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PORTLAND, SUNDAY, APRIL 12, 1908. A NEW ERA INDEED. After all experience is representative government a failure? That it is a failure is the assumption of those who have opposed some two scores of years against representative government.

ple that will seek accommodation and instruction in September. A member of the School Board is to be chosen in the meantime to succeed Dr. W. H. Winton, whose tenure of office will expire in June.

MR. BARRETT AS A LETTER-WRITER. C. A. Barrett, who is a candidate for the Legislature from Umatilla County, as a Republican, with Statement No. 1 reservations, several days since sent to The Oregonian a letter in reply to a communication from W. C. Tweedale in Albany, in discussion of Statement No. 1.

THE TWENTY-FIVE GREATEST MEN. Mr. T. J. McCleary, of Minnesota, sometime Congressman, but now anchored in the Postoffice Department, that safe harbor of storm-battered politicians, once wrote a book on "Clitics." The book was written for many reasons, but its fame rested most firmly on a list it contained of all the "greatest" things in the world.

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fronts, removal of boxes, elimination of women, and forfeiture of license for violation) they would not have been compelled to fight a local option law and its consequent prohibition movements. As it is, there are strong indications that there has been a death-bed repentance.

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and hold to a strict accountability any party or nation that might be found to be responsible for the appalling disaster was quickly aroused. It was attended for a time by the brilliant triumphs of Dewey at Manila and Sampson and Schley at Santiago. At the close of the war, some of the bodies were recovered, returned to the United States and buried with the honors of war.

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plays. He would probably have been astonished at the lengths to which our courts have gone in practicing his theory of anarchism, but with the general tendency he would have agreed heartily. The anarchism of Ibsen and Bernard Shaw demands only a conditional freedom of the individual will. The anarchism of courts like the Supreme Court of California, sets the individual will free from all restraint whatever.

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POTPOURRI

BY NANCY LEE. Little drops of water Squatted out of the stock Makes the speculator Put his watch in lock.

THE CONFESSION. There's somewhat on my breast, father, There's something on my breast! The five-long day I sigh, father, At night I cannot rest.

THE LOBSTERS. As a young lobster reamed about, Itself and mother being out, Their eyes at the same moment fall On a bold lobster's scarlet shell.

SORROWS OF WERTHER. Werther had a love for Charlotte, As words could never utter, Would you know how first he met her? She was cutting bread and butter.

SONNET TO A CLAM. Dum tacet clamant. Inglorious friend! most confident I am, Thy life is one of very little ease; Albeit men mock thee with their smiles.

ADDRESS TO THE TOOTHACHE. Written When the Author was Greivously Tormented by That Disorder. My curse upon thy venom'd stang, That shoots my tortur'd gums along.

TO MY EMPTY PURSE. To you, my purse, and to none other, I complain I, for ye be my lady dear; I am sorry now that ye be light.

ONLY RELATIVELY GREAT. The Admirable Critchton, who had just delivered an impromptu speech in verse, knocked out a professional pugilist, deciphered a cryptogram that nobody else could solve.

MEXICO HAVING SIGNED A COPYRIGHT TREATY WITH THE UNITED STATES, our Southern neighbors will now have to pay the full retail price for Ellnor Glyn's erotic story.

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