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#### BRYAN AND WILSON.

It may or may not be true that Secretary Bryan is about to leave the Cabinet of President Wilson. It may or may not be true that Mr. Bryan may not be true that the President to formulate and carry out the Administration's remarkable Mexican policy any or all of these things are true, or not true, it is not conceivable that Francisco to meet us, and by mutual there has been a break between the acquaintance to lay the foundation for President and his Secretary; nor is it a great commerce. probable that there will be, unless it It becomes Oregon, and Portland in is provoked by Mr. Bryan. President particular as Oregon's metropolis, to Wilson needs Mr. Bryan's support. He prepare for reception of "company. will continue to need it. Mr. Bryan has given it fully and even generously

If Mr. Bryan should desire to be candidate for President in 1916, why should Mr. Wilson complain? He is pledged to a single term. If Bryan demands that he live up to his platform promise, it will not be easy to It will indeed be impossible. Both Mr. Wilson and Mr. Bryan must have fresh in their minds what happened in 1912 when Taft and Roosevelt fell out. Is history to be allowed so soon to repeat itself?

#### THE WAR'S RELATION TO CANADA.

Possibility of British defeat and of consequent German conquest of Canada has led to much discussion of the probable course of the United States ing public, nor are they directed at in that event. Colonel George Harvey, of the North American Review, says that we could not consent to the occupation of Canada by any other Eu power than Great Britain Answering the suggestion that Canada might desire to transfer her allegiance the public should assume. and that she would not wish to come under American domination, Colonel the poor, justice through court pro-Harvey declared the Monroe Doctrine 'a selfish enunciation put forward not for the protection of our neighbors auguration of that principle has but for the conservation of our own opened the courts to persons who do peace, security and welfare."

This declaration is met by the Van conver Province with the statement attorney's fees and costs. that the Monroe Doctrine has seemed extraordinarily nebulous policy trouble on the British navy." The trouble on the British navy." The really relied for its efficacy in time of Province graciously adds: glad of it-that is an excellent bond and a real one." It then about the woes of the public. quotes several Americans of note to A bond to insure the payment show that, far from being able to pre- of jury costs by the defeated drive out an invading army.

Canada is proud of her relationship ing citizens. with the United States and is anxious to make that relationship closer, but is not anxious to be dictated to by the United States, and, if she chooses, will become German in spite of us. The Province says the Monroe Doctrine does not apply to Canada, so far as she is concerned, but kindly adds that "If the United States were in trouble and Canada could help, she would without bothering about doc-

This is a good example of the childish pique shown by a certain class of Canadians whenever Americans discuss our interest in their affairs. They suspect us of a desire to annex their country and they find a show of justification in the utterances of such ingoes as Speaker Clark and in the ill-advised remark of President Taft that reciprocity would make Canada commercially an adjunct to this coun-These utterances have no echo the hearts of level-headed Americans. If Canada wished to come into the Union, she would be welcome, but there is no desire to annex her against her will. The word "annex" should never be used in connection with Canada; "union" expresses the idea bet-

Contingencies are possible which may compel us to take a hand in Canadian affairs for our own protection, just as Colonel Harvey says, but in such cases our interest and Canada's would be identical. We could be no more indifferent to the transfer of has been notoriously denied to a man Canada to the sovereignty of any European power other than Great Britain than we were to Maximilian's at tempt to set up an empire in Mexico. It is puerile for the Province to suggest that Canada might willingly ac cept the rule of Germany or any other military monarchy. If we were to in-terfere for the maintenance of British supremacy over Canada or for that country's independence of any European power, we should be welcomed mark in the educational world by as a deliverer, and if the only alternative to annexation by one of Britain's ability. Beginning as primary teacher foes were union with the United in one of the grade schools, she grad-States, Canada would gladly come into ually rose to more important posi-

the Union. With these contingencies in mind many patriotic Americans are urging we should remedy our unpreparedness to defend ourselves and our won praise for her executive gifts interests. Our shortcomings in this and for the inspiring programmes respect are self-evident, but our neighbor, in calling attention to them, is in the position of a man in a glass house who throws stones. The United States never guaranteed the neutrality of a nation without providing the means to

It is unlucky that the Canadian pioneer interest in this work. militiamen should have shot those poschers just now, but not important.

afer to break the law at home than men, but they could have done either without serious danger to themselves. tures.

PREPARE TO RECEIVE COMPANY.

Starting on a tour of California Monday night, the Rosarians will extend invitations to our neighbors on the south to see Oregon and the Rose Festival during the coming Summer. They, as the representatives of Portland, will ask the Californians to pass along to Oregon the visitors who will from the East to the Panama-Pacific Exposition, and they will give the word of Oregon that we will say a good word for California and that we will speed our visitors on their south. The Rosarians, dressed in white, will carry with them the sunshine in which Oregon basks, while

the shivering East hugs the stove or crawls under the blankets. The Rosarians' tour serves as a ninder to the whole Pacific Coast that 1915 is the year of the Panama-Paelfic Exposition at San Francisco. That city has outdone even Chicago and St. Louis in the preparations it has made to commemorate a great event. The completion of the Panama Canal is of the first importance to the whole world, but it is of greater importance to the United States and is of the desires to be free to be a candidate for greatest importance to the Pacific the Presidency in 1916. It may or Coast. It will lead to a rapid, intensive development of the far West such has permitted his amiable Secretary as the early settlers could not have imagined possible. It will expand our manufactures, and our trade will and that Wilson desires a change. We hereafter reach both coasts of Central should think he would. But whether and South America. The people of those countries are coming to San

It becomes Oregon, and Portland in

#### COURT ABUSES.

Recently one department of the pendence. Circuit Court of Multnomah county was occupied for three days with the trial of a mechanic's lien case involving the sum of \$18.75. Although the controversy involved a matter of so little importance that the judge would doubtless have been able to decide it fairly in fifteen minutes, the litigants insisted on a jury trial, brought in an array of lawyers court procedure and put the taxpayers to a large expense.

Strange as it may seem the principal objections raised to cost of litigation do not come from the taxpaythe burdensome expense contracted through trifling disputes that should be settled out of court. The objections, as a rule, come from litigants. They protest the payment of court fees and consider it a hardship which

For the benefit and protection of cedure ought to be obtainable with ease and at small expense. Yet innot primarily seek justice, but revenge upon each other by running up the

It is questionable whether that part of the machinery of the courts which which can be made to fit any case as is designed particularly for the proper may be deemed convenient," and "has consideration of complicated issues should be available without price for The use in trivial controversies. We have heretofore thought too much about the woes of the litigants and too little

vent a change of sovereignty in Can- litigant in certain cases would go far ada, the United States is unable to de- to simplify court procedure and refend its own coast from invasion or to duce the unnecessary volume of work. oreover, Referring to the oft-quoted fact that ethics of the bar, that the lawyer the American-Canadian frontier is un- might become conscious that he is fortified and that the United States an officer of the court as well as the and Great Britain have preserved employe of his client, with a duty peace for a century, the Province takes toward both, would promote justice the chief credit to Great Britain for toward the taxpaying public and not avoiding a clash. It then says that interfere with the rights of quarrel-

## A BRAVE JUDGE.

Leo M. Frank's case is of National importance. He was accused of murdering a girl in an Atlanta factory and tried in regular course before an Alabama court. Every scrap of evidence that has come to light goes to show that Frank was actually tried, not at this connection we wash our hands. all by the judge and jury, but by the Atlanta mob. The court was intimidated. The jury was overawed by the wild crowd that thronged the courtroom and openly showed its passion against the prisoner. Surrounded by these conditions. Frank was naturally convicted. He then began a fight for a new and fair trial.

The state courts refused to take up his case and he went to the Federal judges for justice. Locally they would not listen to him. Nor was his first appeal to the United States Supreme Court of any avail. But his lawyers persevered. The matter was brought Lamar has granted Frank an appeal. His case will be heard by the Supreme Court with the full bench sitting and something like justice will probably

be rendered. Justice Lamar's decision makes life and liberty more secure for every citizen of the United States. The Oregonian does not believe in lax appeals and indiscriminate orders for new trials. But on the other hand it does as it has been denied to Frank we commend any judge who has the courage to straighten the business out. There is a middle way between new trials that simply encourage criminals and new trials that right wrongs too great for a civilized country to tolerate.

# MISS APHIA L. DIMICK.

Miss Aphia L. Dimick made her the conscientious use of great native tions, and filled them all with unvarying success. As president of the western division of the Oregon State Teachers' Association Miss Dimick

which she prepared. It is perhaps still more to her credit that she organized the first parentteachers' association in Portland. This his fortune, and at stated periods ceroccurred twelve years ago, when the tain lump sums. He is not to have great movement to bring the schools make it good. A sufficient answer to into closer connection with the homes the Province's gibes is to point to Bei- of the pupils was in its infancy. Miss Dimick proved her keen apprehension of educational problems by her

But it was as teacher that she gained her best renown and won that This is not a time for making moun- hold on the affections of men and

year after year. All who came under her instruction learned to love her. in Canada. Here they would not have She was a true teacher, one who apbeen quite so safe shooting ducks as pealed not only to the intelligence of her pupils, but to their spiritual na-She formed their character

Unwaveringly loyal to the highes career. She goes to her reward lato take a weighty part in the affairs dom of heaven. of the world.

## OUR NOTORIOUS FAULTS.

Frederick C. de Sumichrast was a publishing a book on America. the

Who deniges of it?"

Such, for example, are his charges allowance has been made for differ-that we are ruled by bosses, that we ence in standards of cost, there is in worship the delfied dollar, that our the difference between these two fig-plutocrats shamelessly exploit the ures a large margin which can be exnasses and that "a general disregard plained only as waste. mean is that we lack "servility."

successful co-operation which has and key in Alaska as good steam coal done so much for Englishmen and so as was ever burned. much more for the Danes. Foreigners who come here from Switzerland, Denmark, and sometimes from Italy, understand the great art of co-opera and witnesses, interfered with other tion thoroughly and practice it to our astonishment and envy. When we try to imitate them we almost invariably fail, though not always. The reason for our failures is probably that irrational individualism which Mr. Sumichrast notices and deplo deplores, Sometime we shall no doubt recover from it and begin to apply more common sense to our affairs.

Books like Mr. de Sumichrast's are excellent in a medicinal way. They help tone down our self-concett, which constantly tends toward a delirious maximum when it is left to itself.

#### SOME HINTS ON LANGUAGE,

The solemn correspondent who writes to comment upon a recent editorial concerning English composition makes two or three points which deserve remark. We quote the first of them: "Of course that one should write at all presupposes that he has something to say." By no means, dear sir. Too many of those who take their pens in hand have nothing whatever to say and the world would be thrice blest if they held their Pretty nearly all the miserpeace. ably bad writing that we groan under comes from the effort to say something from an empty brain,

As to split infinitives, toward which he turns his attention a little later, we do not remember ever defending them. Our erudite friend accuses us of that enormity, but, until more specific evidence is produced, we plead not guilty. They are monsters of so hideous mien that we cannot imagine ourselves taking up a cudgel for them, though we admit that such a thing is possible. We may have done it in our passion for upholding the under dog some time or other.

Nor do we "remember of" putting subject of a present active participle in the objective case," unless that should happen to have been the proper construction for it. If we saw John stealing we should be very likely to make John objective. Of the monstresities which our friend quotes in

As to "eliminating all adjectives," our critic should remember that the best of advice must usually be taken with a grain of salt. With appropriate blushes for the folly of it we confess that we meant to be witty in the pass. age which has fallen under his animadversion. That we failed is sufficiently proved by the melancholy emo tion our friend felt when he read it. Whether adjectives "beautify adorn" or not depends. Too often they uglify and delude. The indiscriminate dust heap of adjectives found on many a current page lacks some essential elements of true beauty. Answering up on a new point and at last Justice our friend's question about the "British aorist," we beg to assure him that we said in that connection precisely what we meant. The adjective "British" was the one we deliberately chose.

Marshall Field III, heir to twothirds of \$100,000,000, will be envied by many who read of his marriage, for to them he will seem to have all that makes life worth living-abundance of money and freedom from necessity to work. But is he really more fortunate than any young man of good health with a vigorous, well-developed brain, and with the world before him, though without money?

A normal man is hapipest when he has congenial work and can see with satisfaction the result of his efforts. There is probably no happier boy on earth than the one who has just earned his first dollar by his own efforts. Nor is there a happier old man than he who can look back on a long life of achievement, which began with nothing but ended with much, honor-

ably earned and well used. Young Field is spared care as to his future, but he is deprived of these pleasures. The goal for which others strive is his starting-point. His wise old grandfather guarded him against many of the dangers which beset rich young men by providing that he should be paid yearly only a gradually increasing proportion of the income of control of the principal until he reaches the age of 50, but on attaining years of discretion he is to share with the trustees responsibility for the management of the estate.

The old gentleman evidently designed to hold the young man to good habits, so far as limited funds would accomplish that end, and to teach him

should warn Americans that it is year after year. All who came under cautions will probably multiply several times the fortune he inherits and make him enormously rich by the

time he attains his 50th year It is possible that young Field may have the character which, combined as well as their minds, and imparted with careful training, will make him a ideals which endured through all useful citizen able to apply to the best purpose, both for himself and his country, his great wealth and his nastandards in her profession and in tive talents, whatever they may be. life, Miss Dimick worked out a noble But when we consider how great are the temptations to do evil and how nented by a multitude of friends, and few are the incentives to do good her life will be an inspiration to all which are offered to a young man in women who desire to be of service his position, we can realize the truth to humanity. It is by such quiet vic- of the biblical saying that a camel can tories as those Miss Dimick won that more easily pass through the needle's vomen best demonstrate their ability eye than a rich man enter the king-

### CONGRESS FEARS THE TRUTH.

It is shown by the New York Sun that the question of preparedness for professor in Harvard University for National defense is one not so much twenty years. He then went back to of spending more money as of better self; and be it further here England, his native land, to dwell, and using that which we now spend, so now he has rounded out his career by far as the Navy is concerned. This is Like shown by a comparison of our naval most English books on our beloved expenditures with those of Germany country, it chastens rather than during the last sixteen years. We pothes. Some of Mr. de Sumichrast's have spent an average of nearly \$103,strictures are "well beknownst" to us. 000,000 a year to Germany's average Our only answer to them must be that of only \$77,000,000 a year, yet Gerconscience-stricken Sarah many has a larger and more Gamp, "Who deniges of it, Betsey? navy, better proportioned as to the different classes of ships. After every

of law is one of the features of Amer- Much of this waste was accounted ican life." He reiterates also the old for by a magazine writer a few years accusation that "we lack civility" ago who entitled his articles: "Put which so many of his countrymen have Our Navy on the Sea." He showed shied at us before. What they really what a large proportion of our naval The expenditure is made ashore, on navy genuine Briton often assumes that civ- yards and naval stations which are lity and servility are exact synonyms. useless, badly located or ill managed We do not think so in this land of the free and home of the brave. In our work, while others did little or no haughty freemen's pride we deign to work, though employing an expensive accord to foreigners only such civility staff. Still more money is wasted on as is compatible with complete inde- arm-chair admirals, commodores and endence.

With Mr. de Sumichrast we join to and never go to sea." More money lament the inordinate individualism of has been wasted in bringing Atlantic our citizens. It has done us a great | Coast coal to the Pacific Coast, while deal of harm. It debars us from that the conservationists kept under lock

> Marvelous is the enterprise of the American Bible Society. Its colporteurs go everywhere and usually manage to dispose of their wares. Ecuafor is more inaccessible to them than almost any other country, but the Bible has begun to circulate even in that land of mountain trails, revolutions, ignorance and vellow fever. It has been introduced by women.

> The plan to teach school children he habits and breeding haunts of the malaria-bearing mosquito should ncouraged. It would be difficult to over-estimate the evil caused by this insect, and yet its extermination is not difficult. The world would be a better place to inhabit if the energy now devoted to killing men were spent warring upon mosquitoes.

Joseph Kehoe was a good citizen of Oregon for half a century, and durng that period enjoyed a privilege vouchsafed to few. In performing his duty as locomotive engineer he saw Portland and the Valley develop almost from primitive wilderness to high stage of civilization and commercial

Fernando Somoza Vivas, Hondurar onsul-general at San Francisco, is in iail for arson, and the police have the goods on him." Hon, John Barrett needs to change his bureau into

British bravery is praised by the German Commander in Chief. Which is quite a change of attitude from that in which the Germans regarded the British warriors at the outset when Von Kluck threatened to envelop 'French's contemptible little army. Italy orders cruisers to help United

States war craft in Turkish waters if ecessary. They certainly will need help if fired on, for it would be worth an American commander's commisslon to return even hostile fire these days. The interruption of a sermon on

divine peace by a bomb explosion reninds us somewhat of the interruption by the war of an international peace conference. President Wilson and Congress are

splitting the Democratic party over patronage. Split 'er as far as you like, boys. The party's doomed any how. The Kaiser has good words for the

ommander who loses in battle, but the loss of a ship by accident sends the captain to prison. The Czar is again at the front, says

a dispatch. Meaning that he is about one hundred miles in the rear of the front

head.

But as to the rumor that Bryan have to say is hurray! Naco is now neutral ground, but

the border trouble will break out somewhere else anon. Of course if the Germans raid Lon-

don the British will make a counter attack on Berlin. Canadian soldiers kill an Ameri-

an on the border. Everybody's do

ing it. This appears to be Russian week at the great European blood festival. "With southwesterly winds," says the weatherman. Good-bye, winter.

Young Marshall Field will get omebody to "mother" him. Italy will hold Albania to neutrality if she has to whip her.

in obliterating the social evil. Nicholas is at the front. Fetch up I would suggest that we abandon this tactic and try for a few years, at least, placing the stigma upon the mashose moufiks! Don't neglect to care for your budding roses.

We had a real touch of June yes terday.

Bryan for President. Ouch!

#### New Year Resolutions By James Barton Adams.

Whereas, again is drawing near the awning of the glad New Year when custom over all the land demands new esolutions, and
Whereas, 'tis well for everyone to see
he New Year well begun and feeling I
hould work a bit along that line,

therefore be it Resolved. That through the year head to wild extremes I'll not be led, the adjective without a license should be indicted.

The man who makes two blades of th like hungry pig in sty. I'll smoke be indicted, be indicted. The man who makes two blades of cosy home retreat, away from public eye I'll swipe the sweetness from the good old nine for balles model. eye I'll swipe the sweetness from the tore is properly halled as a benefactor, good old pipe, for ladies wrinkle up their faces at pipes when puffed in public places. I'll pay my debts when i should be promptly jailed as a malehave got the cash to do so; when I've not I'll work the standoff which has

Resolved. trive my level best to keep alive. The to excess, aces I will sure take in and bet when you a clich to win; show up at all the fectives a easeball games and call the umpire ideas are hristlan names when I observe tries to help the rivals take the home

team's scalp.

Resolved, I'll live just as I've done through year just past, have all the fun-that comes my way, but never aim to crowd the limit of the game and drift into excesses that might from my

swaddling clothes, (Sign here).....

# They Are the Flowers Without Which

Language Would Be Dreary. PORTLAND, Dec. 28 .- (To the Editor.)—In your article Thursday on "How to Write," you say "there are a few rules of this sort that may help a are all summed up in having something ago you devoted some space to defending the "split infinitive"; you concede that it is, technically, an error; but justify its use by saying that the writer's meaning could always be understood, and this is probably so, since a good guesser might guess it right "the very first time," but the good writer should leave nothing to the hazard of a guess.

Like Henry Watterson, I am a lover of the adjective and have sacrificed

writer should leave nothing to the hazard of a guess.

The daily newspaper is a leader and a teacher; millions of dollars are spent on our public schools teaching "the young idea how to shoot," and I assume the purpose is to teach them corstelly; why should the vast majority of our leading newspapers not only unteach but affirmatively teach certain about about there is absolutely no proper defense, and almost invariably put the subject of the present active participle in the objective case, when it should be in the possessive case? To this rule there may be exceptions, but I do not now recall one. For these errors there is really no excuse, because anyone fit to twrite for a great daily newspaper is really no excuse, because anyone fit to twrite for a great daily newspaper to town yesterday," or "James has went," as to write "John has gone to lown yesterday," or "James has went," as to write "to almost certainly fight," "to se thoughtfully help," or "heard of him going" and many more from one issue of a Portland daily newspaper. With all the mental anguish of a Hamiet I beg of you "to reform the standard of the stand

newspaper. With all the mental anguish of a Hamlet I beg of you "to reform it altogether."

Then you advise eliminating all the adjectives; not so, indeed; adjectives are to language what flowers are to the garden, what pictures are to the palsca wall; they beautify and adorn; in fact adjectives are about the only words that express quality and beauty; language, if indeed there could be any language, would be but a bleak, dreary thing without them. Of course one should use taste and judgment and skill in their use, the same as in buying a picture or planting a flower garden, but to eliminate them altogether, never. The real fact is the dove of peace, and any attempt to ing. altogether, never, many people have something to say scare that bird from it but lack the ability, the education and ing short of treason.

And for information I ask if, when you speak of the "British aorist;" you do not mean the Greek aorist; if by British you mean English, then is there any English aorist? And do you not, in using "an adverb denoting part".

I turning our stewardship it is up to us to keep our mouths shut and not to question "the right divine of kings to govern wrong." And, remember, we can have kings in this land of the free.

Mr. Smith tells us that he will at "an adverb denoting past

time," thus destroy the acrist?
F. F. SMITH. 150 Hazelfern Place, Laureihurst.

# SOCIAL EVIL AND ORIGINAL SIN by the same spirit and for more than wood residence, in Nisqually Bottom.

Contributor Doubts That Laiter Has Played Any Part in Problem.

PORTLAND, Dec. 28.—(To the Editor.)—After reading the letter of "A Penitent," in The Oregonian of December 28, I felt that there is another side of the social evil question that should have a hearing—that there be pointed out where the fault of prostitution really lies.

It is very convenient, to say the least, stand ready to protect.

The mission worker who stole \$4000 for an individual pentlent to be per-and gave the money to Bowery home-less had a stout heart, but a weak head. a stout heart, but a weak charge them up to "original sin," and then to be preserved by a special in-tervention of God's good help, but such a procedure has falled to mitigate, or will retire from the Cabinet, all we in the least retard the annual output of social evil victims for the past 3000 years or so. The chances are that this thing

known as "original sin" has not played any part, whatever, in the social evil problem. I am inclined to the opinion that the interpreter of that little epi-sode in the Garden of Eden mixed things in the translation. A very strong point in favor of this view of the case is that there surely were many other opportunities for Adam and Eve to have become involved in more serious mischief than an attempt to propagate their kind.

Another thing that has always inclined me to look with suspicion upon the "original sin" theory is that Adam and all the male line of the species ever since, have made the laws and molded public opinion so that the fault has been charged up to woman and she, alone, has had to bear the stigma at-tached to the social evil.

Now, in my opinion, to hold that the

oreator of all things would connive with man to play that kind of a trick upon the mothers of the race is belittling God and discrediting human intelligence; and certainly it has falled

culine side of the race where it really belongs, and extend to the "fallen wo-men" that courtesy and social elemency which has always been meted out to the betrayer.
ALVIN HECKETHORN,

211% Second street, 11. 1897. Obviously
Portland, Or. not have been in the air in 1901.

#### DOWN WITH ABUSE OF ADJECTIVE Let Only Those Who Know How Us

Them, Says Mr. Marker. LA GRANDE, Or., Dec. 28 .- (To the Editor.)-I gleefully commend The Oregonian's editorial on the abuse of the adjective.

Adjectives, like profanity, should be sed only when absolutely necessary. Adjectives should be restricted to the use of old experts who have gradu ated from a long apprenticeship of the editorial blue pencil. Tyros who use a dispatch from Philadelphia, has given a dispatch from Philadelphia.

have got the cash to do so; when I've not I'll work the standoff which has on the fluency of their verbosity never smile on girls above the age of 24, nor love more than a dozen at a time, for gluttony in love's a crime. They are as much an offense as the firm, for gluttony in love's a crime. From scandal I will strive to steer myself; and be it further here

The grandiloquents who get drunk on the British ship Clan Mackenzie, while lying at anchor in the Columbia River three miles below Kalama, was rammed by the steamer Oregon and sunk a few minutes later. Two of the same this in common: the habitual use have this in common and is such as a powerful tendancy.

into excesses that might from my morals fry the fat. I'll live life while land the feathered wards of the Nation. A good place for such a gathering would be feathered wards of the Nation. A good place for such a gathering would tossed voyage around the I snap the thread, I'm going to be a long time dead.

And hereunto, Come woe or weal, I he supervision of some fine old mas.

There came on the Union F And hereunto, Come woe or weal, I the supervision of some fine old mascheerfully affix my seal and confidently set my hand to resolutions that will stand, and not, as others do, collapse and go into the heaps of scraps while yet the new-born infant year is in its

(Seal)

Those who were still incorrigible should be tenderly chloroformed and then tomahawked. The adjective has its rightful place been presented to people within the in the language. Conceived in the mind last few weeks that it appears there of a master and born of the travails of must be a forest of them around here. literary genius, the adjective comes The latest victim heard from is Alfred forth with hands and feet and takes Anderson, the well-known employing

les of this sort that may heip a learn to write well. But they adjectives, but he chooses them with this is better than a strike. are all summed up it." Of course that to say and saying it." Of course that one should write at all, presupposes that he has some thing to say; he that he has some thing to say; he had not only say it, but he should not only say it, but he poleon, "that restless man," chained poleon, "that restless man," chained Of course that such consummate taste that they stand out from the foliage of his diction like should say it well, and things and thoughts are never said well unless they are correctly said. Some time ago you devoted some space to defending the "snitt institute".

The real fact is the dove of peace, and any attempt to something to say scare that bird from its perch is nothmony Lodge No. 12, A. F. and A. M., December 26, the following officers

the knowledge of how to say it correctly and well. As indispensable prevaisites, then, I should say a thorsolle, Latin) grammar and English composition, a good-fittionary and a book of synonyms; fead the best authors and remember always that there is no real genius except an unlimited capacity for hard work.

And for information I ask if, when

ways hold himself subject to a call to the colors. That is a very commendable spirit, but I wonder if he realizes what it means?

three years I have endeavored to prepare for such a call by being a member of the National Guard.

My experience in that organization has taught me that the Government, as well as the public at large, does not as well as the public at large, does not appreciate the motives of us citizen soldiers and I often wonder what makes us stick. Surely it is not from being patted on the back by the Government we serve or the people we A TIN SOLDIER.

COLUMBIA. Robert Loveman, in Nautilus

rage, Thou art our rock of everlasting peace; stage, Bespoiled sisters of a shamed age-

Thy fields shall flower and thy bounds increase In hereditaments of loving lease Oh, let thy holy purpose still engage but will not only but will be aiding the ports the haven of the meek and practical manner. low.

Thy happy hearthstone ever radiant The children gather at the firelight glow; Columbia, rear thou each loyal son, Of Lincoln's mould and mighty Wash-

ington.

MEDFORD, Or., Dec. 27.—(To the Ed-tor.)—Can you tell what year it was that Andree undertook to make his voyage in a balloon to the North Pole? A friend here tells me that on August 12, 1931, 200 miles north of Nome in the Arctic Circle, while making a prospecting trip on horseback he and a friend with him sighted a balloon apparently two miles away at 7 P. M. drifting westward toward Bering Strait, He has reason to believe that the air-ship was the Andree balloon and I write to ascertain when it was that Andree

undertook his voyage and never re-turned. JAMES T. BARBEE. Andree's flight in an attempt to reach he North Pole by Malloon began July 11, 1897. Obviously his balloon could

#### Twenty-Five Years Ago

Dispatches from all over the United States and in parts of there is an alarming epidemic of influ-The Czar, Senator fering, and in some places, espe in Paris, there have been many fatali-ties. The Medical News, according to onsiderable space to a discussion of

Chehalis, Wash .- Marell Bernier died at his home, Newaukum Prairie, December 26, aged 69 years. He was the first white child born in Washington, then Oregon Territory. The birthplace was near Walla Walla.

that manly sports I'll well best to keep alive. The sure take in and bet when to win; show up at all the mes and call the umpire ames when I observe he per the rivals take the home. I'll live just as I've done r just past, have all the fun.

I suggest that these persistent practical many sports I'll sports are commonically the collision, it is stated in a dispatch to the Merchants' Exchange. As soon aspossible after the collision, it is stated in a dispatch to the Merchants' Exchange. As soon aspossible after the collision the Oregon tried to extricate herself, but was so tightly wedged in that she could not move out. When she was finally eleared there was a hole big enough for a four-horse team to pass through. Captain Pease was in command of the Oregon at the time and said he was I suggest that these persistent practicers of the highfaluting should be sequestered on a Government reserva-Mackenzie had just finished a storm-tossed voyage around the Horn. The damage to the Oregon is about \$7000.

becoming contrition for past misdeeds oway, wife and two children; E. Shelshould be paroled on good behavior.

Those who were still incorrigible three, and W. A. Leviger, wife and two.

So many gold-headed canes have hold of the earth and the heavens.

Take such a writer as ingersoll, for by pouring into his office Christmas eve and presenting him with one. Yet

> Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Fav will leave for Appleton, Wis., this evening to visit relatives

> T. Wilmot Eckert is rehearsing about 30 little actors for the presentation of 'Hans the Boatman" at the New Park The little actors are between 5 and 10 years old.

#### Half a Century Ago

From The Oregonian, December 29, 1864.

F. B. Ainsworth, secretary, has just National Guard Not Appreciated.

PORTLAND, Or., Dec. 28.—(To the Editor.)—I am glad that you gave space to Mr. Roy D. Smith's letter in The Oregonian,

ing. At the annual communication of Har-

were elected: John McCraken, W. M.; A. G. Walling, S. W.; A. B. Elchardson, We are the big brothers J. W.; D. M. Lyon, treasurer; J. D. Holman, secretary; James Burke, tyler. Governor Lyon, of Idaho, has arranged for Messrs. Hawthorn and Loryea, of East Portland; to take care

of the Idaho Territory insane. Rev. D. Rutledge officiated at the vedding of Thomas McCulley and Miss

Rosannah McCulley, which was sol-emnized December 27 in Portland. Stephen L. Ruddell and Miss Amanda

### Thurston County, Washington Territory, December 16. Practical Aid to Unemployed.

PORTLAND, Dec. 24. - (To the Edtor.)-Allow me to call attention to the opportunity that exists to aid large numbers of both skilled and unskilled labor by calling up the Working Men's Club at 271 Front street when needing help of any kind. This club is patronized exclusively by working men many of whom are of limited means and out of employment. While they are not asking for "handouts," they are anxious and willing to work, and no Columbia! though all the world doth job will be considered too small or too

Numbers of these men are married When the grim grapple of the Czars shall cease,
And Slav and Teuton stagger from the kind of employment A telephone has kind of employment. A telephone has been especially installed for the pur-pose of bringing employers and em-ployes in quick contact, so anyone needing help, by calling phone Main 8440, will not only be quickly furnished, but will be aiding the unemployed in a prescript manner. CAPT, J. G. M'CLELLAND.

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