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SOCIALISM COSTLY IN FRANCE. France is paying dearly for her experiments in socialism. The govern-ment monopoly of tobacco produces execrably bad tobacco; the match monopoly makes exceedingly bad matches,

of which one must often strike half a fozen before getting a light; the powder produced by the Government pro vokes complaint from sportsmen and mining interests and some of the great sasters to the French navy are attributed to its bad quality; the public printing office is pronounced an ex-treme example of extravagant and inefficient management. Government ownership and operation of railroads causes terrible accidents and has trains

This is the indictment against state ocialism in France which is found by Paul Leroy Beaulieu, the eminent mestic policy of any government. French economist, in an article in the North American Review. He attrib-utes the weakness of state administration of transportation and industry "to the very nature of our modern con-temporary governmental forms." He says that it leads to the employment of an unnecessary number of men for po-litical reasons, many of them incompetent or Ill-adapted to their duties. poorly paid for the kind of service reulred, not encouraged by chances of advancement and deprived of the incentive of gain or self-interest.

M. Beaulieu makes the same criticlam of municipal operation of public utilities in France and contrasts it with private operation under concession or years. ise from the city. In Paris gas, eleclease from the city. In Paris gas, elec-tricity, water and passenger traction are supplied by corporations which have leased the plants from the city. In 1910 the city received from them \$2,000,000 francs, about half of which went for interest and sinking fund. M. Beaulieu estimates that by the middle of this century the city's revenue will be 150,000,000 to 200,000,000 francs, of which at least half will be net profit. At Elbeuf, where municipal operation was begun with the gas works, serious loss was suffered, the Mayor became so unpopular that he committed suicide, and after the next election the Council leased the gas works to a private corporation. The comparative success of public

ownership of railroads in Germany is ascribed by M. Beaulieu to the undemocratic character of the government and the military training and habit of discipline of the people. There he hits at the weak spot of socialism in a Success in industry is gained by the dominant power of a entral, controlling will combined with ability and the incentive of gain. power is impossible. Each industry, to succeed, must be a small monarchy, or at least an oligarchy. ism therefore has the best chance of success in a monarchy, where the peodemocracy, individualism, which makes each employer the master of his business, will achieve the best results. Even under the most favorable conditions state monopoly represses individual initiative, removes the incentive to efficiency and smothers inven-tion. Its motto is: "Do things as they always have been done" and it leads to dry rot.

COLONEL ROOSEVELT'S SILENCE.

Surprise has been expressed that In his speech at the Progressive convention at Philadelphia Colonel Roosevelt had nothing to say about President Wilson, his Administration and his inaugural address. That was the topic appermost in all men's minds, and it was naturally expected that so prominent a leader of political thought as Colonel Roosevelt would have had something to say upon it. But the est approach to an allusion to Mr. Wilson in the Colonel's speech was the perrowing without credit of the title of the President's book, "The New Free

While Colonel Roosevelt's opinion is kept carefully to himself, the Outlook gives Mr. Wilson's inaugural wholehearted praise. It says of him:

The people, attracted by his vision, iled a religiant convention to nor The people, attracted by his vision, compelled a rehictant conveniins to morninate Mr. Wilson—the people elected him. Will the people give him their support when he undertakes to residue the vision which has ligatified them? When the battle comes, as come it will—for come it must—we, in advance, summon all men who care more for their country than for their party and more for the general welfare than for special interests, even though those special interests, even though those special interests are their to the cause of political theory and social function, and to the Democratic Administration, in so far as it proves to he—as we kept it will be a wise and

Seeing that the omission of any refto Mr. Wilson from the Colonel's Philadelphia speech laid him open to criticism, the Indianapolis Moscow (Idaho) High School moves Star, his ever-ready defender, seizes upon this article as an evidence of his generous recognition of Mr. Wilson's progressivism. Every reader of the Outlook knows that all Colonel Rossewelt's contributions bear his name as liles. the author and that its editorial utterances often dissent from his opinions. The Outlook article was not Colonel knowing that it expresses his senti-

The explanation of Colonel Roos velt's silence on an address which has perintendent upon his vigorous at-drawn encomiums from Mr. Wilson's tempt to assert his rightful authority. litical friends and foes alike may "The New Freedom" entitled "Benevolence or Justice." There Mr. Wilson heaps smiling ridicule on Mr. Rooseand rejects them as agencies of pub- the

have much less than Mr. Roosevelt's share of self-esteem in order to speak kindly of the author.

MUDDYING THE WATERS.

The New York Times, candidly an otherwise conservation, sometimes called reactionism, rejoices that the tide of radicalism throughout the Nation has begun to subside, and in proof offers the following record of recent events:

Arkansas repealed its anti-trust law. Washington (state) declined even to allow ballot on recall of judges. Kansas rejected the initiative and refer-

dum. Oregon rejected the single tax. Massachusetts rejected votes for women. Maine rejected votes for women.

The mind that confuses direct election of Senators with the single tax as twin instruments of mischlef and disorder is singularly impervious to the Oregon has twice defeated the single tax, and will again if the issue always been for direct election of Sen. member of Congress in 1849. ators. It is for woman suffrage, but it has no vicious theories of its own to offer as remedies against the trusts. It has the initiative, but railroads are invited to come and develop the country, and corporations are quite safe. judges are recalled.

It is a mistake to classify as populist propaganda or socialist dogma all pro-posals to change the old order, or to assume that there is no distinction between sane progress and economic

STRAWS.

ownership and operation of railroads has proved very expensive, does not pay 2 per cent on the invested capital, stump speech at Washington, and repay 2 per cent on the invested capital, stump speech at Washington, and recauses terrible accidents and has trains peats it at Chicago, for home rule in the Secretary of State, J. M. Clayton. Ireland. It is not the duty, nor the Here it is:
office of the State Department to take Dear Sir:

governing powers have not the motives ed loan to the Chinese republic; and necessary to business success and in aiming at political ends demoralize the policy of his chief, though the Assist-

> way get out from under, and the Fili-pinos will be left to sink or swim, survive or perish, as Divine Providence ordains.

> The Secretary of State in a speech a Des Moines says that "the same prin-ciples which enable two men to live together as neighbors for a term of years will enable this Nation to live on terms of peace with every other But if your neighbor keep nation. a buildeg in his front yard and a shot-gun behind the door, what then?

> The President of the United States with the approval, no doubt, of the Secretary of State, issues an address to the South American republics, mild-ly enjoining them to be just and peaceable, and assuring them that they will have no reason to be apprehensive of the purposes of the United States. Is the Monroe Doctrine, too, to be sent to the scrap-heap?

The era of Little Americanism has begun. tional obligations we can avoid; and a democracy, where every employe is a stockholder in a state monopoly, such United States.

ple are drilled into obedience. In a Suarez, of Mexico, were murdered by even committed under the cloak of the of his own and sometimes appoints notorious fugitive law, beneath which other men than those recommended. Governor Gonzales, of Chihuahua, is reported to have been slain. A withow Madero was shot from the rear the subject of civil service in his book, and Suarez choked to death. This "Congressional Government," happened in the palace, not as they

ils leading opponents is that it was defined it: necessary for the restoration of peace, How effective it has been in gaining this much-desired end can be judged from the new crop of revolutions in Madero's adherthe northern states. Madero's adher-ents have been inflamed to greater anger by the bloody treachery Huerta and have swept the border lmost clean of federal forces. The Zapata revolution in the south appears

Sonora and Coahuila, leave Mexico to stew in her own jules and to recognize Huerta as only a defacto ruler. Undue haste in recognize passing examinations and possible they are after. ing a ruler whose power is founded on murder would not be to the taste of the American people. But interfer-ence in Mexican affairs would only

unite all factions against us

COLLEGE SPIRIT AT MOSCOW. The rough-and-tumble fight between the students and their teachers at the one to inquire where some of our schoolboys and girls obtain their ideals of conduct. In the Moscow affair the nger students were holding a party with the consent of the school author. The older boys and girls took it upon themselves to break up the They assumed that the real governors of the school were not the legal authorities, but the upper-class students. This is a species of anarchy which no self-respecting faculty could

obey their teachers the better for the postmasters into the classified service country. But where do these anarch- and reorganizing the customs servstic notions come from? In large part ice. velt's plan for dealing with the trusts from the colleges. Unfortunately for of the Republicans whom Mr. Taft's as agencies of pub-the public schools, their close relations order would fix permanently in office. The man whose pet with the state universities have transthe philanthropy. The man whose pet with the state universities have trans- cannot stand the test of examination, it was not theories are thus torn to fatters must formed many of the pupils into preco- Mr. Wilson would bundle them out the country.

lously bumptious "college men. tate college vices such as class fights, nazing, athletic trickery. They try to follow the college fashion of hostility between pupils and teachers. In college there is some faint excuse for this sort of thing, but not a shadow in the schools. The colleges are nothing if not traditional. They cling to the customs which have come down to them from medieval times. In those days ten and purify it with pray the big universities had students from spoils and fasting therefrom. Nebraska defeated votes for women.
Utah rejected direct election of United
States Senators
Kamsas declined to authorize the recall
of public officers
Scattle rejected (second time) the single
boys must fight somebody in order to
the public officers.
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the big universities had students from many different countries who often
fought pitched battles on the street.
Thus arose the tradition that college
boys must fight somebody in order to ome truly educated. The medieval stuoc

WISER THAN LINCOLN?

sand years ago.

A friend has sent to The Oregonian catalogue of an Eastern book conshall again be presented; but it has wriften by Abraham Lincoln when

the modest figure of \$1500. In view of the subject matter of the letter, we suggest that a ready buyer ought to be found in the Honorable Woodrow It has the recall of judges, but no Wilson, President of the United States, who might possibly desire to have on hand the authentic evidence of the two fix upon a third. These three men Great Emancipator's views on the correct Presidential attitude toward place. hunters. President Wilson has coldly turned the officeseekers over to the heads of departments; President Zachary Taylor long ago sought to avoid their importunities and escape their presence in the same adroit fashion.

peats it at Chicago, for home rule in Ireland. It is not the duty, nor the office of the State Department to take office of the State Department to take sides, or express its views, on the domestic policy of any government.

The Secretary of State sends a telegram to the American Ambassador to Mexico, approving his course in the late troubles there; but now the Secretary of State says he signed the message without reading. Have we no duty to Americans in Mexico, or to a patriotic and courageous Ambassador?

The President of the United States repudintes the policy of the previous Administration toward China by with drawing the Administration's support or countenance to the plans of certain American financiers in making a needed loan to the Chinese republic; and the Secretary of State resigns. It is obvious that American investments abroad are not to be encouraged or vigorously protected for the next four years.

The Philippines are to be turned loose, in eight years, perhaps, or as soon as the United States can in some way get out from under, and the Filipinos will be left to sink or swim, sur-

Mr. Lincoln was a practical politician who was anxious for the succes of the Whig Administration; but Presdent Taylor died in the second year of dent he followed his own advice and deeds. saw the job-hunters and disposed of

It would be interesting to learn from were alive today whether Lincoln was wiser, or less wise, than his present

DEMOCRACY MUST FAST AND PRAY.

Officeseekers are gradually having the fact impressed upon them that President Wilson means what he says -not only what he says now, but what he has said in his writings for the last thirty years. He leaves non-political We will assume no interna- appointments of subordinates to the ex-college presidents seems to be well an heads of departments, whom he holds responsible. He looks to his lieutenants to do the drudgery of receiving ered for the court of St. James. applications, recommendations and indorsements, of sifting these out and of Fower founded on Murder.

Evidence accumulates that President Madero and Vice-President Suares, of Mexico, were murdered by order of General Huerta "for the good of the country." The murder was not even committed under the cloak of the sown and sometimes appoints even committed under the cloak of the sounder of his own and sometimes appoints and their own recommendations. Then he looks over the papers, hears parents of the young women who attends that president that president to the merchant no one knew anything shown and the dignity of labor extends that the officer has to say and makes that president to the merchant no one knew anything about it. I hoped they might be will-into the content to the merchant no one knew anything about it. I hoped they might be will-into the content in church work, regular in church attendance, also Bible school.

Only a wealthy man can afford to accept the Ambassadorship to the of his own and sometimes appoints accept the Ambassadorship to the of his own and sometimes appoints.

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When can after of the merchant no one knew anything about it. I hoped they might be will-into the country in the dignity of labor extends that the officer has to say and makes that provided the them. And yet that whole family is prominent in church work, regular in church attendance, also Bible school.

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The he looks over the papers, hears what the officer has to say and makes that provided in the total them and the dignity of labor extends to the merchant no one knew any

Those who regard offices as th spoils of political warfare find cold ss coming direct from the scene tells comfort in what Mr. Wilson wrote on lished in 1885. He drew "a sharp line escaping from an automobile, as of distinction between those offices the official version read. which are political and those which Huerta's excuse for the murder of are non-political." This is how he

The strictest rules of business discipling The strictest rules of business discipline, of merit-ienure, and carned premotion must rule every office whose incumbent has naught to do with choosing between policies, but no rules except the choice of parties can er should make and unmake, reward or punish those officers whose privilege it is to fix upon the political purposes wideh administration shall be made to serve. The latter are not many under any form of government.

That he still adheres to that principle is evident from his reappointico, one in possession of the capital, commerce Commissioner after his land. If he thinks this is a own party formerly controlled by the confirmation of the appointment made or large the government of the special confirmation of the appointment made. Orozeo rebels; the government which roams through the south; and the pointment of Dr. Neill as Labor Comovernment headed by Carranga in missioner. He regards as non-political some of the highest offices in his cial gatherings. Under these circumstances President Wilson does well to continue his predecessor's policy of "hands off," to quoted he even discusses the question

their way up from errand boys He not only maintained that the spoils system was vicious, because injurious to the public service, but in his "History of the American People" he expressed the opinion that, instead of fortifying, it weakened party or-ganisation. Discussing the Garfield-Conkling quarrel, which culminated in the assassination of the former, he

Wrote:

The use of appointments as rewards for party services did not, it seemed, bind partisans together, after all, as the advocates of the spools system claimed, or compact and discipline parties for aggressive and successful action. Worked out through its detail of local bosses, Senatorial and Congressional "influence," personal favors, the placating of enemies, and the full satisfaction of friends, it must always menace the successful party hiself with factional disruption.

These opinions, deliberately expressed in no fugitive writings, but in books which Mr. Wilson must have

books which Mr. Wilson must have olerate, and we congratulate the su- foreseen would be copiously quoted whenever he entered active political empt to assert his rightful authority. life, have a direct bearing on the agi-The sooner school children of all tation for revocation of President ranks and ages learn that they must Taft's orders "covering" fourth-class Merit alone will decide. If any

Whichever of them stand that test will They ape college names such as not be driven out simply because they "freshmen" and the like. They imi- are Republicans, nor will others be appointed simply because they are

> Wilson, if he lives up to the principles he has laid down and if he secures his party's consent to their application, will work a great change in the Democracy. His four years as President, instead of making his party fat and sleek with spoils, will chas-ten and purify it with prayer for the

State Bryan has taken up readily is the postal vote. He has been impressed with the wrongs of salesmen, students and others who are necessarily away cooled down to class rushes and the from home on election day. He incowardly tricks of hazing parties, but the spirit is the same as it was a thou. salesmen allowing them to go before a notary at any place, sign and swear to their votes and forward them to the election board. Of course, it is very hard on salesmen that they should be disfranchised, but it is more important to prevent fraud than to redress cern, containing the text of a letter their wrongs. The general interest re-written by Abraham Lincoln when a quires that elections be safeguarded,

> capital. Naturally no compulsion is contemplated, but there is no reason why argument should not accomplish something, when three good men make a business of laying it on deftly and persistently.

Forcible conversion of Romanist Alanians to the Greek Church by Montenegrins is a natural consequence of religious bigotry intensified by race animosity, such as prevails in the Balkan Peninsula. The allies probably

kan Peninsula. The allies probably have good reason for their strict censorship. They dare not let the truth the known about the massacres of Turks, which are as likely to follow a Christians formerly followed Turkish victories.

Madame Ripley's allowance of ten minutes for a woman to dress may be all right, but she has overlooked the time taken in powdering, primping, seeing that her skirt hangs right and that her hat is on straight. Nor has which if often takes a woman ten minutes to put on and button, especially if she stops to talk during the operation.

Madame Ripley's woman must be a theoretical specimen.

Ward the Japanese in the respects mentioned in the world. JAMES HOYE, are the respects mentioned in the substance of the surface in order to be able to defend it.

Surely, I would fight for my country to great wheth a in invading foreign foe, even if my country was a likely to follow a functive wholly in the wrong. Consequently, as I believe that such a war is coming, I strongly advise my country to prepare for it, but no foreign nation need to worry about for its government taking my advice, for there is altogether too much counter advise, backed by immense financial resources.

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The belief has taken deep root in Munity comprehend the need for a great moral example, by neglecting its Army and Navy and all defensive measures. Nothing but a sound thrashing and the practical needs of life.

Hubsing the victories and the country should set the truth of the victories.

The belief has taken deep root in Munity comprehend the need for a great moral example, by neglecting its Army and Navy and a

Chinese door open by planting both UNSCRUPULOUS BUSINESS TRICKS feet and both shoulders in the door-Woodrow Wilson would keep it Way. open by murmuring philanthropic nothings from the doorstep. We shall his term. When Lincoln became Pres- succeed better than Huntington's

the latter-day statesman who knows left in the extra session for currency what Lincoln would have done if he and other legislation, President Wil-

Only a weating man can be accept the Ambassadorship to the court of St. James. This is one of the other instances, but perhaps this is the courtry is parsimonious. The New York police may be saved from temptation by intrusting a separ.

ate force with control of vice, or would that be merely transferring the temp-Considerable confusion is said to exist among politicians over the question Why

of courting the women's votes. not try a course at a beauty parlor? The prize of \$10,000 for the best American play will stimulate con-sumption of "midnight oil" by a hun-

dred thousand amateur playwrights. The new Secretary of the Navy speaks of the Oregon "lying off" Portland. If he thinks this is a deep-sea

Far better for the Oregon to exist Five dollars was 'nough fer a new a possible fighter than go into inas a possible fighter than go into inus desuetude as a resort for so-

The evident satisfaction of suffra

money for 40,000 "Bermuda" lilles of Japanese ancestry. Experience with Nat Goodwin has

aught Maxine Elliott caution in venturing upon matrimony. Has that minimum-priced (\$9.99)

this is the last day. Eclipses should be pulled off in Oreon only in July and August, when the weather is settle

of Oregon.

Only 10,000 women have registered. But isn't that enough to swing the

election? King and throw a nation into conster-

WE SHOULD TREAT JAPS BETTER IRELAND IN STARVATION DAYS Arrogauce.

NEW YORK, March 13 .- (To the Edi-

Among the fads which Secretary of tate Bryan has taken up readily is he postal vote. He has been impressed favored nations, that we open our ports favored nations are caused by starvation and by discount favored nations. to them as freely as to Europeans, and hat we permit them to become citizens

of the soil.

tioned, and I advise my countrymen to

Forest Grove Housewife Complains of

Being Cheated by Tradesman. FOREST GROVE, Or., March 16.—(To

FOREST GROVE. Or., March 18.—(To the Editor.).—I would like the privilege of the editor.)—I would like the privilege of the editor.)—I would like the privilege of the editor.)—I would like the privilege of deeds.

In calculating upon disposing of the trafff in three months and having time left in the extra session for currency and other legislation. President Williams on is rectioning without the Republic son is rectioning without the Republic least to offer.

The man who can hold down a fourth-class posterilee seems to be in a mortal fear of civil service examination, and rightly so. Most of them dat the work for glory, as the compensation, and rightly so. Most of them dat the work for glory, as the compensation, and rightly so. Most of them dat the work for glory, as the compensation is hardly worth figuring.

The question of what to do with our excellege presidents seems to be well as a care of. With one in the President's chair another is being considered ered for the court of St. James.

Strict regulation of public dances by ordinance will be beneficial, but the parents of the young women who at tend such affairs can do better regulation of the first the gravity ordinance will be beneficial, but the parents of the young women who at tend such affairs can do better regulation of public dances by ordinance will be beneficial, but the parents of the young women who at tend such affairs can do better regulation of public dances by ordinance will be beneficial, but the parents of the young women who at tend of the first parents of the young women who at tend of the merchant no one knew anything the military of the first parents of the gravity of the subject of the sit rest it burned the tend that the optor activation and the optor state of the present constant the parents of the sub parents of the subject of the subject of the same and the optor of the same and the optor of the same and the control of

N. Nitts on Easter Economy By Dean Collins.

Nescius Nitts, sage of Punkindorf Sta-Reducing his quid to the right liqui-

Looked round for a mark; then, without hesitation, Picked a beetle and ended the thing's animation Then spake he of hats; of the Easter

Creation.

away! I need you to help on my bonnet today!"

fussin', She got her scrap basket and started in mussin' With ribbons and buckles and feathers and siats Easter bonnet been purchased? If not,

From six generations of discarded hats, And stickin' this bunch or that bunch on my head;
"Set still, till I get the effect, now,"
she said.

She clipped and she stitched and she A co-ed who is a grandmother is a Till I was wore out and fair boilin'

Well, I got forlorner than ever you saw Fer I couldn't talk, and she'd not let me chaw, And last I riz up and I says: "Let me be! And last I riz up and I says: "Let me be! Kansas City Star.

Go buy you a bonnet and charge it to me! By twenty, or any old price it's marked at!

It was not a "good" Friday all over he country.

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One Day We Will Have to Defend Our Tacoma Man Writes of Country's Misfortunes and Causes.

TACOMA, Wash., March 20,-(To the NEW YORK, March 12.—(To the Editor.)—In The Oregonian of February 15 you quote from an article in the Japan Times criticising me for my attitude with respect to Japan and the Japanese.

In the October (1813) Issue of the Appalling depopulation which Ireland has undergone. The writer, in In the October (1913) Issue of the Oriental Review (New York) there appeared an article from my pen in which I spoke of the injustice done the Japanese at the hands of the United States Government, and I predicted that the Japanese would some day demand emigration and from a very high de-rate caused by starvation and by cases related to lack of nourishm

that we permit them to become citizens just as we permit Europeans.

I conceive it to be an insult to intelligent Japanese not to admit them to citizenship. It is a wholly unjustifiable discrimination.

My attitude toward the Japanese is a friendly one and not an unfriendly one. There is no one thing which this country needs so much as it does tillers of the soil. tant to prevent fraud than to redress been, containing the text of a letter written by Abraham Lincoln when a member of Congress in 1849.

The original is offered for sale at the modest figure of \$1500. In view the modest figure of \$1500. In view the modest figure of the letter, we suggest that a ready buyer ought to be found in the Honorable Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States, who might possibly desire to have on hand the authentic evidence of the Cornect Presidential attitude toward place.

The president Wilson has coldly states their wrongs. The general interest requires that their ordered interest requires that a feed by Abraham Lincoln when a member of Congress in 1849.

The original is offered for sale at their wrongs. The general interest requires that elections be safeguarded, even though in so doing we deprive to be as scientific and successful in their methods of gardening and farming as in any of the things to which they have turned their hands.

Springfield, Mass., has applied the principle of arbitration in labor troubles in a novel way. The Board of the Council another, and these their homes here. A hundred they wond the farms and make their homes here. A hundred they have seen Russia, in periods of food distress, prohibit exports of provisions to this country and take up farms and make their homes here. A hundred they have seen Russia, in periods of food distress, prohibit exports of provisions to this country and take up farms and chinese labor the farms as farm hands to help the American farmer would be a god laboration, and to export the country and take up farms and chinese labor the farms as farm hands to help the American farmer would be a god laboration, and the rapacity of unrestrained their wrongs. The general interest requires that their wrongs. The general interest requires that their wrongs The gourse of the things to which they have the modes of gardening and farming as in any of the things to which they have the country was esized in payment of excountry have the country sion and the rapacity of unrestraine The creation of wealth begins with same time an exportation, and at the same time and. There is a great wall going up about the increase in the cost of living. The best way to lower the cost of living. The best way to lower the cost of living is to recover a quantiliving. The best way to lower the cost of living is to produce larger quantities of food to live upon and at lower cost. And Japanese labor could help us do this.

I am blamed for blaming my own to country for being in the wrong. I do blame my country for the attribute toward the Japanese in the respects mental toward the Japanese in the Japanese in the respects mental toward the Japanese in the respects mental toward the world."

JAMES HOYE.

ing a living or in developing civiliz society fundamentally, I have keenly society fundamentally, I have keenly felt afterward, the waste of years and work and childish suffering. I intend to spare my little boy this intense suffering even if I have to take time to teach him myself.

Later I have had the opportunity to take these years under the University.

LAND VALUES ARE IN DISPUTE Property Owners Assert Knowledge of Prices on Right of Way.

PORTLAND, March 20.—(To the Edi-tor.)—Many of the persons through whose land the proposed road between Oswego and Oregon City is laid out have owned their property for a long time, some, to my knowledge about 20 years and it appears to me they would years, and it appears to me they would than the right of way agents of the road who are, most of them, newcomers

The railroad company has the right

to Oregon.

The Ladies' Uplift, though a long time divided.
Unanimous finally up and decided
That it was not right nor intelligent that
They go to extremes on the price of a hat,
And so they agreed, when they voted upon it.
Five dollars was 'nough fer a new Easter bonnet.

When I heered about it, I lauded their plan
As destined to lighten the burdens of man,
Det seeks the manning man, and is using them, to say to these people, we will condern your property. This is a great power in the hands of a railroad company and, instead of the railroad company getting deeds for rights of way, it is using the club and taking deeds for an absolute fee to the land. The railroad company, by use of eminent domain, has the right to take the property at any time it sees fit, in any particular quantity or shape as it pleases, and after the jury returns the verdict to the court the railroad has the election or option to pay the money and take the land, or to pay the costs and drop the matter. This, certainly gives the railroad by far the advantage as far as the law is and the club, and is using them, to My daughter she stopped me and made protection on a jury of 12 men, and cannot have his property taken from his My daughter she stopped me and made not have his property taken from him me set down;
"You needn't slip out and go tratpsin' until the money is actually paid.

A. KING WILSON.

SIMPLIFY BROADWAY NUMBERING And while I was settin' and fumin' and Objection Is Entered to Encumbering

System With Direction Prefixes.
PORTLAND, March 20.—(To the Edi-PORTLAND, March 20.—(To the Editor.)—Why should Broadway street be encumbered with east, north and south?' Are not the numbers alone sufficient to locate the place and much less confusing? Those prefixes are seldem used even where they are most required, in addressing letters, much to the confusion of the malicarrier and consequent delay in delivery.

The prefixes north, south, etc., are now used on our streets for the reason that those streets are numbered from

that those streets are numbered from of Oregon.

Currency reform may be taken up merely as a sugar coating to the bitter tariff dose.

With her jest explainin, to quiet my hollers;

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With her jest explainin, to quiet my southerly direction. This condition does not or need not exist in the numberely as a sugar coating to the bitter tariff dose.

And then she'd try somethin else on pie who were consulted in the matter me and jab My head with a pin, if I'd struggle or Mr. Munley, who are opposed to it, not-grab.

Well I got fortorner than ever you saw:

B. F. SODEN,

Half a Century Ago

From The Oregonian of March 23, 1863. Headquarters Sixth Army Corps, ear White Oak Church, Va., March .— Unmistakable preparations are low being made for a speedy movement of the Army.

Caire, Ill., March 14.-Memphis vices to March 12 say an important movement of troops was taking place below. The particulars are contra-band. The Yazoo Pass expedition against Vicksburg, it is likely, has given up an vicksburg, it is likely, has given up advantage not heretofore appreciated

Vicksburg to March 9 state that the leClernand's troops have pelled to embark for Milliken's 16 miles above this point. The Pass project is an entire success.

New York, March 15.—Secretary Thuse has been very successful in mak-ng arrangements for extensive loans

San Francisco, March 15. — The schooner J. M. Chapman, which cleared for Mansanillo yesterday, was boarded this morning by three boats from the United States sloop of war Cyane and towed to Fort Alcatraz. She is filled with arms and ammunition and was intended for a rebel privateer.

In Memoriam—The poor Commercial came to an untimely end on Saturday. It hated the Union, the Government and all good things and it loved with all its petty heart Jeff thavis' secession, slavery and everybody who sympathized with them. A volunteer militia company, con

sisting of some 40 odd members, was organized in this city on Saturday. The following were elected officers: N. S. Powell, captain; S. F. Kerns, first lieu-tenant; E. B. Dufur, second lieutenant, and C. H. Hill, first sergeant.

Rooms are being fitted up in the Ploneer Hotel in this city for the of-fice of the Overland Telegraph. The wires will reach Salem in a few days.

Twenty-five Years Ago

From The Oregonian of March 22, 1888. From The Oregonian of March 22, 1888.
Washington, March 21. — Senator Dolph's bill granting the State of Oregon five townships, including the famous Crater Lake, for a public park, passed the Senate this afternoon.

Washington, March 21 .- Denis Kear-Washington, March 21.—Denis Kearney had an interview with the President today and denounced the pending
Chinese treaty. The President said he
thought the treaty would be at least
tried for a while. Kearney said that
if it were it would mean the loss of
14 electoral votes of the Pacific Coast
the Democratic party. o the Democratic party.

Arlington, Or., March 21.—The long-dreaded fire flend has at last done its work in our city. It destroyed Ralston's building, in which was H. S. Comfort's small stock of drugs. D. S. Sprinkie & Co.'s store building, the Arlington Times building, J. L. Adams' racant building, the building of M. C Harris, J. E. Haskins' old blacksmith shop and the county Jall. On the op-posite side of the street it burned Kirby's hall, J. B. Wood's furniture and provision store, a building owned by

in the shade was quite cool. If bees were at work in the gardens a single white butterfly was seen flitting around. Councilman Woodward was last night

concliman woodward was last flight excused from attending Council for three months. He is going to Call-fornia to secure from for the proposed extension of the Transcontinental Street Railway, of which he is super-

Richard Harding Davis and

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The Oregonian on the question of lovalty. Venus Rivaled-A pretty Swedish girl is heralded as the most beautiful and perfectly

molded of women. Perfect Gown at \$10-It has arrived to remove the bachelor's

terror of marriage. Helen Keller at Close Range -The result of many months in company with the wonderful blind girl is condensed into a readable article by Robert H.

The Law May Curb Fashion

-Congress is to be asked to make feather decorations illegal. Sarah Bernhardt-She con-

Moulton.

tinues her absorbing letters on current topics.

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