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## A SPARK MAY START CIVIL WAR.

The fatal encounter between Irish gun-runners and the troops may prove to be the first shot in a civil war in Ireland. The Nationalists reason that they are surely justifled in doing that in support of home rule which the Ulster Covenanters have been doing against it. The home rule bill lacks only the King's assent to become law. Those who support its operation will then be upholders of the law, while those who resist will be rebels.

Premier Asquith's first blunder was apparently that he did not crush the Orangemen's volunteer organization in its incipiency. His failure to do so have been a choice of evils, or may have been due to a belief that the organizers were not in earnest held by him until the movement had gone to be stopped. Had he attempted to suppress it at the outset, a great outcry would have been made by the Tories who would have striven to inflame religious bigotry. hoping that the Ulster Unionists would after all accept home rule as unavoidable or would accept some compromise, he permitted them to organize and arm until they now appear to have an army ready for the field.

The Nationalists now show them that two can play at that game, and hitherto have organized and armed Irish volunteers without hindrance. people, and, if numbers alone counted, could overwhelm the Covenanters. But their movement is new and has at its command neither the funds nor the military talent which are at the Leaf road from an arbitration agreeservice of Sir Edward Carson's followers. The latter have a well-filled treasury, have been collecting arms have been trained by able retired officers of the British army. The Nationalists are now endeavoring volunteers in every town, are collectuntry and in the British colonies

# SENATOR BURTON'S REAL AIM.

Senator Burton's argument against logrolling present method of making river and harbor appropriations is being twisted by some foes of waterway into an argument that inland water transportation is obsolete. The Engineering News, for example, commenting on Mr. Burton's speech, writes of the Nation as continuing "calmly to pour out millions a year into pools and ditches to per-petuate obsolete systems of transportation and benefit a traffic which has disappeared."

greatly diminished, though it has not disappeared, but water transportation is not obsolete, or Germany would not continue to carry a great proportion of her traffic on the rivers. It has diminished in the United States because we have permitted the railroads to throttle it: also because river vessels and because the menace of destructive railroad competition discourages investment of capital in bringing them | tistics of the last census which was up to date. Piecemeal improvement taken in 1910. During the four years of many rivers, good and bad, simultaneously has also prevented complete of the whole country has increased improvement of any one. Money from 101,700,000 to 109,000,000. The on a few large projects, such as the more than 7,000,000, but it has been bia, has been scattered among a large various states. One of them, Iowa, number in order to satisfy the de- has actually lost population, a process mands of cormorant Congressmen with which it has become fairly faand induce them to vote any money miliar since emigration to Canada at all for the large projects. We have reached startling proportions. A great the one hand and of politics on the where they can buy large tracts for other hand. Because it has shrunk comparatively little money. In that under such maltreatment some men favored region they expect to repeat say it has been proved to be obsolete. Its survival, even in diminished vol-ume, under such treatment is the century. They will improve their new strongest testimony to what it might farms, raise crops as long as the soil become under fairstreatment.

abandonment of river improvement, plans succeed they will thus reap two but for an entire change of system, fortunes from "unearned increment," or rather for the adoption of an eco- though it must be copfessed that a nomical, scientific, intelligent system man who opens up a farm and imsuch as the people will approve, in proves it probably earns all he ever place of the present no-system. He gets for it in the market. realizes that river and harbor appropriations have been brought into such the pressure of public opinion may cause their entire abandonment withso that they may be prosecuted con-They would then be finished within beginning, and the benefit of the expenditure would not be restricted to

Entered at Portland, Oregon, Postoffice as pelled to drag along a train of approsecution Rates—invariably in Advance. condition of getting through Congress A complete project for a long stretch of its course would be adopted, and money would be forthcoming yearly to prosecute work continuously. After

Mr. Burton and those who work with him for reform of river and therefore the truest friends of the Columbia River. boundary.

## THE GREAT EUROPEAN WAR,

Europe has a bad attack of midsummer madness which is not limited prisco Office-R, J. Bidwell Co., to any one country. Ireland is on the verge of civil war, or perhaps, if the whole truth were known, it has the United States may dangerously whole truth were known, it has stepped a little over the verge. France is turning a murder trial into a politiis turning a murder trial into a political propaganda against Germany and from portions of the world where Austria. Servia and Austria are at popular education is not encouraged. swords' points, and if all tales are They are often herded apart by their true, Russia has decided to take up misguided leaders and kept away arms for her Balkan kinspeople.

> all the tales are not true. Russia, which would transform and elevate with a general strike of vast propor- their ideals. Under such unpatriotic tions on her hands, is in no condition conditions immigrants often remain to wage a foreign war. Germany cannot fight without the consent of a when they arrived and their children powerful and active political party which vigorously opposes all militarism. France would have to face a publican institutions. revolution at home if she undertook to meddle in the Balkan imbroglio. fragettes, the land taxes, the campalgn against the Dukes and the perennial riots in Ireland.

It is moderately safe to predict, from considerations of this sort, that the great European war will be burst bubble in a week or two.

ENFORCE ARBITRATION AWARDS. Charges of bad faith on the part of railroads, consisting of failure to carry out the terms of awards made by enginemen on the Western roads to matters of court record, enforceable by the Federal courts as are private contracts. From the history of the attempted withdrawal of the Clover ment, it appears that, in such a case. rolled only about 18 per cent of the the union has the alternative of bringing suit and entering upon prolonged than half the school population. They and ammunition for some time and litigation or of ordering a strike to had improved upon this condition This new invention won a prize of enforce the award.

When a labor dispute has been made the subject of arbitration under make up by zeal what they lack in the law, faithful compliance with the respects. They are enrolling award should be more than a moral obligation on both parties. The award ing funds among Irishmen in this should have all the force of a decree country and in the British colonies of court, and any of the parties af-

> natters of transportation. That interest requires that no disputes shall istence of the Senate in any form, ment step in to adjust disputes. ment, and public interest demands ing about the very evil which the law was designed to prevent and is destroying the efficacy of the preventive means which the law has adopted,

GROWTH OF POPULATION. The Federal Department of Com nerce has published a bulletin which and wharves have passed out of date gives a detailed account of the growth kering. of population in the United States for the last four years. It revises the stabetween 1910 and 1914 the population which should have been concentrated gain has therefore been somewhat Mississippi, Missouri, Ohio, Colum- very unequally distributed among the permitted water transportation to many farmers sell out their Iowa land become the victim of the railroads on at high prices and go to Canada, the experience which they have will produce them without fertilizers Mr. Burton is contending not for and then sell out again. If their

Some of the Iowa farms which thus leave the hands of old-fashioned disrepute by pork-barrel methods that Americans pass into the possession of foreigners who do not know English and who do not desire to learn out discriminating between good and it. In this way non-English-speaking bad projects. He recognizes that colonies have been gradually built up many projects are good, and he would not only in Iowa, but also in the have the public money spent on them, neighboring states of Minnesota, Dakota and Wisconsin. Other Iowa tinuously, diligently and economically. farms have been bought up by large corporations which either hold them the lifetime of those who saw their for a rise in value or go into the business of producing grain on a large scale. It is by the merging of small the contractors and their employes. A farms into large ones that the de-main stream would be improved be-crease of population has been mainly main stream would be improved before the branch streams were touched,
whereas we now improve a small tributary to no purpose because it has
no outlet into a main navigable
channel.

Communities interested in a great
river like the Columbia have nothing

783,000 inhabitants, while four years ago it had 672,000. This rate of gain nay look discouragingly moderate to some, but it his far better than losing ground like Iowa. South Carolina has forged ahead, but not so rapidly the main stream had been canalized the tributaries would be taken in hand.

In the main stream had been canalized as Oregon. Her increase has been a little over 20,000 a year. If we do not walk at the head of the procession, it was a sum of the small states.

But how the Senate originated is a list almost a perennial party. The small states is not shining bright for his party, and he does not see clearly; he is contained that either national tributaries would be taken in hand. least not bringing up the rear, Sta-Their success would if anybody cares to know, may be obnow has more than 5,250,000 people. Portland has gained 53,000 inhabitants in the last four years.

DECREASING ILLITERACY. There are well-grounded apprehensions that the influx of foreigners into from the influence of the common The odds are heavy, however, that school and the American newspaper for years as illiterate as they were miss many opportunities which rightfully belong to them in a land of re

But in spite of facts of this nature there seems to be a steady decline of illiteracy in the United States. In England is pretty well occupied with domestic troubles, what with sufwith the figure for 1880, this is encouraging. In that year illiterates composed 19.6 per cent, or almost one showing is about one illiterate for every fourteen persons, which is not oad when we consider the obstacles which the public schools have to surmount before they can exert their

foreigners. The negroes also raise our percent- their practical politics, they cannot be ignored by the public in considering the present refusal of in considering the present refusal of opportunity. Those in the Northern road running in easy grades from states are probably as well educated ocean to ocean. The originators submit their disputes to arbitration. as the whites of their own economic It was understood that the law made class. Some of the Southern commu-They comprise four-fifths of the Irish arbitration agreements and awards nities still frown upon schools for the mons Crocker, of Fitchburg, Mass. negroes, but this suicidal policy is gradually losing ground. South Caro actively opposes negro education.

In 1870 the common schools en whole population and a little more the standpoint of education, do not ook quite so bright from that of race survival. They show that since 1870 the adult population has increased far

ruption of traffe by strikes, the public guidance, as has Mr. U'Ren disposed of the bi-cameral system in our own Congress. He says in the state pamphlet argument: "Even if two houses United States women are not any would, interest demands that the Govern- of the bi-cameral system in our own bitration is the best means of adjust- phlet argument: "Even if two houses are better for Congress, it does not that awards be observed by both par-ties. Whichever party to a railroad labor dispute impairs confidence in the state is more like a city than it is like a nation." If the comthe means Congress has provided for position of our own National Legislaits adjustment without a strike is ture has no bearing on the amendment riders would kill themselves. even more culpable than if that party had provoked a strike before resort the composition of another nation's torcyclist. was had to arbitration. He is bring- Legislature is equally unworthy of consideration. Here we have the assertion that a state is little like a nation and therefore should not be guided by the stroyed at Kalama will be rebuilt at governmental forms of a nation that has the bi-cameral system; that on the other hand, a nation which is inaccurately said to have the uni-cameral system should be taken for a state model. Mr. U'Ren's logic needs tin-

But The Oregonian does not accept the premise that a state is more like a city than like a nation. The state government, like the national, is divided into three branches. The city government is not; at least, in the city much of the executive function is combined with the legislative in the same officials. Scope of territory and diversity of interests are in the state similar to those of the Nation, but in smaller proportion. There can hardly be comparison in these respects be-tween city and state. The Nation's authority in some particulars is supreme over that of the state; the state in turn has supreme authority in criminal legislation over the city; there is no political unit smaller than the city which has a government of its

All these things make for a diversity and importance in state legislation not found in city legislation. The check of two legislative bodies deliberating on the same subjects is far more essential in the state than in the

Nor do we admit the truth of Mr. U'Ren's statement that "the United States Senate is universally admitted to have been copied from the English

The Senate differs in that it has no life members, no hereditary membership, no representation accorded any church, and there is no appointive power that can increase its numbers Because it was of later origin the United States Congress may be said to have been adapted from the English bi-cameral system, but it is no more accurate to say that the Senate is an imitation of the House of Lords than it is to assert that the House of Representatives was copied from the House of Commons. We are now quoting

Alexander Johnston:

to lose and everything to gain by the change of policy which Mr. Burton advocates. The Columbia River appropriation would no longer be compelled to drag along a train of appropriations for worthless schemes as a condition of getting through Congress.

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The Senate, therefore, whose condition of getting through Congress. owed so far as

is a comfort to learn that we are at tional or state Senate is representative but affiliates with the Democratic of aristocracy. For the Nation it serves party. The article by Mr. T. B. Neu-not only as a guard against com-plete domination by the large states what we read in the Portland Journal, harbor improvement methods are tistics concerning the growth of cities not only as a guard against comare also given in this bulletin, which, plete domination by the large states the small, but as a over balancegive a fair prospect that the present tained by writing to Director Harris, wheel to legislation. In the latter regeneration would see the river made of the Census Bureau. New York spect it has served a valued purpose navigable from its mouth to the City, in which we are all interested, in the state. It is an essential implement to orderly government.

> The question: What is a gentleman? has been answered by the British workingmen's insurance act with the statement that a man who earns more than £160 (\$1800) a year and does no manual labor is a gentleman. The Liverpool Steamship Owners' Association has encountered a difficulty in applying this definition to the men and including the sixth, but would exclude the seventh engineer because he does some manual work. This distinction might cause trouble in the messroom and Mr. Lloyd-George has been asked for a new ruling to overcome the difficulty, Mr. Lloyd-George couple of campaigns. The Buil Moose has said so many harsh things of those who especially pride themselves voter to "vete for the man." You never not accept him as authority.

The twenty Democratic Representatives from New York State have been per cent of the population. Compared marshaled by their leader, Mr. Fitzgerald, to march on the White House In that year illiterates and inquire what is to become of them if the anti-organization campaign is in five of the population. The present to be kept up by President Wilson's lieutenants. They are ignored in the distribution of patronage and may, in consequence, be missing in the next Congress when the President needs votes to carry out his programme. enlightening influence upon incoming They may teach him that there is a close relation between his ideals and

will be a smooth, hard-surface the project were women, Mrs. Philip N. Moore, of St. Louis, and Mrs. Em-The great highway is as yet only a lovely dream, but when it is finished lina is perhaps the last state which a statue of one of the women should Therefore Copy Some National Governstand at each of its termini,

The United States Navy has a flying machine at Pensacola in which a Sperry stabilizer is to be installed. move without dangerous swaying and shifting.

is a fraud himself. It may have been stence of the Senate in any form.

But were the composition of the applied to the action of the National der that justice may prevail between railroads and employes without inter-

deeper in the political game where

it was said commonly that reckless The same holds good today with the mo-There is a cheering message in the news that the hig sawmill plant de-

During the blcycle craze years ago

The mobility of Carranza's govern ment suggests that he may have en listed the services of a circus manager

The Western Tri-State League was made of good bushers who played good ball while they lasted

It will seem odd to free and independent Portlanders to "walk the chalk" at street crossings. Lucky Kansas, with a big crop of

wheat to sell foreign. Oregon, too, will have a few cargoes Germany is the Nation that cannot

afford war, and Emperor William must be the peacemaker. The Irish are longsuffering.

killing at Dublin Sunday is another

notch on the stick. Combination of the sawyers to regulate prices means that Winter is

Greece wants the opportunity to show what she can do with real bat-tleships.

(Secretary Bryan included Switzerland, which has no navy, in the invitation to participate in the naval pageant at the opening of the Panama

Did you make a right-angle turn in getting out of bed this morning? Watch Jay Walker get across the

Now's the chance for the Swiss navy.

Texas prefers to "irrigate."

Condemnation of Property.

PORTLAND, July 27.—(To the Edltor)—Has the city the right to condemn any block or parcel of property
it wants and pay what it considers an
equitable price? My neighbor contends
the corporate can't be forced to sell the owners can't be forced to sell unless they get the figure they hold

the same at. CONSTANT READER.

The city has the right to condemn private property for certain public uses when the value cannot be agreed upon by city and owner. Proceedings established by a jury. The price thus Charter your "Piffe" craft for me, fixed is binding.

Truly, in courtesy, you might Charter your "Piffe" craft for me, To bear the Hope of the Swiss Navee. are instituted in court and the value is

NON-PARTISAN FRAUD TO FORE. Bull Moose Charged with Trying Discredited Democratic Scheme

PORTLAND, July 24 .- To the Editor.) -Mr. C. B. Moores seemed to be very successful in stirring up the Bull the Senators to the senate, therefore, whose states. . . The Senate, therefore, whose conception has received warmer admiration than that of any other feature in the Constitution, owes its existence, in its present form, entirely to an unwilling compromise of the conflicting demands of the large and the small states.

Senate originated is a like the senation of the senation of the conflicting demands of the large and this year. He is easily irritated. His is almost a perennial party. The sun is almost a perennial party. But how the Senate originated is a is almost a perennial party. The sun is not shining bright for his party. which every evening or so speaks of an assembly. Each is in a spasm, and the reason is they are wise enough to know if the Republican party were as completely organized as they are-if it held secret assemblies to plan the campaign, and were to unite upon a candidate—they would be hopelessly defeated. So the coming campaign will be the same old dishonest harp of voting for the man. From reading Mr. Neuhausen's let-

ter one would gather the idea that Progressives by the thousand swore to a falsehood when they registered, for he labors hard to make us think that Bill Hanley is in the race with only a little over 6000 registered votes beon board ship. It would class as gen-tlemen the captain, mate, second of-that the Progressives registered as ficer and all the engineers down to Republicans. If true it then follows that they are resorting to that dis-honorable and corrupt practice of the Oregon Democrats in registering Republicans for the primary, with tent to slaughter the Republican nom-inees. But such conduct or methods cannot be successful in more those who especially pride themselves on being gentlemen that they would not accept him as authority.

saw a person out soliciting "votes for the man" but every vote thus secured was against the Republican candidate. But can you blame them for being alarmed? They know the Republicans are intensely interested in fighting the battles for the common people and the wage earner, and simply because they suffered defeat once they are not dis-couraged. They will buckle on the armor and wage a battle that their political enemies know they are capable of waging. They do not resort to dis-honest registration, or charge oppo-nents with being owned by Wall street, but wage a battle sgainst the theories and impractical platitudes of our pro-fessor President and the Democratic party-a battle that will be crowned by success, one that our forefathers would be proud of, a battle against lishonest and corrupt practices, against free trade and its depressing results, against English dictation of the operation of the Panama Canal, against spineless diplomacy, against every theory that obstructs the path to success and prosperity.
C. B. LA FOLLETTE.

# STATE NOT MUCH LIKE NATION

ment Other Than Ours. OREGON CITY, Or., July 26.—(To the Editor.)—A few days ago you stated in an editorial against the abolithe Senate that Norway has two legislative houses and referred to somewhat in 1910. There were then \$10,000 from the French War Department on July 18 in a competition at population and 73 per cent of the population and 73 per cent of the French War Department on July 18 in a competition at Paris. It is a small gyroscope so inguildren of school age. These latter figures, while they are agreeable from the standpoint of education, do not move without dangerous swaving and State Library last January. The ref-erence department quotes Harold Spender in the Contemporary Review. Harold A bibliophile has just paid \$1000 spender in the Contemporary Review. arguing against the House of Lords in England, as follows:

equal to that of their foes.

Thus there are in Ireland all the materials for civil war, ready to hand. If Sunday's encounter should be behind it and the Attorney-General and his subordinate should be behind it and the Attorney-General and his subordinate should set the courts in motion for its prompt enforcement. Asquith will need to move warily that he may carry out his policy without causing open conflict. The threatened general European war may prove a godsend to him, in a sense, for it may so sitr patroitic fervor in the British people that they will forget internal differences.

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moved The states that abandoned the onehouse legislature did so in copying the plan of the Federal Government. Nearly all the cities of the Union copied the same features in their city government. It is true now that nearly all of the cities have abolished one house or chamber of their city legislative body. A state is much more like a city than it is like a ration. Many of these it is like a nation. Many of these cities have a population far greater than the State of Oregon. Why have the cities abolished one house?

W. S. U'REN. Another Discrimination.

PORTLAND, July 27 .- (To the Editor.)—Pursuant to the popular pastime of criticising the inconsistences, fail-ures and shortcomings of our City Commission I hasten "to take my pen in hand" to comment on the inconsis-tency of our department of public works in taxing the humble curb gasoline filling stations in the suburbs and overlooking entirely the hundreds of thousands of square feet of valuable basement space under the sidewalks and curbs in the business district now being monopolized by wealthy prop-

McKinley and Bryan LA CENTER, Wash., July 26.—(To the Editor.)—Who got the largest popular vote, McKinley or Bryan, at the time McKinley was elected?

601,854; in 1900 a plurality of 849,790.

### Yodel of the Swiss Admiral By Dean Collins.

Canal.—News Item.)
Hi-lee! Hi-lo! I've served a term
As a bell-hop hold for a hotel firm
That gathers the poor financial scalps
Of tourists traveling to the Alps.
And I gathered those scalps so dexterously

terously That now I am a ruler in the Swiss Navee, Old British Nelson perhaps was great,

And many another, I could state,
Has sought for glory, and not in vain,
Upon the waves of the heaving main,
But seldom, if ever, a man may see
An Admiral of the Swiss Navee.

INFLUENCE LIVES FOR CENTURIES Inspiration of Bruce's Qualities Re-

called by Battle Anniversary. Editor.)-Six hundred years ago a great victory was won for the cause of Moose state chairman, so I will give freedom and the people of Scotland, him another prod. Of course the Bull when their intropid leader, Bobert Indian Agent Cole at the Colville Moose is in a very different situation Bruce, and his sturdy followers de-

gotten, and the name of Robert Bruce will ever be remembered by the loyal Scotch, whose bands are wont to play the old patriotic air

Scots wha hare wi Wallace bled! Scots wha Bruce hath often led! The details of this event show the ability and resourcefulness of this great leader, who had been a student in the art of warfare under the great ability and noble Wallace, whose betrayal into the hands of his enemies by the Count-ess of Strathearn, in a spirit of re-venge for his refusal to reciprocate ber offers of unlawful affection, had caused him to be legally murdered, under due form of law, at London Wallace's body had been recovered, and by a co incidence was brought here on the ev of this great battle by Gilbert Hamble don, a former officer under King Ed-ward, but who had renounced his fealty to him and had come to pledge loyalty and support to Bruce. On very day on the field of battle there stood the sable hearse of Wallace under the royal banner with standard struck deep into the native rock and waving its blood-red volumes over his

acred head. The details also show to what extent great minds may be influenced and inspired by the valiant decis of others. Bruce said, pointing to the bier, "By that heaven-sent palladium of our freedom we must this day stand or fall! He who deserts it murders William Wallace anew!" At this declaration of their leader the chiefs of each division assembled around the hallowed spot and, laying their hands on the pall swore to become as lifeless as their dauntless Wallace rather than yield the ground which he had rendered doubly precious by having made it the scene of his invincible deeds. The vow spread to the surrounding legions, and was echoed with mingled cries and acclamations from the farthest ranks. "My leader in death as in life!" ex-claimed Bruce, clasping his friend? sable shroud to his heart. corpse shall again redeem the country which cast the living amongst devouring lions. Its presence shall fight and conquer for thy friend and king." ing lions. daybreak the whole of King Ed-

ward's army came in view and during the calm that preceded the great bat-tle Bishop Dunkeld passed in front of the Scottish lines barefoot with crucifix in hand and exhorted them by every sacred hope to fight with an unreceding step for their rights, their King and the corpse of William Wal-lace. The solemnity of these com-bined events had such an effect upon the Scots that they with one accord fell upon their knees to confirm their The sudder resolution with a vow. numiliation of their posture excited an Instant triumph in the haughty mind of Edward, and, spurring forward, he shouted aloud, "They yield! They cry for mercy!" and ordered his men to charge, with the hope of overwhelm-ing the Scots before they could arise from their knees. But they met a dif-ferent destiny. They found destruc-tion amid the trenches and on the spikes in the way, and with broken ranks and fearful confusion fied or fell under the missive weapons which

Collishing. When there is any difference of opinion the two halves of the Storthing meet opinion the two halves of the Storthing meet together and the difference is decided by common vote. together and the difference is decided by common vote.

Your statement that the Oregon Senate is not an imitation of the English House of Lords is accurate in a quibbling sense. The United States Senate is universally admitted to have been found qualities which should endear is universally admitted to have been found qualities which should endear is universally admitted to have been found qualities which should endear him to the people of all nations and of all times. They are expressed in his Lords, and the Oregon State Senate would, therefore, be a copy once removed.

Bruce a hero, who was possessed of down upon them, sweeping them been fore it. A Mrs. Medbury and Mrs. Glen with three children were drowned to he is shown to have possessed additional qualities which should endear him to the people of all nations and of all times. They are expressed in his loyalty of purpose, his sincere religious nature and his kindly interest in the welfare of his fellow-men, and, as a prancises, July 27.—C. L. Weller, and the contains and down upon them, sweeping them been fore it. A Mrs. Medbury and Mrs. Glen with three children were drowned to he is shown to have possessed additional qualities which should endear him to the people of all nations and of all times. They are expressed in his loyalty and item to the possessed additional qualities which should endear him to the people of all nations and of all times. They are expressed in his four horses were drowned and brought to the city. The gentlemen, four in number, were saved, but badly bruised. The four horses were drowned and the wagon dashed into atoms.

San Francisco, July 27.—C. L. Weller, and the contains and contains an the welfare of his fellow-men, and, as has been said by the poets and writers of his time, the dominant note of his life was freedom, the liberty of the na-tion from foreign bondage and the in-dividual from oppression.

Thus we find in the life of this great leader qualities so good that his vir-tues have lived and are an inspiration to the succeeding generations after the lapse of 600 years. CHESTER HOPKINS.

### ALLITERATIVE POEM IS RECALLED Threatened European War Revives Interest in Old Verses

PORTLAND, July 27 .- (To the Editor.) -- In view of the serious political outlook pending between Austria and Servia, and the removal of the King and government of the latter from Belgrade, the capital, to Kraguyevata, the purpose of joining the National where there is an arsenal and arms and ammunition factory, the student's attention is recalled to that famous alliterative poem so popular among Ald Society from their ice cream and schoolboy deciaimers some three or floral festivals of Friday and Tuesfour decades ago. This poem, while This poem, while day evenings were \$214.70. four decades ago. This poem, while being a classic in its kind, is also true historically: hence its reproduction at this time is quite permissible. To those being a classic in its kind, is also true historically; hence its reproduction at this time is quite permissible. To those who have never read the poem, it will be a treat, while such as once knew it but have since forgotten it will be should darken our foor but A. Bergpleased to have their memories repleased to have their memories repleased by its dashing metre; while to all it should prove interesting as they watch the development of this silrring situation which threatens to who were soon in a meiting mood. McKinley had a plurality in 1896 of involve the whole of the European powers.

The Siege of Beigrade

The Siege of Beigrade.
An Austrian army, awfully arrayed,
Boldly, by battery, besieged Beigrade,
Cossack commanders cannonading come.
Dealing destruction, devastating doom.
Bvery endeavor, engineers essay
For fame, for fortune-fighting furious fray,
Guerals 'gainst Generals grapple Gracious
God!
How heaven honors heroic hardined!
Infuriate, indiscriminate, in ill,
Kinsmen kill kindred, kindred kinsmen kill;
Labor low levels longest, loftlest lines,
Men march mid mounds, mid moles, mid
murderous mines.
Now noisy, noxious numbers notice nought
Of cutward chatacles opposing ought.
Poor pairiots! Partly purchased, partly
pressed,
Quite quaking, quickly quarter quarter quest.

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Reason returns, rollglous right redounds,
Suwarrow stops and, sanguinary sounds.

Truce to the Turkey, triumph to thy train,
Unwise, unjust, unmoreful Ukraine!
Vanish vain victory, vanish victory vain!
Why wish we warfare? Wherefore welcome
ware

Xerxes, Ximines, Xanthus, Xavier?

Yield, yield, ye youths! Ye yoemen yield
your yell!
Zeno, Zamphaies, Zoroaster's zeal,
Attracting all arms against acts appeal.

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And dig up a suitable ship for me,
The Admiral of the Swiss Navee.

Now in what ship shall I ride in state
In the big parade through that ocean
gate?
Oh, William J., since you did invite,
Truly, in courtesy, you might
Charter your "Piffe" craft for

# Twenty-Five Years Ago

PORTLAND, July 26. - (To the From The Oregonian of July 28, 1889. Washington, July 27.—The Commissioner of Indian Affairs has received a telegram from R. A. N. Harvey, chair-Bruce, and his sturdy followers de-feated King Edward II of England Territory, saying the Indians attached with his vastly superior forces, in the last attempt to force a union of the two countries, or to compel the Scotch to submit to the laws and dictates of the English government.

The anniversary, therefore, of this decisive battle, which was won on the 24th day of June. A. D. 1314, will be a date and an event never to be forworten, and the name of Robert Bruce to Colville burnt eight square miles of

London, July 21.—Princess Louise, cliest daughter of the Prince of Wales, was married at noon to the Earl of

The Oregon Press Association will meet at Newport on Yaquina Bay, August 23 and 24, to devise some means to deal with foreign advertising We have some specimens of the yel-

low rare-ripe peach grown by J. D. Pearcy, of Pearcy's Island, at the mouth of the Willamette, which are unexcelled of the Williamette, which are unexcelled for size and flavor. George Hamilton, of the San Jose day's hunting about eight miles from a day's hunting about eight miles from East Portland, having bagged 30 pheasants, 15 grouse and a few quali.

Judge Thomas Nelson, one of the territorial justices of Orezon from 1851 to 1853, who visited the city within the past few days, found that many great changes had taken place hereabouts since he departed for New York 26

Miss Mattie Colgrove left for Pendle. ton last night to accept the position of teacher of the boarding school on the Umatilla Indian reservation.

J. N. Bristol, the well-known grocer, s again able to be out after a very severe attack of typhoid fever. Mrs. L. Dale Price, the artist, left

Chursday for San Francisco George and Albert Weed, aged respectively 16 and 12 years, were drowned yeaterday while ewimming in the Willamette near the old water works at the foot of Lincoln street.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. McGuire returned from their wedding tour in California. John H. Hall has returned from Wil-

The races at Riverside track were won by Arthur Wilson's Cereal, A. J. Magoon's Lodi Maid and Mayor De

Nola Joplin, the 7-year-old child of F. Joplin, a grocer, of 111 South First street, was burned to death yesterday through starting a fire with coal oil.

## Half a Century Ago

From The Oregonian of July 26, 1864 Camp No. 49. Schire's River, Oregon, July 8.—Editor Oregonian: Here we are in the middle of July and in the very heart of an Indian country, and no fight has yet occurred to vary the monotony of our aimost incessant marching. The wagon train arrived on June 15, and on the 16th Captain Curry moved up Globs Creek 15 miles. In the evening Captain R. in the evening Captain R. and his company came up and joined the command, when for the first time since the expedition started it was all together The 17th was commemorated propriate style. During the arriers and blacksmith made the camp ring with their incessant clatter, re-pairing the wear and tear of wagons and horses' feet, and at night the patriotic Uma-how-litz gave a bi the shape of a scalp dance. His riors, who were with Captain C the party of Snakes were killed, se-cured three scalps, over which it is their delight to whoop and howl-Soger Boy.

Aurora, N. T., July 28 .- A party of ladies and gentlemen who left here at noon yesterday in a four-horse wagon met with a fearful accident about 12 miles from this city. They were about rossing a ravine when a waterspot

San Francisco, July 27,-C. L. Weller, ex-postmaster of San Francisco and president of the Democratic state cenpresident of the Democratic state cen-tral committee, was "rrested on Mon-day evening by the provest guard on an alleged charge of uttering treason-able language against the Government in a public address. He was taken to

Aleatraz The Salem Statesman has the fol-lowing: A drove of 400 cattle passed through town on Monday, bound for the north, Numerous droves have passed along the mountain road east Sumbers of sheep are being nto the upper part of the Valley from California.

J. C. Grubbs, a resident of Henton County and one of last year's gradu-ates from Willamette University, left

H. Jones, of Jones' Dalles & Canyon City Express, leaves this morning with a large amount of express matter for the above places. Mr. Jones had several narrow escapes with his life from the Snake Indians in the last few

yesterday from the door of the second story of his dwelling to the porch be-neath, bruising herself badly. Drs.

Glisan and Elwert are in attendance. Saving Friction

Any means of saving friction makes for energy and power.

National manufacturers are turn-ing more and more towards news-paper advertising because it eliminates waste motion in distribution, They find the newspaper not only

reaches the consumer but it directly influences the local dealer. The retailer knows when he sees an advertisement in his home paper that there will be inquiries at his

He acts accordingly and all friction is eliminated from the process of distribution.