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MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP.

In the Sunday Examiner, William J. Bryan, who is now on his retrn home from Europe, writes interestingly of municipal ownership of public utilities in the cities of England. Following the striking example furnished by the Scottish city of Glasgow, the other important municipalities of the United Kingdom have been installning gas works, water works, street railway systems, electric lighting plants, and in the towns even tenement

To Mr. Bryan, with his interest in government, the municipal ownership recoblem in England proved a valuable study. He enthusiastically praises the advanced ideas of the English cities and expresses the confidence that the United States would take a long stride in the right direction were it to more generally adopt the municipal ownership plan

It is not to be doubted that municipal ownership, even on a large scale, is a good thing. Here in Astoria the city owns its water system, and, while rates at present are somewhat higher than other American cities charge, the service is excellent. Rates will be lowered when the system is paid for, and the city will then derive a large monthly revenue from its investment. Few of the American municipalities have gone heyond control of water works. yet it is noticeable that the majority of the larger cities operate their own water systems. Eventually they will come to control the lighting systems and the public facilities of all kinds, fust us the English cities are now dohig. But the change will be gradual, for a conservative public is slow to take up with anything bordering on to ensue. The Japanese, the Times socialism. Indeed, it is evident that believes, are quite equal to any emerfear of encouraging the socialistic sen- gency. Says the Seattle paper: timent prompts many believers in pubfle ownership to withhold their support from proposals looking to municipal entrol of public facilities.

Nottingham is a good example of English municipal thrift. Its gas works lets \$120,000 yearly, with gas at 50 cents per 1000 feet; its electric light plant nets \$45,000 yearly, while its street car service with its yvast imhours, pays \$90,000. Rates are placed at the lowest figure consistent with sound business management, yet in Nottingham alone there is small need for taxes. Glasgow is even further advanced, and the other larger cities are adopting the ownership plan.

We Americans will get around to it in time, and because we have neglected as yet to assume control of all our pub-He facilities we should not be blamed. We are making a better start than England made, and will eventually accomplish more than the mother coun-

A GREAT NEWSPAPER.

The New Year's Oregonian is : great newspaper success. Within its 64 pages can be found all that is interesting to the people of the Pacific northwest and those whom favorable showings are apt to attract to our section of the country. The extent and development of our resources are dealt with in a comprehensive manner and all of the cities and towns and counties of the state are properly organized.

Only a newspaper man can have any accurate idea of the endless work necessary to the successful publication of an edition such as the annual Oregonian. Sunday newspapers of 64 pages are common nowadays in America, but they are made up of miscellaneous matter, which is easily obtained. There is no work more difficult than the compliation of statisties and estimates, which calls for the most painstaking efforts of the brightest newspaper writers and public men. Oregon is a big state-one of the larg-

est in area in the union-and her re ources are varied and widely sepa-The men who planned the rated Year's Oregonian had to deal New all the matter was a task which few men could successfully undertake,

Oregon has every reason to b proud of the showing which appears in the annual Oregonian. Every coun ty has forged ahead, adding to its population and increasing its wealth; our manufacturers have reached out for trade, until our products have found their way to the uttermost corners of the globe; we have gained in every department. It has been a most prosperous year for our productive state, and every indication points to increased prosperity in the future. The Oregonian's showing in behalf of Oregon will be a great advertisement for our state, and for the creditable publication the employes of the Portland paper are to be heartily congratulated. Their work was well done

TWO NEW NAVAL BUILDINGS.

Two bill have been introduced into congress, each having for its object the establishment of an auxiliary force for the navy. One provides for a naval reserve, the other for a naval militia. The naval reserve bill is the more important one, for the force which it proposes to create is purely a federal one: not in the slightest degree under state control, and therefore is a departure from all previous suggestions for the creation of an auxiliary naval force. Both measures were drawn by naval officers, and both have been considerably discussed in naval circles.

The naval reserve bill provides for the creation of a naval force of 20,000 men all officers of which are to be appointed only after rigid examination into their professional qualifications; preference being given graduntes of the naval academy and to those who saw service in the navy army or marine corps during the war with Spain

A term of enlistment of five years is provided, during which time all officers and seamen must hold themselves in readiness to enter the service on call. When called into service officers and men are to receive the same pay as those belonging to the regular navy. An appropriation of \$200,000 is made for the organization and instruction of the naval reserve.

The navy militia bill provides for the organization of a naval militia along lines similar to the army militia and makes provision for bringing the militia more immediately under the control of the navy department than s the case with the present naval militia. It provides for inspection and instruction under regulations to be provided by the navy department.

The Seattle Times is not so sure Russia would lick Japan if war were we have remarked before, war between Russia and Japan would not be one sided-for Japan is Russia's superior upon the ocean, no matter how the battle might be waged. Morever, Japan is a continuous island, and even though Russia may have three million men which she could put into active service, they would be no match for Japan's million men as an invading army-for one would have to cross seas and oceans to reach Japan, while the other would be on the defensive with a well equipped and aggressive navy that could stand off all the armles of the world unsupported by a if it falls to cure. E. W. Grove's sigsufficient naval force to protect them. nature is on each box. 25c.

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The sixth annual cannery edition of the San Francisco Trade Journal is of 70 pages, including an illuminated cover, and is one of the most complete publications of the kind which has ever come to this office. It deals with the salmon, fruit and other industries in a complete manner, and will prove of great value to the trule Its information concerning the salmon industry is of especial interest to the fisheries of the coast, and the isa creditable one in every re-

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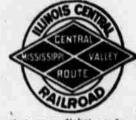
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