic banner, are evidently fated for a rude bumping. There is a great difference between dress-parade and actual conflict. Mr. Bryan has heretofore won several victories the year before the battle. Governor Wilson and Governor Harmon and ex-Governor Folk and other possible candidates might profit by his

But let us understand the World's reasons for its remarkable pessimism. The New York Democratic paper has been making bitter war on Tammany has been endeavoring to show

that continued dominance by that corrupt organization spells ruin for "the Democracy. "Does Tammany swant Taft re-elected?" cries the The only way to beat Taft, World. 'in the opinion of the New York newspaper, is to beat Tammany. The New York Democracy without Tammany would be a lame affair. The New York Democracy with Tammany is sordid and mercenary outfit. The dilemma is a sorry one.

The World proves that nothing but a tidal wave will elect the Democratic nomince. If the strong Republican states of the Middle West stand by The Republican candidate, the cause of the Democratic nominee is hopeunless New York goes Democratic. But even with New York and the solid South the Democratic can-

didate must have Ohlo, New Jersey. Indiana and Missouri, or a group of estates equally powerful. If New York should be lost to the Democrats the candidate would then have to carry New Jersey, Ohio, Indiana, California, West Virginia, Colorado, Missouri, New Mexico and Arizona Nebraska. "The World's calculations are based on in the assumption that the two terriwill be admitted to the Union. It will be seen that there are many mountains for the Democratic nominee to climb and he may stall on any

one of them Take Ohlo, for example. If Taft shall be nominated, and Harmon shall not be nominated, Taft will carry Ohio. If he cannot, he will be the beaten Republican candidate WOTSI.

placed in possession of occupants pline of the "Queen's Navee" as ex-ready for the plow at a known and ploited once upon a time on the stage The prime factor in this work is the

char-pitting system for the removal of stumps. By this method the cost of such removal will be a known expense. and so low that the owners will at

once find it uprofitable longer to al-low these lands, the very best in the state, to remain useless and idle. Nothing at the present time is of

more importance to the city of Portland than the rapid development of this work, and as said at first, it shows that the bodies mentioned ndertaking a great public duty in fostering this movement, in assisting in putting land clearing on a fixed commercial basis, in turning these unproductive and waste lands into productive farms and prosperous homes.

#### UNIFORM DIVORCE LAWS.

The best opinion of the country demands uniformity in divorce laws but not excessive strictness. This is apparent from the replies which were received to a questionnaire sent out from New York to the Governors of the states. The wish for more uniformity is unanimous but there seems to have been few or no demands for

much more rigor. It is admitted by the Governors that some states have divorce laws which are too lax, while others are too strict. What is wanted by unprejudiced students of the subject is legislation which shall make the status of a divorced couple identical throughout the Union. As things now tand, a man may be forbidden by the law to marry in New York, while he takes the trouble to cross the ferry to New Jersey his nuptials will Colonel he perfectly permissible. Astor happens to be in this enjoyable situation just now as the public well A man who has been diknows. vorced and remarried may be a bigamist under the statutes of some states and entirely innocent in others. This situation is absurd. It would

not be tolerated if we were awake as we ought to be to the proprieties of At the coming conference of life Governors in Spring Lake, New Jerthe subject of uniform divorce 105. legislation is likely to be foremost in the discussions. Some advocate Federal action. Some think hest to urge each state to adopt a pre-arranged system. It is natural to suppose that Federal law would cost less effort than identical state legislation, but

the old notion of unconstitutionality intrudes here as it seems to everywhere when progressive action is de stred It is objected that the general Govrnment has no authority in the premises and perhaps it has not. In that

case we must walt upon the agreement of the states and the chances perts. are that we must walt a good while. Unless Congress has authority to enact a divorce law for the whole country the chaos we have is likely to continue.

#### TIME FOR WILSON TO GO.

If the pure food disturbance in the Agricultural Department should result in the retirement of Secretary Wilson under pressure, it would cause no surprise and little regret. Wilson's department has been shaken by conulsions more than any other since Secretary Meyer got a firm grip on affairs in the Navy Department and took things out of the hands of the swivel chair mariners who had been ording it over the bureaus.

Wilson has been letting his subordinates run things instead of running churches open all the time, but it them himself. He let Pinchot run the condemns unsparingly the thriftless Forestry Bureau until Pinchot ran management of our schoolhouses. Tt dislikes the modern met? od of locking up the country school ouse whenever class work is not going on. The employment of the rural schoolhouse for book work and nothing else, is a recent innovation and not a commendable one from the point of view of social economics. Good management commands us to make our investments work all the time if we can. The Idea of crecting a structure and letting it stand entirely dle one-fourth of the year, while we use it only a quarter of the day for the rest of the year, is repugnant to every principle of sound finance. It outrages economy as much as it does pure reason. Most citizens of mature age can romember a time when the country He schoolhouse was the social center of the neighborhood. The spelling bee was held there to the delight of all the young people and their elders too. It was the meeting place of the old fashioned debating club which called out all the budding Websters and gave them a chance to cultivate their nascent powers. The wandering preacher found a free forum in the schoolhouse, no matter how unortho dox his creed might be, and even the political spellbinder was not unwelcome to its tallow dips and blazing wood fire. Now all is changed. Few ever think of going to the school house for a good time. Like Dante's

of the Nation turns more and more steadfastly to the problem of prepiolted once upon a time on the stage under the title "Her Majesty's Ship venting it everywhere.

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# Pinafore.

A NOTABLE VISIT. Prince Albert Edward of Wales will visit the United States in the near future. The announcement recalls the visit of his grandfather, the late King Edward, then the stripling Prince of Wales, to this country in 1860. He who is remembered in his later years as an obese man of more than threerheumatic, short, stiff and of score; unwieldy body-whiskered and baldwas then a sprightly youth of eighteen boylah in appearance, of frank and pleasing demeanor-a well-bred lad of distinguished British lineage. who danced with the belies of Washington and Newport, as pleased as they at the

opportunity to disport among them. Time made conquest of the youth the gayety, the health and that joy of life which "writes its music in the major key," which were the attributes of Britain's heir at that time, and so complete was the conquest of time in these matters that it seems scarcely possible that less than half a century intervened between the visit of the smooth-faced stripling of 1860 and the passing of the grizzled monarch that he became before time had ceased to play tricks with him. And now comes, or will come, the grandson of our erstwhile stripling guest-also Albert Edward, Prince of Wales, a youth of eighteen, in training, as was his grandfather, for a kingship. The mutations of time, the fidelity with which history repeats itself, are noted in this second coming of a Prince of Wales to our shores. The colonies that his great-great-grandfather.

George III, held in so little esteem that he could not hold them at all are pictures in history to the but dim Grown into a great oung Prince. Nation, they will inspire respectsibly a shadow of regret for their loss -in the youth four generations removed from the events that severed them from the British crown.

Be this as it may, we will all be English for the time being in the welome that will be accorded to this heir to the English throne, even while we are Americans in our love of liberty and of loyalty to the Republic which grew upon the ruins of British rule in 'the brave days of old."

#### EFFICIENCY AND SCHOOLHOUSES.

The new doctrine of efficiency is startlingly pervasive. It peers into the most secret nooks and finds fault with the most venerated arrange-The tricks which the brickments. ayer learned at the Tower of Babel and which he has practised ever since without a thought that they could be improved upon, are pronounced absurdly faulty by our efficiency ex-They teach the workman how to double his tale of bricks without increasing the sum total of his toil. Nothing could be more fascinating if only the pay doubled with the tale. consumer will pay always. Even as it is, the employer experinces delight. But the doctrine of efficiency does not stop with bricks penetrates the precincts of the raliroad office and reveals waste records for the present Summer.

where economy had been supposed to rule. It groans to see a church which cost half a million dollars church standing idle six days of the week and used only for a little while on the seventh. "Why not open the Protestseventh. ant churches every day as the Catho-lics do theira?" it critically asks. The fault-finding spirit of efficiency

might perhaps admit some difficul-ties in the way of keeping the

## Gleanings of the Day Most students confess that life must

be enjoyable, fairly easy and free Thanks to the hot weather, an from the dread of poverty before in-American soda fountain has at least telligent married couples can be exbeen established in London and is doing pected to rear large families of chila rushing business. Though on the dren. From this it follows pretty obviously that it is folly to neglect any Strand in a big drugstore, it is kept means of lightening the circumstances modestly in the back so that only the of the common man in city and coun-What everybody hungers and tain itself is worthy of American tradithirsts for after the day's work is tions, being a big, ornate thing in over is amusement. Some want intellectual fun, some want bodily exersilver, marble and onyx. Asked why cise, but the desire for diversion is it should be placed away in the rear of This desire has a sound the store where it can't be seen, instead economic basis because nature has of in the front, one of the English so ordered it that we can all work clerks said quite Englishly: better tomorrow if we play a little "Oh, it might interfere with our drug before going to sleep tonight. But solitary play is unsatisfactory. To trade."

"But if you gave it a chance it might produce its full benefit it must be sobecome as important as your drug trade, or at least would prove a valu-Scientists agree that one of the prime needs of every community, both able advertisement to your place." "It might become such a nuisance, in town and country, is a place where

the people, young and old, can gather was the final and decisive answer. as often as they wish for a good time. The hot weather of this Summer, Of course intellectual profit is not exwhich has been as great in Europe as cluded, but amusement is the main in America, has caused scientists to purpose, for pleasure of the right seek the explanation of death from kind means health, good spirits, prosheat stroke. Dr. George Hirth, a Since Munich specialist, attributes it to electhe natural place for these meetings trolytic disturbances due to the abstracin the country is the schoolhouse tion of salt from the system. He says there is no more encouraging sign of that persons who perspire copiously, the times than the spreading disposition to open these buildings to the especially those who perform heavy physical labor in hot weather, may lose public for every legitimate purpose. in the course of a single day thousands Country life has been sordid and gloomy long enough. It is time that of grammes of moisture, containing from two-thirds to four-fifths of 1 the people began to use the means they have at hand to make their daily per cent of salt. He comes to the conclusion that the human body under those conditions may lose as much as 30 grammes, and in extreme cases 40 Oregon furnishes two laudable examples of self-help which are worthy

grammes of salt a day, an amazing quantity, which is not replaced in the of general imitation. The Port of ordinary course by food. Drinking Nehalem is building a jetty which will large quantities of water is of no avail deepen and straighten the channel of its harbor, having issued bonds and although it has this advantage, that undertaken the work itself without water attracts the remaining salt resawaiting Government ald. The seterves of the body and prevents thickening of the blood, which otherwise tlers on the Upper Klamath irrigation project, weary of waiting for the would cause giddiness, the first warn-Government to take its promised acing of impending heat collapse. tion, are organizing an irrigation dis-

The British colony of Victoria, Austrict under Oregon law and propose to tralia, has discovered that many perdo the work themselves. Their action sons buy methylated spirks to drink in s as much a reflection on the exasplace of intoxicating beverages. In perating slowness of the Government order to stop the practice it will mix as it is a credit to the energy and selfhalf of one per cent of coal tar naphtha in the spirits, which will make the taste objectionable, but will If the Republic, Bethlehem and not affect their value for industrial Lackawanna Steel Companies should merge, it would probably be only a or domestic purposes.

preliminary to their absorption by the The ladies who wear sables may have About 100 per cent water to pay more for them, for it is proyould be injected into the stock when posed to prohibit sable hunting in the merger was effected and another Siberia for two years in order to pre-100 per cent when the trust took in vent extermination of the animal. merger.. This was the proces

New Zealand is one of the great sheep-growing countries of the world. In 1910 it had 24,269,620 sheep, and produced 192,822,002 pounds of wool in merged in the trust, water being added 1909. The colony exported in 1910 wool to the value of \$40,378,873; frozen meat, chiefly mutton and lamb, \$19,560,684; tallow \$3.674,238; sheepskins \$3,602,519.

Two deaths from drowning were A road which is designed to form added last Saturday to the long list that has made sorrowful the vacation part of a through road from the Coast to the Alberta line is being built by In each case the loss was to the com-munity as well as to the immediate British Columbia from Wardner to the boundary at the summit of the Rocky Mountains in the Crows Nest Pass, families of the victims, both being young men verging 'upon manhood. where it connects with the Alberta The event in such cases is more than road system. It is 75 miles long. Anan accident; it is a calamity and is widely regretted. Though dictinctly other trunk line is projected from some point on the Canadian Pacific Rallway. preventable, it seems impossible to east of the Rocky Mountains, to some prevent these occurrences, since the point on the road already built up the lure of the water in the Summer time Kootenay and down the Columbia much stronger than the sugges-Rivers, which is designed to form a loop line through the mountains which will be of sufficiently easy grade for

try for a good salary and commission,

and may be hired jointly by firms in

several non-competing lines. In Co-

put an obstacle in the way of business

by giving only 30 to 60 days' credit,

while German, English, French, Span-

sh and Italian houses give four to

twelve months' time. This one fact

gives the bulk of foreign trade to

Europe. Merchants of Asuncion, Para-

guay, deal with commission house

which send salesmen with samples, and

the importers give directions for pack-

ing and shipping, which must be

scrupulously observed. The same con-

ditions exist in Venezuela. The mar-

ket for American knit goods in China

has been largely lost through care-

lessness in packing, ticketing, selection

of material and other details, with the

fatal result that the "chop," or brand,

has been given a bad name. A manu

facturer is advised to give some estab

lished house in Shangha<sup>i</sup> or other

Chinese port a sale agency and to give

liberal advertising allowances and

credit, as do European exporters. No

attempt has been made by Americans

to enter the markets of India. Aus-

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tle is illustrated by the case of Getsen-

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### HARD WORK TO ELECT DEMOCRAT Campaign of 1912 Is Yet to Be Won

#### or Lost. New York World (Dem.) Assuming that Arizona and New

Mexico are admitted into the Union today, there will be, with the additional members provided for in the reapportionment bill, 531 votes in the next electoral college, an increase of 48. The majority required to elect the diligent searchers may find. The foun- President in 1912 will be 256, as compared with 242 in 1908.

Mr. Taft had an electoral vote of 321. With the same states under the reapportionment the Republicans would gain 32 votes and the Bryan states ten votes. The Republican vote by states would be:

13 New Jersey ..... California . Connecticut 13 Now Jorkey 7 New York 3 North Dakota 4 Ohlo 20 Oregon 15 Pennsylvania 15 Rhode Island 10 South Dakota 6 Utab Delaware ..... inols lians 888 Utah West Virginia Washington Wisconsin Wyoming innesota

353 The Bryan states would give the fol-

> 6 South Carolina. 14 Tennessee 13 Texas 10 Virginia ilsiana

10 8 Total ..... 172 Mississippi Nebraska In the new electoral college New York, with six additional votes, a total of 42, will continue to hold the balance of power between the leading parties in campaigns less hopelessly one-sided than the last. With New York's vote either side may easily figure out a

majority. The solid South has been broken since 1904. Having twice given her electoral vote to Republican presidential candidates Missouri no longer can be placed in the Southern column. Kentucky, which has shifted in state elections,

and Maryland, which divided her vote in 1908, the solid South has 155 votes. To win, the next Democratic candidate must have in addition to the South 111 votes. Carrying New York the Demo-

crates could win with Ohio, New Jersey, Indiana and Missouri, a total of 112. Illinois could be substituted for Ohio. In place of either of these strong Republican states the Democrats could elect with California, Colorado and West Virginia or California and Ne-braska. Counting New Mexico and Arizona Democratic, with three votes each, a successful combination could be named with New York, New Jersey, Indiana, Missouri, Nebraska, West Vir-ginia and Colorado. Montana with one of the Dakotas could take the place

of any of the three small states. But if President Taft holds New York the Democratic problem will be difficult. Assuming that Governor Wilson will be the Democratic nomince. would he get his majority? we may concede him Jersey Where Where would he get his indority: He would have to carry New Jersey, Ohio, Indiana, California, West Virginia, Colorado, Missouri, Nebraska, New Mexico and Arizona. Should he lose Ohio he would have to carry two of the

as Michigan, Minnesota, Iowa and Wisnain. Without the electoral vote of New

defeat next year.

eled deep into the marche, and that into Oregonian, as it is the most progress-ive newspaper in the world, take the matter up and give it furtherance. "But there are also men strong-there are also men strong-

Advertising Talks

By William C. Freeman.

When James Schermerhorn, publisher of the Detroit "Times," gets up to say something, his words carry conviction, because he backs them up by his deeds. He has made a long, hard fight in the newspaper world for accuracy in both news and advertising. He made a speech at the Boston Convention, parts of which are here recorded because they should be remembered by those who are working hard to develop advertising on right lines:

"The advertiser who puts anything but the truth into the newspaper space he contracts for barters away his good name and the publisher's, too. "The advertiser is for truth mightily part of the time. He makes the publisher swear on the Book when he declares his circulation.

"The newspapers have no association to insist upon guaranteed copy. They send forth no representatives to verify statements. They demand no affidavits. Where ignorance is biz, tis folly to be wise. "If the truth, the whole truth and

nothing but the truth is too drasticif it sounds like asking you to sel all that you have and give to the poor in order to gain eternal life-this is the time to establish a twilight zone between the day of truth and the night of falsehood.

"But be brave and be explicit, brethren. If you cannot stand the daylight, come out courageously for twillght.

"If you declare for reasonable restraint of honesty, it would be well to settle the number of readers who are

poisoned by a nostrum or fleeced by a wildcat investment proposition, before the pervasion may be said to be unreasonable.

"If you fix a twilight zone, let it also be fixed how many times the Scheftels and Burrs must be thrown out of the malls and thrust into dungeons before their copy passes out of the gloaming into the dusk.

"Truth stands at the door and knocks; let the advertiser open unto her and she will bring him honor and glory forevermore: or, at least, respectability.

"If you are to become a profession you must here and now formulate a code. That code need spell but one word, truth, and all other worthy things shall be added unto you."

These are only extracts-brief ones -from a most interesting speech that took more than an hour to deliver, and then Mr. Schermerhorn's hearers wanted him to continue.

His deeds in Detroit have called forth the approval of the good people of the city and have won for him the good will of the reputable business interests of the country.

He investigates all advertisments before they are printed in his newspaper, and has had the courage to drive out of his community many advertising fakirs. (To be continued.)

## Half a Century Ago (From The Oregonian, August 22

The persons murdered at Barlow's Gate, on the Cascade Mountains, prove to be Mr. Jarvis Briggs and his son. Newton Briggs, of Lane County. The These Indians and others, who have lately committed murders, are all likely to be taken through the vigilance of Captain Whittlesey and Messrs, Logar and Depuison.

O'Meara has started a secession paper in Jacksonville.

The Secretary of Washington Terri-tory, Mr. J. L. S. Turney, was received at Olympia by a National salute.

insurgent, but hitherto rock-ribbed Re publican, states of the Northwest, such

York nothing less than a tidal wave will save the Democratic party from

## Monument Is Proposed.

PORTLAND, Aug. 19 .- (To the Edi-or.) - It has been suggested that a shaft be erected within the Lownsdale Park and the following excerpt from G. B. Shaw's "Man and Superman" chis eled deep into the marble, and that The

Montana New Hampshire. 4 Total ...

lowing Democratic vote: 12 Nevada 9 North Carolina 6 Oklahoma Alabama Arkansa larylan

Ohio, then, will have since Fremont. to be eliminated from the World's list of Democratic possibilities. But Illi-nols may be substituted. Can a Democrat carry a state that usually gives from 100,000 to 200,000 Republican plurality? If so, he will sweep many other states heretofore regarded as eafely Republican. If there is doubt about Illinois, there is reason for uneasiness about Pennsylvania; and no one has yet worried much about what

the great iron and coal state will do. . The chief hope of the Democracy a tidal wave that will submerge everything. If there is to be no tidal wave there will be no Democratic triumph in 1912. Tidal waves, like the wind, come and go as they will. They know no rules, or periods. They are due when they arrive. Possibly the flood that leads on to Democratic fortune will come in 1912. Then again possibly not

EXPLOITING OF NEARBY WASTE LAND.

To the honor of the Chamber of Commerce, the Commercial Club and other organizations of Portland it can he said that in their work of exploiting they have known no Individsection of Oregon, but have labored for the state in its entirety. In the printed matter disseminated they have given the Snake River, Coon Bay, Astoria and every other section just as much attention as the Willamette Valley or Portland.

This is the wise course, for whatever helps the state at large, or any portion of it, assists in building up, Portland. The money for these exioltation purposes is paid by Portland citizens, every dollar of it, but the donors are farseeing enough to know that their city can best be benefited by filling up the vacant places, by getting people to make homes on the unoccupied land.

There is a work right at our doors. however, which has been too long neglected, and which now calls for mited action, a work which may seem like entering upon the duty of peopling our very suburbs. It is the clearing of and the locating of settlers upon the hundreds of thousands of acres of waste lands adjacent to the

Until a very recent date nobody had a clear idea as to how and at what cost these cut-over and brush lands could be made into beautiful and productive farms. There were no reliable data to work upon. There was no well-laid system to follow, there was no one who knew what it would cost or how long it would take to bring These lands under the plow. Any number of men could be secured to

bid on the making of cordwood, the excavating and removing of earth or the handling of rock, for all such work has long been reduced to a known and well-defined basis. But no man was willing to make anything more than a guess at the cost of land "I clearing. But the doubts, difficulties and uncertainties are being removed. and henceforth, or in the immediate future, there will be a system for this clearing which will be just as certain and axact as any other contracting, a duige in retrospection? The methods country is worse because it is more services by which these lands can be noted remind one forcibly of the disci- unnatural. The conservative thought

resident and over. He has let McCabe and Dunlay take the Chemistry Bureau, which handles pure food cases, out of the hands of Wiley and use their usurped ower to defeat the purpose of the

There is one excuse for Wilson. His department employs an unusually large number of scientific specialists. each of whom thinks his own particular 'ology is the most important thing in the universe. They are usually enthusiasts, but their devotion to one particular science is prone to make them narrow and blind to all other considerations than their sci-A wise department head needs ence. to guide this enthusiasm, and check without suppressing it, for it is a valuable element in public work. needs to co-ordinate his corps of enthusiasts that their rough corners may not continually come into col-

liston. To do this requires a combination of firmness and diplomacy, of which a knowledge of human nature is the

first requisite and an ability to conmen of strong convictions and prejudices and much personal ambi tion so that they will do good teamwork. Experience has shown that in this work Wilson has falled. He let Pinchot get entirely out of hand and the result was an explosion which caused agitation injurious to the public service. He has allowed two of his subordinates to carry on a con-

temptible intrigue against Wiley, one of the most valuable men in his department and thwart Wiley in carrying out a law which is of vital importance to the public health. One reason for this condition may

be that the department has outgrown Wilson. Within recent years the great work of forestry and meat inpection has been added as well as that of pure food inquiry. When fts work was confined to investigation of

field crops and orchards, his department was in his grasp, but he appears to have confined his attention too much to these original functions and left the new work to his bureau chiefs.

Secretary Wilson has won the dis tinction of serving longer in the cabinet than any other man. He has built up his department until it rivals any

vigorous man.

other in importance. He has achieved great success in many branches of its ork. He should retire on his laurels and give place to a younger and more hemselves in

\_ Tacoma students of the University of Washington have been asked, presumably under authority of the re-gents, to fill out cards that the registrar has sent them, giving their opinion-unbiased, of course-of the value as instructors of the professors under whom they took work last year. Now let the masters beware! The pupils The pupils are given the whip hand, and in view

juxtaposition of the sorority and fraternity houses on the campus, they will doubtless use the lash, metaphorically speaking, to their own satisfac-tion, at least. Time was-but why in-dulge in retrospection? The methods

hell, it is a place of woe unmitigated. The motto above its baleful door might well be "Abandon hope." What has brought about the lam-entable change we do not make

bold to try to say in one brief note. The causes have been many but no doubt race sulcide is the chief among The use of the country schoolthem. house for miscellaneous social purposes has been abandoned because those who want to resort to it have The children of mos disappeared.

country districts are but a melancholy remnant of the vigorous band they once were. Not enough of them remain to enforce a demand for a common meeting place. As soon as the youth of the country reach years of indiscretion they spread their wings and fly away to town. \* Does the city

schoolhouse open its doors to receive them of an evening and offer a wholeome substitute for the rural amuss ments they have left behind? Hardly The ordinary city schoolhouse we be painfully astonished to see a merry band of young people disporting

hallowed rooms 108 Their elders prefer to let the young people disport themselves in dance halls and dubious theaters.

Leaders of thought in this country have not acquiesced in the shallow dictum that the problem of the future is the problem of the city. Many of them believe that it is the problem of the country. Others take the ground that in order to have a healthy and prolific race of people in the of the disagreement in regard to the United States, we must first solve the social problems of both country, the one class being fully as important as the other. Race suicide in urban families is a dreadful thing to contemplate: Race suicide in the

Hillsboro citizens have resolved that ravel sidewalks shall no longer he mud-

United States Consuls in many coun ways in Winter and dustways in Sumtries agree on the reasons why Ameri mer, and with this end in view have can foreign trade has not made greatundertaken the extensive construction of cement sidewalks. The movement er strides, though some express the is a voluntary one-a novel feature in such work. If it should extend to opinion by implication, simply stating what must be done to secure such some other Valley towns we could The manufacturer is warned trade. name it would be duly appreciated by that it is waste of time and money to more than the resident populations of seek trade in Brazil by catalogues of correspondence; he must have direct those communities. representation by putting a good man The whole continent is in an agony in the field with enough capital to give the business a fair trial. Such a man of suspense on the question must be willing to leave his own coun-

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whether the Democrats or Taft will win in 1912, nor whether the Panama Canal will be finished by 1915, nor whether a rival steel trust will be organized, nor whether wheat will go up or down, nor whether the Morocco affair will cause war-but when and

where will Astor marry Madeleine

The man, drunk or sober, who can beat out his own brains is the equal of the one-armed man who cut off his remaining hand with one blow of a sword. So it may be worth while for the Coroner to look into the death of that unfortunate man in the Linnton dungeon.

The indifference with which Mr. and Mrs. Jack Geraghty show to the opinon of Newport and the bride's willingness to wash dishes and make her own bed indicate a degree of common sense which promises well for the succeas of the couple.

There are worse offenders than motormen who speed their cars. Pedes-trians know where to expect the danger and act accordingly. The great-est fear is of the motorcycle, which whizzes by like a crazy dragon fly.

Though the Prince of Wales and Prince Friedrich of Hohenzollern are to be treated merely as naval officers. society will surely find a way to pay them homage as princes

Should the Army be stationed near the large cities and the officers live in town, the social advantages of officers' wives will be greatly enhanced.

Growers of hops in Lane County are offering \$1.25 per hundred for picking, which is very well, but subject to a rising labor market.

Simultaneously comes the news of sums on river improvements. a heavy rainfall and another gold dis-The more valuable is easily covery.

in New Zealand, and a New York firm In spending a million to remodel his big house, John D. Rockefeller is beach after making a test. A syndicate making good use of his money. bas obtained a large concession and

other iron ore deposits have been dis-Diaz at the tomb of Napoleon is an covered. A resolution has just been spectacular as Mark Twain at the passed by the Trades and Labor Federa grave of Adam. tion of New Zealand expressing the hope

Whose will be the distinction to be picked up by the new fender?

Who will "own" the President when he comes in October?

minded enough to that gate in the by heavy and badly-paid drudgers. We misuse our laborers horribly and when a man refuses to be misused we have no right to say that he is refusing honest work. Let us be frank in this matter. If we were reasoning, far-If we were reasoning, fat natter. matter. If we were reasoning, fail sighted people, four-fifths of us would go and knock the whole social system to pieces with most beneficial results. The reason we do not do this is be-cause we work like bees or saits, by instinct or habit, not reasoning about the matter at all.

"Therefore, when a man comes along who can and does reason, and who, ap plying the Kantian test to his conduct can truly say to us; 'If everybody did as I do, the world would be compelled to reform itself industrially, and about to reform itself industrially, and abor-ish slavery and squalor, which exist only because everybody does as you do." Let us honor that man and seri-ously consider the advisability of follombia and Ecuador American firms do.

lowing his example. Such a man in the able-bodied, able-minded pauper Were he a gentleman doing his best Were he a genetional bong no bong to get a pension or a sinecure instead of sweeping a crossing, nobody would blame him for deciding that so long as the alternative lies between living the alternative systems of the commun-

mainly at the expense of the con ity, and allowing the community to live mainly at his, it would be folly to ac-cept what is to him personally the greater of the two evils."

GENTLE READER.

THE LEGITIMATE GROUCH. Last night it was late that I labored With a headache this morn I zwoke And ate three hot waffles for break fast.

But my stomach could not see the joke.

As a plow horse I plodded to labor, While a tear drop of bitterness slid Down the bridge of my beak like a dewdrop To splash on my typewriter lid.

As o'er his keys, pensively musing. The organist's shekel hooks stray. My digits dance o'er the typewriter And grind out a sorrowful lay.

And I sit, as the moments filt by n And I sit, as the moments int of me. With feet 'neath the chair bottom curled. And grind out a grist of typewriting.

And work up a grouch at the world When thou seest me thus, come no

mear me. With tales of vacation delight, f rictous romps in the woodland. Or strolls on the seashore at night.

Talk not of the trout string-all whop pers-Expect not that I shall believe: For your fanciful fables of fishing

Add fifty per cent to my peeve. When thou seest me thus, speak no

When thou sees to me. Nor greet me with jubilant cry. For I'll freeze all your joyful advances With a glance of my caim, fishy eye. -Dean Colline. Portland, August 21.

Strictly Between Physicians. Washington (D. C.) Herald.

"Doctor, I want you to look after my office while I'm on vacation." Tve just graduated, doctor "But

that the New Zealand government will Have had no experience." "That's all right, my boy. My prac-tice is strictly fashionable. Tell the men to play golf and ship the women patients off to Europe." take steps to nationalize the natural iron ore deposits of New Zealand and

work them itself instead of permitting outside capital to escure the profits.

On yesterday, while several workmen were shingling a stable in process of erection for Mr. Knott, in the south part of town, the roof fell in and the walls fell apart. Of two children of Mr R. Ladd, who were in the building, one was slightly hurt and the other received no injury. Mr. Kirkenthall had his wrist broken and otherwise severely injured. Mr. Kinney received a severe cut on the face. Mr. G. Allen was slightly brulsed.

A detachment of 34 United States troops under command of Captain Black left Fort Vancouver yesterday morning for the Cascades. Company K. Ninth Infantry, Captain Van Voast command ing, now stationed at The Dalles, are also ordered to the same place to protect the settlers from the threatened in cursions of the Indians.

## Brad's Bit o' Verse

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A city farmer owned a hen; he her in a stately pen and studied all her whims and moods, and fed her choicest breakfast foods. He washed her face and curled her hair and manicured he and curled her hair and manicured as nails with care, he starched her foath-ers every day; but not a bloomin' egg she'd lay. The neighbors watched him brush and rub, and joked him for a silly dub; he went his way in calm repose and patronized the poultry shows; he took in every cacklefest, his speck-led beauty did the rest, she never falled to cop the prize, and people saw that to cop the prize, and people saw that man was wise; his hank account to thousands grew, he lived in clover and in dew. I hear that adage, old, absurd, that feathers do not make the bird; but many a fowl of good intent on plain and honest duty bent has seen the prize pass by her coop because she let her pass by her coop because she let her feathers droop; and I take notice more and more that starch adds figures to the score. The tallor does not make the man, but he as nifty as you can; brush up your clothes and get a shine, hold up your head and buck the line, mow the alfalfa from your face, walk like a nan who sets the pace, keep neat and et and clean and wise, and fortuns lds for you a prize.

Country Town Sayings by Ed Howe

(Copyright, 1811, by G. M. Adams.) I suppose every one feels better after he has "made a fuss" about his wrongs although he gets no redress.

I dislike a grouch, but a man who is always smiling, and insists on telling you "good jokes," is worse.

The few really well balanced men are quickly grabbed up, and given big jobs

When a woman becomes careless, she first shows it in her skirt gaping in the back.

When there is a consultation of doctors, the verdict usually is that the patient is fatally ill; which the attendng physician already knew

How tired we all become of beef-steak! But what else can we do? Don't abuse your rival; behave better

A second wife usually seems to do better than a second husband.

Lat a dog into the house three days cession, and you spoil him

kirchen, a town in the interior prov of Westphalia, which has spent \$6,000,000 on harbor works and \$1,500,-000 to attract new industries. This harbor is merely on a canal which con nects with the Rhine. Another town called Neuss stopped its decay and made itself a great industria) center y borrowing \$2,000,000 and converting the River Erft into a deep canal to the

Rhine. It has built a harbor, attracted 40 factories and increased its popula tion from 4500 to about 50,000. Dues seldorf. Mannheim and Frankfort, all interior river cities, have spent large

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