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MUCH ADO ABOUT A HAM... Those who still think that there may not be as profound a principle involved in litigation over a small amount of money as in a suit for possession of a railroad will be interested in the outcome of this momentous case just decided by a jury in one of the New York municipal courts.

THE CANDID CANDIDATE... THE CANDID CANDIDATE. "What are the issues?" we mildly inquired. The candidate gave us a look of disdain.

WOMAN OPPOSES USE OF VACCINE... PORTLAND, March 16.—(To the Editor.)—An editorial in The Oregonian February 24 says that it is shown by records in the possession of the public health service of the United States that there were 125,000 cases of smallpox in the French army, which had not adopted the thorough Prussian method, in the Franco-Prussian war.

THOSE WHO COME AND GO... "A selected sample of ore assayed at \$35,000 a ton" says P. F. Chandler, editor of the Blue Mountain Eagle, who arrived at the Imperial yesterday from Canyon City. He was speaking of the mine which Ralph Curd and Al Andrus are opening up on the mountains.

BY-PRODUCTS OF THE TIMES... How Lincoln Converted the East To By Melville E. Stone. In February, 1850, Lincoln spoke at Cooper Institute in New York city, weekly Melville E. Stone in Collier's Weekly. In manner he was not altogether courteous—but in matter he was a commanding influence.

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