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the northwest is the arrogant tone and carping of last resort to pass upon all questions and has a way criticising some of the smaller towns of the state that peculiarly irritating. This tendency, originating in tower, trickles out of the basement and gives color and peculiar character to everything it says and does. me days ago there appeared in the Sunday issue of e Oregonian a story about the thriving city of The Hes from which the following sample is an extract: "The Dalles is a little place now. Once there was a me when this town bade fair to be the greatest town in dozens of bullock trains thronged the streets, When it was the distributing point for eastern Oregon, Since the advent of the railroads it has deteriorated until there are many unpopulated buildings here."

The people of The Dalles are naturally irritated over talled for as they are unwarranted. If there ever has when it was wise to pull together surely it is We have here a great exposition to which the state at large as well as Portland has liberally contributed and A few miles above The Dalles is the terminus of the state portage railroad; the enterprise of the citizens of that town will soon bring the road to connect there with the lines of steamers which already ply between Portland and The Dalles. It is the only town in the state which ever through its own efforts brought a great railroad system to time by putting on its own line of boats ving them the patronage that made them successful. Few towns in the city are more earnestly engaged in an upbuilding campaign and there are few towns with better prospects ahead. But even if this were not true criticism of the sort quoted comes with bad grace from Portland with which its business relations are so close and which annually contributes so much to uphold our jobbing and manufacturing interests.

#### LETTING THE CAT OUT OF THE BAG.

CCORDING to Wall street authorities it seems perfectly certain that the recent differences between the Union and Northern Pacific interests in the northwest were based upon "the policy which one should adopt with respect to the other rather than the construction of new lines." According to the Wall street Summary: "The most important feature in the ments in the northwestern situation is that the representatives of the two great interests have agreed to arbitrate all forms of difference that may come up from time to time and have also agreed to conduct the properties which they represent in the most profit-

all this that the people of the inland empire have not begun a moment too soon to help and at the same time to fact through traffic and territorial agreements fixed the freight rates upon the basis of the longest and most difficult haul rather than the shortest and easiest and the public has paid the bill. It is quite evident that now there is not the remotest intention of doing otherwise than has been done for years. The buildir of the portage road and the putting on of a line of steamers on the upper river are the only things in sight to alter the railroad status quo for years to come. The work has been finished not a moment too soon. Evithe railroad managers from their faraway lookouts in Wall street have no appreciation of the significance of the movement which only a few days ago was so ceremoniously signalized in the opening of the portage road at Celilo. But if they do not see what is the subject. They now must realize better than ever before the wisdom and foresight which led to the building of the road and the coincident work to get upper river steamers in commission as well as to build electric lines to the river to connect with the boats and thus bring to the markets the agricultural products of one of the most favored sections that lies out of doors.

This good work is only started but such is the momentum it has received and so hearty is the appreciation of the value of what has already been done that there is he who was at fault. The government officers claim no longer any doubt it will be continued until its final that in his greed he and his associates have violated the mation. But the greatest of all lessons learned is that if anything is to be done to afford relief we must prove it. Now it will have an opportunity to do so. do that thing ourselves, for we can expect nothing from the sense of justice and equity which the railroad man- faults, to say in this connection that he has done a great agers themselves should feel in the situation which now confronts the country and is doing so much to retard its growth and development.

### ANSWERS TO A COMMON QUERY.

THY DO NOT more educated, talented young several recent general assemblies of evangelical churches. The most common answer is: It doesn't pay, financially. A triented young man can make much more money of labor on the part of many subordinates, and all the for that work are exceptional. There are some who and jury. For this great service many official peccaput the money consideration out of sight, but this is dilloes may be forgiven Secretary Hitchcock. not easy for all young men, even if they feel a genuine inclination to this work.

The next most commonly assigned reason, at least among laymen, is that ministers are not given enough freedom of thought and expression, are expected to adhere in their teaching too closely to creeds, or portions far behind. There is doubtless also a fractional explanation in this view.

Commonly, also, the main reason assigned is the growing commercialism of the age and a lack of con-There is so much more going on in the world, so many other things to attract the attention and employ the mind than there were years ago that religious aspiration by his wife. He was inclined to be skeptical. One night and effort are not so noticeable, but there was probably he came home and his wife, then very young, had a talk never a time in the world's history when there was more self-sacrificing devotion, not to dogmatic theology, but earnest, sincere Christian life. Mr. Wadhams listened. to humanitarian and ethical uplifting than now. This is he heeded, he lay long awake that night revolving these shown in many ways." Scarcely a rich man but recog- things and for nearly half a century was one of the nizes and yields to its influence, as their many benefac- most noted Christian workers in this city, and indeed in

Presidents of eight Indiana colleges recently gave

ing very rich; prevalence of the commercial and material knew him are better because he lived.

capturing their allegiance; the feeling that the church is in a transition stage with respect to the form if not the substance of its faith.

2. If alleged facts be true, it may be only a temporary phenomenon. It may be partly accounted for by the fact that there are an increasing number of rising occu-

egon. That was before the days of railroads, when of desire on the part of parents to have their sons be-

4. Commercialism, an up-to-date term for world liness. The church pays less for services rendered than

5. The tendency among college students to enter the

ninistry is now growing. 6. Forces which make civilization work quietly and out of sight until they reach a culmination. Then there is a transitional period, involving readjustment. These occur in the industrial and political world, and such a readjustment must occur in the religious world, for it has not kept up with other worlds. Hence young men

church. Our theological students have been increasing Christian centuries has offered such a magnificent hance to a true, devoted and well-fitted pastor as this.

8. Opportunities for influence, renown and wealth are and costs more. Churches lack the earnest, aggressive

to the question under consideration. If not greatly enlightening, there is food in them for thought, for all must acknowledge that the churches are a great factor in the civilizing process of the ages.

#### MAYOR WILLIAMS' FOOL FRIEND.

THE Oregonian, at this late day, says, in explana-tion of the rout the people gave it and its cause at the polls, that it "made its effort chiefly against the proposal to give away additional streetcar franchises." And then, with that wisdom that a fool always assumes when propounding a question, it interrogates: "The scheme didn't carry, did it?"

All along The Journal supposed that the mornin aper was making its chief effort in behalf of Mayor Wil-It would appear now that it was, in true Oregonian style, throwing its whole cunning strength to

Lane and was the "chief fool friend" that led the venerable mayor to defeat. The morning paper's influence with the voter is to be compared to a dream; if there is anything to it at all, it goes by contraries.

### BIG LAND-FRAUD FISH IN THE NET.

HE SUPREME COURT of the United States last week swept away the last barrier which the millionaire land grabbers of San Francisco, Hyde, Benson et al., had erected to escape trial. They had appealed from the California district federal court, which had ordered them removed to the District of Columbia for trial and denied them writs of habeas corpus, and the supreme court sustains this decision, and ahead the people directly interested have no illusions on Secretary Hitchcock's assistants have gathered against now they must stand trial and face the evidence that them. If these men, particularly Hyde, can be con-victed it will be such a set-back to land-grabbing as has never before occurred and seemed impossible of accomplishment. Hyde is a man of great wealth and ability, and claims to have acted within the limits of the law, saying that if the United States enacted loose land laws by which shrewd men could gobble up the public domain by the wholesale, he had no conscientious scruples about doing so, and it was congress and not ws in certain particulars, and that the government can and people continue to bits at them, es-It is due to Secretary Hitchcock, though he has his

and valuable work in unearthing the alleged land frauds of this gang, for it was a very difficult thing to do, as they were intrenched within the general land office and had tools under the very nose of the secretary himself. and for years this ring plied its work without detection. But when Secretary Hitchcock got into it he took up the work of unearthing the frauds and the gangs who were men enter the ministry? is a question often perpetrating them, which task he has pursued for three discussed lately, and revived particularly at years with unremitting vigor and unrelenting determination. With grim tenacity of purpose he has carried on this great work, at vast expense, and an immense amount in other vocations. Besides, he has many chances to time President Roosevelt has upheld his hands, and at rise in some other calling to one in the ministry, unless last the principals in the most stupendous land frauds, he is especially adapted to that calling and his talents ever perpetrated in this country must face a trial court

### WILLIAM WADHAMS.

R. WILLIAM WADHAMS, who died vesterday in Philadelphia, after a hopeless illness of several months, has been a familiar figure in of them, that the thinking, progressive world has left Portland for about 40 years. A leading business man here during that period, he was also a leading Christian worker. He had an extraordinary gift of expression in song-in the singing of religious hymns, and was besides an earnest, forceful exhorter. He had a magnificent secration in purely spiritual endeavor. We think what presence, of which he probably never thought; he had a truth there is in this explanation is largely superficial. ready expression and from his cradle that gift of sturdy, emotion-arousing song.

William Wadhams often told the story of his conversion with him and pointed out to him the benefits of the

What a splendid life that was, when we think of it, their views on this subject, and we will summarize them briefly.

1. Causes many Increased attractiveness of business on account of large profits and the chance of becom-

Chief Hunt can take a vacation after uly I. Also, perhaps, Joe Day, If you are inclined to bet, keep safe distance from Fr-nk B-k-r.

George, John and Tom, in chorus. Hello, Harry, we're glad you got up." Tropoff will have to be mighty ful if the dynamiters don't scatter

Now the Oregonian is down on primary election law. But the law effek.

Now for bosts on the upper Columbia ver. And right merry riding it

The Salem Statesman says: "Republicans are honest men." Every last one of 'em, sure?

The more is rains now the less it will rain later. Always hunt for the sliver lining of the cloud.

Still, it would not be wise to come for a 10 days' visit with only \$25—unless you have hospitable relatives to visit.

Those who urge a big navy because the Japs whipped the Russians at sea would have found an argument in favor of the same proposition if the battle had turned out the other way.

#### **OREGON SIDELIGHTS**

Pudding river onions are

About 6,000 head of cattle will shipped from Ontario during June.

Crook county irrigation ditch; wages

ntains and are killing many sheep

The Baker City Herald refused to tay dead, and now that city has three daily papers instead of one.

By selling their wool last December at 16 cents. Wallows county growers lost at least \$189,000.

The Malheur Gazette thinks Sunday is not a good thing for a town

Dallas Itemizer: Humbugs and fakes pecially those of a medical nature.

A man picked 102 gallons of berries from his strawberry patch near Eagle Point in one day, and says they are just as good as Hood River berries.

The Union (Marion county) corres pondent of the Aurora Boresiis writes: Union is booming. Lewis Keil is mak-ing preparations to build a shed 20x50.

Valley papers are giving country readers the good advice to buy of home merchants instead of peddlers, who sell inferior articles for three or four prices.

Two Newberg men, in one of the lakes in that vicinity, landed about 40 pounds of fine black bass in a few hours. Four of the fish scaled 12

D. Woodside had a four-horse team run away with a harrow. Albert Taylor had a serious accident happen to one of his horses this week.—Dufur Dis-patch. 'It's curious that farmers. patch. 'It's curious that farmers want such incidents to occur, as they must, or they wouldn't have them happen.

Sandy Correspondence of Oregon City Courier: "Many land and home buyers are continually looking ayer our promised land and quite a few settle. What should be done is to get the big land owners to divide into five, ten and 20-acre tracts, and put them on the market and then soon this Sandy coun-try would become thickly settled."

Pilot Rock Record: E. P. Dodd, of the Pendleton Tribune, has bought the Baker City Herald, and has hired a force of men to conduct the paper. Mr. Dodd will spend his time between the two towns, possibly at Hot Lake, and direct the "policy" of the two publications. This looks like another move on the

McMinnville Telephone-Register: It is stated on good authority that a prominent business man of McMinnville got off the train at St. Joseph last Thursday, supposing that he had reached the Lewis and Clark fair grounds. He has bothing but words of praise for the Theantiful landscape gardening, which has such a natural appearance that one might suppose it to be the work of nature."

#### FRESH GOSSIP FROM RABBITVILLE

Rabbitville, Or., June 7.—A ledy went into the City drug store hast Sunday and asked for 10 cents' worth of powder. The clerk said, "Face, gun or bug?" smart like. The lady said: "Neither: for trash like you—liee." Some of these clerks get awful fresh, but that one is not as fresh as he was.

It is rumored that old man Bunco has brought a lawsuit agin the town for \$15,000. He says he was brong here under false pretents. We ain't in it, but we heard a lawyer say that Bunco had buncoed the town worse than the town had buncoed Bunco, and that he won't get a millionth part of a cent in a million years.

gated. As we left, the half of a brick was hurled through the window and took off the top of the gatepost we had been leaning against. We think it was thrown by Miss Violet Appleblossom, but we bear Violet no malice. It would not be safe to bear anything against a maiden who could heave a brick with the force of a piledriver.

Mary Jane Babcock bought a fiew pair of them long, fancy Fifth avenue hose at the City drug store last week. After she got into them she sauntered

store would put on a clean collar the customers would appreciate it. Hardy Hardiron, our blacksmith, has invented a poetry machine. It is built something like a mechanical typesetter. There is boxes for verbs, nouns, adjectives and all the parts of speech, and turn on the power. Here he had to run it with a mule and it didn't work very smooth, So Hardy sent it down to the erly or use power enough, or perhaps sprained it with French words, which makes the output rough and lumpy. makes the output rough and lumpy. Hardy is going to Portland to give them some instructions. So we expect to see the Oregonian turn out a lot of classics

Sunday. He was baptized about a month ago, but it didn't take.

There is a new kid out at the Si Butterbottom residence. Deacon Hardup stopped in and said to Si: "It looks a heap like you, Si." Si's wife heard it and came out and gave the deacon the frosty eye. And the hired girl, who is the mother of the little shaver, didn't look pretty much pleased either. Deacons sometimes butts in where areals sometimes butts in where angels The City drug store has received an elegant stock of ladies' corsets, at prices ranging all the way from 15 to

35 cents per corset.

Major Fairplay is sporting a new silk hat. He must be on the

From the June Century.

There is nowadays not a great deal of gayety at the Russian court. The emperor is a very busy man; he probably has more to do, even in time of emperor is a very busy man; he probably has more to do, even in time of peace, than any other man in the world. Combine the responsibility of the president, the cabinet, congress, the governors of states, state legislatures and mayors of the principal sities in this country, and you will begin to form an idea of the load on the, shoulders of Nicholas II. There is no finality below him, except as he permits it; and the mans of details that actually reaches him is astonishing. If President Reosevelt had to grant permits to operate mills in Texas, erect buildings in New York or form mining companies in California, before any such operations could be begun even his giant energy would be taxed. Yet, incredible as it may seem, the emperor of Russia examines into myriads of similar minutiae, besides attending to the great affairs of state.

From the Baker City Maverick.

My friend Bennett, editor of the Irrigator, published at Irrigon, Oregon, spits on his hands, hitches up his trousers, breathes hard and emits this:

There is an "official" estimate out of the reasonable expenses of five and tenday visits to the Portland exposition. The 10-day visit expenses are given as follows:

Just think of 10 days "incidentals."

Including all the trimmings, for two bits per day! What a wild and hilarious time a man could have in Portland on two bits per day—and what a wealth of "souvenirs" he could accumulate!

Of course a fellow could, if he were miserly and niggardly, skin through on who are still doing the teaching.

## "TURN DOWN THE

and more has no terrors whatever.

He begins cutting down expenses by economizing on the light in his office. To the average mind this may look small. But to Shaw it is the seed of

betide the clerk round burning a light not absolutely essential.

You will cease laughing at this homely economy when informed that it is the chief method by which the deficit is to be reduced from \$35,000,000 to \$25,000,000 by the end of the fiscal year,

Plays of the revolutionary war are all more or less alike, but "A Romanco of "76." in which Miss Bertha Creighton and company began a season of three weeks at the Marquam last evening, is the most reminiscent of all. It used to be called "A Colonial Girl," and it follows the lines of "Paul Revere" so closely that half the lobby declared it

lows the lines of "Paul Revere" so closely that haif the lobby declared it was that play done over.

But from several standpoints the performance was interesting. Our old friend, Howard Gould, recently from a hospital, and still wearing surgeon's bandages, played the hero, Robert Ericson, on 24 hours' notice. Not infrequently are actors placed in this trying situation, but rarely do they accomplish as much as did Mr. Gould, who was given the part only the night before, when J. H. Gilmour, who was to have been the leading man, fell ill. Mr. Gould was amanly servant of Washington—a stalwart opponent of the redcoats. His was easily the best performance on the stage, and his friends gave him an ovation.

Miss Creighton is a promising young actress. She has the right method, generally, and a conception of these Janice Meredith roles that is all her own. Her voice is soft, her manner natural and easy. She made Betty Watson an interesting creature of lights and shadows, and was well received.

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The support averages well, without startling the beholder.

The play itself is full of strong situations and the American fiag is rung in wicked habit—in striking fashion, to reveal which would spoil an important part of the performance for prospective pastrons.

The bill will be changed weekly during the stay of the company and at popular prices the engagement should prove profitable. RACE WHITNEY.

### No Secrecy in Technical Work.

From the Engineering Record.

Those who have been reading the technical journals of the leading industrial countries during the past winter must have been impressed by the unusual publicity given to methods of production and the detailed designs of apparatus still in course of development. It would seem as though the old policy of secrecy in such matters had largely disappeared. Not only have works formerly forbidden even to large customers been thrown open to the inspection of merly forbidden even to large customers been thrown open to the inspection of properly credited visitors, but technical processes still incompletely developed have been described in papers before scientific societies. The spirit of the scientific societies. The spirit of the engineering world during the last sixmonths and progress has been correspondingly rapid.

It has been generally recognized for some years that the day of secrecy in business was past, but the publicity of late has nevertheless been surprising.

#### SIGNIFICANCE OF THE OPEN RIVER

marks the possession of an independent route from the field of the raw material of the country to a connection with the white-winged messengers of commerce that take it to exchange for other values. has been made more certain, that tolling humanity has something to hope for from the way being made open from the very fields themselves to their custom-

### LEWIS AND CLARK

The simple habits inculcated in the humble home are not had for nations. It is upon them that national honor and integrity are built. It is upon the simple economics of everyday life, only magnified enormously, that the vast financial affairs of the world are successfully conducted.

Don't laugh at the cutting off of waste. It is good economy in the little home that has but one lamp, and it is just as good in the big government institutions that have lights by the millions.

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The incultation in the Missouri river from Fore Mandan, near the alite of Bismarck, North Dakota. The party is now near ing the Rocky Mountains.

June 7—At an early hour they continued down the river. The route was extremely unpleasant as the wind was high from the northeast accompanied with rain which made the ground so alippery that they were unable to walk alippery that they were unable to walk on ascending the river. The land is the most thirsty we have ever seen; not withstanding all the rain which has fallen the earth is not wet for more than two inches deep and resembles thawed ground; but if it requires more water to saturate it than the common solls, on the other hand it yields its moisture. on the other hand it yields its moisture on the other hand it yields its moisture with equal difficulty. In passing along the side of one of these bluffs at a narrow pass 30 yards in length Captain Lewis slipped, and but for a fortunate recovery by means of his espontoon, would have been precipitated into the river over a precipice of about 20 feet. He had just reached a spot where by the assistance of his espontoon he could stand with tolerable safety, when he heard a voice behind him cry out, "Good

> passage were ordered to return and wade the river at the foot of the bluff where they found the water breast high. This adventure taught them the danger of crossing the slippery heights of the river, but as the plains were interriver, but as the plains were intersected by deep ravines almost as difficult to pass, they continued down the river, sometimes in the mud of the low grounds, sometimes up to their arms in the water, and when it became too deep to wade they cut footholds with their knives in the sides of the banks. In this way they fraveled through the rain, mud and water and having made only 18 miles during the whole day encamped in an old Indian lodge of sticks which afforded them a dry shelter. Here they cooked part of six deer they had killed in the course of their walk, and having eaten the only morsel they had tasted during the whole day, slept comfortably on some willow houghs.

### A Stinging Rebuke.

From the Weston Leader.

In attempting to corral a swarm of estray bees at the Prendergast place near town, Billy Graham had an experience that added largely to his sum of knowledge and to the sundry bumps that comprise his cranium. He tried to follow the advice of Iven O'Harfa, an alleged expert on bee culture, and to shake the clinging lumps of bees into a box. They fell on him lastead, and ne was stung in a separate and tender spot by each individual bee. With the busy little honey-makers staying right with him he made a bee-line for the house, and was promptly driven out by Mrs.