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COMMERCE COURT'S BULLNG.

Suspension by the Commerce Court of the rate order of the Interstate serce Commission will doubtless end in final adjudication of the question by the United States Supreme Court. There the issue should go, it seems to us, for the question is fundamontal. In fact, there are two important questions involved. One is the right of the Commerce Court, in addition to ruling on law points, to review the facts on which the Interstate Commerce Commission bases its rul-The other is the right of 2700 railroads to meet water competition wherever it exists without at the same time destroying their entire fabric of

rates. It is in the latter question that Portland is chiefly interested, though its court adjudication may in the first nstance rest in the scope of the Commerce Court's jurisdiction. The Interstate Commerce Commission in deciding the "back-haul cases," in effect declared that water competition was a potent influence in rate adsustments, but that wherever wator mpetition caused a reduction in the long-haul rate it must also cause a eduction in the short-haul rate.

From certain Middle West territory it required that the rate to intermediate territory should not be mo than 7 per cent greater than the rate to coast terminals. With such an order standing, any reduction in through rates caused by increased water competition would affect also the intermediate rates. In other words, the railroads were told that if they deemed it a business necessity to haul freight to Western seaports at cost in order to compete with water transports the rate made must be a basic one, and freight to intermediate must be hauled at but litpoints, to tle more than cost.

It is conceivable that the railroads might thus be placed between two ming fires, after the completion of the Panama Canal. They could give up everything but short-haul freight or they could meet the expected reduction in water rates at terminals and thereby automatically cut practically all rates. It is possible that either course would mean bankruptoy.

ortland has another interest beside the welfare of the railroads, on hose continued prosperity and activity in Oregon so much depends. Portand could no doubt manage to get by building up water-borne raffle in various ways and by so doing even outdistance its inland trade Portland jobbers could lay down goods at interior towns at the same prices at which those towns could transport them direct from the East, the only difference being that the goods would come to the Pacific Coast by water instead of by rall. Natural law will have its way and

therefore LET THEM BEWARE. The Oregonian is moved to ponder over the news from Denver. There, we are informed, on the authority of the never-failing Associated Press "progressive Republicans have completed a permanent organization, in-dorsed United States Senator Robert

in Chicago.

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Wilking vanished and nobody

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nemory was obliterated.

WHO IS HET

probably pay \$2 for every \$1 the Government nets, but we prefer having taxes collected by stealth, as it were, to having them taken directly out of M. La Foilette, of Wisconsin, for the The collectors of customs and inter-Republican Presidential nomination and passed resolutions calling for state-wide primaries for the expres-sion of Presidential choice." The innal revenue, who gather indirect taxes, are among the most inducntial, reected and popular citizens, but the

man who collects a poll tax is pursued spiration for this inwices proceeding, with a rolling pin by an angry widow, pummeled by a diminutive but beligwe are told, was the resolutions adopted at the recent meeting of the Naerent butcher, and probably could not tional Republican Progressive League be elected dog-catcher. ple would probably save money if all taxes were direct, they would watch the expenditure of public money more Contemporaneous with this highly mpertinent, audacious and suspicious

performance of the La Follette Repub-licans in organizing for the purpose of vigilantly, and the Government would be more honestly and economically administered. making a campaign before a Presi-dential primary is the appearance in All of which goes to prove that the regon of two avowed La Follette parideal is not always practical in this isans, who have come all the way

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from Wisconsin-"on their personal business," they say. But let them be-"VOTING SCHOOLS." ware, if they attempt to organize a The intest thing in Los Angeles is a La Follette campaign committee here, voting school for women. The wom-en will, it is said, he taught "just how with the infamous purpose of telling the sovereign woter what he ought to to conduct themselves when they go to do in the primaries. The "independent" the polls." Co-education in this press will filly denounce the outrage. school would doubtless be a good The Pendleton East Oregonian, the thing in order that one sex, and Medford Mail-Tribune and another the weaker and one upon whom the virtuous paper here and there-one privilege of voting has but now been Portland-will take their onferred, may not hold a monopoly scalps, tar and feather them, and ride on good behavior during elections. It them out of the state on a rall. Havts neither safe nor same to act upon ing partly recovered from the fit folthe presumption that the fact of belowing the organization of the Taft ing a male citizen of twenty-one years "contrary to the primary and over is a passport to good law," as they said-they are ready for any new duty in behalf of the duct at the polls, including, of course, an intelligent understanding of the duty, the expression of which is the ballot. As well suppose that because another person is born a female she will without instruction come into womanhood with a full understand-The fact that George A. Lewis appears to be perfectly rational does not militate in the slightest degree

ing of housewifely ways and duties. against the supposition that he parted with his original personality two I was not born with experience, but I can learn if I have a chance," was the logical reply of a boy of sixteen months ago, Dr. Leiberg may be miswhose application for work was met by taken in supposing that he is her lost the question, "What experience have son, Hernard Marvin, but the state of

his mind at present does not bear on you had?" This answer applies all along the the subject. The records of psychol-ogy abound with instances of persons line of life's requirements, from wash-ing dishes and baking bread, carpenwho have been severed from the past tery, blacksmithing and gardening, to voting intelligently upon any public in some unaccountable way, losing every vestige of recollection up to a question or for or against any candidate for office. Recognition of this In one case a man who was travfact as applied to industrial life has sling on the cars suddenly forgot been witnessed in the establishment of where he was going. The letters and nemoranda in his pockets were meanis high time it was recognized in ingless to him. He had forgotten the establishment of training schools for citizenship. If the admission of wom-English language and, although he had been a competent carpenter, his en to the privileges of the ballot in skill had vanished. For all practical California has emphasized the need of purposes he was a new-born child. Charity took him in hand until he had regained some of his lost facuities. training for citizenship, it will not have been in vain, the more especial-He learned rapidly, showed good ca-pacity for business and was finally esly if "voting schools" become co edu cational institutions. Abysmal ignorance upon matters of public policy tablished in a small store, where he made money for years. In the commuby no means an exclusively feminine characteristic. This being true, why nity where he had thus settled he was should any commonwealth wait for

called James Wilkins. The name he suffrage before "voting had lost was Henry Smith, though woman so-called, are established? schools," One day, without warning, James THE TRENT AFFAIR AFTER FIFTY knev what had become of him. A day or YEARS.

On November 7, fifty years ago, began the famous Trent affair, which threatened for a time to become the peared in his old haunts totally unable to account for the time which had elapsed since he went away on occasion of war between the United States and Great Britain. Only the astute statesmanship of Lincoln, cothe train. Between the moment when he lost his identity first and the mooperating with the broad humanita-rian sentiments of Queen Victoria, ment when it came back to him his The person prevented an issue which would probcalled James Wilkins had sunk down out of sight and mind and the lost ably have involved the entire civilized Henry Smith had emerged. Where had Henry been for all those world. France stood ready to com-bine with England on the side of the Confederates, while Russia would have been the ally of the North. In blank years? Where did James Wilkins go when Henry came back and the height of the excitement which drove him away? Where did James come from when he took possession followed the seisure of the Southern of Henry's physical machinery? Are there three or four different persons

chased may not be imported, its price adross her bow, brought her stand and took off the envoys, just as is enhanced in proportion to the tariff tax on such goods when imported, the British Captains used to take American saliors in the dark years before the War of 1812. Wilkes therefore we pay a tax on them, though it does not reach the United sailed away with his prey to Boston, States Treasury. The cost of collect leaving the British officers to digest their wrath as they might. Oregon is ing indirect taxes is much greater than that of collecting direct taxes, and we more than incidentally interested in this sturdy warrior, for he landed here in the source of his exploring ex-pedition about 1840 and contributed

by his cool advice to the postponsment and ultimate success of the plan for The capa provisional government. ure of Mason and Slidell was halled with exuberent joy throughout the loyal North. In England it excited corresponding anger. At Washington the news was received with mingled emotions.

The capture of the envoys was clear violation of international law, and unless we were prepared to fight France and England as well as the Confederacy, they must be surren-dered. Lincoin saw this at once and dered. Seward must have seen it also, though he pretended not. But to surrander was almost as perilous as the oppo-

site, because the country might rise against it and force the Administration into a foreign war, regardless of

consequences. Hence Seward maneuvered for delay, a remedy which cures many troubles. The British Ministry ordered their Ambassador to demand the instant release of the envoys, and an apology, all to be accomplished within seven days, with war as the alternative. There is a story that the Ambassador, Lord Lyons, was in com-munication with Queen Victoria, who fesired peace. At any rate, he did not push the business quite so vigorously as the Ministry had ordered. Time was given for an interchange of amenities between Seward and Lord Lyons. Lincoln brought his immense wisdom to bear on the crisis and the result was that when the envoys had to be given up there was no dangerous outbreak of popular indignation. The Trent affair was gently slipped from the realm of frenzled passion into the calm regions of diplomacy, and nothing came of it in the end except an access of hatred to Great Britain. This has now happily died away and the two nations are better friends than they ever were before.

November came in on Wednesday this year, thus giving room, though a short month, for five Thursdays in the month. Hence Thanksgiving day, folowing a long-established custom of falling upon the last Thursday of the month, will fall upon the fifth Thursday and last day of November. Of course it is immaterial whether the formestic science and trade schools; is day is observed on the 23d or the 20th, except that the date should be, for convenience sake, uniformly observed. All doubt upon the matter has been setiled by the issuance of the belated proclamation of Governor West, designating Thursday, November Thanksgiving day, in just and proper with the procla nation of Pres dent Taft, issued some days ago.

> The Oregon Agricultural College intends to go to the people instead of waiting for the people to come to it. The extension policy now adopted should in a few years effect a revolution in farming methods and house-keeping, as well as in every branch of

production from the soft. It should multiply the crops of every producing acre and make productive many acres which are now idle or considered worthless. It will wisely begin with

the children, that they may all have training in the elements of farming and be trained along the right lines. It will go far towards making a new Oregon.

Those who fear exhaustion of the ertility of the soil will find comfort in the discoveries of prosphate rock in the Northwest. This is another illus-tration of the truth that, about the time when the pessimist has figured envoys, Russia sent a fleet to New out just how long the available sup-York Harbor, which plainly indicated ply of any natural product will last ply of any natural product will last and that, when it is gone, the uniwhere she would stand if war broke 10 death, some practical optimist discovers a new supply of that product, or a substitute. Facts and human ingenuity and energy are continually dis-crediting the theories of the pessimlenge.

WILLIAMS HOMESITE IS FAVORED Stars and Star-Makers Advantages as Location for Auditorium Urged by Another Writer. PORTLAND, Nov. 8,- (To the Editor.) By Leone Cass Back.

this morning's issue of

the west being for many years the home of the late Judge Williams, and the block to the east being owned by

tion property can be urged agains

therefore, that this is an opportune time

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of any further expense, and at the

time demonstrating that their interest in our beadtiful city is of a substantial

While neither wealthy nor especially

with the city's need of the proposed Auditorium, and should a subscription be started for the purchase of the site proposed by Citizen, I will gindly put down my name for five hundred dollars,

payable today or at any time required.

IS THE LABOR UNION A TRUST

ocialist Takes Issue With Views Ex-

pressed by Mr. Gompers.

LON DOYARMOND.

Very truly,

public-spirited, I am strongly impresse

out for a civio center.

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Cregorian appears a communication from Citizen, urging as a site for the proposed Auditorium the two blocks bounded by Beventeenth, Ninetzenth, Couch and Davis streets, the block to Jules Eckert Goodman's stirring play "Mother" is an early Hellig booking. The drama was one of the tremendous successes of Gotham's last dramatio eason, and it will be presented here with an excellent cast. Mr. Goodman, who is an Oregonian, in addition to Mr. Benson, he having acquired by from School District No. 1. My idea has been that the Lincoln High School property is the proper site for the Audiorium, but as this has not been chosen, I believe that serious consid-eration should be given the suggestion of Cilinen None of the objections writing "Mother" came into theatrical prominence with his plays "The Test" nd "The Man Who Stood Still" An other play-a later one-called "The Right to Live," is to be given its metropolitan hearing this season by William A. Brady, who also produced of Cilizen. None of the objections "Mother." pointed out regarding the old Exposi-. . . .

Sam Bernard did himself a lot of Davis-street site. While sufficiently re good at the Cort Theater in San Francisco last week, and incidentally did a Washington-street carlines, while the Nineteenth-street line runs along the lot of no good to sundry actors who. until the advent of the real pattern. west side. It is also a few hundred feet maarer the business center of the city. If would as pointed out by Citi-sen, conform to the plans being carried drew sallors as German comedians up and down the Pacific Coast. Naturally the deadly parallel will be drawn, to say nothing of comparisons odious also.

while the voters of the city have pro-while the voters of the city have pro-vided generously funds for the building of the Auditorium, it is problematic what action would be taken should an-Marion Barney, who was for a brief season with the Baker Stock Company as leading woman, has been enwhat within would be laked for the pur-others bond issue be asked for the pur-dhase of ground A serious deiny would ensue, and the success of the entire project be endangered by again going to the votors for funds. It would seem, gaged to play the role of Irad in Klaw Erlanger's revival of Ben Hur. Portland girl. Cecil Kern, is to play the role of Esther. . .

An actress who spends much of her girlhood in the Cascade Range of mountains in Oregon is Franklyn Gale, who comes next week to the Baker Theater in "The Third Degree." Miss Gale plays the role of Mrs. Howard Jeffries Junior, in which part we saw Fernanda Elliscu, a Russian actress, two seasons ago. Miss Gale is a former newspaper woman, and more recently comes from the field of vaudevillelast season appearing on the Orpheum circuit in a dramatio sketch, "The Seamstress." She is keenly looking forward to revisiting Oregon and prettily says in a little note:

To have lived in that vast solitude of the Oregon woods as I have done is the greatest aspiration for the growing soul. There is a ure of it which i have fearned and know, ut which i connot express into words. It is the only life and the environment for the velopment of the tamperament which gov-rms the multitude. My coming visit to orthand is recaling memories of my child-old in the mountain finds. Miss Gale is a Pacific Coast girl with

Oakland as her birthplace. . . .

PORTLAND, Nov. 5.- (To the Edi-tor.)-The views of Mr. Samuel Gom-pers on subjects connected with labor as expressed by him in The Oregonian this morning seem to be faulty. Among "Polly of the Circus," Margaret Mayo's successful dramatic comedy, the statements to which I take except the statements to which I take excep-tion are the following: "A labor organ-ization is not a trust." "The power to labor is not a material commodity." "The ownership of a freeman is vested in himself alone." "The product of the with Ida St. Leon in the title role, is playing this week at the Lyceum Theater in Los Angeles. After a tour of California it reaches Oregon and ar-In himself alone. The product of the free man is his own." A commodity is a thing possessing utility, containing labor-power or in some way the product of some ono's exertion and is on the market for sale. rives in Portland to play on December 10, at the Baker for a week's stay.

The English actor Lawrence D'Orsay "The Earl of Pawtuckett," which plays the Heilig on November 26, 27 Labor power complies with these con-litions. For the same amount that the ditions. and 28, is just now in Vancouver, B. C., dilions. For the same almost that the employer buys sugar, shoes, Bibles or chewing gum, he can buy a certain definite amount of labor-power. Also like any other commodity when the supply is increased the value falls and and will play in Seattle, Aberdeen, Tacoma, Olympia, Wash., and Kelso and Astoria, Or, before he reaches us.

when decreased it rises. when decreased it rises. The inhor union is a trust because. Ike other trusts, it endeavors to se-ours control of as large an amount as it can of the particular commodity in which it makes a specially. In this case the commodity is inhor-power.

The Lombardi Grand Opera Company will be the Thankagiving week attraction at the Heilig.

Max Figman and his wife Lolita Robertson may remain in Los Angeles indefinitely. It is likely that he will be the producing director at the new Belasco Theater, where the management intends to put on only plays hitherto not presented.

which it makes a specially. In this case the commodity is labor-power. The fact that labor-power is linked inseparably with the worker does not in the least affect its status as a com-modity. Its only effect is to make the worker follow his commodity in person to the buyor. He may soil his labor-power for a week. In that case he must give a week of his mental or physical powers to the employer and in doing that his body must accompany his commodity. So long as the work-er owns conly the one commodity and must sell it in order to live, so long his ownership is not vested in himself. Bather is it vested in those who have the money to buy his commodity. True it is that he is not obliged to sell his commodity to any particular member One of the most remarkable wagers wer laid in the City of Seattle was ever laid in the City of Deartie war easily won by J. D. Barton, an Eastern theatrical man. In a conversation with Business Manager Lee Parvin, of "The Business Manager Lee Parvin, of "The Third Degree" company, Barton offered Third Degree" company, Barton offered where compulsion exists freedom can-Third Degree" company, Barton offered

N. Nitts on Oregon Snow

By Dean Collins,

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Nescius Nitts, who, as all people know, Was Punkindorf's sage for three score years or so. Spled three festive gnats as they flew

to and fro, And, with three distinct micotime jsts, hald them low; Then spake for a time on the beautiful snow.

"'Hooray!' says the folks, when they climbs from their beds. "It snows!' and the youngsters goes after their sleds.

And young people rustles with all of their might;

To fix a sleigh party for that very

night; Far snow, when it fails around Punkin-dorf Station. Is rare, and it shore evokes some jubilation.

moved from the noise of traffic on Washington street, it is but one block from both the Sixteenth-street and Washington-street carlines, while the "This mornin' 'twas banked for two inches or more Along on the walk, front of Higginses'

store; And my grandson, Nescius, Junior, tells

His teacher was just so plumb tickled

that she Had all of her pupils to learn every

bit Of that snow-bound poem that Whittier writ

"The children they seeks the fence corners and falls On patches that's got enough snow for

On patones that's got enough show fer scowballs. Or flees to the hills with its snow-sprinkled side And labors to coax down their sieds fer a slide;

for our wealthy and public-spirited cli-izens to come forward and subscribe to a fund for the purchase of this sightly, for the Auditorium, thus insuring the early completion of this much-needed public building, relieving the taxpayers

And while they thus frolles, with laughter and shout, The clouds blows away and the sunshine comes out.

"And long afore time for the sleighride, it seems That snow, after all, was a figment of

dreams. Enjoyin' of snow storms in Punkindorf

Station mewhat of tax upon imagina-Puts so

tion; We wakes a-perceivin' its fall with a

shout Of joy, and 'bout noontime the sunshine

-Portland, November 10.

Country Town Sayings by Ed Howe

The approach of Christman excites a storekeeper as much as the approach of an election excites a politician.

When people talk of the great outrages that go on daily (many of them invented, or greatly exaggerated), they are always lulled into forgetfulness of their own faults.

Every man who tells a stingy story on another is trying to create the im-pression that he (the teller of the story) is big-hearted and liberal.

What has become of the old-fashioned woman who, when her little boy told a lie, washed his mouth with soap and water?

We are all struggling for fams and money; and will stop for nothing ex-cept to abuse those who have acquired that which we are seeking.

If you let your enemy slone, and attend faithfully to your work, some day a man will come along and do him up for you.

Profit is the price we pay for hav-ing plenty of everything delivered where we want it at the time we want

You can't be so smart that people will be impressed if you tell about it yourself

Boing imposed upon is not the worst f it; we all take time to tell our of it; we all tab friends about it .

It is believed in most communities in the United States that to vote bonds for schoolhouses gives the people an education.



Gertrude Hoffman has reached Balt Lake on her way back to New York. Tonight and again tomorrow night she will instruct the Mormon folk in Russian ballet manners. . .

will always circumvent any puny barricade which human law may erect.

But the city's prestige and trade influence will grow larger and faster if it has both rail and water routes at its command. We are justified in boasting of our advantage of loca-tion, but the fact remains that it does not give us waterways into Central Oregon or make them possible, will railponds likely develop their ince there if whenever shorn side by water competition, a Govern nent regulation shears the other. are we content with a ruling that tells us we have a giorious natural advantage over competitors and then seeks to divide its fruits among them.

ANOTHER STATEMENT ONE.

Mr. U'Ren's statement that he may cide to become a candidate for delegate to the National Republican Conon will possibly tend to lift a great burden from the agitated souls of many Democrats who fancied that they saw in his open alliance with Woodrow Wilson a purpose to take charge of the Domocratic party in Orecon. Of course. Mr. U'Ren' may change his mind. He may not run. Being a man of acute conscience and great consistency, membership in a National Republican Convention may imply direct obligations he will not be willing to assume.

The Presidential preference primary is not the easy thing to manipulate or evade some of its ardent champions may have thought.

The voters in an Oregon Presidential primary express their choice for a candidate for President of the United States. The delegate, before he can get his credentials from the Governor. who alone may furnish them, shall

Ruberthe In an oath of office that he will uphoid the Constitution of the Child States and of the State of Oregun, and that he will as such officer and decigate, to the best of his pudgement and ability faithfully carry will the winkes of the number of the best und the wishes of his political party as an present by its voters at the time of his elem-

Here is a Presidential preference primary Statement No. 1 that means that the delegate shall vote for Taft, if Taft shall win in the Presidential primary, or for La Follette if La Follette shall win, or for any other who may win. It imposes upon the delemay win. gate also the clear duty of doing all he honorably and reasonably can do to support the interests of his candithe organization of the c tion, in the preparation of the platform and in the play and conflict of forces and factions throughout the proceed-

ablican party to be delegate to the National Convention, it will be interesting to hear from him before his other purchase, with few 'excep election a full and fair statement that he understands all the conditions, ex- is cracked in connection with pressed and implied, and is prepared

ho are all on the watch for a cha to climb to the surface? By what accident did the present Mr. Jones happen to seat himself on the throne Brown and Robinson are imprisoned in his subconscious abysas?

shut up in the depths of each of us

A TREATY WHICH MAY BREED WAR. The attack in the German Reichstag on the Morocco-Congo treaty with France was to be expected. practically invited by Germany's belli-cone action in sending the Panther to Agadir and by her subsequent de-mands for the cession of large terri-tory in Central Africa and for special favors in Morocco. Now that the German government has granted France latter asked in Moroc received in exchange only a strip of scrittery of small value in the tropics it is but natural that all parties in the

eichstag should turn on the Chanellor and accuse him of bringing huillation on the empire. The Chancellor's plea that the treaty erminates French hostility will hard-

ly hold water. France will interpret the abandonment of German demands as a sign of weakness and her hopes of recovering her lost provinces in some future quarrel will be correspondingly raised. While the official relations between the two countries will be improved by the removal of one particular source of irritation, the old enmity will continue among the French people and will be stimulated nong the Germans by the consciousens that their government has got the worst of a bargain.

The sentiments of the German per olo towards Great Britain have been made more hostile by the knowledge that that country stood behind France the dispute. This hostility will be fanned by

Herr von Heydebrandt's menacing re-tort to Lloyd-George's warlike speech. In fact, the Moroccan settlement has created a condition of public sentiment in all of the countries concerned which will be a fruitful breeder of

future quarrels. Exuitation in France and Britain will be accompanied by abiding resentment in Germany, Such condition is bound to make slightest friction in mutual relations a possible cause of war.

TAXES, DIRECT AND INDIRECT.

The reception which the people of Latah County, Idaho, gave the col-lector of poll tax accords with the old

out. The attitude of offic and England from the beginning of the Rebellion was full of encouragement to the enemies of the Union. Nothing that could be done short of open hostilities was omitted to demunstrate their sympathy with the slave int. power and their enmity to the detest-ed Republic, which was proclaiming by its example the principle of pop-

ular government. England was then intensely Tory, so far as its Ministry was concerned, while France lay prostrate under the base power of the third Napoleon. The United States, in its struggle for

existence with the slave-holding oli-garchy, found but slender sympathy garchy, found but mender sympathy among any Englishmen except the ar-tisans in the mills, the so-called la-boring class. These men never wa-vered in their devotion to the cause of freedom, though it cost them dear. The blockade of the Southern ports

ast the cotton mills into idleness and the British workmen who stood by the North were starving for the bread of which its war measures had deprived them. But the literary and aristocratic classes spoke in a very different tone. Thomas Carlyle lost no occasion to sneer at our efforts to put down "the Nigger Rebellion," as he called it. Gladstone cheerfully contemplated the approaching end of our absurd experiment in popular govern-ment, and an Oxford historian indist-

ed a sentence which referred jubilantly to 1860 as the year of the downfall of the American Republic. So far as the ruling and influential men were concerned, British feeling was all on the side of the slave oligarchy.

Taking advantage of this well-known condition of affairs in Europe, the Davis cabinet made every effort to draw the British and French gov ernments into active hostilities with the North. Whether the ultimate outcome would have been much different if they had succeeded, one cannot tell with certainty, but we do not think it would, except that the South might have fared worse than it did. With Grant and Sherman at the head of its armies and the resources of Russia to draw upon, both by land and sea, the Union could not have failed, especial-

ly if the negroes were armed, as they would have been had the emergency required it. But the struggle would have become embittered and at the closs vangeance might have been sanguinary.

truih that direct taxes, no matter how smalls, are most unpopulat. Every per-son who refused to pay the poil tax is function in the second of the court of Napoleon III. Making the court of Napoleon III. Making the trans without a murmur. Every purchase of clears, clearstea, tobacco, beer and spirits includes a tax pay-ment to the internal revenue. Every other purchase, with few exceptions, includes a taxing tax, but no man's skull is cracked in connection with it. Aithough the precise article pur-

should be personally unknown to his A crowded jail thus early in the invictims in every case and should use clement season and a number of wretched derellois turned away from credentials whatever. cheerfully agreed to every one of these even that repulsive shelter, with standing room at a premium inside, with conditions. He successfully negotiated one theater after another. After the and even the rock quarry having room for no more, is a condition most unthird playhouse had been entered, Par-

win gave up and paid the bet. "It was usual and in a sense pitiful. What a just an interesting little experiment, esson is here of wasted opportunity, that's all," said Barton. "I have done the opportunity that comes to every the same thing in New York City, so sober, industrious man in his youth to the condition is not peculiar to Sentprepare, if even in a small way, for the Winter of life! tlo. My theory is that any man with a highly developed gall can, ninety-

nine times out of a hundred, victimize If the University of Washington students were to propose erection of a statue of each member of the facula theater, a ball park, a boat or train ty, objections to that of Professor Meany would probably evaporate. Seattle Theater. Shortly after o'clock on Monday evening I went there Popularity of one man breeds envy in his associates,

Some men will be disposed to dis pute the Secretary of State's defini-tion of sermons to the convicts as amusements. Some sermons stir the soul, others are a soft, purring lullaby, still others are torture, but only a few are amusing.

The value of the Portland man da fixed at \$15,000, for a Massachusetts maiden is suing one for breach of promise, damage stated in that amount-which is altogether too much money to send East.

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That is a good piece of "booster" lit-erature sent by inmates of the Linnton Many of its guests say they rockpile. have served in several institutions of the kind, and their present abdde is best of all.

California's State Printer has resigned, owing to exposure of extrava-gance in the office. This is a stateowned institution and has for years been "n good thing."

aged, yet the man who asks for a handout at the back door may be hun-

to bet a new hat that he could not enter. "Whoever labor controls human life and with it into any theater in Scattle on his nerve. Parvin promptly accepted the challiberty. He pinned Barton down to

liberty." The regrettable thing about Mr. Gompers' statement is the fact that he gave it at all. He ought not to have so brazenly displayed his ignorance, after the length of time that he has been connected with labor unions and not to have informed himself on such with a bilacter 1 hone you will not seemingly impossible conditions, namely, that he should use no tickets, no passes, should not even give his name, vital subjects. I hope you will not consider this too radical to print, even Barton though you do not love Socialists L. MEIRWITS, inlists.

810 Worcester Building.

State and County Officers.

LENTS, Or., Nov. 8.- (To the Editor.) -Please tell me who are the present state officers of Oregon and county of-ficers of Multhomah County. SUBSCRIBER.

This information is given in the fore part of the Portland city directory.

Half a Century Ago

or a hotel. My first trial was at the From The Oregonian, Nov. 11, 1861. with a friend. Pushing him in ahead of me, I said, 'Mr. Drew,' bowed and A telegraph line from St. Petersburg to San Francisco is seriously projected. of me, I shit, in the ticket taker, and walked on in and took a sent. Then my friend and I went back on the stage, looked around a bit, and made out exit by the stage door. From the Beattle we went straight up to the Metropolitan. I was personally known to the front way. Therefore my friend and I went to the door of the man-ager's office and walked right in. The room contained half a dozen employes, agents and managers. I said. 'How are you, gentlemen? and kept steadily walking toward the inner doar. Two or three of them bade us a polite 'good evaning.' We went inside and mingled with the first-night throng at "The Spring Maid.'' We stood up for half the first act and then went out through Colonel Romanoff, of the Imperial Russian engineers, is now in New York waved my hand at the ticket taker, forming plans for the execution of this project. He says the Russian government are rapidly pushing their lines to the mouth of the Amoor River. the mouth of the Amoor River it is the design to continue the line via the Aleutian archipelago to, the Russian-American settlements, thence to Vancouver Island, thence to San Francisco. Mr. Collins, of the New York Chamber are you, gentlement and kept steadily walking toward the inner door. Two or three of them bade us a polite 'good evening.' We went inside and mingfed with the first-night throng at "The Spring Maid." We stood up for half the first act and then went out through the fornt door. Lastly, I went glone up to the Moore. I walked briskly by the doorkeeper, saying the one word, 'company,' and went down into the house and remained at the Buiger performance until 10 o'clock Then I hunted Partin up and collected the bet. In these three cases it was even easier than I had an alternative bluff to work if the first one had fulled. At the Seat-ie, for instance, if I had been stopped, I would have simulated indignation and maid to the tylekettalzer: 'Send for Mr. Drew.' That would have convinced of Commerce, with whom (

the, for instance, if i has been stopped. I would have simulated indignation and said to the tickettaker: "Send for Mr. Drew." That would have convinced ninsty-nine employes out of a hun-dred. At the Metropolitan, if called, I would have said: "Where's Mac?" That New York, Oct. 30 .- The Tribune

New York, Oct. 30.—The Tribune publishes a dispatch from Washington to the effect that Adjutant-General tremont is not equal to command the Army now with him. I answer to sweeral Senators it is said that President Lifbooln stated that take place when General McChellan tought proper to make it and that be would be sustained by Government. Trice and his Army are supposed to the near Carthage, though it is admitted that but little is known of his move-ments or his whereabouts. Unless price gets out of the way, a battle in Southwestern Missouri is imminent.

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Marshaling the Pacific Fleet-A page on the imposing array of fighting craft drawn up recently for review in California waters.

Campaigning With Sherman-Prominent Oregon veteran tells of tense campaigns in the Civil War.

Keeping John Out of Paradise -Why the Chinaman wants to come to America, and why we don't want him here.

Woman Mayor Talks About Her Job-An interesting account of the trials of the woman who is the executive head of a Kansas town.

Where the Lines Meet - A snappy short story about a Western had man and a trio of Sheriffs.

Defying the Dragon-Americans and Europeans arm in Shang-hai to drive the dragon back in his hole if necessary.

Keeping Little Republics Off the Shoals-How Uncle Sam is prepared to give financial aid to unstable republics in the south.

Celestine and Coralie-A story by Montague Glass, author of the Potash and Perlmutter Tales.

Women Who Run Colleges-A half page on the group of women who have been prominent in higher educational work in America.

Ancient Jokes-How we laugh today at quips that were musty in the days of early Greece and Rome.

Widow Wise goes tiger hunt-ing in India, Sambo hunts big game in Africa, Slim Jim escapes again, Hairbreadth Harry has another of his close shaves, Mrs. Time Killer orders a bath made ready and then..... Mr. Boss gets in a fight with a pumpkin, and Miss Anna Belle develops more benutiful "cut-out" clothes.

MANY OTHER FEATURES

It is a practice not to be encourgry, and hunger bites worse during a cold spell.