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LET US SQUARELY FACE THE COLUMBIA BAR HANDICAP.

THE MAN with a cancer who would cover the sore with a rag and because the cancer was hidden try to make himself believe that it had disappeared, would justly be regarded as a blotting ass. In fixing his status there would be no difference of opinion among sane men.

commodious channel from Portland to the river's mouth, we CANNOT truthfully say that such vessels can always get to sea without being subjected to vexatious delays. And let us face this further disagreeable fact: Not until the Columbia bar shows ten feet greater depth than it now shows could we maintain that any delay in getting to sea was caused by an "unusual combination of circumstances."

DEPRECIATED CREDIT.

FOUR parties have made offers for \$450,000 worth of Portland bridge and ferry bonds at discounts varying from 1.9 to 13 per cent. Two of these bids were local, being for small amounts, \$50,000 and \$5,000 at discounts of 15.65 and 13 per cent respectively.

have a city government openly and avowedly pursuing a course diametrically opposed to all law to which it is amenable in respect to gambling. Here the sensitiveness of capital is touched, for if the city is pledged to lawlessness in this regard, as it undoubtedly is, what guarantee is there that the same policy will not be pursued in other matters should circumstances make it desirable for those in power?

WILLIAM RANDOLPH HEARST.

An Estimate of a Notable Man by An Independent Newspaper. From the New York Herald. Mr. Hearst is not a demagogue, he is not a violent radical. He believes that nothing more "conservative" than adherence to the fundamental American principles that have made this country, through guaranteeing to every citizen Jefferson's famous "unalienable rights," liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

DISCUTES FORBET RESERVE.

After Changing a Little, Lines Will Be Made Permanent. From the Minervine Journal, Feb. 18. The Deschutes Forest Reserve, extending from an east and west line a short distance below Bend and running south the entire length of the state, will become a permanent reserve. Forest Inspector W. H. B. Kent who is just returned from The Dalles and is now on his way to the Deschutes district to pass upon the final boundary lines, so stated this morning.

Oregon Sidelights

There will be a Lady on the next grand jury, though no woman. Baker county is working out of debt and county warrants are at a premium. Now some of the good people of Dayton wish they had not helped to start a bank.

CURIOUS CITY OF HONG KONG

Eliza R. Scidmore in Chicago Tribune. Hongkong is one of the most varied and most picturesque cities in the world. All nations and races are represented in the crowded streets.

Small Change

"Good streets cost money," is the title of a leading editorial in the Oregonian. Yes, and bad streets, too, it appears. As soon as people back east can get a rest from feeding stoves with expensive coal, they will have to begin piling up an ice trust.

MOROS GOOD NATURED.

From the Manila News. Still are the Moros amiable. A general officer to a reporter some time ago that the conditions of warfare here

Good Square Doctress.

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IS IT MRS. MATRIE'S FORM?

The following poem, entitled "Faith," published in the New Oregonian, Democrat, and attributed to the poetess Mrs. Florence Maybrick, has been the subject of comment in literary circles. It is claimed by a Journal reader that Florence Maybrick never wrote the lines, and in order to give the critics an opportunity to scan it, the verses are herein published:

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NEW YORKERS IMITATING PARIS

By Ellen Osborn in the Chicago Record-Herald. A mild London sensation has been created by one or two New York hostesses who are experimenting with a fashion that began to gain ground a year ago in Paris—that of wearing a hat while entertaining at dinner.

Fusions for Railroad Employes.

From the Philadelphia Press. Railway papers report that the plan adopted about three years ago by the Pennsylvania and the Chicago & Northwestern of pensioning superannuated employes has proved so satisfactory that it is spreading rapidly.

POLITICAL POINTERS

Albany Democrat: That is a somewhat funny business in connection with the reapportionment of J. H. Booth as receiver at Roseburg. He is again given the position, provided he retires from the Booth-Kelly Lumber company, which of course he does. But as a matter of fact, does any one suppose that he will make any difference with his position on the timber land business?