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CONFESSION OF FAILURE.

President Wilson's appeal to Con-

clause of the Papama Canal law is a ton. He is not himself a newspaper confession of failure in the manage- man. ment of our foreign relations. What profession, but in his leisure hours other conclusion can be drawn from his asking this voluntary surrender of a right we have formally claimed and ing a vast multitude of letters. In a policy which his own party has in- this way Mr. Ashton has saved mansentence in his address?

I shall not know how to deal with other matters of even greater delicacy and nearer consequence if you do not grant it to me in ungrudging measure.

This is the language of a man who is bewildered by the entanglements in habit. which he has involved himself.

The greatest of these entanglements trate of silver or nitrite of silver. The Mr. Wilson's dictation how that country shall quite to know which it is. It may be is in Mexico. by whom and how that country shall be governed without adopting the only both. At any rate the physician in practicable means of enforcing his de- question was discoursing eruditely crees has aggravated and prolonged a upon these chemicals and in condition of anarchy through which course of his remarks said that "nithe interests of every other nation trate of silver was made from sul-Yet he asks those nations to phuric acid, while nitrite of silver n a free hand in working out was made from sulphurous acid." At give him a free hand in working out his policy and as an inducement to any rate that is what the paper made them to be patient he proposes that him say, we abandon the position we have taken on canal tolls, and that his parrip one of the planks out of its

platform He has served notice that the United States will refuse recognition to American rulers who gain power acid that makes the nitrate of silver by revolution-the only means by and which many American republics ever acid that makes the nitrite. change rulers-and has announced his this valuable information the zealous opposition to granting concessions to letter-writer would have sent a serforeigners. He has put this policy in monette upon the indispensable neeffect by preventing Colombia from cessity for accuracy in the public granting a concession to a British syndicate.

His devotion to the state rights has permitted California to wound the of the old-fashioned variety, who exsusceptibilities of Japan with the susceptibilities of Japan with the plains to her little boy how much alien land law and he has reached she loves him while she is applying deadlock in negotiations for an amicable settlement point.

He inherited from his predecessor strained relations with Russia, due to the abrogation of the commercial dare. It is a good deal of work to disliked after reconsideration." Wise policy dictated that a consult a reference book every five skilled diplomat should be sent to ne- minutes. The watchful letter-writer gotiate a new treaty, but after long acts therefore as a wholesome stimu-delay he attempted to send Mr. Pin- lant to the journalistic conscience dell, editor of a newspaper in a third- and saves mankind from swallowing to the National honor, all unblushingrate city, with an understanding that many a slipshod blunder, not to say ly ready to violate the plain intent neiro and a military dictatorship. Can Pindell was to perform none of many a lie the duiles of his office, a condition which Russia would naturally resent as a slight. Nothing appears to have been done toward making a treaty, which is necessary to the smooth

working of commercial relations with marks about eugenics. He spoke as Russia. He has made a treaty with Nicaragua, which has intensely irritated went to the length of saying that the other Central American states, "man has stood still since the ice age

ing defense. Because we have heedlessly stepped capital, will ask the Government to on other nations' toes, we are asked take the roads off their hands.

Entered at Portland, Oregon, Postoffice as to mollify them by giving up a right accord-class matter, Subscription Batter, which we have formally asserted. That is the price we must pay Mr. Bryan's amateur diplomacy. This great evangelist of peace and concord among nations has so embrolled us on questions whereon our position is at best doubtful that we must abandon the principle for which we have stood since we have been a nation-: 2.50 that our coastwist commerce is our

own concern, to be fostered as we see fit. Whether we wish always to ex-75 ercise the right we have asserted is How to Remil-Send postoffice monay of-er, express order or personal check on your oral bank. Stamps, coin or currency are t senders risk. Give postoffice address not in question, as Mr. Wilson seems to suppose. We should maintain our freedom of action, not be tied down by international obligations in a.

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CORRECTING THE PRESS

There is a man in England who has won fame as a "corrector of the gress for repeal of the toll exemption press." His name is Algernon Ash-He seems to be a musician by which have been many during a long life, he has diligently corrected th What else is meant by this kind from believing innumerable falsehoods, for the best of newspapers make slips now and then.

One of our contemporaries had ocision a day or two ago to quote the observations of a learned physician upon the new cure for the cigarette soul. As all the world knows this extraordinary blossing is either nipreaching to them. His successors will save tens of thousands by better-

SEVENTY PER CENT WRONG.

Here was a glorious opportunity for the vigilant letter writer. If he had ing and intent" of the Hay-Pauncefote lived up to his opportunity he would have written an elaborate epistle to the sinning newspaper, explaining that it is not sulphuric, but nitric, not sulphurous, but nitro With press, which is the leader and guide of public opinion. His attitude is a guide good deal like that of a kindly mother her rubber shoe at the most available United States always signs contracts

Newspaper writers, being human

HEREDITY AND IMMIGRATION.

A few days ago we wrote disparagingly of Professor Kroeber's re-

if he thought the laws of heredity did not apply to the human species and to the conditions to which they are to be applied, why did not the Times not like being compelled to register if he thought the laws of heredity did go further? It assumes that the words "all nations" exclude special and probably will always remain the treatment of American coastwise This is true only so far as trade, though all the nations engaged man's bones, muscles and other physical organs are concerned. It is cer- in this trade are given equal treatment. All other nations being extainly not true of his mind, which is

as we are accused and without mak- the time may come when the railroad equalities between express and parcel ompanies, deprived of profit on their post rates and has defeated one main

BISHOP BOWMAN.

Bishop Bowman, whose death is an. nounced at the age of 94, belonged to the older and more primitive school of Methodism. The bishops and great preachers who were his contemporaries in another generation held a totally different view of the Christian life and the mission of the

church from the one prevalent among their younger successors. During the almost complete century of his life Bishop Bowman witnessed the development of the United States from a feeble power whom France and England wronged almost as they liked to a station in the front rank of peoples. He lived through the most

significant periods of our history and took a man's part in everything that happened since his years matured. For him the specific work of the church was to convert individuals. His appeal was always to the solitary sinner and souls must be saved by

personal effort alone. The newer so cial philosophy of salvation was altogether strange to him and to his school of evangelists. Of course, in his later years he must have felt the inadequacy of individual methods and mourned over the diminishing power

of church revivals, but very likely he was past the time of life when could sympathize very deeply with the "social gospel," as it is called. Church workers have now come to acknowledge the overwhelming importance of the environment for salvation or perdition. Not only will a change of environment transform the

outer man, modifying the form of his body, the features of his face the shape of his skull, but it will also radically alter the disposition of his It will give him a new psychic as well as a new physical character. These biological truths are destined to play an increasingly important part in the efforts of the churches. Bishop Bowman saved thousands of men by

ing their environment.

The New York Times is moved to sarcasm by Senator Chamberlain's de-

fense of canal toll exemption and, as usual, assumes that the "plain meantreaty is the one adopted by the Time and those who agree with it. The majority of the last Congress, composed of men of both parties, the then President and his Cabinet, believed that the "plain meaning and intent" was consistent with coastwise exemption. The Democratic and Progressive platforms of 1912 declared for exemption, and the candidates cording to the Times, all the men in Congress who voted for toll exemption, the President who approved it and the voters who indorsed it upheld by so doing the theory "that the

with a mental reservation, and with a clear purpose to break any contract

> and its friends have come to the resvent its mad plunge into the abyss of and all?

But in its love of the literal interpretation of treaties without regard

purpose of the zone system-protection of country merchants' against competition of mail-order houses Mr. Bristow showed that a New

York mail-order house could ship a thousand 20-pound parcels to Des Moines by express for 82 cents each against a parcel post rate of \$1.61. It then could distribute these parcels in the vicinity of Des Moines by parcel post at 24 cents and save \$150 on the whole transaction. This is no imaginary case; it has been done The people desire the largest ex-

pansion of the parcel post consistent with fair play to those who carry it and to the country as well as the city merchant; also consistent with sur vival of express service for that husiwhich the mails cannot carry. ress But they do not desire its conversion into a freight service, nor do they desire cheapness by, as Mr. Bristow said, "loading tons of iron ore and groceries into the mail and breaking down the rural contractors, who contracted to carry letters and papers and simply incidental small pack-

ages." Senator Brady suggested the equitable adjustment when he proposed that the Government pay 80 much per pound per mile. The Senate would have done well to restrain the enthusiasm of Mr. Burleson for a big showing by restricting his power to change the regulations.

What is the mother tongue of New York City? One-fifth of its population were born to English. Irish Scotch or Welsh parents. All these tongues we may generously call English. Another fifth are Yiddish by birth, while German is the native language of 18 per cent. There are twothirds as many Italians as Germans and and 116,000 Poles. Add to these the scores of other less numerous nationallties and we have a queer mixture. It would be interesting to hear the speech that will be formed from it in the course of the next century.

William Deveny is a corn doctor and for his water pays a flat rate of 75 cents a month. He was active in the plan to build a road through Buil Run reserve, the source of Portland's water supply.—Portland Jour-nal

Mr. Deveny's name appeared in the petition for opening up the Bull Run reserve to construction of the Hood River road alongside the name of the publisher and editor of the Journal who signed, however, in his private capacity, reserving, of course, the right to denounce and belittle in his newspaper all others who may have been persuaded to sign with him.

Robert Laboreau might have spared himself the labor of carving on an oak slab the information that he was "a failure." His sulcide told it plainy enough. A man who takes his own life has usually no very good excuse who stood on those platforms received for living and his departure is no 10,350,147 out of the 14,720,037 votes great loss to the world. Laboreau was cast, or about 70 per cent. But, ac- a tombstone carver of Los Angeles. His occupation may have made him gloomy. Perhaps the climate also contributed to weary him of the the world. He has gone where he never will be asked to admire the weather.

Only a few weeks ago Roosevelt said in a magazine article that Brazil need dread no more revolutions. It The men in Congress who made toll had advanced beyond the stage of viexemption law and the men who ap- olent outbreaks and now enjoyed a proved it at the polls are, in the view stable government. So much for of the Times, all callously indifferent prophecy. Hard upon its heels comes news of a revolution at Rio de Ja-

and meaning of a treaty. The Times it he Roosevelt's presence that has set the pot boiling again when everybody cue of the Nation, hastening to pre- supposed the fire was out for good

> Compulsory insurance is not popular in England as Mr. Lloyd

FREE TOLLS IS ONLY OUR RIGHT WHY NOT CHURCH EVERY SUNDAY! President Is Breaking Faith by His

Stand, Says Correspondent. TACOMA, Wash., March 4 .- (To the Editor.)—It seems to me that there is a disposition in our country to give too much consideration to protests and de-mands emanating from English gov-ernments. Many Americans appear to

believe that the British foreign office is conducted on a plane of lofty moral-ity. If they will examine the record of that country, they will come to a con-trary conclusion. The foreign transac-tions of England are quite generally stalmed with injustice and sordid dis-

stained with injustice and sordid dishonor. Her present attitude in respect to the Panama Canal is simply another astance of unconscionable conduct. England insists that existing canal instance legislation exempting from tolls American interstate commerce must be re-pealed. It is demanded that waterpealed.

horne commerce between Oregon or be-tween any Pacific state and states on the Atlantic and Gulf coast shall pay the same charges as British tween a the American forelgn commerce. coast shipping, using the canal, is to be sub-jected to the same tax as an English ship bound from Liverpool to Asia, or from Vancouver, B. C., to New York to Galveston

The chief factor in bringing into eration our present National Constitution was the desire to establish forev free commercial intercourse betw the states of the American Union. betw the Congress surrenders to English mands, that means a reversal of long-established domestic policy. means that our domestic trade usi an American canal will be taxed

avor of English shipping. Canal legislation to which Engla objects was passed by a Democra House in 1912. The Democratic pls form, adopted at Baltimore, contain a pledge to the American people th free tolls for coastwise ships would maintained. President Wilson h broken faith with his countrymen in favor of an English policy. He is no in favor of an English policy in the respect, and is urging Democrats Congress to betray the platform i their nexty. By most of the platform is this matter of canal policy. He is a their party. By means of caucus ru and official patronage the President e pects to force his party into line a compel it to legislate in conform with

with foreign dictation. I noticed that J. N. Teal, of Porti when in Washington, D. C., exprethe opinion that the attempt to tan the present canal legislation On the other hand, the Pres with the and all who are supporting English thresh are confident they will such They may well feel that way, for p erful pro-English influence in United States is co-operating with British foreign office. Wall appointed by the President to Walter don embassy, recently stated "Americans are English led and E glish ruled". It has been charged the United States Senate that the S of Mr. 000,000 "peace" foundation negle has been used to influence

opinion in favor of English sel enator Root, one of the Carn trustees, is appealing for "fair toward England, and is denou Americans as dishonorable and "fair: less. Senator Williams, another negie trustee, is hot-footed for t American coastwise shipping. T material, because Mr. Carnegie has licly stated that he will work t end of his days in an effort to what has been accomplished in wars with England. He tells us he will devote his life to bring the reunion of the United States He believes what was a great mistak empire. pened in 1776 was a great mistake Without doubt, the English inte

does not require much intelligence forecast the decision which an bitral court would render on the tion of American rights in the Panama Canal. Of course, such a com be controlled by European and Asiatic judges. In the end, the United States would find itself merely a lock-tender waterway not enjoyed by every other Nation. JAMES HOYE.

My eye once on a perfect scene did rest,

When, in the radiant brilliance of the west, Bright Phoebus' charlot had traveled

Twenty-five Years Ago "Begin to Go to Church" Movement

Urged as More Desirable. PORTLAND, March 5.- (To the Edi-tor.)-The "Go to Church" movement evidently is coming to Portland. Will From The Oregonian of March 6, 1889.

Washington, March 5.-President Harrison today sent to the Senate his the movement mean going to church by the almanac? Will it be considered nominations for the Cabinet, and they were confirmed. a mere special day like Easter? How would it do to call the "Go to Church" Sunday the "Begin to Go to Church" Sunday?" How would it please us to call every Sunday a "Go to Church Washington, March 5.-The United States Supreme Court declared invalid the lease of the Oregonian Railway to the Oregon Railway & Navigation

Company Sunday? There are many excuses given b; people who do not attend church serv-ices for their absence. Largely it is a matter of habit in not attending Washington, March 5.-President Cleveland today signed the bill order-ing suit for forfalture of wagon road land grants in Oregon.

a matter of habit in not attending church. There are other reasons. The Sunday paper scattered over the floor of the living-room is a rival of the pulpit. People are weary from hard toll, either physical or mental, and in many instances have to work on Sun-days. Some row visiting on Sunday, or Port Townsend, March 5 .- The British bark Port Gordon, from Liverpool for Puget Sound, was wrecked last Wednesday 40 miles south of Cape days. Some go visiting on Sunday, or ride out into the country for recrea-tion. Some play the delightful game of golf. The preacher is no longer in The cargo was owned by Balfour, Guth-rie & Co. mmand on Sunday. It is asked how

The water committee yesterday con-

It has alsidered the building of a large reseradd.

> A meeting of citizens of East Port-and, at which Dr. S. E. Joseph pre-ided, was held last night to protest gainst the advance in rates on the forrison-street bridge and the Starkreet ferry. A committee was ap-inted to organize a boat club.

Mayor De Lashmutt returned yester y from Spokane.

H. F. Williams, railroad secretary of e Y. M. C. A., is expected in Portland out March 10 to look over the lines view to establishing railroad nches.

tockholders of the A. O. H. W. Tem Association elected the following ctors: John Kiernan, H. D. Rams-, S. Mitchell, E. H. Stolte, James d. J. Abrahamson, J. E. Bennett, Ed ad m. J. A. Strowbridge, W. B. undan, J. A. Strowbridge, ruble, C. C. Phillips, William Koeh-witherell, B. P. Cardwell, B. coll, D. Solis Cohen, U. S. G. Mar

. M. Leiter, a capitalist of Wapa-neta, O., T. W. Brotherton, an attor-of Dayton, O., have been in the city ing in the sights with Colonel J. P. They may locate here perma

M. Hannaford, traffic manager of Northern Facific Railroad, is in the

monthly meeting of the State of Immigration was held yes. Thera were present C. H. Dodd. Arnold, Ellis G. Hughes, D. D. nt, T. A. Wood and Secretary hant. laca R. Struble.

mployes of the O. R. & N. Comhave struck and eight steamers are now tied up at the Ash-street

Law of Descent.

ENDLETON, Or., March 4 .- (To the or.)....A man while a widower e a will, willing all he had to his fren, but in a short time after his 's death he married again. If he ild die before his wife without ing another will, what would his ow, get if anything, or would the she got her part? What is w's share in this state? If any ldren by last marriage, would the Who does personal get anything? property (if any) go to-the widow, or is it classed in with real estate? A SUBSCRIBER. or is it classed in

The will of the husband, made beore his marriage, was revoked by the (2) No, not from the National Gov birth of issue. In Oregon the wife is rnment. Some of the Southern States allowed a life interest in one-half of the real estate and one-half of the personal property. The child by the last marriage would share alike with the children by the first marriage



have the canal neutralized. To

neutralization, they will bring art tion or The Hague tribunal into play, property in case of a law grant pensions to Confederate vetat the canal. Our country would have erans. no privilege or power in respect to the

MY EVE ONCE ON A PERFECT SCENE DID REST.

because it ignores rights they claim same." and places an obstacle in the way of the federation to which they look forward

His Secretary of State, inexperienced in foreign affairs, has been busying himself in making one-sided peace treaties with minor nations, with which we have no controversies of consequence, while he should have tion between inheritance and heredbeen occupied in removing causes of ity. Inheritance comes to us through discord from our relations with the the environment. great powers.

to the number of our foreign troubles. man and man which we call "racial" It included in the administrative sec- are not transmitted by heredity at tion of the Underwood tariff law pro- all. They are mere matter of inherivisions which require inquisition into tance just as property is. As soon the business affairs of European mer- as we admit this fact how much is chants. France and Germany have left of the foundation on which the been antagonized by this law. Senate has passed a bill abrogating built? What becomes of "the white treaties with sixteen nations in re- man's burden" and the right of the gard to shipping and creating regula- superior race to exploit the inferior? tions against which the shipowners of the world are up in arms. The Senate proposes that the United States based upon a totally false theory of legislate alone on a subject with races. He tells us that the differwhich we, as one of the smallest ship. owning nations, have relatively small sian Jews, for instance, are so deenconcern and which is properly a sub- seated that intermarriage is out of ject for international agreement. The the question and therefore we cannot House has passed a law for the re- expect that mingling which we all immigration, which con- know is essential to the welfare of the striction of tains provisions extremely offensive to country. Professor Kroeber's soundthe nations whence immigrants come, er doctrine makes short work of all Italy has already protested.

of feeling towards us which may cause Ebb and Flow," will recall a remarkan otherwise slight quarrel to become able passage in which he acute and while we have been pro-voking disputes which will need the in our atmosphere. The bones of highest diplomatic skill to adjust, our the face change their form. The shape inexperienced Secretary of State has of the skull alters. The voice and dismissed most of the trained men manner of the man become somefrom the diplomatic service and filled thing new and better. their places with men as "green" in the business as himself. He has physical traits which have been supallenated the one man in his depart-ment, Mr. Moore, who is equipped to are mere matters of the environment, steer it on a safe course; has ignored and what Professor Krober says susthat man's advice, and has been de- tains this view. We are not confrontprived of his aid,

Having set the world against us, uble immigration problem as some we are asked to concllate it by con- have imagined. ceding for all time, without contest

and without condition, a right the enjoyment of which was a prime in- roads in the United States is the centive to our great investment at Pennsylvania, but record gross earn-Panama. We are told by the Presi- ings in 1913 accompanied a decrease dent that everywhere else the Hay- in net earnings. This is attributed by Pauncefote treaty is given a different President Samuel Rea to what he interpretation from that put upon it calls "adverse legislation" and enby both parties in the last Congress, forced wage advances, Under the by ex-President Taft and his advisers. former head he mentions the the convention which nominated crew law, which added \$850,000 a President Wilson and by Mr. Wilson year to expenses, while wage inhimself until he found how sadly he and Mr. Bryan had boggled our for- Rea comments: eign relations. He neglects to say what is obviously true, that other nations interpret the treaty in accordance with their own interests. Why should we not do the same, and then submit the interpretation to a genuinely impartial tribunal, not one drawn from those nations with which we have differed on the question? It will be time enough to yield when the but, as it increase! expenses, equity will be far better preserved by con- increase revenue accordingly. fessing a wrong after it has been continually enfo ce better and more

cluded by American law, "all nations" his most important part. in this case means only the Ameri-But Professor Kroeber made ancan Nation. The tolls clause of the treaty says: "The canal shall be free other point that should not be overlooked. It pertained to the distincand open to the vessels of commerce and of war of all nations." Why not interpret the word "free" to mean Heredlty goes that no tolls shall be charged to veswithout regard to externals. Now sels of any nation? True, the context Congress has contributed its share some of those differences between forblds such an interpretation, for the 'clause continues: "On terms of entire equality, so that there shall be no discrimination in respect of the conditions or charges of traffic." But the separation of the words first quot ad from the context would have been The gory structure of race prejudice is as justifiable as the ignoring of conditions governing coastwise shipping.

PARCEL POST ANOMALIES.

Much of Professor Ross' magazine argument against immigration If, as is predicted, the parcel post should show a profit of \$30,000,000 this year, that profit will not have been made legitimately after paying ences between ourselves and the Rusfull value for all service rendered will have been accumulated by bankrupting star route contractors and rural carriers and by insufficiently paying the railroads. This fact was brought out beyond dispute by Senator Bristow in the recent debate on such nonsense. Those who have read the proposal to take away from the While we have thus created a state Steiner's "Tide of Immigration, Its Postmaster-General power to change rates, zones (and weight limits,

narrates As first established, the parcel post vas designed to carry small parcels of mailable size. Rural carriers had nowhere near a full load, and it was assumed with some reason that the parcel post would make up a full load without imposing added expense on

It appears therefore that, many them. But Mr. Burleson has raised the weight limit to fifty pounds and consolidated the inner zoues without proportionate increase in carriers' compensation. They are to have a flat rate of \$1200, regardless ed, it appears, with any such insol- of the quantity carried. The changes have made the rates absurdly low and

the carriers' pay so inadequate that they are throwing up contracts by One of the most prosperous rail-

wholesale. For example, Senator Clark, of Wyoming, cited a case in his own state. A tie camp in the mountains closed and the employes wished to send their bedding to the railroad. eighty or ninety miles distant. The company charges 5 cents a stage

extra pound, but by making 50-pound bundles the tiemakers got their bedding carried by parcel post for 1 cent a creases added \$730,000 a year. Mr. pound, though, as a letter read by Mr. Clark said, they "filled the postoffice

It is evident, therefore, that the ability to overflowing with mail matter and regulate wages and working conditions. the postmaster sprained his arm selland other heavy operating expenses, has, as a result of Federal and state legislation. largely passed from the control of your management, as has also the power of your company and other railroads to charge rening stamps." An Idaho star-route contractor was called upon to carry three carloads of ore in 5%-pound packages company and other railroads to charge rea-sonable rates for the public transportation service rendered. though he had been using only a light wagon. On a mountain route in

Public opinion will hardly class the sixty miles long, the parce Idaho. extra crew law as adverse legislation, post rate was only 54 cents for fifty pounds, yet a train of auto trucks decision goes against us. Our honor demands the railroad he permitted to would be needed to do the business. By consolidating the inner zones If we

without changing the rates on outer proved than by confessing it as soon costly service without added revenue. zones, Mr. Burleson has produced in- mixed up in that Brazilian revolution.

their abodes especially as it is hinted that the register is a preliminary to conscription. The Unionists are cleverly turning the opposition to public supervision to account by advocating voluntary insurance and have won several recent elections partly on that

issue.

The prospect of votes for women in France within a few months must Upon a large rock, hanging from the startle some of our "antis." They bank. should hasten to that erring land and orrect its politics before it is everlastingly too late. French women are witty, sensible and energetic, They will make excellent voters and set an example of progress which American

women will do well to emulate. A worthless husband in Los Ange-

les has lost much of his worthlessness for the time being. After having loped with another woman he was arrested and sent to the rockpile for

vo years, during which time the abandoned wife draws pay from the county for his work. That is practical justice.

Senator Vardaman is negro-baiting again. He opposes the confirmation of Judge Terrell, of the District of Columbia, because of the judge's race but if the Senator behaves himself he will not suffer the indignity of being arraigned before the negro judge.

An Illinois woman urged artistic beauty in political addresses. Most of em are mere idle vaporings that do little more than set ether waves in motion.

Marconi has a device for lighting a lantern miles away. But the real need is a device for lighting the furnace without leaving a warm bed,

The "other matters" President Wilson hints at in his address against free tolls are but the fruits of shallow and stupid diplomacy.

Scientists report that Spring frosts have nipped Mars. That ought to cause a flurry in the Chicago wheat

market.

over.

Mexico can have plenty of space until April 1, when we will forget it again until the baseball season

The Governor of Massachusetts declines an advance in salary. Possibly doesn't want to increase his income tax.

With Moore out of the State Department, our diplomacy blds fair to become more hopeless than ever.

Diaz is now planning a revolution. One right after another. What will the harvest be?

A wealthy Mexican must pay 500,-000 pesos to Villa or be shot. Literally, life is dear.

We truly hope the Colonel isn't friends will save money."

far So that the rays which 'lumed his blazing car.

Cast on the ground a broad and slanting beam: saw Columbia's wide and mighty stream

One end which in the clear still wate sank.

There might some river God sit on his throne, And loudly blow his shell horn's reach-

ing tone. Far up the side of the steep, rugged h111.

Where fell a small, clear mountain rill Unto its instant death far, far below, The river, passing solemnly and slow Received its corpse into its bosom deep

While its fond spirit gently seemed to , weep, As passing off in glistening silve

spray, Kissed the sad leaves on its upward

way To join the mystic vapor high above That rested on a stately forest grove Of green fir trees high on the moun

tain side, Extending in a green belt, long and wide.

B wrote and told book company all about it, and also told express com-pany to send books back. Now, since Down by the river's deep indented edge. B is sick and husband unable to pay Where the water lapped a mossy ledge, for books, the company is demanding settlement. What should we do? Or

stone. And a wild white trillium all alone The wife is legally bound by the Bent its dear head as if to fondly star

contract, but it is her personal liabillity. The husband cannot be com-A nymph could bathe her beautiful sweet face,

Or lie half hidden in the drooping

Breaking Over Party Lines. CLARNO, Or., March 4 .-- (To the Edi-tor.)-1 am a registered Republican. There is a friend of mine running on And twine her brow with verdant bonds For countless seasons have the hem lock trees.

the Democratic ticket. I would like to see nominated and elected. If I write his name in or use a sticker with his name on it, now should it be was green,

seen. Since I so short a time the scene did candidates for that same

view. That only once I saw its changing hue. The vote would be counted as one

Then let me close my outward eyes up tight, in favor of nominating the Democrat

sight and it would not aid him in gaining the -William Milton Johnson. Democratic nomination.

Women Urged to Attend.

PORTLAND, March 5 .- (To the Editor.)-Kindly allow me space to urge the women voters of the city to attend the meeting of the Council Chamber (City Hall), Friday evening, March 6, at 2 P. M., to hear the ar-guments pro and con upon a proposed ordinance to appoint a city meat in spector to pass judgment upon all meats that come into Portland for home consumption. The story is curfather purchasing them in that form, but cannot tell at what date, nor where they were first marketed, MRS, R. B. rent that much lumpy-jawed beef is being sold to cut-rate dealers, and that diseased sheep and other animals are being slaughtered and sold to families

that appeals especially to mothers in the home, who are, as voters, in a position to assist good men to remedy

Boston Transcript. "Bulger has stopped drinking." "His

rent. My mother resides in risks flat N. J., and pays semi-annually a flat water rate of \$5.65 (\$11.30 per year). This includes all she uses for her large grounds. 300 by 125 feet. She also owns a two-family spartment house at East Orange, N. J., where the meter system is used. Although the lower apart-Although the lower apart nent has been vacant since September , her water bill for three months was

WEBFOOT."

All shining and reflecting glorious light. A second Phoebus in its splendid might. upstairs tenant, for the agent has kept. close watch of the plumbing. The owner of property is helpless against a tenant's carelessness or re-

(1) The wife would inherit all th

(3) This question is now pending in

Housewife Dreads Meters.

property, if there is no will.

the courts.

vengefulness in the matter of water usage. Moreover, what housekeeper wants an added worry? I feel that hair will speedily turn gray if add the constant watching of water waste to that of electric light and food and fuel. Let us not have water maters Mr. Daty. HOUSEWIFE

meters, Mr. Daly. HOUSEWIFE Contract to Buy Books.

A SUBSCRIBER.

A READER.

Ovsters In Kegs.

Tax and Real Values.

The State Tax Councilssion declared

ASTORIA, Or., Murch 4 .- (To the Editor.)-An agent comes to B's house and talks her into buying books. B must sign contract and does so with-

out first asking husband. B pays \$3 lown. Then B gets sick and husband

does not take books out of express office, for he is unable to make monthly payments. He is a poor man and B must have a doctor.

A single robin hopped from stone to what can book company do. J. A. S.

At its own image found reflected there in such a quiet luscious fairy place.

pelled to pay for the books.

fronds

Been swayed by all the passing breeze And e'en the fallen larch that once

A hundred years has all these beauties counted if I don't vote for any of the

ticket?

And dream again of that most glorious to a place on the Republican ticket.

Portland, Or.

PORTLAND, March 5.- (To the Edi-tor.)-A few days ago an article ap-peared upon the editorial page relative to the "canning industry," and the writer claimed it had its origin in the canning of oysters in Baltimore, Md., soon after the Civil War. Is there any-one living in Portland who can support me in the belief that oysters were sold in wooden kegs of a quart each, they ever were canned? I recu

and restaurants. This is a question VANCOUVER, Wash., March 5 .- (To

the Editor.)-Please state what propor tion the assessed valuation is of the true valuation of property in Port-ABIGAIL SCOTT DUNIWAY. land.

Some Friends Will Save Money.

the Multuomah County ratio of valua tion to be 60 per cent.

Oregonian

Breezy Suzanne

She is a stenographer and she comes near to marrying the bossbut doesn't. A delightful story by Ellis Parker Butler, author of "Pigs Is Pigs."

Saved by Wireless

The fact story of how a surgeon at sea directed a serious operation on a lonely island hundreds of miles away.

Spare the Rod?

Or shall we spare the child? A frank discussion of the question of whether the bad boy shall be switched.

The Servant Problem

It's not new. But George V. Hobart has a few new reflection to present on the topic in his usual inimitable vein.

Choosing

What sort of girl does the mod ern man choose, and why? Rita Reese goes into this intricate question in an illuminating half-page article.

A full page in colors on gowns

that have been worn by wives of

American Presidents, from Mrs.

Washington to Mrs. Taft. A cen-

tury of change in dress on review.

Character Analyses

ber Hall in response to handwriting

specimens submitted by readers

of The Oregonian. Some 3000 of

these letters have been received

and are necessarily being taken up

Nobby Hands

American girls are ruining their

once beautiful hands, laments a

celebrated artist. He blames out-

The Black Flag

absorbing story by Mabel Jaques.

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Roosevelt discusses social and in-

dustrial justice as regarded and

treated during his tenure as Presi-

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