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CAUSES OF THE QUARREL.

An essential part of the insurgent pose is the assumption that President Taft's estrangement from Roosevelt is the result of acts of ingratitude.

GOING TO THE SCRAP-HEAP.

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AS TO BETTER ROADS.

Representative Shackelford, of Missouri, has offered an amendment to the Postoffice appropriation bill now pending in the lower house of Congress.

The bill fixes the annual sum to be paid for the use of such roads as follows: Class A, \$25; class B, \$20, and class C, \$15.

Then it was Taft's duty to inherit not only Roosevelt's policies, but Roosevelt's quarrels. That would have been a brilliant opening for his Administration.

nian reciprocity? Or in his plan of schedule revision of the tariff, which Democrats and insurgents Government would support?

Alone towards Roosevelt after his return from Africa is another of Taft's offenses. White makes it evident that the Colonel expected the President to go to White House to welcome him home and was "huffed" when Taft did not go.

MAKE THE TERM LONGER.

As regularly as elections come around, discussion of the drawbacks of short terms of office revived.

The custom of parties in renominating Presidents of their own faith who have made good is a trait limiting the freedom of the nation.

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SLANG IN THE COLLEGES.

Following up a very common and most commendable practice in our colleges and high schools, the University of Kansas has made a collection of slang phrases which urges the students not to use.

The Emersonian law of compensation may be seen at work in the consequences of the Titanic wreck.

A STRONG MAN'S QUEER WEAKNESS.

John Arbuckle, who fought the Sugar Trust, afraid to make a Will.

WIRELESS DANGER CALLED.

NAEVE, Wash. City, (To the Editor.)—Kindly print the literal meaning of the wireless call C. Q. D. and that other one, S. O. S.

linet turn of thought and they apply it to that use and to no other. The greatest intelligence of the race have employed the most extensive vocabularies.

The simple truth is that the slang habit does not indicate wit or shrewdness, but the opposite. The person who seeks to express all his thoughts by a few slang, or cant, phrases has but few thoughts to express in any manner.

The use of slang, cant, argot, and so on, is characteristic of persons whose minds are so cluttered with religious sects in the fervor of their early years.

Not all of the homesteaders have to pack their supplies in to their claims and back over a foot-trail.

The Oregonian during the past three years has made a splendid fight for the interests of the Borah bill which means so much to the West.

There is something in the death of John Arbuckle which recalls those I have known who were disappointed men.

It must be all in the "know-how" for a man fell eighty feet off the new bridge to his slight damage yesterday.

The cucumber flourish in Oregon and the grower who takes a "dyer" in it this season stands a chance of putting "57 varieties" of profits in his coffers.

By all means, let this city see a parade of the First Infantry ere it embarks. There are thousands of men who want to lift their hats to the colors.

Those Mormons in Chihuahua are showing the proper fighting stuff. All Mexico needs a brigade of them and the trouble will cease.

AMENDMENT TO BORAH BILL. Compliance With Cultivation Requirement Impossible in Timbered Section.

ROSEBURG, Or., May 5.—(To the Editor.)—Published press dispatches from Washington say that the Borah-Jones homestead bill as finally agreed upon in conference committee requires that one-sixteenth of the area be in cultivation the first two years.

By the common method of clearing lands in the timbered regions of Oregon, the small stumps under six to eight inches in diameter, the average homesteader does not in 10 years as a rule make clear the lands in Oregon.

It is a little impossibility in the present condition of the poor homesteader to clear the land in the timbered portion of Western Oregon and the coast counties for 43 years and having homesteaded and actually lived upon and cleared and improved the land.

Not all of the homesteaders have to pack their supplies in to their claims and back over a foot-trail. There is not one claim in a hundred now left or adjoining a wagon road.

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SAFETY APPLIANCES NOT COSTLY. Doors and Mattresses Capable of Conversion Into Rafts at Sea.

PORTLAND, May 5.—(To the Editor.)—The sinking of the Titanic with its attendant loss of life suggests the necessity for improving the life-saving devices that should be carried by each passenger-boat.

The door can be quickly detached by withdrawing the hinge bolts and each end of the mattress can be converted into a life raft.

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Nitts on Half Cents. By Dean Collins.

Nescius Nitts, Sage of Punkindorf. A Stationer sent me the returns of Spied several ants crawling with slow ambulation.

I see in the papers, the Government "tends" to be more liberal in its policy. To add some new styles to the money War, we spend:

But Spriggs says, "This here is a change that I think." (Spriggs, he's a director in Punkin City, and he's a good one.)

Half a Century Ago

From The Oregonian of May 7, 1862. A friend has sent me the returns of the Oregon City charter election, held on Monday last.

The steamer Eliza Anderson has commenced running between Victoria and Olympia. For some time there has been no steamer running on the Sound.

W. W. Page has been appointed Judge for the Fourth Judicial Circuit. Judge Aaron C. Wait, resigned. Judge Page has appointed J. H. Mitchell, Esq., Prosecuting Attorney for the Fourth Judicial District, vice Page resigned.

Waillington, May 1.—A letter from a gentleman in high authority in Tennessee says that so soon as the rebel army is driven from the limits of that state, Tennessee will stand for the Union by an overwhelming majority.

As "Ed" Howe Sees Life

When a woman looks young for her age, there is more talk about it than if she looks older than she really is.

One of the Rights of Man is the right not to be forced to fight in unnecessary wars for \$15 a month, when he might earn very much more in a less dangerous and disagreeable job.

One Reason Why Great Musicians Were Willing to Visit Us Again.

There is a story about a musician and a poker game. Arthur Nikisch arrived the other day in our city.

Well, it looked that way. Fales could not stir him by argument. But one night he sat in a game of poker with me in Boston.

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The spirit of Dowie still hovers over Zion. Not being present in person to cause contention, his picture does duty in his stead.

The man who neglects his home gets the contempt of his neighbors and the verdict of "common scrub."