PORTLAND, OREGON.

shall be done after the war to prevent further war, and to preserve the freeallies and that even the Swiss system would do such violence to our tradi-Japan, which should invite Scandi-navia and the United States or Pan-priate action. America to join it. This league, he says, could maintain the freedom of sea, the inviolability of treatles, and the integrity of democratic na-Its combined navy could make invasion of the United States impos-

Its composition and announced aims would place it in a position of permanent hostility to the outside powers and would be a standing provocation to them. Consciousness of power would be a constant temptation to use that power for aggression and dictation and thus to vio-cept that the beneficiary be worthy. Be free my soul from all thine ills. Look up and live, for God so wills, late the principles upon which the It vaunts itself never, but it "beareth and these are his brown hills of Lyle. league was founded. Conflict of in-terest among the members would all things, endureth all things, threaten and probably end the the outstanding merit of the Jewish league's existence. Its formation race that, despite bitter persecutions would be an incentive to the formation by tyrants and oppressors of all ages. would be an incentive to the formation of a rival league, which would strive and the wicked prejudices of other peoto break it up by aggravating disputes among its members and by detaching of years, the flame of human kindness members from it. Unless Russia in the Jewish heart has never been should become democratic, it would extinguished; but it has burned with have more in common with Germany increasing brightness through the cenand Austria than with Britain, France and the United States. The Kaiser-bund of forty years ago might be revived, and the points of contact be-tween Russian and British territory Jews have always had a peculiar pride might become points of friction. Japan in caring for their own. It is seldom might be detached from the league by that there is a call upon any but restrictions upon emigration to the Jews to contribute to any Jewish United States and British colonies and beneficence. Not long ago a distinby a deal with Germany in the Orient.

a deal with Germany in the Orient. guished rabbi of New York came to Nor is it probable that the United his former home in Portland, and in States would be willing to depart from a short time raised \$10,000 among our its traditional policy of non-interfer-ence in European affairs by joining estine. Not a cent was asked of any such a league. Although the changes others. of the last century have brought the Hut now a situation arises where the United States into closer touch with Europe than when George Washington propounded that policy and al-though the breaking down of our iso-lation by improved communication less, starving, penniless, helpless. It has brought home to us the necessity of better defense, the American Nabut they are entitled to the world's tion would not become an active par-tisan of one group of European na-tisan of one group of European na-By tak- lca have done much; but they cannot tions against another group. ing a hand in the regulation of Eu ropean affairs we should give Europe a right to take a hand in affairs of Western Hemisphere. So far from consenting, the American people would not even take the South American nations into partnership in the Monroe Doctrine.

The purpose of Dr. Eliot's proposed league could be better served by adopting the programme offered by the League to Enforce Peace. Were a league of nations formed to maintain the principles of arbitration and conciliation between nations and to draw United States. It is expected that up and enforce a code of international Portland will do its full share. It will and were it open to all nations that were willing to subscribe to its principles, all great nations might join after peace was restored. Such a league would more effectually secure democratic nations against aggression than would Dr. Eliot's proposed league in some rural district or under the that the German general staff has nd would leave no opening for the formation of a hostile league. The Eliot plan smacks of a democratic warning rather than as an inspiration, propaganda against divine right mon-propaganda against divine righ archy, to which the American Nation could not become a party. As such, it would not be in harmony with the them in the same direction. The prob-struct their efforts to crush the comprinciple of National independence for lem of feeding, clothing and housing mon enemy, while our President says The American people should be as firmly opposed to forcing democratic institutions on a nation which was content with absolute monarchy as to forcing a monarch upon a-republican nation.

Shall we all have wings in a few of each of the children. travels now, according to claims of the of his sons, now a useful American provided we did not prohibit or travels now, according to claims of the of his sons, now a useful American. Aero Club of America, which avers that aeroplanes carrying freight and passengers will be plying the transcontinental and transcoceanic routes before very long. The facilities are at hand now, but war is making use of the employ of the Pullman citizen in the employ of the Pullman citizen in the employ of the Pullman company.

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The father merely applied military efficiency to his family. Organization and co-operation were the hand now, but war is making use of the wings and will not turn them for rising came no tired parent went over for the uses of industry and com- from bed to bed. A gong struck three Colonel Harvey terms "the most in-

perfected until aeroplanes capable of minutes late he fasted until noon. Government not only treats the comsuccessful operation. Russians and gong sent them all to work about the eration, but seems to go out of its French have the larger aeroplanes, house and yard. Each had an allotted way to harass and annoy us." He adwhich carry from ten to sixteen pasduty. One kept pans clean, another mits that "we have not asked any-French have the larger aeroplanes, which carry from ten to sixteen passumers, together with their equipment and supplies. Meals have been served in aeroplanes, stabilizers and safety discussed designed to make them "fooleroof" have been perfected, and the whole perfected system is ready for the development of a new aerial trans.

| Auty. One kept pans clean, another way to make and all the all the way to make and all the way to make a

portation once the practical monopoly of five years was required to open an account at the bank. When not attending school he worked on the farm and received a small portion of the we have seen enough of the aeroplane to become convinced that its future is assured and that man is destined to become in fact a flying animal. Such feats as traveling at the rate of 125 miles an hour, as covering 1300 miles in a single day and as traveling twenty-four hours aloft without a single stop are familiar to all. These things have been done in America, where the leading role in the development of the heavier-than-air ship has been played. The reason we have not applied aero-

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A PROPOSED LEAGUE OF NATIONS.
Dr. Charles W. Eliot, from a frankDr. Charles W. Eliot, from a frankly pro-ally standpoint, in the New
ly pro-ally standpoint, in

County Courier.

The blood of an American who is willing that other Americans be murdered on foreign soil may well be classified as dishwater. There is no questional and the sacrifices of a heroic young preacher, and has for its background the noble river of the Columbia Gorge. dom of the sea, the sanctity of treaties and the security of democratic nations against aggression by divine right monarchies. Believing that universal, compulsory service would alone render the United States secure without rights must be respected and their of the gospel, of reverent mind the security of democratic nations and the security of democratic nations are represented as dishwater. There is no question about the notice five of the columna torge, the notice five of the columna torge. It may or may not be well known a matter of the slough. It may or may not be well known as arrificed his life to teach the Indians the religion of Christ, typifies Frederick Homer Balch. He was a minister of the columna torge. and deep conviction-so deep and sin-

lives safeguarded.

If we are to count the cost of recers that when he decided to enter would do such violence to our traintions as to render its adoption doubtful, he suggests our adhesion to a new
league of "faith-keeping nations." He
proposes a permanent combination of
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Is the National spirit suffering from fatty degeneration? It would seem so, when we show the white feather and tremble at the prospect of doing what we are plainly called upon to do with we are plainly called upon to do with the service as preacher, his conflicting ideas of duty; or, rather, he had because of the service as preacher, his conflicting ideas of duty; or, rather, he had because of the service as preacher, his conflicting ideas of duty; or, rather, he had because of the service as preacher, his conflicting that the service as preacher, his conflicting that the role of writer because of the service as preacher, his conflicting that the service as Mexico-restore order there, and give come convinced that the role of writer bound to adhere strictly to interna-

HELP FOR POOR JEWS. The Catholic quality of Jewish phil-

anthropy and Jewish charity is prover-

bial. It is all-embracing. It aids every

good cause. It asks no questions, ex-

all things, believeth all things, hopeth

of years, the flame of human kindness

Despite their liberality to others, the

less, starving, penniless, helpless. It is a stupendous task to succor them:

could. Help for the Jews and other

becomes a National, and indeed an In-

lamation calling upon the people of the United States to make contribu-

tions for the stricken and impov-erished Jews. A day—January 27— has been set aside for service to these

people. Plans are afoot for a great campaign in their aid throughout the

FAMILY EFFICIENCY.

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Balch was born at Lebanon Decem

WHY ALLIES CRITICISE US.

Friendship between the United prosecuted in no other way.
States and Great Britain had grown Where Mr. Wilson failed ish war that estrangement of ples through hundreds and thousands States come to understand each other better no than at any time since the United and

States became independent. There is an irresistible temptation to a belligerent nation to envy a neutral as one fortunately placed by contrast. Britons see Americans enjoy-ing peace while they suffer in war as need of arms, ammunition and food, can whose god is the dollar arises right-to make more dollars by selling as to their enemies. The British would words." The coolness with which this feel both envy and irritation toward nationality prompted her to pass as a people so prosperous, yet so exactunfortunate creatures in the war zone

But Britons pass over all these con siderations to the very merits of the struggle. They have their characteristic conviction that they are cham-pions of right, a conviction so strong that they cannot conceive of an im-partial, intelligent, right-thinking man doubting the justice of their cause believe they are fighting the battle of right against might, of democracy against despotism, of Na-tional independence against world empire, of sanctity of treaties against the scrap-of-paper theory, of civiliza tion against military frightfulness Large families are becoming a For these reasons they believe they rarity. Occasionally a family of ten or are fighting our battles as well as a dozen children will be encountered their own, and as proof they assert meager roof of some rugged worker. complete plans for fering few inducements to those them, but that instead we stand aloof, whose parental instincts might lead grow rich at their expense and obsuch a multitude is not an easy one we are "too proud to fight" and mere-and unless there is a large farm to be ly writes notes when Germany mastaken care of the members thereof sacres our citizens. To these earnest may not fare well. An even more Britons we seem mercenary and con-

serious aspect is that of the moral temptible vote much time to the individual needs of each of the children.

But that the bringing up of a large than a l The British statesman, however, there are so many it is difficult to de- judges of the actions of our statesmen Shall we all have wings in a few years? The query is an ancient one and has been the subject of speculation ever since heavier-than-air machines were sent aloft. Through the years since that memorable achievement the wings of man have sprouted with tedious slowness until the last eighteen months, Since then of each of the children.

But that the bringing up of a large family on a small income is practicable, pleasant and profitable is shoot.

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The family of thirteen boys every one of allies. A Cabinet Minister admitted the prediction with the shoot. an amazing growth has occurred head of the family (he has been too course pursued by the American Adand man is ready to fly in all his busy for such refinements), but by one ministration" and would have none.

over for the uses of industry and commerce until its ends have been served.

In summarizing the achievements in flying it appears that man has sprouted wings even while engaged in the demoniacal pursuits of war. Under the impulse of necessity, which is the real mother of invention, flight has been moniaced until aeroplanes capable of minutes late he fasted until noon.

If you bed to bed. A gong struck three times. Colonel Harvey terms "the most increasingly powerful man in the empire," is quoted as saying that "there or minutes. Nor was the mother comminutes. Nor was the mother comminutes in the empire," is quoted as saying that "there or aparticle of feeling against the month of the comminutes are failed in the kitchen within ten minutes. Nor was the mother comminutes not a particle of feeling against the pelled to run a short-order restaurant for her family. Another stroke of the impulse of necessity, which is the real mother of invention, flight has been minutes. If John or Henry was even two minutes late he fasted until noon. Government not only treats the comminutes are flighting your battle and the treatment of the comminutes. The children knew they must creasingly powerful man in the empire," is quoted as saying that "there or aparticle of feeling against the pelled to run a short-order restaurant for her family. Another stroke of the mother comminutes. The comminutes is not a particle of feeling against the pelled to run a short-order restaurant for her family. Another stroke of the mother comminutes. The comminutes is not a particle of feeling against the mother comminutes. The comminutes is not a particle of feeling against the principle of the comminutes. The comminutes is not a particle of feeling against the creating the comminutes. The comminutes is not a particle of feeling against the principle of the comminutes. The comminutes is not a partic

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**Rester in order that we may accumulate dollars. They hear that the majority of our people sympathize with them and they can see no other reason for the failure of that majority to impose has contributed to the Hood River its will on the Administration.

Those Americans who view the matter as Americans, not as pro-allies or pro-Germans, believe that Mr. Wilson could have taken no other course than to preserve neutrality. We had no immediate cause of quarrel with Ger-many and her allies. We could not make war for an abstract idea—the idea that, if Germany won she would attack us next. None of the belligerents made war for such an idea. Britain professes to have entered the war in defense of the sanctity of treaties, but why did she sign the Belgian Because her vital interest de treaty? manded that no great power hold Belgium. Britain made war because when strong allies with power were at hand.

It is doubtful whether such a league would contribute to the permanence of peace or could be held to its original purpose. Its composition and an analysis of the such a league would contribute to the permanence of peace or could be held to its original purpose. Its composition and analysis of the Gods' was born.

It is idle to guess what Frederick Balch might have done if his life had by another. He was fortified for been spared. What he did was a fine bringing Germany to account by the real fact that he had shown no leniency genius. To quote from a posm by T. with Germany's enemies. The President by condemning illegalities in the British blockade did Britain an actual service, for he placed himself in a position to stop the barbarities of ubmarine war, and Germany contended with some reason that subbe successfully war could marine

States and Great Britain had grown Where Mr. Wilson failed was in so decidedly stronger since the Span-not vigorously visiting swift retributhe tion on Germany for the Lusitania Ish war that estrangement of the series of like British from, and even enmity for, Americans has become a subject of serious discussion on this side of the sense to say that that means war; George Harvey gives his ex- German statesmen are not so insane planation in the North American Re- as to drive us into the ranks of the view, after a visit to England, and snemy for the minor military advan-James D. Whelpley gives his in the Outlook. They reveal that, though the British government does not seri-sumed on the pacifism of Mr. Bryan and pacific manner of the pacifism of Mr. Bryan and pacifism of Mr. Bryan and pacific manner of the pacifism of Mr. Bryan and pacific manner of the pacifism of Mr. Bryan and pacific manner of the pacifism of Mr. Bryan and pacific manner of the pacifism of Mr. Bryan and pacific manner of the pacifism of Mr. Bryan and pacific manner of the pacifism of Mr. Bryan and pacific manner of the pacifism of Mr. Bryan and pacific manner of the pacifism of Mr. Bryan and pacific manner of the pacifism of Mr. Bryan and pacific manner of the pacifism of Mr. Bryan and pacific manner of the pacific mand the pacific manner of the pacific manner of the pacific manner ously criticise the course of the United and on the unwillingness of Mr. Wil-Government, a feeling of son to use force in maintaining Ameri States Government, a reeing to can rights, as demonstrated by his americans is spreading among the British people after the nations had that they judged rightly. By taking no sterner measures to avenge and prevent the murder of American citizens than he took to prevent ob-struction of American commerce, Mr. Wilson gave color to the charge of Britons that Americans place the dollar above life itself.

He gave cause for the further they never suffered before. They see charge of cowardice when he said we us profiting immensely from their dire might be "too proud to fight." That phrase prompted a French officer to and their old conception of the Ameri. treat an American woman with the first official discourtesy in France again. They see us growing rich at their expense, yet insisting on our cer in question with "scrap of paper" "infamous words," "monstrous

In those respects alone does Mr. Wilson's neutrality policy justify the anti-American sentiment to which the war has given rise in Britain and

A police judge must hear many fairy tales, and the flossiest is that told by the man who put away a bottle of whisky in his desk three years ago and forgot it until the state

Now that the teacher who married is again on the job, a precedent is established that should make great results during leap year. The young man who hesitates need not do so any 3 more.

negroes from jail Thursday night and hanged five may intend using the other for souvenirs. There is no telling what a Georgia mob may do, The British debate on conscription,

The Georgia mob that took six

which threatened to be a Klikenny cat fight, has become a love feast. The politicians have learned the trend of public opinion

A visionary Japanese army of 200 to

The police court lawyers whose practice is diminished by prohibition may recoup themselves by fighting suits to test every section of the liquor

Republican Senators must have en-loyed the spectacle of Senators Hoke mith and Williams debating the war from opposing sides. The preparedness campaign is de-

Those who believed that Villa had been captured forgot that he has more lives than a cat.

veloping some belligerent clergy in this country to match the warrior

When somebody brings in Villa's head the world will know he had been captured.

The Ford party had another airtight ride through Germany last night. Jack Frost will now give the loggers

chance to get into the woods. Portland is the favored spot, with floods to the east and south

enough for Tillamook.

Mail three times a week is not

"WHERE ARE THEM ROMANS NOW!" IN NATURE NOTHING EVER DIES esevelt Policies Kind That Caesars Wheat, Says Writer.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 16.—(To
the Editor.)—In a recent issue of The
Organian Mr. Powell questions regarding "the immiral soul" as follows: Had, Says Democrat.

PORTLAND, Jan. 21 .- (To the Edior.)-So, after all is said, the only leader the Republicans have is Teddy-Teddy, who spurned them and split his party in twain to gratify a personal ambition. Teddy, of whom The Oregonian said so many harsh and unkind things in the last election. It is this Teddy that causes the Wilson followers so much fear. Well, here is one Wilson man who would rather see Teddy run against Wilson than any other man, for he would be the most easily beaten of any. The contrast is so marked and so much in favor of Wilson that the election would be decided on the day Teddy would be nominated. On Wilparty in twain to gratify a personal Teddy would be nominated. On Wilson's side we have dignity, even temper, calm demeanor, and a great thinker. With Teddy we have the direct thinker. With Teddy we have the direct thinker with the direct thinker that acopposite. His past acts prove this and capecially while he was here in Oregon in the last companies.

especially while he was here in Oregon in the last campaign.

Yes, indeed, Teddy would have a foreign policy. But it is a mistake to call it an American policy. It would be the policy of the prize fighter or men of the stone age. This is the kind of policy the Caesars had, and where is the Roman Empire now? True, it was great in its day, but even at its greatest power and glory the magots of egotism and selfishness were at work tearing down faster than the Emperors built. It was the governments that patterned after the Christ that grew and throve and out of which this, our own Government, came to life.

I am glad to learn from The Oregonian that diplomacy is a lost art in the great problem of running a government. We must get us all a bulldog face and a row of gleaming teeth, so when our restriction to generation to generation. Both are impossing the statement of the great area of the same.

I return to the question: If I assert that the wheaten bread of which Mr. Powell partock at his dinner last evening was of and from the identical wheat which Joseph gathered into the garners of Egypt some 3060 years ago, my statement may be questioned. It need not be, it is truth.

Let us here remember that death is unknown in nature. Nature is continuously renewed through regeneration. The wheat is cast into the ground year after year. It does not die, it regeneration that diplomacy is a lost art in the great area.

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Wilson's policy is the true American policy; exhaustion of every diplomatic means before force; then, when force is necessary, have enough of it to make it effective. Hence, the Administration's demand for a bigger and more effective Army and Navy.

STANLEY CHARETTE. learn from you that it's this kind of a

If Swiss System Were Adopted WOODBURN, Or., Jan. 20.—(To the Editor.)—Please state how many men the United States would have in her Army if the Swiss military system were adopted, and how big a reserve.

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There is nothing in Switzerland con responding to a regular army. One might hunt for months around the without finding one man country whose profession is military; yet almost as hard would it be to discover one able-bodied citizen who has not had

some soldier training. Switzerland can mobilize 240,000 m in 24 hours. On the same basis, the United States could put 8,000,000 men into the field, though of course it would take longer to get them to central points of mobilization. Behind a field army of 240,000 the Swiss have a reserve of equal proportions. The United States should, under the Swiss system, have a trained army of citizens reaching a grand total of 18,000,000 men of all arms. Under that standard we would have 160 trained men from every town of 1000 population; while a county of 20,000 inhabitants could thus send 2400 men to the front and hold as many

REEDVILLE, Or., Jan. 26.—(To the Editor.)—With the American ammunition markets open to them since the beginning of the war, why haven't the allies rescued Serbia from her plight? Why with Italy so near has Montenegro been crushed? What has become of the expeditionary force Italy is supposed to have landed in Albania to rescue this latest victim of the entente's seeming neglect?

Is it possible that Germany's military power, together with her faithful

Is it possible that Germany tary power, together with her allies, has already won this was sis's efforts to launch an offen sis's efforts to launch an offensive are nothing short of pitiful. Great Britsin nothing short of pitiful. Great Britain is busy rescuing expeditions which went on the cruel rocks of defeat. France is straining every nerve to keep the "German hordes" from breaking in any further, while they are all wondering what the Teutons are going to do next.

A slight retreat on the part of Germany or her allies is heralded by reports that at last the central powers are weakening. Weakening? Why should they be weakening? They

are weakening. Weakening? Why thould they be weakening? They are the begun to fight yet, and so far, thanks to the blunders of their foes, thanks to the blands pretty much the they have had things pretty much the O. E. FRANK. own way.

Registration of Voters.

ARLINGTON, Or., Jan. 20.—(To the Editor.)—Please tell me if a person who is not registered by April 18 may who is not register. Who is no

Registration books are closed during the 20 days preceding each general and primary election. If a voter has not registered, it is necessary, in order to vote, to sign a specified form of affi-davit before one of the election judges and secure the affidavits of two free holders who are personally acquainted with the elector and his or her qualifications as an elector.

Straw Vote on President NEW LONDON, Conn., Jan. 15.—(To the Editor.)—This is the time of straw votes and polls on the coming Presiden-

tial race. Being a member of the Connecticu Senate, it occurred to me that a poll of the State Senators throughout the country would yield a fairly accurate expression of the people's choice for the Republican nomination.

Would you mind announcing this political the Senators of your state to

would you mine anadoms and urge the Senators of your state to send me before February 1 their first, second and third choices for said nomination and their opinion as to the most important plank to be inserted in the platform? BENJAMIN H. HEWITT.

Plural or Singular? PORTLAND, Jan. 21.—(To the Editor.)—Which is correct? A number of ladies and gentlemen is going to San Francisco this week; or, a number of ladies and gentlemen are going to San Francisco this week?

LUCILLE LARGE. The plural form of the verb is pref-

Colors for St. Patrick's Day. BORING, Or., Jan. 20.—(To the Editor.)—Please state what colors besides green and white can be used in deco-rating for a St. Patrick's day enter tainment. JOHN CURRY. Patrick's day ente

We suggest that the decorative scheme be confined to green and the American National colors.

In Other Days.

Soul Is Regenerated as Is Grain of

Does it come through primeval ancestors now that the human race has become what it is, does the soul of each new-born child come from its father and mother, or does come fresh and direct from the hand of God

Yes is the answer to these three

sidered as an entity in itself. It is na

Our abject ignorance of

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diamonds;

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generation. Our abject ignorance of the infallible laws of heredity and transmission have consigned our souls to torture through the past ages and they can in the future only he re-

deemed through our acquiring under-

A Disputed Count at Cribbage.

The following combinations of three

feuces with a nine are possible to

lubs, spades, hearts; spades, diamonds,

hearts; diamonds, hearts, clubs. The

hand thus counts eight for fifteens

THE DALLES, Or., Jan. 20.—(To the Editor.)—Please inform me how I could get in correspondence with the president or secretary of the Five Bears Mining Company, of Pfumas County, California. They formerly had their office with the Union Security Company, 234 La Salle street, Chicago, Ill.

Try writing to Secretary of State

Famous Playwrights.

FOREST GROVE, Or., Jan. 28.—(To the Editor.)—Who are David Belasco. Sir Arthur Pinero, Eugene Walter and George M. Cohan? What is their busi-ness or profession? A READER.

They are playwrights and producers

Pinero is an Englishman; the others

Sacramento, Cal.

and 12 for four deuces; total 29.

make 15: Clubs, spades.

standing of these natural laws.

generation.

rom The Oregonian of January 22, 1881. Portland will soon deserve the name of the "city of railways," if all the projected schemes before the public are carried out. Among other projects likely to be matured at an early date is that of an electric railway paralleling the Portland and Vancouver road, and connecting with the Mount Tabor system. system.

questions. Primeval ancestors, father and mother and God (nature) are all one and the same. But the soul does not come from nature, nor yet does it come through nature: it is inalienably inherent in nature and cannot be considered as an entire in the off. It is not the considered as an entire in the off. It is not the considered as an entire in the off. It is not the considered as an entire in the off. The Veteran Volunteer Firemen will The Veteran Volunteer Firemen will invite the San Francisco veteran fire-men en July 4, if the citizens conclude to celebrate. A committee was ap-pointed consisting of B. L. Norden, J. W. McNamara, H. Wolf, James T. Hopkins, Thomas G. Young, Frank Keller and Henry Fleckenstein to make all arrangements.

> Usually when a Chinaman passes to the beyond the public expects to see the roast pig, pots of rice, joss sticks and other paraphernalia of paganism at the funeral. But there a tions to the rule. Such an exception was witnessed in the funeral of Gee Jay Gong. a tailor, yesterday after-

> The Caledonian Club has arranged to have a grand concert and dance on Tuesday, January 27, to commemorate the birth of Robert Burns.

line will be completed today. The manager of the electrical company will be here in a few days and the matter of the transfer of the road to the Willamette Bridge Company will probably be all settled up.

The new St. Helens Hall, on Park ivenue, is practically completed.

From The Oregonian of January 27, 1886. The full band of the Fourteenth Infantry under the leadership of T. G. Adkins, will give its second grand instrumental concert in this city at the Willamette Theater, Wednesday even-

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Campbell were the recipients of a tin wedding party at their residence in this city one night

All old-time residents in Portland will recollect Sam Holcomb. How many will regret to learn of his dying alone, as it were, in one of the hospitals of San Francisco and being buried at Lone Mountain, January 9

A Disputed Count at Cribbage.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash, Jan 18.—
(To the Editor.)—I have the greatest regard for your correctness of answers and would like to have you publish in your next the correct amount of this hand in cribbage: Four deuces with a nine-spot turned up. All we crib players are a unit in saying it is 24—15, 12 and 12, as you can make four combinations with the deuces. The Police Gazette claims it is only 16—15, 4 and 12, and we claim they are wrong.

G. N. GRAFTON. The detention of the steamer Sierra Nevada until yesterday morning await-ing a pilot, gave a few friends of Phil Wasserman an opportunity to present him with a slight testimonial of their some 10 of his friends met in the ladies' apartment of the Gem and in due form presented him with an elegant ebony gold-headed cane, appropriately inscribed. exteem. At 4 o'clock P. M. on Saturday some 10 of his friends met in the

Mrs. Gaskill, author of the Charlotte Bronte and several success-ful novels, tales and sketches, died at Munchester, England, on Sunday, November 12, at the age of 43.

Judge.

Jane loves Wilbur (tail and fair), Sidney (tail and dark), Lester (lary, debonair), Howard (made his mu-k).

Arthur (comical and fat), Percy (glum and thin), Nelson (don't know where he's at), Roger (hopes to win).

Jane has got a score of beaux, But I still maintain, Spite of these, and spite of those, I love only Jane!

A Man of the Hour.

Tittle—Is he a man of the hour?
Tattle—Yep; he always keeps his eye on the clock.

BIG AUTOMOBILE SECTION of The Sunday Oregonian

With the near approach of the annual automobile show interest again centers in the motor vehicle world. In anticipation of the popular demand The Oregonian tomorrow will give, in connection with its regular Sunday edition, a large section devoted to automobile activities. Everyone who owns an automobile, or expects to own one, or is at all interested in automobile news will enjoy this special section.

OTHER FEATURES

IS MRS. DREXEL CONTROLLED BY JINX?-Here is a peculiar story about the numerous queer domestic misfortunes that have befallen the Drexel family, of Philadelphia, in the last few years. The Drexels, it must be remembered, are among the most prominent people in Philadelphia and their affairs are of more or less public interest. This story in tomorrow's big issue will tell all about the doings of the Drexels.

THIS IS GRADUATION WEEK-Scores of Portland boys and girls will finish their high school education this week and step out into the world to begin their careers of usefulness. Graduation exercises will be held in all the high schools within the week. In accordance with its custom, The Sunday Oregonian tomorrow will print pictures of all the graduates.

CARPENTER ON ALASKA FISHING-Frank G. Carpenter, the popular traveler and writer, who is presenting the readers of The Ore-gonian with a series of stories on Alaska, writes in tomorrow's issue on the fresh fish industry of Alaska. The article will be

SNAKE BREAKS UP POKER GAME-Everyone like to read a good poker story. Most people also like good snake stories. Here is a story that has the poker element and the smake element combined in one.

COMPLETE NOVELETTE-"The Tremulous Time" is the name of a complete novelette by E. F. Benson in tomorrow's Oregonian. It is the story of a battle between two sisters for the love of a man. Don't miss it.

WOMEN TO MEET IN NEW YORK-Late in May of this year the annual convention of the Federation of Women's Clubs will be held in New York. The women of New York are making elaborate preparations for their entertainment. A story tomorrow will tell omething of their activities and carry pictures of some of the leading clubwomen of the country.

WOMEN AND THEIR LINGERIE - The war in Europe has not diminished the activities of the French women, who are adept in making fancy underwear and night gowns. Some night gowns cost as much as \$140 each. And there are women who are willing to pay the price. Read about them in tomorrow's Oregonian.

BIRSKY AND ZAPP-As successors of the popular Potash and Perlmutter, the newly created characters of Birsky and Zapp are furnishing the reading public with many a laugh. Montague Glass will present his colloquial philosophers tomorrow in a discussion of a question that now is uppermost in the American mind.

MOVING-PICTURE NEWS-Besides its full page of general motionpicture news The Sunday Oregonian tomorrow will contain several pages devoted to the silent drama and its achievements here in

ROBES OF JAPANESE EMPEROR-Tomorrow's paper also will contain a number of pictures of the robes and ornaments worn by the Japanese Emperor on the occasion of his recent coronation. A story

descriptive of these articles also will be printed. OTHER ATTRACTIONS-Among the other attractions will be Sara Moore's artistic views of life, Donahey's full page of colored drawing and stories for the children, the comic supplement and departments devoted to sports, the stage, society, real estate and women's