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MUCH ADO ABOUT A HAM.

Those who still think that there may not be as profound a principle amount of money as in a suit for possession of a railroad will be interested in the outcome of a momentous case just decided by a jury in one of the New York municipal courts. The basis of the dispute was a charge of \$25 made by a delicatessen dealer for a Virginia ham, duly beautified, garnished and otherwise made appetizing by an expert in the cookery of hams. The buyer tendered a check for \$14 in settlement of the bill, saying at the same time that he regarded this as \$2 too much. The dealer sued for the full amount. A judge, a jury, several lawyers and a cloud of witnesses devoted several

the trial was so long drawn out and raised to warrant the calling of many could decide offhand whether any the delicatessen business. The de-fendant's cook testified that this ham weighed twelve pounds when it reached him; the plaintiff himself before he began to beautify it. This brought up the "shrinkage" issue so familiar to those who buy their prov-solicit endorsement of his action in ender at delicatessen stores. The on merchant from whom the plaintiff bought his hams, being drafted as a witness for the defendant, said that he had not seen a or Poindexter, or Johnson. ham in a year that weighed more than seventeen pounds and he didn't expect to see one soon. The plaintiff snoke of "shrinkage" of 40 to 60 per

style of culinary art. commercial motive in resisting pay- he was their physician, counselor ment of the tradesman's account. ing by a conscienceless profiteer.

much the dealer was entitled to fidelity, vision, humanity and entercharge for his skill (which is not dis- prise of Dr. Mackenzie. puted), or for the "shrinkage" of the rather than be bothered with the his patient was his only concern. menial tasks that our grandmother

would have deemed a pleasure and regarded as a domestic virtue. is also expensive, and the more it is indulged in the greater the probability that the arts of household economy will become extinct. There could have been no suit over a \$25 ham a generation back. People in those days did not carry gravy and paper bags-and that may be one of the minor reasons why profiteering as it is at the present time

her railways. Trains have been run-ning since October, 1919, over all cent on December 26, 1919, to 42.7 mains to make a speed of 300 mile lines that existed at the beginning of per cent on February 20, 1920, the an hour seem reasonably possible. the war, although some are running latter figure being only 4.7 per cent This is in the way of perfection of destroyed 932 miles of track, which

Morning Oregonian considerable purchases have been made, so that as to locomotives and passenger cars the situation is about slight by comparison with that of within about nine hours of Portland;

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NOT BACK OF ANY ONE OF THEM More than one-half - probably three-fourths-of the republicans in the senate are for the league of nations with reservations.

Fewer than one-half-about twelve or fourteen-are against any league of nations, with or without reserva

Nearly all democratic senators are r have been, for the league without reservations; fewer than one-half are ow for the league with reservations. More than one-half the democratic senators are against the league with reservations.

The president is against the league what the reporters might describe as he would accept them, the treaty with the proposed reservations. If days to determination of the weighty a majority of republicans and a sufwould unquestionably be ratified by Now the layman may wonder why ficient number of democrats, probably one-half of them.

The community of interest bewhat issue could possibly have been tween the irreconcilable republicans -Johnson, Poindexter, Borah, Penexperts to give testimony. To most rose et al-and the president apparof us a ham is a ham, and there are ently assures the defeat of the treaty. few who do not think that they If the irreconcilables were to yield, ham is worth \$25. But it seems that teed. But there remains the presisenate ratification would be guaranthere are knotty technical points in dent. Final responsibility is with

Poindexter and Johnson, respec tively, will go to the people for approval of their cause in defeat of the said that it weighed twenty pounds treaty - any treaty embodying a league of nations-any league.

President Wilson, or his party, will rejection of the treaty and league with reservations. It is inconceivable that the Ameri-

KENNETH MACKENZIE.

"That life is long," said the poet, cent in the preparation of a ham, "which answers life's great end." Another dealer, however, and also a Dr. Kenneth A. J. Mackengie was the manufacture or sale of alcohol? graduate of the Boston School of sixty-one years of age, but he had Domestic Sciences, who qualified as lived a full life. The memory which lity of Niagara Falls failed to inquire an expert, testified that no ham will goes back for nearly forty years does whether the Japanese vaccination shrink more than three pounds in not recall the time when Dr. Mac- law was evaded. A Japanese physi-Numerous others, also kenzle was not in the front rank of his clan and surgeon who was on the qualified experts, declared that \$2 profession. As a very young man be spot and did investigate wrote an was a sufficient charge for the cook- brought to the practice of medicine article in reply in which he disclosed go outside the state to get like reing of one ham, even in the highest and surgery an extraordinary insight that the epidemic prevailed violently The plaintiff lost his suit, the jury judgment as to the remedy, and a been evaded by the populace and evidently taking the view that \$1.18 highly trained skill as to its application that in localities where it had not a pound is enough for ham, even in tion. He had singular graces of been evaded the beneficial character these times of high prices, which manner which were the outward of its results was indisputable. Rewould be at the rate of \$1 a pound marks of a wholesome and alto- liance on such writers as Dr. Hodge with a \$2 allowance for the skilled gether lovable personality; and he is characteristic of anti-vaccina-work of preparation. Thus a profiteer was discomfited, and the de- dence of his patients and of all others fendant was so happy that he wrote who knew him. There are families available harmless diversions for the at once a check for \$500 as a gift to in Oregon to whom Dr. Mackenzie a local charity, just to show that he had ministered through three dec

It and friend. was a glorious vindication of the Dr. Mackenzie did not confine his the author—that the sun, moon and offenders right of a citizen who likes ham, and abounding energies and generous stars do not exist. The sky is an wants it spiced and cooked in cider and intelligent spirit wholly to the and so forth, to obtain this luxury practice of his profession. He was in the heavens are but the reflections at the risk of only a moderate goug- in a fine sense a public servant and of the radioactivity of the earth. he identified himself with many ac-But, however this may be, one of tivities. In effective ways he made accepted scientific facts and proofs, seem bright. the incidental facts brought out by the instruction of young men and the theory has the advantage over the litigation strikes us as the fact young women in medicine and sur- anti-vaccination of being perfectly of chief interest, and that is that the gery his avocation. He was associ- harmless. A person may embrace number of people who are willing to ated for many years with the College it with clear conscience, confident pay \$1 or more a pound for ham, of Medicine of the University of Ore- that no other will ever bring down a booked down town, and for other gon; and there are hundreds of docarticles of luxury and necessity in tors who will gratefully testify to the proportion, rather than shop around high quality of his preceptorship, s bit and take their food home with which was informed, unselfish, unthem and cook it themselves, is remitting and scientific. He had a growing amazingly. The dealer in great idea of a medical center at this case testified that the charge Portland for the Pacific Northwes that he made was the "customary" and it took the physical form of hosone. Probably it is true. If so, it only pitals, laboratories and school build though they complain of the high on the hill south of Portland. Now cost of living, are not doing all that construction is under way and its night be done to reduce it. We think completion is only a matter of time. that, somehow, the question of how It will stand as a monument to the

The doctors will miss Dr. Mac bam (which undoubtedly is consid- kenzie and the hospitals and various erable), is a relatively small matter charities and hundreds of the ailing when viewed beside the fact that poor to whom he gave freely of his great numbers of people were will- service. He was a true physician, ing to pay the price without cavil for the welfare and not the wealth of

GOLD AND DEFLATION.

Deflation of the currency is recognized by the American Mining Concirculating medium. That alarm is reduce the weight of motors. The way the Belgians are settling \$5,800,000,000. This loss has re- lighter motors will be the aim in airduced the federal reserve banks' plane construction during the com by reports as to the restoration of ratio of gold reserve to net deposit ing year.

above the legal minimum. is thus seen to have been restored be checked by the export of about altitudes. With an altitude range up in about eleven months. Of 1419 £50,000,000 in gold from Great to 40,000 feet, which would then be Abysmal. He should get to the botbridges and tunnels destroyed during Britain, which has already begun entirely feasible, as the experience of tom of things easily. the war, more than half-746, to be and the bulk of which will come to Major Schroeder has shown, it might exact—had been completely restored this country. As about two-thirds of be possible to pick a level marked

considerable purchases have been the rise of sterling exchange. In fact, speed of 300 miles an hour. At this BY-PRODUCTS OF THE TIMES two-thirds normal, and as to freight other European nations, and British Chicago would be three hours from

The president giveth jobs and he creased gold production will be as of hope. taketh them away—sometimes, effective a remedy for inflation as Myers is of course on a fool's errand will be actual reduction of the cur-

harmless form instead of attempting to arouse prejudices against the conclusions of authoritative medical science attained after minute and world-comprehensive investigation. The urge that causes a person who has made absolutely no name at home or abroad as a contributor to physical wellbeing to pit his mere oplinions against the concrete proofs that vaccination is a smallpox proper this channel when it proves that vaccination is a smallpox proper many avenues a valuable for finding facts, but your anti-vaccinations at goes morbidly forward prejudicing goes morbidly forward prejudicing goes morbidly forward prejudicing for the properties of the propert

harmless preventive.

There is published in The Oregonian today a letter from an anti-vaccinationist which accepts the word of one doctor against the government's public health service as regards the It was this same Doctor Hodge, whom the writer quotes, who opened the door to doubtful fame for himto the effectiveness of vaccination as eral distressing epidemics of smallpox and that during the period of them there existed in Japan a law requiring universal vaccination. As cen from Niagara Falls, where this evidence that vaccination is a failure

Now the same capsule mind could is reasonably argue that alcohol does not intoxicate. There is in Oregon a drastic law prohibiting the manufacture of any beverage containing alcohol. This law also prohibits its sale and importation. Yet frequently the police pick up drunken men or arrest intoxicated drivers of automomiles. Ergo, the culprits must be intoxicated by something other than alcohol. Does not the law prohibit

In other words, the great authorinto the causes of disease, a mature in districts where vaccination had hattle flight with death washington City feminists are half-

mind that is habitually disputatious and contrary. We have, for example, had not been actuated by any petty cades and more. From first to last the seriously written pamphlet of commercial motive in resisting paywhich proves to the satisfaction of ethereal mirror and the orbs we s curse upon his head for leading him first one. astray in a matter personally vital as one's health.

Speed of 300 miles an hour in the air may not be as distant as it seems, and the immense social as well as scientific importance of develop-ments in aviation on which engineers are now seriously working will be understood by those who appreciate what it will mean to bring Portland, for Illustration, within ten hours' travel distance from Boston. The two most recent noteworthy achievements in flying in this country, of Major Smith, who went from Puget sound to San Diego in one day, and of Major Schroeder, who reached an altitude of nearly 27,000 feet, have a direct bearing on the prediction that within a short time the continent will be crossed from east to vest or from west to east in a single

day-perhaps in a single flight. Hopes of the engineers were regress Journal as a necessary means vealed at a recent session of the So-to reduction of prices, but it ex-ciety of Automotive Engineers held presses alarm lest large exports of in connection with the New York gold should cause the process to take Aeronautical exposition. Experts angry at Noske. Hot dogs, so place more rapidly than industry said that they had been working in can adapt itself to the decrease of the direction in trying too hard to founded on the diminution in the matter of sixty or seventy pounds in United States' stock of gold in 1919, a 400-horsepower motor, they point- time to plant for early potatoes. through exports and consumption in ed out, is inconsequential by comparithe arts, to the amount of \$292,796,- son with production of motors with 000, which is estimated to be equiva- low head resistance and smaller ent to a forced credit contraction of frontal area. Smaller rather than they would not have them.

super-chargers, or air compressors Further decreases in this ratio will to feed oxygen to motors at high exact—had been completely restored and 594 replaced temporarily, a total of 1340. It has not been reclaimed from the British reserve, and the British reserve and the B has been lent by Great Britain, and beneficial effect is already seen in optimism, would give a total ground thrown his Kapp into the ring.

cannot be done; only that it has not been done.

mill in early prospect, Vancouver is pray." The address was a master-sion allowed us about \$11,000, and versal vaccination, there were from the canceled it, temporarily, so we severe epidemics of small pox exclusions of authoritative medical dock would provide facilities for to judgment."

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to the pending rate suit, will have the benefit of the favorable decision the benefit of the favorable decision to know him and in the end to gone up about 50 per cent." and possible death or disfigurement which is forecast by the examiner's came to know him and in the end to gone up about 50 per cent." the application of a simple and findings. It may reasonably expect believe in him a worthy candidate increased ocean traffic when the In- for the presidency." terstate Commerce commission makes an equitable adjustment of

it equips itself accordingly. truth of statistics obtained directly the healthy progress of Vancouver, Tribune. by The Oregonian from that source. for it recognizes that, though separate municipalities and in different states, the two cities compose pracself by publishing life conclusions as port of the Columbia. Whatever is neighbors.

> The Vale chamber of commerce protests the arrival of the Portland the train leaves for the Harney

reads—except in the vicinity of Mon-mouth and Independence—and not pray for repairs, he has lost all his religion. In one short trip over the highways the top of the editorial cranium struck the

Without visible effects, of course, Home-made whisky killed a Medford man in Reno, but one need not of an arduous journey.

ottle flirts with death. This Americanization movemen can be carried too far. One trouble with servant girls here from the old country is that they learn American standards of wages and hours off too

What about children made or phans by reckless driving? Parents cannot be restored, but perhaps the lives of others may be saved to their little ones by proper punishment of

Railway men in Poland think i foolish to ask for higher wages when of the radioactivity of the earth, besides being enticingly contrary to as fast." For foreigners, those Poles

The Vancouver, Wash., man who changed his name from Gomulkiewicz to Gum could have got the same result by adding a little pepsin to the

The Spokane woman held for theft of an opal necklace worth \$1700 will the orders of "Mistah Moses." be a believer in the superstition bout that kind of jewel ere she is

Mr. Hutchin has the contract for

the floats in the rose festival parades and his work in other years assures some great things this year. The philosophy of the period is summed up in four words of the

current phrase - "like everything else nowadays," Mr. Miller, who is getting "all the money in the world," says last year protest. was the most prosperous of all. His

Now and then an alleged profiteer ment of justice to hang out the 'Busy" sign.

News dispatches from Germany announce that the Pomeranians are

day that governs and that is it is Heavy snows were needed in the

The world now sees the effect of letting Germany lie down before she singer."

was thoroughly whipped. Montesano is buying a \$10,000 fire truck, but that 'has no connection with current events.

Mr. Daniels might be induced to of honor."

How Lincoln Converted the East Told By Melville E. Stone.

who thought their governor, Seward, "We are planning a market road pox, lost only 297 Myers is of course on a fool's errand in his project of a hearing before the senate committee. About all he will get out of it will be the satisfaction of blowing off steam. The point of attack for him should be the White House. The only way he can be vincicated and restored to office is to convince the president of his miscrophicated and restored to office is to president that he may have erred cannot be done; only that it has not cannot be done; only that it has not in his project of a hearing before the will be actual reduction of the current in his project of a hearing before the will be actual reduction of the current in his project of a hearing before the sential reduction of the current in his project of a hearing before the sential reduction of the current.

VANCOUVER AS A POBT.

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By asking the people of Vancouver, Seward, the logical candidate for the high of from Monument west to the Wheler form Monument west to the Vancouver which allittle respect for their guest. He had been regarded as a "rough-and-tumble of their guest. He had been regarded as a "rough-and-tumble of their guest. He had been regarded as a "rough-and-tumble of their guest. He had been regarded as a "rough-and-tumble of their guest. He had been regarded as a "rough-and-tumble of their guest. He had been regarded as a "rough-and-tumble of their guest. He had been regarded as a "rough-and-tumble of their guest. He had been regarded as a "rough-and-tumble of their guest. He had been regarded as a "rough-and-tumble of their guest. He had been regarded as a "rough-and-tumble of their guest. He had been regarded as a "rough-and-tumble of their guest. He had been rection of a public dock, the council of their guest. He had been rection of public dock, the council of their guest. He had been rection of public dock, the council of their guest. He had been rection of public once the John pan least reduction of the logical candidate for the high of the logical candidate for the high of the logical candidate for the had been

railroad rates. It will act wisely if listed men and a major-general of the Portland views with satisfaction line rush is related by the New York

tically one port and are in fact the New York and Boston, and among the practically a year. to the effectiveness of vaccination as obtained from Japanese statistics. He discovered that Japan had had severally discovered the discovered that Japan had had other, hence the two can work to-gether and help each other as good in New England. There was no dining Portland yesterday on his way back ican war. car attached and the station restaur- to his old stamping ground at Conant at New Haven was besieged by a cold, half-famished mob.

General Wood had had no breakfast train at Ontario half an hour after and with the others he began a hunt office of secretary of state. for one as soon as he stepped from country, causing a day's delay at the the cars. Every seat in the restaurjunction point. That is an aggrava- ant was occupied, but three service tion to the man in a hurry, but On- men recognized him and offered, him tario must be a pleasant town in their places. The three chairs which which to while away the passing they had occupied were placed totime. Perhaps, too, it needs the gether so that the entire four could money, which is more to the point, be seated and their three breakfasts were reapportioned in the same way. If any man can drive over Polk county One man took a fried egg from his plate and put it on that of the visitor. The second man parted with two slices one short trip over the highways the top of the editorial cranium struck the auto cover as many as six times.—Dallas Observer. All three offered to share their coffee.

General Wood got something to eat, found companionship and went back been insatiable in his demands for into the train prepared to face the rest

sult. Again it may be stated that the Washington City feminists are bailsmokes-for-women' 'movement.

In defiance of the senate rules com that she would call on Senator Moses, logging machinery. chairman of the committee, to demand equal smoking rights for women in the capitol.

That the senate of the United States should permit men to blow smoke in chants, who visited Portland a few as an outrage.

senate lunchroom. Walters who rushed to intercept her puffs wavered as she stared coldly at them and continued to blow smoke into the air.

"By whose orders?" demanded Miss

The waiter answered that it was by "Who runs this place?" asked Miss

Winsor. mmittee," sald the waiter.

In the reign of William III one John Houghton, who combined the business of apothecary with that of a dealer s picked up to enable the depart- in "tea, coffee and chocolate," commenced an advertising paper which he called A Collection for the Improvement of Husbandry and Trade, In those old days the editor of the paper Wash, whose wheat ranch is near and the advertiser frequently spoke Milton, Or., is at the Hotel Washingin the first person singular, while the the editor. The issues of this curious publication contained many advertisements regarding the musical profession, of which a few specimens taken his ranch near Shedds. at random will serve to give a tolermiddle western states; otherwise ably good idea of the style then prev-

"I want a negro man that is a good house carpenter and a good

"If any young man that plays well on the violin and writes a good hand toria. desires a clerkship, I can help him to 'I want a complete young man that

will wear livery, to wait on a very is at the Benson. Mesopatamia's new king is named valuable gentleman, but he must know how to play on a violin or flute." "I want a genteel footman that can play on the violin to wait on a person

Those Who Come and Go.

by the program and as to freight processing processing the surface of the surface

Joe Lichtenberger of Wolf Creek, A story in which three former enlisted men and a major-general of the army shared the fortunes of a chowline rush is related by the New York Tribune.

A roaring blizzard which recently swept the Atlantic coast had caused a delay of 18 hours to trains between New York and Boston, and among the New York and Doston Holes and States A Or., is among the arrivals at the Perkins. Wolf Creek will be better ingston Seaman says: "In that titanic known, beginning this summer, than contest it was shown how an army

"Shang" Laughrige, who has been a deputy in the office of secretary of state, has resigned and passed through fever scandals of the Spanish-Amer-

William J. Mariner of Blalock, who that he was right that the open river became a reality. The river is now open, but is shy the steamers and traffic that should be already and charges "ignoring on falling of the calls the camps "national disgraces" and traffic that should be plying it, but charges "ignonimous failure of

Portland looks so good to George quarters, that he may settle in the Rose City. Mr. Moulding, who is at the Perkins with Mrs. Moulding, has for information embracing everything from real estate prices to business conditions.

Vaughan of Marshfield, who is at the Imperial. "It's such a good town that Ing a refrain from the vaccinat I don't know what to say about it. "Te Deum" about the safety of we've a shippard that never has vaccinated in time of epidemic. mittee, Miss Winsor, who is a relative We've a shippard that never has mittee, Miss Winsor, who is a relative of the aristocratic Winsors of Massachusetts, smoked two cigarettes in the senate lunchroom. She announced that she would call on Senator Moses,

A four-foot snow storm does n suit the fancy of Leong Chew of Honolulu, nor of Chang Kwal Cheong of Hongkong. China These merwomen's faces and deny the women the right to blow back she branded orders in this vicinity, have just re turned to the Multnomah from a tour More than a stir was created when she lighted her first cigarette in the abundance of snow.

Graduating as a mining engineer at Stanford, Porter Friszell is now milk-ing cows by machinery on his dairy ranch near McCoy, Or. When he was "Ladies don't smoke here," finally a student at the University of Oreventured the most courageous African gon and later at Stanfard he was tween Cellio and Lewiston until the among them.

"By whose orders" demand of the Star football athletes, Mr. Wellide whose orders of the star football athletes, Mr. Wellide whose orders of the star football athletes, Mr. Wellide whose orders of the star football athletes, Mr. Wellide whose orders of the star football athletes, Mr. Wellide whose orders of the star football athletes with the star football at the star football athletes with the star football athletes with the star football at the star foot one of the star football athletes. Mr.
Prinzell informed friends in Portland
yesterday that Mrs. Frizzell has just
presented him with an heir.

Wallula, when she was taken over
the Celilo falls and through The
Dalles of the Columbia. She was op-

Benson Monday night. The cashier made a mistake and gave the patron 55 too much. A few hours later the latter made the discovery and returned the overchange. The belibous since have been paging Mr. Discones.

sus enumerators to count noses, for they know that the population is something better than 100. Once upon a time Eugene France was mayor of Aberdeen, Wash, but now he is busy looking after his vari-Oregon. He is at the Perkins.

George Carmichael of Walla Walla ton on his way to California to visit

J. B. Cornett, who owns a barnful of some of the best Shorthorn cattle in the state, is at the Imperal from Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Pennington of Tillamook are at the Multnomah. Mr.

in the cheese capital. To see what the Portland shops are displaying, Mrs. J. P. M. Calloway is at the Hotel Washington from As-

county, was in town yesterday,

C. W. Rowan, northwestern man-ager of the Palmolive company, which decided to shift its base to California. E. Friend, whose initial may stand for Everybodys, is at the Hotel Wash-ington. He deals in supplies for doc-

WOMAN OPPOSES USE OF VACCINE Prevention of Disease Not Wholly

Reliant on Inoculation, She Says. PORTLAND, March 16.—(To, the

In an article in the North American

Contrasting conditions in the Span don, where he will go into the First National bank. Mr. Laughridge was county clerk of Gilliam county several years before tying up with the crowning exhibition of imbention of several verse ve cility was reserved for the United States in its recent war with Spain, when 14 men were needlessly sacriwilliam J. Agriner of largely respon-sible for the open Columbia river. For years Mr. Mariner advocated an open line or from battle casualties. The number of hospital admission

medical department." our army dietary with non-irritating, easily digested ration furnished the Japanese troops." No wonder our soldiers fell vic-tims of typhoid, with sanitation neg-lected and fed as they were on canned beans and canned beef in the tropical. Why not here, too, in the four epl been insatisate in his demands for in-formation about the town, this thirst demics of smallpox in Japan referred for information embracing everything to above, give credit to sanitary and dietatic measures, instead of

"We've got the best town on the of cases, just as in the case of tyoast for a small town," asserts H. J. phoid in the Japanege army? ination was not properly performed HELEN DROLLINGER.

> VESSEL BUILT ON UPPER RIVER. Captain Gray Recalls Profitable Trip

PASCO, Wash., March 14 .- (To th Editor.)-The Oregonian in reply to Mrs. William Reed says the Harvest Queen was built in this city (Port

Celile, Or., about 1878, and operated or erated a year or two between An honest man was located at the Dalles and then taken down over the

committee," said the waiter.

"Very well," said Miss Winsor, "I shall see Senator Moses about it," then calmly lighted her second cigarette. Feminists applauding her stand declared that it was time to demand a single standard for smoking, and intimated that "smokes for women" may be made a campaign issue. They hinted that the republican party may be held responsible for Senator Moses if he does not yield to Miss Winsor's protest.

Turned the overchange. The bellboys since have been paging Mr. Diogene. A. Westerlund, who runs a hotel at Medford when he is not legislating for Jackson county at Salem, was in Portland yesterday, and about 100 passengers. We freight and about 100 passengers on the way to prove that there is no better town in Oregon than Medford.

Postmaster A. McGregor of Hooper. Wash, is at the Mulinomah. The residents of Hooper didn't need the census enumerators to count noses, for they know that the population is \$75 tons of freight and about 150 passengers. 975 tons of freight and about 150 pas sengers.

This was on the two rivers, opened by canals from Idaho to the Pacific ocean, but they are as idle as when Bryant wrote his "Thanatopsis." except for a few ferry boats and dra-bridges. W. P. GRAY.

Well He Forgets Saturday Vacation, WASCO, Or., March 15 .- (To the Editor.)—Last Saturday morning a boy in the second grade at the Wasco school came to the schoolhouse about \$:38 o'clock, and evidently noticing the stillness, inquired anxiously of the janitor whether the last hell had rung. When informed that it was Saturday, and that there would be no

Pennington is in the dry-goods trade urday and that there would be no school that day he was greatly surprised as well as being relieved at not being late. He then said: "I like to come to school so well that I did not think anything about its being Satur-

ent Churchill was right when he stated during his recent visit that Wasco some months ago, intending to locate seems to take a great interest in education. Perhaps it reflects extra credit a fine plane wareroom in the Odd-

More Truth Than Poetry By James J. Montage

THE CANDID CANDIDATE.

hat are the issues?" we mildly The candidate gave us a look of

disdain; What are the issues?" he paused an perspired "Don't be so stupid! The less ur party believes in the good of th

We're going to go in and untange He waggled his finger in stern indig "What are the insues? The is

are us! What do you stand for?" we waited his answer. He thumped on the deck with his ray, do not be foolish, no or man, sir, Can have any doubt as to just

person dare make the insulti That I lack convictions for which I would fight. Without reservations I'll answer your What do I stand for? I stand for

the right!" What are your views on the league He beat with his fist on his opule TREET

Why ask me, ' he oried, "for renew My views on that subject I've ofte expressed. The highest convictions

shall guide me My views are straightforward as honest and fair.

No matter though critics may soon and deride me, They'll be in the platform; just look for them thera."

What about liquor" He pounded the table. "I cannot," he said, "answer ques tions all night, But if I'm elected I know I'll be able
To settle that problem, and settle
it right.

Don't ask for the details: I cannot disclose them
To tell you about them would
hardly be wise. But this much is certain, that when the world knows them

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Poise. By Grace E. Hall.

I have wept in copiues plenti-

ears that for another's grief far better had been spilled; for grieving o'er my real or fanfurrowed deep my brow on which

had better been a placid sur-face, indicating to those other south perplexed He contrasts That poise and calm are possible to those who strongly strive; and that, like shining halo, such victory may spread its glow Until the countenance of such a one

may be a light to guide to ea, I have wept for self until my eyes were as brown islands, surrounded by a sea of flery

While my weak brain seemed nigh to bursting 'neath its burden of self-pity and commiseration

he skies have turned blue-black and all the world has held no gle for me, the much-abused, the much prejected! While sobs like mournful tem-toms on a drum have set the air a puising with an agony of dis-

and then the aftermath—when tant-drawn nerves released have laggingly gone hack to same and normal action.

While my sore brain or its poor substitute, which failed to function—has slowly east the weight of anguish the rubbish-hoap of discarded error and missued energy.

am but human, nor immune weaknesses such as bafall the average human atom on its But I have won some victories ove

self, and chief of all, self-pity
has been largely vanquished,
leaving me with diearer vision.

Henceforth I'll strive the more for
that sure poise which is the
marvel and the envy of the
week: and if of tears my eyes shall know an overflow, they shall be shed for others' woes, in sympathetic

and kindly understanding of their griefs, serving a two-fold purpose— the one, to soothe another's sorrow; and greater far than leave upon my own serens co

tenance that brand which tells of calm and poise that shall be as a light to inspire Those who, upon the sea of life, are tossed hither and thither by

In Other Days.

Twenty-five Years Ago tralian mall of a terrific hurricans which swept the Fiji islands a few weeks ago, wrecking boats and damaging hundreds of buildings. Among the resolutions adopted yes

terday by the labor congress was one approving the free coinage of silver and another favoring government ownership of railways, telegraph lines and other industries. The only special observance of this

St. Patrick's day, will be solemn high mass and a panegyric of the saint by Rev. Father Newell at St. Patrick's It seems definitely ascertained that

Corbett street, near Lowell.

Prom The Oregonian of March 17, 1870. Washington.—E. J. Solomon of Illi-nois has been confirmed by the senate day."

Is there something new under the sun? Or in the son? Or is the millennium nearly at hand? Think of a schoolboy forgetting Saturday morning!

Los Angeles.—Seed coffee has been received here from the Sandwich islands and experiments in coffee culture! ture will be made here this season. W. T. Shanahan, who left Portland