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WILL THE SENATE GO REPUBLICAN? Closely connected with the effect of Republican and Progressive union on the Republicans from capturing the House and to increase the Democratic majority in the Senate. There is a good prospect that a Republican victory on President as the result of haris a more uncertain quantity.

terms of eighteen Democrats and fif-teen Republicans expire next March manned her. and their successors are to be elected in November. All of the Republicans are from safe Republican states, but only five of the Democrats are from states in the solid South—Florida, innocent people of the Democrate are from Mars holds dominion, even though an innocent people of the solid South—Florida, innoc Mississippi, Tennessee, Texas and Vir-In order to have a majority of one without the casting vote of the Vice-President, the Republicans must

Among these thirteen is Missouri, which has become a doubtful state in gone Republican in 1904 and 1908. The Republican majority was contributed chiefly by St. Louis and Kansas City, a fact which gave the Democrats an advantage under the old syslature. The new system of direct election by the people of the state at large leprives them of this advantage and Maryland also has wavered in recent elections, having gone Republican in 1896 and 1900 and split its electoral vote in 1904 and 1908. With a united Republican party and a decided trend of public opinion toward that party, Maryland might elect a Republican Senator if it chose Republican electors. There was almost a tie between Wilson and the combined Taft and Roosevelt vote in Arizona in 1912, Wilson's majority over his two principal rivals having been only 354 in a total for the three of 20,294, or 1.75 per cent. Disgust of this border state with watchful waiting in Mexico may easily swing the majority the other way on Senator as well as President. The Republicans may therefore nourish hope

litical battle of the campaign,

that odds are good in favor of a Rethe latter year the combined

fact that Wilson is New Jersey's fa- Germany and her allies. leaving a wide margin for the latter hopes.

may go either way, having wobbled -who can say? since 1896. Ohio has always gone Re-Republican party.

Republican ranks would justify con- peace today spells German victory, chief elements of doubt are the extent colonies now in the hands of the al- the entire army on the larly in the Middle West, and the ex- procured. tent to which disgust with the Mexican newly established efficiency, the admuddle and the note-writing campaign vantages gained by Germany's initial abundance of men furnish a plausible with Germany have allenated Demo- supremacy. crats, on the Atlantic seaboard par-ticularly. Should these two influences offset each other, we may expect that

of blacks in Africa for service in Eu- erations.

WELCOME TO THE OREGON.

ociated the state with one of the the United States-the voyage around ly and may not be viewed from hour the Horn to Santiago—and with one of the most signal victories in our history-the battle of Santiago. an object of pride to the entire Pacific Coast, for it is a product of this Coast and is an evidence that we can excel the shipbuilding industry, which has PORTLAND, THURSDAY, JUNE 8, 1916. Willamette rivers as well as in other sale and settlement. This prediction

zen-sailors, the naval militia of San acter of the land grant and the rea Presidential ticket is its effect on the control of the next Congress. for that purpose, it would be most fitting that she should find a last refugressive party in 1914 to prevent the Republicans from capturing the life of the saliant deeds of Captain Clark and the grant originally consisted of alternate sections in a strip twenty miles his crew may inspire patriotism in the wide extending from the north to the people of Oregon, as does the Constitution in those of the Atlantic Coast selections have spread it out and made and as does Nelson's Victory in those gaps in places so that the grant mony would also mean a Republican of England. The Oregon is more than on the map has now the appearance majority in the House, but the Senate a mass of steel, iron and wood; she of a series of checkerboards dropped is a monument to one of the glorious The Senate now consists of fifty-six Democrats and forty Republicans. The inspire this and future generations to This land will first be classified into

WHEN DIPLOMATS DISAGREE,

almost within grasp. Efforts to send food to the starving millions of Poland suffice to bring grief to angels. People starve while diplomats wrangle. capture nine of the other thirteen Word that Germany may not accept British suggestions is about the last straw after weary months of negotiations. Just why a prompt settlement recent Presidential elections, having of all differences in Poland's case cannot be effected is beyond the grasp of minds that retain any comprehen. sion of what humanity means.

Germany, it will be recalled, agreed to pay some 15,000,000 marks a month tem of electing Senators by the Legis- for foodstuffs to be distributed in Poland. The food was to be secured in America, transported to an East Prussian port and shipped by Germany to gives the Presidential ticket a chance Poland for distribution among the of carrying the Senatorship with it. civilian populace under supervision of neutral flag, agree that the food be distributed in those sections of Po-land held by the Austrians and bind minimum. itself to feed the civilian populace of starving Serbia. These are the conditions, it is intimated, Berlin may spurn.

Possibly the problem of taxing Gernan stores to feed Serbia makes Germany unwilling to accede. But what-ever the cause both sides should reconmost pitiable in Europe. Twenty thousand villages have been wrecked, the countryside laid waste and millions

Prussian power is waning; that the New York is to choose a successor stubborn spirit of the allies and the to Senator O'Gorman, and sentiment readjustment of strength in land forces for preparedness is so strong there is turning the tide against the threatened inundation of Europe by Teuton publican victory all along the line. martial spirit and efficiency. Failure Since 1892 New York went Republican to take Verdun has added to that imin every Presidential year until 1912, pression among neutral peoples. But what of the bold German assertion vote for Taft and Roosevelt was \$45 - that the present map of Europe must 449 to 655,475 for Wilson. Those fig- remain the permanent map if peace is ures do not hold out much hope to the to be hoped for? That map gives Bel-Democrats against a united Republic glum, a broad section of Eastern France, half of Poland, all of Serbis Democrats will count much on the and other territorial advantages to

vorite son both to elect him and to consult enable him to pull through their Sen-Skager Rak? What does it portend? with the Russian government when he even though it compels motorists to atorial candidate. But sentiment in London, at first appalled by the loss favor of a vigorous foreign policy and of dreadnoughts and battle cruisers in of preparedness is probably as strong the greatest of naval battles, now of his trip on the allies' plan of cam in New Jersey as in New York, and seeks solace in the contention that the that state went Republican in four main British fleet was not impaired ared to be long overdue and its postsuccessive Presidential years until the and in counter claims of victory. But split of 1912 gave it to the Democrats, the record of ships lost and the story In the latter year the combined Re- of the engagement as first given out longed German enslaught on Verdun publican and Progressive vote was in official dispatches reveal the battle 234,425 to 178,289 for the Democrats, as at least a distinct setback to British Reverses on land, raids to overcome on both President and Zeppelins, failure to drive the Germans out of Belgium in the first fight-Maine is normally Republican and ing might have served to stiffen the after its recovery from the free silver asters, can hardly fall to shake the to a simultaneous offensive on both craze and went Democratic in 1912 national spirit. How deep the dismay east and west. This is the inability of only in consequence of the split. Ne- cannot be estimated. So far Britain Russia to produce arms and ammunibraska went Democratic in 1908 only has met its few reverses manfully. But tion in large enough volume to supply a narrow majority in response to whether its powers of resistance can the empire's huge armies, and the Bryan's appeal to state pride, for it endure, whether the nation can face ficulty of importing them. Notwith-Nevada is a close state and a redrawing of the European war map Russian industry has been diverted to

They must meet, with a reserve. victorious Republican candidate for and more frightful losses, since Ger-President would carry with him a ma- man power of resistance in a defensive There is a further reason. Since jority in the Senate as well as the campaign must be reckoned as su-continuous stream of war material

colony. The allies will then be able to not serious. The Germans say they part in a prospective campaign against send considerable reinforcements to are not yet done with Verdun. The Austria, Bulgaria and Turkey. rope, but they are now short of material rather than men.

the war, the forcing back of the Germans from conquered territors, has not yet materialized. What subterranean influences are at work among The battleship Oregon is always ing of national will and spirit, what welcome in Portland, for she is an gradual realization that the burden of especial object of pride to the state war cannot be carried much farther? whose name she hears. She has associated the state with one of the struggle which are not revealed. The greatest feats in the naval history of estinles of nations are wrought slow-

NOT JUSTICE NOR GOOD BUSINESS. The Indianapolis news predicts that one of the old-time land rushes will be an incident of the opening of the aken new life on the Columbia and Oregon and California land grant to ems to be founded on the idea that Having become obsolete for fighting the Government is about to engage in surposes, the Oregon is still doing a great land lottery or gift enterprise service as a training ship for the citi- Yet those who understand the char-

here and there throughout the length

power site, timber and agricultural lands. This work will be done in the field, and necessarily it is not a small task. Presumably sale and settlement will not await classification of the entire grant but will proceed as the character of certain portions of it is determined.

The timber will be sold on the pubmarket for the best price it will bring under competitive methods. The ouyer of the timber will exercise his option as to time of removal. After the timber has been removed he stump land will be open to entry under the provisions of the homestead

The greater portion of the grant will fall under the timber classifica-That classification is to be made by tracts of the smallest legal subdivision and include lands bearing a growth of timber not less than 300,000 feet on each forty-acre subdivision. That is to say, a tract of land equivalent in size to about forty Portland city blocks may be classified as timber land if it bears a small number of moderately an American commission. Great Brit-ain made counter proposals. Germany must transport the foodstuffs under a age of agricultural land thrown open to entry will depend on how close the classification is held to the timber

It has been estimated that from twoe required on cut-over land.

which devotes its energies to lands less promising, must have its share of the surplus from the sales of timber. Justice and good business sense, inas-much as Congress was averse to yielding more of the surplus direct to Ore gon, would, if exercised, have set aside that which will go to the reclamation fund, for use in reclaiming the lands that are to be denuded of their timber -left in a condition which offers little or no lure to the homesteader.

ALLIES POOL THEIR RESOURCES.

Announcement that Lord Kitchene met his death in the Atlantic Ocean ouses speculation as to the bearing An allied offensive is considponement in the west is generally be lieved to have been caused by the pro. In the east active operations have been prevented by the Spring thaw, which had made the roads impassable, but this obstacle may by this time have been removed.

The statement from London that sent a Democrat to the Senate only as a result of party schism. Montana stubbornness. But a reverse to the with the supply of munitions to Ruswent Republican in 1904 and 1908 great British fleet, added to other dissia" suggests a more serious obstacle was Republican in the two preceding the bloody disasters that must attend standing the fact that every possible munition making and that national Naturally the war cannot end until control has increased the output to publican except in 1892, when one the spirit of one side or the other is the maximum, the total does not suf-Democratic elector scraped through, broken. A race of people must be fice. Archangel on the White Sea and and in 1912. The recent special elec- brought to a realization that further Vladivostok on the Pacific Ocean ar tion of Representative showed West resistance cannot be endured before the only Russian ports which the allies Virginia to lean decidedly toward the peace can come. It may be true that can reach. Both are closed by ice for epublican party.

Germany wants peace now, but the several months each year and their All in all, complete harmony in the conclusion cannot be escaped that facilities are not sufficient for the handling of all that the empire needs to fidence in a Republican Senate if the even though some of the conquered import. The Russian War Minister vote of 1912 be taken as a guide. The territory be exchanged for German was quoted recently as saying that, if parade. to which the "kept-us-out-of-war" and lies. The allies, if their power of re- nowitz line were to be wiped out, anpacifist sentiment has strengthened sistance is equal to the task, must other equally strong one was ready to the Democrats and made inroads on overcome enormous difficulties before take its place and that an equal numthe normal Republican vote, particu- peace advantageous to them can be ber of trained men would remain in

Driving the Germans explanation of the dispatch of Rus has been to a large extent made good. perior to that of the allied forces in must be poured into Russia, there must those early days of the war when the be a shortage of return cargos for Belgians are invading German East great gains were made. the transports. Economy Africa from the Congo on the west, while the British have advanced far into the colony from the north and the Portuguese are probably advancing from Mozambique on the ish fleet wounded by a sudden German the needs of the troops remaining at set another one.

south. It is not probable that the thrust, the successful French resist-Germans will long be able to hold out ance at Verdun—those are the great be limited. If the Russians should not and when they surrender the allies events of the past six months. The will have conquered the last German British say the loss to their navy is sent to Saloniki, where they could take

Turkey or Europe. The London Times outstanding fact is that German power The present movements of the allies, has proposed that they recruit armies has not yet weakened in offensive op- of which Kitchener's ill-starred trip The third great phase of was an incident, point to a complete

RESULTS OF YUAN'S DEATH.

In the death of Yuan Shi Kai, China the crowd in the revolutionary period which began with the downfall of the Manchu empire. His cunning enabled him to step from the leading place in the imperial government to the Presidency of the republic, but he was at heart a reactionary, and his attempt to become the founder of a new im perial dynasty proved by its failure that, like other reactionaries, he misjudged the strength of the opposing forces. The spread of the new revo-

north. His successor as President, Lai the Orpheum circuit. Yuen-Lung, being a republican by conviction and having been chosen by the revolutionists to succeed him, Yuan's ing Japan to cut loose from the Brit- ent engagement. ish alliance and to join Germany in cutting off slices of China. A small ests in China without gaining any adequate equivalent. This party does not like to see Japanese influence excluded from the Yang-tse Valley by the fact have Japan take advantage of British preoccupation with the war to adopt out regard to British interests.

Should turmoil continue in China, it will be water on the wheel of these Japanese jingoes, for it would furnish them with a good argument for inter-vention. Should Lai be able to pacify which Britain and its European allies Hopper, William Farnum, importunities of the jingoes is a ques- Theodore Roberts. tion of deep interest to the United States, for our commerce and opportunities for foreign investment would Japanese power.

It speaks volumes for the depth of thirds to three-fourths of the grant French gratitude to Americans for aid is timber land under a reasonable classification and that a considerable part starving and orphaned victims of the of the remainder is valuable neither war that the French people have for timber nor agriculture. The agricultural land will be sold at \$2.50 per labors of the conflict long enough to acre—50 cents an acre at the time engive that sentiment expression. The cile their differences speedily. Condi-tions in Poland are described as the try is made and \$2 per acre when final greatest artists have made paintings proof is made. This payment will not and the greatest writers have written tributes to the United States which countryside laid waste and millions left in poverty. It is not a time nor of land will be offered at this low price to Ambassador Sharp at the Sorbonne as case for protracted haggling by and on these easy terms. But it is by the leaders of French art and little walls of the sorbonne it, but I can't can't cate any angle from the sorbonne it.

Government Reclamation Service, strained, irresponsible litney service Although he is paid to discover evils first and to find and apply a remedy he is about the last to discover this evil and he has not yet found a rem-

> opular revival of pedestrianism. There is great need, for some persons are becoming incapable of any leg out of automobiles.

Gaston is a progressive little town 'slow down to four miles an hour. While people throng the streets the

caution. A little less speed means much more safety Justice Bean having decided the gon will prepare to eat any old thing

in a shell. The unit rule seems to have gone to mash in the Republican convention. The Hughes sentiment was too strong

As Shakespeare might say, she is ome queen; while as for the king, gadzooks, he's to the manner born!

Dr. Lyman was found guilty at New York, but they will need to nail him down to hold him.

When something unique passes this

afternoon, applaud. "Hand it to 'em." This Isn't Boston. Continued endeavor will bring equa suffrage in Iowa. A minority of 5000

is only a trifle. Portland must be pardoned if it swells with pride over the children's

The waterfront strike should have been arbitrated and settled before it

Postponing a few meals during festal days will do us all good. Tomorrow will be a real holiday

with the grocery stores closed. Speaking of holidays, where do po-

Why not spare a few roses for the sick and bedfast?

Stars and Starmakers By Leone Cass Bner.

ses the one man who towered above Lotta is reputed to be the richest

The stork is building a nest in the chimney of the country place of Billie Burke and her husband, Florence Ziegfeld, Jr.

The fascinating tenor, Ciccolini, is suing Robert E. Nolker for \$25,000. The charge is slander. Mr. Nolker is indicate that his death came just in time to save him from deposition.

So many conflicting influences are at work in China that it is not easy to forecast the results of Yuan's depresident of the St. Louis Aero Club mise. The revolution against him was as one of the gentlemen friends of Mr. McCusker makes reference says:

William Rock and little Frances White have been signed as features

Julia Dean's vaudeville engagement

Raymond Wells, two seasons ago with the Baker Players, is receiving that it is a British sphere and would recting of the all-star production of "Julius Caesar" as a henefit for the actors' fund. The play was given in s vigorous policy of expansion with- the Hollywood Ampitheater and is said to be the largest and most im-West. The net proceeds were close to did not approve. Whether and to Power, Sarah Truax, Frank Keenan, what extent Japan will yield to the Douglass Fairbanks, Mac Murray and

be seriously affected by extension of by Nellie Revell, the only lady circus agent in captivity. The fair Nellie has been engaged in the preparation of the play for several years, and it represents the sum of her experiences while press agenting for circuses. Miss Revell is now trying to keep the Orphony circuit and Martin Beck in the agent in captivity. The fair Nellie has pheum circuit and Martin Beck in the

Evelyn Thaw's marriage to Jack Clifford, her dancing partner, is a good, long step upward from her position as the wife of Harry Thaw.

to elect two Senators, and the probable renomination of Vice-President Maries of the titanic war in Europe shall will make a strong appeal to state pride in behalf of the Denocrats. The Republicans and Progressives may seek to neutralize the effect of this specifies by the indicating page by nominating Fairbanks or some pether Indianian for second place. With the choice between two Indianians for second place. With the choice between two Indianians for second place. With the choice between two Indianians for second place. With the choice between two Indianians for second place. With the choice between two Indianians for second place. With the choice between two Indianians for second place with the choice between two Indianians for the Choice as a memorial of the bond of t

Own Song," the New York Review of latest edition says: "One of the songs that Tom Dobson

has made especially popular is 'When I Was One and Twenty, for which he himself wrote the musical setting. Mr. Dobson, who makes a specialty of preparedness parades will cause a singing unique songs, and, incidentally, gating and buying. playing his own accompaniments, included the 'One and Twenty' in three of his five New York recital promotion except that of getting into and grammes last season, and on each occasion it was demanded as an encore. The singer will go to his home in Portland, Or., for the Summer. Many recitals starting in Chicago in the early Fall and including the larger cities of the East are already booked."

Eva Tanguay has at last named her price as a movie star. The cyclonic comedienne wants \$19,000 a week and motorist must use more than ordinary three-year guaranteed contract. Whether any film company will meet this demand remains to be seen. Sev-Chinese egg law unconstitutional, Ore. eral concerns have made Miss Tanguay offers up to \$3000 a week for film

> David Belasco will make a production of "The Merchant of Venice" for David Warfield next season and the actor will have his long-wished opportunity to enact the role of Shylock. The play will form the most important part of a repertory, which will include Mr. Warfield's other successes, "The Music Master" and "The Auctioneer." He may also be seen for several special performances in "Van Der Decken," Mr. Belasco's play of the Flying Dutchman, in which he has appeared this season throughout the Middle West.

> Mr. Warfield's New York season will begin upon the conclusion of the engagement of "The Boomerang" at the Belasco Theater. The comedy will occupy the Belasco throughout the Summer and will be sent on a tour of the principal cities in the Fall.

There never are any young comedi ennes, opines Marie Tempest and points

Before you can see the comedy of life or act it you must suffer a great deal and know the tragedy and bitterness of disappointed hopes and shattered ideals. Just as night comes before day, so grief comes before joy in the scheme of things.

in the scheme of things.

We have very few comediennes because those who might become great comedy actresses do not survive the trials and suffering which are the portion of every one who seeks histrionic glory. It is only the strong who can come through the ordeal safely with power to continue the fight. The weak go under and are never heard of again. The Oregon delegation would better Comedy is technically the most difficult acting, and it takes years and years of hard work to master the mechanical side of the art of comedy. One's faith must be strong, one's cour-Hand your rose to the stranger and age must be great, to survive.

BLOW STRUCK AT PREPAREDNESS

Anti-Efficiency Rider to Navy Appro printion Constitutes Real Menace, DOTTA CRABTREE has sold out her hotel interests in Boston—the Hotel Brewster, to be exact. For many years the famous Lotta, one time idol of California, and for whom Lotta's fountain in San Francisco was named, has conducted the Brewster Hotel. Now she has sold her interests, but is retaining ownership in the property. Lotta is reputed to be the richest actress in America.

printion Constitutes Real Menace,
PORTLAND, June 6.—(To the Editor.)—I inclose herewith copy of letter from Representative McArthur regarding the Tavenner bill. The bill in question, as you observe, makes it a misdemeanor to offer premiums or reward of any kind for efficiency in the Navy-yard or any Government plant. The bill in question passed the House by a vote of 100 to 79, the Democrats lining up for the bill solidly, while the Republicans, with some few exceptions, were opposed to it. In making a campaign based on prepared. view of the fact that the President is making a campaign based on preparedness, it seems rather strange that a Democratic House would put on a naval appropriation bill an anti-efficiency rider like the enclosed, as in the event of war we would be in a similar position as that which prevailed in England a few months ago, when Lloyd George practically had to get down on his knees in favor of the government in order to secure munitions to defend themselves when the life of the nation was at stake.

The letter from McArthur to which strong in the southern provinces. Mrs. Nolker who often visited her "Replying to your telegram of May which have always been restive under apartments when in New York. Cicture the control of the Manchus and the colini visited Portland last season on I could to prevent the adoption of the anti-efficiency rider to the Naval appropriation bill, but the committee of the whole house adopted it by a vote of 100 to 79. The Democrats lined up ance locally then. death seems to knock the props from of the Ziegfeld "Foilles of 1916." Their almost solidly for the rider and the under the rebellion. But there have been many rumors of German intrigue a distinct success and led to the pres-Republicans, with few exceptions, were to the inadvisability of legislation of this kind and therefore opposed it and will oppose similar legislation whenhas closed and now she is vacationing ever if comes up for consideration. The oppose the British alliance as binding at French Lick Springs. Next Fall present Administration, however, seems hat country to sacrifice its own intershe's going with a Shubert production.

determined to pass obnoxious legislation of this character."

CHINA IS SUGGESTED AS REFUGE congratulations for the excellent di- Mr. Moriey Told of Place Where He Can

Avoid Evolutionary Ideas. PORTLAND, June 4 .- (To the Edior.)-Will you allow us space in your columns to offer consolation and hope pressive outdoor production ever in the live in a land where there is no change, to Mr. T. M. Morley? If he wishes to live in a land where there is no change, no evolution, and no Mr. Kerchen, we the has resumed. to Mr. T. M. Morley? If he wishes to \$19,000, and all went to the actors' have a suggestion to offer. When we them with a good argument for intervention. Should Lai be able to pacify
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pany of 5000, aside from the printhe revolutionists and to establish a

There will be a general city election
of far-away districts in China, the land
of far-away districts in China, the land strong government, the jingoes would close their opportunity. Hitherto the Japanese government has expressed its purpose to stand faithfully by the British alliance, which course would not in the Shakespearean production. The hours; where children adhere dogmatipermit any interference in China of other principals included De Wolf cally to the faith of their fathers, have Tyrone no modern opinions falsely called Keenan, science, and the populace is too hard

There is also a ray of hope for Mr. Kerchen. There are places in the United States where progressive teachers are welcomed. Into Toledo University, Scott Nearing, who has written some rational and advanced books on social topics, is admitted. He has gone so far as to talk about social evo-tution and woman suffrage. Mr. Ker-chen can find cities that are not as bo-

over-loading, scratching, solling and similar injury, and makes the automo-bile more efficient by permitting it to do double duty. The trailer has been tried out and found to be practical and necessary for the highest efficiency, and has, therefore, come to stay. There are 50 makes already on the market and hundreds of farmers are investi-

> Seventeen Soldier Presidents. The Milwaukee Sentinel.

It is interesting at this time, when the whole world is talking about the greatest of all wars, and our President goes out to talk about preparedness. o mention the fact that 17 of the 26 Presidents were soldiers—Washington, Jefferson, Madison, Monroe, Jackson, Harrison, Taylor, Pierce, Lincoln, Johnson, Grant, Hayes, Garfeld, Arthur, Harrison, McKinley and Roosevelt.

> The Old Gardener By Ben Hur Lampman,

I have made friends with flowers. When other men Plucked them, and smiled, and wore them on their coats; When women clasped their beauty, now

and then.
To breathe an hour against the whitest throats—
knew my flowers for folk. I loved them all

With such affection that it brought me grief To see a single aster droop and fall, mark a blight on any tiny leaf. cell! They are no fairer this year than the last, o, well!

Their hues no deeper, nor more deli-cate; And yet, it seems that every season Gave something to them that I can't forget. Theirs is a friendship that is always

Just as you think you've learned its every guise, You wake, some morning, and you walk the dew To see the flowers with strange and fonder eyes. I have made friends with flowers. You

would not guess (Unless, perhaps, you have been mad With how much yearning, and what tenderness.
One works the spell of earth and rain and sky.

They are my folk—and yet, it shames me quite.

As fathers are ashamed who hold one child Beyond the rest, and see a lovelier light In her clear eyes—as though some

fay beguiled-O, well! One flower is dearer than them all.
Often I've blamed myself; but, goodness knows. Feit pleasure that I should be held in thrall-

I love the rose. is the dream we weave of Arcady. Holds just a rose—and O, so wistfully We smile at her and cannot under-

stand!

In Other Days.

Twenty-five Years Ago. From The Oregonian, June 8, 1801 The Republican primary will be held this evening between 6 and 8 o'clock. As a result of the consolidation a number of judges will not act, fearing

New York-More disclosures have een made regarding the fight of Dr. eCosta on Dr. Phillips Brooks to keep the latter out of the bishopric of Mas-

Tualatin, Or .- Rev. W. H. Tubbs last night closed the series of revival meetings at the Congregational Church.

"The Rapparee," or "The Irish Ex-e," was produced at French's Park Theater last night. Superintendent Mitchell, of the Ex-

position, has obtained through his friend, Dan Frohman, of New Y some figures from the Eden Musee. "Parson" Davies, the well-known sporting patron, arrived yesterday from the Sound with Jim Hall, the Austra-lian middleweight, who is to meet Bob

Fitzshumons in Minneapolis July 22 for

Much interest is manifest in Mr. Coursen's concert at Arion Hall next Friday. Mrs. Reed is in splendid voice and will undoubtedly do credit to herself and her teachers. J. M. Shawhan, formerly solo tenor in Christ Church, New York, will make his first appearance locally then

Half a Century Ago.

From The Oregonian, June 8, 1886. From our New York letter we take the following: "It is really deplora-ble that none of your Oregon citizens who have the welfare and prospetity of the state at heart have as yet devised. some way by which it can be made known what the facilities are for obtaining public and private lands, their location, resources and distance from the market."

Toronto—The Thirteenth Regiment.
"The Queen's Own," under Colonel
Booker, has encountered the Fenians
encamped at Ridgeway station and a
battle ensued. The "Queen's Own
were driven back at first, with 15
killed and 20 wounded, but made a new

Harbaugh.

A lady remarked yesterday in our presence that the new story about to be produced in Harpor's entitled "The Three Little Spades," by Miss Warner, author of "Wide, Wide West," would Power, Sarah Truax, Frank Keenan, Douglass Fairbanks, Mae Murray and Theodore Roberts.

Oliver Morosco has accepted for production a circus play called "Spangles," by Neilie Revell, the only lady circus agent in captivity. The fair Neilie has agent in captivity. The fair Neilie has

James Vance, of Newark, N. J., and Miss Reba Augusta Foster, daughter of Daniel B. Foster, were married yes-

MOUSE TRAP PREFERRED TO CAT Writer Says Felines Are Treacherous and of No Economic Value.

PORTLAND, June 5 .- (To the Edior.)-After reading the numerous and widely divergent opinions which have appeared in The Oregonian from day to day regarding the distinctive merits of the cat and the bird, I had actually desired to refrain from adding any fur-ther comment on a subject already so ably discussed. I had thought al sources of information had by this time een exhausted, but in this morning's paper there appeared three or nore articles-all in defense of the cat -which, it seems to me, is getting an undeserved amount of praise and adoration.

I love mankind, but I hate one of the dead unkind."
FRANK V. ANDERSON.

When a child I used to think nearly as much of the cat as I would a brother or sister. This misguided affection is natural with all children. We used to have seven or eight of the felines about the house at one time and when per-chance our mother disposed of one of the mangy things we would grieve as for the loss of one highly beloved. I remember I had one pet in particu-

lar that one day disappeared, much to my surprise and sorrow. In the course of a few days he returned. Again he of a few days he returned. Again he disappeared, came back, and disappeared once more. The third time he never returned and for years I wondered what had become of him. It was another instance of good judgment on the part of a boy's mother in finally ridding the household of a nuisance and disease-carrying pest.

I have lived in the city, on the farm, and in the mountains but nowhere

and in the mountains, but nowhers have I yet found a place where a cat may be called an aid or protection to man's existence. To me the cat has proved the most worthless, lazy, wicked

some say the cat is a good mouse exterminator. I have perceived the exterminator. I have perceived the well-fed house cat—too laxy to move from its tracks—fondly watch a mouse a few feet away, run along the floor, or perhaps hear one feating in the or, perhaps, hear one feasting in the cupboard, but too pincidly content to stir from its warm corner by the stove. Only intense hunger will prompt a cat to do his duty, and even then he is more apt to prey on the insect-de-stroying bird or the songster than on the offending mouse. I have found that two little mouse traps kept set in the runways will get better results than a dozen felines. I knew a farmer who kept 17 cats

one Summer as an experiment in an attempt to rid his ranch of mice. By the following Spring there were more cats, plenty of mice and a rapid disappearance of newly-hatched chickens.

Again, take the cat as compared with

the dog as a pet and playmate for the amall child. On the slightest provoca-tion the cat will scratch its master and run whenever danger appears. On the other hand, the dog will protect its master in all trouble and as a rule ex-orcise gentleness with the child. Much might be added to the already immense pile of evidence that has been gathered denouncing the house cat, but perhaps sufficient has been said con-cerning the felines to make their con-

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