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SUBRENDER WHEN VICTORY IS WON. Those who glibly assert, after a superficial reading of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty, that no course is open to us consistent with our Naexemption clause of the Panama Ca-nai law are seemingly ignorant of the rightful holders of the right the fact that before that law was passed an official representative of the British government admitted that exemption was in conformity with

The canal law was passed about the middle of August, 1912. On July 8, 1912, A. Mitchell Innes, charge d'affaires of the British Embassy, presented a note to the State Department, in which he said:

Secretary of State Knox replied: This statement may fairly be taken as an admission that this Government may exempt its vessels engaged in the coastwise trade from the payment of tolls, provided such exemption is restricted to bona fide coast-

wise traffic On November 14, 1912, Sir Edward Grey, the British Foreign Minister, confirmed and elaborated the Innes Mr. Knox replied on January

of that shipping.

It is admitted in his note that the exertion is admitted in his note that the exertion is a ships would be It is admitted in his note that the exemption of certain classes of ships would be "a form of subsidy" to those vessels; but it appears from the note that His Majesty's Government would regard that form of subsidy as objectionable under the treaty if the effect of such subsidy would be "to impose upon British or other foreign shipping an unfair share of the burden of the upkeep of the canal, or create a discrimination in respect of the conditions or charges of passage, or otherwise to prejudice rights secured to British shipping by this treaty.

Mr. Knox showed that the burden

Mr. Knox showed that the burden of tolls imposed on foreign ships

way to arbitration or to settle the controversy by referring it to a commission of inquiry.

Thus the dispute was in a fair way to settlement in a manner honorable to both nations when Senator Root, dispatch, made a speech denouncing wilson exemption as a violation of the treaty treaty. and introduced a bill for its repeal. The effect of this speech on the British attitude appears in the sudder change in the tone of the British communications. In his reply to Mr. Knox, Ambassador Bryce said:

It is unnecessary to repeat that a refer

A diplomat who, according to the and through whom access to the recjournal as saying:

suddenly found her case stronger than she supposed, and that with the help of a dis-loyal but very subtle and powerful Ameri-can element to back up her claims, she could succeed in establishing a sort of joint Anglo-American control over the great Pan-ama Canal.

office and had Mr. Root kept silent, or had Mr. Bryan continued the negofollowing, our right to exempt coastnow have been settled or might have been in process of arbitration. The biennial. right of the United States to decide be exempt having been established, for the plan proposes that members Congress would have been free to of the House be elected at large. consider this matter of internal policy without the appearance of surrenderforeign nation.

But the State Department pigeonment, of which Mr. Root is president,

Mr. Carnegie strove to push along his scheme for an Anglo-American alliance by promoting what is tantacontrol of the canal. He was actively backed by all those oversensitive peoing the canal. He was backed also to fulfill the needs of the communiby Mr. Wilson, who, forgetting the ties they represent.

where success seemed assured, Mr. Wilson openly declared himself. He will probably win, but in winning he will split his party and disgust the Nation with his un-American policy of abject surrender of American rights to foreign nations. The longer the American people consider his action the less they will like it.

# A DOLEFUL POSSIBILITY.

There seems to be an opportunity present for the man with an aptitude for figures and a desire for doleful speculation to calculate the City of ortland nearly out of existence.

City Attorney LaRoche says it is barely possible one-third of the territory long supposed to be within the city limits is not a part of Portland, the charter never having been amended by vote of the people to include hose localities.

millions of dollars' worth of improvements in such districts and the peoof these votes would show that the charter did not receive an affirmational honor except to repeal the toll tive majority. Thus we might have of a decade.

However, Spring is here and there is work to be done in the garden. Let time and cast slurs upon its deity. us be up and doing. We do not know the true name of

### A YANKEE TRICK.

It seems to be generally and cheerfully conceded by all foreign nations that we would not be violating the If trade should be so regulated as to make it certain that bona fide constwise traffic, which is reserved for United States vessels, which is a subsidy equal to the canal we paid American coastwise traffic through the canal we paid American coastwise that came anywhere near the truth, ships a subsidy equal to the canal to say nothing of going beyond it. If ships a subsidy equal to the canal to say nothing of going beyond it. If to say nothing of going beyond it. If the is convicted, as of course he will applies to the Panama Canal England to the penalty is exile, which in which owns a majority of stock in plague of the autocracy will strike the Suez Canal, pays British vessels ceeds the Suez tolls. Russia and Aus-tria refund the tolls paid by their church and state for a perpetual epi-sources. As the young man had alceeds the Suez tolls. Russia and Aus-

Consideration of these facts has suggested to us a brilliant scheme for On this point (to exempt all American shipping from tolls) Sir Edward Grey says that this Majesty's Government does not question the right of the United States to grant subsidies to the United States shipping generally, or to any perticular branches canal to refund the amount of tolls increase the usefulness of captain of the vessel to be delivered, exhibit a melancholy deficiency

vessel. to be opposing free tolls. Of course, consequences from its endeavors they would dub it a despicable Yan-

kee trick. on January 21, 1913, four days after rather with the idea of illustrating who are to be put through this stimthe peculiarities of European

# SURE JOBS FOR THE MINORITY.

A demand for proportional representation is one of the planks of the ence to arbitration would be rendered super-fluous if steps were taken by the United States Government to remove the objection entertained by His Majesty's Government to is to insure to each political party that the number of its representatives in the lawmaking body New York American, acted as assistant to Mr. Knox in his negotiations, total number of lawmakers as the number of voters in the party bears ords was obtained, is quoted by that to the total electorate. The chief argument in its behalf is that the Great Britain acted as though she had minority ought in justice to have representation in accordance with its strength in legislative deliberations.

Yet this argument, even if sound elsewhere, can have little force in a state which has conferred the direct Negotiations, which were well un- legislative power on its people. Oreder way to an amicable settlement in gon has the initiative. Strict party conformity with the main American alignments on political issues are now contention, suddenly halted and have absent in the Legislative Assembly, not been formally resumed. Secre- although there is occasionally a divitary Bryan and President Wilson re- sion on party lines on matters not of

the Legislature. tiations on the lines Mr. Knox was give the Socialists in Oregon, on the fice and filling their places with Fillwise ships might have been conceded members of the House. It would give versity quoted a Philippine "official in and all other points in dispute might them the privilege of naming two a position to be fully conversant with men to jobs each paying \$120 in a conditions" as saying: biennial. That is all. For this it is Governor Harrison made asked that the people of the state for itself the purely domestic ques- abolish the present system of geotion whether coastwise vessels should graphical or district representation,

Proportional representation is unnecessary in Oregon to gain for the ing at discretion to the demands of a Socialists or any other party or organization legislation they favor, provided it is acceptable to the people. holed the tolls dispute, while Mr. It can be obtained through the initia-Carnegie, through his peace endow-tive. Moreover, they cannot obtain tive. Moreover, they cannot obtain what the people do not desire, either conducted a propaganda for repeal, through the initiative or through a tional system. Again, if they have m their ranks men of superior legislamount to joint British and American tive ability they can almost unquestionably secure their election by presenting their names under the existple who readily accept as true any ing elective system and bringing their foreign charge that we are playing attainments to the attention of the fast and loose with treaty obligations; voters. If there are no such men in also by the transcontinental railroads the ranks of those organizations why thrown out, others have been got rid and their European security-holders; make it possible to insure the election subsidy to the ship-owners instead of wholly unnecessary for political ends a compensation to the consumers of that the people of the various legisthe whole country, in the shape of lative districts of the state sacrifice cheap transportation, for the great the right to send to the Legislature burden they have assumed in build- men who know of and will endeavor are wanted for Filipinos.'

of exemption, persistently influenced an effective argument against pro-When the shameful campaign of the initiative is equally available for and has refused "for political

fathered by some of our own leading political makeup of the Legislature gave General Tinlo to understand he statesmen, had reached the point is unnecessary from their own viewpoint.

played in dealing with the Jews, but nothing we have heard of recently reminiscent reader will recall Gorky's visit to this country some years ago. His landing was preceded by a copious flow of money from the autopinos because they are Filipinos." cracy, which was distributed so effectively that not a decent hotel in Since the Chief of Police of Manila New York would receive him and his trip was spoiled. Its purpose was to raise funds for the Russian revolution. Nothing was raised and Gorky went back home in disgrace.

Soon afterward he was imprisoned in one of those putrid fortresses those localities.

The city has used its credit to make his men of genius and kept there The other day he eight years. emerged with a bad case of tubercuple thereof have paid city taxes and losis. The autocracy understands all have participiated in city elections, about tuberculosis and makes it an implied part of the punishment of thus not be legal voters in Portland men like Gorky who are so bold as participated in the commission char- to have minds of their own. The ter election. Perhaps the exclusion friends of the unfortunate novelist hoped at length to have the privilege of nursing him back to health. The autocracy never But not so.

are the rightful holders of the city now conveniently comes to the front. jobs would make prize legal puzzles In 1908 he was indicted for implety. One of his books spoke disrespectfully of the autocracy at about this deity, but he is the being who sanctifies pogroms, imprisonment, government monopoly of alcohol and wholesale murder. Perhaps that description will serve to identify him. Gorky is now to be tried for blasthe Panama Canal. England, Gorky's case means death. Thus the down another of Russia's great sons. a mail subsidy which equals or ex- If that unhappy country could trade demic of cholera it would be a blessed

# A HAPPY THOUGHT IN EDUCATION.

The New York Board of Education, ever alive to the needs of the time, the collector at the other end of the has figured out an engaging plan to each vessel pays, seal the order in an echool graduates to the business envelope, stamp it and hand it to the world. It seems that some of them This pleasant little fiction should be grammar, punctuation and spelling, perfected by an official order consti- particularly in spelling. If only some tuting each vessel a carrier of United gracious providence would cause all istration is likely to send to sea, and States mail while traversing the canal of us to be born good spellers what with compensation fixed at the a happy world this would be! The by any agreements not to prepare to amount of tolls charged against the New York school children are neither whip us. born good spellers nor do they be-Thus we would avoid "violating" a come such by all their schooling.

would not be increased by coastwise computed by including in the sum total the tonger of America coastwise treaty obligation; we would pay no ship subsidy, and could anybody disting report the more flagrant depute our right to pay what we wished for transporting Government mail or fender can then be traced back to total the tennage of American coast-deny our right to pay it in any way his school and the neglectful peda-wise ships. He thus disposed of the we liked? This plan is entirely origonly remaining British objection to inal with us, and we confess to being furnished can be brought to book. It is hoped that by this method the satisfy all foreign governments, also schools of New York can be "made" ready for war. points in dispute to a minimum, of-fered to ratify the arbitration treaty of August 3, 1913, and thus open the body except the railroad interests said tion and look forward to the happiest tion until a new plan to separate him for the men that will repeal the laws

It is offered, however, without ex- world" is not the sole purpose of edu- Chicago last week. He was wholly pectation that it will be adopted, but cation. Each of the boys and girls heartless, it is hardly necessary to has inner Wilsonian construction of the canal needs of his own, to quote a great National platform of the Socialist matters little how expertly the party. Proportional representation is tongue can spell. Not all the fragrant beauties of the spelling book can perfume a mind which has been school life.

Nor is this all. There are needs of citizenship which are quite as pressing as those of the business The pupils want studies to world. make them intelligent thinkers and voters fully as much as they want orthography and grammar. In other words, the "culture studies" of the common schools are at least as important as the "practical" ones. Any scheme of education which slights either side of the pupil's being is to be unsparingly condemned.

GIVING SPOILS TO THE FILIPINOS. Americans are being driven out of mashers. the Philippine civil service faster than peatedly said, when asked about the political significance. A political Governor Harrison and his friends tolls controversy, that there was noth- party is not actually deprived of any- like to admit. In an attempt to reing new. Had Mr. Knox remained in thing by failure to be represented in fute the statement of John C. Curtiss that "Governor Harrison is throwing Proportional representation would all the capable white men out of ofbasis of the 1912 registration, two pines," the secretary of Yale Uni-

> Governor Harrison made only thirty-three appointments to office from his arrival in appointments to office from his arrival in Manils in the Autumn through the end of January of this year. Of these, sixteen were Filipinos and seventeen Americans. Of the latter only five came from the United States and of the other twelve eleven were promotions of Americans already in office.

In a letter to the New York Times Dean C. Worcester exposes the disingenuousness of this statement. The Governor's power of appointment is limited to a few of the highest officials. All others are appointed and removed by chiefs of bureaus. In pursuance of the Governor's policy Legislature elected by the propor- these chiefs are driving out experienced and competent Americans to give place to incompetent or untried Filipinos. Mr. Worcester cabled to Manila an inquiry for the number of Americans who have left the service since Mr. Harrison's arrival, and the reply was "361." He says that some of these have been unceremoniously of by abolishing their positions, othalso by those who see in exemption a of their doubtful material? It is ers have been asked to resign "from motives of economy," but "with increasing frequency American em-ployes of proved efficiency are being brazenly informed that their places

How well the newly-appointed Fill. he emerges. pinos are applying the Democratic record and platform of his party and .The presentation of a Socialist plat-doctrine, "to the victors belong the forgetting his own speeches in favor form plank by initiative is in itself spoils," appears from a few examples. General Tinio, the new director of the members of Congress in favor of portional representation. If there are bureau of lands, has brought in Filiany other things the Socialists want pinos who know nothing of the work siandering their own country and of their introduction to the attention of sons" to remove others against whom cravenly accepting an interpretation the supreme lawmaking body and the complaint has been made. He told of the treaty which Great Britain did one that ultimately controls—the Mr. Scudder he wanted Romanoff re-not finally adopt until it had been voters of the state. A change in the placed by a Filipino. Mr. Scudder

would resign first. Fifteen American chiefs of the bureau of posts have been supplanted by Filipinos. A bill Hindu Philosopher.

GORKY AND THE AUTOCRACY.

Lovely is Russian justice. Some of the supreme Court, which would leave the properties for the supreme Court, which would leave the properties for the supreme Court, which would leave the supreme Court which we will be supreme Court which would leave the supreme Court which we will be supreme Court with the supreme Court will be supreme Court with the supreme Cour ts most exquisite features are dis- them open to the Governor's appoin- arrest of Har Dyal, the Hindu scholar, tees. The civil service system has in California. I was surprised and dis- young people should know something of tees. The civil service system has in California. I was surprised and dis-been shattered, and the removals— and most of the resignations are in reality removals—Mr. Worcester says, "In many cases involve the getting rid stance. They have violated the eternal been shattered, and the removals- tressed to see broad-minded, libertyquite compares with the tricks it has and most of the resignations are in loving, freedom-advocating Americans played upon the novelist Gorky. The reality removals-Mr. Worcester says, act as they did in this particular in- large boarding schools and the princiof Americans because they are Ameritheir own country is built.

> Disaster begins to loom ominously. has been removed, a correspondent

to change the policy of the bureau when it is facing bubonic plague in Manila and Asiatic cholera in the provinces. Hollo, the second port of the islands, is threatened with cholera for lack of an American health officer to fight it.

The sublime principles of equality and human freedom?

Har Dyal is no more an anarchist than Washington was. Dyal believes than Washington was of ignorant youths and blase men.

I have visited the dance halls of Paris and found them refined as compared with this one which I recently denly at Oakiand, Cal., this morning. ficer to fight it,

up and which has given results commanding the admiration of the world, is being ripped up to justify a Democratic theory.

There is a comfortable mean bedim that the driver cannot see chasms in the pavement. The truly ment.

In order to separate his son Ray mond from the woman he married, August Belmont stopped his allowways been dependent on his father, these did not exceed the \$14,000 remaining of what the father had given him. Not having been required to earn a living he has not learned how. A more pitifully helpless creature is not easily imagined.

Even little Denmark flings back Mr. Bryan's arbitration treaty in his face. If she has a quarrel with us she feels confident of being able to equip a navy strong enough to cope with any our Little American Adminshe does not wish to hamper herself

In their unreasoning desire for peace the Democrats have forgotten the warning of Washington: "If we desire to secure peace it must be known that we are at all times ready for warships and for the army until

from his money evolves. The latest But we are moved to intimate that fraud, who was a man posing as a meeting "the needs of the business marriageable damsel, went to jail in

German philosopher. And if his edu-cation fails to meet those needs there is sad danger of his becoming an de Amedio, finding the Marquis un-fits such as police and fire protections. atheist, an anarchist or something bearable, called an officer and sent fits, such as police and fire protection. atheist, an anarchist or something bearable, called an officer and sent As to the police protection, yes; one else equally dreadful in his riper him off in "the wagon." figuratively lonely policeman to patrol a thickly years. When the soul is starved it speaking. She was not raised in St. the Louis to be shown in Europe.

The Cathlamet editor under arrest insure to each political left to putrefy during the years of of necessity be a bad man. Proof is pearl-handled pocketknife.

The little boy abandoned at St. Helens is in better hands than when with the heartless people who left And as for street lights, one could him in the barn. He will grow into a count them on one's hand, better man without the handicap of wouldn't have been where they are if worthless parents.

fire a revolver without shutting her nade a record of 92 in a gold-medal Portland, no doubt. contest. She can now wing the

Will political hatred of Caillaux permit French gallantry to save his wife from punishment? It will be inwife from punishment? It will be in-teresting to see how the French con-crat who stands close to Bryan sugtrive to drag in the unwritten law.

The best qualified men and women of the precinct should be proud to serve on the election board. Nowadays skill is required and the positions to the same as I do, that it would tion has honor.

The fighting at Torreon is progressing in the outskirts. Where it will continue, very likely, until one side buys the other off.

Is John Lind's adventure in whaling a preparation of a nice, cool retreat after his mission in torrid Mexico is ended?

Women in other cities than Pass iena want to put a stop to the filthy habit of chewing tobacco on streetcars. Middle Kansas opens the tornado

cellar scoring heavily for safety. A chewing gum merger is threat Once stuck, it would be difficult to unmerge.

season with the old reliable cyclone

be found in the baby show during Rose Festival. A dungeon in the Detention House

will make the bad boy a hero when Let the bells toll for free tolls and

Another American killed by Mexi-Where is the Stanley to find James

American self-respect.

Gordon Bennett? The colored wig is at the switch. COURSE VIOLATES ETERNAL LAW CHAPERON IS SHOCKED AT BALL Contributor Protests Against Arrest of Visitor at Students' Function Thinks

principle upon which the greatness of

Dyal was arrested on the charge of being an anarchist. Anarchists are Presumably they were dancing the new

writes:

The police system has seemed to go to pleces of late, as there are nightly robberies and a great many of them. Almost every house in our section of the city has been entered during the past two months, and no one has been caught except four policemen who were arrested for burglary. There have also been several murders.

A Fillipino has been appointed associated as burgan of the Linke burgan of the English yeke? Did not we ourselves throw off the English yeke? Did not we ourselves establish a new government with new laws that were in harmony with

The government of the Philippines, which has been so laboriously built ridiculous one, and the filmsy argument ridiculous one, and the filmsy argument is left us to state that the Hindus are undesirable aliens. They work for lower wages is the accusation! I ask of you: Is this their fault? Let employers give them the wages which are

very often is white.

In the name of freedom and fairconscientious motorist desires to ness I appeal to the readers of your spare both footmen and chasms, UItimately he will content himself with a headlight that will soothe the pub- selfishly this man Dyal is devoting his while it illuminates the pave-nt. We have heard wise motor-He is doing us more good than harm dignation when he hears about the tyranny of a Russian government; in short of any violation of God's law of H. VANDERBYLL. . 1212 Yeon Building.

#### WHERE INDIFFERENCE IS COSTLY Voters Should Demand Economy of

# Legislative Candidates.

THE DALLES, Or., March 28 .- (To the Editor.)—After reading the letter written by Jefferson Myers in The Ore-gonian March 26, I take this oppor-tunity of seconding his statements and making a few suggestions.
It seems that the voters of Oregon

have up to the present time been very nave up to the present time been very indifferent about who they sent to the Legislature, and, furthermore, they have never, to my recollection, demanded any paltform or pledges of them, or sounded them on their ideas of what they were going to the Legislature for—whether to work for the lature for-whether to work for the best interest of the people at large or just to add "Hon." to their name. Now, I think the people are at fault for most of the blunders. When it was necessary for a candidate to adopt State-ment No. 1 to be elected I noticed most of them did it, even reluctantly, and when the time came to cast their votes for U. S. Senator they stayed with their promise to the people.

It is up to the voters of Oregon t themselves on the stand they will take on the curtailment of the waste of public money. Voters, get busy, make demands of your candidates and vote that carry with them such a heav J. L. KELLY.

# Not Many City Benefits.

LENTS, Or., March 28 .- (To the Edior )-I noticed an article in The Oregonian of March 26 that Lents is per-When the American wife of a titled notwithstanding the fact we residents populated village; but fire protection, if so, where is it? The only fire protection is the volunteer department with a chemical apparatus. More than half the time the roads are in such on ten warrants charging libel must frightful condition the auto is unable of necessity be a bad man. Proof is to pull it, and after the men have positive. When the Sheriff frisked struggled to the fire with it they find him he was found to be armed with a pearl-handled pocketknife.

The one lonely fire plug we can boast of in a radius of 10 blocks is on Foster found and Main street. Assuredly a most desirable condition to promote the

enterprising citizens hadn't installed them and paid for the lights out of their own pockets until recently, when Chicago has one woman who can the business men asked that the city fire a revolver without shutting her eyes. She is on the police force and deriving much benefit from the City of

# A RESIDENT OF LENTS.

Let's Have New Canal of Our Own. JOSEPH, Or., March 27 .- (To the Editor.)-Since our President has asumed the responsibility of the Demo gest to the Colonel to have that President conclude his (Bryan's) proposed treaty with Nicaragua and build a

think the same as I do, that it would be too bad to take advantage of Eng-land in her present domestic troubles and uphold the voice of the people in the last election and use the canal for our own business free of charge to our own boats in our own country.

Since we furnished all the money and the one man to build the Panama Canal we wouldn't mind the expense of building another if we could only call it our own. In a roundabout way, the Democrats can thus save the plank that is about to be washed overboard.

# Police Jobs.

PORTLAND, March 28 .- (To the Editor.)—In order to secure a position on the police force in Portland or any other city, who would I have to see A READER. write to?

under civil service regulation, and appointments are made from an eligible still exist. Surely the wise men dist secured by competitive examina-Our fairest flowers, of course, will the same conditions exist, but in the duty in this regard then the large

> Why He Went. (Christian Register.)

and look at a whole mass of cars that you don't have to dodge."

#### Jack Learns New Wisdom. New York Globe.

Jack—I was just admiring Mabel's hair. How pretty it is! Mabel's Rival—Oh. she has some prettier than that,

New Dances Are Course. dance, and I think the parents of the the performance of the pupils.

The participants were young people ranging from .14 to 18 years of age. being an anarchist. Anarchists are "persons who believe in anarchy or the overthrow of the Government of the United States, of all government and all forms of law, or the assassination of public officials."

If Har Dyal is an anarchist, then I challenge the whole of the United States to prove that we Americans are not anarchists! Did not we ourselves throw off the English yeke? Did not we ourselves establish a new government with a wone, but this was too much for me.

any one, but this was too much for me, and I do not believe that any self-respecting girl would submit to the present methods if she realized how

Paris and found them refined as com-pared with this one which I recently attended, and I would advise fathers and mothers to accompany their school of you: Is this their fault? Let employers give them the wages which are given to the white man. Let Christians acknowledge the existence of One Creator of Hindu and white man allke.

Creator of Hindu and white man allke.

The may be brown, but it their part. As to "grace and beauty," there is none, either in the young lady or her gown, after passing through the intricacies of the "tango" at the modern dances as performed. There is a comfortable mean between a motor headlight so glaring
that it blinds footmen and one so
that it blinds footmen and one so
is my experience that a Hindu's soul
and other modern dances as performed by these young students who are the future representatives of our

#### AUTOMATIC ALARMS FOR HOTELS Other Regulations of Little Good With-

out Them in Case of Fire. PORTLAND, March 28 - (To the Edtor.)-A great how! has been made about carrying guns that take a life lard.
now and then. Little is said about the thousands who suffer, perish and W. die from fires. We hardly think of those common occurences, until they come home. We have just witnessed the efforts of guests from a hotel try-ing to get to places of safety. One lone telephone operator stuck to her post in danger of her own life to do

her duty.

We pass laws for fire escapes. But tell me what is the good of fire escapes unless the hotel guests are warned in time? Had this hotel been equipped with an automatic call fire alarm and phone this one girl would not have been compelled to risk her life, nor have ing between the steamers S. G. Reed, a, nor Capt. Empkins, and the Lucline, Capt. would the guests have been unmindful of the notice given, for by pushing one button the phones in every room would have rung instantly, would have shown beside the fire gong at the closest station would have sounded and the young lady at the desk by taking down her receiver could have talked to every guest, incould have talked to every guest, in-forming them where the fire was and the best way out. All could have been done in three seconds.

Is it not time we howled for up-to-date appliances for protection when we could save the suffering of thou-sands and with no additional outland

sands and with no additional outlay? Timely protection is what we want. G. EVERT BAKER.

## demand that legislative candidates now before the primaries publicly express Another Resident Tells of Spoliation of Flowering Shrub.

PORTLAND, March 28,-(To the Editor.)—I can appreciate Mr. Wood-ward's feelings in flaving a blooming tulip tree stolen from his lawn. I have some early-blooming shrubs in my front yard, among them a splendid cluster of spirea, which for nearly two weeks has been a glorious mass of white bloom. Unfortunately, it grows close to the sidewalk, and a number of persons mostly children perhaps have weeks has been a giorious mass of white bloom. Unfortunately, it grows the close to the sidewalk, and a number of por persons, mostly children perhaps not hesitated to break off quantities of the long slender stems.

It is hard to reconcile a love of flowers with such disregard for the damage they do, for in their haste to escape observation they tear and mu-tilate the shrubs. I have no charitable explanation to make for such conduct; it is stealing, nothing less. That children indulge in it shows a sad lack of

All of the beauty of such shrubbery consists of its symmetrical growth and it does not recover from such mutilation for a long time; moreover, the iespoiled branches soon fade and can but a momentary pleasure to the poller. One who tries to create despoller. One who tries to create beauty of lawn and shrubbery around his home would have its enjoyment as free to the public as the air, but it is expensive to maintain, and if there is no curbing the vandals then he either quit or build a high wall C. H. SHOLES. the sidewalk. 1530 Hawthorns avenue

#### Irish Patriot Conciliatory and Is Love by Many Opponents,

FORTLAND, March 28.—(To the Ed-tor.)—To my notice. John E. Redmond other matters of a financial caste, the pome up as the greatest and most-solid presses of the Farmer job office are figure in British parliamentary poli-tics today. If racial and religious hatred exists anywhere in Ireland it surely is no fault of Mr. Redmond who as a public man for more than a generation has labored to conciliate faction and blot out the unpleasant harpings

n an unprofitable past.

During a recent trip to Ireland 1 steam being preferable to muscle, when learned from first-hand information that aside from political lines he numbers among his personal friends thousands of Presbyterians and Orangemen in the Ulster counties and in London I was reliably informed, were not Redmond an Irishman and home ruler he would today and long ago have been a leading member of the Liberal cab-inet, if not the Premier of England. One word from him now would over-throw the Liberal government and undo all the past advanced legislation of that party for perhaps a decade; but al-though Redmond loves his country and his country's cause, he also loves his fellow man and is a true champion of his welfare regardless

# City Boundary Muddle.

PORTLAND, March 29 .- (To the Edi-The Portland police department is year, described the boundaries of the city, then those boundaries, at least, tion. For information apply to the clerk of the Municipal Civil Service Board, City Hall. In some other cities daries of the city. If they did their majority of cities appointments are made either by the Chief of Police, a Police Commission or the Mayor.

ritory which appears to be in doubt is safely in Portland now, wherever it may have been from 1963 to 1913.

The so-called "commission charter" adopted last year is not a charter in Jones, who doesn't own a motorcar, and is never likely to, was met at the motor show by a friend, who expressed surprise to see him there. "Well," said Jones, "It's lovely once a year to come

# No Exemption for Soldiers.

OWYHEE, Or., March 25 .- (To th Editor.)-Does an old soldler have any tax exemption more than taxpayer? GEORGE E. SKINNER.

# Twenty-five Years Ago

From The Oregonian of March 39, 1889. Auckland, March 29.— Dispatches from Samon state that the American men of war Trenton, Vandalia and Nip-sic and the German men of war Adler Olga and Eber were driven on a reef

Boston, March 29.—Lord Dr. ven's new Scotch yacht Valkyrie compete for the America's cup this year.

Albany, March 29. - The new schooner Geo, H. Chance, recently built at Yaquina, broke her rudder soon after leaving that port and is helpless in a heavy sea. Tugs found her aban-doned and towed her to Yaquina. Four men are missing-Capt James Robin-son, George Robertson and another sailor named Singer and the Chinese

Salem, March 29.—Ravs. M. C. Wire, presiding Elder, and W. Rollins, paster of the M. E. Church of this city, purchased the mining claims of

Salem, March 29.-W. H. Leininger, a former resident of this city, died suddenly at Oakland, Cal., this morning.

Salem, March 29. - Secretary of State McBride and state Superintendent McElroy returned last night from Cor-The Board of Regents of the vallis. Agricultural College purchased a farm of 144 acres at \$86.75 per acre.

The contract for finishing the interor of the big hotel has been let to D. F. Campbell.

The contract for excavation for the Hawtherne avenue motor line was awarded to the P. M. & P. Co. at the office of George Brown.

The garbage dump at the North End of the city is causing much complain from residents in that part of town. Stockholders of the Oregon Furni

ture Company elected the following of-ficers: S. Leewenstein, Wm. M. Ladd. C. H. Lewis, Wm. Kapus and L. C. Mil-W. S. Ladd is having the foundation

put in for a building at the southwest corner of Front and Taylor streets. George A. Cooper, chief rate clerk in the office of Ben Campbell, general freight agent of the O. R. & N. Co., has

been appointed agent at Victoria.

Articles incorporating the William ette Brewing Association were filed yesterday by John Gill, J. S. Dunbar yesterday by Joh and J. T. Milner, A collision occured Thursday moto

damaged. B. E. Vestal, the well known drover and cattle-dealer, was badly gored by a bull in the St. Julian stable on Front street, near Main, yesterday.

Gray, in which both boats were slightly

# Half a Century Ago

From the Oregonian of March 30, 1864. Mr. West, of Wells, Fargo & Co.'s Ex-cress, brought us last evening a copy of the Boise News of March 19, which says: "J. Zumwalt arrived here on Fri-day night from the Missouri river. The vigilance committee was still at work in the Beaverhead country when Mr. Zumwalt left. They find hanged 24 and were after some others, who, if caught, it was thought, would fare badly, and that then the committee would desist until further occasion for their services

should transpire." Conway, Vance & Co. have started a line of stages from Boise City to Owy-

hee mines. Mr. Barry has been spending some route.

"Uncle Tom's Cabin" was admirably perform last night with Mrs. Leighton

as Topsy. Specimens of quartz rock, brought from the Oro Fino lode in Owyhee by Mr. Power to J. B. Price, of this city, have been assayed by Goldsmith Bros and show a total value per ton of \$2282.50; the proportion being: gold, \$2945.71; silver, \$316.69.

Mrs. Sallie B. Thayer, lately from San Francisco, will deliver an address during the present week on "The Du-ties of Women to the Country in the Present Crisis."

The steamship Slerra Nevada left this ort last evening for Victoria and San rancisco, carrying away \$88,000 in treasure.

The stages of Thomas & Greathouse, between Idaho City and Walla Walla, made the distance in three and one-half days on the first trip of the season last TROUBLE NOT FAULT OF REDMOND plains" are being reduced by stations to mere nothing, and a ride to the Missouri will soon be a pleasure.

> As "stock" is becoming all the rag kept busy issuing stock. Julia Dean Hayne will soon appear

at the Willamette Theatre, supported by Miss Francis R. Gass, Mr. S. B. Waldron and the star company. The opposition ferryboat has been laid up to receive a boiler and engine,

Gusher in An OH Field.

# Birmingham (Als.) Age-Herald. "What is a gusher in an oll field." he man who writes the prospectus," replied he who had been stung. The Eternal Question:

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ance of its advertising. The advertising in this newspa per covers in a most interesting and

informing manner practically every form of human activity. What to buy, when to buy, and where to buy is important to every one. This question is repeatedly answered, and answered to the reader's distinct advantage, in the

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plan his expenditures to his best all 'round advantage he must act with his eyes open. And that is just where newspaper advertising is so valuable a help. It makes a great difference what

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