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Within a few days there have been many deaths from drowning in the river Portland. Primarily the victims of such deaths are the young.

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The total amount of money, notes and accounts listed for taxation in Oregon is, according to the official table mentioned, nearly \$20,000,000.

A somewhat similar class of property is shares of stock. They are on the Assessors' books of the state at a total value of \$15,278,159.

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Half a Century Ago

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BACK TO THE FRUGAL LIFE.

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The triumph of Democracy returns to the ways of simplicity and economy which have been the basis of the Democratic National platform.

The current appropriation bill will exceed \$1,100,000,000. The largest previous bill, made by the wasteful and profligate Republicans, did not reach \$1,100,000,000.

Were the this country instead of France it would not be difficult to predict the outcome with a fair degree of accuracy.

Madame Caillaux' fate in France will depend largely upon whether the French jurors possess similar emotional tendencies.

Another railroad wrecked. If the statements made in the House by Representative Townsend, of New Jersey, are correct, the Washington Terminal Railway Company's security-holders have been the victims of manipulation only less in enormity than those of the New Haven road.

The inventor of the phrase, "It's just one darned thing after another," must be a native of the Gulf region.

The editor of the Stuttgart Schwabische Zeitung, who was thrashed for five minutes Sunday by two women, can get even with the sex by taking it out of his wife, if he has one.

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