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ARM FOR NATIONAL DEFENSE.

General Wotherspoon's recommen-States Army and creation of a reserve force bring before the American people once more their unpreparedness for National defense. His proposal that the regular army be increased to 205,000 men and that we have enough reserves to put 500,000 men in our first line of defense would have been thought a few years ago to smack of extravagant militarism, but when compared with the vast armies now in the field in Europe it seems really modest.

Of course General Wotherspoon's plans will be scorned by extreme pacificists, for they regard armies and navies as temptations to war on the part of nations which maintain them to attack. They rely on treaties and the danger of stealing is past. arbitration tribunals to keep peace between nations, notwithstanding the recent definition of a treaty as scrap of paper" and notwithstanding the existence of armed nations which of settling a dispute, we should compelled either to concede what the other nation demanded or to fight. If we chose the former alternative, should sink to the level of China. which, through impotence, stands by while two other nations fight for parts of its territory. Colonel Roosevelt, in an article in the New York Times, quotes a pacificist writer as having "pointed out China as the proper model for America." The Colonel brings out the full significance of this opinion by showing that it places China above all the great nations, from Athens to the present time, in moral, intellectual and physical status, and then remarks: "To my mind such proposition is unfit for debate outside certain types of asylums." Most Americans will agree with him. The alternative being to fight, we

bylously must be equipped to fight with a fair prospect of winning. ve do not so equip, we shall realize the truth of Colonel Roosevelt's statement "that the one certain way to invite disaster is to be opulent, offen-sive and unarmed." We are the richest nation on earth and we criticise other nations with a greater freedom than they tolerate with patience. Our riches invite and our offensiveness provokes attack. Should we not arm,

The oft-reiterated statement that manship when they are at high school, of the passions engendered by under war conditions after graduation ment possible. and it gives each man eight days' has kept out of the war, and has kept man armies have been guilty. the war beyond her borders. She is a distinctly peaceful nation armed for that, because the German army has

pared for war as Switzerland, but we and religion. Germany's contributions could become so by adopting the Swiss to every branch of art forbid us to Officers would need a longer period scale would be needed to train general of men which compose modern armies. Were we thus prepared, with a rifle for every trained mar and with arthlery proportioned to our strength in infantry, we should not only be able to defend ourselves, but we could prevent wars between other nations.

Close study of the events leading up to the present war leads to the conclusion that it was invited by the unreadiness of Great Britain. This is shown Germany's indifference to what Britain might do about the invasion of Belgium and by the Kaiser's scorn for General French's "contemptible little army." Had Germany known that Great Britain could send 1,000,-600 trained troops into Belgium within a month, her rulers would have thought more than twice about pro voking British intervention by invading Belgium or even about making war at all. British preparedness could have prevented war, while Colonel Roosevelt truly says that "all the peace congresses of the past fifteen years have accomplished precisely and exactly nothing so far as any great crisis is concerned."

SHERMAN'S MARCH TO THE SEA. In the middle of November fifty years ago Sherman set out from Atlanta on his march to the sea. Be- of life. wanton love of destruction, not to ter- handicap of being born full grown,"

malice. None of the inhabitants were murdered. No cruelty was inflicted. At its best war is "hell" and Sherman knew it better than most men. but he added nothing to its inherent abominations. The Civil War, it has been well said, was waged humanely. The old laws of chivalry bad not yet way entirely to "efficiency." No atrocities were committed to terrify the enemy and break the spirit of their days and cumity went no farther than the battlefield.

LOCKING THE DOOR.

One sadder-but-wiser candidate, who as persuaded to seek a Commissioner ship, in the recent recall election, raise the inquiry as to the reason of all the present fuss about forgerles of names on the petitions, and wants to know why no searching official scrutiny was made when the papers were filed. The question is natural. The candidates could have been spared a lot of trouble and the expenditure of some money, and the public would have been relieved of an outright nulsance If the fact-if it is a fact-that there were extensive forgeries could have been developed, and the illegality, acdations for enlargement of the United tual or probable, of the proposed recall demonstrated. As it was there seems to have been

only the most perfunctory examination on the part of the City Auditor. and an apparent willingness to take the papers at their face value,

The City Commissioners assumed a position of lofty and virtuous indifference as to whether the call for the recall was real or bogus. They were pained that the recallers were willing to spend \$25,000 of the taxpayers' money for a needless special election; but they did nothing to stop it.

Now the City Attorney has uncovered a lot of forged names, and there is a belated scandal about the whole

Dr. Parish is not quite accurate in his simile about locking the stable door after the horse has been stolen. and as provocations to other nations The door is being padiocked long after

IN PEACEFUL MEXICO

Once more Villa is marching in bel-Hoose mood on Mexico City. At least refuse to settle disputes by any other he was doing go yesterday. Carranza means than war. If such a nation had changed his mind about resigning narrator, were to violate a treaty with us or and was prepared to resist Villa. Just were to refuse arbitration as the means how many other bandit chiefs and provisional Presidents were engaged in similar quarrels is not revealed, as the European war has taken us out of intimate touch with Mexican affairs.

All this just as the versatile pacific ists of the Administration at Washington had the Mexican tangle all straightened out. The latest message of Mr. Bryan announcing that peace prospects in Mexico were hopeful still reverberates; just as the order for the American evacuation of Vera Cruz is being prepared for execution this rude situation interposes.

But no matter. There is hope. Not f permanent peace, but that the factions will take a month off. Exhaustion may compel this. Then the interval can be seized upon to declare Mexican differences at an end, our troops can be removed, and, provided the cable and telegraph wires are cut and all our border settlements moved back little more of chaotic Mexico. We can imagine no other course by which watchful waiting can expect to find success at this stage of the muddle,

GERMAN CARE OF ART.

It is significant of German respec for the public opinion of the world that the outery about the destruction we should double the urgency of the of Louvain and the damage done by hombardment to cathedrals at Rheims. Malines and Dinant should have been commission to Belgium to conserve ment is unnecessary to preservation of works of art and ecclesiastical treaspeace does not accord with facts, as ures. There is such a conflict of tes-Colonel Roosevelt well shows by citing timony as to whether the destruction the example of Switzerland. That was wanton or was a necessary millcountry begins to ground boys in mill- tary measure that the exact truth training, discipline and marks- may not be known until the cooling it gives them four months' training has made impartial inquiry and judg-

War is necessarily ruthless, for those training in each subsequent year, be- who conduct it must subordinate all sides frequent rifle practice. Each other considerations to military sucman keeps his rifle and accoutrements at home and is responsible for them. This training does not interfere appreciably with the Swiss citizen's occupation. tion, but renders him better able to do The emergencies of war require quick his work. When the present war be- decision and quick action, and men gan, Switzerland mobilized her army inflamed by battle commit deeds of and prevented either France or Ger- which they would not dream in times many from making a short cut across of peace. This may account for much her territory to attack the other. She of the destruction of which the Ger-

The world will be loath to believe been guilty of some small excesses, German nation has lost respect for art system of national military training, believe that the fury of war has suddenly sunk the nation in barbarism. of training, and maneuvers on a large The world will regret, however, that the Kaiser did not sooner send the officers in handling the great masses art commission to prevent his soldiers from destroying treasures which never can be replaced.

ROBERT J. BURDETTE. By the death of Robert J. Burdette the world loses a kindly and beautiful spirit. His career was long and varied. Born in 1844, he began his active career as a newspaper man and as editor of the Burlington Hawkeye he won National reputation by his humorous articles. He passed thence to the Brooklyn Eagle, and from 1900 to the ural public speaker. His lectures in 1903. He was greatly loved as pas-

vhere he died. fore leaving the city he burned it to that book, "were the only people who some subordinate, who may have his the ground. This he did not from started out in life under the terrible head stuffed with book knowledge

rify a conquered population, nor be- and he does not fail to justify his point Ehan among Among his best essays is that on Atlanta was "Favorites," in which he discourses had been a military manufactory for the Bible, the days of youth and other It might have been used delightful subjects, all favorites of his. iar with the West and less sympa in the same way again had Sherman His verses were soldom very serious thetic with its needs and interests. From the National standpoint the definite military reasons and without they are parodies, close or remote. bill is unwise in policy because it will

"Taking Account of Stock" reminds one of the "Ancient Mariner," though

the theme is far different. In most of his other rhymes the reader is constantly reminded of things he has seen before. Of course of his happiest. It comes as near to "Old Time and Young Tom,"

COLONEL ROOSEVELT'S TRAVELS. The Scribners have now published "Travels" in book form and they will have many readers. His lively style and acute powers would make a dull trip interesting. but there was nothing dull about his experiences in Argentine, Paraguay and Brazil. Everything he saw became a romantic episode. All the incidents of his daily routine glowed with interest and adventure. The flowers of the field, the birds of the air, the fish in the rivers all entertained and instructed the traveler.

The best part of the narrative deals with his voyage down the "River of Doubt" which the Colonel himself discovered. Here he went through dark disasters and perils dire. His canoe were wrecked and his men fell sick from hardship and privation. One of them went mad, committed a shocking murder and fled into the wilder-Toward the end of the adventurous journey it began to look as If the party would never see civilization again. But the clouds finally cleared them in sight of outlying planters' cabins and they fared safely through Now they reloice to think over their perils past and in the security of home and the radiance of hard-won glory

Colonel Roosevelt is the most versatile of living men. Rarely does history tell of anybody so highly gifted in so many directions. To find a parallel for him we must perhaps go back to Julius Caesar, who excelled

LET THE STATES CONTROL.

The announcement that one of the topics discussed in President Wilson's next message to Congress will be the conservation bills indicates an intention to push those measures through Congress at the approaching session. That being the case, it is incumbent modification of the bills in such a manner that Western rights and Western interests will be guarded. The West is ready to accept the leasing of power sites and mineral land, many system having become reconciled to it as the only means by which the East sources to development. But unless certain provisions of the leasing bills are materially changed they will do injustice to the West and will do injury to the whole country.

As The Oregonian has heretofore from the danger zone, we shall hear contended, Government land, as soon as leased, should become subject to state taxation. There should also be a decentralization of authority over leased land, particularly power sites. As to the latter, authority from the state to utilize the water is as necessary as authority from the Government to utilize the land, the states' jurisdiction over water in unnavigable streams having been affirmed by the The states' ratemaking power courts. measure concedes to states having no dangers of reproof or punishment. governs it. No purchaser of property utility commissions authority to regulate intrastate rates and service, but It is odd that a marital craft should worth so long as the city can legally it reserves to the Secretary of the Ininterstate rates and over intrastate the sea of matrimony. rates in those states which have no regulative body

A great improvement in the bill would be to permit two or more adto agree on interstate rates subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior. The latter official's authority directly to regulate rates would then be limited to those states which have no utility commissions. states would be apt to establish commissions in order to obtain control of their own water power, and thus the Secretary would be gradually relieved of responsibility in this regard, except as to approval of agreements between states upon interstate rates.

The states, as owners of the water, having a joint interest in water power with the Government, which owns the abutting land, they should at least, as a matter of right, have joint authorit in making the lease. As the bill reads, a lessee must deal separately with the state in obtaining a water right and must then deal with the Government in obtaining a lease to the land. lic policy requires that he should deal with one party, not two, and that that party should be the state. Congreshould lay down conditions on which power sites are ceded to the states stipulating that they be leased on the terms laid down in the bill, the Secretary of the Interior satisfying himself that each lease complies with these terms and approving it before it be-

comes effective. These changes would be in the interest not only of the West, not only of efficient administration of the time of his death he wrote for the Los lic domain, but in the interest of the Angeles Times. Burdette was a nat- whole Nation. The rapid enlarge ment of the functions of the Federal were popular from the year 1876, Government is making it so huge that when he first began to deliver them. it is unwieldy and disgracefully inef-In 1887 he became a Baptist minister ficient and wasteful. Duties are imby license and was regularly ordained posed on heads of departments which in 1903. He was greatly loved as pas-they cannot possibly perform and tor of a church in Los Angeles. He which they must therefore delegate to held one public office, that of City subordinates, over whom they can ex ner for Pasadena, the city ercise only the most cursory oversight, Secretary Lane has the full confidence Burdette wrote both prose and of the West, and, if we could be sure petry, always in a more or less jopoetry, always in a more or less jo-cose vein, though his humor tended tion to the leasing and that we should to deepen into pathos and philosophy always have a Lane in his position, we like that of all great jesters. One of should have less objection to the Ferhis notable early publications was ris bill as it stands. But we know "The Rise and Fall of a Moustache," that, with many other duties to perwhich embodies a sketchy philosophy form, he cannot give all his time to of life. "Adam and Eve," he says in this business. He must entrust it to some subordinate, who may have his and theories, but may be completel ignorant of the West, except for what cause he was ambitious to be ranked by whimsically convincing arguments, he has read or seen from a railroad with Attila and Genghiz Ehan among Among his best essays is that on train. We also know that there will the "scourges of God." Atlanta was "Favorites," in which he discourses not always be a Lane at the head of an important railroad center which with gentle humor on books, texts of the Interior Department and we fear that his successor may be less famil-

> The Russians have again quit their "On to Berlin" cry.

help to perpetuate offices which are coming useless, as public land open to sale and settlement become rapidly less, and will help to create This Nation has gone new offices. too far already in the creation of a these imitations were part of the huge bureaucracy, or, as Senator humorous game which Burdette, in Borah expressed it, "a governmental been forgotten. Pity had not given spite of ill-health and many cares, class always complaining of too much never ceased to play. His poem of service and too little pay." We are "The Jolly Sleeping Car Porter" is one wont to condole with Europe on the burden of militarism, but we are gradresistance. Men fought men in those satire as Burdette's benign nature per- ually plling on our own shoulders a burden of officialism which may prove increase state control over state interests, not to centralize all power in

> The generation that is in of middle age and just beyond appreciates the humor of Robert J. Burdette, who died yesterday. He made reputation for the Hawkeye and for himself an a clean writer, mixing humor and pathos. It was clear stuff, without the ar of machine or strain of forced grind, and he "lasted" much longer than many who followed his lead. His best is preserved in his first book, The Rise and Fall of the Moustache.

Washington.

There will be no new Fairybook from Andrew Lang's hand this year. He kept up his series of red and pink and green books for 25 years almost, to the joy of young and old. Now his pen is idle and his matchless memory Christmas magician for the English- against it for that amount and must fore no need to stop sinning." speaking world?

People who enjoy originality will do wisely to look into James Oppenheim's "Songs for the New Age." away. Perseverance at last brought revolutionary thinker and his verse is \$900. as lawless as Whitman's. Oppenheim is a satirist by nature, which is the reason, perhaps, why his poems and enjoy the plaudits of friends and than this.

would set this verse to deathless music: "Far in the corners dim the cling and near your heart. Dearest, the Colonel a little as a soldler and this-night and the firelit dark, your lawgiver, but not as a traveler and touch, your kiss." Helen Huntington themselves.

to "elevate their college yell."

Lovers of Bernard Shaw can nov those who have hitherto opposed that extravagant farce, was first produced will consent to opening Western re- better understood in that country. The

The Turks have invaded Roumania their success in entering having been due, we take it, to the fact that the Roumanians are disinclined to get mixed up in the international scrimmage and hence offered no resistance

The writer in the Omaha World-Herald who puts Mount Hood and the Columbia River in "the Puget Sound country" needs to get into communi-cation with the flourishing Nebraska Society of Portland

joining states having regulative bodies of the consequences should Mr. Bryan

the ice with vardsticks, the first touch Such of Thanksgiving weather has arrived. Government experts urge that meat

> afford to eat meat any more, apologize, we suspect that Germany will compel her to. American good

Troutdale has a woman candidate of hours, yet we rave of Mayor. No doubt Portland will be able to enjoy a similar experience of the weak of the work of the weak o for Mayor. No doubt Portland will be able to enjoy a similar experience

forty-four years.

be required.

of the street, the initiative "skinned a mile" in making precedents and laws to fit them. Russ and Turk both claim a naval

victory in the Black Sea. Just as though it made any difference which The local masher who was fined \$50 for "bumping" women needed to have

his head "bumped" by a husband first German soldiers have received a

Mysterious signals on the American shore have been sighted from Canada, Ahs, a German invasion impends!

theap that only wealthy people will She's Married to a Wretch. So far, however, we have not heard the cry of "On to Petrograd."

Villa marching on Mexican capital. But that was yesterday.

IMPROVEMENTS AHEAD OF NEED CHRISTIAN SCIENCE IS UPHELD Street Grading Often Done Ten Years

in Advance, Says Victim. PORTLAND, Nov. 15 .- (To the Edior.)-I note with satisfaction-tickled to death with even the promise-that the newly elected Legislature "promises economy." Let's hope they fulfill such We are to the letter, and while on the subject of economy is there no possible way in which our city government can be prevailed upon to adopt a like As individuals we retrench and curtail expenditures, awaiting the return

of better monetary conditions, in an effort to "get by" the present depression. When we just begin to flatter ourselves we see our way through we receive a card stating, "the city proposes to assess lots so and so, block ditto, just this side Columbia slough or Mt. Hood, as high as \$210 per lot and if you have any objection to offer you may appear at City Hall up to a cer-tain date." This being the first we have heard of the improvement we drive out to the lots to see what has appened and find the streets graded and sidewalks laid on two sides only, and eight lots with a real mortgage of \$622 against them, same running ten years. But if one happens to miss the card notice or is out of the city over the "10 days," for bending, one finds, regardless of close times, a first mortgage given without one's knowledge or consent immediately due and payable. If one is fortunate enough pen is idle and his matchless memory to be "on the job" and appears within has been plundered of all its treasures the "16 days," he finds the city unwill-by death. Who shall succeed him as

said city is willing to carry the prop-erty for after the improvement is in? It would seem the argument that all novels appear so timely. There never It was an age which invited satire more street improvements are not a burden but can be added to the value of property affected will not hold good.

If America had a Schumann he music: "Far in the corners dim the semaining two sides are thus improved, shadows start; near to your strength I sewers, water and hard surface added cling and near your heart. Dearest, at what price would one have to sell the whole world ends, ends well, in The words almost sing

We learn from "The Barometer" that the Corvallis students are trying task would be Herculean for any college, but not utterly hopeless. In any event we admire the boys' pluck. This is a day of "uplift" and we do not upon the West to exert itself for the see why college yells should be left to wallow.

> btain the full text of his Pygmalion in one of the magazines. The play, an in Germany because, as Shaw modestly told the Londoners, his merits were modest violet is not his favorite flower.

Four more shot on the American price, side of the southern border. Shooting should be more extensive than is Americans seems to be a favorite Mex-provided in the Ferris bill. That ican pastime, since it is attended by

wrecked after forty-four years. terior, or to any Federal body created Surely the contracting parties had in future for the purpose, control over plenty of time to learn navigation on

Turkey must explain firing on American sailors. But what if Turkey doesn't explain. We tremble to think

Why back in the Missouri Valley, macadam on Twenty-second street was not fully paid when it was again as-sessed for hard surface against the where they measure the thickness of

must be cooked thoroughly before ment by the city were used, thrifty, happy homes. The effect upon realty sales and values will be felt for years eating. Just as though people could to come and the system cannot be changed any too soon. Still, even if Turkey doesn't want to

will is not to be sneezed at.

Death would have been better mode of separation than the divorce court for the Marion County couple married

Now a new submarine destroyer has To Heaven and a judgment day? peen perfected. After which, of course, a submarine-destroyer destroyer will

Of dead men formed, and dying;
Waters dyed in human blood.
Men smothered where they're lying.
How mighty is the power of preaching!
And our dectrine, how far-reaching! Judge McGinn has, in the language

But, undepressed, we 'vantage seize, And out of war our fortunes carve. What a kind world we've grown to be! How embracing is our charity Well, we must fully realize

dollar apiece from the Belgian wi

A woman given official position should be put under bond not to marry during her tenure of office.

Judge.
Crawford-What do you do when a woman asks your advice? Crabshaw-Find out first what she has made up Thanksgiving turkey may be so

In man. Fa

Baltimore American.
"Here's a woman who complains her honeymoon lested only a week." "What was the matter?" "His money gave

This is true and it is not true. Large owners sell suburban lots cheap, but require an improvement waiver. Long

to the original owners. Twenty-sec-ond street in Irvington was hard sur-faced over the signed protest repre-senting all but about three lots. The

will of property holders.

This is a serious matter and is filling apartment houses and leaving vacant what should be, if reasonable judg-

GROPING.

Dead bound in bales and tossed

A human bridge across the flood,

A VICTIM.

He-Not in the streetoar if you're

Criticisms Made by Dr. Hinson Replied

to by Scientist. PORTLAND, Nov. 19 .- (To the Edior.)-Within less than half a century Christian Science has been discovered, propounded to the world and accepted by a large number of thinking people. Advancing in the face of lay, legal and clerical attack, it has in a comparatively few years gained the esteem of thousands. Fair play from the press and honest investigation from the un-prejudiced have helped much to remove misconception gained from care-less and malicious criticism. Most pleasing perhaps among the signs of increasing good feeling and respect toward this youngest yet oldest of the world's religions are the more fre-quent expressions of tolerance, recognition and good will from those of

differing faiths.

Occasionally, however, a critic with little knowledge of Christian Science, beyond the fact that it does not accord with his own belief, looking through the lenses of ecclesiasticism or derive beliefs or dogma, holds before his hearers his erroneous epinions of what Christian Science teaches and batters them with attacks as futile as they are mis-placed. Such criticisms are well il-lustrated in an interesting sermon pablished in The Sunday Oregonian. Dr. Hinson there discusses the sleep of sin and the necessity for men to awaken therefrom. Dwelling upon the soporific influence of what he chose to term the "devil's opiates," he said, "Christian Science with its denial of sin and Calvary may have, siren-like, sung you into deep slumber. In other words, "Don't be deceived, my friends, by Christian Science, which teaches that sin is unreal and there is there-Englishpay the difference in cash.

The writer was thus compelled to pay in cash close to \$2000 on five lots at Thirty-third and Sandy streets, the penheim's He is a \$1400 and the city would bond but for sylverse is possible. Why should the city have authority to mortgage one's property without one's consent, for more than and city is willing to carry the prop-If any

its teachings.

The critic, like many others before him, simply has failed to grasp the difference clearly drawn by Christian Science between what exists to mortal sense, or relatively, and what exists to spiritual sense which cognizes only the absolute and real. Sin as townships in Massachusetts and Virginia and Sin as townships in Massachusetts and Sin as townships in Ma Further, if to grade and sidewalk two sides of eight lots places a mortgage of \$622 against such lots, when the God-created, Christian Science denies ginia.

most emphatically. Does the critic believe God creates sin and then punishes man for sinning? But this is not the full statement of its teachings, for it recognizes that in mortal existence sin is a most odlows verity. Of to net 4 per cent on one's original investment, and how is one to know when one is in a position to "get by." If these unexpected and uncalled for (in these times) so-called improvements are heaped upon the holder of unproductive property? It simply spells continued in the control of the control of the control of the control of these statements one is as necessary ing of Christian Science. Sin's elimination and destruction through an understanding of good's supremacy is understanding of good's supremacy is being proved to be a present-day pos-sibility for each individual.

The teachings of Christian Science fiscation legalized, and there are hun-

dreds of poor people in this city who have gone out side, as it were, in order to get cheaper lots and who have been In regard to sin and evil offer no at-traction or allurement to the sinfully paying installments thereon for years, in some cases, to the extent of one-half and even two-thirds the purdisposed. Rather do they teach that "Sin makes its own hell, and goodness its own heaven," and that "The belief in sin is punished so long as the bedisposed. chase price, who have given up on ac-count of excessive assessments for which they are not ready and are which they are not ready and are not ready which they are not ready and are forced to take their loss. In some instances that have come to the writer's Eddy In one of her messages to the mother church, "receives no encouration, property has been fully paid agement from my declaration that evil and yet lost, because of assessing the mother church, "receives no encouragement from my declaration that evil and yet lost, because of assessing the mother church, "receives no encouragement from my declaration that evil and yet lost, because of assessing the mother church and yet lost. for and yet lost, because of assess-ments that cover improvements five to ten years ahead of actual requirements. awake from his belief in this awful unreality, repent and forsake it, in or-der to understand and demonstrate its

Only last week a man offered a quit-claim to a house and lot for which he paid \$3300 cash, same being valued at \$3500—and a bargain at \$3000—if the The ill holds so tenaclously to the reality of evil while trying to destroy it may well cause the questionaire to ask if orthodoxy really bears and orthodoxy really bears and the public is called to the law passed by the recent Legislature making it iniawful for any person to entice from a reservation any orthodoxy really bears and the public is called to the law passed by the recent Legislature making it iniawful for any person to entice from a reservation any orthodoxy really bears and the public is called the pub The ill logic with which orthodoxy writer would assume a \$1500 mortgage and \$900 street assessments. Sometime after purchasing a loan of \$1500 well cause the questionaire to ask if orthodoxy really knews what the nasyears. Recently the city increased this by \$900 for improvements. The loan fell due and was demanded. The ewner did not have the money and started out to get a \$1500 loan, but met with course the faller to learn the nature of the church has falled to learn the nature. After running aground in a fog at the mouth of the Willamette River. hints that the failure of the church to make the greater progress toward evil's final destruction is because the church has failed to learn the nature and the tactics of its opponent. Man, shackled with the ball and chain of a belief in evil's ultimate and present reality, finds it a hopeless task to gain his moral freedom. "Oh, no, we can't make you a loan be-cause of the city's lien of \$900." Rather than be foreclosed he will quit-claim and take his \$1500 loss. But

for the \$900 improvement, (7) which he did not authorize or require, a \$1500 loan could be easily secured. There which his moral freedom.

\$1500 Christian Science teaches that sin
There and suffering are not of God, the one loan could be easily secured. There are hundreds of such cases. Two other cases, one had paid \$3000 on purchase price, the other \$3500. Both quit-claimed to the person from whom purchased—each for two months' rent or free occupancy. No man can success-proved by Jesus when man attains the fully conduct a business unless he mind of Christ. Then man contribet mind of Christ. mine of Christ. Then man cognizes good as the real and indestructible and its opposite, evil, as temporal and iestructible, having neither power wipe out so effectively such equity. You will say property is not improved without petition from property holders. dominion over God's man, when op-

The works and teachings of Jesus. The works and teachings of Jesus, his crucifixion, resurrection and ascension beyond material sense exemplify to the Christian Scientist the inevitable destruction of sin and mortality that follows the acquisition of that demonstrable understanding of God possessed by the Nazarene. This indeed is Christ's way, "the only one by which mortals are radically saved from sin and sickness." (Science and Health, p. 452.) before the property is paid for it is improved and the payments made as well as the property, largely, revert to the original owners. Twenty-sec-Health, p. 458.)

PAUL STARK SEELEY.

LITTLE, SQUAT, SECRETIVE JOFFRE Siight Resemblance to Napoleon; Operates Along Anglo-Saxon Lines. Samuel G. Blythe in Saturday Even-ing Post.

Ing Post.

The greatest general of all time—
Napoleon—was a little, squat, fat man, and a Frenchman; and I have the honor to report that the present French general—Joffre—is also a little, squat.

This is well known, not only by ourselves but by Mr. John A. McQuin, of the present french general—Joffre—is also a little, squat. general—Joffre—is also a little, squat. fat man. That means what it may mean, as the event will show; but, so far as paunch and squatness are con-cerned, there is the resemblance. Tres blen! as the French would say. After the army maneuvers last year

"Boys," he said, in a manner of in the above limits.
eaking, "you wear your epaulets with The move to take this tract away speaking, "you wear your epaulets with the speaking grace, and you look well on horseback; but as soldiers you are is part of the price of our old home back in the days when they fought lands, and it has been undertaken with the rapier and the rondeau. You solely by the unscrupulous speculators are herewith discharged. Do you gid and are robbing us Indians on every gid.

get me?"

They got him and they got out.

When he gives an order he wants the order executed exactly as he gives it; and when he does not give an order he wants that not executed in the same manner. There is none of the Mon cher camarade! business about him. His comrades are dear enough, maybar, but if they do say do not here. Lands go to waste, and children starve. mayhap; but if they do not do their work they need not come round.

Ordinarily French generals put up 16-sheet stands of bills on the bill-boards, alluding to themselves as Bon magnifique! In the Franco-Prussian War there was no news of the soldiers. That we are babes, groping in the dark;
That all our boasted knowledge of the

that all our boasted knowled skies

Has left untouched the vital spark
Of Truth that surely somewhere dwells in man. Fate mocks our heavens and hells!

MARY FORCE.

Take Pau, for Ta Joffre is practically unknown to the ebullient populace. Take Pau, for example. All France knows him with

his massive head and his empty sleeve; but if Joffre should visit the boulevards when not in uniform he could sit for hours unnoticed in any cafe. He is a Frenchman who operates along harsh Anglo-Saxon lines. So it has come about that the French has come about that the French soldiers, having been for years extremely communicative, have now reversed themselves under the direction of this thoughtful, taciturn, almost meditative How It is in Boston.

Boston Transcript.

We women have to stand a lot. real fighter; and believe me, he has of in the streetcar if you're some real fighting to do, as Weber and to find it.

How it is in Boston.

Boston Transcript.

We women have to stand a lot. real fighter; and believe me, he has some real fighting to do, as Weber and Fields might say.

How it is in Boston.

Boston Transcript.

Is there no remedy for the injustice done to my people? If there is, help us to find it.

Twenty-Five Years Ago

Olympia, Nov. 17.—Bomorrow the territory of Washington will pass into history and the state of Washington will enter upon its governmental An auspicious programme has Career. been arranged.

San Francisco-E. M. Andrews, who was supposed to have been dead for some time and whose widow had put on mourning and collected some \$2000 dasonic lodge insurance, has suddenly turned up. His mind is a blank. Since 1886 he has been missing, and in all that time he has not collected any of the pension or other moneys rightfully One of the first acts of Andrew was to repay the \$3000 Masonic lodge money which his "widow" had collected.

The latest reports from Rio Janeiro ay that a Republic has been created in Brazil as the result of the revolu-

With \$100,000 subscribed by the public Frithjof Nansen, the Norwegian ex-plorer, is fitting up his expedition and will leave soon for the Arctic region.

Work has been begun on the brick foundry and pattern shop for the Wil-lamette Iron Company at H and North Third streets.

J. H. Polhemus has been left in charge of the jetty work and other United States engineering tasks at Yaquina Bay, according to Captain W. Young, who has just returned.

Friends of J. P. Randall at Albina are glad to learn that he can be out again and serve up justice to law-breakers.

G. W. Heath has won the contest with Mr. Kraeft for a seat in the Al-bina Council. It is probable that Kraeft

Mrs. "Stonewall" Jackson is writing

Old record recently dug up by those interested in such matters prove that Abraham Lincoln's ancestors were all well-to-do and prominent and substan-tial people. Almost all of them were large taxpayers in their respective

Cicero M. Idleman returned yesterday from the East.

Half a Century Age

n The Oregonian, November 19, 1864. Lighting a campfire around an old tump, the drivers of two prairie chooners camped last night at Sixth and Clay streets. One was driving four mules, the other six.

Colonel Charles H. Larabie, of Wisconsin, and W. F. Trimble, of Kentucky, were admitted to the bar yesterday as attorneys and counselors at law in the Circuit Court.

The case of John Garrison versus the City of Portland occupied nearly all yesterday in the Circuit Court. The case was submitted to the jury about S P. M. Garrison is suing the city for damages sustained about two years ago when he fell in an open cistern whil-

The attention of the public is called

the mouth of the Willamette River Thursday, the steamer George S Wright arrived here last night. Among her passengers were C. Levy, A. Mayer, J. Taylor, William Nichols and J. T. Bilyeu

There was a good turnout at the ben-efit given at the Willamette Theater for Miss Annette Ince last night. The then play of "Ion," or "The Founding of Ar-and gos," was produced. There is a very fine bell on Couch's

> rt awaiting snipment We presume its echoes will denizens of that pleasant little burg to church, or public meetings of some

Knapp, Burrell & Co. have received a hipment of fireproof safes. They are f small sizes and suitable for mining districts.

INDIANS CLAIM TITLE TO LAND Opening Based on Wrong Understanding as to Warm Springs Boundaries. WARM SPRINGS, Or., Nov. 15 .- (To

the Editor.)—I wish to write you in regard to the Deschutes edict that you published in The Oregonian Sunday, November 8. We Indians of the Warm Springs Reservation claim that a part of the land listed by the Secretary of Agriculture as being in the Deschutes Na-tional Forest belongs to us, being a part of our reservation.

Portland, who made one of our boundary surveys, and knows all about the

reservation, and by other surveyors and many white people.

The Secretary of Agriculture should withhold his edict from the land that in France, Joffre came to his head-quarters and, calling for his secretay. Creek. It was given to us originally issud an order of about 30 words in when the reservation was set apart for Into furnaces of flame;
All trace of identity lost
In this mad dice-throw—hellish
game!

In this mad dice-throw—hellish
the dismissed, without recourse, is in consideration of our relinquishing our forefathers' lands at The Dalles.

of France. He fired them—gave them It has been known and used as ours the sack, as the English put it. He ever since. Our title to it has been the sack, as the English put it. He ever since. the sack, as the English put it. He ever since. Our title to it has been watched their work and it did not suit acknowledged by white persons who have leased grazing lands from us with-

Our boundaries are being changed without our knowledge or consent, and without compensation to us. The set-tiers through whom the land robbers are suriching themselves are crowding in on us, till we may soon have no home at all.

As soon as we have found that we have been defrauded we have tried to complain to the authorities at Washington and to ask for our property to be restored and protected. But we are beginning to fear that our complaints have not been permitted to reach those for whom they were intended, or that we have been misrepresented, for the false boundaries are still insisted upon and the white settlers are sisted upon and the white settlers are still crowding in upon us. And now the Secretary of Agriculture is announcing the opening of our best land, with our best timber upon it, and our only berry patches, to white settlers. If it must be opened to homesteaders, why can-not it be opened to us Indians? We have done the best we could to protest So it against our losses, but they continue. So now we appeal to all good citizens to help us to get justice at Washington. The President does not wish

wronged, we are sure. We are trying to be good citizens curselves. We are industrious and peaceful, and do not