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NOW GO TO THE BOTTOM OF IT.

T NEVER RAINS but it pours. At the outset was thought that Tanner creek sewer embraced all the woes of the city engineer's office. Since the eventful day when the public first began to discover that the real rottenness of Tanner creek was only a small part of what could legitimately either be charged up to or suspected of the city engineer's office rumors have been flying thick and fast. It has been a quiet day indeed when something has not been turned up in some direction bringing the office under fresh suspicion. As matters now stand the public is inclined to be disappointed if the day develops nothing new and startling.

The very latest sensation is the charge that the en-

gineer's payroll has been stuffed. There have been rumors of this sort heretofore. Upon at least one occasion the city auditor for reasons that were doubtless quite satisfactory to himself insisted that people drawing pay from the engineer's department should appear before him and make oath that they worked the number of days credited to them by the engineer. It was quit apparent what this meant-the auditor undoubtedly had information which led him to believe that a process of payroll stuffing was going on which he proposed to nip in the bud if he could. But the industry while apparently discouraged has never been totally destroyed The funny little procedure of the city engineer's chie-clerk with Mr. Goddard in which he is said to have expressed his entire willingness to increase the number of days credited to one workman so as to bring the total up to a certain amount is an amazing procedure that has opened the eyes of the other officials to what apparently is going on, with the result that a robust in estigation is now in progress that threatens to unearth

the most startling condition of affairs.

Every step which has recently been taken seems to logically lead in the direction of exposing the graft which has so long infested the public of this city. Those who are best informed are inclined to believe that the surface has scarcely yet been scratched and that when opened in every direction the taxpayers will be to some revelations that will surprise them. In any event it is usually difficult to open up such matters; sometimes they seem to open up of their own accord. This appears to be one of the times. The various leads should therefore be followed closely and persistently. After the city council gets through probing, the grand jury, which is fortunately now in session, will doubtless be found ready and willing to do its share to clean the

ST LOUIS EXPOSITION CLOSED.

HE GREATEST of expositions is over. While probably not a financial success, it was not such a financial failure as the Pan-American fair at. The men who subscribed to the stock of the osition will not get all-or perhaps any of their money back, but in other and indirect ways they will doubtless be well paid for their investment, and do not regret hav-

he big fair on the whole, was a great success. It lassed in size all former expositions. It was planned magnificent scale, and all its promises were kept. respect following the example of Chicago-and it closed last night at the time set. It was visited by approximately 19,000,000 people, all of whom were entertained and instructed, in a greater or less degree, according to their capacity, inclination and leisure. On the whole, the Louisiana Purchase exposition has been a success, and those who originated and carried it out are entitled to much credit.

Chief among these is the president of the exposition, his time, and all his efforts and ability during that time, designed to get something for nothing out of the comto the fair. He is a man of exceptional executive ability, mon, toiling people, wrote out the tariff schedules; wrote and was just the right man for the important place he out also various campaign fund checks; and congress filled. St. Louis, and Missouri, and the whole country, owe Mr. Francis a large debt of gratitude for his exceptionally able services. While there were many able helpers, his was the main brains of the business. It was no small man who could go to the government in an as the trusts and big protected interests dictate. emergency and borrow \$4,600,000, and pay it just as Yet there is Roosevelt, who may have a notice

The St. Louis exposition was conceived on a grand scale-from one point of view we might say too large a scale. Its equal, in magnitude, we are not likely to see again, in this country or elsewhere. There will be other expositions, but probably none, for a good while at least, will attempt so much, will be planned on so vast and We believe that we shall have here next year quite as smite.

BYE ABUSE CAUSES APOPLEXY, crowd of savages. We hope to soon see

-even more so, because of the very fact that it will not be so immense in scope. At St. Louis people were simply lost; there was so much to see that most people days, one can see all we will have to show, and it will be quite as interesting and instructive as anything and everything at St. Louis was.

"Vale, the big St. Louis exposition; hail, the Lewis and

CIVIL SERVICE AND THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

HERE CAN BE no doubt of the non-partisan sentiment in favor of civil service in the charter as manifested by the unanimous vote at last meeting. Whatever the pretext for change it was felt that what was really aimed at was to put the fire thief upon precisely the same plane as the chief of police, making him an appointee of the mayor, from which would necessarily follow that the department would soon legenerate into a political machine, thus destroying its

A paid fire department is a comparatively new thing in Portland. While the city has had a part paid de-partment for some years, when the new plan went into effect it was found necessary to build from the ground up. The work was laborious enough for it meant the raining not of a few individuals or a particular company, but all of the force, in fire fighting, and the discipline which goes round the clock in the life of a professional fireman. This work was undertaken by the present chief who, too, had something to learn. But he was young, vigorous, intelligent and enthusiastic with deep pride in the efficiency of the department and the advance made under his unhampered administration has een very gratifying. It is true that much still remains tion and the tendency is toward higher efficiency. Chief Campbell has the confidence of the property owners; they know what his ambition is and how it dovetails with their own. They want to see him have a fair show to carry out his ideas for they, too, want to see a de-partment of whose efficiency they will have reason to be proud. They are perfectly satisfied that the only way to reach this is to have the department lifted out of politics so that a pull will neither get a man into the department or out of it once he is in. They want the men to stand on their own merits and to owe their places to their individual excellence. By that same test they wish to see the chief tried. Unfettered they believe he will accomplish what is expected of him.

Hence they resent any interference with the civil service as applied to this department wherein so far has been afforded fine proof of the value to the taxpayers of the idea.

NOW WATCH THE COMEDY.

RESIDENT ROOSEVELT, big boss, having in find it necessary. But let the country understand that we who made the tariff law, and who have refused to

that is, the Republican majority-simply O. K .- ed the

Now when Fairbanks talks about careful, discreet and scientific tariff revision, he simply means such revision

Yet there is Roosevelt, who may have a notion that the toiling common people are entitled to a little protection-or at least to protection against tariff robbery-for that is exactly what it is.

At any rate, it will be quite interesting to see the friends of this species of robbery reform it. It will be a congressional comedy-especially when above all these cheap Fairbankian grafters stands a man with a big stick, and nobody is sure in what direction he may

Small Change

Senator Mitchell also wrote a letter.

More and more we are learning that politics should cut no figure in munici-pal government.

The Journal believes that the city of Portland has a good and fit municipal judge, and a good and fit county judge, and a good and fit circuit judge. And they're all Republicans, too.

The city of Albany will have to raise more revenue. That is plain. How will it do it is the serious question that is being considered by our people. There are three ways, an increase of rate, a bigger nacessment and an increase of license rates. The general opinion seems to be that all will have to be resorted to some.—Albany Democrat. "Some" is

Oregon Sidelights

A one-legged chimney sweep cessfully operating in Corvallis.

Madras, Crook county, is to have a big milling and manufacturing concern. Capital, \$50,000.

Crook county's wheat, product this fall was just about double that of last year, and the yield of other cereals was greater than usual.

Albany Democrat: Assessor Mo-Knight very properly proposes to assess about 75,000 acres of land belonging to the Northern Pacific not heretofore as-sessed, suggested by the sale of some of the property. By all means, and at a good figure.

A hunting party that met with com-plete failure in its quest for game re-turned Saturday from a trip to southern Benton. The crowd was a jolly one, and the lack of birds was more than compensated for in the amount of fun that was had.—Corvallis Gasette.

La Grande Observer: The largest carload of lumber that ever came over the
Elgin branch and probably the largest
that ever came into La Grande arrived
in this city last evening. The car was
loaded at Elgin by Galloway Bros., the
lumbermen, and consisted of 51,000 feet

Adolph Weyl. It is not known how the
coin came into his possession, but it is
presumed he received it from the United
States mint.

S. H. & H. Chapman, of Philadelphia.
They resold it the same year to Scott,
lumbermen, and consisted of 51,000 feet

county from the Willamette valley. They are going like hot cakes, he has only four head left at W. S. Thompson's ranch, and he has decided to bring two or three more carloads up to sell in Wheeler and adjoining counties. Our people are beginning to pay more attention than formerly to the quality of their milch cows, hence Mr. Mathews is having little trouble to dispose of his Jorseys.

Crowfoot correspondence of Lebanon Express-Advance: One of the Crowfoot swells decided to take his best girls to swells decided to take his best girls to the party Thanksgiving evening. She, however, lived a short distance above Sodaville. He arrayed himself in his Sunday clothes, hired a rig, drove around for his girl and started to the party. But the course of true love never did run smooth. When about a mile from Sodaville the horse left the road and the buggy landed against a telephone pole, smashing it up pretty badly. We are at a loss to say what happened next.

Cottage Grove Nugget: Probably for the first time in the history of Cottage Grove, last Sunday was the first, that one desirous of obtaining a drink at a bar could not find a way to procure it. Last Tuesday night Polloeman Martin

BUTTER CREEK ERRIGATION.

From the Pendleton East Oregonian.
It is estimated that the government in searching for reservoir sites on the Butter creek irrigation project, has spent almost money enough to build a canal from Barnhart to Butter creek, covering the larger part of the government for the Umatilla that will flow to water of the Umatilla that will flow to water of the Umatilla that will flow to water this winter, nearly 100,000 acres of arid land would be converted into an alfalfa field within the next six months. The unanswerable results of such flooding in Umatilla county prove this. Under the present plans of the government this reclamation must be delayed indefinitely, if it ever comea.

known as the Lord Nelson. They are to be the biggest in the world.

Each sit to cost \$7,500,00. A duplicate in this country would "come to" much more, owing to the steel monopoly.

Each ship will carry four 12-inch guns of article that appeared in the Central Oregonian. June 16, stating that I has took my departure with "finger on the calibre, all on the upper deck, untouched save by the heaviest seas. Five torped the follow to water added. The protective plates are 12 linches thick.

The displacement is to be 16,800 tons, only a little above that of the King Education must be delayed indefinitely.

The Baltic displaces about 37,500 tons.

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Portland's Famous 1804 Dollar

there last June. Mr. Carper had the honor of preaching the first sermon in Promise, cast the first vote and officiated at the first wedding. He also enjoys the distinguished honor of having 135 descendants, of which 31 are great-grandchildren.

Eugene Register: F. J. Scofield commenced loading another 100,000-pound shipment of bones to Ban Francisco to his own establishment, which will all be collected here in Lane county to grind up to enrich our worn out lands. This is a great fertilizer. This will be the

collected here in Lane county to up to enrich our worn out lands. This is a great fertilizer. This will be the last shipment this season. Mr. Scofield is a rustler in this line of business, and handles the business on his own account. Mr. Scofield says Lane county could grind up and use its own bone dust to good advantage on Lane county soil.

Fossil Democrat: Elmer Mathews has shown considerable enterprise in bringshown considerable enterprise i

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18 Jas. M. Ellsworth Joseph Rosenthal's The original 1804 dollars are from one

The original 1894 dollars are from one obverse and one reverse die. The draped bust of Liberty faces right; the head is bound with a fillet, and the hair is flowing. There are six stars before and seven behind the bust above Liberty. The upper right star almost touches the letter "y." On the reverse is an heraldic eagle bearing a shield on its breast. In the beak is a scroll inscribed "E Pluribus Unum." In the right talon are 12 arrows; in the left an olive branch. Above, from wing to wing, is an are of clouds, and beneath this a field of 13 on the country of the death o

From the New York Herald.

There is one dollar in Chicago that 7.000 men would like to possess.

Scarcely a person in the world who handles American money has not heard of the Dector dollar, on the world who handles American money has not heard of the Dector dollar, on the world who handles American money has not heard of the Dector dollar, on the world who handles American money has not heard of the Dector dollar, on the world who handles American money has not heard of the Dector dollar, on the world who handles American money has not heard the heard of the Dector dollar in the color of the present of the Dector of the Play windows.

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The Play

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sood acrobats and some extremsy tresome performers. The house was comfortably filled. RACE WHITNEY.

FRANKS FROM THE WARRE.

From the Indianapolis Sentinel.

The fame of the Wabash river pearla is spreading far and wide, and even in Paris dealers are having a big demand for them. their customers being the members of the noblity and the arist tocracy. The gems are advertised as the Wabash regard, and by this name they are sold in a number of the larger foreign cities. In New York the representatives of the foreign firms are because which sells to see the sell of the sellet of a small dealer along the Wabash for small dealer along the Wabash for small dealer along the Wabash for spice he would put on the gem when he places it on the market. The wabash fores it reaches the hands of the Paris dealer, and it is hard to comprehend the places it on the market. The Wabash river has produced thousands and thousands of dollars worth of pearls during the past twelve months, and it is the unanimous belief of those who are in position to know that thousands and thousands of dollars worth of pearle during the past twelve months, and it is the unanimous belief of those who are in position to know that thousands are sold which have not come to the knowledge of the general public.

Many people are hunting pearls in the Wabash river. At Longtown one day last week hundreds of people were at work on a big sandbar there. The bar was full of mussell shells, in which the pearls are found. The pearls grow on the inside of the shells, which are broken open and the pearl carefully removed by the hunter.

It is said the production of pearls from the Wabash river, that the eye of the foreign dealers and nobility are turned toward findians. The quality of the Wabash pearl stands far shead of all others, and from the very moment it is no wonder, therefore, that the eye of the foreign dealers and nobility are turned toward findians. The quality of the Wabash pearl stands far shead of all others, and from the very moment it is now onder, ther

From the Dallas Observer.

The Review is glad that hog-killing has commenced, because, owing to the liberality of Otto Shults we have been living high on spareribe, sausage, etc., the past week.—Jefferson Review.

This is one of the kind of items that makes a self-respecting publisher sahamed of the business in which he is engaged. It cheapens the newspaper fraternity in the estimation of the people, and injures the business of publishers who are conducting their affairs on a decent and dignified basis. It is on par with the "cordwood" "turnips," and "patched pants" jokes that have been going the rounds of the country press for the last one hundred years. The editors who write such stuff imagine they are saying something witty, apparently sever stopping to think that they are cheapening themselves and their papers when they write it. Happily, this style of "journalism" is going out of date among self-respecting publishers, and items like the one printed in the Review are seldom seen outside the half-starved papers in obscure country villages.

The Market Basket

we who made the tariff law, and who have refused to alter it, must be the ones to revise it. Revision must be made by the friends of the protected interests."

This is about the substance of the remarks of Fairbanks and other leading Republicans. We all know, or we all should know, who has made the tariff schedules, and why they were so made. They were made not by trust magnates and big manufacturers and others who designed to wet something out of the remarks of presence of the remarks of protected interests. The trust magnates and big manufacturers and others who designed to we at something out of the remarks of presence of the remarks of protected interests. The there are many, being over 100 votes cant there last June. Mr. Carper had the ones to revise it. Revision must deputy sheriff, but then we never had last month. Had it not been for a shipwreck the delphia manager; Gallagher has scarcely onough to live on, while garding her to an while at the bottom of the protected interests. The thouse on the protected interests. The schedules, far as is known all but a few of them now it at the bottom of the Pacific between Cape Horn and Hongkong.

The Devil's Auction, is now a Philast month.

Had it not been for a shipwreck the delphia manager; Gallagher has scarcely onough to live on, while get three pounds for 25 cents. Other vegetables remain plentiful and unchanged.

There is little more than its face value. A large nough to live on, while set three pounds for 25 cents.

The Devil's Auction, is now of the protected interests. The dolphia manager; Gallagher has scarcely onough to live on, while set three pounds for 150 cents.

The trust magnates and other remarks of fair as is known all but a few of them now it at the bottom of the Pacific between the following protects that t

shifted to the south. At 11 o'clock the chiefs of the lower village brought down four of the Sharhas. We explained to them our intentions, and advised them to remain at peace with each other; we also gave them a flag, some tobacco, and a speech for their nation. These were accompanied by a letter to Messrs. Tabeau and Grayelines at the Ricara village, requesting them to preserve peace if possible, and to declare the part which we should be forced to take if the Ricaras and Sloux made war on those whom we had adopted. After distributing them our ourlosities we dismissed them, apparently well pleased at their reception.

About a Movelist.

Mr. Williamdean Howe Else, the celebrated nevelist, visited Washington the other day.

Apropos of his visit they tell the following exceedingly diverting anecdota:

"Mr. Howe Else," said a literary friend to him one morning, "did you ever see a more remarkable fall than this?"

city and break down because of the strain upon heir eyes," said the opti-

maturely. People wonder what caused it. They are right when they attribute

disease and apoplexy are often the vio-tims of their own short-sightedness. They have not treated the eyes properly.

The test is too severe. The eyes respond by undermining the integrity of the brain. A breakdown accompanied by a fatal stroke of apoplexy is the penalty." Dr. Prentice advocated an innovation in the practice of the optician.

"Do not be content with the story told the man who comes to you for relief," said. "Of course, it is necessary that but question him closely about his hours work, the time and length of his work-

ing day. But that will not suffice. It would be well for you to go to that man's place of business and study his

you will be in a position to prescribe for him intelligently.

"Those details make all the difference in the world. Then study the occupation of your client. Do not prescribe for a farmer as you would for a musical director, even though they suffer from the same aliment. Every case must be treated separately."

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Chicago Dispatch in New York Herald.

Dr. Chalmers Prentice told the members of the Illinois Optical society, at the annual meeting which was held recently, that many men died of apoplexy and heart-failure because they abused their eyes.

"Men come to me from the farm to the altheur was because of the blood. POLITICS. From the Baltimore Sun. There was a town of goodly size, Where dwelt a peaceful band; Where Honesty and Industry Abroad, walked hand in hand.

tomed to long distances. They go on until middle age without confining themselves to an office. Then suddenly they come to a city. After that their eyas must be used in work that is confining. The result is that they break down pressured People worder what caused Nor feared a people's frown; perfect brotherhood of men A perfect brotherhood of men And justice ruled the town But it is the unusual test upon the Men who break down and die of heart One most unlucky day.

She pitched her tent right in their midst
And vowed she'd come to stay.

> And many evil tricks; She styled herself "the people's slave," Then Justice laid her scales aside, And Friendship moved away;
> Honesty gave up his job,
> Because it didn't pay,
> And Politics took up the roins
> And drove things with a will;

> Right on through envy, hate and strile And she is driving still.

the lavish hospitality of the south before the war, where all the visinds were
set on the table at once, he says:

"It has happened to me several times
in my life to be arrested, convicted and
sentenced to dine with other well-dressed
convicts, male and female, at a swell
dinner—one of those formal functions
where solemn flunkles bring you only
one thing to eat at a time. When you
have pecked awhile at that one thing,
whatever it may be, solemn flunkles take

consists of a solitary tomato, looking flercely red and raw; to glance slong the table and to realize that all the con-victs, male and female, have one tomato apiece, and are trying to look cheerfully at the convict boss—the host—has over-

From the New York World.
The British admiralty has ordered two new warships, one of which is to be known as the Lord Nelson. They are to be the biggest in the world.

TOM AND THE TOWATO.

Thomas E. Watson, late Populist candidate for president, describes in "Beth-any," his novel just published by the Appletons, the feelings of a public man at a formal dinner. After celebrating the lavish hospitality of the south be-

"Sometimes it happens that this one thing is a big.defiant-looking tomato. To sit in one's chair, gazing at the last course which the flunky has just put on; to realize that this entire course