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Our

DIRECT PRIMARIES

JECT IN DETAIL.

for Joint Represent-

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PORTLAND, May 5 .- (To the Editor.)-

mactment of our present Australian bal-ot law. Evidently that law and our reg-stration law, which I drafted, have come

to stay with us. I feel equally sure if we can secure a good, direct primary election haw of the character I outlined in an ar-ticle printed in The Oregonian of April 2,

1900, that the people will never consent to

people well know-although nearly all out offices are elective—that a few skillful pol-tizians, well styled "the bosses" of the parties, really name the party candidates and thus through them unduly influence

or control every department of our gov-

or control every department of our gov-ernment, the legislative, executive and judicial, and both state and National. Thus, instead of a government by the people and for the people, we are living under a government of "the bosses" have cap-tured the government, and the people are as subject to their rule and as truly pay tribute to them as though our Na-

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pay tribute to them as though our Na-tion had been conquered by them, and we were compelled to pay tribute to them as the nations did of old. People are growing fearful of opposing them for four of worse successors. Time and again more or less successful efforts have been made to overthrow a prominent "bess" or a coterie of "bouses," only to find their successors were no better. No permanent improvement can be been of for writt the

improvement can be hoped for until the people get rid of the system which breeds "besism"-the system of "delegates" and "conventions of delegates" for the purpose

of making the nominations for office. The Australian ballot in its present form in Oregon is admirably suited to

enable the electors directly to declare

through their bullots at the primary elec-

through their bullots at the primary elec-tions, who shall be the candidates of the several parties for each office. The elect-ors are already sufficiently practiced in the use of the ballot to appreciate the fact and judiciously to exercise the new power it will confer upon them. But to overcome the present custom and to pre-vent the practice of the tricks and frauds which would be increased by the theorem.

which would be invented by the "hosses"

and their satellites to retain their con trol, it is necessary to invoke the Legis

lative power. It is necessary carefully to regulate by law the method of mak-

ing the preliminary nominations, of print-ing the ballots and conducting the pri-mary elections. It is also necessary, in

order to abolish the established custom

order to about the estatolished custom of holding "party primaries" and of elect-ing (3) "delegates" to the party "con-ventions," for the purpose of nominating the party candidates. Just as it was necessary by the act of 1891 to take away from the "bosses" the printing and dis-

from the "bosses" the printing and dio-tributing of the party tickets, which trust

they had so grosely abused, so now it is necessary to again legislate them out of control over the nominations. Direct primary elections will never be

Direct primary elections will accomplish what is needed, if "the bosses" can pre-vent li. No doubt primary election bills will be as thick next January as registra-tion bills were at the last session of the Legislature. Much depends upon who drafts them, who amends them, and who

looks after them as they go through the process of being ena. ed. In the case of our Australian ballot act, passed in 1891, and which "the bosses" have tried to

amend mischlevously at every session since, and in connection with our present registration law f have acquired some ex-

perience, and have given some proof of

iny character and qualifications for this kind of lawmaking. I modesily did what I could as a member of the "third House," while the creatures of my party bosses

copied cushioned seats inside the rail and voted "no" upon the bills 1 had beloed prepare and introduce. I now ask those who appreciate what has been accom-plished, and who favor the enaciment of

good direct primary election law, to

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Our recent "primaries" and num conventions" have been instructive.

THE SUNDAY OREGONIAN, PORTLAND, MAY 6, 1900.

INTEREST IN THE PRUNE The Future Foretold feel better today than I have for a year. I thank you, dear doctor, from the bet-tom of my heart, for well do I know that

tom of my heart, for well do I know that you are the one who cured me." Unlike many medicines put up for women's use. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Pre-scription does not depend for its tonic and pain-relieving effects upon alcohol or narcotics. It is absolutely free from alcohol and contains mether optum, co-caine, nor any other narcotic.

A GREAT OPPORTUNITY

Travelers in India sometimes come upon a group of village maidens on the bank Is opened to women suffering from chronie discasses in Dr. Pierce's offer of free con-sultation, by letter. The object of this offer is to afford women the best medical advice obtainable without subjecting them to the indelicate questionings, the of a river or stream, who are endeavor Ing to forecast the happiness or misery which the future has in store for them. The method is very simple. The girl takes a strip of bark and fastens a lighted nings, the immodest examinations, and the unpleas ant local treatments, from which women naturally shrink.

takes a strip of bark and fastes a lighted taper upon it. Then she carefully inunches the bark hoat on the stream and anxious-ly watches its progress. If the light burns steadily and the craft is not over-turned, she augurs a happy future for herceif. But if some sudden puff of air extinguishes the light, or if the frail bearer of the light is caught in some eddy of the current and overturned, she foresees a life fraught with misery. For over 30 years Dr. R. V. Pierce, as chief consulting obysician to the In-valids' Hotel and Surgical Institute of Buffalo, N. Y., has made a speciality of the treatment and cars of the diseases the treatment and care of the diseases peculiar to women. In that time, asbearer of the light is caught in some eddy of the current and overturned, she foresees a life fraught with misery. The disposition to peer into the future is not unnatural, and is not confined to the Hindoo maid. Many an American girl has practiced some of the minor arts of divination in the attempt to forecast what the future may have in store for

maiden mysteries all ignore the relation of the present to the future, and treat the unborn years as if they were con-trolled by arbitrary and abstract conditions.

THE FUTURE ROOTS IN THE PRES-ENT.

FORECAST THEIR FATE.

That is the fact to be impre mind of every young woman. While she is looking forward and wondering what fate may have in store for her, she is herself determining the future about which she is so anxious. Many a woman who has come to wifehood and motherhood and who suffers from diseases which develop after maternity, could trace the cause of her present condition back to those days when in anxiety for the future she neglected the present. Nothing stands still in Nature. The womanity irregularity of today payes the way for the debilitating drains and formale weakness of the future. Young women should never neglect the first symptoms of womanly ill health. The use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is a sure cure for irregularity and

other womanly ailments, and its effect is to establish the womanly organism on a plane of sound health. "I will drop you a few lines today to

"T will drop you a few lines today to let you know that I am feeling well now," writes Miss Annie Stephens, of Belleville, Wood County, W. Va. "I feel like a new woman. I took several bottles of "Favorite Prescription" and of the 'Golden Medical Discovery." I have no headache now, and no pain in my side any more. No bearing-down pain any more. I think that there is no medi-cine like Dr. Pierce's medicine. I thank you very much for what you have done for me-your medicine has done me so much good."

of the vote of the party cast for the office at the last pineral election. All such petitions would have to be filed net less than 10 days before the date for the primary election, and the nominecs would have to accept the invi-tation during two certain days immediately after the said 30 days. Thus, on or before 10 days before the primary election all the proposed candidates would be named, and dur-ing the ninth and eighth days before the pri-mary election all the proposed candidates would have to accept the invitation, in order to be printed upon the primary election ballots. Duplicate impressions of the ballots, Duplicate induces of the primary election, as sample ballots. Secret and Unintimidated Voting. of the party cast for the office MR. BINGHAM PRESENTS HIS PRO. And Offers Himself as a Candidate It is now over 11 years since I inaugurat-ed the movement which culminated in the

County Clerk a petition signed by qualified electors in, number not less than 3 per cent

Secret and Unintimidated Voting The elector would be permitted to split his

vote upon the primary boliot just as he is now allowed to do at the general election. He will be expected to vote at the primary election in a way to signify his choice among all the would-be candidate of each party who roceives the highest number of votes would be the candidate of that party to be printed upon the fields at the following election. To films-trate: Suppose there ware three parties, and the no-party, or climens'-marticineting at the ote upon the primary ballot just as he is ;

## BILL APPROPRIATING \$40,000 HAS BEEN FAVORABLY REPORTED.

WILL TEST OUR TIMBER

Thirty Per Cent to Be Spent in Test ing Pacific Coast Woods-Information for the Public.

WASHINGTON, May .-- A bill provid-ing for an appropriation of \$40,000 for In-vestigations and report on the strength and durability of American timber has been favorably reported by Senator Foeter, as subcommittee, to the Senate com mittee on agriculture and forestry, of which Senater Proctor is chairman. The feature of the bill that is of particular in-terest to the State of Washington and Io the Pacific Northwest in general, is a provision that 30 per cent of the appro-priation shall be expended for timber tests on the Pacific Const.

trate: Suppose there wrre three parties and the no-party, or citizees, participating at the primary election. The result would be that the Republican who polled the highest num-her of votes among the group of Republican candifiates would have the Republican acmi-nation for that office. That Democrat who had the highest number of Democratic votes in the group of Democratic votes particular office would have the nomination of the Democratic party for that office for the following election. And the same for the third party and for the citizens. Certain

## EVERYBODY GET A BUTTON.

The Spanish bronze cannon souvenir buttons are sold for the benefit of the Soldiers' Monument fund. Everybody can afford 25 cents for so fin souvenir of the war and for so patriotic a cause.

Lipman, Wolfe & Co., Third and Washington. Meler & Frank Co., Fifth, Alder and Morrison. Olde & King, Fifth and Washington. Woodard, Clarke & Co., Fourth and Washington. Sig Sichel & Co., 22 Third. Matt Foeller, Chamber of Commerce. The Summers & Prael Co., 257 Washington and 111 Third. Eaberg, Gunst & Co., Third and Alder. Gerson & Taubenheimer, 102 Third. B. B. Rich. 254 Morrison, 103 Third. Portland Hotel. Mish Bros., 273 Washington. Sichel, Fourth and Washington, E. Schller, Fourth and Washington. Mark L. Cohn, 323 Washington. Sig Werthelmer, 125 Sixth, Fifth and Washington. Frank M. Cohn, Third and Morrison. Frank M. Cohn, Third and Morrison, Jack Coffman, Sixth and Morrison, Sam L. Beary, Morrison. Oregon News Company, Sixth. Dennie & Good, 321 Washington, Hermrn Bach, Fifth and Morrisor, Moody's Pharmacy, Morrison and Park. Theodore Oramus, 1 North Third. Reed Bros. 14 North Third. Thomas A. Stewart, 256 Washington. Grant Scott, 139 Third. Frank Huber, 281 Washington. C. F. Silter, Sixth. C. F. Sliter, Sixth. C. F. Silter, Sixth.
George Judge, Stark.
Gustav Rudstrom, 315 Washington.
D. W. Huchner, 50 Third.
Rudolph Marsch, 301 Washington.
Harry Ciyatt, 521 Union avenue.
B. F. Fulton, 374 East Burniside.
G. W. Weatherly & Co., 134 Grand avenue.
Watts & Matthieu, 375 Russell.
W H. Scriveton, 238 Russell. W. H. Eggleston, 288 Russell. C. W. Cowan, 104 Russ

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oak for purposes of strength and durabileclarations of party principles in the alternative might likewise he brought forward, printed on the ballote and voted for, and the and/off would control. It is a system of making nominations and declaring the prin-iples of party organizations directly by the loctors of the party, and does away entirely cipies of party organizations directly by the electors of the party, and does away entirely with the present conventions for making nomi-nations and declaring party platforms.

#### State Nominations.

state nominations, to be voted for throughout the state, the results would be col-lected by the Secretary of State and canvaised lected by the Secretary of State and canvassed the same as the state vote now is at the gen-eral election. It would be a primary election to select candidates for each office, one for each party and one citizens' candidate, and the strongest candidate of each party, and the strongest citizens' candidate at the primary election for each office would be the nominee of the party, and the candidate for the office at the strongest therein a strongest the strongest the set of the set election following.

give me a seat and vote and the other advantages which result from being a member of the Legislature. It would thus put in competition at the get It would must put in competition at the gen-oral election the strongest candidate of each party, with each other party's strongest candi-date for the same office, and with the strong-est citizens' candidate, and the strength of the candidate would be the number of electors be-I have decided, under the circumstances, o present myself as an independent Re-sublican candidate for the office of Joint the number of electors be indicate would be the number of electors be-ind him, not the "imachine" or coterie of pro-asfonal politicians who now dictate the normi-ations which are ratified by the "delegates" they have caused to be sent up to a "co Each voter will thus become, in a m

ity, as well as cheapness. The bill, which was introduced by Sen-ator McBride, provides that in expending

30 per cent of the appropriation on the Pacific Coast the interested parties must furnish a suitable place for the tests to be made. One expert on the subject is of the spinion that the cest of securing the necessary machinery for the tests will be nearly equal to the 30 per cent of the en-tire appropriation. Therefore, he suggest-ed that the Pacific Coast parties be re-

quired to furnish the testing machinery in addition to providing a suitable place for making the tests. The forestry division of the Department

of Agriculture has made some investigations regarding the value of American timber, but has not produced anything satisfactory for popular uses. The work of division would have been continued but for a lack of appropriation. The War Department has, also, made some investi-gations at the Watertown Arsenal, and the Washington University, of St. Louis. an conducted tests in an chie mannet

been made at the Washington University at St. Louis, Mo., and by various railoost companies and individuals, but for ob-viour reasons there is a lack of uniform-ity, completeness and authenticity, m available timber test data. There is no ac-cepted fountain head or authoritative nource where accepted and reliable reports can be had such as are generally accepted as a standard as a standard. as a standard. "For the above reasons it is deemed eminently proper and very desirable that impartial and absolutely accurate limber test data, covering all of the various woods of the country, be compiled as speedily as possible and published in com-pact and convenient form, in order that the same may become a standard refer-ence on this important subject." It is expected that the Agricultural De-partment will soon be able to issue an a-

partment will soon be able to issue an .n-teresting and valuable bulletin on timber tests.

## DEATH OF ROSS MERRICK.

#### Well - Known East - Sider Passes Away-Republican Meeting.

Ross Merrick, a pioneer of 1852, and a well-known resident of Portland, on the East Side, died at his home on the corner of East Pine and East Twenty-third streets, yesterday forenoon at 10 o clock, after an illness of two years. Within the past six months Mr. Merrick has been practically helpless, although up to a few weeks ago he was able to get about the house and sometimes walk on the street. With his wife he moved to the country this Spring, in the hope that the country this Spring, in the hope that the change would benefit him, but it did not, and he was brought back. Mr. Merrick was born in Ohio, and was 15 years and 3 months old. In 1852 he

arrived at Milwaukle, where he lived with his wife for 16 years. They then came to Portland and lived here up to his death. For six years under the city government of East Portland he served as City Mar-shal. Then he was elected a member of the City Council, and remained a member until he declined nomination. As an officer he was perfectly fearless and impartial in the discharge of his duties. During the time he served as a member of the City Council he was an uncompromising opponent of every measure that in his udgment was wrong or ill-advised. He sarned the title of being the "kicker," but he only opposed bad measures. When the Council commenced to give fran-chises. Mr. Merrick insisted on restric-tions, and with almost prophetic vision declared in many speeches that the time would come when the lack of restrictions would be a serious matter for the city. Mr. Merrick was not contentious, and his judgment was singularly sound on all municipal questions. It can still be recalled how he denounced measures he considered were contrary to gound economy. He was respected and regarded as a man of inrespected and regarded as a man of in-tegrity. He was a member of Washing-ton Lodge, No. 46, A. F. & A. M. The funeral will take place Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock, under the auspices of this lodge. Lone Fir cometery will be the place of interment.

U. S. Grant Republican Club Rally. There will be a grand Republican rally at Gruner's Hall, corner East Seventh and Stephens streets, Eighth Ward, next Wed-nesday evening, under the auspices of the U. S. Grant Republican Club. Prepara-tions are making for the largest political tions are making for the largest political demonstration for the regular Republican licket from top to bottom that has been held since the last Presidential election. The main speaker of the evening will be D. Solis Cohen. The Oregon quartet, fa-mous for good and lively selections, will be there. The Southern Pacific Band will render several selections. There will also be an interesting supprise. All candidates be an interesting surprise. All candidates on the regular Republican ticket are cor-dially invited to be present. There will not be a dull moment during the meetnot be a dull moment during the meet-ing. Everybody in Portland knows just where the U. S. Grant Republican Club stands. All Republican clubs are cordially invited to participate in this demonstra-tion. The Sellwood Republican Club, also a fine, statwart Republican club, with J. E. Reinke at its head, will join in this rafly. In addition to the address of D. Solis Cohen there will be five-minute talks by the candidates and the meeting talks by the candidates, and the meeting will close promptly at 10 o'clock. Women will be welcome, and there will be some-thing that will interest them.

### Bishop Dubs Arrives.

Bishop R. Dubs, D. D., LL. D., senior bishop of the United Evangelical church. arrived yesterday from the Willamette towns, where he had been visiting the churches under his jurisdiction. He was accompanied by Rev. Gharles C. Poling, D. president of the La Fayette College, and they will spend the day in Portland. The bishop seems pleased with the pros-perous condition of the churches and peoe he visited and met while on his tour. Everywhere he went he found evidences

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO HOW THE MAIDENS OF INDIA INVESTIGATE THOROUGHLY. Believed That Great Benefit Will Come to This Northwestern In-

dustry by Study Elsewhere.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 2-In Increasing the appropriation for botanical investigations and experiments from \$20,-000 to \$20,000, as provided by a Senate amendment to the Agricultural Depart-ment appropriation bill, it is proposed to give particular attention to the prune For particular attention to the prime culture in the Pacific Northwest. Senator Foster, who secured a \$10,000 increase, be-lieves that a thorough investigation is needed covering the questions of earlier maturing varieties, which will avoid the Autumn raise, and which are not subject to certain diseases. It is also desired that attention shall be given to varieties of prunes that will better withstand the cold weather, prevailing at intervals in cer-tain districts. The question of harvesting, drying and preparing the prune for mar-ket is also to be thoroughly investigated, in order to secure uniform grades, such as are demanded by the trade.

Secretary Wilson, of the Department of Agriculture, estimates that the States of Oregon, Washington and Idaho have es-tablished a prune industry representing an estimated investment of \$5,000,000 or \$15,000,000. The Secretary balleves, from the records presented during the past two or three years, that the industry is still in a precarious condition, and that a in a precarious condition, and that a therough investigation is necessary. The specialists connected with the Ag-ricultural Department, have been con-ducting an investigation already with the prunegrowers of the Northwest, together princerowers of the Northwest, together with the agricultural experiment stations. It is believed that if the investigation proposed had been started two years ago improvements in curing and marketing the prune crop would have increased the value of the yield several hundred thou-sand dollars. It is believed the loss sus-tained by Autumn rains can be avoided iargely by securing earlier maturing vari-etics. The department estimates that a variety maturing 10 days earlier, in some variety maturing 10 days earlier, in som instances, would result in the saving o 30 per cent of the entire crop.

## IN JOHN BROWN'S MEMORY

#### Paul Lawrence Dunbar Society Will Hold a Celebration.

The Paul Lawrence Dunbar Society w hold a celebration in honor of the 100th anniversary of the birth of John Brown May 8, 8 P. M., at the A. M. E. Ziou Church. Following is the programme: Organ voluntary-Mrs. Roberts. Prayer-Rev. E. O. 3. Swan.

Introductory remarks-W. L. Brady, Solo, vioiln-Fred Bolmer, Paper, "John Brown and His Work"-

W. Fullilove. Reading extracts from John Brown's adiress to the court at his trial-Mrs. K. Gray.

Paper, "The Religious Side of John Brown"-Rev. E. O. S. Swan. Recitation, "Harper's Ferry" - Miss dith Dee.

Music by the society. Address, "Life and Character of John Brown"-B. R. Carie. Solo, selected-Mrs. Dora Newman. Paper, "The Humanity of John Brown"

C. A. Ritter. Recitation, poem-A. A. Foster. "The Tragedy at Harper's Ferry"-Joe

Solo, selected-J. W. Payne, Paper, "What the Negro Owes to John Brown"-Rev. Mr. Seabrook. Solo, "Star-Spangled Banner"-W. H.

Carter. Recitation, "Sherman's March to the Sea"-Arthur Wall,

## HOTEL ARRIVALS.

THE PERKINS. THE PERKINS. Henry Wolf, San Fran Walter Bowen, Seath Cal G P U'Ren, Dalles J M Etimer, Spokane Mirs Virginia C Etimer, Bjokane B J Simon, Boston Mirs Angenta Doublett, Miss Virginia C Etimer, B J Rimon, Boston Mirs Ana Dowthertt, Salt Lake, Utah T H Smith, Omaha Miss Ansa McCullough Nordon Physics and States Mirs Ansa McCullough Nature C J Sciences Mirs Ansa McCullough Nature C Miss, Pi Dodge, 1a Sociamento States States Mirs Ansa McCullough States States Mirs Mansa McCullough Miss Virginia C Etimer, Balt Lake, States Mirs Ansa McCullough Mirs Ansa McCullough Mirs Virginia C Etimer, B C King, States Mirs J Dodge, 1a Sociamento States States Mirs Mansa Mirs J Mirs Hughes, Hille-B C King, Pt Dodge, 1a F Davidson, do

caused often by ignorant and unskillful treatment at the hands of inexperienced local practitioners. All correspondence is treated as absolutely private and sacredly confidential. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

#### A WORD OF EXPLANATION.

The offer of free consultation by letter has been imitated so often by hose hav-ing no medical knowledge or ability that it seems necessary to point out the dif-ference between the real offer of a real physician and the imitations of it. Any man or any woman, butcher or baker. dressmaker or cook, can offer "free medical advice," and they can give it, too. Of course it's absolutely worthless advice, be-cause those who make the offer are not ot physicians and have neither medical edu cation or experience. In fact, they don't claim to be physicians, because, while the law can't provent the offer of "advice" of any kind by man or woman, it can and does prevent the assumption of the tills of physician by any unqualified person, man or woman. Medical "advice" from an unqualified

man or woman is worse from an unqualified man or woman is worse than worthless. It deludes the sufferer with a heps of cure which cainnot be realized. Est swery woman examine for herself the qualit-cations of those offering free medical advice, and compare them with the qualifi-cations of Dr. R. V. Pierce, for more than 30 years chief consulting physician to a famous institution, with nearly a score of emiment physicians as his con-sulting staff.

If you are persuaded to give "Favor-ite Prescription" a trial, do not be the Prescription" a trial, do not be turned aside by the offer of some sub-stitute as "just as good." This offer is only made by dealers who covet the extra profit gained in the sale of less

GUESSWORK IS NOT SAFE



# PLACES WHERE BUTTONS ARE ON SALE

tative from Clackamas and Mutt. nomah Counties, to be voted for at the next June 4 election. My chief object is to secure the enactment of a good direct primary election law, such as was outlined by me in The Oregonian of April 2. I do not feel that I am joppardizing the elec-tion of a gold standard and otherwise de girable Republican United States Senator for, if elected, I shall vote for no other kind of man. If the Republican managers Kind of man. If the Republican managers think my course may have that effect, let them withdraw their candidate and sub-stitute me. I believe I am as good and a more independent Republican, if I am not a better Republican, than my opponent, Mr. Dresser, of Oregon City, who has found favor with the Republican "bosses." As for my Democratic commetitor Mr. As for my Democratic competitor, Mr. Milner, of Portland, I believe he sincerely Milner, of Portland, I believe he sincerely wants to help enact such a primary law sa I want, but he is the nominee of the party which has not recently elected a Legislative candidate from this dis-trict, and I think I will stand a better chance of being elected than he will or does now. And I believe that, if elect-ed I could necemplish more. At all ed, I could accomplish more. At all events, let the electors decide. If some At all of those who are willing to infinite my cardidacy by signing my "petition," in order to secure the printing of my name upon the ballots, will take the trouble to the send me a postal card or letter addressed to my office, fil Union block, 2214 Mor-rison street, I will feel encouraged, and also obliged to them. ED W. BINGHAM.

#### Mr. Bingham's Primary Plan.

Mr. singulars v remarky Plan. If I were to attempt to draft a primary election law, I might go farther than would be agreenble to some of the political manag-ers, who are especially pleased with the present methods of conducting the primaries and helding conventions and making nomina-tions of condidates for office in the names of the parties. I think, however, that the peo-ple are ready for such a change in the system as I will outlike. as I will outline

#### Australian Ballot for Primaries.

I would by law fix a date, about two month before the date fixed for holding the fore the date lixed for holding the general eriton, at which all the parties which can per cent or more of the votes at the in meral election should hold and comjuct the financies and commante their candidates. Haw a judges and clerks appointed, the ballo finited and the primary election conducts thetainfally as our general elections are no outputted. The County Clerk of each count obseted. The County Clerk of each county uid print the ballots, furnish the blanks , to the judges; the Sheriff would provide the pulling-places, booths, etc., as now is den-st our general election. The jodgers and election would certify the returns to the County Clerk; the returns would be, canvased and

qualifications of voters at the primary election about the shown by the last preceding regimer, or established at the polls, as now required by the resistantion law, in case the applicant is not found in the register.

#### Nominations to Be Automatic.

The electors at the primary election word, one directly for their choice of the candidate wate directly for their choice of the candidates for each office. Unlegates and committees of delegates would thus be absiliabed. The clos-tion would example the electors to bote directly for their choice among all the candidates for nomination for each office. The ballot would be printed in perpendicular columns; for in-stance, the first column would be the Bepub-lican, the second the Democratic, the third, some other parts, and finality a "citizens" or no-party column might be provided. To be reme a candidate for a nomination and have cone's parts printed on the primary election me printed on the primary ballot. It would be necessary to file with the | E. H. Hasiam and Mrs. E. C. Tucker,

Each voter will thus become, in a measure, vepcasible for the candidates put forward by its party, and the electors will come forward and vote at the primaries with the same inter-st they now vote at the general election. It will make the primary elections in fact, what the name signifies, and not what they are at present-a means of delegating to the prime political managem the control of the ce political managers the control rty nominations.

## PERSONAL MENTION.

A. Edwards, of Sumpter, is registered at the Perkins

H. R. Foote, of Westport, Or., is at the St. Charles. W. R. Jenking, of Seattle, is registered

at the Portland.

C. H. Moor, of Stevenson, is registered at the Imperial. Mrs. F. P. Kendall, of Astoria, is a gues

of the Imperial C. P. Hogue, of Oak Point, is registered

at the St. Charles D. B. Richardson, of Hellx, is regis-

tered at the Perkins M. Lannan, of Salt Lake City, is registered at the St. Charles.

George Nixon, of Spokane, registered yesterday at the Pertland.

A. L. Cheney and wife, of Los Angeles, are guests of the Portland.

Ex-Judge A. S. Bennett, of The Dalles is registered at the Perkins.

C. S. Ettinge and family, of Spokane are registered at the Portland,

Charles E. Wolverton, State Supreme Judge, is registered at the Imperial, from

Salem.

D. H. Welch and wife, with Miss Nancy Weich, are registered at the Perkins, from Astoria

T. E. Going, a mining man of Sumpter is at the Perkins preparing to visit Hon-olulu for his health.

P. C. Hetzler, of the Oregon and Wash ington Bible Society, is registered at the Imperial from Salem.

Fred T. Merrill and his secretary, Lee ljams, will leave this evening on a brief business trip to Seattle.

William S. McCready, of Black Hawk, Wis., a former citizen of Portland, is registered at the St. Charles while visiting the city

Wiley B. Allen left for San Francisco inst evening. It is rumored that the Wiley B. Allen Co. will . soon move its headquarters to San Francisco, and re-tain its store here as a branch.

Rev. H. S. Templeton, of San Francisco arrived in the city yesterday, and is a guest of Dr. and Mrs. C. R. Templeton. He will speak at both the morning and evening services at the Westminater Pres-byterian Church, Tenth and Weidler streets.

Mrs. Alida Adams, accompanied by her Mrs. Alida Adares, accompanied by ner prising results accompanies of the prising respected accompanies of the prising res

but has given much attention to Southern white pine. It is believed, however, that the owners of large tracts of white pine were interested in having these tests made in connection with financing their proper

What is desired, according to Senator Foster's report, extracts from which follows, is an autoentic and authoritative mary of the strength and durability of American timber that will be accepted by the public as impartial, accurate and thoroughly reliable:

The necessity exists for the speedy pub-lication of authentic information regard-ing the relative strength and durability of American timber. While it is true that umerous tests have been made, and at various times and places, matisfactory in-formation, suitably arranged in tables and in a comprehensive style, and covering the subject thoroughly and impartially, cannot be collected and published by the Government because of a lack of appro-Government because of a nort of appro-priations for this commendable purpose. "Authentic information of the nature contemplated by the bill is most desira-ble, and the same will prove of incalcu-lable value to the public at large. Great loss and much inconvenience result from a lack of reliable information on this sub-test and is view of the enormous summ t acc of reince internation of the enormous sums annually expended in harvesting the products of the American forests, and in the purchase of lumber throughout and in the purchase of lumber infoughout the country, the data to be published should not only be complete, authentic, impartial and comprehensive, but should be specify complied, as contempiated in this bill, Above all, the information, lesired by consumers and purchasers of umber, is something reliable, authentic and authoritative-in a word, something omplete and impartial that would be ac-cpted as a standard reference. "The results desired would, indeed, be of the greatest value to engineers, as well as the public generally. In fact, of such value are these tests to engineers and those directly interested in possedang authentic data, that several investiga-

tions have been conducted by private par-ties, particularly in recent years as re-gards Douglas fir, or what is commonly termed "fir." The tests have been conducted mostly by rallroad companies for the purpose of availing themselves of such facts as would guide them in pur-chasing bridge and car-building lumber

ensing brage and car-onlining lumor with the best possible results. "With reference to that portion of the bill providing that 30 per cent of the amount appropriated be utilized in con-ducting investigations on the Pacific Coast, may be proper to direct attention to e fact that the State of Washington has an ennual lumber cut aggregating ap-proximately 700,000,000 feet, and the annual shipments by rail to the East, not-withstanding the long rail haul, amounts to nearly 200,000,000 feet. A considerable to nearly source refer a considerable portion of these rail shipments is the di-reci result of the tests referred to, im-parting as they did a more thorough knowledge possessed by railroad com-panies of the strength and durability of fir timber. This knowledge is, as a

rule, not possessed by the public gener-ally. Some idea, however, of the sur-prising results attained may be indicated by a comparison of the strength develop under treating tests by white pine. Eas 1610 Ibs. Eastern white pine .....

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contentment and prosperity. The rches are growing and getting out of debt, and the people are more prosperous than they have been for years. The bishop contributed with his advice toward the solution of the educational question, and the result will be the union of the La Fayette and La Creole schools in one strong institution.

Will Lecture on Masonry.

M. W. J. M. Hodson, grand master the grand lodge of Oregon of A. F. & A. M., will pay an official visit to Wash-lington and Hawthorie lodges, A. F. & A. M., jointly, on next Monday evening, May 7, at their hall in the Burkhard building, and will deliver an address on Masonic subjects. As is neual on such occasions an excellent treat is in store Masonic for all Masons.

Portland Girl Married.

At the English Lutheran Church, of Oakland, Cal., Wedneeday, April 25, by the Rev. William Keily, Miss Emma Eugenia Smith, of Portland, was married to George D. Young, of Fort Bragg, Cal. Mr. and Mrs. Young will reside at Fort Bragg, Cal., and will be at home after May L

#### East Side Notes.

There will be an important meeting of Camp Gilbert, No. 4, tomorrow evening, at its quarters, corner Union avenue and East Morrison street. Business in which all are interested will come before the amp.

Mrs. E. S. Miller, the well-known singer, who recently returned from New York, has been very ill with the grip. Her voice was also so affected that she has been anable to sing. She is now recovering, and hopes soon to be fully restored. James Rice, an East Side young man, who was severely injured a few months ago by a fall, is able to be about. While not able to walk he can wheel around on a bicycle. His ankle was injured. He

topes soon to be fully restored. The storm of Friday evening swayed the political tent on Beacon and East Tenth streets, and fhreatened to blow it over, but several men hurried in the downpour and staked it down securely. It stood the storm very well, and will soon resound with the eloquence of the aspiring, or despairing, candidates.

Mrs. C. R. Thoburn, wife of the late Rev. Crawford R. Thoburn, left last even-ng with her four children for San Fran-She will remain in the latter place with a friend for a few days, when she will proceed to the home of her mother in Kansas. Here she will remain till September, when she will return to Port-

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