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WEATHER.

Oregon, Washington, Idaho—Fair.

ROOSEVELT UNAVAILABLE.

Theodore Roosevelt is out of the presidential running, according to the latest bulletin from his office. The declaration made by Secretary Loeb, to the Peoria lady correspondent in this behalf, has, without doubt the authority and sanction of the president. It is in strict accord with the character of the man that he should hold honestly and strenuously to his early avowal in this relation. He has never deviated from that original statement, and there has never been much hope that he would. He is not given to flip-flap; and his expressions on vital matters such as this may be taken, once for all, as convictions to be adhered to. It is to be hoped, however, that between this and the day of the national convention, something shall have arisen that will make his acceptance of the nomination so imperative, so indispensable, that even his high sense of duty as a citizen shall be satisfied. It is not the most comfortable thought in the world, that a great party has its limitations in the matter of presidential timber, but such is the case at present, with the republican party. There is not a man before the people who has the popular confidence in any measure approaching this man; and it may be necessary to go behind the ranks of the official classes and pluck some great, clean, competent man from the retirement of a quiet, cultured life and compel his acceptance of the lordliest gift at the hands of America; but just who this will be is as much a mystery as Mr. Roosevelt's unavailability is a fact. There must be no blundering. The man who succeeds Theodore Roosevelt must tally close to his standards as a man and an officer, or the party is doomed to defeat.

THE ENDLESS PRESSURE.

San Franciscans with all their splendid pluck, are in the very furnace of evil courses. The earthquake demolished their magnificent city; the fire obliterated what the earthquake spared; the tremendous losses were doubled by the vicious and contemptible policies pursued by the insurance companies, from whom the only measure of safety and compensation was looked for; the sailors, and their associated workmen, precipitated a hampering and deadening strike; and now the city is barrel against the receipt of the very essentials that would make for its comfort and convenience, in the way of freights from all the land-board markets of the country; and by land and sea is denied open and current intercourse with the commerce that would have accelerated her up-building. So much for being dominated by a single transportation company. She has her hands full of extraordinary burdens and her heart full of bitterness and disappointment; and the world looks on in wonder at her unflinching courage and fine audacity in carrying the inconceivable load.

A statistician says that the lumber supply of the United States will be exhausted in 928 years, but who cares? At that time we of today will be boxed in all the timber we will care for.

UPROAR, AND SMOKE.

The press despatches teem these days with news of the government's wonderful success in circumventing the Standard Oil Company; of its unbreakable line of consecutive and damning testimony against the monster fraud of the age; of its purpose to convict, condemn and annihilate the giant criminal. The country is amenable to any old good thing in store for it; it can stand almost anything in the way of luck during the present flood of prosperity; and there are some excellent things that it really expects. But the adequate punishment of this incarnate corporate thief is not fished among the probabilities. The Standard Oil Alibaba and his forty brigand-brothers, are too well entrenched to be disturbed by anything less than the simultaneous drying up of the oil-springs of the universe.

THE LIGHT-HOUSE TENDERS.

There is no use in making mountains out of mole-hills in the matter of the Columbine's collision with the light-ship below the bar the other day. The mere fact that the Maunanita was in trouble, the Heather up against it for a bit, the light-ship herself torn from her sea-anchorage and swept ashore, and the Columbine butting into the hulk outside, are not undue nor unexpected events. Everything that floats and does business on the high-seas, has to meet up with more or less bad luck, the wonderful care of the government and its capable officers to the contrary notwithstanding. There is not a careless officer in that particular service about here; they are all good seamen, with the good of the service and of their commands at heart. That accidents will occur to them as well as all other navigators is among the things inevitable. Uncle Sam is a censorious old cuss with his servants in all branches of administration, but in the present instance we beg to invoke the good-will of our distinguished relative and ask that he go a bit slow on penalties.

INCOME FOR MARRIAGE.

The Chicago Commons has decided that an eligible young man who has saved \$500 and met a young woman whose training at home, in school and possibly at social settlements and similar institutions has fitted her to do her part in the making of an attractive home, can afford to "pop the question" and ask that the day be named. In the absence of exact statistics it is safe to guess that the average income is considerably less half of \$100 a month. The average is less than \$500 a year.

It is demonstrated by means of tables and diagrams that on a salary of \$100 a month a married couple can, under the circumstances named, not only live comfortably in a five-room flat, but save \$300 the first year toward a home of their own. Really, income is the least important thing in happy marriage, and has been such ever since the red roses of love first began blooming in the human heart. The thing absolutely essential to the happy home are strangely few. Chief among them are labor and love. Neither of these costs money. But both of them often fly from it.

EDITORIAL SALAD.

Tillamook, or Bust!
Is it to be Frankfort, or a frankfurter?
Astoria is strictly in it. She has a strike on.
Did we dream it? Or was Astoria to have a seawall?
Has anybody any information as to that new hotel?
The regatta committee is not as dubious as it was!
A net beyond the channel beats a net wound up on a propeller!
Astoria has Portland on the hip when it comes to temperature!
Fetch on your real good dog-stories; we are tired of man chronicles!
Some men would never have reached the top of the ladder if their wives had not steadied it for them.
Perhaps the pretty waltzers will have more to say than the dancing masters as to how they shall waltz.
She—I went to the ball last night, dressed as a French empire beauty.
He—Oh, it was a masked ball, was it?—Detroit Free Press.
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The Outlook For Universal Peace

By JOHN W. FOSTER, Ex-Secretary of State of the United States

RECOGNIZE that the limitation of armaments is encompassed with many difficulties, but it is no more IMPOSSIBLE OF REALIZATION than a general arbitration treaty SEEMED a few years ago. Nor are we without examples to show that it is possible of practical application.

The two southernmost republics of this hemisphere for a generation or more regarded each other as natural enemies, and they taxed their people to the stretch of endurance to keep their armies and navies on a war footing. Finally realizing the folly and wickedness of such a policy, they recently entered into a treaty of SANITY AND DISARMAMENT, reduced their military forces to police necessities and sold their battleships and cruisers or converted them into merchant vessels. Thus Chile and Argentina guarantee each other's peace and autonomy.

The war and navy departments are constantly appealing to congress for increased appropriations to put them in proper condition for war. The lately retired commanding general of the army announced in a public address that we must prepare for THE NEXT WAR, and a prominent admiral of the navy goes so far as to indicate the nation which is to be our antagonist.

Why this constant harping on the "next war" when there is no human probability of having one? If we attend to our business and allow other nations to attend to theirs there will be NO OCCASION for armed conflicts on our part. I do not believe in "the white man's burden" in the sense indicated by the jingo British poet, the author of the phrase. Our mission as a people, living in security on this continent, separated by wide oceans from any other great military power, is to maintain HERE a model republican government and democratic institutions which shall stand as a beacon of hope for the oppressed of all countries, to develop our marvelous resources, to encourage commerce, industries and intelligence and by our example TO PROMOTE PEACE AND JUSTICE among mankind.

How little have the rulers of our day profited by the lessons of history! The late secretary of the navy advocated the increase of the American navy to an equal place with the most formidable sea power in the world. Great Britain launches the Dreadnought and congress is immediately besieged and implored to appropriate the millions necessary to build a larger and MORE DESTRUCTIVE MONSTER. It is high time that the peace loving people of America should call a halt in our naval expenditures.

I believe that in the present stage of the world's progress MOST WARS may be avoided, and if the powerful nations will unite in compulsory arbitration ALL AGGRESSIVE WARS may be prevented.

I ALSO BELIEVE THAT THE MEASURE NEXT TO, IF NOT EQUAL IN IMPORTANCE WITH, COMPULSORY ARBITRATION IS THE LIMITATION AND DIMINUTION OF THE ARMAMENTS OF THE GREAT POWERS.

Summer Diarrhoea in Children.

During the hot weather of the summer months the first unnatural looseness of a child's bowels should have immediate attention, so as to check the disease before it becomes serious. All that is necessary is a few doses of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy followed by a dose of Castor oil to cleanse the system. Rev. M. O. Stockland, pastor of the first M. E. Church of Little Falls, Minn., writes: "We have used Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy for several years and find it a very valuable remedy, especially for summer disorders in children." Sold by Frank Hart, leading druggist.

Tramp—Madam, I have eight children at home crying for bread.
Lady—Then I'll bet \$2 you don't live in a flat.—Cleveland Leader.

"Make Hay While the Sun Shines."

There is a lesson in the work of the thrifty farmer. He knows that the bright sunshine may last but a day and he prepares for the showers that are liable to follow. So it should be with every household. Dysentery, diarrhoea and cholera morbus may attack some member of the home without warning. Chamberlain's Colic Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, which is the best known medicine for these diseases, should always be kept at hand, as immediate treatment is necessary, and delay may prove fatal. For sale by Frank Hart.

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That's it.—Baltimore American.

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