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### THE UNDERWOOD TARIFF.

complishment of certain purposes, but it is difficult to conceive how some of its provisions agree with that aim. and other grain? The Democrats rejected the difference in cost of production between this and foreign countries as the basis of duties, but ports will increase? If more apples this difference is accepted by Mr. Underwood as a guide in fixing what he calls a competitive tariff. He conferms imposition of higher duties on imports from countries which make plegrower happier. imports from countries which make plegrower happier. reciprocity treaties with us, but ses a 10 per cent duty on flour This is obviously aimed at

clearly retaliatory. Little fault will be found, except by protectionists, with the of the iniquitous tariff on standpat manufacture of wool, but as much nnot be said of the free wool pro-Why should revenue be raised by a duty of 10 cents a bushel on wheat which incidentally protects the wheat-grower, and not by an equivavool? Both are necessaries of life, but we are exporters of wheat while we are importers of wool. The latter would be a better revenue producer than wheat and would part-

We shed no tears over the troubles of the steel trust, but what consisfron and band fron?

It may be sound policy to tax luxumore heavily than necesaries, but n lumping together all kinds of cutery and all kinds of furniture neces saries seem to be confounded with luxuries. The pool man's jackknife and the rich man's pearl-handled mife; the cheap furniture of the workingman's cottage and the costly furniture of his employer's mansion are equally taxed. Some kind of st pocket-knife is necessary to every nan: so is some furniture to ever home. Surely the principle which Mr. Underwood has laid down requires ome distinction between that which is so cheap as to be a bare necessity

So far as the principle of high duware, are highly protective. The pot-tery manufacturers of New Jersey East Liverpool, O., are well

The Underwood tariff may reduce the cost of living; it may remove some iniquities of the existing tariff, but it will leave many a favored inestry and many a covert for monopoly and special privilege.

# SCIENCE AND SCIENTISTS

a sandstone ledge for 3,-000,000 years.

about that length of time, but 2,000,000 years, no more, no less. In Saurolophus, the dispatches failing to give the sex. "Three million years the discoverer, "when Calgary was in a sub-tropical country, a dying saurolephus dragged its several tons of flesh and benes out of a lake near where Caigary now stands, and, shaking its huge, leathery crest for the last time, stretched out its webbed feet, and, with a farewell sigh to its friends and near relatives, which sounded like the exhaust from a locomotive, lay down the warm sands and died.

How truly remarkable that science can thus depict a deathbed scene which occurred 3,000,000 years ago on the 17th day of last March! Note that the saurolophus gave a departing sigh for its friends and near rela-Notice again that after it "dragged its several tons of flesh and bones out of the lake," it "lay down on the warm sands" and gave up the

as to the details of events which occurred a century or so ago they seem to be at sea, often falling to within a few decades. But when they deal in centuries by the thousand or choice. The spectacle of the Oregon ten thousand they fit their facts to- Legislature going about its proper may dispute them.

Sometimes when we read such startling statements as that emanat-Calgary we are reminded of Bret Harte's story of Truthful James about the "Society upon the Stanis-

Then Brown he read a paper and demon-

strated there, paper and demon-from these same hones an animal that was extremely rare.

is not scientifically inclined may confront him with facts and confuse and
confound him. When, however, a
scientist goes back 2,000,000 years he
is anfe, as the Calgary discovery
shows. Note what a picture is drawn
of the death scene. Observe that the of the death scene. Observe that it may animal was surrounded by friends as occasion may demand that it may and relatives, that it gave a farewell continue to be of the greatest utility sigh, then stretched out its webbed to the American people. feet and lay down on the hot sandsand died!

How wonderful is science, but how more wonderful are much clentists!

citizens of Oregon. It ought to be especially interesting to all the protectionist Republicans who voted for President Wilson on the theory that it was time to change, thus joining in the general National mandate upon the new Administration to revise and reduce the tariff. The new bill shows that the President and Congress are The Underwood tariff bill is pro-claimed by its author to aim at the gles, laths and pickets and other lumber products are on the free list.

Agricultural products are generally reduced. Apples go from 25 cents to Its design is said to be reduction of the cost of living by placing necessary the cost of living by placing necessary cents to 10 cents a bushel, and wheat from 25 cents to 10 cents a bushel. We import little wheat and few apples now, and we are told that these particular tariff changes will make no difference the cost of pro-

from those countries which have like toward the West Umatilla project, undoubtedly the people of Oregon Canada, the principal country which find added cause for congratulation is likely to attempt exportation of that we are rid of the reactionary flour to the United States. The duty Taft, and are in for four years-or more, perhaps—of the progressive Wilson and his progressive lieutenants.

### UNWARRANTED AGITATION.

formidably-named Oregon Higher church and state. The effort t Educational Institutions Betterment inate it and reduce eating to beague; and they ought to be in bet- utilitarian rite will always fail. er business than supporting the pertency is there between taxed pig iron mate object of consolidation with the worth on the skin and bone basis?

and free steel rails, barbed wire, hoop State Agricultural College. The Oregon Higher Institutions Betterment League will, besides, if it secures suf-ficient signatures to procure the referendum, definitely assume the respon-sibility of causing a special election in November at a cost of \$50,000 to \$100,000, and of projecting upon the public an issue that might well be deferred for another year, if not whol-

abandoned. We hear, of course, that the dentists are going to have a referendum, anyway, and therefore they are reasible for the special election; but doubtless the dentists will say that Brother Parkison is busy again, and therefore they cannot afford to neglect the opportunity to hold up a bill and that which is so costly as to be a they do not like. "Passing the buck"

is an old game. It seems to The Oregonian that

# MODERNIZING THE CONSTITUTION.

which the states have acted. it is really more than remarkable within a few days the first state rati- themselves be defective. This law is just how scientists can tell to the min- ned it. Other states have done so with deduced by sound reason from the ute the age of foszil remains which they from time to time unearth. Near credited method of Senatorial election. All they needed was the opportunity. This is the climax of over the running back through a half giant lizard, called by scientists a sau- fifty years of agitation, which has dozen generations and in every inrolophus, which had 'remained un- been particularly active during the stance

ernment took final shape amen ment ity the delinquencies and offenses of the Constitution has been possievery detail the men of science give ble only in times of political convul-the facts of the death of Mr. or Mrs. sion. The first ten amendments were adopted by Congress within two years after the convention of 1787 had sub- mal. essary to complete its work. Con-actually to have made them fertile in gress adopted the eleventh amend-proportion to their unfitness. ment in 1794 and the twelfth in 1893.

income tax and direct Senatorial elections is the fruit of a pacific revolulot, continued with the direct primary terrific rigor to children. states as Illinois, Colorado and Delaware had deadlocks, bribery scandals and obstructed legislation, acted as a

new system. Congress having become more re-us again and again. Greece ponsive to public opinion under the Rome fell because their gifted cla direct primary system, and that system having given public opinion the opportunity of free expression, we it will be remembered that Abner may expect that the new series of other causes assisted in the misernew upset these "facts" by showing amendments will be continued. Rethat the remains of this prehistoric vival of the third-term issue at the
criminals among its membership inanimal were really the remains of a last election and the vote in the Sen-mule of recent days. Of course Bret ate and the Democratic declaration in was trying to cast opprobrium upon favor of a single term for the Presi-the scientists, and by the story they dent justify belief that this subject

deal with the affairs of his day, not even with the days of his father or grandfather. If he does someone who is not scientifically inclined may control him with facts and control to the suffrage and the suffrages to the promising heavily aggressive policy of the suffragists the promising heavily.

### RYE BREAD AND SKIM MILK

Professor Charles Kruger's solution of the "cost of living problem" may not be the most attractive in the world, but it is complete. By limiting PROGRESS. his diet to skim milk and rye bread sometimes be inhuman. A person the tariff bill ought to make he has brought its cost down to 9 who can earn his living in the open mighty interestin' readin' for all the cents a day. The Beef Trust has no market ought to be permitted to do not distinguished without too much turb his serenity of soul. At the coffee trust he derisively snaps his fingers and he bites his thumb satirically at the minions of the sugar trust. Free and independent of all monopolies. Professor Kruger shines in the admiring eyes of the Berkeley stu-dents like a light set on a hill which that the President and contains literally dents like a light set bread, if it is wool, flour, fish, lumber and shin-properly mixed and baked, contains properly mixed and baked, contains pretty nearly all the ingredients that a human being needs for his nutrition and the few which it lacks exist in skim milk. So Professor Krueger has lighted upon a complete diet, a bal-anced ration, as it were, cheap and nutritious. The only trouble with it is that very few people like rye bread and nobody likes skim milk.

Even as most reforms do when they are pushed to their logical conclusion, Professor Kruger's great dietetic revolution issues in an offense to human nature. A life of unrelieved virtue would be unendurable both to the perdisgrower happier.

Between the tariff and the hostile between the hostile between the tariff and the hostile between the attitude of the Interior Department Professor Kruger's perfect food regi-Who wants to devour rye bread morning, neon and night for sixty or seventy years, washed down by a pallid rivulet of skim milk? Life demands color and variety as well as moral perfection, and the stomach cannot be satisfied for long with the mere chemical elements needed for nutrition. It must have sapidity as well as sub-The names of several excellent citistance. Art has an indispensable ens are to be found in Mr. Parkison's place at the table as well as in Higher church and state. The effort to elima bald Professor Kruger's dietetic practice is a sistent and notorious activities of pro-fessional agitation. The Oregonian is It is one of those dreadful old attempts opposed to any referendum of any to solve the problem of life by "going legislative measure except for the without." A person can always make clearest reasons of public policy; and it protests against this referendum of enough grit and determination. He the State University appropriation (\$175,000), for the motive is frankly diet but in his religion, his love and to cripple the university with the ulti-

A great deal of harm has been done in the world by the kind of reckless thinking in which Elizabeth Stuart Phelps indulged when she wrote that "God makes new Adams every day." Ignorance of the laws of heredity was so common when she wrote this foolish sentence that we must no doubt excuse her for it, but such nonsense would now be unpardonable from the pen of the flightiest "lady novelist." God does not make new Adams every day. Each child born into the world starts life with the capacities and defects which its parents impart and it has nothing else to begin with, If both parents lack a certain quality there is acquire it. By good luck he may inherit a gift which only one parent possesses, but if neither of them has it So far as the principle of high duties or luxuries is carried out, the
timpossibility of avoiding incidental
protection is demonstrated. No man
can deny that duties of 50 per cent
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the first a gift which is needed, their offspring will necessarily be defective and may be im-

becile. The world must abandon the illu-Connecticut secures the honor of sory hope that in some mysterious being the thirty-sixth state to ratify way the children of defectives stand the constitutional amendment provid- a chance of coming into life with a ing for direct election of United States full mental and bodily equipment. Senators and thus making it effective. Ratification of this amendment cannot be drawn from an empty well. is remarkable for the readiness with The parents cannot give what they do which the states have acted. Less not possess. It is as certain as anythan a year has elapsed since Con-thing can be that the children progress submitted the amendment, but duced by congenital defectives will it comes to light that heredltary defects remain hereditary. History shows that since the Govoffspring repeat with hopeless fideltheir progenitors. Another fact in this connection which ought to be insisted upon is that the defective classes are nore prolific than those that are nor-Not only do they procreate with in the cretaceous period," says mitted the Constitution and were nec- utter recklessness, but nature seems

proportion to their unfitness.
On the other hand the normal Up to that date the Constitution was members of society have few children in its formative stage. That having and the tendency is to have still passed, no amendment was adopted fewer. It is an obvious consequence Congress until the reconstruction that unless the fertility of the unfit era, though more than 400 were prois checked in some way their descendposed. The three then adopted and
ants will presently possess the earth.
It is vain to imagine that hereditary civil war and the temporary disfran-chisement of rebellious states. deficiencies can be cured by educa-tion. Good schools and teachers can chisement of rebellious states, tion. Good schools and teachers can The series of amendments which do a great deal for the young, but has begun with the adoption of the they cannot fill blanks in the mind nor supply missing organs to the body. The Scripture text that as the tion which began with the secret bal- tree falls so it must lie applies with ranged its several tons of flesh and ones out of the lake," it "lay down in the warm sands" and gave up the latter to the warm sands" and gave up the latter to the details of events which octage to the details of events which octage a content of the scientists. Oregon gave an object lesson in the advantages of its plan of direct election of the scientists. Oregon gave an object lesson in the advantages of its plan of direct election of the church to rectify a bad of the content of the content of the scientists. tion of Senators, which made the elec- heredity is to lean on the frailest of tion by the Legislature a mere per-functory ratification of the popular through and through. We must not choice. The spectacle of the Oregon expect impossibilities from any huthey fit their facts to-ich a nicety that no man business of making laws, while such the world from the multiplication of congenital criminals and defectives is certain to go on increasing unic is checked by positive measures which powerful argument in favor of the take all the facts into account

How real this peril is history show Greece and perished and the unfit took their places. War exterminated many of the highly-endowed element, other causes assisted in the misertermarried in order to keep their property together and thus the prode acientists, and by the story they dent justify belief that this subject ductive power of both nations went to support the most unworthy part of the contemporaneous times. That ing of the Presidential term. Direct could have been expected from such

When, however, a 3,000,000 years he Calgary discovery a picture is drawn Observe that the naded by friends a cocasion may demand that it may a farewell continue to be of the greatest will be followed by the interior element produced children. What happened to Spain in consequence we all know. The same fate threatens the most progressive of the modern nations. The birth rate of the intelligence of the modern happened by friends as occasion may demand that it may gent classes is sinking and that of the greatest willing the following the interior element produced children. What happened to Spain in consequence we happened to Spain in con the fools and thieves is rising. What can be done about it?

A writer in the April Forum compares the efficacy of segregation and sterilization. The undesirable classes can be kept from propagating their kind either by shutting them up for life or by surgical operation, Perpetual imprisonment is expensive and may ties can be baffled without too much cruelty. Modern science has found a way to effect this purpose by an operation both simple and painless. Sentimentality seems to be almost the sole obstacle in the way of applying it to persons whose offspring are sure to belong to the undesirable class. To overcome the spirit of mistaken sympathy we must rely upon education. It is important to develop in the world deep-seated repugnance to bad heredity. Mankind must learn to loathe unsocial marriages as it does incest and unnatural crimes. This feeling can be developed in time, but the process will probably be a little tedious and meanwhile we must dispose as best we can of the ever-increasing army of the unfit who prey

through life. The City Council has before it for action today an ordinance imposing a heavy license upon transient "merchants." or salesmen of Eastern and other concerns, who come here to sell goods from their temporary salesrooms at a hotel or other convenient headquarters. The ordinance ought by all means to pass as a measure of protection to the public on the one hand and to the local merchants on the other These come-and-go fellows pay no taxes, have no local investment, contribute nothing to the public welfare and are concerned only in getting something without making any idequate return. They are crafty. plausible and often unscrupulous; and their business is not fair nor legitimate competition. If the imposition of a heavy license shall put an end to it, the public will be the better off.

That professor at Berkeley who is living on rye bread and skim milk at a cost of 9 cents a day is not setting an example to anybody. Those who cannot afford more will be ashamed of such a diet and those who can buy anything they want will do so and eat it.

long war of negro? puted territory, held by the strongest, who were the Montenegrins until the powers threw their weight into the scales.

Controller shows the deposits in National banks of Portland have in-creased \$3,000,000 in sixty days, which must grieve those croakers and pessi-mists who made dire predictions following the election.

That college professor who is living on 9 cents a day may have solved the no conceivable way for the child to high cost of living problem. But his

Nearly one-half the immigrants into anada last year were from the United States. The "star of empire" gone the limit westward, they simply had to turn north in their irresistible

What chance has a lawyer to work up the sensibilities of a jury to the equitting point if he is to be interrupted as Judge Landis interrupted Mr. Robinson at the Frost trial?

The spectacle of a woman in blue velvet gown and suede shoes working as "scrub lady" is not inspiring, but her determination to earn money by honest labor is commendable Mayor Rushlight's new woman sec

retary has not registered and an-nounces that she has no interest in But will the Mayor permit that vote to go to waste

bunco man, says the love of his young wife keeps him straight. As the wife has just inherited \$10.000, his devotion is remarkable

can suffragette in an English prison we are convinced that she should be given treatment in a sanitarium inbelt, announces what it calls a

times ball" for the delectation of its blase capitalists. An Astoria man went insane while awaiting trial. Perhaps he will reover his reason if a verdict of acquit-

tal is secured California is not backing down on the alien land act-just trimming it a with a string on the citizenship

A shipment of cheap beef from Aus. tralia is being held up by San Fran-cisco officials. Has Ruef a successor? The principal danger is that Europe

problem.

will go off half co-Americans gazing across the border battles of Mexicans need to be

with its hair-trigger nervous system,

A sign of Spring: The weather man's prediction of "winds shifting to

Michigan is on record again as being against equal suffrage.

duty is put on razors?

ation Should Be Performed by Two-Operation Should Be Performed by Two-cyed Committee, Says Writer.

GOLD HHLL, April 7.—(To the Edi-tor.)—The Oregonian touches a vital question in the editorial "Some Old Party Caucus." We have government by party blas. The Republican party, with a tendency somewhat overdone to carry the political pendulum towards "protection." and the Democratic party

doubtiess, in part, to overpractice of business, Extravagance and waste will disappear only in the face of necessity. The railroads have been denied their demands for greater protection in the guise of advanced rates by the counter demand of the Government that they stop waste and improve efficiency. Efficiency might be defined as the economy of labor and the best sign in the business world today is this slogan. This is and is to be an important factor in the solution of the vexed question: "What industry needs protection, and in what degree?"

We are surrounded by older nations.

This is accounty experiment farm would be and he replied that the expert would be, and he replied that the expert would have to go to the experiment farm would have to go to the experiment farm.

This, then, would be the secret of the success of the movement for country argueulturists, that we be wise enough to select men who have the ability to show the farmer right on his own ground what he needs to do to increase the productiveness of his farm, to show him how and when to market his product and, most important of all, men whom the farmer would trust. In order that the expert would be the expert would have to go to the experiment farm.

and wheedle and whine their way

If Montenegro's war on Albania is a war of conquest what else was the ong war of the Turks on Montenegro? Scutari has long been distinctively one of the Montenegrins until the owers threw their weight into the cales.

Response to the latest call of the controller shows the deposits in National banks of Portland have increased \$3,000,000 in sixty days, which tust grieve those cronkers and pessiting the problem of the latest three toward Montenegro is in keep late in those 12 years I learned to love the English people, and to admire their ideals of fair play and a square deal of the latest three years have somehow changed Groat Britain. The English people seem to be no long to everybody. The last three years have somehow changed Groat Britain. The English people seem to be no long to everybody. The last three years have somehow changed Groat Britain. The English people seem to be no long to everybody. The last three years have somehow changed Groat Britain. The English people seem to be no long to everybody. The last three years have somehow changed Groat Britain. The English people seem to be no long to the quiet, stoical, sport-loving nation of yesterday; they have become the problem of finding the board-feet in a certain piece of timber. Now it seems to me that he should know (being a teacher) that the public schools do not turn out what he is pleased to call the "finished product," and that there are men by the hundred who sent in erroneous answers to the problem of finding the board-feet in a certain piece of timber. Now it seems to me that he should know (being a teacher) that the public schools do not turn out what he is pleased to call the "finished product," and that there are men by the hundred who sent in erroneous answers to the problem of finding the board-feet in a certain piece of timber.

Now it seems to me that he should know (being a teacher) that the public schools do not turn out what he is pleased to call the "finished product," and that there are men by the hundred schools do not turn out wh ing with the Britain of the last three years. I was not surprised when I read that England was one of the leaders in the demonstration against Monte-

stupid Russia that the high cost of living problem. But his diet is one calculated to bring him shortly in touch with the high cost of dying and the advanced price of interment.

Because the District Attorney could not find time to prosecute him, a man held at Astoria seven months awaiting trial has gone insane. Instances of this nature show the merit of the contempt of this great, free regounty.

Stupid Russia that the dagainst such jaw artists should fall, but against such and nations as Germany, Britain and Austria, who have not been true to their dieals or best instincts. When Russia acted the part of the bully, how hitter became our press toward her. We scored her, we belittled her, we scored her, we belittled her, we scored her unmercifully. Can we do less when nations of markedly higher ideals prostitute their better instincts for a lesser cause? Austria deserves the contempt of this great, free regalulate told me she had "went all through English, but just detested all through English and the content of the original and bought of the original and bought of the object of the original and bought of the original and bought of

If Britain or Austria or Germany or Italy robs Montenegro of her bard-won victories, then the press of these United States should thunder forth their pro-tests. Our American ideals of fair play

demand this.

Part English as I am, and with several relatives serving the cause of Britain in the army, I am heartily and unreservedly against the present policy of the Empire. In the interests of justice (and The Oregonian I have always found on the right side) you should voice your disgust at the action of the five "great" nowers. of the five "great" powers.
A. K. BUTTERFIELD.

### LAND HELD BACK FROM USAGE. Tygh Valley Man Criticises Despotic Land Office Methods.

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The "Broncho Kid," famous as a uniton man, says the love of his young life keeps him straight. As the wife as just inherited \$10.000, his devotor is remarkable.

As we read of the unhappy Amerian suffragette in an English prison we are convinced that she should be tiven treatment in a sanitarium intead.

Prosperous Condon, in the wheat elt, announces what it calls a "hard imes ball" for the delectation of its in the shousands of acres on the improved acres of the improved acres of the improved acres o

clerk sees fit to turn him down.

I know thousands of acres on the eastern slope of the Caseade Forest Reserve, mostly covored with brush, scrub oak and a few old scrub pines, that people would like to take and make into homes. It would be worth the land and more to clear it and make. into homes. It would be worth the land and more to clear it and make a ome of it. But as the department is we managed, homesteaders cannot get e land. And what the great Government of the United States can possibly want of these old scrub pines is one

of the mysteries of the age.

If you can hammer on this question till Congress wil get at the Job and straighten out the Land Department the homesteader will owe you a debt of gratitude. A. A. B.

PORTLAND, April 5.—(To the Edi-tor.)—I am a chiropodist, having had 24 years' experience, and have never randered my services to the City of Portland unless I have been compen-sated for it, but at this time I would be glad to show my appreciation by announcing that I will trim the part sated for it, but at this time I would be glad to show my appreciation by announcing that I will trim the pert lion's nails free of charge, providing that you will held the lion. DR. OLIVER O. FLETCHER.

### Signs of a Future Novelist London Sketch. 'Arold-Who giv' yer yer black eye.

Is shaving a luxury, that so high a nty is put on razors?

A new Japanese scare is tuning up.

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CUTTING TARIFF DELICATE TASK. NEEDS OF OUR AGRICULTURISTS Expert Advisers and Co-Operation Will

> M'MINNVILLE, Or., April 6 .- (To the Editor.)-I have just read with much interest your editorial on the County
> Agriculturist. There are two important things that the county expert
> should be which you falled to mention.
> He should be able to teach the farmers

carry the political pendulum towards "protection," and the Democratic party with opposite ideals, overdoing the effort to swing the pendulum in the opposite direction, keep the business of the country in a state of dread.

The writer is a moderate protectionist, but is favorably impressed with the economic philosophy of Underwood, who would strike at the extrawagant administration of business by removing the protective support upon which it feeds.

Economy is the child of necessity. That the Nation is low in "efficiency" compared with some older ones is due doubtiess, in part, to overpractice of business, Extravagance and waste will disappear only in the face of necessity. The railroads have been denied their demands for greater protection in the rules of advanced rates by the country. The railroads have been denied their demands for greater protection in the rules of advanced rates by the country.

question: "What industry needs protection, and in what degree?"

We are surrounded by older nations, most of whom have reached the limit of population, and are therefore in a constant swarming stage, as between seas of different level, currents are set up, ever seeking to establish equilibrium, not alone in population, but in every economic condition.

We are expending untoid millions on education and many other exalted altruistic ideals of modern civilization, while the ideal of vast multitudes of Asiatics could be well expressed in the word "bread."

Here is another and still more im-

Asiatics could be well expressed in the word "bread."
Here is another and still more important factor in the solution of the vexed question of tariff revision, now before the committee of a political faction whose bias toward free trade has been accented by the abuses of protection.

There is no politics in the cry "keep them out." But if they remain at home in the land of low ideals or no ideals and share our markets, without paying even a peddler's license, what is to become of our ideals of civilization? The city merchant is protected from the peddler, for the good and sufficiently in the chronic knocker with which the majority of our small towns is intested, and try in every community to tested.

to become of our ideals of civilization? The city merchant is protected from the peddler, for the good and sufficient reason that he shares the city's burden of expense. An object viewed with one eye does not have the same apparent place when viewed with the other.

Yes, revision should be done by both-eyed committee. OBSERVER.

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System, the chronic knocker with which the majority of our small towns is infested, and try in every community to inject a spirit of friendly rivalry with other places in the state to see which one may be known first to the outside world as the place which is better than any other for some one thing. Just as Hood River is known for its apples, and Independence for its hops, why shouldn't Amity, for instance, be known for a certain breed of dairy cattle, GREAT POWERS HELD RAPACIOUS

Their Attitude Toward Plucky Montenegro Termed An Outrage.

PORTLAND, April 7.—(To the Editor.)—As an American I wish to voice
my protests against the cowardly attitude of the European "concert"
toward the plucky little kingdom of
Montenegro.

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For 12 years I lived in Protests against the country Life Commission.

But for him to condemn all those who

never attended the public schools im plies that there are no other means o in the demonstration against Montenegro.
It is not against poor, blundering,
stupid Russia that the blows of the
jaw artists should fall, but against such
Definition of the state there are no other master of
one can acquire at school), and information is not education. Yet I do not
wish to be understood as opposing the
public schools, but I do most streng-

their very freedom. And has she received this contempt? No. Our newspapers have been very busy making excuses for Austria's conduct there during the past six months, and yet we owe nothing to Austria, the world owes little to her, she has been a blot (how often!) upon the civilization of Europe. If Britain or Austria or Germany or Italy robs Montenegro of her hard-won of a few. of a few.

In conclusion, I would say that my in conclusion, I would say that my work involves problems of a nature which no public school touches upon—so far as I know—and which, if I followed the rules laid down in the textbooks on the subject, would involve serious consequences to myself and my employers.

The rules are correct, theoretically, but I know that if allowances are not made for expansion and contraction of the material (for instance) he "finished product" would be something different from what I intended. I could not have learned this in a public school sven if I had ever attended one. This knowledge is acquired at a certain school, but the school in question is not presided over by Mr. Vincent and his lik—I mean the great school of experience.

MR. WILSON IS A GOOD SLEEPER

There are more feet, at the intersection of about a dozen feet, at the intersection of Third street, huge logs and stumps, which greatly impeded their work. An old resident said there used to be a deep guich there. "There were several deep ravines between here and Salmon stret," said he. "In the vicinity of Lincoln and First streats were three quite deep ones. Another crossed First streat near Hall and it is only a few years since there was a great chasm there with a pond at the bottom, where hosts of frogs used to sing on Spring evenings." employers. The rules are correct, theoretically,

Morris chair or a seat in a train.

President Wilson's penchant for sleep reminds one of ex-President Roosevelt's faculty for dropping off to the Land of Nod at random. And it is no mean virtue, either, for men in public life, especially for those who bear the burdens of the Government and whose lejsure is for the mest part taken and many

of the Government and whose transits is for the most part taken up in making speeches or receiving visitors.

Nine hours' sleep is what the President requires to keep himself in first-class trim for peace, war or riding the hicycle—his favorite recreation. At the blcycle—his favorite recreation. At any rate he so declared himself a few months ago, and President Wilson is a great stickler for putting his maxims into practice. Besides this regular allotment, the President has a knack of dropping off for a nap between times when the ship of public business is running smoothly and no one is looking. During the campaign he used to take

### Ballad of the Hobos By Dean Collins.

A couple of hobos were hitting the

i north with the coming of Spring; rambled with greans and they rambled with sighs. For they had not eaten a thing For two days or more, as they pounded

the truck; Their appetites cried and their belt bands were slack, they plodded morosely and sul-lenly "cussed." And And yearned for a sandwich, or even a

They rested awhite in the shade of & And pendered on good things to eat And, borne on a passing breeze, flut-

tered and sank
A bit of newspaper sheet.
"Oh, breeze," sighed the 'boes, "You are mighty unkind.

Dispensing not grub, but mere food for the mind." But nevertheless, in despite of their blues. They picked up the fragment to gather the news.

They read of the riots in England pro-

voked: Of suffragists hustled to jail;

They read of the way that the victuals were poked Or poured down their throats with a pail.

Oh rash, rabid women," in 'mazement

cried they,
"To hunger strike thus." Then they
rose right away.
And headed for England. As swiftly they paced.

met them and asked them the cause of their haste. ward they sped;
"We're going to London, you bet.
Where one is locked up and is forcibly fed,

If he be a fierce suffragette Oh pork chops, oh sausage, pickles and

beans! We'll go and smash windows in small smithereens.

And this is the reason to London we're We want to get in on that forcible

## Half a Century Ago

Montenegro.

For 12 years I lived in England, and in those 12 years I learned to love the English people, and to admire their ideals of fair play and a square deal to everybody. The last three years have somehow changed Great Britain. The English people seem to be no long- for the english people seem to be no long- have somehow changed Great Britain. The english people seem to be no long- for the english peop

The Oregon Statesman says that Richard Williams will not accept the appointment of United States Attorney for the new territory of Idaho.

Providence, R. L. April 2.—The Republicans swept the state yesterday. Cincinnati, April 2 .- Accounts of the battle of Somerset say the rebels num-bered 2600 and were overtaken five miles north of Somerset. After five hours' fighting the rebels fled, pursued

by our cavalry to the river. Washington, April 3.—The public lands to be sold during the Summer include 3,000,000 acres in Washington Territory.

Certain parties went to San Fran-cisco a short time since and bought s large quantity of old and speiled bacon for almost nothing and brought it up to this city. Here it was washed and smoked, put in old gunnles and a lot shipped to Victoria by last steamer for

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Oregon Telegraph Com-pany was held at the Pioneer Hotel last evening. The line is expected to be completed by September 1 or sooner.

The Trinity Episcopal school for boys, located on Fifth, between Ash and Pine streets, will hold a reception tomorrow afternoon, Rev. P. E. Hyland is principal and Charles Dusenberry

# Twenty-five Years Ago

From The Oregonian of April 9, 1888. Workmen excavating for the sawer in Lincoln street found at a depth of

There are more patients at Good Samaritan Hospital now than at previous time. Plans are now being prepared for an addition 30x100 feet and two stories high.

Articles were filed Saturday in-corporating the G. Shindler Furniture Company, to engage in the manufacture and sale of furniture.

Miss Eila C. Sabin, late principal of one of the Portland public schools, has been appointed to the professorship in the state university now held by Mrs. M. P. Spiller, who has resigned.

New Park-The Harrison & Rodgers Company will arrive here this morning and will open tenight in "The Paymaster. The stock of the Industrial Fair Association is being taken up rapidly. Up to Saturday evening over \$50,000 of the stock had been subscribed.

What Do the Colors Say?

Ohio State Journal.
This little poem was written by James Reagan, who is 7 years old:

I love the name of Washington, I love my country, 100.
I love the flag, the dear old flag, Of red and white and blue.

What do the colors say Red says "Be brave." White says "Be pure." Blue says "Be true."

During the campaign he used to take an occasional few minutes' deze between stations. He is a light sleeper and can control the time of his awakening. He awakes from one of his naps perfectly refreshed and ready for the business of the occasion.

Immediately following the wear and tear of the campaign, the President was known to have yielded to the somniferous influence of his labors for 13 or 14 hours at a stretch. But this of course is no regular custom. To go to bed at the resiful hour of 10:30 is his rule when possible.

Patient's Rude Awakening.

London Opinion.

Mrs. Garge—Garge, waken up: the doctor's sent yer sleeping draught!

On the colors say Red says "Be brave."

What do the colors say Red says "Be purse."

That little boy had been rightly interesting the true meaning of the flag. To him the flag does not stand for bossting and sentiment. It illustrates three virtues—courage, purity, fidelity. That is the lesson of the flag which everybody should learn, so as to put into their lives the virtues it proclaims. The flag that adorn peace. "What do the colors say?" They say that a person who sincerely loves the flag must be brave, pure and true; and a man doesn't leve it who isn't all these.