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THE JOURNAL'S PLATFORM

ATrinity of Events Which Would Make of Portland the Mightiest City of the Pacific Coast.
First—Deepen the Columbia river bar.
Second—Open the Columbia river to unimpeded navigation at and above The Dalles.
Third—Dig an Isthmian canal.

THE PIONEERS AND THE STATESMEN.

SENATOR FULTON was fortunate in the occasion and the subject of his maiden effort before the senate yesterday and acquitted himself with distinguished ability.
In connection with all the talk about the Lewis and Clark expedition and the great things it has accomplished, the most remarkable fact is how far the presence of the average statesman fell short of the instinct of the plain people in the accomplishing of the grand results.

THE PLAIN DUTY OF THE LEGISLATURE

AS THE LEGISLATURE is to convene in special session on Monday, it may not be amiss at this time to call the attention of the members to a few facts, point out their "plain duty," and advise them as to what is expected from them by the people.
The only reason for calling this session, which will cause an expense to the taxpayers of this state of at least \$15,000, was a bungling attempt to amend a very satisfactory law for the collection of taxes.

COLONEL KING'S CAREER.

His Death in Prison Recalls a Fiery Episode in His Life.
Col. H. Clay King, soldier, author, aristocrat and "Southern gentleman" of the old school, who died in a prison cell in Tennessee this week, figured in one of the most famous tragedies of the South.
The story is absolutely interesting.

THE IRON JAWED MAYOR.

He Has Managed to Fumigate Things in Philadelphia.
Mayor John Weaver of Philadelphia, who has dared oppose "Boss" Quay's methods and doings, though himself elected by the Quay machine, has lately won another notable moral victory, and brought the Philadelphia council to its knees and prevented a steal of millions.

by the first Monday in October—therefore no real advantage could be gained by the change.

We repeat, the old law was satisfactory. Therefore, there is but one thing to do, repeal the "Phelps" amendment, re-enact the old law, adjusting the time in which the city and school districts must file their estimates to conform to their requirements.

A great many of the plain people who are not so well instructed in constitutional questions, but who do recognize good horse sense when they see it, agreed with the governor, and they were not all of one political party either. There has been more or less talk about further "amendments," more changes and new laws.

As we said when urging the calling of a special session, the business is simple:
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COLOMBIA'S PLOT.

THE OUTLOOK has some inside Panama history which will attract much attention on the endorsement of its editor that the name of the author "is to us a guarantee of the accuracy of his information and the trustworthiness of his statements."

The story is that Colombia, just before the signing of the treaty by which the canal concession was made to the United States for \$10,000,000, and again after the signing of the treaty, endeavored to force the French canal company to pay Colombia \$10,000,000.

The concession to the French canal company had been extended by the payment of \$1,000,000 to the Colombian government, from 1904, when it would otherwise have expired, to 1910.

The revolution in Panama and the prompt recognition of the new republic by the United States put a period to the Colombian plot and more fully explains the bitterness of official disappointment and the shrieks of unavailing regret.

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It takes a man of bulldog courage and tenacity to carry on a campaign like this, and Mayor Weaver is just such a man. The square jaw, the firm chin, the steady, penetrating dark blue eyes, all go to show it. And yet he is by no means surly. When he smiles he smiles all over his face, a genial, pleasant smile.

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From the Wall Street Journal.
That was an extremely interesting thought which the great American historian, President Woodrow Wilson of Princeton university, put forth at the dinner of the Southern society on Wednesday night. He said:

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Famous Sermon from the Bible

John sendeth his disciples to Christ. Christ's testimony concerning John. The opinion of the people, both concerning John and Christ. Christ upbraideth unthankfulness and unrepentance of Chorazin, Bethsaida and Capernaum; and praising his Father in wisdom in revealing the gospel to the simple, he calleth to him all such as feel the burden of their sins.

St. Matthew 11:1-xxx.
And it came to pass, when Jesus had made an end of commanding his twelve disciples, he departed thence to teach and to preach in their cities.

Now when John had heard in the prison the works of Christ, he sent two of his disciples.
And he said unto him, Art thou he that should come, or do we look for another? Jesus answered and said unto them, Go and shew John again those things which ye do hear and see:

The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the leproys are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them.
And blessed is he, whosoever shall not be offended in me.

For this is he, of whom it is written, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee.
Verily I say unto you, Among them that are born of women there hath not risen a greater than John the Baptist: notwithstanding he that is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.

And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force.
For all the prophets and the law prophesied until John.

And if ye will receive it, this is Elias, which was for to come.
He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.

But whereunto shall I liken this generation? It is like unto children sitting in the markets, and calling unto their fellows,
And saying, We have piped unto you, and ye have not danced; we have mourned unto you, and ye have not lamented.

For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, He hath a devil.
The son of man came eating and drinking, and they say, Behold a man gluttonous, and a winebibber, a friend of publicans and sinners. But wisdom is justified in her children.

Then began he to upbraid the cities wherein most of his mighty works were done, because they repented not:
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But I say unto you, it shall be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon at the day of judgment than for thee.
And thou, Capernaum, which art exalted unto heaven, shalt be brought down to hell: for if the mighty works, which have been done in thee, had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day.

But I say unto you, that it shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom in the day of judgment than for thee.
At this time Jesus answered and said: I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, Thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes.

Even so, Father, for so it seemed good in thy sight.
All things are delivered unto me of my Father, and no man knoweth the son, but the father; neither knoweth any man the father, save the son, and he to whomsoever the son reveal him.

Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.
Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart, and ye shall find rest unto your souls.
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ROCKEFELLER NOT A MENACE.

May Have 1-14th of the Wealth of the Country in 1910.

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Again, look at our children. The medical man is short of practice, so places on our statutes a law that empowers him to inoculate into their parents a virus more deadly than any serpent's fang, and more far-reaching in its effect. I think any honest doctor, that loves his profession, as he should, has all he can attend to and does not need any laws passed for him.

The osteopaths have also stepped back and their march to higher realism of healing when they say no one but they shall practise. Out upon such selfishness that would trade upon man's misfortune. Any man so narrow-minded is not fit for the business of healing, and he is not fit to be a doctor.

Let us have the same open competition in this line as in any other. Let us have men and women assert our rights and do as we choose and allow no set of men to rule us.

Had they never made any mistake in the past we might be more patient now, but looking backward over the field, I ask in the name of the sick and suffering, all around us, to allow no one to shut any door to aid for the sake of our loved ones.

Least of all for the sake of a set of narrow-minded men such as are at the head of this movement, as it is only for their interest and financial benefit to themselves.

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LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

"Votes Through Stomachs"

To the Editor of the Journal:
The above heading of an article from the Oregonian's Washington correspondent in its issue December 7, written in the interest of the Lewis and Clark exposition. The correspondent of the Oregonian tells us how Senator Mitchell captured the senate by a good dinner which appealed to the stomachs of the senators and won their votes for a liberal appropriation. He then tells us the great danger of the appropriation being defeated in the house and advises that Hermann and Williamson do the house as Mitchell did the senate, giving to the stomachs of the members by giving them a swell dinner.

If this was not so serious a matter to the people of Oregon and the states of the Pacific slope it would be really laughable. In view of all existing conditions as known here and throughout the country we are led to inquire whether the Washington correspondent and the management of the Oregonian did this of their malice against somebody or because they are of that class known as "stomach politicians." Both happily describes them as "natural dunces."

The publication of such stuff can only result in injury to the cause which the Oregonian is professing to champion and in which our people are so much interested. The Oregonian is a real friend of the Lewis and Clark exposition, all others may well offer up the prayer, "Lord deliver us from our friends." Let us look at this matter as others will look at it who are ignorant of the facts as they exist. The Oregonian is a real public paper and may be regarded by strangers as Senator Mitchell's home organ and it may be assumed that the Washington correspondent is in close touch with Mitchell and that the article in question was at least sent out with approval. This puts Senator Mitchell in a false position which cannot be otherwise than humiliating to him, because it makes him a party to a publication which is an open insult to every senator who attended Mr. Mitchell's dinner as an invited guest. And according to the Oregonian, Hermann and Williamson are to make an appeal to the stomachs of the members of the house and then we can poke our hand into the United States treasury and take all the money we want. I have never had the pleasure of meeting Senator Mitchell, but as I am a Washington correspondent, and if this be true, then the idea advanced by the correspondent of the Oregonian of influencing the vote of the senate by an appeal to their stomachs never entered his mind and this was a fact well known to the Washington correspondent and to the home management of the Oregonian. This makes the question pertinent, Why was such stuff published?

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JAMES GORDON BENNETT—HIS STRONG PERSONALITY AND HIS PECULIARITIES

James Creelman in the New York World.
Two or three days ago James Gordon Bennett dropped into the New York Herald office from Paris, sat down at his great white mahogany desk and went to work as though he had never been away from New York, though he expects to sail for France again Tuesday.

For nearly a third of a century the master of the Herald, whose residence is in Paris, has dropped into his New York office once in every two or three years and sat down at his desk in instant and familiar touch with the minute details of the vast organization which he directs.

The Herald office was ready for him this time, as it has always been. So with his house in West Twenty-first street, which is prepared all the year round for his visits. Everything connected with Mr. Bennett has the quality of readiness, the exact complement of his own unexpectedness; for when you think he is going to do a particular thing that is the thing he is most likely not to do.

Lord Dufferin was in Rome some years ago when he first saw Mr. Bennett. Bennett was on an American prairie. The last time I saw him was in India, and I should not be surprised at all to see him walk in at the door this very minute.

In spite of his 62 years Mr. Bennett looks young. He sits at the Herald office today beside a window between the dial which shows the time and the dial which shows the wind blows. His tall figure is as thin and snowy and aristocratic an ever. He moves with the alert grace of a young man. His hair and mustache are whiting and silver, but his eyes themselves, into which even so bold a man as Stanley, the African explorer, has confessed he could not look without an occasional quiver, are bright and keen, and there is a healthy glow in his lean, brown face.

Time has not lessened his nervous energy or diminished his enthusiastic interest in events. The man who sent Stanley to find Livingstone, and who sent him to Europe to discover the north pole, is as keen about the latest news as the most anxious reporter in his service. He walks with the same old erectness, his white hair, tanned skin and powerful features giving him a curious air of distinction strongly suggesting the Emperor Commodore.

There is something astonishing about these swift visits of Mr. Bennett to his New York office. The whole Herald system responds to his touch as if he had always been there. And when he comes to Europe the system goes on under his cabled and telegraphically subordinate to his every thought, though he were still sitting at the big white mahogany desk in New York. All this is the result of his genius for organization, his sleepless vigilance, his inflexible discipline, his really extraordinary capacity for work.

New York has greatly changed since Mr. Bennett abandoned it for Paris. Its life is broader, deeper and brighter; its population is nearly four times as great; its streets, buildings and parks are more beautiful than ever; it has become the second city in the world. Yet he prefers the French capital, and for more than one reason.

While Mr. Bennett is physically in Paris, his mind is in New York. Perhaps the nagging abuse of the American press and the broader, grayer life in Paris that induced him to abandon the city of his birth in the beginning, but he eventually discovered that it was not a bad thing to live in Europe and direct a newspaper in New York. He has at least one advantage over the Herald without the constant interference of professional pressure from outside.

Looking at American events from a distance of thousands of miles, his judgment was cooler. The companions of his recreations, yachting, pigeon shooting, coaching and polo, Europeans interested in the affairs of their own countries and could have no desire to annoy Mr. Bennett by attempting to influence the conduct of his newspaper in New York. The pleasures of yachting, at least, are not shared by the Herald without the constant interference of professional pressure from outside.

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It is well known that the elder James Gordon Bennett, who, poor and an alien in New York, founded the Herald in 1835, was the greater man of the two, but the father knew practically no life outside the Herald office. The man who sits in the seat of authority in the Herald office today is in many respects the most cosmopolitan figure in the world. He has made the Herald almost an international institution, and he has built it up to this status with the Atlantic ocean lying between him and his tenants.

He is a great yachtsman, owning and commanding one of the finest and largest steam yachts in the world, the Lylestrata. He introduced polo in America and revived coaching as a sport in France. He has won many international titles and met their great men. It was his enterprise that sent Stanley into the African wilderness. It was his correspondent, McGahan, whose statue stands in the capital of Bulgaria, who stirred up the movement which ended in the Russo-Bulgarian war. It was he who fed the starving peasants in Ireland in the last great famine. He has in some respects entered, at times potentially, into the affairs of many nations.

Yet all the time Mr. Bennett has directed the affairs of the Herald in his mind. He has a report of every extraordinary event made to him and orders received from him by cable every day. There is an editorial council in the Herald office. Its minutes are written for him daily. The heads of all departments, editorial and business, report to him every fact concerning the Herald, and he is committed to them. No detail is too small to interest him. He knows not only who wrote a particular editorial or news feature, but also knows who suggested it. He writes many editorials himself and forwards them by cable to the printer, to be published and merely cables an outline of his ideas and trusts his editors to elaborate them. Mr. Bennett is known to affect a sort of contempt for "fine writing." His practical Scotch-Irish mind spurs the purely literary elements in journalism. His own style when he writes is easily recognizable by its vivid directness and a peculiar cynical humor. No man in authority in the Herald office needs to see Mr. Bennett's signature at the end of an editorial dispatch. There is no mistaking the authorship of the terse, biting sentences.

So, too, with the business department. It learned many years ago that if the Irish strain in Mr. Bennett prompted him to take advantage of his supposed knowledge of the Scotch blood sufficient to make him a match for the canniest when it came to a shrewd matter of dollars and cents in a business transaction. Some of his rivals in journalism have sought to take advantage of his supposed knowledge of the Scotch blood sufficient to make him a match for the canniest when it came to a shrewd matter of dollars and cents in a business transaction. Some of his rivals in journalism have sought to take advantage of his supposed knowledge of the Scotch blood sufficient to make him a match for the canniest when it came to a shrewd matter of dollars and cents in a business transaction.

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BY BEATRICE FAIRFAX.

Dear Miss Fairfax: I am very sorry to tell you that I have not been able to show you in some way that you like him? If he has ceased to care for you I am afraid there is nothing for you to do but bear your sorrow as well as you can.

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