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EFFECTS OF NEW TARIFF.

The Underwood tariff has now been in effect long enough to enable fear of war. us to judge of its first results. These are, as regards foreign trade, during the four months ending with January, an increase of 13 per cent in imports of raw material, of 6 per cent in manufactures and of 20 per cent in foodstuffs, while there has been a and the customs revenue is much less. The promised reduction in the cost of living has been slow in coming, though prices of commodities in January and February, perhaps influenced to some extent by a decrease of 15 per cent in the Transvaal's production of gold during those months.

The long-continued demand for reduction of iron and steel duties seems we can discern, claim to be be justified by the revival of the originator, Ateel industry in face of almost total the industry's best customers, York Journal of Commerce pronounces absurd the assertion that imports would flood our steel market, our only two serious rivals and when hardly make an impression on our The trust's unfilled orders steel mills are operating at 75 to 80 more than in 1912 and its payroll increased 9.43 per cent,

The textile industries have been though the knife was applied very mercifully to their duties and they were given free raw material. So far are they from complaining that President Wood, of the American Woolen tions and the American Wool and effect the cure.

Cotton Reporter says "the great majority of our mills are operating full time with a full complement of help."
The silk industry, which remains well protected by the pretended reveto the demand for dance gowns arising from the tango craze. The only sufferers seem to be the woolgrowers, contribute to the prosperity of the rest have falled.

The great hopes of lower prices which were raised by the placing of meat on the free list, have been falsified, for the 33,500,000 pounds imfalled to affect retail prices. The explanation is offered by the Wall Street Journal that imports amount to less than nine-tenths of our consumption, and Secretary Houston explains that most of the beef from Argentina came from the beef trust's own plant to itself. Thus free meat only facilitated the operations and increased the extortions of the trust, which has proved invulnerable against all legal assaults of the Gov-Free hides have not prevented a large decrease in imports; hence shoes are no cheaper.

One industry which complains most loudly of the tariff's effect is sugar. The price of both raw and refined has declined materially and the consumer has got much of the benefit. so he will turn a deaf ear to the cries of the growers.

It may yet be too early to judge of the full effects of the Underwood law, ble instantly if the federals withdrew and we may yet, as the New York Press and Kansas City Journal predict, be flooded with imports. But so far the action of the Democrats has been vindicated only where they did as the progressive Republicans proposed to do-namely, reduce duties on steel, textiles and : ugar. consumer has not benefited where most was promised him-namely, from the free market basket. depression in the lumber and woolgrowing industries, contrasted with the activity in other industries, sustains the contention of The Oregonian, that the new tariff is grossly discriminatory.

MANUFACTURED WAR SCARES. attack on Germany only awaited a grip of anarchy and Villa. favorable condition of the revenue. It is significant that no the completion of new artillery and picions of the constitutionalists. The war material. It said that, had there demonstration is aimed solely at 000,000 a year to increase the effibeen cannon enough to bombard the Huerta. But any hope that a co-

long ago have invaded Germany. These alarming statements were ble must be put on a very stender conducting inquiries, experiments echoed in other German newspapers, basis. If we engaged in strife with and educational campaigns it has but they were pooh-poohed in others. Huerta it is more likely that we greatly promoted better farming. As The Socialist Vorwaerts described the should in the end find all the Mexiarticle as designed to promote a fur-ther advance in the size of the army Carranza and Villa might make a promoting foreign trade, to regulatand provision of new artillery and by the London Times and the Paris dislike of the American strong. It is has begun to extend its usefulness Liberte. The Times, however, says entirely possible that we should have by conducting inquiries into selected the Russian military measures were the rebels to contend with in the end, industries and their practices. known before the last increase in the even as we had our erstwhile allies, chiefly with a view to demonstrating German army and were adduced as the Filipinos, to contend with after the degree of greater efficiency ob-

a reason for voting it. reason for voting it.

we had disposed of their Spanish optained by combinations.

An explanation of the motives for pressors in the Philippines.

Business needs wh hert Perris and published in Eng-

ion that war scares are manufac-ured for the purpose of causing milimany noble lords, members of Parno patriotism behind these scares, for plans and estimates. the English companies have branch England's potential enemies in war, problem presented by war, which is themselves to a lower tariff,

factured war scares of those who have agreed that from two to have armor-plate, guns and ships to years would be necessary to reduce offset the shortcomings of the ineffi-sell, as much as we should beware of chaos to order. The cost in human clent, for then it would constitute a those who, with their delusive talk of life and treasure would be heavy, universal peace, would persuade us to cost that would fall upon the United neglect reasonable precautions for States as a world power in carrying our own defense. The American Na- its part of the white man's burden tion cannot safely rely for security on and extending the horizon of civilarbitration treaties alone, but must ization, be prepared to meet a possible foe with his own weapons. should liberally discount the state ments of those who trade in war and

A CURE FOR TUBERCULOSIS. It is agreeable to welcome into the world another tuberculosis cure. The company of them is already numerous and somewhat respectable and a decrease in exports of manufactures new addition will find many polite competitors to keep it in countenance. Most of these cures are shortlived, unhappily, but the excitement of their careers no doubt makes up general declined nearly 5 per cent in for their brevity. The cure of which we are writing halls from Astoria, though we are not certain from the accounts that it was invented there. Dr. H. L. Henderson, who seems to be sponsor for it, does not, as far as

It is a comparatively simple medicessation of buying by the railroads, cament consisting of sallcylic acid the industry's best customers. Our and gusiacol, which in the proper imports of iron and steel during the proportions are injected into the pa first four months of the new tariff tient's blood. Salicylic acid is an old were little more than \$10,000,000, friend of the public. It has served compared with \$11,000,000 in the before now as a sovereign panacea corresponding period a year ago, and for rheumatism, gout and disorders our exports are increasing. The New of that pestiferous description. When its usefulness in that domain had be come curtailed it naturally sought for new fields of usefulness and finds when our production exceeds that of them in the various forms of tuberculosis. Gualacol, as the reader probthe surplus of these rivals would ably knows already, is the methylated ether of pyrocatechin.

The effects of the new remedy are increased in February, but showed most encouraging. Some little inconsome falling off in Murch, yet the veniences follow upon the first injection, but they presently disappear per cent of capacity. In 1913 the and the patient finds his cough di-trust's earnings were \$29,000,000 minished while his general vigor improves remarkably. Tonics follow with the regulation tuberculosis diet of eggs, cream and the like. Under said to be hard hit by the new tariff, this regimen a ravenous appetite develops, which is stimulated again at the end of twenty days by another injection. Such is the new treatment. It is said to cure every case of tuberculosis which has not reduced the Company, says it is "fully prepared to do business" under the new condi-

If these results stand the test of time and investigation, Dr. Henderson, or whoever invented this marvelously simple and potent remedy, mission from one end of the state to has carned the gratitude of mankind. the other with reference to the adopnue tariff, enjoys a great volume of Hitherto every effort to attack the tion of the unpopular tax law by the business, which is attributed largely tuberculosis bacillus by injections or last Legislature. direct applications to the diseased proves nothing with regard to this ef-

THE MEXICAN POWDER-KEG.

Having taken a firm stand in the the range of probabilities that the taxes. Because such is a prime reaported in the last quarter of 1913 United States will find the situation is to be likened to a rabbit trap. The farther we press our foot down on the Huerta government the farther tigation and inquiry concerning the flowers annually to all parts of Euinto the mess we will find ourselves until armed intervention will be upon and countries . us with all its tremendous conse-

Having concentrated in force on both coasts, what next? A flying spark would set off the magazines of Or that end might be precipitated by a sort of international spontaneous combustion. That the present crisis is freighted with dangers and dire possibilities is a conclusion that cannot be escaped.

Barring an unexpected act of war, such as an anti-American outbreak, actual hostilities may be drifted into by a gradual course, provided Huerta doesn't back down completely. The landing of marines at Tampico and Vera Cruz might not precipitate trouand the American forces were not fired upon. But if Huerta then tinued defiant, even though not offering armed resistance, the American stand is one that would be weakened by inaction. It might even be determined upon to proceed and oc-

That Huerta will back down completely does not appear very probable at this time. In fact the suspicion grows that he is forcing the issue to save his face. His armies defeated in the North, his treasury all but empty, Huerta may have concluded that his only salvation lies in proclaiming that the Gringoes are coming; that the "colossus of the North" There has recently been a new war is sweeping down on Mexico. Thus scare in Germany, provoked by the might he arouse a wave of anti-Cologne Gazette announcement that American feeling and create new en-1,400,000 men and was gradually he could never resist the mailed fist expert in taxation as the Tax Comnassing troops on her western fron- of the American Government, but tier. The Gazette suggested that an neither can he resist the tightening board of tax experts to advise it.

It is significant that no move has which would be attained in 1917, and been made that might arouse the susfrontier ports, Russian cavalry would operation of rebels and American little money on similar work for the forces would ensue in event of trou- manufacturer and merchant. show of co-operation with us, but the ing railroad rates and to extinguish This explanation is adopted Mexican character is fickle and the ing monopoly. Secretary Redfield

this hubbub in Germany may be de-duced from a pamphlet entitled "The War Traders," written by George Her-Navy, now in motion, could do nothland. This writer reveals the close the coast ports. The entire mobile may be placed at the service of all connection between the armament Army, supplemented by the National in order that the less efficient may be

ensibly for their own security, but of occupation, we should be confront-

MUZZLES AND RABIES.

As long as the City Commission refuses to muzzle mad dogs it can hardly expect the State Board of Health to provide serum to cure rapractical men. A few months' muzwould not be needed.

There is something in the ownership of a dog which seems to harden ness." the heart and destroy human fellow- for his plan in these words: a flock of hens immediately grows man who gets possession of a dog is blind and deaf to the misery it causes.

The city is no place either for dogs or hens. If we must have one of the nulsances, by all means let it be the hens, which are noisy and filthy, but lost motion or wasted material. hens, which are noisy and filthy, but compensate for their failings by laynoisy and filthy, but they do not lay body in the neighborhood wants to sleep. If a human being should conrock pile with hallelujahs from the

entire community. Next to his noise the dog favors us with his bites. When most harmless these attentions cause serious wounds, growing much too common in part of the world. Almost every day's curers and merchants. papers contain the account of some new case, and unless treatment prompt and radical death is certain to follow. Were all dogs properly muzzled there would be no rables. Human suffering would be immensely diminished, but then the poor dogs would be sadly inconvenienced. Since we are driven to choose between the welfare of men and the comfort of dogs, how shall we decide? It is terribly puzzling.

WHO'S TO BLAME?

Tax Commissioner Galloway is perturbed over what he says is misrepresentation of the State Tax Com-

We are not informed as to what upon the Commission for the adoping a tax commission is the compil- and swallowing a camel, cated and debatable character of dexican matter, it is entirely within methods of levying and collecting was instructed by the Legislature that created it "to make diligent invesrevenue and tax laws of other states , and with the aid of information thus obtained, together with experience with and obtions of the constitution or laws as seem proper or necessary to remedy injustice or irregularity in taxation, or to facilitate the assessment and collection of public taxes revenues."

In other words, the State Tax Commission is supposed to be a body of tax experts upon whose advice the Legislature may act without on its own initiative inquiring into tax methods elsewhere or seeking tailed information as to the working be enjoying the greater speed of the

of our own laws. In the larger sense the Tax Commission is responsible for the law. It The sole change of consequence made by the Legislature was matter? for the better. The Legislature addcupy Mexico City. That would mean ed the provision that one-half the taxes might be paid before April 1, only the remaining one-half penalized at 1 per cent a month until paid. As originally drafted the law provided that If the taxes on any cel of property were not paid before piledriver to crush a gnat. April 1 the penalty of 1 per cent a month should be collected on the

sponsible with the Tax Commission for the mistakes of a tax law recommended by the latter, then it must be that the Legislature is considered or ought in fact to be as much an mission, and there is no need of a

GIVE AID TO BUSINESS.

The Government spends over \$5,clency of farmers, but it spends very

Business needs what is already Intervention, if it develops, will done for the farmer-a general study ing more than make a bold show off try, that the best ideas and practices companies and the governing classes Guard, both forces recruited up to raised to the standard of the most

in England, and reaches the conclu-full war strength, would be first efficient. This policy would reduce called upon, providing a force of approximately 200,000 men. With the material. It would thereby increase tary expenditure to the great profit constitutionalist and various other our ability to compete with other of the armament companies, in which rebel forces active, volunteers might nations both in home and foreign also be needed to the number of from markets, and would reduce the cost many notice forms, memoers of Far-also be needed to the number of from markets, and would reduce the cost liament, officials and army and navy 50,000 to 100,000. These figures are of living all along the line without officers are stockholders. There is in keeping with the War College reducing the reward any man relans and estimates.

While the American arms would This policy is the more desirable now plants in other countries, including be victorious at once, the military that our industries are adapting and the secrets which have been sold another term for intervention, would be shown that increased efficiency first to one country soon become the property of all. Thus the great mili-tary nations are represented as having loaded themselves with debt, ostensibly for their own security, but of occupation, we should be confront- per mills were unable to compete actually for the enrichment of those ed by a long siege of guerilla warfare. With Canada on an equal footing was who deliberately awaken and then The activities of an army of pacifica- that they were obsolete and wasteful. prey upon their fears.

We need to beware of the manu
tion might continue over a number ferences in cost between the efficient five at home and abroad; it should not The while I stow away a bit

a premium on inefficiency.

ed The work in question has been done by private enterprise in some industries by or at the suggestion of System, the Magazine of Business, but it has been hampered by serious limitations. It is also carried on by large corporations and trade associa tions, but there is no provision for correlated study of all industries and for wide dissemination of the results A. W. Shaw, editor of System, pro bies patients. The favor would be a poses in an able editorial in that graceful one, of course, but it would magazine the creation of a Governlook too much like pouring water ment Bureau of Business Practice, to into a sieve to commend itself to undertake this work, as the several bureaus of the Agricultural Departling of the dogs would prevent all ment work for the farmer. He bedanger from rables and the serum lieves this bureau should first study distribution, which he describes as "the great uncharted jungle of busi-He sums up the whole case

ship. Just as a woman who acquires a flock of hens immediately grows callous to her neighbor's howls, so a railroads, mines and stores are all beau

By establishing the proposed buing an egg now and then. Dogs are reau, the Government would only be extending to the whole field the maeggs. Their principal public service chinery with which it already covers work. For five years Mr. McGaffey is to raise the Old Ned when every- the larger part of that field. The Agricultural Department is a clearing- Morning Telegraph, and it was while duct himself at night as the ordinary ing; the Interstate Commerce Comdog does he would be sent to the mission collates data about and regulates railroads; the Department of rical life in the chorus-which have Labor cares for the interests of work- since been published in book form un men; the Treasury Department con- der the title of "Sorrows of a Showtrols the world of finance. It is only girl." Mr. McGaffey's father owned two appropriate that the Department of theaters in Denver at one time, and it At their worst they communicate ra-bies, a frightful disease which is degree to regulate business, should Commerce, which is to an increasing was here that his young son acquired render valuable service to manufac- the show game. He became a civil en-

The Portland Rationalists, who use the Public Library rent free for their meetings, protest against any announcement of "Go-to-Church Sunday" in the public schools. This announcement is quite unsectarian. It tissue have been abortive, but that these misrepresentations consist of says, "Go anywhere, it makes no difunless it be that Mr. Galloway con- ference where." Its breadth includes who are forced by the new law to fort. It may succeed where all the strues the fixing of responsibility the Rationalist meeting which will be held rent free in the Public Library tion of the law as misrepresentation. on "Go-to-Church Sunday." . There is One of the prime reasons for have such a thing as straining at a guat

district ships \$2,250,000 worth of rope, even as far as St. Petersburg.

dismissed from West Point for failure The Navy can start but never settle

Bryan must shed his boudoir can

throw the grape-juice bottle out the window, and realize he is Secretary of a fighting Nation. Alaska is wrought up over the annual dog race. Ere long Alaska will

But does the Senate really intend drafted the bill and arged its adop- to do anything more than exercise its vocal functions over the free tolls

Overland Limited

Now that Villa has dropped the

prrespondents he meets with nothing but great victories. "Watchful waiting" has run its idle course and brought us face to

face with war. The office man who was sick Tuesday can get a relapse after to-

But let not the war news distract attention from the opening game. Harry Thaw has won another great

legal victory-and is still in jall. the devil and the deep sea.

The moon will change tomorrow Let the fan chirk up. The dogs should be muzzled and kept muzzled.

Seattle appears to be overrun by ociety divas, Watch the elephant and came

Surely the weather will be good

Give the Third Oregon a chance to

Something doing all the time now, she would return,

Stars and Starmakers BY LEONE CASS BAER.

Ellen Terry says that to be success ful an actress must have a good heart and three Is-imagination, independence and industry.

Mary Edgett Baker leaves at the end of May for Denver, where she goes to play second leads at the Elitch Garden Stock Company.

Nell McKinnon, a former Baker player, is touring in the Southwest in "The Wolf." . . .

Livingston Larned writes feelingly of the cabaret meal in the New York Review:

Of relish, I can hear some dame

Upon the platform throw a fit: Leastwise, it sounds about the same My soup has scarcely "hit" on "high" Before a gaunt, anaemic gent Comes out and has a vocal try At: "Mother's Both Back Legs Are

Bent." I'm fond of shad when it is prime, "Here, Garcon,, let me have a chunk! "In Normandy, it's blossom time."

Ye Gods! that sentiment is punk! They "castle-walk" through roasts as rare As any blawsted day in June. Apaches" rant and dance and swear

"Twixt every pea upon my spoon. Oh! Entries, inunched to mandolina Oh! salads, seasoned with a flute, Who'll answer for thy gastric sins? Who'll make the dread dyspepsia

scoot? I only know that through the meal My teeth to melodies must crunch. Come on, old gal, and shake a heel; Let's have an orchestra for lunch!

Personal-Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Mc-Gaffey are in Portland for a few days. Mr. McGaffey is in advance of the Evelyn Thaw company. Mr. McGaffey is almost as well known, though not in the same way, as Evelyn Nesbit-Thaw in her line of endeavor. Said line is on this paper that he wrote the series of brilliant little sidelights on theata knowledge of the inside workings of gineer and had decided to keep on being one, when the story-writing bee en-The growth of the Y. M. C. A. as tered his bonnet and he wrote two shown by its latest report is encour-aging, but in a city as thrifty and the "Monologues of Mamie of the Meraging, but in a city as thritty and intelligent as Portland it should receive a more adequate support. The ver rejected them with thanks—not the welfare of young men. It does for them what no other organization for them what no other organization. Their morals, health the civil engineer jobs. So he sent the manuscript to the morals, health the civil engineer jobs. Their morals in the morals in the morals are the moral to the light the argument that Derby street should be chosen instead of Union avenue. S. S. King, formerly manager of the benefit, is amusing but not enlightened to the province of the morals are the morals in the civil engineer jobs. The morals in the moral in the morals in the morals in the morals in the morals in the cago's best known newspaperwomen, identified for years with the Inter Ocean. Following his early bent, Mc-Gaffey inclined again toward the the-atrical game. Because of his close knowledge of the Thaw trial, which he covered for the Telegraph, Mr. Mc-Gaffey was selected by Comstock & Gest to herald the tour of its principal objection to Union avenue, the chosen approach, it seems, are economy and a bugaboe scare that any well - regulated and properly-ficanced interurban line will have difficulty in raising money enough to get within using distance of the bridge. The reasons that are advanced, we are told, are on the word of sundry engineers and other parties unknown. The she returned to the stage. Mrs. Thaw will give a matinee and night performance at the Hellig one week from next Sunday. She heads a vaudeville and musical bill, with her dancing passed on.

The decision of the Bridge Commiscourthouse at Hillsboro on April 2 and There is a general impression that partner, Jack Clifford, a San Francisco sion in choosing Union avenue as the the chief industry of the French and boy who taught the Castles how to Portland outlet and approach of the

General Lee's grandson has been staff three years ago.

pearcan Memorial Guild at Stratford-scare unsuspecting taxpayers into be-on-Avon, was the guest of honor at a ing their own worst managers, or is it luncheon yesterday at the Multnomah to upset definite plans already in acthe Mexican muddle, inasmuch as the boats are not provided with wheels for giving chase inland.

In Mexican muddle, inasmuch as the boats are not provided with wheels for giving chase inland.

In Mexican muddle, inasmuch as the boats are not provided with wheels who is ahead of the Stratford-on-Avon players. The guest list included O. to Mr. Hyland and those back of him Leiter, John F. Carroll, Calvin should be that of Caesar, when on the Heilig, W. J. Hofmann, Mr. Flower and banks of the Rubicon. He said, "This brother, Major Oswald Flower, of die is cast." ELIAS BRONG. the English army, who was one of the commanding officers at the relief of Pekin during the Boxer trouble. Archibald Flower will deliver addresses before Reed College, Columbia University, St. Helen's Hall, the Shakespeare Club is the hero of 79 thofts, his and the Drama League upon the work the most part having been Parisiar of the Shakespeare Association of England. The Memorial Theater was presented to this British association in

> Sir Arthur Sullivan, was always regarded as a tyrant by the chorus girls. When the distinguished Britisher cam hither to direct the rehearsals of "The chorus girls trembled with fear. "merry, merry," provoked him greatly you give the origin of this phrase? by missing her cue repeatedly.

"What are your qualifications for this work?" demanded Sir William, "Perhaps none," said the chorister to live?"

"Not necessarily," duly responded the Engilsh satirist.

And we all guessed right when we said that last season's vaudeville tour would not be Eara Bernhardt's farewell to us. She has the fever of goodbye tours and from Paris has just issued an announcement that she is go ing to make another tour of the United and she will probably go into Japan to

KILL FLIES SCHENTIFICALLY. Methods in War on Pests Drive

Writer to Verge of Poetry. Editor.)-I have been waiting for some one to point the way out of the complexity that has arisen from our educational institutions embarking in the fly-killing campaign. I do not refer to institutions in the same town. For instance, professors and their classes in the university, in the high school and in the grade school have all en-

Dr. , of the University of Ore-gon, who is a fly expert of National re-puls, says the bulletin issued by the Ore-son Agricultural College will do more harm than good, because of its collection of old rules and antiquated methods. Where is the board with the queer foreign name — the Board of Higher Curricula? Why doesn't the Board get busy? Doesn't it appreciate the seri-

ousness of the situation? But I feel

the poetle mood coming on! Business for the Board.

Business for the Board.

Call the board together seon!

Call it for tomorrow noon!

There's a conflict, there's a mix;

Things are in an awful fix!

Our professer, U. of O.,

Expert fly man here below.

Our professer says, says he,

"Oh, the childishness of O. A. C.!

They mistake the problem quite!

"Tis to kill, but kill aright.

And to kill by mode antique.

That were foolish, vain and weak.

Shall we lower our standards high?

Unscientifically kill the fly?

I profess in learning's name!

These, my reasons for the same:

Why a professer ambulatory?

Is't to fell in common story

That which all may understand?

Is't to swar with unstrained hand?

No. Lucius, no!

If we'd magnify our places.

We must speak in tones profound.

And, in words of learned sound.

Tell the progress to the minit.

Elie, formouth, we'll not be in it!

If we use the tried or common-place,

And outfoot us for the prige—

Be the consure of languid eyes?"

So I hold our man is right.

So I hold our man is right,
And protest with all my might.
Let there be no weak division!
Let the board make its decision!
Which, dear friends, which shall it be,
University or O. A. C.?

Call the board together soon!
Call it for temorrow noon,
Lest through some mischance of luck
Our professors ran amuck,
As they take their lecturing way
To Wallowa and Coos Bay,
To where Columbia meets "the bluef"
To Lebanon and Lakeview!
Really, we must have a recognised lead in this great statewide work of ly swatting.

Really, we must have a recognized head in this great statewide work of fly swatting. U.P. LIFTER. UNION AVENUE FOR APPROACH The First Regiment Band was recognized last night. Following are the members: T. H. Appelhoff, leader: Frank Clinton, Percy Collins, M. Smith. Thomas Parrott, Joseph Taylor, Choice of Bridge Commission Upheld

for them what no other organization even attempts. Their morals, health and education are all cared for by competent guides and recreation is provided under the best conditions. Such an organization ought not to be skimped for money.

Simple for money.

Jobs. So he sent the manuscript to the manuscr

son for its existence the Commission Italian Riviera is gambling, but there dance and introduced the Barbary interstate bridge is, in our humble opin-That Coast dances to the elite of New York. ion, both sane and logical. Considering that this thoroughfare is one of the widest and longest well-paved the widest and longest well-paved streets, as well as one of the oldest. is a cousin of Ernest McGaffey, who was a member of The Oregonian's and unbroken line of least resistance as the connecting highway with our sister State of Washington. So, why ommend to the Legislative Assembly at each regular session thereof such amendments, changes or modifications of the constitution of the constituti

King of the Parls Thieves.

London Sphere. Franchomme, who bears the title in aris of King of Thieves, has been Paris of King of Thieves, has been condemned to three years in prison. He ploying his spare time while in prison writing his "Memotrs," in which he boasts of his marvelous dexterity. Le 1877 and is the only endowed theater in Cri de Paris quotes a passage from England. The donor was Charles Ed- these memoirs, which are soon to be matter?

At least the Greasers will shortly have reasons to suspect that the "Gringo dog" is a bull terrier.

The whole American fleet concentration of the trating on Mexico is like lifting a Cambridge and rowed on the varsity employed in this city a supernatural piledriver to crush a gnat. The late Sir W. S. Gilbert, who wrote the librettos of "Pinafore," "Mikado" and "Patience," in collaboration with Parisians could no more allow themselves to be taken."

Origin of Adage.

PORTLAND, April 15 .- (To the Edi-Pirates of Pensance," the American tor.)—The heroine in "Peg o' My Heart." in one of her qualint scenes refers to the adage "You cannot make a slik purse out of a sow's ear." Can

This homely old saw came down from antiquity like the rhymes of painting, "Venus Rising from the Mother Goose. It is immortalized in the following lines by an unknown of Prince Wolkenski. The copy is on with the copy in the following lines by an unknown of Prince Wolkenski. The copy is on with the copy in the following lines by an unknown of Prince Wolkenski. The copy is on with the copy in the following lines by an unknown of Prince Wolkenski. with temerity," "but have I not got the following lines by an unknown author:

Ye pig he is a pretty fowl,
And wondrous good to cat.
His ham is good.
Likewise his jowl.
And eke his pretty fact;
But if ye try a thousand years,
I trow ye'll always fail.
To make a silk purse of his car
Or a whistle of his tail. or his car.

Women's Sixth Sense and Spiders. London Times.

States, beginning in October in New A medical correspondent has had York. This route will also include a brought to his notice the remarkable tour of Austria, Russia and England. ordinary sixth sense in regard and she will probably go into Japan to spiders. She could, the writer records, fulfil her engagement to appear at the detect the presence of a spider in any Imperial Theater in Tokio. Although room she happened to be living in her latest appearance in this country without having seen the insect, or with-was heraided as her farewell, she apoke so frequently to interviewers companied by violent sickness, malaise about it being but one of her fare-wells that it was fully expected that she would return. and even debility, but all this passed away on the spider being caught and removed from the room.

Twenty-five Years Ago

EUGENE, Or., April 14 -- (To the From The Oregonian of April 16, 1889. Washington, April 15.—The Supreme Court today decided against the claim of Adam Badeau for pay as a retired Captain in the Army while he was Consul-General in London.

Redbanks, N. J., April 15 .- Five students from Princeton, among them Chester N. Dolph, son of the United and in the grade school have all engaged in making "surveys," whatever that may mean, of my section of the officers are harrying the district. But I don't mind that. I stay a pistol. After a hearing a justice of the peace discharged them. The stute man and surveys, and the peace discharged them.

iet them harry.

But when it comes to state leadership in this great work, are we at liberty to make a sneak? Have we not a duty to perform?

Last week the following news item was going the rounds:

The Televity of Orce. May 14.

Astoria, April 15,-David Davis and man from St. Helens are going to start a weekly paper at Ilwaco.

Brownsville, April 15,-The plant of the roller grist mills and the woolen mills were bought for \$20,000 today by a home company.

Seattle, April 15 .- Acting Chief of Police Willard today arrested the pro-prietors of 11 houses of illfame. All the gambling houses in the city have closed in anticipation of a raid.

Paris, April 15.—A number of docu-ments proving that Boulanger tamp-ered with the Army have been submit-

The City Council of East Portland yesterday took the initial steps in the direction of a sewerage system. H. Y. Thompson, of the Oregon Real Estate Company, said the company was about to make extensive improvements and to sell a large amount of its prop-erty, and wanted a water supply and system of sewers.

There is a scarcity of houses and offices in the city.

The Willamette Pulp & Paper Company has begun work on its establishment for making wood pulp by the sulphite process, which will cost \$100,-

John D. Daly, of Newport, has just made an extended exploration of the country around the headwaters of the north fork of the Santiam.

The panther which has terrorized the citizens of Scappoose is dead. It stole a hog, which became entangled in a snake fence, and was obliged to leave it. The owner dosed the hog with strychnine and when the panther came back, it ate too much pork,

hoice of Bridge Commission Upheld Chris Lolliele, T. Williams, Robert Welck, J. Jones, L. I., Day, G. N. Wolfe, Charles Powell, S. Webster, Charles Ring, E. Harper, J. I., Hol-

land office. J. B. Hammond, superintendent of the Alaska Gold Mining Company, is in

the city. D. C. Stone has been appointed road

supervisor of the new Albina district. About 1000 ladies assembled in the new Park Theater yesterday to hear Mrs. Annie Jenness Miller's ideas on health and comfort in dress.

Half a Century Ago

elected S. V. Knox and Thomas Hoover delegates to the Copperhead convention at Albany. The meeting indorsed the traitorous resolutions and platform of the Yambill Copperhead convention

The friends of the Union met at Sublimity on April 6 for the purpose of organizing a Union Club. After a speech by J. Kernoyer and the adoption of resolutions, the following offi-cers were chosen: J. Kernoyer, presi-dent: W. Porter, vice-president; J. dent: W. Porter, vice-president; J. Jones, secretary; L. M. Geoff, treasurer. Professors Crawford and Beach, followed by the students of Sublimity College, filed into the building and treated the meeting to patriotic s

There exists in this city an organ ized gang of thieves. Last Wednesday night they made a raid in the vicinity of Yamhill and Second streets, entering the premises of J. F. McCoy, J. W. Sutton and J. M. Strowbridge, but did not secure much of yalue,

Improvements are rapidly being made in this city. E. M. Burton has recently furnished a draft for a very fine dwell-ing, two stories high, with a basement, to be built for Dr. Weatherford at the corner of Salmon and Second streets. Near Washington, on Sixth, a new dwelling is being constructed.

The thrilling tragedy, "Pirate of the Isles," will be performed this evening. Mrs. Hayne appearing as Imogene and Paris G. B. Waldron as Bertram.

Among the numerous arrivals in the city yesterday of persons who are trav eling to our new mines were two coach-Cal. They report hundreds more on the way.

Hose was attached vesterday to the fireplug at the corner of Washington and First streets, and it was found to be a pretty good institution. Benjamin Thornally, of this city, has

sold to the Government 100,000 brick, to be used in construction of defences at the mouth of the Columbia River. A huge pile of slabwood corded up

Can on the sidewalk between Front and e? First streets, on Taylor, fell over with J. L. F. la crash last evening. of Prince Wolkenski. The copy is on exhibition at Suiton's shooting gal-lery, and will be put up at a raffle on

the 25d inst. Sending It Back

Women often say when making a purchase, "Oh, well, if I don't like it, I can send it back." This is a bad custom-bad for the retailer because it entails unnecessary deliveries and collections: bad for the customer because it entails loss of time in

making a second selection.

Also, it is one of the many grains of sand that make up the "high cost of living."
Women who read the advertise

ments contained in such newspapers as The Oregonian know before they enter a shop what they want, and save themselves and the merchant time and trouble by making satis-factory purchases on their first trip