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DEATH OF MAYOR GAYNOR.

The death of Mayor Gaynor, New York, removes a man whose ability and personal qualities gave him larger place in the eyes of the American people than is usually held, even by the official head of the largest city in the United States. He was a man of force and character, yet he loved popular applause and so He was a man of honesty and independence, yet that did not prevent his acceptance of a Tammany nomination, He loved to make friends, but no man hit a foe harder or with greater delight in inflicting a lasting sting. He was a scholar, but he used his scholarship to good effect in fighting political battles. He was a good Demo erat, but not too good to holt and run on an independent ticket when his party turned him down.

Mayor Gaynor's sudden death reduces to two the number of candidates who are really in the running for succession to his office, but it rather confuses than simplifies the political situation in New York City. Republicans have been ill pleased with the nomination of John Purroy Mitchel, a Democrat, by the fusion forces with which they are allied. Many Democrats who like neither Tammany nor fusion balked at supporting either Mr. or Mr. McCall. Tammany sought to disclaim responsibility for the police scandal by refusing to renominate Mr. Gaynor, by thus making him "the goat" and by indersing Mr. Whitman, the prosecutor of the grafters, for District Attorney. Disgruntled Republicans and disgruntled Democrats, under these circumstances, found a welcome haven of refuge in the Gaynor camp when the Mayor be-came an independent candidate. His large personal following among men who ignore party ties in municipal campaigns made Mr. Gayner an important factor in the campaign. While he may have had no chance of success, his presence in the field was hound to have an important effect on

the chances of his rivals. The large army of voters which was rallying to him is now left without a leader. His personality and his record were his chief elements of strength and no man can fill his place. The Gaynor Republicans must either accept the fusion ticket with a grimace or nominate a ticket of their own, knowing that choice of the latter alternative will probably cause a Tammany victory. The Gaynor Demo-crats must make a like unpleasant choice between fusion and Tammany, though their leader was the object of odd plurality and over the Progressive attack from both sides. Both they by nearly 9000 plurality. The Demoand the independe moved by personal admiration for the dead Mayor will shrink from joining their recent foes, but whither can they They are as sheep without a shepherd.

THE SCHOOLROOM DRAWL.

Some of our more thoughtful contemporaries have been lamenting in recent editorials the decay of reading aloud. It is remarked delefully by one that many girls who have no voice for singing spend years and dollars in trying vainly to acquire that art when half the effort would make them delightful readers. Not elocutionists, not public performers of any species or degree, but just readthe home circle or the quiet little party of intelligent friends.

We have been in circumstances where a good reader was the best entertainer imaginable. A camp in the woods on a rainy afternoon brings his skill into excellent use. On Winter nights he, or she, shines with a mild beam which only the open fire itself can rival. In other days there was almost always some member of good by nature. Art had nothing to have done much toward teaching pockets of the farmers, for it is pupils to read aloud. The schoolroom is unintelligent, bored and distressing. cents per bushel of wheat, How Johnny and Lucy manage to acquire it is mysterious to some people but not to anybody who has frequented schools.

The drawl begins by that lingering which is inevitable when a nounce. He begins it, hesitates with as direct personal interest in the shipthe sound half inside his mouth, half ping question as in railroad rates. Any outside, and by the time he is fully ready to speak the syllables have degenerated into a disagreeable parody producer, as much as, or even more the pupil holds fast to the last syllable of a word while he figures out in his mind how to pronounce the next one. These two habits combined account largely for the schoolroom ing Nation. Without a merchant ma-drawl, which is all we have now to rine we are dependent upon British ful massacres incited by the Black substitute for the lost art of reading and other ships to carry our produce Hundreds and it was therefore com-

aloud. children acquire a crisp, vigorous ardecay of family life have progressed If we can restore

But, wrongly used, it withdraws large crops. Pennsylvania Dairy and Food Com- would be greater. There would not resembles in the intense fury of his mission has condemned more than be a famine of ships, as there was 100,000 pounds of eggs and meat during the Boer War, due to with-

which has been in cold storage in drawal of ships from Pacific Coast Philadelphia since 1906 and 40,000 wheat traffic to carry troops to South Philadelphia since 1906 and 40,000 wheat traffic to carry troops to South pounds of game which has been Africa. It is estimated that that war stored since 1911. The withdrawal of provision for the future; it was forestalling the market, which is a crime at common law. The law might well be used to regulate the quantity limit the time of storage,

FIRST GET THE BRIDGE. The Columbia River bridge project ught not at this time to be jeopar-

dized by a controversy over the proach, or approaches, from the Ore-gon side. The Oregonian is indifferent, and the great body of the public is indifferent, to the arguments and contentions of any local interest which vants the bridge to be built with reference to one street or another. The bridge is not to be built for the

enefit of Union avenue or Patton avenue, or any other avenue or thoroughfare. It is a great enterprise projected for city, county and state. The bridge should be constructed at the most available place for the crossing of slough and river, consistent with the convenience of the whole public. If that place, so far as the Oregon approach is concerned, shall be Patton t shall be Union avenue, let it be Union avenue. Or if it shall be both, or neither, let it be both or neither. But we have no idea, as a correspondent recently suggested, that two Oregon approaches are to be built costing from \$400,000 to \$500,000 each. That is out of the question

The County of Clarke, in Washing-ton, has voted a bond issue of \$500,000 bridge. The proposal for Multnomah County is \$1,250,000, making a total of \$1,750,000. The structure-24-foot roadwaywill cost \$1,666,760, according to the estimate of Engineer Modjeski. There is not much left for two \$500,000 approaches. The County Commissioners will, of course, undertake nothing of the kind.

But The Oregonian is confident the the friends of Union avenue and Patton avenue be content until the bonds are voted for the bridge. Then the matter of the approach, or approaches, may properly be determined. But first get the funds for the bridge.

BEATING THE STANDSTILLER.

The Maine election speaks for itself. The Oregonian is rebuked by a Democratic contemporary for attempting to deceive the public as to its real neaning. It had instituted a comparison of the recent Congressional special election with the Presidential election of 1912. "It was a Republican who was elected to Congress from the Maine district in 1912," says our Democratic friend, "and his plurallty over the Democrat was then The plurality of the Republican over the Democrat in Monday's election was only 553, a falling off of 156 n the Republican plurality."

There was no Congressional cam

paign in the Third District of Maine There is therefore no such basis of omparison. The Congressional election in 1912 was in September and Republican party was then nominally united; yet the actual disordurality over the Democrat to 709. This year there was an outright bolt. just as there was in November last ear. Then the Republican candidate for President (Taft) got 7159 votes; ow the Republican candidate for Representative gets 15,106 votes and is elected over the Democrat by 500 ions has been substantially the same. The Maine election is a demonstra-

tion of conditions throughout the country. The signs are everywhere obvious that the Progressive party is not gaining, but is losing steadily and heavily. Yet it would be folly to say that the Republican party has enirely recovered from the disaster of 1912. There are yet division and unertainty, dissension and demoralization. A part of the Progressives have come back, but until all, or nearly all come, or until there is a definite realignment between the two old parties, the Republican party will not be

itself again. The Democracy is the party that stands still and wins when the opposition is united. It has stood still in Maine, but last Monday it did not

THE FARMER'S INTEREST IN SHIPS. The Panama Canal will be open to ships in December. Probably a large his body from sheer delight in cruelty. proportion of the vessels which carry Thus the matter stood for a time. The Pacific Coast wheat from Portland to Liverpool will pass through it, saving the public mind was ready for any the family who was a good reader, 5666 miles, or more than one-third, new explanation which might accord of the distance through Magellan's with its prejudices. do with it. The public schools never Straits. That will be money in the mated that freight will be reduced in drawl is unpleasantly notorious. It an amount equivalent to 51/2 to 71/2

Obviously then questions relating to merchant shipping, concern not only dwellers on the seaboard, but the farmers and others in the interior. whose products are exported, or the pupil price of whose products is affected by comes upon a new word which he the world market price. Though a does not quite know how to pro- farmer may never see a ship, he has measure which tends to reduce ocean freight rates will benefit him, as the of human utterance. Now and then than, the exporter in the seaport who

buys and ships his wheat. Had the United States rational law governing the merchant marine, this would again become a great ship-ownto market. If the nations under whose The remedy is not so obvious as the flag these ships sail engage in war, A teacher who can make they call in ships to carry troops and military supplies, and commerce sufticulation in speaking and reading has fers a famine of tonnage. Ocean less, eagerly devoured the libel and done her country a better service than freights go up and the producer's price reported to the Czar that it had been if she had led its armies into Mexico. goes down in proportion. Had we a The decay of reading aloud and the merchant marine to carry our own easy dupe. The mind of this monarch produce to market, not only would the shipbuilding industry revive and imthe first we may help restore the sec- prove the home market for farm produce, but the freight and insurance noney which now goes abroad to cre-The cold-storage warehouse adapts ate an adverse balance of trade would modern methods to the policy of Jo- stay at home to create a favorable seph, when he stored up the surplus balance. When foreign nations became crop from seven years of plenty to involved in war, American ships provide for seven years of famine. would be available to carry American Withdrawal from commerce quantities of food from the market of ships belonging to belligerent naand by creating an artificial scarcity tions would still enhance freight rates, or preventing a natural abundance it but not in as large measure, for the creates an artificial price level. The aggregate available supply of tonnage

the farm to that extent.

as subsidies, bounties, preferential dufood placed in cold storage and to ties. We need only to emancipate the begun by admitting foreign-built ships to American register. We should continue by repealing every law which enhances the cost of operating American ships beyond that of foreign ships. We should pass the bill to emancipate peonage in which the law holds them and to require skilled men on all ships. Then we should again become a seashould not be compelled to tle up warthem to sea short-handed.

THE JOYS OF OLD AGE.

The esteemed Ashland Tidings philsophizes with serene sagacity upon the blessedness of old age. "We're not proach is concerned, shall be avenue. Or if at all convinced," it observes with avenue, let it be tempered confidence, "that ripe old age isn't the best estate of all, then the heart is mellowed, the mind matured and the spirit seasoned, while in the treasury of memory are stored innumerable joys the better for the enchantment which distance lends."

This is put forth to chasten the forward enterprise of the enthusiasts who seek for the secret of perpetual youth. Some of them, the Tidings remarks with pardonable displeasure, promise themselves through a regime of "diet and exercise a life span of at least 200 years, with a sneaking hope of eternity." But no eternity for the Tidings, whose hopes are unalterably fixed, we take it, on a better land. Forgetful of the sapid peaches which bloom on the hillsides around it and the delectable pears, whose flavor Commissioners will do the best that even now is such as to make the pil-can be done for all concerned. Let grims in Beulah envious, our ascetic grims in Beulah envious, our ascetic contemporary cries "away, vain joys," and lifts its eyes in inflexible renunciation to the hills of Paradise,

What is youth? A mere fever, at unquiet dream, a hot Summer afternoon of passion which ends in satiety and leaves naught behind but sad memories and black regrets. The only time when this vale of tears yields anything like true happiness is old One is deaf then, happily deaf, so that he cannot hear the roosters crow in the morning and the motorcycles explode at midnight. If his wife scolds it makes no difference. If the neighbors quarrel he can interpret it as a love scene. Blessed is he who has no hearing.

Sight, too, goes with the years and ne is relieved of all the disagreeable visions it unfolds. Who cannot remember seeing things that remain a baleful blot in the recollection? In old age, when the eyes are gone good and all, no such painful inci-dents occur. Happy old age! Cicero wrote in praise of it after his youth last year or any previous year in was irrecoverably gone. Solomon de-which a Progressive was a candidate. nounced the worthless delights of youth when his hair was gray and his limbs withered, "Vanity of vanities," said the forlorn old preacher, tottering on the edge of the grave from which he knew "there was no return." ganization reduced the usual large Shakespeare sets forth the charms of

old age as well as anybody:
..., Last scene of all
That ends this strange, eventful history
is second childhood and mere oblivion.
Sans teeth, sans eyes, sans taste, sans every-

BITUAL MURDERS.

The debasing effects of superstition upon human intelligence are being fearfully illustrated just now by the progress of the Beills case in Russia. This man is a Jew, who has been accused of committing a ritual murder. The circumstances are these. On March 12 1911, a Russian lad named Yuschinsky was found dead in Kieff. The first and most natural supposition was that he had been killed by his own stepfather to collect his life insurance. This theory, which was commonly believed by the neighbors, explained everything connected with the incident except the savage mutilation of the boy's body. Why should his stepfather have gone to such excess? Another theory also gained some little credence. Yuschinsky had been in the habit of playing about the premises of a courtesan who harbored a band of criminals. They may have suspected that he had learned some of their secrets and to prevent any inconvenient disclosures they perhaps out him out of the way. If this was the true story of the murder one may suppose that the ruffians mutilated crime was not fully accounted for and At this stage the story came to the

ars of a Russian politician named Markov, who was exerting himself to prevent the abolishment of the "Jewsh Pale." This is a barbarous Russian institution which confines the Jews within certain territorial limits. Markov conceived the hideous thought that he might use the murder of Yuschinsky to arouse anti-Jewish prejudice and thus prevent the impending reform, He hastened to Kieff, where he held a conference with the Black Hundred leaders, who have time and again deluged Russia with blood in defence of tyranny and soon afterward posters appeared which accused the Jew Beilis of slaughtering Yuschinsky in order that his coreligionists might use his blood in their religious ceremonies. Race and religious prejudice is always strong against the Jews in Kieff. The city paratively easy for Markof to obtain credence for his malignant falsehood. The Russian Minister of Justice whose bigoted credulity seems boundfully verified. Nicholas became his presents a strange mixture of good ntentions and cowardly relapses into vicious cruelty. After making a pretense of bestowing liberty upon his people through the Duma he countenanced the murder of some of its progressive members by the Black Hundreds. His officials were present at the Kieff massacres and made no effort to check the mob, but Nicholas never reprimanded them. He is more completely under the domination of dire and unscrupulous priesthood than any powerful monarch since Philip II of Spain, whom he closely

of the ritual murder story Nicholas swallowed it whole and set the entire legal machinery of the empire at work cost the farmers of the Pacific Norths to convict Bellis. In the first place, that food from the market and its west \$4,000,000 in higher freight, a special detective was sent to Kieff tinal destruction was not simply a wise which cut down the price of wheat on to patch up a suitable framework of the case. But this man happened to have some vestiges of a conscience, in We need no artificial stimulants to the American merchant marine, such spite of his training under the Russian priesthood, and after inquiring into the circumstances thoroughly he shipping business from the shackles reported that there was no evidence with which law has bound it. We have whatever against the prisoner. To punish him for his honesty he was sentenced to a year's imprisonment. Such are the working of justice under a divinely-ordained autocracy. creatures of Nicholas and his should pass the bill to emancipate Synod are now busy weaving such American seamen from the species of shreds and tatters of falsehood as they can make available into a plot which they hope will suffice to convict Bellis before a Russian jury. Considfaring Nation, for men who now shun ering the resources at their disposal the sea would take to it. We should they ought to succeed, but there is then build up a body of seamen as a some slight prospect that their in-recruiting supply for the Navy and fernal machinery will break down. ships for lack of crews or to send fixed in contemptuous horror upon them to sea short-handed. this wretched revival of pagan and

Meanwhile the eyes of all Europe are medieval superstition. The intelligent clergy of all the great nations have repudiated any credence in ritual murders. They know very well that the Jewish religion is utterly repugnant to anything of the sort. To make the accusation still more ridiculous the leading physicians and anthropologists of Europe have declared that there are no traces of religious ceremonial in the mutilations of Yuschinsky's body. But superstitious hatred is superior

to evidence and common sense. Czar fatuously believes that the Jews killed the lad in Kieff to use his blood in the worship of Jehovah and his legal machinery will go on manufacturing evidence. The accusation of ritual murder is old and highly respectable. The pagans brought turing evidence ad majorem gloriam it against the early Christians and it lent fury to the fires that consumed martyrs. The Christian love the feast, which still survives after fashion in the Methodist Church, was said to have a roasted pagan baby for its piece de resistance. ary Chinese accuse the Christian missionaries of all denominations of killing bables for their blood, which is utilized in the church rituals. The peace-loving Quakers, of all people in the world, were formerly accused in the same way of committing hely does not permit small improbabilities to turn its course. Russia, writhing under the double tyrange of the course. under the double tyranny of its Czar and theocracy, affords the world a warning example.

Just to remind the Bulgarians that the Turkish army of today is very different from that which they routed at Kirk Kilisseh and Lule Burgas, Enver Bey has held maneuvers at recaptured | E. Adrianople. An eye-witness says of the Turks:

the Turks:

These are no longer the laggards who tramped, sunken-eyed and stupefied, with their backs bent under empty knapsacks. These men are vigorous and alert; well clad, clean and eyen spick and span; completely accourted, mansuvering competently under the direction of their officers. The systies were most capably carried out, and at the end of a hard day, of torrid heat, I saw very few stragglers. . . If the Bulgarians should attempt to retake Thrace and Adrianople they would find no longer the sick men and the Asiatic hordes who faced them before, but vigorous, disciplined troops, that have been training for nine menths, and whose souls are hungry with the desire for rovenge. the desire for revenge.

This goes to prove that preparedness prevents war, while unpreparedness is an open invitation to attack. Knowing the Turkish army to have been regenerated and their own army depleted and exhausted, the Bulgarians do not attempt to retake Adrianople.

A pleasant little rivalry has sprung and "The Star-Spangled 'America" Banner." Zealots are debating which is the more entirely suitable. "America" has the advantages of a strong spiritual tone and a compass adapted to men's voices. Its highest note is only C. which everybody can sing easily. As for "The Star-Spangled Banner," there are very few male voices which can manage both its lowest and highest notes. Its melody is really for sopranos. This consideration may ultimately prove decisive in favor of "America."

We have just been reading about a new kind of itinerant preacher. He is a young man who goes about the country with staff and scrip preaching the gospel of beauty. His text is, "The things most worth while are one's own hearth and neighborhood. To make one's dwelling and garden good to live in, to help one's neighbors clarify their lives of hate and fear, to build up brotherly kindness among the people we see every day, this is his mission. We think many such itinerants could find work. The harvest is plenteous.

At last "a new and entirely suitable substitute" for gasoline has been invented. In Great Britain the new fuel for motors costs about half as much as the old. If it is all that the reports claim, it will make motoring a more popular sport than ever. next desideratum is a tire that will not and cheap fuel will make the automobile available to thousands who now hesitate to purchase the attractive vehicle for fear of heavy running ex-

Dr. Kellogg, who is a good man and honest, says the world will run out through saving the weaklings; while scientists, also good men and honest, say there will be only standing room centuries hence. All now present and accounted for will be dead a long time before either happens.

What is said to be a "clever" counterfelt \$20 bill is in circulation. If you get one, give it to your wife, She will make the iceman change it.

Confining a man in the City Jail for stealing a Testament is not enough punishment. The judge should make him lay reader of the court. If, as scientists say, the world will

the value of a corner lot in Portland. Four valuable paintings have been discovered in the home of a plumber. Well, why not?

The "kid" who lives in or near Pendleton is the envy of Portland boydom below 15.

September Morn is beautiful, but the whole September day in Oregon beats it.

The East Side owned Broadway Without inquiring into the truth first.

Education and Supervision With Law

Enforcement Is One Recommendation. CORNELIUS, Or., Sept. 10 .- (To the Editor.)-With great interest I have been reading the different articles in been reading the different articles in The Oregonian pertaining to the traffic of liquor. It amuses me that some of our prohibitionists like Mr. Coe think the use of intoxicants—an evil which is deep rooted and diffused amongst all voting on a constitutional amendment prohibiting it. Spasmodic efforts have willized races-could be annihilated by prohibiting it. Spasmodic efforts have seldem proved a specific remedy. That prohibition has not prohibited, is shown by increased revenue, in the increased consumption of liquor. The measure is coercive and unpopular with simply

erican ideas. Education, strict supervision in mak-ing and distribution and the enforce-ment of the law will do more to solve the liquor question than all other force-ful measures. If liquor was used mod-erately, in a mild, pure form, without he many vile concoctions made from tobacco juice and other poisonous drugs, the harm done would be nompoisonous

money—will use inferior goods to make the most profit, though detrimental and injurious to the drinking public.

No doubt strong liquer is a curse to the human race and been the incentive to many crimes. But we cannot hold liquer the cause of every disease and make it accessory to every crime commake it accessory to every crime com-mitted in this country. Mr. Coe stated that there is less liquor used in Amer-ica than in European countries (except Italy). Still homicide is rated higher here per capita than in Germany and infanticide which tends to exterminate our race is practically unknown in most of the European countries where liquor is used extensively. It is claimed by high authority that the American people are degenerating at a fearful rate. After we attain middle age our teeth are decayed, our stomachs are rulned; we become altogether artificial honeless derelicts. We cannot lay

that all to the use of liquor.

Apparently Mr. Coe means to show
by the larger consumption of liquor in European countries the effects of prohibition in America. But that is misleading. In Europe everybody from the clergyman to the common laborer uses some kind of liquor in moderate way. In Germany farm laborers get their regular quantum of liquor every forenoon and afternoon, without seem-ingly bad effects. That does not prove that the Germans are a race of drunk ards, and in the beer gardens we might see their families gathered Sundays

BE OPTIMISTS AT DRAWBRIDGE Hinged Smokestack Plan for Steamers Rejected by Writer.

PORTLAND, Sept. 10 .- (To the Edi tor.)—I noticed in The Oregonian September 9 an article entitled "Long Walts for Little Boats," and signed 'L E." Having seen a number of other articles of a like nature lately, which seem totally to disregard the steamboat man's point of view on the subject, I take this opportunity to point out a few errors in thought upon the part of "L E" and the other writers.

In the first place, I would like to say that if this particular boat which caused "L. E." so much inconvenience, not to speak of the literary effort, were small., as he says, it would certainly have cleared the Broadway and upper deck of the Steel bridge, thereby causing the public of only the three re-maining bridges any delay whatever. As to the regulation of the heights of the hulls, this we know to be mere child's foolishness; and the writer of that article would probably be the first one to complain, were he to bump

his head upon the cabin ceiling.

And now we come to the vital ques tion of smokestacks, or "chimneys," as "I. E." calls them. Now while I admit that the stack of every steamboat could be provided with a neat little polished brass hinge, I question the good of such an article for purposes other than purely ornamentation, for on every steamboat there are always two, generally more, large, round posts, known to steamboatmen as hogposts, protruding from the hurricane deck to a height about equal to that of the smokestack. From these posts large cables, called hog-chains, lead down to the hull, and are bolted to the keelson. Upon these hog-chains and posts depend the rigidity of the boat, and were these suddenly to break while the boat was under way the re-

while the boat was under way the result would probably be the boats breaking her back.

So, you see, it would be unwise to abolish the use of hog-posts and chains in order to clear the bridge, and at the same time mere, folly to lower the same time mere, folly to lower the smokestæck while the hog-posts still to the whole world the true Hellenic poblity. One great demonstration of the substance of the same time to the whole world the true Hellenic poblity. stood. Therefore why not use a little more optimism when a steamboat passes through the draw; and a little more thought before writing condem-natory articles concerning smokemore: natory articles concerning stacks? A READER.

MRS. PANKHURST SOMETIMES MILD Writer Tells of Her Visit to America they destroyed the town of Doxato, and of 4000 people only about 200 re-18 Months Ago.

language, you hit the nail on the head, and also because it brought back to ma pleasant memories of a previous visit of Mrs. Pankhurst at Harvard College one year and a half ago. Now Massachusetts is an anti-suf-frage state, and when Mrs. Pankhurst announced her address, we wondered puncture or explode. Durable tires what the outcome would be. The day of her address my brother, who is a college news correspondent, commissioned me to try to get into the stu dents' meeting. I had no ticket, but trusted to luck to get by the doormon and to the thught that some tickets would be distributed by the students to their lady friends.

As I approached the hall crowds of students stood about laughing and cutting up in a refined manner. Like

monkeys, they hoosted each other to the windows and looked in, then fell in head first. The hall doors were closed, but would open every now and then, as if a bargain sale were going then, as if a bargain sale were going on within, and admit a few more, then close tightly on the noses of those left outside. There were many women present. In the mad scramble at the door I got by and found myself on the platform with others, back of the speaker, Mrs. Pankhurst.

She was a very refined looking person and did not impress me as a menace. Speaking in an anti-suffrage state, naturally she might be tempted to urge violence but she did not. That she is clever, no one can deny. I don't think she would be classed with Carrie Nation, but if she does not create more of a havoc among the women in other cities than she did among the college boys and girls in Cambridge, Mass.

be filled in a century, just think of the ordinary street meeting. Many peo ple who were not in sympathy with her would go just to create a stir, but I don't think there would be violence HARVARD displayed.

What the Physician Took.

WAY TO SOLVE LIQUOR PROBLEM MORE AS TO DUTY ON GRAIN BAGS Thinks We Fairplay" Should B

Pleased by Relief in Part. PORTLAND, Sept. 8. - (To the Ed-PORTLAND, Sept. 8.— (To the Editor.)—The writer apologizes for a careless reading of the editorial criticised. He wrote from the impression made by a hurried reading rather than from a careful analysis of the language used. However, he yet falls to see any just ground for criticism of our Senators for their votes on the jute bag provisions of the tariff bill, either from the standpoint of a tariff for revenue or from the protection standrevenue or from the protection stand-point, unless it be in the latter case for any reduction at all in the duties

on this item.

Taking The Oregonian's figures, the duty at the present prices amounts to 16-10 per sack, while the proposed duty, for which our Senators voted, is only 5-10 of I cent per sack. It County. The examining committee were would appear that our Senators should Gov. Gibbs, W. W. Page and S. Ellsbe commended for reducing the duty I cent per sack from the Payne-Aldrich rate, rather than condemned for supporting the bill leaving a duty of 6-10

tobacco juice and other poisonous drugs, the harm done would be nominal.

How can we expect other results? As a source of revenue, we face the saloonkeeper with a license screwed up to the highest notch. It stands to reason the saloonmen often will stoop to petty measures in order to make the most profit, though detrimental and injurious to the drinking public.

The Payne-Aldrich bill was a Republican measure, supported by practically all of the Republicans in the Senate, including our own Senator Bourne, who so kindly abdicated in favor of Senator Aldrich on all tariff questions. But your criticism is not that the Underwood bill, as amended by the Senate committee, reduced the duty 60 per cent, but that it does not put jute sacks on the free list Well. put jute sacks on the free list Well, a free trader might justly make this criticism, but a protectionist never. We do not raise jute in this country, and we put it on the free list. We are trying to establish the industry of making jute bags, so we put a duty on the manufactured article to protect us against the "pauper labor" of other countries. Can any protectionist find fault with that? the criticism of our Senators which horn do you take? FAIRPLAY.

The Oregonian does not perceive

dilemma or any horns in the grain

bag duty question. Our correspondent's premises are wrong. We are not trying to establish the jute industry in this country, or, if we are, our attempts have failed under a high protective tariff that has not been changed for 16 years. Neither protection nor free trade principles would be violated by placing grain bags on the free list, and the Underwood duty thereon is not supported by either Oregon Senator as duty but refuses to ignore the caucus; the other supports it because one firm has asked him to do so. Mere reducunder the higher tariff, nor does it give the consumer the full measure of give the consumer the full measure of benefit to which he is entitled upon Allen, of Walla Walla, was nominated

ATROCITIES BY GREEKS DENIED. Stories of Massacre Laid to Untruth fulness of Bulgarians.

to have provided the whole.

CAMAS, Wash., Sept. 10.—(To the Editor.)—In the Oregonian September 1. I noted the telegram from Sofia cast ing reflections upon the integrity of the Greek soldiers, and attributing to them the atrocities, the massacres and the dishonors of which the Bulgarians themselves are guilty. For the past number of years the Bulgarians by means of their money and their hired reporters have endeavored to make the whole civilized world believe that they are the Prussians of the Balkan Penin the head of the Peninsula of Amos. But the last Greeco-Bulgarian and Servo-Bulgarian wars have stripped them of the lion's mask, and shown them in all their madness and barbarity, and of what kind of people is composed the Bulgarian nation. The Bulgarians the disarmed populace. They succeeded in spending their mad fury against the helpless women and children, and in destroying everything by fire and bayonet. Now the Bulgarians see how they have incurred the displeasure of whole civilized world, and they sort to their old methods of trying to cover their own atrocities, and show their faces as guileless lambs, and thereby contradict the scores of honest European and American reporters.

The Greek soldiers, in liberating their

them with terror, but took care of them as of their own countrymen, revealing to the whole world the true Hellenic nobility. One great demonstration of the Bulgarian fierceness is seen by the way poor disarmed people are flocking by the thousands to Salonica, and not by the thousands to Salonica, and no only Greeks and Turks, but many Bul-garians as well, knowing that withou exception they will find help and pro-tection under the Greek flag. When the Bulgarians left the port of Kavalla PORTLAND, Sept. 11.—(To the Editor.)—Having read an editorial in The Oregonian called "The Impending Mrs. Pankhurst," I was much amused at the Bulgarian priests welcomed the Greek goldiers as liberators, imprecating their countrymen for their barbarity and Sterceness. The truth is the sun, and though it be covered by the clouds, the clouds will pass away, and the bright light will shine in all its splendor. MICHAEL T. MASSEOTES.

FACTORY PROMOTION FUND TAX Property Owner Willing to Pay to Encourage Industries.

PORTLAND, Sept. 10 .-- ('To the Ed-itor.)--What is Portland's greatest need? More parks and playgrounds? No. More boulevards? No. More bridges? No. I contend that if one-half of the

money spent for the above propositions had been put into a factory promotion fund, would have furnished employment for many more men and women than are idle here today, and that a vacant house would be a rarity. I would like to propose a plan for raising say \$2,000,000 as a factory pro-motion fund, to be handled by a com-mission, or set of men, to be named by

boys and girls in Cambridge, Mass., the city at the same time. Something she will have to go to another country. Any address that she may give in this country would have the appearance of body in the city or county would object to a tax of this kind for

Changing His Political Views. Washington (D. C.) Star, "This man has made a speech con-"Did the physician tell you what you had?" No. He took what I had without telling me."

Life. tradicting what he said some time ago, said the paste-and-scissors editor, "All right," said the headline artist, "we'll print it under the caption, 'Atmospheric Change."

Half a Century Ago

From The Oregonian of Sept. 12, 1863. From The Oreanan The erder issued by the Secretary of War to prohibit the exportation of cattle has been rescinded so far as this Const is concerned. Hereafter the people of Victoria can get beef from Puget Sound without resorting to smuggling or war.

The following named gentlemen have been admitted to practice in the Supreme Court of the State of Oregon; E. F. Russell, Jacksonville; J. F. Watson, Douglas County; J. J. Walton, Jr., Lane County; I. N. George, Linn County; Messrs, Bellinger, Knight & Applements, Market County, J. Locy, Clacksgate, Marion County; J. Locy, Clacka mas County; D. W. Lichtenthaler, Mult-nomah County; J. S. Reynolds, Wasco County. The examining committee wer worth.

A grand Union meeting at Pioneer City, Idaho Territory, was held on Sat-urday, August 29, which was called to order by W. R. Keithley. H. D. Martin called to the chair Keithley was chosen secretary.

In the year 1863 there were 187 stallions and five jacks in the State of Oregon.

Contracts have been awarded to the following parties for furnishing supplies to the Umatilla Indian reservation: Ladd, Reed & Co., Failing & Hatt, W. B. Mend & Co., H. W. Corbett, Baum & Bro., Alex Dedge, J. L. Partsh & Co., A. M. & L. M. Sterr, Lord & Co., Henry Law, Eifelt, Neil & Co. and W. F Burnham.

Wesley's war drama has arrived in the state, and will proceed to the towns on the Columbia River immediately. on the Columbia River indicate will After returning from that trip it will be exhibited in Portland, Salem and other places in the Valley.

There is a great demand in this city and vicinity for hired female help in families. Good working girls command from \$35 to \$40 per month. We prefrom \$35 to \$40 per month. We pre-sume that 40 or 50 girls could obtain permanent situations

Twenty-five Years Ago

Indianapolis, Sept. 11.—General Har-rison's letter accepting the Republican a revenue measure. One opposes the Presidential nomination was made pub-He today.

Tacoma, Sept. 11 .- A mass meeting was held in the opera-house this evetion of a duty does not aid an infant ning and adopted resolutions declaring industry that cannot make progress that Chinese hoppickers would not be tolerated.

abandonment of effective tariff aid to for delegate to Congress by the Remoribund manufactories. The half loaf publican territorial convention. He rehas its best attraction only when the full loaf cannot be obtained, and the recipient is not pleased when he knows that the giver could and ought the horn recorded the whole the country of Walla Walla, 3.

> A force of 14 men has commenced the work of grading E street, East Portland.

> Colonel Dudley Evans, formerly of this city, has been appointed general superintendent of the central department of Wells, Fargo & Co

Commencing today, there will be held at City View Park some of the finest trotting races ever witnessed here,

A lot of elk meat was displayed in front of a market on Morrison street yesterday, which is believed to be the first ever offered for sale here

Girl Opposes Segregation

PORTLAND, Sept. 10.—(To the Ed-or.)—I see by The Oregonian that itor.)-I see by The Oregonian that there is talk of separating the boys and girls of the high schools. I, for one, oppose it, for if such should be done the lady teachers would be so cross with us girls that we could not study. fleeing everywhere before the Greek If there are no boys around to make bayonet, succeeded only in inspiring them "keep smiling," they are regular terror to the Greek villagers and all thunder clouds.

A PUPIL OF HIGH SCHOOL Marrying a Man to Reform Him. London Sketch.
"Kate says she intends to marry Mr.

Plunks to reform him. "What is vice?" "He's a good deal of a miser "What is his Interesting Features

Magazine Section The Sunday Oregonian

Oregon Girls Making Hay on a Summer Day.-Not all girls are thinking of wearing X-ray gowns and other frivolities. The picture shows three who are useful to say Life With the Big Circus of To-

day.-Leone Cass Baer contributes a full-page story with illustrations describing her peep behind the scenes at a big show. The story is written in Miss Baer's usual diverting style. Colonel Roosevelt draws aside

the curtains of the Spanish War. His autobiography is now commencing to brush aside the preliminaries and get into the thick of things. The installment this week deals with preparations for war, and tells how he prepared Ad-miral Dewey for his part in the battle of Manila.

Lavish American Spenders. How men and women born with gold and silver spoons in their mouths throw their dollars around with a prodigal hand.

Putting the Sun to Work .- Do you know that solar plants are already at work in the Nile Valley? And that the commercial demand for such plants is develop-

ing 7 What Makes Men Think a Woman Beautiful?-A psychological study of men and an effort to find out what charms of women they first perceive. A hopeless task perhaps, but interesting nev-

ertheless. Better Schools Are Coming .- No longer will the teaching of the three R's suffice to satisfy the demands of the American people. A revolution in school methods is

now under way. Doctor for Sick Churches,-A story which tells of the newest

profession. Tips-They Come to \$100,000 a Day in New York .- A study of the excesses which the tipping habit has developed in our large cities.