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THE LUMBER "TRUST" BROKEN. The abused and cheated consume has at last got the wicked lumber trust on its back. The lumber trust, be it understood, is that gigantic com bination of plutocrats which has been millions in our forests and

which has been cutting our trees into lumber and filling up our trains for shipment of their product into our domestic markets, and loading ships-not our ships but any ships-for dispatch to the remote sections of the About fifty per cent of all labor advisedly.

But how is it now? The Pinchot reservationists became alarmed and instituted their policy of withdrawals, making it more costly than ever to get logs and operate mills; and the tariffwould have the competition Canadian and other mills. object of the one was to make timber so precious that it would be held for unborn generations; and the object of the other was to make lumber so

Lumber is ideally cheap, but nobody think it is Pinchotism, and still others cases of typhoid, over-production and over-capitaliza-But, whatever it is labor is not employed, capital is in distress, and the timber is rotting in the reserves.

Perhaps there has been some kind of a mistake about the lumber "trust." The men who, independent of one inother, build logging roads into the timber and erect mills on the streams of Oregon, and enter into active com-petition for the sale of their output petition for the sale of their output not stand in dread of drinking water, are strangely unlike an organization in Even if they happen to swallow the restraint of trade. They are builders typhoid germs no harm can ensue. of industry, employers of labor. Yet Vaccination for typhoid is a very they are loosely denounced as timber barons, and they are regarded as despoilers of the public domain.

Or they were. Just now the opinion is gaining headway that if the mills ture heals with only a little reddening to the started and men put to work.

could be started and men put to work, the state would be the gainer. The The empty dinner pail is a real educator. The basis of prosperity is work at good wages. It is not demoralized markets, idle men, stagnant industry. The conidle men, stagnant industry. The con-sumer is not helped if the producer is disease like typhoid, which lurks insi

HOW TO GET RID OF BOSSES.

Ex-Senator Root's denunciation of bossism is simply a repetition in choicer and more vigorous language of again for several decades until such outbursts attract only passing atten-tion. New men occasionally are elected to office in defiance of bosses, ut they either become bosses or the tools of bosses themselves, or they are a single term. New parties are organed to combat bossism, but they soon vaccination would have prevented all fall under the power of bosses.

Boss rule is not a symptom of innate depravity in the American people. We do not deliberately choose to be ruled by a boss or an "invisible government." The secret lies in our carrying impose upon them. They neglect it between elections and pay only spas-modic attention to it at elections. The result is that politics has become a siness in which few men specialize As every business requires a directing He and his lieutenants attend to business all the time; the mass of voters attend to it only at intervals. Lience the boss has his way and looks giving the public interest only enough attention to prevent a revolu

The people can only rout the bosses Interest in their own affairs. If this be done, popular rule will be restored and maintained without the aid of any into the Baltic to aid Russia in wrest of the new devices for its restoration bosses will find ways of governing them in spite of initiative, referendum, recall direct primary, short ballot and tion and legislation,

Mr. Reot's panaces, the short ballot. has the one merit of helping to remove the causes of public neglect of public ferent because there are too many elections and too many officials to elect. In their jealousy for a voice in elect. In the elect. In the elect. In the elect. In the elect in the elect. In the to trust any official with extensive appointive power, they have insisted upon electing everybody from President to constable. It is impossible for an opportunity to send a fleet in such good order that one army through the Kiel canal and fight the accounted for 20,000 to 30,000 hostile troops, and the remnant of the Dunature of the the time of candidates for a multitude of offices. The result is that power to dictate election of all officers falls into the hands of the boss, whom the people do not elect, do not trust, but cannot depose. In just the degree that the short hallot would be reasoned by the first the short hallot would be reasoned for 20,000 to 20,000 hostile through the first and fight the accounted for 20,000 to 20,000 hostile through the first and for the punal troops, and the remnant of the Dunality of the hallot, the British invaders would be in danger of torpedo attack in the straits. The sound between Denmark and Sweden the battles near Lemberg only to prothat the short ballot would increase is so narrow that the British line could teet their rear and to inflict as much that the short ballot would increase is so narrow that the British line could the ability of the voter to discriminate not exert its full power on emerging loss as possible on the enemy. The between good and bad candidates and into the Ballic and would be exposed to destruction in detail by the Gerting of the continuous continuo sibility for wrongdoing without pos- mans.

Nature has so decreed, as anybody may Entered at Portland, Oregon, Postoffice as ing revolution a trifle too far.

> STORM DOES ONE GOOD THING. If the Galveston storm should result in abandonment of the Army post at Texas City, some good will come out of the great evil it has done. The post is badly located, far from the Mexican border, and has always caused dissatisfaction among troops that were sent there. Its selection seems to have had no other reason than to please some Texas Congress-

Postage Rates—12 to 16 pages, 1 cent; 18 peace times is nearly ten times as 32 pages, 2 cents; 54 to 48 pages, 5 cents, 50 to 56 pages, 4 cents; 52 to 56 pages, 5 cents, 50 to 50 pages, 5 to 50 pa army in much less time than, during President Taft's administration, was cupied by the United States in con ntrating 25,000 men on the Mexican order. We should by all means make the most of our diminutive Army by o distributing it that mobilization can

There are many other Army posts is useless as that at Texas City. ATI of these should be abolished, and only a few large posts retained where entire brigades could be concentrated, Only tremendous pressure from public opinion can induce Congress to make this change, for the posts have been carefully distributed with a view to rallying a majority to the support of any posts which it is proposed to abolish. There is an Army post phalanx, employed in Oregon was directly or any posts which it is proposed to abolindirectly concerned in the lumber ish. There is an Army post phalanx, industry. The word "was" is used as there is a river and harbor phalanx and a public bullding phalanx.

be completed in the shortest possible

VACCINATION FOR TYPHOID,

One of the most valuable triumphs of modern scientific methods is the production of the anti-typhoid vaccine. tinkers got in their work, so that the The use of this wonderful preventive cheap that everybody could afford to this filth disease, and we know from suddened memory how many perished. Note the contrast caused by the use of vaccine. In 1911 we had 20,000 s. There is something wrong of vaccine. In 1911 we had 20,000 to think it is the jariff, and others men similarly encamped, with but two The rest of them had won immunity through the use the beneficent vaccine. Popular confidence in this great scientific

boon is growing. Last year about 100,000 people were successfully vaccinated, thus acquiring immunity to typhoid fever. This year it is estimated that immunity will be conferred upon some 300,000 people. After treatment with the vaccine they need

of the skin. The immunity once acquired lasts several years, but probably not for a lifetime. The operation must be repeated now and then, but who would mind a little trouble in lously almost everywhere in drinking water? Few remember what a scourge this disease can be when conditions are favorable for it. We know of two young men who acquired typhold this Summer at a fishing hut on the Colum bia, where they were working. Of course, bad water was the medium. They went home for treatment and quickly contaminated a cistern from which the household water was drawn The whole family fell stor in the order, and now, were it not for the ministrations of the neighbors, their would be hopeless. Timely The whole family fell sick in regular

their trouble NAVAL STRATEGY IN THE BALTIC.

It has been generally assumed that he main German fleet is retained in he Baltic for the purpose of avoiding the rule of the people to such an a decisive engagement with the Brit-the Russian forces, gives the best and served hot is a extreme that the people have not time ish grand fleet. There is another available information. He reviews the Mashed, it is fodder. long as Germany has naval supremacy n the Baltic, the British commercial blockade is to a large degree nullified. Commerce with Sweden is uninter-rupted, and, through Sweden and in a less degree through Norway, traffic head, the group of specialists in each with the outer world is maintained. state, city or county elevates one man Germany thus receives at Baltic ports a large part of the goods which the blockade excludes from North Sea ports. Access of British ships to Russian ports for transport of troops and munitions is prevented by German warships. The Baltic has been used by Germany to transport troops to the coast of Courland and the Gulf of Riga for attack on the Russian right wing. These are the fruits of naval supremacy in the Baltic, Could Britain send a sufficient fleet

of the new devices to the serious blow would be dealt at her bosses will find ways of governing enemy. Russia would be protected ing this supremacy from Germany, against naval incursions, and a direct route for transport of troops and every other engine of direct nomina- munitions to Petrograd and Rigs would be opened. Germany could be completely isolated from the world oversen through blockade of Baltic ports. British warships are as free to enter the Baltic as the Russian fleet was free to come out during the war

with Japan.

Everything is topsy turvey in dis-tracted Mexico. Even Cupid disports vessels might possibly pick off enough retreat. buttleships to give Russia a chance at As the German aim was to cut up. a woman nebody thinks anything of it. victory on the sea. The straits being capture and destroy the Russian

learn by reading Thomson's "Spring." them with traps for submarines, such learn by reading Thomson's "Spring." them with traps for submarines, such keep those armies "in being" by evading one another over the men, using knives to do the work. This is carry
France safe. Destroyers being the best and guns, but have so far failed of

deprive Russia and Britain of their naval bases and might cause the loss

MURDERER HANGED PROMPTLY.

By the hanging of George Joseph Smith, the murderer of his brides, English justice has once more proved its superiority to that of the United States, Smith married three women. one after another, and a few days after each wedding killed his bride in a bath. Hence the case became known as the "brides-in-bath" case

denied, by an application for a habeas south of a large number of heavy guns corpus writ and to the Governor for a pardon. If Smith's prosecutors had been able to avoid all these pitfalls and to land him on the gallows, their success would have been hailed as the result of luck rather than skill, and Sorbia. If the expected renewal of 12st The three is something dark of 12st That there is something dark of 12st That there is something dark of 12st That there is something dark

them up in a lot of trimmings which army, clog the machinery. Lawyers and judges are more attentive to the observance of a certain ritual than to the doing of justice. Judges countenance time-consuming oratory and exchange of billingsgate by lawyers. We have been waiting for generations for the lawyers to reform the law themselves. Our only hope that it will be done seems to be that the laymen will undertake the job and put it through

WHAT WILL GERMANY DO NEXT? The questions now being asked How far will the Germans pursue the Russians before settling down to an entrenched line, or before the Russians establish such line in sufficient strength to stop the Will the Germans then attempt a similar drive in the west, or will they try to hew a way through Serbia or Bulgaria to carry help to Turkey?

As to the first question, the answer must be influenced to some degree by the purpose of beginning the drive against Russla. It was begun in seriour ernest last Fall, when the advance o Calais had falled and when Austria vas breaking under Russian blows, It was almed at Warsaw, first from the being hard pressed in the Carpathians, it was turned to Western Galicia. The great fragments, to capture or destroy these fragments, and to put Russia ou Then what little milltary force Russia could muster could army

ners agains ampaign from the attack on the Dunajec lines and gives Germany full credit for great victories, but says:

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But she has not destroyed the armies, she has not discouraged the troops. The plain facts are that by a prependerance of resources which Russia could not equal, supplied over lines of communication which Russia could not duplicate, she forced Russian withdrawais before her, for men cannot fight with their fists. The glory of the German advance will be haived when the world knows exactly what Russia had in men and arms and munitions to meet this assault, the greatest perhaps that has ever been made in military history. The Russians have come through their triat of fire. With the exception of one arms, now reconsituted, they have probably suffered far less in personnel than their ensemies. The Germans have shot their first bolt, a bolt forged from every resource in men and munitions that they could muster after meeths of preparation. The Bussians have receiled before it and may recoil again and again, but they niwsys clude its aim.

The force which Germany hurted

The force which Germany hurled gainst the Dunajec line is estimated by Mr. Washburn at sixteen covns. with not fewer than 2000 guns equal to or exceeding the eight-inch types, against three or four corps of Russians. Of the result of the battle to the latter he says:

It have not heard that there was any panic or attempt to retreat on the part of the troops. In characteristic Russian fashion they remained. For miles behind the line the tora up ground was covered with mangled bodies and fragments of shells. It is currently stated that the Germans fixed 700,000 shells in three hours.

of the Bultic because to go in would nothing remained but for all five of the endanger its supremucy and the lanes Russian armies to retire, including two to destruction in detail by the Germans in such good fighting transmithing for wrongdoing without possibility of evasion, the short ballot will strengthen the people and weaken the bosses. Unless, however, the people exercise constant vigilance, the boss will find a way to circumvent the short ballot, as he has broken every other curb that has been put upon him Eternal vigilance is the prize of liberty from bosses as from every other expectes of tyrant.

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neutral, Germany cannot lawfully fill armies, the Russian purpose was to France safe. Destroyers being the best protection against submarines, loss of many vessels of this type off Riga was a serious blow to Germany.

These possibilities must have impressed on the Kaiser the advantage of pushing his armies northward towards Petrograd. Capture of the Russian Baltic ports by land would denrive Russia and Britain of their main purpose. The Russians have gained their main purpose, for though greatly reduced in sixe, their armies still exist and have inflicted serious losses on the enemy. In May and June alone the Germans are said to have estimated their own losses in killed, wounded and missing at 380,000 men.

The distance to which the Germans of the Russian battle fleet. The Russia in baffled hope of a decision repulse has, for the time at least, of Russia in baffled hope of a decision thwarted his plans and raised his is contingent upon the extent to which they can safely lengthen their communications and divide their troops along an extended front. If they should halt of their own accord, they would give Russia time to gather new forces and new material in her vast interior. If they should go forward they might take Riga, Petrograd and "There is something alluring in the "There is something alluring i

inown as the "brides-in-bath" case.
On June 23, a few days after the third death, Smith was brought to trial, on July 1 he was sentenced to death and a few weeks later he was hanged. Justice was sure and swift.
Had this case been tried in the United States, a week or more would probably have been consumed in selecting a jury. The taking of testiments on points of law. A plea of insanity would have opened the way for a flood of expert testimony, so tontradictory as to confuse judge and A conviction would almost surely have been followed by an appeal to secure a new trial and in case this was denied, by an application for a habens corpus writ and to the Governor for many would a growth of a large number of heavy guns with and to the Governor for many would almost surely have been followed by an appeal to secure a new trial and in case this was denied, by an application for a habens corpus writ and to the Governor for many wonen an equality with the outer seas by openings that seem the to trial to evade capture of its large units, and to the Governant should continue to evade capture of its large units, and the or evade capture of its large units, and the overde capture of its large units, and the overde capture of its large units, and the to evade capture of its large units, and the the order of the waters have been from earliest times, as they happen again to be teachy, the foundations.

If the Russian army should continue the the Germans should continue the pursuit, no considerable part of the waters have been from earliest times, at the outer season at the outer season and the countinue of the west nade the pur

those of England, but we have dressed the mystery as to where is Kitchener's

If every child had been ideally educated for the last century, there would have been no European war. As the twig is bent the tree's inclined. W have war because the twigs are bent to war. Thus far we agree perfectly with the unanimous opinion of the National Educational Association. But with the can we, as the association believes, bend the twig permanently to peace? The experiment is worth trying if all the world will join in it. But woe betides a nation of lambs in a world of wolves.

aps for milk. Death overtook him on the trail, and his faithful companions did not forsake him. His ambition was to live a hundred years. No doubt some accident prevented. In the world where he now foregathers with other good men years are not counted.

Great things are predicted of the new aeroplane which the American, ships." Glen H. Curtiss, is building at Toronto or the British. It will be fitted for a west, then from the north. When both flight of 1900 miles and carry a ton these attacks failed and Austria was and a half of high explosives. From this engine of destruction a ton of one purpose, however, was not to bridge in a single shot. We can occupy cities or provinces so much imagine the destruction—if it hits the as to break the Russian army into mark, something that aeroplane missiles usually fail to do

Mrs. Rorer's opinion of mashed tary force Russia could muster could be held at bay by a relatively small plainly hints that mashing is the worst force, while Germany threw her main possible way to serve that homely against France, and Austria vegetable. The martyred army of resurant patrons agree with her. What As to how far the Germans had are the ingredients of a helping of As to how far the Germans had are the ingredients of a helping of attained their end up to the capture of Warsaw, Stanley Washburn, correspondent of the London Times with the Russian forces, gives the best and served hot is a delicious vland.

> Every district school in the state should have on its reference table or teacher's desk a copy of the Oregon Blue Book for 1915. The book this year is most comprehensive in scope and is full of matter of value to the bregon boy and girl who would learn the facts about their state that are not tary of State Olcott will bring the

United States English differs in many particulars from England's. There is a suggestion affoat since the war began to husband our singularities of speech, increase their number and finally form a separate language here. This would not be wise. Differices of speech are great promoters of hostility among nations. We should

Now it is the Germans who are holding regular but quiet drills in this country. A few years ago it was the Japanese who indulged in this kind warlike activity. people delight in scare, while others revel in humbug.

Foreign money may depreciate, but the big iron dollar of Uncle Sam buys one hundred cents' worth anywhere.

Never fear that Europe will cease buying. The time is near for stocking up on Winter equipment. Resumption of work in the big

Wendling mill means a lot to the sec-Is the fall in value of the pound sterling result of a German plot?

Another Mexican war chief has been cilled, but there are plenty more. There are enough people in the hop-wards now to do the picking.

The Spreckels Juniors seem to be adjusting themselves.

It is a brave man who wears his Oyster, you are welcome to

All quiet along the Heilig Tag the dog today.

Astoria is calling!

European War Primer By National Geographical Society.

WITH the northwestern battle-thea-W ter of the Turks proclaimed by the war prophets as that where the deciding master strokes in this most titan-like of all struggles are to delivered, a sketch of this remarkable region's past prepared by Harry Gris-wold Dwight is of more than usual in-Here the west won its selfonfidence, and this confidence has borne fruits with splendid richness for longer than 2000 years. Here the course of civilization has been changed and modi-

they might take Riga, Petrograd and even Moscow and Odessa. They would risk disaster, but not such as befell Napoleon, for he had no aircraft to guard against surprise and to spy out the enemy's position, nor railroads to keep up communications.

There is something alluring in the very shape and position of these lakes—the Black Sea and the Sea of Marmora historic continents of our globe, and communicating with each other and with the outer seas by openings that seem miraculous. And those landlocked

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the Bal to five miles. Its European shore, Gallipoli Perinsula, is the Thracian Chersonese of the ancients, and its steep ridge everlooks the plain of Troy on the Asiatic bank and the broken foot-

the Asiatic bank and the broken foot-hills of Mount ida.

"While its two historic gateways are strategically the most important foa-tures of Marmora, that picturesque lit-tic sea has a character all its own. In any other part of the world it would iong ago have become a place of so-journ for yachtsmen and summerers, so happily is it treated by sun and wind, so amply provided with bays, capes, islands, mountains, forests and all other accidents of nature that make glad the heart of the amateur explorer. As it is, the Marmora remains strangely wild for a sea that has known so much of life. More numerous than the settle-Admirably simple must have been George A. Smith's life on his Douglas County farm. He traveled, like R. L. Sievenson, with a burro for comrade. On his last trip he had a goat, too, perhaps for milk. Death overtook him on ory and legend have crowded its Writing of the antiquity of the straits'

question, Mr. Dwight says:
"The true question of the straits arose
as early as the fifth century B. C., when Alcibiades of Athens counseled the peo-ple of Chrysopolis, the modern Scutari, at the southeastern extremity of the Bosphorus, to take toll of passing onto But the Ottoman regulation of the or a straits has been far more jealous than ton anything attempted by the ancients.
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and a half of high explosives. From this engine of destruction a ton of dynamite can be aimed at a German bridge in a single shot. We can imagine the destruction—if it hits the imagine the destruction—if it hits the mark, something that aeroplane missiles usually fail to do.

The Turks have allowed no foreign menor-war to enter the Marmora," the writer continues, "unless under rare and special circumstances; and not only do they exercise surveillance over the traffic in the straits, but twice during the last four years they have closed the Dardanelles to navigation of any kind. "At the moment at which I write the writer continues, "unless under rare and special circumstances; and not only do they exercise surveillance over the traffic in the straits, but twice during the last four years they have closed the plants and other roses are rather negligible in the straits, but twice during the last four years they have closed the plants and other roses are rather negligible in the plants and other roses are rather negligible in the plants and other roses are rather negligible in the plants and other roses are rather negligible in the plants and other roses are rather negligible in the plants and other roses are rather negligible in the plants and other roses are rather negligible in the plants and other roses are rather negligible in the plants and other roses are rather negligible in the plants and other roses are rather negligible in the plants and other roses are rather negligible in the plants and other roses are rather negligible in the plants and other roses are rather negligible and ther roses are rather negligible and ther plants and other roses are rather negligible in the plants and other roses are rather negligible and ther plants and other roses are rather negligible and ther plants and other roses are rather negligible and ther plants and other roses are rather negligible and ther plants and other roses are rather negligible and ther plants and other roses are rather negligible and ther plants and other roses are rather negligible and ther plants and other roses are rather negligible and the plants and other roses are rather negligible and the plants and other roses are rather negligible and the plants and other roses are rather negligible and the plants and other roses are rather negligible.

PORTLAND, Aug. 33 .- (To the Edi-

tor.)-The self-respecting woman suf-fragists of Oregon will be thankful for your timely editorial remarks or the recent Taft-compelling-reception incident. It is unfair to the real suf-fragists of Portland that they should be considered as favoring these enforced militant interviews, perpetrated at the instigation of agents from another state, who have presumed to come into regon for the purpose of directing the olitical action of our women voters. political action of our women voters. The various committees of the Chamber of Commerce and Men's Clubs of our city, ought to protect our distinguished visitors from this impolite pestering. Not one of the men thus waylaid have gone away more friendly to the doctrine of equal rights than they were before coming to Portland. I think ex-President Taft showed sreat delicacy and a complete understanding of the situation he would be placed in were he even to seem to recognize these Congressional Union women, whose slogan "Defeat all Democratic candidates" is well known East

No Hunting in France.

In France hunting, which was forbidden in 1914, continues to be prohibited in 1915. As a result, it is said, the country outside the districts in which the war goes on, is swarming with game. The peasants complain and it is said that numerous forest fires in mountain districts are maliciously caused by people of the highlands who wish to destroy the woods, in order to get rid of the wild boars that make their coverts in them. It is predicted that in 1916, if the law prohibiting the killing of game is repealed, sportsmen will find an overwhelming abundance of hares and partridges.

Value of Old Half-Dime.

PORTLAND, Aug. 39.—(To the Editor.)—Is there any additional value to a half-dime coined in 1838? Are there any places in Portland where they buy old coins?

There is no additional value to a half-dime of 1856. There are several colnages that draw premiums from coin buyers, but 1856 is not one. We n buyers, but 1856 is not one. We not know of any Portland market I have a cook that has been with me over a month. for old coins.

THE "EXCLUSIVE SET" OF SOCIETY T. T. Geer at Loss to Know Why Term

Is Used in Social News Colu PORTLAND, Aug. 31 - (To the Edior.)-To those who have a deep admiration for the "undying principles" so forcibly set forth in the Declaration of Independence and included in the Constitution of the United Statesand equal," anti-aristocracy, the brotherhood of man, etc., etc., the phrase so often found in newspaper reports of a tocial function, for instance, a wedding, in which it is announced that the ide, aweet thing though everybody will admit she is, belongs to the "ex-vilusive set," has a jarring sound de-dedly out of harmony with the ordi-arry conception of American horse ease and democratic simplicity.

sense and democratic simplicity.

Of course it is a mere matter of sheer curjosity that prompts me to inquire what is meant by an "exclusive year". And it is quality evident that it cannot be a question of general concern-aside from the fact that occurring so frequently in newspaper descriptions of social functions when appending the control of the contro ed directly to some unfortur ung lady, she is accused of belo roung indy, she is accused of belong-ing to a "set." which, for some reason has been isolated from the association with, or recognition by other people; but the charge, always unsupported by the evidence even of a circumstantial nature, should not be permitted to pass unchallenged, or, at least without an insource.

or is it not a mere matter of imagination that there is "an exclusive set" in Portland? And if there is, who or ganized it and determined its person nel? What constitutes eligibility to its membership and who determines it maximum limit sado members? Wha What maximum limit and members? What qualifications are required to pass one into the charmed inner circle? If Ethel Gwendolyn belongs to an "exclusive set" and Hannah Jane does not and cannot, what is she excluded for? Isn't she rich enough, or doesn't she know enough, or len't she good enough, or sufficiently pretty, or does she lack in distinguished birth, and, if so, as to any of these or all of them who come

in distinguished birth, and, if so, as to any of these or all of them, who constitutes the censorship committee that plasses on the momentous problem?

On the other hand, last it impossible to have an exclusive set? If some one who had been exclusive set should decide to organize another there would appear to be nothing in the way of such movement, and he, or she, as the case might be, could easily establish an opposition exclusive set and the course could be followed indefinitely. And, manifestly, where there are two exclusive sets, the title of each would destroy that of the other—and there you are, or would be.

And this is the situation now, pre-And this is the situation now, p sely. There are as many "sets" ou have a mind to think there are.

have seen an individual so grouchy and vinegary that he constituted an exclusive set of one—if the word is applicable to such instance—but he never boasted of it, neither did other people. Exclusiveness, or even a tendency toward it, is ordinarily to be frowned upon as a misfortune in others and to be guarded against as a latent or developing characteristic in one's seif. This phrase as applied to a beautiful sweet girl graduate, or other deserving young woman, has been so frequently used during the present Summer, and in many cases where the accused has not been to any degree guilty and too limid to urge a defense, that I have felt it a patriotic duty to make a public protest myself. ve seen an individual so grouchy ar

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This is a democratic country where caste does not thrive, or at least, should not and a custom that seeks to establish a prefense of it is distanteful and should be discouraged.

we are the same our fathers have been; see the same sights our fathers have We drink the same stream, we see the same And gun the same course our fathers have

So why an exclusive set?
T. T. GEER.

ROSE BUSHES NEED CARE NOW Plant Pathologist Says Full Is Time to

Thwart Mildew Inroads. PORTLAND, Aug. 31.—(To the Editor.)—During this time of the year growers of the beautiful Caroline Test-

No solution can be found which will give any one nation an absolute right of control over the Bosphorus and the Dardanelles."

PROTECTION FOR NOTED GUESTS

Mrs. Hidden Thinks Visitors Should Be Spared Militant Interviews.

In lidew begins to get in its work, and milidew begins to get in its work, and militant to have clean roses next year it is absolutely necessary that practical remedies should be applied now. The milidew attacks the young leaves, shoots and buds. On the shoots and ealyx a thick mycellum, or white coating is formed, which remains until the following Sparine.

pail, when it dibernates until the fol-lowing Spring.

During this period it checks the growth of young wood, and causes the leaves to remain small and curled, and the plants become so weakened that

they generally die.

Quite a few florists know that the mildew curtails their income from the roses, yet the loss can be stopped by spraying now and in the Spring, with a good resinous wash, to which a little sulphur has been added.

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F. E. BLACKWOOD WEST.

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Asain, it is positively outrageous for anyone to intrude upon the time of such a notable as our ex-President, whose programme is made out necessarily with not a minute to spare, as he passes through the country.

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pal attention. In the case of the elm-leaf spraying now under way the city is doing the work because it is an emergency and the adoption of an as-the owner on proving it and paying seasment plan would cost much more for the notice. sessment plan would cost much more to the city than the actual cost of spraying. The abutting property own-er owns the sidewalk, parking strip, curb and to the center of the street. Portland. This property is dedicated for street purposes and belongs to the propert

Cause and Effect. HUGO, Or., Aug. 28.—(To the Editor.) I didn't raise my boy to be a soldler. I raised the stay-kid to be a slave.

Here we have an example of cause and effect. The jelly-fish doctrine an-nounced in the first line bears fruit as expressed in the second verse. JOHN RITCHIE

Philadelphia Bulletin. English Visitor—Did you ever know of an American having an old family servant?

## Twenty-Five Years Ago

From The Oregonian, September 1, 1890. Washington-The Republican camalgn committee of Congress is looking with interest on the elections in Idaho and Wyoming, the new states. The sentiment among Republicans is for Fred Dubois and Judge Carey for Senator of their respective states. The Pan-handle of Idaho has a candidate of its own in Judge Ciagett, who intends to represent the state in the Senate if possible. Dubois has many friends, however, and his work for the admison of his state will be recognized, it is believed.

It is reported that United States surreyors in Alaska are enduring many nardships and are in danger of starv-ng. Two members of the crew have on a perilous journey for proislons.

A foint immigration committee from Washington is soon to come to the Pa-cific Coast to investigate the violations of the Chinese law. The details of the trip have not been made.

Bishop Morris laid the corneratone of Luke's Church, Empire City, last Saturday.

A dam to cost \$20,000 is projected cross the North Umpqua at Winchester.

Maurice McKim, of Portland, was in loquiam last week, says the Washing-onian, and showed deeds to Damon's oint. He had been absent for about 0 years

While .W. H. Northup, the wells known attorney, was driving down West Park street yesterday his horsea became unmanageable and for a few minutes were beyond control. The team collided at Yamhill street with a buggy containing his law partner, Judge E. C. Bronaugh and Mrs. Bronaugh. Both carriages were upset and the occupants carriages were upset and the occupants thrown out violently. Judge Bronaugh was knocked unconscious.

Sherman Martin has acquired posses-sion of the Himes printing office by purchase, Mr. David Steel retiring on account of failing health,

Hoyt's "A Midnight Bell" will be pre-ented at the Marquam Grand tonight.

F. W. Baltes & Co. have just com-pleted the first issue of the North-western Review, a fine illustrated ournal devoted to the interests of the Northwest.

Miss Jennie M. Long, the talented dramatic reader who will appear at the Marquam Grand next Saturday, has in-vested \$5000 in a Portland suburb, it is

Mrs. Leslie Carter, who has just gone on the stage, is on the brink of her first theatrical lawsuit. She is about to sue William J. Ferguson, her leading man, for breach of contract

Fred Nye, of Omaha, was the center a large and lively gathering of primer Omahogs yesterday at the Port-ind Hotel. Mr. Nye was for a long me editor-in-chief of the Omaha Republican and has been quite a con-tributor to Eastern journals. He is now proprietor of the Omaha Town Topics. He is in no way related to Bill Nye, but Fred Nye is himself a remarkably bright story-teller, W. J. Cuddy, now litor of the Vale Atlas, is the hero of nore than one of them. When Mr. Suddy was city editor of an Omaha paper there was a certain newspaper function that ended with Mr. Cuddy waking up the next morning in a coffin, and Mr. Nye has embodied this into one of his stories that yet next of Inughter yesterday

## Half a Century Ago

From The Oregonian, September 1, 1865. The subscribers to the capital stock of the Oregon City Mining Company have been notified to meet at the store of Robert Caufield in Oregon City, Sep-tember 18, to elect from three to seven directors The capital stock has all been subscribed. The meeting is called by the incorporators, Absalom Hedges, Hiram Straight, Robert Caufield and Benjamin Jennings.

Benjamin L. Norden, secretary, has called a meeting of the members of the Portland Stock and Exchange Board for this morning at 11 o'clock.

ernment is easy and that the Secretary will be enabled to meet all demands with the means at his command. The next statement of the public thereafter.

Current editorial expressions are summarized as follows: The subserv-iency of England to France is as abject s it is complete. Britain's asc is to a complete. Britain's ascendency is gone. She is not now the England that won Crecy, Agincourt, Rienhelm and Waterloo. France and herself for the time at least have exchanged positions. England stands in awe of the lynasty whose founder her gold overdynasty whose three thre the English policy is entirely under the dictation of France.

New Orleans-Texas advices raport he frontier in worse condition than ever before. The outrages by Indians and highway robbers are many. military has promised to act in a pro-tective way.

The roadway up the face of the hill at the head of Lincoln and Grant streets, formerly known as Robinson Hill, is now complete. The first carriage made the ascent last night carrying Levi Anderson, A. C. R. Shaw, Joseph Buchtel and a reporter for The

The funeral of Walter Boyakin was onducted yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. E. Van Fridagh is preparing to go to Europe and is settling her busi-ness affairs at this time.

C. A. Burchardt has found a purse with some money in it. He has adver-tised the find and it will be returned to

John Sellwood is seeking to buy a tract of land with a perfect title, on the bank of the Willamette River near

Spoofing Him. (London Tit-Bits.)

Recruiting is responsible for a good story from Carmarthenshire. One of the latest accessions to Kitchener's army is a stalwart man 6 feet 2 inches in height, from the heart of the country, and on joining he expanded his chest with pride and ejaculated, "Now for the Germans.

the Germans.

The following day be received from London a telegram: "Heartiest congratulations.—Kitchener."

This was duly shown around, but next morning his pride was boundless on receiving the royal message: "The empire is proud of you.—George."

It was not until the third day, when he received a wire "For heaveners, when

he received a wire, "For heaven's sake, keep neutral.—Wilhelm," that he realised a wasgish friend had been puiling his leg.