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THE POOR WORLD'S PEACE. It is not too much to say that the extraordinary energy of Germany in building battleships is the fact that contributes most to the unrest of the world.

necessary to her salvation. She now is the principal menace to the poor world's peace. ALL ARE FOR "PROTECTION." Senator Aldrich maintains stiffly that neither an income tax nor a corporation tax will be necessary, but that the constructed tariff will give sufficient income.

GREEN CAPS AND CLAWHAMMERS. Green caps for freshmen at the State University are not inappropriate. They would beft the verdant youth in his first college year.

A NEW LIGHT ON DIVORCE. The National League for the Protection of the Family is not properly named. It is not a league for protecting the family.

CHAS. NELSON, SAILOR. Charles Nelson, a millionaire shipping magnate of San Francisco, died in that city last week.

THE CHILDREN'S STRIKE. It is not in the least degree surprising that the little band of California school children at Santa Rosa Rancho have gone on a strike because one of their number got a spanking.

ONE BUSY PORTLAND WEEK. Portland has just passed through the busiest, most successful and withal one of the most pleasant weeks in its history.

that they hesitate to labor, lest by so doing they amass money which would disturb that equality. They had the same opportunities as Nelson, the Danish sailor, grasped, but preferred a life of complaining shiftlessness and to place the blame for their poverty on a social system which they seek to overturn.

proportion to be expected from normal removals. Hence, if North Dakota had laws as respectable as Oregon's, the number of divorces would remain about the same. It is no less vain to think of checking them by assigning some particular ground for which divorces may be granted.

has witnessed. Paul's conversion was sudden enough and sufficiently wonderful to satisfy the most avid of prodigies, but after all it came from an inner experience.

ance, it is a wonder of wonders that any of them survive. A discouraging proportion do not.

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TOPICAL VERSE

Some snapshots of rhinoceri, A page about the tsetse fly, A group of hippopotami.

That awful pest the jungle ant, Some Africans in clothing scant, The hunting of the elephant.

A funny page devoted to That mighty, modern Nimrod who is working to increase our zoo.

Some pages ere they sighted shore, The few more passer-than some moose; The daily page is sprinkled o'er.

With T. R. fore and aft, Moved; That the suffering public find A man that to fair play's inclined.

An editor of generous mind, Wh'll give some space to Taft, —Chicago News.

It has a dachshund body, And wheels like pretzels fine; It limps through the heavens.

John Bull is filled with boding, And thinks beyond a doubt The scarpship's bound to get him.

Watch Out. His children stop their crying If but its name they hear; Beside its nightly vision.

John Bull is filled with terror, His claim is put to rout— The scarpship's bound to get him.

Watch Out. An Open Letter. Dear John, I should have answered you before.

But I've been busy every minute here; It hardly seems that winter's really o'er.

And that, since your last letter, it's a year. I should write oftener, but it seems to me The most I can do is to write you now.

I trust that all your crops will splendidly be— The children, now, will soon be out of school.

How I should like to see your dear old farm. At times when I am shrouded in despair, And wish, somehow, that I might journey there.

The little river, and the mill race too, And, oh, the old familiar swimming pool. Are scenes of boyhood I should like to view.

The children, John, will soon be out of school. My wife sends love with me to you and your— She wants to know the health of dear Aunt Kate;

Just now it must be lovely out of doors, And I suppose that you are feeling great. You lucky dog! When we are sweating here,

You roll upon a porch that's wide and cool; Breathing a perfume-laden atmosphere— Say, John, the kids will soon be out of school.

—Detroit Free Press. The Graduates. SHE. Now comes the gentle graduate To make her gracious bow.