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PORTLAND, FRIDAY, MAY 26, 1916.

### VICTIMS OF THEIR OWN SCHEMES. Let us see what Oregon will get from a benevolent Government out of the O. & C. land grant, if the bill passed by the House at Washington

becomes law. The lands, in the heart of Oregon, continuing programme, "both mili-nearly 2,500,000 acres, once granted tary and economic," but not such a to a railroad company for the benefit programme as Mr. Daniels recom-

the Federal Government. cleared; otherwise we fancy the counties and state of Oregon would be required to pocket their tax losses.

After \$6,000,000, or more, is thus realized from sale of land and timber, then, and not till then, the counties are to get 30 per cent and the school fund 20 per cent of the proceeds, and 40 per cent will go to the Federal reclamation fund.

Why anything to the Federal rec-lamation fund? Why anything from Why anything from these Oregon lands to any Government fund?

Because the "conservationists" from states which long ago dissipated their lands now propose to capitalize Oregon lands for their profit. Be cause the Federal bureaucracy, entrenched in its policy of reservation by the widespread sentiment to withhold from the states the public lands and the water powers, is in control.

The Oregon delegation in Congress has been up against a well-nigh invincible purpose by the conservationists to take advantage of an unexpected opportunity to exploit Oregon in the interest of centralized Federal control. To be sure, two bones are to be thrown Oregon—one labeled "30 per cent for the counties" and the other "20 per cent for the school fund"—bones to be gnawed sometime in the future when \$6,000,000 or more has been accumulated for oth-Even the bones are shadowy.

So far as its public lands and water powers are concerned, Oregon is a vassal state—a province of the Federal Government. But conservation is king, crowned by hands which have sought to throttle state control; yet now those same hands in Oregon are reaching for the phantom bones to be tossed to the state—some day. The conservation boosters are hoist by their own petard.

For its \$3,000,000 or so the Government contributes nothing except a loan of tax money and administrative ex-It makes no large appropriation. The land is to be purchased by settlers and timbermen. The Government acts as a sort of banker or agent. All that Oregon has lost in the past by non-settlement of the grant is no greater claim in the eyes of the Government than its services as real fairly well sustained.

## POLITICAL NAVAL PROGRAMME.

submitted to the House will be the American, and nothing else. If Amsubject of a contest between those erica had been able to go through the members who accept the judgment of troubles of the war without any kind cians at that-as to how many capital ships shall be built and members who would accept the judg- Great Britain to hold up our mails, ment of experts who have been trained The com decide such questions. the votes of the thirteen Democratic members and is a political compromise between the big Navy and little Navy These politicians rejected the five-year programme submitted by that other politician, Secretary Danlels, and substituted a one-year programme of their own. The eight Republican members accepted the judgment of the naval experts composing the General Board of the Navy as against that of the compromising poli-ticians who compose the majority and war, and to let the belligerents fight that of the politician who misrules the

The General Board was guided by for any eventuality. experience and study of the uses and performance of various types of ships In the light of events in the pres war it admitted that "a Navy of the size recommended by this Board in previous years can no longer be considered as adequate to the defensive ductions of some of his plays. How-needs of the United States." It gave ever tiresome these productions may full weight to the performances of be to older heads, it cannot be denied battle cruisers and submarines, but it many high-school and college stuwas not stampeded by the spectacular dents have had awakened in them a into minimizing the importance of love for the immortal one by an amaother types of ships. It remembered teur production in which he or she that the very inaction of the opposing took part. Once the appetite is sharpbattle fleets was indisputable proof of ened in this way voluntary reading the superiority of the allied navies, and conscientious study of the plays It recognized the value of battle follow. Perhaps this explains why cruisers, but that of scout cruisers and school authorities have encouraged destroyers also. It neither undervalued nor overvalued the usefulness of submarines. It recommended a are the productions Shakespeare's, should accomplish the purpose which result is all good. The youths are it thus stated as the one which the taught in this entertaining and some-Nation should pursue:

The Navy of the United States should utilimately be equal to the most powerful maintained by any other nation of the world. It should be gradually increased to this point by such a rate of development year by year as may be permitted by the facilities of the country, but the limit above defined should be attained not later than 1925.

With this purpose in view, the General Board recommended a construc-

SHIPS.	General Board	Daniels	Committee majority.	minority.
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latter's four dreadnoughts and three committee is content to build a Navy second to that of Britain, but to build faster than the General Board proposes. It would provide this year two of the four dreadnoughts which the persist. latter proposes and would begin now all six of the battle cruisers which the Board would distribute over the next four years. Thus it is influenced to a large degree by that body's advice, which the majority utterly rejects as to capital ships though following it

closely as to other types. The majority report is regarded as a victory for the little Navy men both by their opponents and themselves. That arch-pacifist, Representative Kitchin, halls it as "a victory against useless expenditure." The pacifists had so large a part in framing the report that they injected into it the irrelevant proposal for a universal court of arbitration—a proposal which everybody approves but which has no place in a Navy bill. They claim a victory for economy because they have saved some money from the first es-sential, defense, to be wasted on river and harbor pork and other doles to their own districts.

Rejection of the Daniels continuing programme and adoption of a oneyear programme may be a source of gratification, but not as a measure of economy. The General Board is convinced of the great advantages of of Oregon and its actual settlers, are manded after causing the Board to cut taken back for the benefit chiefly of down its own continuing plan. A satisfactory plan is not to be expected The railroad company is first to be from this Congress; all that we can paid \$2.50 per acre. Back taxes must hope for is a makeshift. For a well-aiso be paid, so that title may be worked-out centinuing plan we must look to the next Administration and Congress

### NOT DESERVED.

Will some of the many thousands of Republicans who voted for William Grant Webster, of Illinois, kindly explain who he is and what he has done to make him their choice for Vice-President of the United States?

This sneer is from a Democratic newspaper of Oregon. It is not deserved. It does not come with propriety from any journal which has held up the direct primary to the world as the perfect vehicle of expression for the popular will. Now we are told that it is not, for citizens by the thousands have voted for a man they do not want to be their can. didate for Vice-President.

This man Webster, whoever he is, forced his name on the ballot for purposes of notoriety and self-seeking, no doubt. were able to say whom they want for President. Except for a somewhat arbitrary and surprising ruling by the Supreme Court, the Oregon delegation at Chicago would have found its hands tied and its mouth gagged by an instruction for an also-ran for President, as it is for an also-ran for Vice-President

### NEUTRALITY.

OREGON CITY, Or., May 25.—(To the Editor.)—Would you kindly state, through The Morning Oregonian, for the benefit of many of your readers, if The Oregonian is neutral in this European war, or if you take one side. I am unable to judge, as I am just returned from Alaska.

T. M. GRAHAM.

The Oregonian has striven to view impartially the issues between the beland should be and not as the sympathizers of one side or the other friend has been unable to see any leaning or bias in the columns of this darned experiment.' paper is excellent testimony that its self-assumed position of neutrality is

times from one side or the other that it is pro-British or pro-German. It neither, for it is all the time proerica had been able to go through the politicians-and a compromise be- of collision or disagreement with the tween two opposing groups of politi- central powers, our German-American friends would doubtless have been less If America would permit selze our cargoes and destroy our your pro-ally would be well mittee's programme was adopted by satisfied. But American interests and American duties have been inextricably involved in the war, and America has had no alternative but to declare its rights and prepare to protect its own on the high seas and even on belligerent soil. It is no wonder that tender sensibilities have been offended, and that America has been accused of shaping its course to benefit one or the other group of warring powers. But the truth is that America has a it out; and in that sentiment The Oregonian shares. But it would prepare

## THE AMATEUR OPERA.

One way of making Shakespeare interesting and inviting to younger, un-educated minds is the amateur productions of some of his plays. Howamateur productions and why Little Theater movements progress. Not only programme the execution of which but they are of other playwrights. The times novel way of the drama, the ure what cramming of books will not on the other side have urged that the

The community production of the comic grand opera, "Fra Diavolo." ast night at the Baker Theater by the was helpful co-operation and support Portland Opera Association, is an from the Government in order than equally good sign. It is evidence of it might grow into full military effition programme, of which the part community growth; of an interest in for 1917 is compared with that of Sec. the better things in life, of art, music retary Daniels and with that of the and of attainment. The performers House committee in the following are amateurs, to be sure, but their President.

table: Work is creditable and their zeal promising. They were rewarded by good intelligently handled by R attendance and will be again at the Hughes, in the current Collier's.

matinee Saturday, no doubt Besides giving the participants an Guard company before he developed a insight into the mysteries of the stage, writing practice and could not give such community amateur productions the necessary time any longer, makes serve to uncover genius. Often ability no effort to prove that the National to write or construct plays or opera Guard is wholly efficient. But if grows from the tiny seed of interest is not, he wisely concludes that the 

stitution of five battle cruisers for the girls and boys learn a little of the labors and hard work that go with a tion at present, but the service is an stage career and they are started off expensive luxury in its demands upon battle cruisers. The minority of the stage career and they are started off into pursuits for which they are better Only those with unyielding de. suited. termination or iron will, or, as some one else has said, "inordinate vanity,"

Portland possesses among its young and old musicians many who, unde proper direction, are well qualified stage an entertaining story of the Italian bandit, Michele Pizza, in Au- the few dollars they receive in camp ber's opera, and it is reassuring that pay is more than offset by carfare to they have, willingly and without recompense, struggled and worked to put on "Fra Diavolo." The leaders of the present year, it is understood in such things should be encouraged. Compensation for attendance at drills "Fra Diavolo."

### JUST GIVE IT A TRIAL.

One of the greatest boasts of Secreary Daniels is that he has forced a eduction in the price which the Government pays for armor plate. One of his fondest ambitions is to have armor plate and other war material made the merbid suspicion, common to most Democrats, that the movement for preparedness was inspired by men who hope to make a profit by selling war material to the Government. He also shares the opinion peculiar to Democrats that there is something criminal bout making profit on anything. In quet halls and tell what should his annual report he said:

In the light of past experience there seems to be no hope for better prices for the Government except by the erection of a plant of its own. Under these conditions there is little probability of securing armor platte at a reasonable price from private companies unless the Government itself erects a plant.

The Bethlehem Steel Company has grown weary of being charged with order to pray for flying machines." that its policy of silence was mistaker and has taken up the cudgels with Mr. Daniels. The latter having decounced as exorbitant the price of States, the Bethlehem Company, over he names of its president and vicepresident, states that "under condithat paid by any other first-class ower and states the prices paid by \$490, Japan \$490. It also offers to be, this year and in other years. which the Government itself shall name as fair."

Mr. Daniels estimates that the Government can manufacture armor in a 16,000-ton plant at \$262.79 a ton. The Bethlehem Company says this estimate covers "mere shop work" and makes no provision for administration and general expense; insurance, taxes and depreciation of plant; interest on On the other hand, it was investment and working capital. The only through the act of a group of estimate assumes that the plant would citizens in placing the name of Hughes be run at full capacity. Under that be run at full capacity. on the ballot, against his expressed condition, it says, a private plant could will, that the Republicans of Oregon make as great economies. The Bethlehem Company says it "can and will manufacture armor at a price cheaper than the Government can possibly it" and offers to "produce armor at the Government's own price.'

The Oregonian has no means of verifying the conflicting statements of Mr. Daniels and the Bethlehem Company, but it considers that the controversy calls for a showdown. The ompany says:

We offer to place all the cards on the table—to open our books to the Federal Trade Commission and to put our experience, our facilities and our economics at the service of the Nation upon such terms at the Government itself shall name as fair.

him call its bluff. Before investing \$11,000,000 of the people's money in ligerent nations; and it has particu- a plant which may prove useless, let larly sought to give the news as it is him give Bethlehem a trial. In these want it to be. That our Oregon City 000,000 to squander on what may prove, in Mark Twain's words,

## MILLIONS IN CRAWS.

Seven million dollars' worth of grit, gravel and decayed food was pur-York shoppers who thought they were buying choice poultry for special din-Wise New Yorkers have been told the worst by the State Commis ioner of Foods and Markets and, while they may not mourn the loss of the money they are certain to resent the reflection upon metropolitan in-telligence. No verdant Westerner was ever duped with more audaclous lack of cunning than these same New Yorkers when taken in by the

It appears that two chicken com-bines bid for New York's favors. The independents were forced out of busi-ness slowly but surely. They could not meet the poultry prices of their organized competitors. And it was small wonder, since the chicken trust resorted to the foul trick of stuffing their fowls with grit and sand. Twenty per cent was added to the weight of a fowl merely by stuffing its craw. Naturally the trust was able to reduce prices accordingly.

It is now revealed that of the 140,-000,000 pounds of poultry sold, probably 30,000,000 pounds were gravel, grit or decayed food. Chemists have found that the quality of the chickens was injured by the stuffing of decayed foods into the craws, and doubtless many cases of ptomaine poisoning resulted from this cause. New York's chicken bill was \$35,000,000, at least \$7,000,000 of which went as the penalty for lack of vigilance in chicken market inspections. Now that the fraud has been detected prosecutions will follow and the whole country will be watching the craws of chickens when they order a fat hen from butcher or poultryman. The incident is merely another reminder of the fact that rogues scheme while honest men slumber.

HELPING THE NATIONAL GUARD. During recent discussions and argu. ments ever the Army bill much has been said for and against the National Guard of the country. Extremists on stage, literature and of periods in his- one hand have contended that the tory; and the result is in a large meas- service is all it should be, while those Guard ought to be abandoned as hope Congress finally came to conclusion that what the Guard needed ciency, and this is the purport of the militia section of the Chamberlain Army bill now in the hands of the

Hughes, who used to command

his energies. The Guardsman goes to drill once a week. Some of them go

twice and three times a week. Hundreds of officers and non-commisioned officers devote every minute of their leisure time to the service, for which they receive neither thanks nor other reward. Too often employes lose their positions in going to camp; and

will be given to all in the service who apply themselves. More than the money will be the moral backing that Federal recognition and pay will give the Guardsmen. For moral backing pink eye. These structures are lined is certain to be stimulated in communities which will see a new glitter in an organization backed by a substanplate and other war material made tial payroll. Mr. Hughes suggests that Government plants. He harbors if the National Guard of the past has been only 50 per cent efficient the principal critics have been of a minus efficiency. While the National Guards. men have been doing the best they could under rare difficulties, the volunteer critics have been content to mobilize on street corners or in bandone to prepare the country against It is fortunate that Congress has decided to encourage the men who have been drilling while others have been talking. As Mr. Hughes summarizes the situation, "If you throw your National Guard regiments overoard you jettison your lifeboats in

All of this is to be changed July 1

Oregon City citizens will be engaged in a fine work tomorrow, when their annual Booster day is celebrated. The object is to bring country and town \$425 a ton now paid by the United people into closer association than is convenient under ordinary circumstances; a harmony celebration. Ore-gon City business men are to spend tions prevailing just before the Euro-pean war" this price was lower than tivities. For the first time, Portland as arranged to co-operate. The Ad Great and the Royal Rosarians will attend other nations to have been: Great and the Royal Rosarians will attend Britain \$503, France \$450, Germany with their band. This is as it should manufacture armor at any price eryone who can should take hold and make these get-together affairs be-

> Yet why pay freight on the timbers when they can as well be framed here into a ship which will earn freight as soon as it is completed?

Japan is making fast progress in dividing the lion's share of American cean-carrying trade with Great Britin, pending Germany's return to the They are ably assisted in ac-Wilson's shipping policy.

The heavier the fines paid by bootleggers, the poorer the quality of whisky they sell. They must compensate themselves at the drinker's expense. Prohibition certainly deteriorates whatever firewater is sold.

The dog pound is not wanted near ents, nor is it desired anywhere. Mr. Daniels may think Bethlehem is may have to go to the crematory bluffing. He can easily find out. Let have the advantage of the short haul of the dead animal.

The epidemic of matrimony which days of deficits and emergency taxes has spread through the White House the American people have not \$11,-When the Wilson Administration re-"a tires, it will at least be well equipped

This is Visiting day in the public chools and parents should make an is filled with pride when he sees his greens, meat and eggs. chased last year by fastidious New mother on the platform with Teacher

> That Montana woman who with as ax chopped off her husband's head when he took to drink is too radical In her views to be a good wife; but the man was worse as a husband.

> Dr. Steiner is a good manager to turn back part of the Asylum appro-priation. Most managers of public in. stitutions run the concerns as close to a deficit as they know how

People who cannot march in th preparedness parade can show their enthusiasm by letting the porchlights shine at the time. The glow on the clouds will be a beacon.

the last notes President Wilson sent to

Jermany-much more so than they

are likely to be with the one addressed In the eyes of the East, South and Middle West, Oregon is a rich source of Federal revenue, to be bled as the

emote provinces were bled by Roman

What's the matter with that hand-picked Democratic candidate for Con-gressman from the Third District, who hesitating about and between

drinks? There is no suggestion of peace in the proceedings around Verdun. The only persons who do not talk of peace are those who do no fighting.

Senator Smoot put to sleep the proposal of a junket to see the Columbia Highway opened by frosting the appropriation for expenses.

A man was given two years in a Federal prison for impersonating a Congressman, and he was not crazy,

It is about time a policeman re-sented being called a "minion of the law." Many an officer is a nonparell

noticeable that 'Painless Parker did not address the large body of graduates of the dental college. Favorite sons are opening head-quarters at Chicago and the Indianians

con will be along with the ice. A building restriction does not apply to a tent, which is a temporary affair at best.

Chicago permits racing and forbids and the bookmaking, but the initiated will find

There are two bodies and two murders. Now find the motive. Sardines are rising, while suckers

are at the old quotations. The Wolf of Wall Street is to be How to Keep Well By Dr. W. A. Evans.

uestions pertinent to hygiene, sanitation prevention of disease. If matters of geninterest, will be answered in this coln. Where space will not permit or the sect is not suitable, letter will be perally answered, subject to proper limitas and where stamped, addressed enpe is inclosed. Dr. Evans will not make ruosis or prescribe for individual diss. Requests for such service cannot be wered.

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BOUT this season of the year many A people suffer from an acute infiammation of the outside of the eveskinlike membrane called the conjunctiva. Inflammation of this membrane is called ponjunctivitis. Inflammation which causes pus is called suppurative conjunctivitis.

In many states and

There is a rule, and it is a good one, that whenever there is pus in the eyes bacteriologic examination should be made. If the infection is with the gonococcus, some silver in a fairly strong (1 or 2 per cent) solution must be dropped in the eye at once, and the application must be repeated according.

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mococcus, the coccus of pneumonia, a solution of quinine must be used. A salt of quinine now in great favor for this purpose is ethyl hydrocuprine hydrochloride. A 1 per cent solution of this quinine chemical will stop a pneumococcus suppuration of the eyes in a day or two.

day or two.

If the suppuration is due to the Mormake these get-together attairs between the urban and rural peoples
genuine successes.

Oregon can not only build ships
but can supply timbers for those to
be built elsewhere on the Pacific

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If there is no pus in the secretions a saturated solution of boracic acid is as good a wash as there is.

Medical schools have been teaching bacteriology for 25 years. The examination of a smear under the microscope is a simple matter. Practically every town now holds at least one physician or can reach a physician capable of examination. In these days of good roads and automobiles it is safe to say that anybody can reach a physician capable of examining a smear in not more than half an hour's ride. The physician end quiring the monopoly by President of the proposition, then, is not prohibitive.

The treatment for one of these infections is not the treatment for another. I know of a man who was treated for weeks with silver solution. Then his physician examined a smear, found Morax-Axenfeld bacilli, gave him a solution of zinc, and he was well in of Orego

Whenever the eyes discharge pus the pus must be examined bacteriologically,

### Anemia.

A. T. writes: "1. Will you kindly tell me if beer would be of any benefit to a young lady of 22 who is pale, thin and has anemia, but seems to be well otherwise? 2. If she took it regularly as a tonic would it increase her weight and give her a more healthful color? 3. Would it have a tendency to weaken such a person's heart by being too stimulating?"

Reply.

Have the young lady sat more cream, milk, bread, rice and candy, as a means for increasing her fiesh. To overcome her anaemia have her take more open-air exer-

## Walks Before Meals

C. T. writes: "I have been habit every evening after work of walk ing home and sitting down to my din-ner. Now several people have said this was wrong, that I should not walk be-fore eating. Would you kindly advise me if it would be better to walk before my evening meal instead of before? The distance I have been walking is about 50 blocks."

Reply. Stick to your walk.

## Eats Raw Potatoes.

Mrs. M. V. D. writes: "Is it harmful to eat raw vegetables, especially potatoes, and in what way is it harmful? Some time ago, while in poor health, I craved something cool, and contracted the habit of eating raw potatoes, as one might an apple, and have since found it difficult to break myself of the habit, even though some have said they are not good for one to eat. I eat as much as two or three small ones daily." as two or three small ones daily.

There are two possible objections to eating raw potatoes. First, there is a little danger of typhoid. If the potatoes are first washed in pure water this danger will not exist. Second, some people cannot digest as much raw starch as is contained in a raw potato.

ITS ALTAR AGLOW 1000 YEARS St. Michel's, in Nantua, One of the Oldest Churches in France.

est Churches in France.

Albert Bigelow Paine in Harper's Magazine.

Before dinner we walked for a little in the gray evening and came to an old church—one of the oldest in France, it is said, built in the ninth century and called St. Michel's. (At Nantua, in the French Juras) It is more than 1600 years old, and looks it. It has not been much rebuilt, I think, for invasion and revolution appear seldom to have surmounted the natural ramparts of Nantua, and only the storm beat and the erosion of the centuries have written the story of decay. The hand of restoration has troubled it little.

We slipped in through the gathering dusk, and tiptoed about, for there were a few lights flickering before the altar, and we saw the outlines of bowed heads. Presently a priest was silhouetted against the altar lights as he crossed and passed out by a side door. He was one of a long line that stretched back through more than half of the Christian era and through most of the

and the ministration of priests has not

Voter's Residence Qualification. PORTLAND, May 24.—(To the Editor.)—What is the law in Oregon in regard to voting? How long do you have to be in the state or the county? C. M. E.

Six months in the state. There is no time requirement on the residence in the county.

MYSTERY SOLUTION NOT OFFERED

J. Harold Unwilling to Believe It Emanates From Unnatural Source.

VANCOUVER, Wash, May 28.—(To the Editor.)—In The Oregonian, May 20 appeared a letter by J. R. Kendall al-luding to one presented by me through The Oregonian, May 14. He writes, "I The Oregonian, May 14. may not understand exactly what Mr. Harold means by these words (plan or scheme), but to me they mean a way of doing things or accomplishing results." In all sincerity I had no desir to convey such thought as your correspondent apprehends; had it been my spondent apprehends; had it been my intention to convey such thought it is more than possible that I would have chosen such words as method and system rather than plan or scheme.

I may have been unhappy in my choice of words, but I sought to use these words in their precursory sense. To me a plan is precedent to its accomplishment, as a scheme is precedent to its accomplishment, as a scheme is precedent to its accomplishment.

is called ponjunctivitis. Inflammation which causes pus is called suppurative conjunctivitia. In flammation in the consecutivities is called suppurative conjunctivitia. In many states and cities there are laws which require that every case of gonococcus infection of the eyes shall be reported to the health department at once. In some places the authorities furnish a 1 per cent solution of nitrate of silver to be dropped into the eyes to cure or to prevent this disease. In some places the law requires that this silver solution shall be dropped into the eyes to gerry newly born babe as a means of preventing the disease. Gonococcus infection of the eyes of every newly born babe as a means of preventing the disease. Gonococcus infection of the eyes and the Delhi pebble fell back to earth as did the Vancouver pebble. Is not this instance of mineral instinct fully as mysterious as are the habits of the squirrel and the wasp? But we only trespass on your space by presenting mysteries which are evident to all, and solving none.

My sole hope through this lengthy controversy is to establish the head-market of the prover which suides.

LOS ANGELES, Cal. May 22.—(To the Editor.)—It was the expressed wish of my brother, the late Homer Davenport, that he be buried by the side of our father in the little cemetery at Silverton and it was through the kind offices of William Randolph Hearst, who knew of this desire, that Homer was brought back to his eld home to held at Armory Hall last evening. offices of William Randolph Hearst, who knew of this desire, that Homer was brought back to his old home to rest. Addison Bennett says: "Of all the graves in that cemetery now, that of Homer Davenport is the one most historic. In the years to come many people will come from afar to visit his tomb. They will come generally expecting—and having a right to expect—to find a grave marked by something more than a bit of wood."

Perhaps Mr. Bennett does not know that only a few days after the inter-

that only a few days after the inter-ment of all that remained of Homer, I was visited by some of the prominent citizens of Silverton, who were in corcitizens of Silverton, who were in correspondence with some of the then
state officials, relative to a fund of
ample amount to erect at Homer's
grave, a monument of considerable size
and beauty, and asked for our permission to do this. When I consented on
behalf of the family, of course,
we left the matter of the monument
and the time and the selection, to the
pleasure of the good people of Oregonfeelling that it was a very sweet tribute feeling that it was a very sweet tribute

# ADDA DAVENPORT-MARTIN.

THE WINGLESS OX. As he leaned on the fence, The poet, from thence, Saw fields and things starting to sprout there. i man near to hoe 'em; i now make a poem,' the poet. "My subject—that With a Said the poet.

What gulfs between him And the bright scraphim!
Those heavenly, winged aviators.
How diffrent his station—

He spends his life hoeing pertaters. "Oh, the shame and the sin! He never could wil A sweepstakes for heavenly flying; For he has no wings-

"Oh, the wrong if it all! "

The ox in his stall-The scraph in cloudland, unbeeding. 1'd change all such thingsox should have wings Injustice! It sets my heart bleeding.

"If I had my way, He'd be flying all day And scraphs should have nothing on

Then the man with the hoe Felt better, I know,
For the good that the poet had done him.

# -F. P. WILLIAMS.

Scatter thy popples, fate.
For love hath proved a lie;
And laughter fied with her fickle mate, Nor paused to say "good bye.

For happiness bath flown; And star-eyed hope will not await, When all the rest are gone.

Scatter thy poppies, fate, For memory wakes too long: The music she makes is desolate, And I tire of the same sad song.

For what is left to one bereft. Of all that made life dear; But the bitter draught for one who laughed, ... When the skies of life were clear?

Then welcome fate! If not too late, Perchance from the funeral pyre,

My spirit may rise through asure skies
To the land of heart's desire.

—J. K. PEARCY. 115 Willamette Boulevard.

CATHLAMET, Wash., May 23,—(To the Editor.)—A is a man wh is very particular about his work; everything has to be just so, and B makes the following remark: "A is very exquisite about his work." C says the use of the word exquisite is not proper in this septence. Will you decide with aug-

The use of exquisite in the sentence lie was one of a long line that stretched back through more than half of the Christian era and through most of the history of France. When the first priest passed in front of that altar priest passed in front of that altar priest passed in front of that altar or a noun or a noun substantive, but The Orgonian would not recommend it as good usage for the meaning intended. Does, B mean that A is an exquisite workman or that merely in manner or method he is fastidious, painstaking or method he is fastidious, painstaking or may be defended for its grammar, as later. Then nearly 400 years more would creep by—dim, medieval years—before Joan of Arc should unfurl her banner of victory and martyrdom.

You see how far back into the mists we are stepping here. And all those evenings the altar lights have been lit variety or expression, which is not a good thing to do. method he is fastidious, painstaking or good thing to do.

# CORBETT, Or., May 22.—(To the Editor.)—Will you kindly inform me where I can find a suitable and competent assayer for chrome steel or iron ore and for aluminum clay?

Write to H. M. Parks, director of Oregon Bureau of Mines and Geology, Corvallis, Or.

### In Other Days.

Half a Century Ago. From The Oregenian of May 26, 1866. Yesterday the scholars of the public schools devoted a portion of the day to recreation by taking baskets well filled and having a picnic a short dis-tance west of the city.

Mount Hood was belching forth black moke in large volumes at different intervals of yesterday afternoon.

Hon. David Logan will address the citizens of Portland tonight at the Willamette Theater. Everybody ought to go, and a big crowd will go, to hear him

Virginia City, Mont., May 25-Flour, we think, has reached its lowest fig-ures. We have heard of sales made at \$12.50 per sack, which is the lowest fig-ure that flour has ever been sold at in this market.

The Dalles and Canyon City Stage Company are preparing to extend their line through to Bolse City. This will shorten the fravel two days between The Dalles and Boise.

### Twenty-five Years Ago.

New York, May 25 .- It was rumored this morning that J. Pierpont Morgan of Drexel, Morgan & Co., now in Lonion, was to become chairman of a committee of bankers to untangle the af-fairs and reorganize the Argentine Re-public, an undertaking that means much to English capitalists.

The committee appointed by the citizens of Portland Heights to recommend a plan for furnishing the Heights with water will report tomorrow eve ing at 8 o'clock at the cable road powerhouse.

The artesian well for supplying water for the Marquam block was completed by the contractor, Mr. Corbett, yester-day. It is 160 feet deep and furnishes a copious supply of fine water.

If the owner of a stolen garden hose

KELSO, Wash., May 24.—(To the Editor.)—Will you please inform me of the family name of the King of England? MISS IONE MEDLOCK. England? The prevailing idea is that the sur-

name of the royal family is Guelph, but the late Clarenceux, King of Arms, dismisses the idea as absurd. Guelph constituted the Christian name of medieval Duke of Bavaria, whose sister course, in 1040 married the Marquis of d'Este. It is from that couple that the Hanoverian line is descended, Hence D'Este, which the Duke of Sussex adopted for his children, comes nearer to the memory of one, who, as Mr. adopted for his children, comes nearer bennett truthfully says, "Never forgot to being the correct name than Guelph. Silverton, never forgot the Silverton Some authorities maintain that Guelph people, never forgot the Waldo Hills— d'Este is correct. But neither of these d'Este is correct. But neither of these names can hold good any later than the marriage of Queen Victoria to Albert, Prince of Saxe-Coburg Gotha and descended from the ancient Count of Wettin. This event changed the present line of royalty to that of Saxony or Saxe-Coburg and made Wet-tin its surname if it possesses one at all. The words Wettin and D'Este in

# reality, too, are local titles.

Of the 22,332 miles of railways in the nited Kingdom, 10,306 miles are single lines.

Wireless waves have been utilized to light and extinguish gas lamps in Ger-At the present time the United States

At the present time the United States produces more than half of the total copper output of the world.

Unable to open his safe for eight years, despite the aid of experts, Gustav Engel, of Stamford, Conn., finally permitted the safemakers to cut the combination away because he needed important papers that were inside the

Professor J. C. McGregor, of Wash-ington and Jefferson College, Wash-ington, Pa., asked one of his classes questions about men and current events, and among other answers was

than 18,000 feet, based on 500 sound-ings, are now known—32 in the Pacific, 18 in the Atlantic, five in the Indian Ocean. The total area covered by these deeps altogether is only about 7 per cent of the ocean floor.

Seizing Dog for License. BROWNSVILLE, Or., May 22.—(To the Editor.)—If I keep my dog chained up in my own yard and it is not allowed to run the streets can a city marshal lawfully come and take said dog off my premises and kill it for non-payment of dog tax?

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FOREST GROVE, May 23.—(To the Editor.)—Kindly print in The Oregonian information as to where to apply for direct information regarding the United States Secret Service. Do they employ women and what are the qualifications required to receive an engagement? W. F. D.

Write to William J. Flynn, chief of the United States Secret Service at Washington, D. C.

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told that Percy Haughton was presi-dent of Harvard. Fifty-seven ocean "deeps" of more

nance makes subject to license any and every dog regardless of whether it roams the street or is kept tied in the yard or is confined within the house. The dog catcher would be within the law if he forcibly took the dog, but city authorities usually swear out a warrant for a recalcitrant dog-owner. Confer with the license inspector of your community or your City Treasurer.

# Congregational. PORTLAND, May 23.—(To the Editor.)—Will you state in The Oregonian if the E. B. MacNaughton out for school director is a Catholic, if not what church does he attend or belong that

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