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OUR CITIES, HERE AND THERE.

That Oregon, has only one large town is due wholly to slowness of rail-, road development in the state. There should be by this time a city of 75,000 inhabitants on Coos Bay. It is useless to expect in these days that cities will build in places where there are no means of rapid and effective communication. Every modern city is a product of the railroad. It is the su-perior energy of railroad effort in the State of Washington that has carried the development of that state far beyond the development and growth of Oregon. The railroads have built Washington's towns and cities and have built up the country by afford-

ing facilities for the movement of the people and the transportation of its products. Washington, with an area

Alabama one, in Georgia one or more. numerous large cities, for so great a great benefit to the United States. region, with resources so vast, must

fulfill its destiny. But it will be slower, because the negro population is very large, and Industrial life-the manual labor-is too much restricted to the negro race. Field labor, heavy labor, is considered its portion, and white men avoid it. This it is that holds back the industrial and commercial development of the South. This is the main reason why the cities of the South do not rapidly grow and become great, like those of the North. Great citles never can be the product of labor in its lower forms. But perhaps we ought to have no great cities.

THE REVOLVER.

One of the great problems of Ameri- may be at the cost of some suffering can life is to disjoin the fool from the and he may not find it in the city, revolver. There will be revolvers, of ourse, so long as there are fools and irresponsible persons to buy them and and this young man can find it if he to carry them and to use them; and here will be fools and irresponsible persons to buy and to carry and to suitable clothing to protect him from use them till public opinion shall en- the weather, but there are worse evils

Our shop windows throughout America are stocked with revolvers. You will not see the like in any other country that pretends to a civilization. Hamilton it could tell him of one or Every worthless and irresponsible person among us buys and carries a reupon every provocation, or without rovocation. The ordinary American fool conceives that the revolver is made to shoot with, whenever he wants to shoot. Now since these are utterly irresponsible in other ways. hey should be made responsible to rigorous preventive and punitive laws.

igorously executed. At this moment ten thousand revolvers are in the pockets of irresponsible and worthless persons in this own; and tens of thousands more are offered for sale, many of them at open windows. The buyers are invariably of the irresponsible class, who pretend they want to "protect" themselves. But no decent, honest, sensible citizen expects to protect himself with a revolver. It is of no use even against the footpad.

Search of any crowd of persons drinking in a saloon would discover revolvers in the pockets of a great umber of them. At theaters or dances, on the street. In the sleeping room - always the revolver. But wherever it is seen it betrays a moral Irresponsibility. It is one of the most

pregnant signs of the weakness of the American character.

The fool has a trifling grievance, or thinks he has. Hc shoots. He has fit of jealously over a wanton woman, and he shoots. He feels himself "insulted" in one way or another, and he shoots. He hears the newsboy delivering the morning paper, and he shoots. In a thousand other situations he shoots. If juries would march off a lot of these shooters to the penitentiary there soon would be less shoot

No honest man ever is in a situation where he can defend himself with a revolver. The irresponsible fool, in possession of a revolver, always fires when it isn't necessary. We never shall be a civilized people till we can disjoin the irresponsible fool from the revolver. Honest, quiet and decent people never encumber themselves with it.

ing.

GERMAN TARIFF AGREEMENT. The mild concession shown the Ger-

congratulations to the statesmen who Concentration is beginning at such succeeded in perfecting the moderate-points as Atlanta. Bermingham and ly reciprocal arrangement. More of The business men of Portland Gaiveston. The South yet will have this kind of tariff reform will be of

> ADVICE TO H. HAMILTON. The Oregonian has received from a

man named Hamilton one of those letters which excite mingled sympathy and contempt. He says he is a stran ger on Portland, that he has less than dollar in his pocket, that he has diligently sought work and failed to find it. What shall he do? Three alternatives present themselves to him. He can steal, beg or commit' suicide. He asks The Oregonian to advise him which to choose.

The Oregonian advises him to choose neither one. Unless Mr. Hamifton is sick he can find work before the necessity befalls him to steal. It

though we think he may. But there is work waiting to be done somewhere, will persevere. It is a point against his chances of victory that he has not

force rigid measures against sale and possession of revolvers. than being wet and cold. Being a thief is one of them and being dead is another. If The Oregonian were favored with the personal acquaintance of Mr.

two jobs waiting to be done; but they are not in town and they involve volver. It is whipped out and fired pretty vigorous exercise of the muscles. Nor would the remuneration make him a millionaire for many days to But the work would provide come. him with the primal necessities of life and the pay would put him where h

could do something better. Mr. Hamilton's handwriting indicates that he is not without education, and his power of expression is far

above his unkindly fortunes. But he is not the first man who has seen hard tuck and he will not be the last one It rests with himself to decide whether iron adversity shall conquer, or his own will. Be bold, Mr. Hamil ton, be bold and evermore be bold. Don't give up the fight, and don't whine. Who knows what waves of happiness are breaking for you on emerald shores whither you yet shall voyage? If you must die, die fighting,

and not as one of the conquered. Keep a stiff upper lip, tighten your belt, and try again. Somewhere there is a victory for you, and, if you strive hard enough, by and by God will take notice and show you where it is.

MIDWINTER HOSE-PLAY.

If there is any virtue in retailation n kind, the cowardly custom of hazing first-year pupils by upper-class men will be broken up in the Ritzville (Wash.) high school. Having learned that three freshmen had been overpowered by four times three upper classmen, taken to the basement, stripped, drenched with icy water from the hose and forced to put their clothes on wrong side out, the faculty of the school decided to give the humorous twelve a lively turn at their own game. This decision was carried out and the twelve husky lads were given a cold-water douche that they will long remember. They were then graciously permitted to robe their shivering bodies in their clothing that had been turned wrong side out for the occasion and allowed to go their

way. There is some risk of pneumonia in this sort of by-play, to be sure, but not more than is frequently taken in baptising converts in a stream in which a hole in the ice has been bromans by the preferential tariff which ken for the process. The doubting

great states of the South there yet showing now being made that offers enjoyed the exhibit of dairy products chistic in its depths. He was progreswill be great cities-in Texas one, in the slightest excuse for anything but and viewed with interest the various sive and constructive. His statesman kinds of machinery used in the manshowed their interest in the convention and its work by subscribing lib- Kipling, with all his lauded subjection

erally to the fund for entertainment, the printing of the proceedings (which - ure quite equal in power and beauty to will be sent broadcast over the United this States and Canada) and the prizes offered to insure excellence in both pro-His hope never flags, and his song is duction and display. evermore a song of faith

The hearts of men as one.

This convention proved that by combining the commercial interests with those of the producer most sat-That trusts the end isfactory results can be obtained. Certainly the business men of Portland are not only willing but anxious to use every possible effort and encouragement in the further development of

a branch of the state's growth that can easily be increased within a few years to \$100,000,000 annually, for our own people and those from all sections of the country in a position to know are future. agreed upon one point, and that is that Oregon will eventually Become very decidedly the greatest dairy state

in the Union.

WHITTIER.

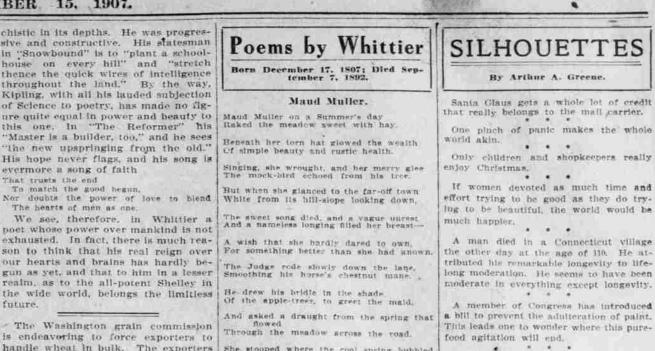
Next Tuesday will be the hundredth voyage between the Pacific Northwest anniversary of the birth of the poet and Europe. The opening of the Pan-Whittier. He was born on December ama Canal, offering a short route to 17, 1807, almost two years earlier than Europe, will undoubtedly admit of Fennyson. He belongs, therefore, to wheat being shipped in bulk, but a world that for us has vanished, the pending its completion, there is not world of Italian liberty, of the alliance much likelihood of a change. The present method of shipping in bags between the Pope and Austria, of slavery, and the war of the Greeks for independence. To Whittier all these brings no additional profits for the exporters over and above what would be matters were alive, and his mind received from shipping in bulk. In burned with partisan and prophetic fact, with the entire bag output in the ardor for the patriot, the slave and the hands of a Calcutta trust, most of the right, wherever on the wide earth they bags for the past two years have been were to be found. He was a man of distributed at a loss to the exporters, his generation, tingling with life and but the cost of the bag is one of the passion, virile, vituperative, pouring expenses which our remote position out on every occasion songs whose enfrom the markets makes necessary. ergy never slackened and whose lyrid

ones swell sometimes to symphonic The attempt to revive the calamity grandeur and seize upon the soul with howl that erstwhile resounded over onquering power. Not to be numthe plains of Kansas will be futile bered among the demigods of song, Kansas has a huge crop of corn, but Whittier has none the less a place se-'none to burn" this year. ture in the ranks of the immortals and mous holdings of livestock indicate the his hold upon the American people use to which it will be put. Not for grows stronger from year to year. The 25 years, excepting 1961, says P. D. thoughts we are thinking today about Coburn, secretary of the State Board right and wrong, rich and poor, tyrant of Agriculture, has Kansas corn been and slave, labor and capital, Whittler worth so much a bushel as now, add thought long ago, and expressed with ing: "This year's farm products and a potent vigor which most of us must Hvestock envy in vain. alue of \$463,648,606, being \$39,313,-Whittier's appeal is to America, His

739 in excess of the best prior year in sympathies are universal, but still they the history of the state, which was are so interlinked with local allusion 1906." Talk of hard times in the pres and wedded to our peculiar conditions ence of these facts and figures makes of life that they must be hard for Kansas farmers smile. Europeans to understand. Foreigners ghost of Jerry Simpson could not proare fonder of Poe, a great master of duce a "scare" under conditions of mystic expression whose vague figures roam in a cloudland common to plenty such as these figures indicate.

dreamers everywhere. When a man does not mean much by his pocms The old stage route, known for forty years as the Pendleton-Pilot everybody is at liberty to make them Rock line, has been relegated to the nean whatever he likes; hence Poe past. Useful during its long day and will always have a wider reading in Indispensable to the stinted commerce Europe than Whittier, and so will of a wide region, this stage line has a Longfellow. The tender insipidities of length been superseded by a railroad that gentle imitator necessarily touch spur-the last section to go out of a thousand soft hearts which find litbusiness of the old overland stage tle charm in the virile measures of route between The Dalles and Ogden. Whittier, who is never flatulent, sel-Its withdrawal marks the close of and consistently robust. If storled era in the annals of early om silly the majority of mankind were rather transportation facilities and methods weak in their intellects and given to In the great Inland Empire. sentimentality rather than genuine tory is but a "traveler's tale," aboundemotion they would prefer Longfellow ing in incidents that enter into the to Whittler, and as a matter of fact they have hitherto preferred him, story of the settlement of a wild and vast wonderland-the passing from though there is now some indication savagery to civilization of a wide doof a change. main

In his religion Whittler was an agnostic. This does not mean that he had no faith. He overflowed with rovement, as far as \$11,000 will profaith, but it was critical, questioning, vide therefor, of Crater Lake Park, by unawed by tradition, undaunted by authe General Government. If the wonthority. He believed in the ultimate der-places of the Nation are to be preof institio on earth he was riumph assured of the future well-being of men in another world. But where and when and how he did not presend to T know not where thy islands lift their fronded palms in air; I only know I cannot lose Thy constant love care." This is the keynote of Whittler's religion, which was rich, aggressive and victorious. "Yet love vill dream and faith will trust, since he who knows our need is just: that somehow, somewhere, meet we must. Alas, for him who never sees the stars shine through his cypress trees; who hath not learned in hours of faith the truth to flesh and sense unknown, that Life is ever Lord of Death, and Love can never lose its own." Tennyson wrote nothing of a finer savor than this passionate lyric, outburst in "Snowbound." Read it along with that Divine hymn, "Strong Son of God Immortal Love" and it holds its own Both poets walk among the stars-Tennyson almost habitually, Whittier only in his moments of exaltation. His religion was that of a man. It does not appeal to schoolgirls or sentimen talists of any age; but it is the relig-



"Ah me

In Virtue's presence Vice may doff its hat, but it always keeps its cloak on. . . .

Senator Fulton is loyal to his constituents. In Washington he lives at a hotel called the Portland. . . .

Since her acquittal Mrs. Bradley has decided to engage in newspaper work in Goldfield. How can such women expect the stage ever to be elevated when they shirk their responsibilities in this man-

. . . A Georgia bridegroom recently fainted at the altar just as the minister pro-nounced the fatal words. He must have seen his bride's face in repose for the first time and remembered that she couldn't sing. (Acknowledgment to a famous old joke.)

Since the Sunday laws are being so strictly enforced in New York, it might be appropriate to refer to Broadway as "The Great Bine Way."

Exodus.

(The press disputches announce that the tide of immigration has turned and that thousands of foreign-born residents of this country are returning to their former homes.)

What 'r we going to do for policemen, Who's going to make our beer; What 'll be our chance for music When the foreign folks disappear?

How 'r we going to get spaghetti, Who's going to do the wash; Who'll sell the millionaires Turkish rugs! That'll be tough b' gosh.

Where'll we get opera singers, What'il the Socialists do: Who's going to work on the railroad? Well, I'll put it up to you.

Life won't be worth the living. Things will be dull all day, When Mariuceia taka da steamhoat And the foreigners sail away.

A Bargain-Day Incident.

Adam was taking a morning stroll through the Garden of Eden. "Unexpectedly he came upon Eve throwing clubs into a fig tree. "What are you doing that for?" asked

the Father of Men. "I'm doing my Christmas shopping," re-

plied the Mother of Women, as she shied another stick to the topmost branch and gathered up the leaves that fell.

The Minstrel Band

Down the street comes the minstrel band, Marching in step to the music grand, And the folks all look and spellbour

in "Snowbound" is to "plant a schoolhouse on every hill" and "stretch thence the quick wires of intelligence throughout the land." By the way, of Science to poetry, has made no figone. In "The Reformer" "Master is a builder, too," and he sees "the new upspringing from the old."

our hearts and brains has hardly begun as yet, and that to him in a lesser

handle wheat in bulk. The exporters She stooped where the cool spring bubbled are opposed to the system, as it has And filled for him her small lin cup. never proved successful for the long

And blushed as she gave it, looking down On her feet so bare, and her tattered gown. "Thanks"' said the Judge, "a sweeter

draught From a fairer hand was never quaffed. He spoke of the grass and flowers and trees, Of the singing birds and the humming bress

Then talked of the haying, and wondered

whether The cloud in the west would bring foul weather.

And Maud forgot her brier torn gown. "And her graceful ankles bare and brown, And listened, while a pleased surprise Looked from her long-lashed hazel eyes

At last, like one who for delay . Seeks a vain excute, he rode away.

"He would dress me up in silks so fine And praise and toast me at his wine.

"My father should wear a broadclath coat My brother should sail a painted boat.

"Td dress my mother so grand and gay, And the baby should have a new toy each

"And I'd feed the bungry and clothe the

And all should bless me who left our door."

The Judge looked back as he climbed the

And saw Maud Muller standing still.

"A form more fair, a face more sweet, Ne'er hath it been my lot to meet.

"And her modest answer and graceful air

"No doubtful balance of rights and wrongs Nor weary lawyers with endless tongues,

"But low of cattle and song of birds. And health and quiet and loving words."

But he thought of his sisters, proud and

And his mother, vain of her rank and gold.

So, closing his heart, the Judge rode on, And Maud was left in the field alone.

And the young girl mused beside the welt Till the rain on the unraked clover rell.

Yet oft, in his marble bearth's bright glow He watched a picture come and go;

He wedded a wife of richest dower, Who lived for fashion, as he for power,

And sweet Maud Muller's hazel eyes

She saw a rider draw his rein

God pity them both! and pity us all, Who vainly the dreams of youth recall.

For of all sad words of tongue or pen. The saddest are these: "It might

And, in the hereafter, angels may Roll the stone from its grave away!

As was my sire's that Winter day

Of life and love, to still live on! Ah, brother! only I and thou Are left of all that circle now,-

Snow-Bound.

O Time and Changel-with hair as gray

How strange it seems, with so much gon

The Revolver Nulsance

Pendleton East Oregonian

The revolvers taken away from thugs

into a stove at the Salem Stove Foun-

dry. If all the concealed weapons

carried in Pendleton were melted into

been!

Looked out in their innocent surprise.

Oft, when the wine in his glass was red. He longed for the wayside well instead;

And closed his eyes on his garnished room To dream of meadows and clover-blooms.

And the proud man sighed, with a secret

But the lawyers smiled that afternoor When he hummed in court on old hour

Show her wise and good as she is fair.

Would she were mine, and I today, Like her, a harvester of hay;

Maud Multer looked and sighed: " That I the Judge's bride might be

day.

Its enor-

Even the

Its his-

reach the unprecedented

nsiderably less than that of Oregon, has three times Oregon's rallway mileage. This tells the whole story. The railroad combination that controls Oregon has neglected the state, except for the purpose of shutting other rail-road builders out of it.

The early cities of the West were created by the facilities of transportation afforded by the rivers. The most ditions of the tariff creed, Acconspicuous examples were Pittsburg, Cincinnati and St. Louis. More slow the cities on the Great Lakes rose to prominence. Milwaukee long time was larger than Chicago. Though both these cities owed their beginnings to lake transportation, the new energy of the raliroad era, beginning in the traders. The new law has now been early fifties, rapidly carried Chicago in operation five months, and the De to the front, and within a few years gave it immense ascendency over all cities of the West. St. Paul had its showing in figures what the effect has start from the river, but that city, and its greater neighbor, Minneapolis, are fact almost wholly a product of complete show exports of \$78,071,690 railroad energy. The rivers also built and imports of \$56,983,389. For the St. Louis, and smaller cities like Lon- corresponding months in 1906 the figisville, Evansville, Quincy and Peoria; ures were: most of which have still continued to ports, \$52,664,498. grow since the railroad period began, but have been eclipsed by greater ri- our imports have increased \$4,318,\$91 vals. It was the river also that start-ed Kansas City, but it owes its great-\$4,016,665. Inasmuch as the new ness to the railroads.

Pennsylvania is the only state which for several years before it finally becan boast two cities exceeding 500,000 | came effective, and the date on which inhabitants each. Pittsburg, since her it would take effect was known se union with Allegheny City and an- eral months in advance, it is not at all nexation of other suburbs, must now surprising that imports should regishave nearly or quite 600,000 people. Her a slight gain by reason of the in Its population now is probably larger rush of goods which had been held than that of Baltimore, and may exback to take advantage of the new eed even that of Boston. Pittsburg. tariff. It is surprising, in fact, in such therefore, is now the fifth or sixth city circumstances, that the gain in imof the United States. While Pennsylports over exports was only an insignificant \$300,000 for the four months vania is the only state that now has two cities of more than 500,000 each. The weakness of the high tariff prothe New York Tribune seems to betectionist plea that the country would he flooded with German goods is striklieve that the State of New York will soon have in Buffalo a second city that ingly shown in the details which acwill surpass Pittsburg; but it is hardcompany these figures, for a loss, in ly probable. Ohio has, in Cleveland, the single item of cotton exports alone one city of nearly 500,000, and anoth- of more than \$900,000, as compared er, Cincinnati, of about 400,000, while with the exports for the corresponding four months last year is respon-Missourl has St. Louis, with 669,000 and Kansas City of 275,000. New sible for the improved showing in ex-Jersey has Newark, of 300,000, and ports. This of course is an item that Jersey City, nearly as populous; but is in no possible manner affected by tariff arrangement, the these are virtually suburbs of New the new decrease being due wholly to the York.

Should consolidation of the cities higher prices which have curtailed the about San Francisco Bay be effected, demand. the result will be a municipality ex-There is a material increase in the ceeded in population only by New value of toys imported from Germany, York, Chicago, Philadelphia, and per- but all of this increase has been offset haps St. Louis. We should expect the by increased exports of clocks, census of Greater San Francisco to watches, automobiles and machinery how nearly 700,000. . Undoubtedly We imported more hides, crude rubthe population of Los Angeles now ber, dyes, wood pulp and other arreaches 250,000; so that California is ticles used in our manufactures than coming into the list of states having we did on the corresponding four two large cities. Massachu etts has at months last year, but it would be folly least ten, perhaps twelve, cities of to regard this as other then beneficial more than 50,000 each-a distinction to our manufacturing industries, as that no other state can claim. Mary- they were undoubtedly imported for record as saying that it was one of land has only one city of rank; for our own advantage rather than for the after Baltimore, with her 600,000, her next town is Cumberland, with a pop- surplus in Germany. Four months is ness to be present at such meetings by the hearts that had bled "to feed

ulation of less than 20,000. South of the Potomac and Ohio Rivers there is but one city of 309,000 in- sults of this new tariff arrangement, the pupils in the higher grades of the

became effective July 1 brought forth | public has been assured over and over a lugubrious wall from the American again, upon ecclesiastical honor, that Protective Tariff League. That rockno subject of immersion ever took cold ribbed organization, standing as a fenunder these chilly conditions, the reder between our poor, weak trusts and generation thus typified presumably foreign competition, could see in this rendering them immune from III conextension of decent treatment to our sequences. German customers, naught but an The same argument can be applied

assault on the most sacred trato the atonement (not vicarious) effected in the case of the overzealous cording to the views of the league. high school classmen. To be sure, the nothing but ruin, complete and presumption in the first case is withfar-reaching, could follow such a vioout logical foundation, and is not fully lent departure from our time-honored sustained by evidence. Quite the conpolicy of permitting our trusts to do trary in fact, since in every rdral comas they please, regardless of the rights | munity where these unseasonable bapof American producers or foreign tisms have taken place, at least one witness can be found who is ready with the solemn asseveration that "quick consumption" has not infrepartment of Commerce and Labor has just issued a comparative statement quently followed the frigid douche in the ice hole improvised as a baptistry been. The figures for the first four Be this as it may, the authorities of months for which compilations are the Ritzville high school took whatever chance there was of serious results from the midwinter hoseplay inaugurated by the victims themselves Exports, \$74,055,025; imand the latter will probably not again essay this form of hazing. The end From these figures it is clear that

justifies the hazard, which, after all is not very great in the case of fullblooded, husky lads, the evidence of whose teeming vitality is found in tariff agreement was wrangled over their own initiative of the game at which they were beaten in turn by their superiors in educational ranks.

THE DAIRYMEN.

The Oregon State Dairy Association has just closed a most satisfactory two days' session in Portland. The attendance was at least three times as large as upon any preceding occasion, though the association has held annual meetings for the past sixteen The pioneers in the manufac years. ture of butter and cheese had a difficult time in establishing their industry upon a commercial basis, and for many years their gatherings were but poorly attended, and the products of the dairy were not in good repute. There are no figures available as to the production of butter and cheese In this state ten years ago, but when it had reached a value of \$5,006,000 in 1902 many felt that overproduction was threatened and that oleomar-

garine and similar products would bankrupt the dairymen. Favorable National and state legislation, however ,changed all this, with the result that during the present year the product is conservatively estimated at \$17,-000,000.

The convention was recognized by the United States Department of Agriculture in having Professor B. D. White present. Mr. White is connected with the Bureau of Animal Industry and acted as judge. His compliments to the convention were generous and appreciative. He went on the best meetings of its kind that he purpose of making a market for the had ever attended, and it is his busiof course a brief period on which to all over the country. Hundreds of

business men, citizens of Portland, and habitants-New Orleans. Yet in those but there is certainly nothing in the schools were among the visitors who

ion that we all have to live and die by. It is brave, plain-spoken, sane and hospitable to the truth.

"Whatever political party Whittier may have given outward allegiance to in his soul he was a blazing radical. His thought is iconoclastic; his language is unsparing. His lyrics of reform are battle cries. This may seem strange, seeing that he was a Quaker,

but some of the best fighters world has seen have belonged to that peace-loving sect. "In God's own might," he cries, "we gird us for the coming fight" with slavery. He hates 'the languorous, sin-sick air" of the Nation which made it, supine under the heels of the slave-holding aristocrats for so many years. He longs for the "large-brained, clear-eyed' statesman who shall "assail every lingering wrong, strike all chains from limb and spirit, refute the cruel lie of caste, remold old forms and substitute for slavery's lash the freeman's will." Of course the meaning of such lines as these is thoroughly "pragmatic"; it grows and broadens with the ages

His language is unsparing. In that tremendous lyric, The Reformer, he sees the "Strong One smiting the godless shrines of men along his path. When the Pope allled himself with Austria and Louis Napoleon against

Italy, Whittier called him "the Nero of our time." He "sat upon a throne of lies, a poor, mean idol, blood-besmeared." He was "the scandal of the world." - In

fact, to the poet in his wrath over that unpardonable betrayal of the highest hopes of all the true and good of the world, kings and priests became ac They were "false to libert cursed. and God. Earth wearled of them. and he hoped to see the world roused the crosier and the crown" until in its

righteous wrath it trampled down "the twin vampires." But Whittier's genius was not anar- is just what the country needs.

served and rendered accessible, this appropriation is well placed and time-In its way Crater Lake Park is not surpassed in grandeur by any spot She wedded a man unlearned and poor And many children played round her do in the country. And since the Government has "taken it over." it de-But cars and sorrow, and childbirth pain, Left their traces on heart and brain. volves upon the same power to make it accessible and preserve the wild beauty that is its infinite charm. The Items And oft, when the Summer sun shone hot On the new-mown hay in the meadow lot, in the appropriation provide for these things-not lavishly but conservative And she heard the little spring brook fall Over the roadshie, through the wall, In the shade of the apple-ires again ly, being confined to making roads,

Provision has been made for the Im-

trails and bridges and to the reasonable salaries of caretakers

The heavy rains of the past week And, gazing down with timid grace. She felt his pleased eyes rend her face, have extended throughout the Willam-Sometimes her natrow kitchen wal Stretched away into stately halls: ette Valley. The soil having absorbed all that it could hold, the surplus waters are being drained off by the The weary wheel to a spinnet turned, The tallow candle an astral burned, Willamette River and its tributaries, but without damage save in the usual And for him who sat by the chimney lug. Dozing and grumbling o'er pipe and mug, washings of field and orchard lands that lie along the streams. The river A manly form at her side she And doy was duty and love was at this city has an ugly look, as It carries this levy from the soil with a strong current into the Columbia. Then she took up her burden of life again Saying only, "It, might have been." and thence to the sea.

Ains for maiden, ains for Judge, For rich repiner and household drudge "President Washington," says the Corvallis Times, "declined a thirdterm, holding that longer continuation of one man in the presidential office was unwise." President Washington gave no such reason. He declined a third term because he sought retire-Ah. well; for us all some sweet hope lies Deeply buried from human eyes; ment and repose. He was growing old, and had served his country over

forty years. -

It is the conclusion of sage observers that there is no Republican party in Oregon. Faction and the primary law have destroyed it. But don't worry. Here is the Democratic party, ever virtuous, whose candidates Republi-cans have been electing to our chief offices, this long time.

Couldn't that man Matthews. who, in a fright, shot a poor little newsboy, be induced in some way to turn his revolver on himself? The combination of the fool and the revolver is a menace to everybody but the man who works the combination.

Ah, birdther! only I and thou Are left of all that circle now,--The dear home faces whereupon That fittul firelight paled and shone. Henceforward, listen as we will, The volces of that hearth are still: look where we may, the wide earth o'er, Those lighted faces smile no more. We tread the paths their feet have worn. We tread the paths their feet have the hear, like them, the hum of bees And rustle of the bladed corn; We turn the pages that ther read. Their written words we linger o'er. But in the min they cast no shade. No step is on the conscious floor! Tet Love will dream, and Falth will trust (Since He who knows our need is just). That somehow, somewhere, meet we must. Alse for him, who never sees The stars ahine through his cypres-trees? Who, hopeless, lays his dead away. Nor looks to see the breaking day Across the mournful marbles play! Who hath not learned, in hours of faith. That Life is ever lord of Death. And Love can never loss lis own! If we are not to have continuous baseball in Portland, next season, we can at least have continuous talk of the game which will answer all purposes and save gate money besides.

In the gizzard of a hen residing at Freewater there was found a small quantity of gold. This puts her into the same class as the Title Guarantee & Trust Company.

Several prominent Republicans who think themselves possibilities should remember that Roosevelt's latest message hasn't changed the discard.

Merely as a reminder, for your own as well as for the salesgirl's sake, do your shopping in the morning.

of the largest size and then leave Roosevelt has given the country omething else to talk about. Which some old iron over for a good-sized heater for the parlor.

"Ab, that I were free again! stand Free as when I rode that day At the boom-to-ra-ra of the minstrel Where the barefoot maiden raked her hay

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While the kids all run to follow the way That the minstreis take in their uniform: gay.

And I cease to wonder that in Hamelin town

. piper and his pipe did the thing up brown.

A Lay Sermon.

Brethren, on this beaufiful Sunday norning I desire to invite your attention o a text which I found in the paper which runneth in this wise:

"Du Puis, though not a heavy drinker, seems to have been a wild youth and whenever out with bad companions drank freely. His body is now at Finley's morgue."

Booze is not a pretty word, but it is an xpressive American colloquialism. It covers the case from "forty-rod" that the North End saloons sell to Mumm's, at ine highest priced grill in town.

Wine is a mocker and strong drink is raging

Those of us who occasionally take a drink for our stomach's sake, for old sake's sake, or for the sake of the pretty woman across the table, are playing tag with the devil. Not the traditional devil n red tights with a pitchfork in his hand and a lake of brimstone down home, but the dev., who acts as sexton in the cemetery of dead hopes; the devil of debt, of lost self-respect, of competency ecome incompetency, of broken homes of blasted lives. The hang-dog, shabbily lad devil of dishonorable poverty; the evil of the divorce court and criminal jurisprudence; the devil of bar-room brawls; the devil that leads his victims to the river and the polson vial. Don't ... o it, brethren. Booze wherever it may come from is a hollow mockery, a deusion and a snare. "Wine is a mocker and strong drink is raging. Its laughter is the gibbering of speciers and in the ad it writes this epitaph for its devotees. "Du Puis, though not a heavy drinker, seems to have been a wild youth an. whenever out with had companious drank freely. His body is now at Finley's morgue."

Protect Bull Run Reserve.

Application by the Mount Hood Rallway & Power Company at the office of the United States Forest dureau at Washington, D. C., for permission to construct flumes and rights of way across the city's reserve of Bull Run River has caused the Portland Water Board to send a protest, through Superintendent Dodge. It on feared that to permit the railroad corporation to encroach might infringe upon the city's water supply. Every effort is by Portland police are to be melted to be made to stop this move

Judge Never Misses a Day's Sitting. Boston Dispatch

Judge Field, aged 94, of Athol, Mass., 20 years on the bench, has never missed a stove, they would make a hotel range a day's sitting. Being indisposed re-cently, he heard a murder case lying in bed on his back.

base estimates as to the ultimate re-