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### A PEANUT FOR DEMAGOGUES.

When the Oregon Legislature in 1907 memoralized Congress to take some action concerning the Oregon and California Railroad land grant it But without exception the New York only asked that by passage of a law or by some other course the railroad company be compelled to comply with the terms of the grant on penalty of forfeiture. The terms of the grant provide for sale of the lands to actual mettlers in 160-acre tracts at \$2.50 per acre.

The outcome of this memorial was not a law as asked, but the institution of a suit for forfeiture of the The Government in this litigrant. gation suggested alternative decrees provided there should be no forfeiture. One was that a receiver be appointed to sell the lands in accordwith the terms of the grant. Another was that the railroad be required by mandatory injunction to sell the lands as it had agreed to do.

The decree of the lower court declarge a forfeiture. In the appeal to the United States Supreme Court the 000,000. railroad company asks no quarter. It seeks retention and control of the grant and the right to dispose of the and as it sees fit. The Government has on appeal wholly disregarded the alternative decrees mentioned in the bill of complaint. It seeks complete forfelture.

In this grant are nearly 4,000,000 acres of land standing in alternate sections. Consult the family checkerboard and imagine that the black squares are railroad grant lands and the white squares land in private ownership. Increase the number of black squares in imagination to 6000 and the number of white squares to an equal number and one will have a fair conception of the magnitude of political development. the issue.

Consider for a moment conversion of the 6000 black squares into a reservation-Government or railroad. The private landowner cannot reach water meter ordinance has been held his property without crossing a re- up by referendum the senseless exserved section; community advantages travagance of the measure has been are denied him; he cannot hope for good schools or churches or accessible markets or good roads. quately served and the designation of in reservation automatically become the trouble primarily for relief of

12,000 reserved sections. The state has a grave interest in \$500,000 for meters. the outcome of the case. It is not the phases of the issue are old values that the fixed levy of 5 per and the ball gam wholly one of taxes even at \$500,000 and were at one time well underount that would be collected from gotten by many. There was no actual

though no service is rendered, a dis- retary of State three times on the neck which should have been scrapped. count of 1 per cent is exacted. This and cheek, attacked Sergeant G. F. discount has been collected from la-borers in the Courthouse and within a few feet of the office of the Treas-urer, where the money awaited the father recovered and lived seven presentation of the order.

1.73. in or keys to the Courthouse be denied 1.50 unguthorized persons. The grand jury

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out of his job.

### A LEADERLESS LEGISLATURE. The New York Legislature, which

ended its session a week ago, was leaderless, according to both the New York Times and the New York World, An intense optimist might imagine, in the light of all the criticism that has been heaped on bossism, that the other extreme would produce nought City newspapers condemn the Assembly in almost unmeasured terms, It is given credit for adoption of a widowed mothers' pension act, an

excess condemnation law, and a few other advanced ideas, but outstanding above these, according to the New York press, were its extravagance and

"Ripper" legislation. "Ripper legislation" is the piclated out of office, some say for political reasons, others say for conomy's sake. But a still graver in it by sincere offense in the eyes of New York was the imposition of a direct tax of \$19,000,000, most of which will be expended up state and of which New York City will contribute about \$14,-

The complaints of a community which has been hit in the pocketbook by a Legislature are, of course, sub-ject to discount, but what impresses us is the careful manner in which the New York press avoids blaming

the New York press avoids blaming the Legislature's shortcomings on its lack of leadership. Had the Legislature been bossed and adopted the same laws, it is not difficult to been laid. We have no patience with bossism, but we have a wholesome faith in intelligent, unselfish leader-ship. It will not be profitably dis-pensed with until legislators of high equal calibre are elected. And that

is impossible in the present stage of only by an offer in the open market

### THE USELESS METER.

During the period that the universit demonstrated. Extension of larger mains to districts not theretofore ade. upon the assessing authorities. By it was proposed to expend be within the power of the assessing open a good market for the cans.

gravity system only when there is a

FREDERICK W. SEWARD.

needs of government. The man of ing. However, an the grant in its virgin state. It is shortage of water. In some districts one of development and progress as so many people were served from one well. As such it rises above and main that when all attempted to use

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to call on the broker. There, al- weeks. Payne then slashed the Sec- Mr. Daniels includes in his total, but

retary of State infree finites on the state of the basis of the state of the state

The grand jury commends orders, recently issued by the County Com-ministoners directing that the checks. be delivered personally to the proper owners and that the use of office room in or keys to the Counthouse be denied unauthorized persons. The grand jury adds the recommendation that instruc-tions as to the manner of cashing ba If we are to understand that fore-If we are t The single taxers who walked out t the meeting at the Library Saur-ard ware a tight to feel as trieved at Mr. Uffele. These the single taxer as there of the improvised variety and note is ber of years, but has done nothing but field to the strap-hear. With the genuine single taxer tax-ation is but a means to an end. Car-field to the strap-hear. field to the strap-hea If we are to understand that fore ber of years, but he has done hothing well fitted for the service, but only smashed into sinthered and the eff. men had to walk back to the city. Thus five vessels of this type should be taken from our paper strength and added to the scrap-heap. George idea in its true light.

ment own all land and derive all its ies of men"; that "all are old, single-revenues from rents charged the skin ships without proper water-tight users. The plan is offered only sec-ondarily as an assumed improvement in tax methods and primarily as a cure-all for speculation, monopoly, un-employment, involuntary poverty. But Mr, U'Ren's four measures have been presented essentially as tax re-scerap-heap. these ships should be re-

been presented essentially as tax re- scrap-heap, these ships should be re-

The Chamber of Commerce ended port have almost whelly been ap-peals to the cupidity of such tax-payers as can be plausibly assured through adoption of his measures of service." The Relief is "now unsea-were represented at the lively meat-The arguments in their sup- turned to the merchant marine. through adoption of his measures of a shift of a portion of their taxes to some other property owner. The real end in view—confiscation of their taxes of included in Mr. Daniels' paper Navy, their taxes to but should be of lit-tie value in time of war." They are included in Mr. Daniels' paper Navy, their taxes to but should be of lit-the value in time of war." They are included in Mr. Daniels' paper Navy, their taxes to but should be of lit-the value in the source of the value in the text of the value in the source of the value in the value in the source of the value in the value in the source of the value in the value in

their land—is carefully concealed. "Ripper" legislation. "Ripper legislation" is the pic-turesque term applied to laws rip-ping up the state departments. About forty Democratic heads of bureaus with extensive patronage were legis-their sincerlity. A glance at the latest U'Ren meastheir land-is carefully concealed, but should go to the scrap-heap. A glance at the latest U'Ren meas-ure will reveal the objections found other two, "while old and inadequately life of man. single taxers. fitted, are still good for some years'

General Siglin has been nominated jointly by Coos and Curry for Repre-sentative by the Democratic conven-It declares in the bill of rights service." At least one supply ship which preceeds the measure itself should be relegated to the scrap-heap. Admiral Vreeland has warned us tions. "that all ground rents shall be collected by taxation for pub-lic use." Ground rent is the bor defense alone, but Mr. Gardner

A. J. Gaylord, Thomas Golbate, price paid for the right to use and says we have just fifty-nine, includ-improve a piece of land. The declara-tion is therefore very nearly an lot they are, many of them at least." Francis and Joseph Cronen are making water.

improve a piece of fand. The declara-tion is therefore very nearly an equivalent to a declaration for single tax. But the purported enactment of this ideal is very different. The meas-ure provides: Taxes shall be levied on ground rent and these a stock-taking. The the vary of them at least." E. J. Ladd, the restaurant man, and the scrap-heap. -Taxes shall be levied on ground rent and the scrap-heap. -

serviceable ships at the command of possible enemies.

### The Willamette Rose

only by an offer in the open market to rent a particular piece of land can the amount of the ground rent therefor be determined. The second paragraph in defining ground rent provides only for a 5 per cent levy on the assessed valuation which would be less than 3 per cent as land used the familiar olican of commerce, is now assessed. The measure of slitting and bending inward the top, are here

would be less than 3 per cent as land is now assessed. The measure of upon the assessing authorities. By custom assessed values are now withdraw his head. Dispatching him and bend of confinences. So that the coyote in pursuing the bait found himself caught when he would withdraw his head. Dispatching him clime In a broader sense the 6000 sections alternate sprinkling days have cured flexible. They may be 25, 50, 85, 100 then was easy. This plan, too, would Can give us such blossoms, you're

almost sublime.

Between Teddy

small means might lose his property a matter of hour

**Gleams** Through the Mist

through. And the harvest was left with none to reap. While over the land, resistless, cold, The grin, gray line of the shemy relied. Where is the boy who looked after the sheep?

Where is the boy who looked after the

where is the boy who looked after t sheep? And cared for the belied cattler Search, little mother, the treaches deep, And the field in the wake of the batt What has become or little Boy Blue, Who smilled as he kissed goodby to you? Where is the boy who looked after t sheep?

Who smilled as he history who worked after in sheep? Search, little mother, frail and foriorn, Out past the trampled fields of corn, And the shattered thatch whore the re finmes leap: Where the last shrapnel tempest flow, With forchoad wet with a crimson dew. And eyes wide open, lies little Boy Bh and eyes wide open, lies little Boy Bh he under the haystack-fast asleep.

All the world's a stage and, just at the present time, it strikes us that it has some doggone reckless drivers.

## Selemn Thought.

Bolenn Inought, Howe'er it be, it seems to me, When fellows practice o'sr the way, Sassoons are worse than cornets; yep And viels than fiddles, any day.

to come home tonight.

# No Competition.

Confucius was a wise gasabe As learned as he could be: But I'd not swap my bean for his And be as dead as hs. -N. Y. Evening Sun.

Mathusaleh ilved many years We'te told. It may be true; But thirty days today beats all Methusaleh lived through.

"Sir," said the Courteous Office Boy,

here's an autographed copy of a new clume in our capsule classics for the Five-Inch Bookshelf for Busy Men." I was all attention. "It is," said the C. O. B., "a version of 'The Lady of the Lake,' compacted

as follows: James lost; Lake crossed; Hostess fair James meets there; She makes a hit. But Malcoim's "It." (One of the Grasmes.) Home James!

### Half a Century Ago

From The Oregonian of May 3, 1865, By private telegraphic dispatch re-eived from Washington City yesterday, we are informed that Senators Williams and Nesmith left for home on the 21st of April.

The May term of the United States Circuit Court, Judge M. P. Deady pre-siding, convened at the courtrooms in

R. R. Thompson, his daughter, Mrs. Jagger, and her little girl, aged be-tween four and five years, were riding below the city yeareday, when their carriage upset, slightly injuring the carriage upset, signtly loguring the two former and breaking the right arm of the little girl near the shoulder. Dra. Chapman and Gilsan were called to re-duce the fracture, and she was doing very well last evening.

A view from Mount Robinson will A view from mount control will reveal the fact that a number of houses are at the present time in process of erection, within two miles of the court-house square in this city, the average of which is 40 monthly since the beginning of the year 1865. On every hand the thumping of hammers and the cut of the aw indicatos that Portland "still lives." What is more, not a house is to be found in the city vacant. Real estate has been changing hands very rapidly. It seems now a proper time, with all this building, for the establishment of fire limits to the city.

Developments of the past few days how a depraved state of affairs amongst a certain class of boys in this city who it would seem wrong to imprison wi the hardened convicts of the penitenthe control of the state government, is a matter of urgent necessity

### STEAMER FLINT HIS BIRTHPLACE

### Late Franklin Flint Seely Born on Early Columbia River Steamer.

SHERWOOD, Or., May 1.- (To the Editor.)-In The Oregonian Wednes-day there is an article by J. W. Exon in reference to a I. W. Brewer having been born on a Columbia River steam-beat boat and so far as known the only such birth that ever occurred. Then mentions a birth having occurred on a boat (the Lurine), of which he was moster at that time\_1592. With your kind consent I would like to add one

My father's name is Lucius A, Seely We emigrated from Springfield, Ill., in 1861, leaving there April 1, arriving at The Dalles in the early part of Soptember, 1851. After father had arranged and sent the men and teams over the mountains by the Barlow

over the modulians by the Barlow road he took the family down the Columbia River by boat. Father took passage on the steamer James P. Flint. (The name of the owner was James P. Flint). On the way down to Fortland my brother Frank was born, September 15, 1851. The captain of the boat told my par-ents if they would name the baby James P. Flint he would give him free passage on any boat that he was m

ter of in future. They con

viewing

beyond the question as to whether water at once for irrigating the lawns railroad company shall receive the main could not deliver a sufficient \$2.50 per acre for the land. quantity.

If the grant goes to the Government its disposition will be subject the fountain head that caused the to the will of Congress. Against the difficulty. It was the effort of all to combined efforts of Oregon's small use water at the same time. delegation in Congress will be arrayed anybody can believe that installation the powerful influence of the Forestry of meters will help such a situation Bureau and the ignoraut conception of is difficult to understand. If each to the point. Their measure would must take. the West and its needs held by the consumer gets water through a meter provincial Eastern Congressman. If and all tap the main at the same the Forestry Bureau once gets its hands on the 4,000,000 acres the present generation may say good-by to all prospect of development of sprinkling hours are firmly estab-Western Oregon commensurate with lished by both custom and convenpossibilities. If the title of the lence. The meter will not make more railroad company is unqualifiedly affirmed there is no better reason, in water, enlarge the main or change

expect the development that we all ble appliance in connection with a wish for and know is possible.

But it is within the province of the shortage at the source of supply United States Supreme Court to go is an expensive equipment of inconback to the bill of complaint and sequential benefit when the source is order the lower court to enter a de- adequate, cree in accordance with one or the The measure is on the ballot in the other

Either decree would mean \$6,000,000 economy in every direction is so de-to the railroad company. Is that the sireable it should not be overlooked. sole reason for the vicious attacks upon the Legislature for its instructions to the Attorney-General to intervene in behalf of the best interests of the state? Is it meet that we, aroused by the railroad's adminisgrowth of the community, the prog-ress of the state, merely because the Journal. He then became Assistant tion?

Sixty per cent of Oregon is now unto our sorrow what Government resdisposed of for less than \$2.50 per acre, no matter what the outcome of the suit, and as between settlement of the lands and any question who shall receive the \$2.50 the latter is but an inconsequential matter. It is but one of the political

peanuts on which demogogy feeds.

GRAFTING OFF THE LABORER.

The report of the Multhomah World," having been the elder Saw- from a ship like the Pennsylvania. As come through with County grand jury reveals the exist- ard's companion on that journey. He seagoing submarines are now being ence of a disgraceful practice inuring published "Life and Letters of Will-to the financial detriment of laborers iam H. Seward" in 1891. "A West In-knots, no long time may elapse before in the employ of the county. The pay dian Cruise" in 1894, and many maga- they can overtake and sink a battle- good crops. checks of the county are equivalent zine articles. ship in mid-Atlantic.

to cash. Some formalities are re-The most dramatic event in his life Then consider the scrap-heap which quired in obtaining the money they was Payne's attempt to assassinate we should have, but have not. represent, but the funds to meet them William H. Seward and the son's abor- General Board, in view of British and are in the county treasury and there tive effort to ward off the assassin. German practice, recommends that is no shadow of real need for any la- The Secretary was ill and the son met new ships be built to replace each borer to pay a discount on what he Payne at the head of the stairs, just ship when it becomes twenty years

earns. But a foreman becomes obligated to a broker. Instead of handing the pay check to a workman, he delivers it him into unconsciousness with the big the the father's room. Payne should have been laid down in 1910 to to replace the Indiana, Oregon and Massachusetts, and in 1912 to replace to the broker and instructs the laborer butt. He remained unconscious for the lows. There are four ships which hurt the least.

prarily, confident that when the about less fortunate learned by bitter ex- and "holding to perience of the effect and of the dis- etc. crimination in the measure their votes It was not waste or shortage at

would be utilized to overturn the amendment. The conception of a measure held Calais in order to How by Mr. Young, Mr. Coulter and other Germans turn is opponents of the U'Ren scheme is They have alread one that is brief, yet sweeping and long way to Cala

probably read something like this: All taxes shall be levied upon land and upon land only. Said taxes shall in amount equal that amount for which said land would rent if offered in the open market. Such an amendment would be war as crowds we definite, certain, straightforward, to public executi which Mr. U'Ren's latest emanation a fascination for definite.

not. But it would mean confiscation of all land whether owned by the light of previous experience, to custom or convenience. It is a valua- rich of poor, nothing more nor less. ing a lot of chick

CANDIDATES FOR THE SCRAP HEAP. who wears a wat As to the efficiency of the Navy, clocks on his so Representative Gardner brings us down from the clouds of airy optim-Mrs. "Silent"

sm, to which Secretary Daniels lifted 000,000 of her ow alternatives asked therein. June election. At a time when By including in his totals every ship sire to annex h us, to the solid earth of cold facts. prompted to marr

which has not been formally con- the natural affini demned as worthless, Mr. Daniels and their owners, shows that we have a splendid Navy on paper. By saying that "the Amer-The King of Gr

ican Navy has not been at war for seventeen years and the scrapheap is Frederick W. Seward, who died recently, had a career which alone without protest, sacrifice taxes and would have made his name distin-development to gratify antagonism guished, had not that of his illustrious tem," Mr. Gardner compels us "to father already done so. Born at Au- look at the Navy as it actually is and tration of the grant? Is it good business to discourage the longing of the land hungry, the production of the land hungry, the production of sults. wealth by contented settlers, the next ten years was one of the editors is composed of men who know, For years the General Board has

been teling us that we should have \$400 each settler pays for his quarter section must go to a railroad corpora- William H. Seward, and he frequently twenty years old in order to cope with attended Cabinet meetings as Acting any nation that might attack us. Reg-

Secretary during the Administrations ularly, year by year, its recommenda-That 60 per cent is in control of Lincoln and Johnson, and, when tions have been ignored, under Republican administrations by Congress of the Government. We have learned to our sorrow what Government res-in 1867 he went with Admiral Por-and under the present Democratic Adervation means. We have learned ter on a special mission to negotiate ministration by both the Secretary of the West Indian treaties, and he had the Navy and Congress.

reservation means. We want neither, We want the 4,000,000 acres opened to settlement. It exceeds the bounds Samoa. He served in the New York in and an attempt was made to induce of common sense that they will be Assembly in 1875, was a member of Congress to authorize the building o the international arbitration confer- one or more. The speed and gunence in 1904, and was vice-president power of ships of this type enabled of the Hudson-Fulton Commission in them to run down and sink German squadrons at the Faikland Islands and would not have t 1908-09.

During the last fifteen years of his to run down and sink the Blucher life Mr. Seward was occupied in writ- and to damage two other German ing, and he had written much in the ships in the North Sea battle. We intervals of his public duties. In have been congratulating ourselves on 1870-2 he assisted Thurlow Weed in the launching of the huge battleship writing his recollections. He edited Pennsylvania, but in both those battles

his father's "Travels Around the the Germans could have run away have adventures

Snowfalls at at Butte were Mayday diversions,

"Safety last" seems to be the watchword of many automobilists.

> The British trap for submarines must have sprung a leak.

The one who goes the faster gets

	You bow to us gently on every high-	Home James!
y, European battles	way,	Likes her too-
nes, Mexico has lost	And come to full blossom so early in May	Is canned-surprise- Clans arise
map for the time be-	You speak to the lover in soft whispers,	
nother crisis is only	low,	Seeks to woo,
rs. But we're ready		
those printed diplo-	estly grow. No merger can reach you or hold your	
the State Department	perfume,	Her dad pinched;
with grave alarm"	For all and forever you smilingly	
strict accountability,"	bloom.	Ellen's come
and the second	The fame of Willamette, inwoven with	James says: "We Will go and see!"
	In honor and virtue, you'll ever be	"Rod" cadaver;
to get that big gun	true;	Royal palaver; Just the same
wenty-three miles to	You cover the barrens with beautiful	Sho gets Grieme:
shoot at Dover, the ts fire on Dunkirk.	shades,	Dad back strong;
ly learned that it's a	You climb up the mountains and sleep	Life one song- Whaddye think?
is by the road they	In the gludes, Thy kisses enmored in beautiful love,	James is Kink!
	Thy sweetness doth come from the	Provide the state of the second
Transformer (	heavens above.	Kansas has eliminated barroor
's large passenger	You dwell by the snow-covered moun-	scenes from the movie shows and i
thought that some	tains and streams,	occurs to us-
cted to the scene of	And hide from our view their scars and their seams.	We are here interrupted by the per
re formerly attracted	You're first in the morning, with sun-	fectly obvious jest that the movi
ions. Horrors have	set's red glow	shows must be dry in Kanzas, but w
some minds.	You laugh in the breezes that come	proceed to maintain-
	and that go;	
oster who is mother-	Bloom on, lovely roses, for man and his bride,	That it occurs to us that another goo
is at Albany does not	The pride of our city, Willamette's	subject for state and National prohi
hat the old cocks say	first pride.	bition is the souse impersonator in th
like the young man	Bloom for the pilgrim on life's desert	vaudeville shows.
tch on his wrist and	And bloom for a garland to cover our	No Competition.
cks.	bler.	I am obscure, while oft the name
and show the second second in	-Dr. Ernest Everest.	I am obscure, while off the name Of Ananias I see; But after all, his brand of fame-
Smith, having \$15,-	and the second	But after all, his brand of fame- it doesn't appeal to me,
vn, was probably not	THE FRUITS OF WAR.	B B B
ry Mr. St. Cyr by de- s \$1,000,000, but by		Professor G. Pythagoras Bimelaci
ity between millions	dim,	the well-known rag-time seer and as
	And gloomy and awful the struggle	trologer, sends the following disserts
	within;	tion and forecast for May:
recce is in the situa-	For here, in her anguish, a war-wid- owed wife	The Spring poet has now passed peri
an who discuss great	Is struggling to bring a new soul into	helion and his orbit will soon carry his
h their wives before	life.	out of the range of brickbats or bou
tie is enough like her	And never she knows, as Death closes	quets.
ve any doubt of re-	her eyes. That her child cries but once before	The oyster will become silent-as th
	it,too, dies.	R in May-and will cease to be one o
		the baffling suspicions in our soup. Oyster Bay will still be apparen
	Her soldier in carnage is thinking of	struggling for a place in the sun alon.
s to select a queen of	And mondaring in pite 16 has have	with the baseball and war news.
, then municipal offi-	And wondering, in pity, if her hour has yet come;	Grecian artists will begin the restora
it not least in inten-	Hoping and praying to the God they	tion of the ruins of Panama and th
rector.	both love	market for straw bleaching compound
dations of the Mult-	That strength may be given to her	will be decidedly bulliah.
ry to reonen one of	With his mind on the far-away home	The Sign of the Eishes is in evidence
plies is in the right.	over there.	this month, appropriately supported b
has too many star	Relaxes a moment his usual care;	the Sign of Taurus, as is usually th
	Forgets that the bullets are pouring	case, and under these signs the lengt
	like rain,	and weight of salmon and trout will
ibark on ships flying	Stops one in its progress, and-endeth his pain.	tend to be magnified enormously.
are warned by Ger-		The Sign of the Crab in mid-mont
and that may mean	Oh, wife in the cottage, dead habe on	betokens the awakening of the base
the end of the week.	your arm!	ball fan to a state of wonder as t
	Thank God you are safe now from hunger and harm	whether the home team is as good
ove in the game with	Oh, man in the battle who gave up	pennant winning aggregation as he ha it doped out for at the opening of th
ot the world been	your life,	season.
ly half an eye, Japan	While dreaming of bairnie and pray-	season.
begun the game.	Ing for wife! Though all that is mortal is severed	National Parks
ive the Beavers three	fore'er,	National Parks.
treatment and it may	Let's trust that your souls are to-	SHEDDS, Or., May 1 (To the Edi
get out of the hole.	gether-somewhere.	tor.)-Please publish a list of the Na
get out or the hole.	The line metables a start second	tional parks of the United States. ALTA ALLEN,
ners have begun to	'Tis like watching a plant you are hop- ing will flower	
early in life, but they	That by lightning is struck in its	Yellowstone National Park, i
th few scars.	blossoming hour.	Wyoming, Montana and Idaho; Yosem
	The plant is uprooted as its bud be-	ite National Park, California; Glacie
ave ceased and op-	The gardener, also, is sent to his	National Park, Montana; Mount Ral
his will be a year of	tomb.	nier National Park, Washington; Se
	Where once was all brightness, all	quoia National Park, California; Gen
and the second	beauty and joy,	
riagstan, Ariz., and	Is now but the elements' discarded	Wind Cave National Park South Da
Flagstaff, Ariz., and	beauty and joy, Is now but the elements' discarded	eral Grant National Park, California Crater Lake National Park, Oregon
audor divortions	tov	Wind Cove National Park South Da

Wind Cave National Park, South Da-Of all that was promised naught is left kota; Sully's Hill Park, North Dakota, but a pall. And, blindly, we grope for the why of Verde National Park, Okiahomia; Mesa Verde National Park, Colorado; Casa

Reservation, Arkansas, In addition,

number of objects of antiquity, natural

been set aside as "National monu-

ments."

curiosities and prehistoric ruins have

-Horace William MacNeal

A Generous Giver.

Boston Transcript. "Is Tawking Hberal in his opinions?" "No, but he's lavish of them."

Frankin Flint Seely. Brother Frank passed to the beyond December 22, 1912. GEORGE B. SEELY, R. F. D. 2, Box 79. TRUE POETS. In visions grand that span the world around. They touch the Infinite by waves of thought. In endless space they sway this mystle wand And gather gems wherefrom their poems are wrought. No colors, creeds nor races can but blend, When hands of theirs have touched the golden chord: It thrills with love and inspirations A ray of hope to those that grip the sword. The dead and moaning and the flood of tears May desecrate the masonry of years, And leave upon the gore-besprinkled The blights of kings or curses of a But still the poets sing in optimistic Of laws divine that rule the Universe alone, And see in all some splendor and axtract some good When each and all, by them, are right-

I ly understood. And hear the world, as they plod o'er the sod, Pulsates with love and eulogizes God. P. K. ENEBO.

### Minimum Wage Scale.

Minimum Wage Scale, PORTLAND, May I.—(To the Editor.) —May I request that you publish in-formation in regard to minimum wage scale for municipal street work under scale for municipal street work under twas \$3 for eight-hour day and would be grateful for accurate information, JOHN McDONALD.

The wage scale for laborers is \$3 a day. For skilled labor the rate is the same as the city's rate for similar h workmen.

Statistics on Commerce. CENTRAL POINT, Or., May 1.-(To e- the Editor.)-It is my desire to obtain to the latest statistics relative to the foreign and domestic trade of the United States. Could you inform me where I States. could quickly locate this information' ALLAN C. HOPKINS

Write for bulletins to Bureau of For eign and Domestic Commerce, Department of Commerce, Washington, D, C,

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A well-known newspaper adver tiser buys space to blazon forth this Emersonian quotation:

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