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ENGLE SAM: PICKPOCKET?

and more important that the presents in these repairtor and leanes shall so not take the resimilation fund and keep in fined going and a constant probable of the arid lands of the West going.

The statement is plain and un-The Government has never yet made

direct appropriation for reclamamoney has been provided from the sales of public lands and by a bond issue to be repaid to the Gov-ernment from the reclamation funds. The people of the whole country have never been taxed for such improve-

reclamation in states that fore the war, have no water power or very little

fixes rates at a figure which will pra-vide only a reasonable return on the investment, the power project, if taxed by the Government, must necessarily charge the consumer more in order to get that reasonable return. If the people of Oregon buy hydro-electric energy from a power company operat, ing under the torms of the Ferris bill the people of Oregon will pay to the the people of Oregon will pay to the Government a tax for the privilege of meing the energy; and ene-half that tax may go to pay for reclamation that tax may go to pay for reclamation that mill not remotely benefit Oregon.

The state name the water moved by the war.

to the Government to be expended for ||

on a shoestring interest in water gress recognize the wisdom of that meers tax the people of those states policy by passing Mr. Hill's bill and other states' benefit.

Nor is that all. The committee's report infimates that this policy shall be nursued only for the present—only A good lady who desires to be until the water-power states have been known as "Thimble" is considerably

was deemed severe on Oregon verted to reclamation in other states. and when a low was changed by Cor gross so that Oregon could never get the money back. That was perhaps finance," but this is picking sewing.

At least that to its intent. In practice, a tax sufficient to produce viscally would probably wholly prevent water-power development.

The proposal of the Daughters of stepped on and there is trouble and a passion to tatters. There was no rant petition. the Canfeddrawy to provide a signature prompt defense. Undoubtedly the or strain in his methods. His proc-momentality to the last cause is import- science or sewing is a spiended thing cause were intellectual. The fire he

of modern ingenuity. No doubt the things done through servants?

Egyptian would have assailed the task but "Thimble" has not properly unschool of the competitive stock comby hurling a force of 100,000 work-

to be the men of the confederary and month the composition set forth the story of High

a meaument to the greatness of the m

man is chiefly concerned in filling his atomach. Supply the impulse and the pyramids will be reduced to total in-significance by the monolith in

LESS MAJESTE.

Senator Chamberlain addressed the Republican Club of New York last Saturday on a non-partisan topic (preparetness), which will surprise no one in Oregon; but it seems, according to the faithful news chroniclers that what he had to say "came as a surgrise to those present." We are not informed why, for the Senator's remarks were pertinent, patriotic and pointed, and they eight to be pen-dered seriously by every American.

Chamberiain advocated Secutor sampulsory military training for the There are many acres of rough, young manhood of the country—for mountainous land between the Mis-Foreign Government is only solicitous for the proper and honest regulation of water powers are efficied by one paragraph of the report of the House it necessary; but the war experts do, or solice have any the content of the House of them and the Oregon for the solice of t

instead of acting like a brave, cour-ageous and noble Nation, we act like sowards, I am ashamed and sorry to use, even to the mountain tops.

That sounds to us like less majests.

TEXTILE TRADE'S LESSON.

Textile manufacturers are now Addrich tariff was in preparation in the concluding incident of his mortal 1968. At that time Representative connections, his artistic career having Payne proposed duties on dyes which would safeguard their manufacture in this country and would render us independent of German colors. But texture the beginning of the present dependent of German colors.

Representative Hill, of Connecticut, it. has introduced a bill imposing prostate or Government regulation, is whole textile industry is ralifed in its tax upon the consumer. That is support and will appear before the tent on its face, for if Government House ways and means committee in

reclamation wherever political influ-firmly and permanently establishing Thus does the Government propose of our own country, free from the risks to come into the Western states and of foreign war. Will the present Con-

MORE ABOUT SEWING.

milked of shough money to reclaim all arid lands, and that thereafter it shall be pursued for the purpose of make on the subject of sewing in the approaching his interpretation of the subject of he will be public schools. Why, she asks among Moor even in those days of occasional make on the subject of sewing in the approaching his interpretation of the public schools. Why, she asks among Moor even in those days of occasional make on the subject of sewing in these days of occasional make on the subject of sewing in t It was deemed accors on Oregon other things, does not The Oregonian great English-speaking actors. Salwhen millions of deliars obtained from the sales of public lands located in pools and the swimming teachers? Greatest of them even though he had the swimming teachers? Why does it criticise sewing, which no knowledge of the tongue and was

good an argument for swimming pools great disadvantage. He was not able as our excellent correspondent can for of course, to escape the American sewing. Will anyone deny that the critics. Reputable and competent au-

present-day common school education and uncouth.

is discussed, someone's toes are

Yet Salvini was not one who tere a monolith to the list cause is important in that in that it has taken on most ambitious form. If the present plan is carried out the undertaking may be set down as the most superdous in the listing of sculpture. The proof to why not add a department of the listing of sculpture. The proof to why not add a department of anti-extraction of anti-extraction of anti-extraction. The proof of the Persian war, will be medical in the Persian war, will be seeing and bedinniking may be managed in the public several art of sweeping and things, the useful art of sweeping and the managed the persian war, will be seeing that large numbers of bright young ladies are not able to do such things properly, or at all, at home. Why not send them to the schools or sequire knowledge about things that will always be useful to the schools to sequire knowledge about things that will always be useful to them—unless they can here such things done through servants?

But Thimble has not properly unschool of the competitive stock com-

by having a force of 160,600 workmen upon the mountain, reducing it
to a great pyramid, while the Grecians
would have terrared the stane held
with statues in their gods. But Bathlum suggests a plan which is modern
in addresption and execution.

He would becrow cathing from the
ract. His method committee of swinging
a huge studio upon the face of the
great precipitous wall of stone and
proceeding to carry therein an ambitious composition entailing the use of
mental 1700 figures, each baving a
width of four feet. Nor would be deal
in anothen symbolism. The figures are
to be the men of the confederary and

their sacrifices and becomes in small-ern terms.

Figure stone devoid of fluorest se
Eliz to \$125 per month. Elementary likelf. He had no tricks of masher Finite stone devoid of flowers as \$111 to \$125 per month. Elementary itself. He had no tricks of munder sures permanence to this manic mon-citle. The creation is one that would daily in school instruction. The av-spart phrough scores of centuries as crass number of school days in a sensed of magnificent physique, rare

HOMESTEADS FOR GRAFING

One bill which has been re mended to Congress by Secretary Lane is in strong contrast with his other His favorite bills, for it aims to place public land in the hands of the people, while the others sim to keep public land perpetually in the hands of the Government. The exception is the stockruising homestead bill, providing that land which would not be entered that land which would not be entered under any existing homestead law may be designated as grazing land and opened to entry in tracts of 640 acres as stockraising homesteads. The settler is not required to cultivate, but must make permanent improvements to increase the value for stockraising to the amount of not less than \$1.25

mountainous land between the Missouri River and the Cascade Mountains which are adapted to no other Imply to what it confered is the precluss duty of the Government to aid
properly in the development of the
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grown on an occasional patch. They
have been open range, where any man
on the grace of a nation with which
have been open for the
law w deterred on that account.

Nor do we find in the following comment by the Senator much to make the White House rejoice. "When Hayti has a revolution," he mays, "and refuses to pay her debts, we send warships and a few marines and take charge: but when it comes to dealing charge: but when it comes to dealing the control of the world, has increased from \$27,000,000 to the control of the world.

TOMMASO SALVINL

The passing of Tomasso Salvini at Florence the other day, as noted in a meager dispatch from London, does amering for the very policy against not rob the world of the greatest which they protested when the Payne- actor of modern times. It is merely accomplishments belongs to the present for Salvini was a product of those days of the drama which need to be a driven off. This is New it is proposed that the states tile manufacturers are now paying dearly for their short-sighted greed. Such men as Garrick, Kean and the Booths. Such men do not recently be taxed not only to provide fands for them recently paid \$1000 for their own irrigation, but he taxed as a quantity of dye which cost \$140 beof the fact has reached us in these barren days when the poetic and imaginative drama has all but vanished. Salvini was a genius. But genius after all, may be likened to flint. The blow of circumstances and condition must strike it to produce scintillating sparks and set the world aflame. The enditions that served to develop the histrionic abilities of so many great actors of the period of, say, 50 years ago are no more. That great trai company has passed on, Actors trained in the indifferent schools of the modern stage are occasionally amusing and diverting without being truly

The rare powers of Salvini as an actor will be recalled by the older sent news when it was shead and ke generation of playgoers abroad and at silent when it was getting worsted. home. His native country knew his The state owns the water power:
The foregrament the sites. The water
The consequence of the process of the proc tion in tragedy that his managers dences that Germany will be called made no further experiments with the American public. So long as they would throng to hear him no occasion was seen for a change in the rep erteirs. This, oddly enough, in spite of the fact that Salvini came to America fully intent on playing in comedy roles, for which he had a facility equally as great as for tragic charac-

in "Othello" he took New York by money earned in Oregon were diof to reclamation in other states,
when a law was changed by Conon that Oregon could hever get

Why does it criticise sawing, which no knowledge of the tongue and was be convicted by a jury as it is for him
compelled to approach Shakespedre
through the medium of translations
which must have placed him at a

Medical science is looking for a art of swimming is not useful and in thority found flaws in the details of smergeocles indispensable, and that once acquired is never forgotten? His execution of Desdemons, in which he provided a deadly realism of un-But it makes no difference what he provided a deadly realism of un-particular branch of our elaborate leashed fury, was termed undignified

hum pay. All bot one get \$110 per one phase of his greatness which heaven. High school sewing teachers are en.

present day. The cost of \$1,000,000 is soft job.

The Oregonian would like to ask those who have felt the impiration of this great work will undertake the relating of the necessary sum.

But whether the momolith is earlied to completion or not the incident is significant as aboving modern possibilities. We have the artistic ingenuity and the facilities, lacking only the spur of inspiration in an age when man is chiefly concerned in filling his. onth is nineteen or twenty. It is a gifts of voice and feature, he effa

As was said at the outset, Salvini is net a product of today, and the fact that he lived until this late date does not connect him with the present. His was a mastery belonging to the past and his luster will shine undimmed by later achievements until a new set of stimuli arises to strike the flint of genius, genius which must ex-ist even now, but which cannot hope for development and full expression, we suspect, until a robust day of the drama dawns snew.

The war has proved that as to the wool industry equally with the dye, chemical and other industries, it is unsafe for this Nation to rely on for eign supplies of any commodity. quarrel with which we have no con cern may at any time shut out raw material and cripple industry. sumers may at any time be thrown entirely on our domestic purpose than grazing. Whey cannot meet a merely temperary demand. It is rigation, though coarse feed may be grown on an occasional patch. They which we cannot safely enlarge

The men who are breaking rock and taking pay in tickets good for meals and lodging are of the right sort and should get the jobs when the time comes. There is nothing of the chronic loafer in them.

A place where men can amoke, talk and swear is declared to be an urgent need. Cheer up. The Legislature provides just such an abiding place and it is due to meet in the course of a few months.

German dyes and Mr. Payne was est. for Salvini was a product of those have been driven off. This is the forced to abandon his plan. The textille manufacturers are now paying such men as Garrick. Kemble, Kesn feat.

Those Du Pont powder milis have a way of their own of scattering them-selves in the atmosphere. If all the dynamiters were not in jail they would grieve at the waste of material.

However, have no fear. The ma

who is in a bad way because he can't have his grog will outlive his slavery and be all the better for the restric-tion in the long run. The ailles' claim concerning their

retirement from Gallipoli sounds like a man boasting that his business fallure was conducted in a most successful manner. Reports of the latest battle in Meso-

potamia conflict. Perhaps each party sent news when it was shead and kept

Germany says she is prepared to

upon to fight fully that long. War inventions are said to aid mil Hary work greatly. Particularly the news agencies.

T. R. talks of going to the West Inhe'd been doing all these what months.

Merely for the click in the alliteration it may be stated that a Eugene concern is to can a car of cabbage, It is as difficult for a rich man to

Medical science is looking for grippe serum. There's millions in

for the lucky discoverer. A Detroit astronomer says the war will not end before June. A perfectly safe prophecy.

Do your leap-year proposing early and avoid the crush of feminine

Haiti has vainly striven to relieve the depression in the revolution in

Again the lure of the flesh has led to murder, and the hangman is out of

Why did not Henry Ford think in time to have an astrologer

Does a humane officer think he can take all the lives of a cat with one Holding the Progressive convention

the same week means an easy swal-

Mme. Schwimmer is rounding up the neutrals while the sack holds out.

With division in their ranks the Democrats will be defeated in detail. The snow still lies on the sidetfulk

New York is found to be growing arer. But not pure, we opine.

Judge Stevenson will furnish mar-Latest from the war zone shows

This is tak day for autos and the vigilant policeman,

European War Primer By National Geographical Society

Mon-of-war, large and small; indefinitely colored with troops, and a never-ending line of war-requisitioned freighters day, slip out of Portsmouth, the first naval harbor of the world's greatest naval power, bearing their reinforce-ment to all of the troubled zones of Europe, Asia and Africa. The burdens and responsibilities of this English and responsibilities of this English port have grown enormous since the outbreak of the war; for it, like German Kiel, symbolizes the mighty, vital naval effort of a great group of powers in the greatest war of history. Very little has been written about Portsmouth, the war port; for the labors and planning that have taken place there have been much too important, much too intimately bound up with the hopes and the aims of the entente allies, to be trumpeted abroad. A veil of military exclusiveness has been drawn over the fearful stress and turmoil of Portsmouth, hiding the nature of its giant's tasks, the details of its multitudinous enterprises and the nature of its giant's tasks, the details of its multitudinous enterprises and the significance of its achievements. One remembers, however, that Portsmouth is the chief naval argenal and port of Britain, the heart of the allied powers' triumphant rule upon the seas,

Situated in Hampshire, at a central point on England's southern coast, about 14 miles southwest of London, Portsmouth is both shelfered and well placed to serve the empire's naval needs on whatever ocean. Probably first on the roll of the world's great naval hases, the English port, an aggregate of four towns, possesses a splendid harber and one that has been developed as a base for English naval power through more than five centuries. Portsmouth has the most complete and impregnable fortifications in England; for it is a master nerve-center in the empire's life and dominion.

Portsmouth, Portses, Landport and Southesa are the towns which join to form the port and they are all located on Portsea Island. Portsmouth proper is the garrison town; Portsea is the naval atation, with drydocks, groat dockyards, torpedo and gun-mounting stores, electrical shops and innumerable subsidiary shops; while Landport is occupied by the home of the artisans. Southesa has enjoyed a steady growth in fame as a fashionable watering place.

The port is defended by a powerful

The port is defended by a powerful ring of landward forts, the Portsdown forts and the Hilsen lines, and by the Spithead forts to the seaward. The chorage of Spithead is roomy enough ride the great fleets of England, ores of boats, safe in the shelter of

scores of boats, safe in the shelter of the Isle of Wight.

Richard I built the first town there, influenced to his foundation solely by reasons of strategy. The fostering care of King Henry VIII and Queen Elizabeth first brought the port into importance, and its importance as a naval harbor has grown steadily ever since, keeping pace with the growth of the empire.

PORTLAND, Jan. 10.—(To the Edi-tor.)—I read with interest the letter of Percy Cotter printed in The Oregonian Saturday. To me the most surprising part about the communication is that Mr. Cotter is actually in earnest.

However, his idea is not a new one
Our advanced neighbor to the south
Mexico, has used convicts in her
armies for some time. The leader who
gets to the prisons first has his pick

Military experts say, however, that in order to keep up the courage of these convict-soldiers and to keep them on the firing line it is necessary for their own artillery to drop a few shells behind them once in a while to urge them on-to let them know they have a strong and courageous backing.

I don't for a moment suppose that everyone would find that much of a drawback. I feel sure that if it became absolutely necessary there are thousands who would, in answer to their country cell that themselves away. mtry's call, toar themselves away m their desks and enlist in this re-

serve army, if the Government would but guarantee to them that they would never be used except to shoot courage into this convict army. The more I dwell upon it the arvelous becomes the plan, Just think marvelous becomes the plan, Just think how great and generous it would be to permit our prison population to arm and defend that glorious fing which we have been taught to believe stands for liberty and justice to all. I am very sure that most of our 100,000 male convicts and all of our \$00.00 female convicts believe that is just what it

convicts believe that is just what it does stand for.

But why the expense of training these convicts in times of peace? Most of them, if not all, understand the use of firearms. It would not be necessary even to equip them with up-to-date arms and ammunition. A fair and equal distribution of gas pipe and brass knuckles and billies would make this army a formidable looking bunch. Then too, the Judges of our criminal courts, in time of war, could act as staff officers or Colonels of regiments and the various prosecuting and District Attorneys would make excellent and practicable adjutants. I'll warrant there is a host of "capable and husky men" at Salem who would jump at the opportunity of following into battle the Judge who sentenced them.

C. F. HOGAN. door stand for

Rural Credit and Reserve Bank, WINLOCK, Wash, Jan. 8.—(To the Editor.)—I. Does baking sell to kill insects render it unfit for growing

2. Where can I obtain information on flower culture? 2. What is the rural credit system?

4. What is the Federal reserve banking system?

A READER.

(1) Write to department of agronomy tate College, Pullman, Wash, procure some standard work for you if he does not already carry it.

(3) The Oregonian published an editorial on rural credit Tuesday, Jan mary 6. (4) The country is divided into 12

districts, each containing a Federal reserve bank in which every National bank in the district must, and state banks and trust companies may, become stockholders. The reserve bank is a bank of banks. It is a depository for a certain proportion of the reserve of member banks and may be a deposition for for Government bonds. As ah important function it may secure from the Treasury Government notes known as Federal reserve notes, which it is authorised to issue against commercial paper with a minimum gold reserve of 10 per cent. Federal reserve banks have authority to purchase commercial paper, foreign exchange and are expected to perform important functions as clearing-houses between their member banks. They do not de business directly with the public as other banks. Their primary service to the public bank in the district must, and state banks and trust companies may, be-Their primary service to the publi

County is W. H. Wilson, The Dalles. | was valued at \$158,298,106,

MOTHERS WANT SEWING TAUGHT They Welcome School Training Which

They Cannot Give Themselves. PORTLAND, Jan. 10.—(To the Edtor.)-In an editorial in The Oregonian itor.)—In an editorial in The Oregonian December 30, an article headed "Solar sors," the editor seems to be either missinformed, uninformed or disgrantled over the sewing in our public schools. So far as the public is concerned, and mothers in particular, I think he has struck the wreng key, for every mother I have ever talked with has spoken of the sewing in the highest terms. There is no work that is so necessary for every girl to know nomething about as sewing. Domestic science is a good thing for mang, but there are many that will never cook a dinner, and if

as sewing. Domestic science is a good thing for many, but there are many that will never cook a dinner, and if they do, far easier to learn than sewing as taught in our public schools.

As to "supervisors" he speaks of, he should have said "special teachers," who have from 500 to 600 scholars to look after. He says they have had no special training: He is mistaken. They have all served apprenticeship in some shop and worked up special in some line, and until the present supervisor in the grammar schools, have had to take a special course before going into the schools. I hear that some in the last year and a half have been installed who have not been required to do this and that several more teachers have been added, with not much greater increase in scholars.

Now, the question comes to me why a second supervisor of the sewing? Manual training, domestic science, music and drawing has each only one supervisor. If The Oregonian is so interested in the taupers, why not die out

Manual training, domestic science, music and drawing has each only one supervisor. If The Gregonian is so interested in the taxpayers, why not dig out the expensive swimming poels and their teachers? All very nice to have, but is it to fit our girls and boys for anything that will help them in any vocation in after years? Besides, there are both parents and teachers who object to awimming on account of causing too much excitement and distraction from lessons.

As to the seissors mentioned, comparatively few go to the sewing classes, the manual arts and drawing classes, the manual training classes have their outfits furnished, the domestic science their kitchens, and all other classes heretofers mentioned all that they require. So why this objection to the most essential work for our girls that is taught and their

objection to the most essential work for our girls that is taught and their teachers?

The special teacher has all the problems that arise to settle for both teachers and scholars. She must keep up her stock, take care of her machines and know how with many different kinds, attend many meetings after school hours and many things connected with the work. She works the same hours as the other teachers. She must be refined and have good judgment. Does any similar private employment, if

as the other teachers. She must see refined and have good judgment. Does any similar private employment, if there he such, require an instructor to teach over 500 or 600, taking the responsibility and doing the work required in the schools? I fancy such would draw a far higher salary.

I heard a man say not long since that children should be taught to sew at home. Now, sewing in all its branches cannot be taught at home, for how many mothers have the time or knowledge to teach their children, never having been taught themselves? This wan demonstrated by the fact that a recent sewing class taught in this city had from 1200 to 1500 mothers in attendance. Where is the child that will take the interest at home that it would at ance. Where is the child that will take
the interest at home that it would at
school, competing to excel with his
neighbors? Children of all ages feel
entitled to some recreation after school.
Then comes the dinner hour in most
homes. Sawing in schools is taught
from models to dressmaking.
I am not sending children to school
and am not a teacher. I am a taxpayer.
THIMBLE.

INEFFECTIVE SECTION PRESERVED How Oregon in 1900 Tried to Overrule

United States Constitution.

At the regular election in 1900 the proposition was passed on by the people and they decided that they progered to retain the provision to exclude free negroes and mulattos, the vote being 19,07s for repeal and 19,09s for its retention.

So the state constitution today contains that inhibition against our colored population for the reason that the people want it to remain. "Can you beat it?"

T. T. GEBH.

The people will have an opportunity next Fall to vote again on the section referred to by ex-Governor Geer. It was submitted by the 1915 Legislature.

Block Signal Not at Fault. PORTLAND, Jan. 19 .- (To the Edi-or.) -- In recent news dispatches "mistor.)—In recent news dispatches "misunderstanding of orders" was given as
reason or cause of the head-on collision of two freight trains on the Southsion of two freight trains on the Southsion Pacific Railroad near Roseburg.

How about the block signal system?
Was it not devised and intended and
expected to prevent just such trouble?
It is possible, but is it probable that
the two trains entered opposite ends

It is possible, but is it probable that the two trains entered opposite ends of the block at exactly the same moment. If this was not the case, and if the signal system was working, why did not the engineer who misunderstood the meeting place see the block "set red against" him?

I think some reliable and definite information on this will be appreciated by the public and certainly by the writer, who reads your editorial page quite thoroughly. OBSERVER.

The block signal system has not been installed on that portion of the railread where the wreck occurred.

Speeding in Ladd Addition.

than the bond-secured currency leaded under the National bank system.

Applications for School Leans.

ANTELOPE, Or., Jan. 2.—(To the Editor.)—To whom should I apply for a lean on real estate from the state school funds?

Apply to the attention.

World's Gold Production.

PORTLAND, Jan. 10.—(To the Editor.)—Kindly let me know if the statement in the editorial in the Popular Magazine, November 20, is a misprint or is it a fact that South Africa production of sold? A few of us were undertied.

JAMES LUPER.

Our latest figures.

Apply to the attorney for the State dar year 1812. The world's production of gold was valued in that year at and is located. The attorney in Wasto \$465,126,190. Bouth Africa's production

In Other Days

Twenty-Five Years Ago From The Oregonian January 11. The Madison-street bridge thrown open to travel today. thing is complete about it except the gates for stopping the way when the draw is open and, in lieu of these, ropes

The key table for the patrol electric call system has arrived. It was temperarily set up in the general offices of the police captain last evening, as no permanent stand has yet been so-lected.

J. M. Siglin, president of the State Military Board, is at the St. Charles, He has charge of the militia of Oregon, It is his opinion that no troops of this state will be called out to confront the Indiana in Dakota.

The Alpine Club has incorporated The Alpine Glub has incorporated under the name of the Oregon Alpine Club Association over the signatures of George B. Markle, M. C. George, G. G. Ames, E. D. White, W. G. Steel, John Gill, D. Solls Cohen, R. W. Mitchell, William McMaster, Herbert Bradley, C. H. Woodard, T. F. Osborn and G. A. Monrey.

The marriage of Miss Edith Brown and W. Hosea Wood, which recently took place in this city, was a most in-teresting eccasion. The ceremony took place at the residence of the bude's parents, 455 West Park street, Rev. David N. McInturff,

Half a Century Agn.

From The Oregonian of January 11, 150c.
It is stated that Dickons obtained his idea for his novel of Oliver Twist from the drawings of Cruikshank, intended the drawings of croissands, include to silustrate, without letter press, the life of a London thief, and the charac-ters of Nancy Pagin, Sykes, the Dodger and Charley Bates, were suggested by the sketches of the artist.

The Shenandoub Valley is rapidly regaining the appearance of thrift and prosperity. The farmers in that fer-tile region are rebuilding fences and barns

The Columbia was so blocked with ice yesterday that the steamer Fannie Troup was not able to make her ac-customed round to Vancouver.

The bark Samuel Merritt, which arrived yesterday, brings for the use of the garrison at Vancouver a large-sized first-class fire engine.

A fire occurred at Virginia City, Nevada, December 25, and destroyed property to the extent of \$20,000.

James Gong Not All Dend. PORTLAND, Jan. 10 .- (To the Ed-

itor.)—In your editorial Sunday under the heading "Debit and Credit." you refer to Frank James as "the last of that notorious hand," while in fact, two alleged members of the band are, un-less their deaths have occurred very recently, still alive. They are Jim Cummings, who is an inmate of the Home for ex-Confederates at Higginsville, Mo., and who was recently en-gaged in preparing manuscripts for a "true" history of the doings of the gang, and for the publishing of which he has a contract with some publisher

he has a contract with some publisher to groduce after his death.

Cole Youngur, who was pardoned from the Minnesota prison, is living in or near Independence, Mo, and was a few years and engaged in delivering lectures, his subject being "Does the Criminal Life Pay?"

In January, 1911, I was at my home in Clay County, Missouri, and had arranged to attend one of Younger's lectures at Liberty, the county seat, but a call to St. Louis prevented my attending.

O. N. FORD.

United States Constitution.

PORTLAND, Jan. 10.—(To the Editor.)—Your editorial this morning on "The Marses of the Law" suggests the action of the people at the polls in 1900 when they refused to repeal the section of our state constitution, which prohibits free negroes or mulattos living within the state.

This section was, of course, annulled by the adoption of the fourteenth amendment to the Federal Constitution soon after the war, but thinking the state constitution would at least look better if this section were stricken out.

hetter if this section were stricken out. The Legislature of 1893 passed a repealing amendment as to this section, to be submitted to the people for ratification. The same proposed amendment was passed at the session of 1895. It was then ready to be submitted to the people, but the Legislature of 1897 did not organize and the amendment was not submitted until 1899.

At the regular election in 1900 the proposition was passed on by the peo-A scores 2 for 15, B scores 2 for a pair count in a run each way.

Lectures or Hospitalt

PORTLAND, Jan. 10 .- (To the Edior.)—Can you explain which we more beneficial to both rich

be more beneficial to both rich and poor, a good lecture course or a tuberculosis hospital.

In my opinion the poor have no sanitary quarters nor have they the necessary nourishment and I have noticed myself a large number quite in a bad state. I think an open-air in-It was a bad state. I think an open-air in-stitute would be well appreclated by the poor afflicted. A. CONSUMPTIVE.

We see no reason for a comparison, An organization or community

PORTLAND, Jan. 10.—(To the Editor.)—Tou have strenuously opposed, and rightly, too, the hyphenated American. Now, I am in harmony with the Jackson Club, yet, at the same time, in sympathy with the Kentucky Klick, in its effort to eliminate the pernicious activity of the Federal office Judiara in in its effort to eliminate has permitted activity of the Federal office holders in the politics of Oregon. But I want to ask is not this organization, which is composed of Southern Democrats who dismiss their meeting by singing "My Old Kentucky Home" instead of "Oregon, My Oregon, entitled to the term hyphenated Oregonians as much as the Germana are to hyphenated Americans? GOTTLIEB HEINER.

PORTLAND, Jan. 10.—(To the Editor.)—(1) Where may I obtain the regular cartonning paper, as I wish to do some drawings for newspapers? (2) To what department of a newspaper should I submit cartoons?

HEDLEY GLOYN.

(1) Apply at any news stand for the usgazine ontitled "Cartoons." (2) To the managing editor.

Giving People What

They Want

The store Reeper who is building business must first of all be sure that his merchandise is the kind

It must be good merchandise, But the best merchandise in the world is a dead loss on the shelf unless people know about it.

When good merchandise is adver-tised in the newspapers, dealers feel certain demand will follow. It puts their stores in line with unbile opinion when they show the nerchandise in their windows and cap the benefit of the manufactur-

ers' newspaper advertising.