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#### STANDARD OIL AND THE GOVERNMENT.

HE Louisville, Kentucky, Post says: "Few if any men outside of the Standard Oil company understand the methods through which that company is daily adding to its enormous wealth. One thing certain, however, and that is there is a profound impression all over this country that the Standard Oil company's whole plan of operations rests upon a defiance of he law and a settled determination of its managers to break the law for commercial gain wherever it is safe to do so. The time is fast approaching when this evil must be remedied. One of the largest and richest corpora ons in the world, dominated by the richest man in the world, is setting itself above law. This cannot go on indefinitely. Either the government is stronger than the Standard Oil or the Standard Oil is stronger than the government.'

Well, just now Standard Oil seems to have the white hand of the government, and the people of Oregon are urged in certain quarters to vote for Standard Oil, if it is properly labeled, politically.

Think of going out hurrals Hermann and Standard Oil! We doubt whether the young men will enthuse very

#### THE CHIEF DEFENSE OF NATIONS.

AR is the natural enemy of woman. In ut civilized and many quasi-civilized countries the process of man-taming has subjected to many cruel and barbarous indignities. Early in the game woman discovered man to be a growling animal. Many times he bit. Like other animals of noble instinct, kindness subdued his natural belligerency. The instinct of kindness was in the process of ages de veloped into a settliment which poets call love, and philosophers call natural selection, but which sociologists call maternal impulse. At any rate, whatever it is called. t is the vital principle upon which man has grown from barbarism into civilized society. From this inherited, miversal trait of self-assertion, man still continues to sume, if not to assert the inferiority of woman. And his, in a measure, will account for many of the conflictig opinions which gain currency whenever woman as to universal suffrage.

Without expressing an opinion of the suffrage move ment confronting the Oregon electorate, it will be conceded by all informed persons that in diplomacy, moral refinement, artistic skill, and the whole schedule of domestic virtues woman is man's superior. The historical conquest of man himself is sufficiently authentic to authorize this merited tribute. The literature of every race, the history of all peoples, the impartial chronology of events pictures woman taming the ferocity of nations, ftening the rigors of government and accomplishing by diplomacy what in man would have involved war, bloodshed and desolation.

In every nation celebrated for intellectual skill, political purity, civic virtue, or domestic refinement, woman has stood side by side with man in the universal pantheon of human progress. The diplomacy of Penelope, holding intact an assaulted Ithaca while displaying a wealth of motherly tenderness, and wifely fidelity, contrasting itself with the peculiar qualities of Ulysses in the most celebrated of domestic epics, is antiquity's re- such men as these, regardless of party. sponse to the perennial assault upon woman's capacity to rule. Indeed, whenever man has excluded woman scientious a man. Aldrich is a Republican.

from governmental influence the history of legislation is a polyglot of infamy. Wherever she has touched the hand of authority civilization has been enriched by the dignity and tenderness of law.

These considerations must be a powerful factor in de-termining the suffrage contest. They compel an inquiry into the reasons for hostility to female suffrage. And when these inquiries are legitimately pursued in many cases it will be discovered that the propaganda back of this opposition springs from doubtful interests and instruments of immorality, against which the normal woman is an inveterate foe. Neither a gamblers' trust, nor a liquor combine would welcome woman as a possible alderman or legislator. But step by step woman has resisted and overcome the insidious assaults of similar interests againt the moral progress of humanity; and if her untiring devotion exhibits at times an apparent want of logic, man, the object of her solicitude, when eventually liberated from the moral quicksand of his faller nature, will be first to acknowledge the contribution of mothers, wives and daughters to this chief defense of nations.

#### JAPAN'S FOOD SUPPLIES.

UST BEFORE the adjournment of the recent Jap anese diet it sanctioned a measure imposing duties on various imports that had theretofore been admitted free, and raising duties slightly on articles already dutiable. While protection of Japan's infant industries may have been an object, this, it is judged, was only incidental to the main object of raising more revenue by this means. The average increase in duties on articles affected amounts to 13 per cent, and it is estimated will yield only about \$1,200,000 more revenue, the policy being to tax luxuries, such as automobiles, bicycles, watches and jewelry, rather than necessaries. Yet flour, most of which imported by Japan is sent by the United States, is one of the articles on which the duty was raised. The importation of wheat flour increased from \$300,000 in 1894 to \$5,000,000 in 1903, and has materially increased since, making it an easy means of raising more revenue. Flour is becoming more and more a necessity to the Japanese, and it is being per-ceived that to maintain a high physical and mental standard more aluminates and less carbon-hydrates, that is more wheat and barley and less rice, must be used.

Prior to the discovery of the origin of that terrible exclusively, as to grain, on rice, but it having been ob-served that prisoners fed largely on-barley were into mune from the disease, the Japanese are taking more and flour exporters, except for the expectation that in a few years Manchuria will become the granary of Japan, yet in the meantime, and perhaps for a long time, we shall sell a good deal of flour there, and there as here the con

#### THE FORGOTTEN MAN.

THE FORGOTTEN MAN is getting to the front, slowly, toilsomely, gradually. He is beginning to think, the hitherto For

The Forgotten Man used to vote 'er straight. He took the party county paper for his political bible. He hurrahed for this, that and the other. Then, after election

We want to make a plea now for the forgotten, the neglected man. We rejoice in his growing independence. Why, Jesus loved the forgotten, neglected man. Lincoln turned a tumble-bug in a rut over to give it a chance-and yet millions of men, women and children are first being robbed, and then forgotten, by our alleged

The forgotten men are going to vote, this year, an

#### ROOSEVELT AND THE PARTY,

CARTOON in this morning's Oregonian is a wonder. It is really, for that paper, unusually amusing.

g Roosevelt?" Aldrich, Foraker Dalzell and Elkins; or Williams, Folk, Hearst, Bryan and Gearin?

Now, really, which and who?

By the way, we don't doubt at all that if President Roosevelt were a citizen of Oregon, he would, in this local case, vote for Chamberlain for governor and for Word for sheriff. He isn't a perfect man, but he is that kind of a man.

Roosevelt stands, and must necessarily stand, with Roosevelt isn't a Republican; he is too big and con-

#### in a very few years we will be up with all. He says: it. WILL G. STEEL. "The women LETTERS FROM THE

Suggestion for Park Board. Portland, May 10 .- To the Editor of The Journal-The writer being an admirer of animal life and interested in terest in the small but growing zoo at the City park. those in authority to provide suitable quake due to the movement for women

seeming indifference on the part of signs on the quarters of the birds and

PEOPLE

The great majority have no sign at all to enable those not familiar with the appearance of the animal to know what it is. Now, the great zoological gardens in eastern cities have all cages and quarters equipped with signs giving the mon and scientific name, the habttat and a brief history of the animal. with a very insignificant expense and then visitors would go away feeling a e of satisfaction and an interest in I am sure such action on the part of the park board would be highly appre-ciated by all visitors to the park.

#### An Injustice to Portland.

Portland, May 10 .- To the Editor o The Journal-Quite a row was kicked up recently because the government had left Portland off of a little map it had lished, but I have failed to see any erence to the fact that the Southern systematically ignored Portland's increase in population. That Shafforth election case in congress company's folder for February, 1906, makes very interesting reading. It aprates our population at \$3,000 and Francisco at 458,000. An increase

the tensor of 1900 Portland was the 5th to have the gentler sex stooping to the committing deeds of this character, but the sensor of 1900 Portland was the 5th to have the gentler sex stooping to the commission of unlawful acts to gain a political victory is pitiable in the extraorder was 18 times as large as portland, but in 1900 it was only three results to the second of the service of the service of the second to the second of the service of the second to the second of this character, but to have the gentler sex stooping to the committing deeds of this character, but to have the gentler sex stooping to the commission of unlawful acts to gain treme. Lawrence Lewis, in his able reaction, and the second of the second of

it is but little over twice as large, and

Orators Caused the Earthquake. Newberg, Or., May 10.- To the Editor of The Journal-In trying to solve the cause of the earthquake that destroyed San Francisco I have almost reached the conclusion that the agitation of the equal suffrage question was the cause of the upheaval of mother nature. Our good women mean all right, but what they are trying to do is enough to cause the earth to shiver. I really think, unless some scientist discovers otherwise that I will have to believe the earth weight orators and campaigners, and such a weight put on one side of the country is enough to make the earth

#### Give the Mames.

Prineville, Or., May 8.—To the Editor of The Journal—An anonymous correspondent writes to The Journal that qual suffrage has had horrible results in Wyoming. For more than 15 years the advocates of equal rights have had a standing challenge, inviting the opponents to find in all Wyoming two respectable men who will assert over their own names and addresses that it has had any bad results, whatever. The opponents have thus far falled to re-EVA D. DOAK.

#### Now It Works in Colorado

Jefferson, Or., May 10 .- To the Editor of The Journal-In my last communication to The Journal I showed you how woman suffrage was working in Wyo-ming and Colorado. I now propose to enlarge somewhat on the same theme. The report of the proceedings in the makes very interesting reading. It appears Shafforth was largely supported dan Francisco at 458,000. An increase by the women voters of the state, and of about 2,000 over the last census is the evidence produced for the purpose allowed Portland and over 100,000 for of unseating him was so overwhelming than Francisco. As a matter of fact, we that he threw up the sponge before final ure entitled to about 150,000 and San action was taken. The evidence went Right here a word may not be out of lace on the question of population, fraud. It is surely bad enough to see men rough and unprincipled men rough and unprincipled men committing deeds of this characters. "The women politicians who, though

not vicious, are in politics for what there is in it in jobs and money. . . "It is safe to say that under ordinary conditions and under ordinary olice administrations 90 per cent of the fallen women in our cities are com-pelled to register and to vote at least once for the candidates favored by the olice or sheriff's officers."

The only argument the suffragists of Colorado advance in favor of their ause, now that they see how it works s precisely the same argument that they use here when they invade our pulpits to ventilate their political pro-paganda. "Would you in justice refus-the intelligent and refined women of your family the franchise you give freely to illiterates, foreigners and ne-groes? thereby assuming." as Mr. Lewis restriction and while forgetting tha these illiterate foreigners and negroes have women in their families. That all the women even of Colorado do not regard voting as among their natural rights is shown by the flat and oft-times indignant refusal by many to vote at all, and by the manner in which such a large proportion of the others look upon voting as an unpleasant, irk-some and unsought duty."

These are not my words. They are the words of Lawrence Lewis, an able, impartial resident of Colorado—neither an office-hunter nor an office-holder familiar with the political conditions of that state, one of its best known and ablest citizens. Do the men of Oregon wish to see such a condition of affairs existing here? God forbid. OREGONIAN.

#### Models Needed.

From the Syracuse Herald. Congress is framing what it calls a model insurance law" for the District it will have done something to be prou-

True Enough at Times. From the St. Louis Globe-Democrat. "Pirst class in stymology!"
The boys stood up in a row.
"Johnny Jones."
"Yes'm."

#### SMALL CHANGE

Only three days more in which to The fight between the People and standard Oil is becoming interesting.

Buy "Made in Oregon." It isn't Party, but Men, that voter

Is Roosevelt a Republican?

Chamberlain has filled the bill.

The Albany Democrat thinks that "s native American is none too good for governor of Oregon."

Nobody will hang George Mitchell.

men, not parties, that are in There really ought to be no opposition to the election of Judge Hailey.

"The Oregonian gets down to petti-toggery in its arguments," remarks the Albany Democrat. O, well, that is noth-

Baseball is interesting to more peopl perhaps, than politics. Bad luck is usually the result of be

It was too warm for us-now it i

Dig up the burdocks and thistles Yes, you better register, and vote

Will the next legislature be held up Everybody seems to agree that Ore-

We told you it would rain.

Development is the "watchword." Yet some Democrats will run.

If anything can beat the Republican party, the Oregonian will do it. It seems to be trying its best.

bigger than the Standard Oil company he will prove himself a big, stout fel

#### OREGON SIDELIGHTS

Fruit crops certain to be good in

There are numerous very good indica tions pointing to a veritable rush in the limber business, hereabouts, in the very near future, says the Roseburg News.

Corvallis Times: It is probable that the Kaupisch creamery will do a busi-ness of \$150,000 this year. It is under-going a development that promises within a short time to make it the most important enterprise in Benton county. It paid out \$80,000 for butter fat last year. It is now making more than a ton of butter per day. It has a market at fancy, prices for every pound of butter turned out.

Bright prospects in and around Union, says the Union Republican, and we believe it.

will Warfield was among to who were in town yesterday on busi-ness, says the Corvallis Times. He de-ter his home this morning with parted for his home this morning with a quantity of household supplies, a thoroughbred shepherd pup and a Jersey

falling pretty briskly these days. A week or 10 days of warm weather will settle the question of whether or not we are to have a good prune crop.

Irrigon Irrigator: Fourteen men ame into Irrigon in one bunch Saturday looking for jobs and were promptly put to work by the Oregon Land & Water company. Some 30 or 40 men are now employed making laterals for the distribution of water from the main

"A good field of labor for those interested in the development of Gold Hill would be to use their influence with the proper parties in having the rail-road right of way through town cleaned up. In other towns along the line this matter is attended to regularly, while here trash and debris are allowed to lay around in heaps and pools of water are permitted to stand until they become

Wool being clipped now all over Ore

#### Roosevelt's Fearlessness.

From the Pendleton East Oregonian. Because of the fearless character of Theodore Rooseveit the plutocratic members of his party will surely turn him down and out before another presidential election comes on. Because of his fearlessness, candor, vigor and honesty he will be given the same dose by the conservative and non-progressive members of his party that Bryan was given by the same classes in his party. Joe Cannon or some other iceberg, Fairbanks, perhaps, will likely be chosen to lead the Republican ticket in 1908, just as Parker was chosen to lead the Deas Parker was chosen to lead the De-mocracy in 1904. The only logical outcome of present conditions is a reunion of the reform forces with Bryan, Hearst, Roosevelt, Folk, La Foilette and such men as leaders, leaving the trusts in possession of the old fossils of both parties, which are both red-handed in

#### THE RISE OF GENERAL **FUNSTON**

Lieutenant - Colonel J. A. Wrous, in Lieutenant - Colonel J. A. Wrous, in Chicago Journal.

It is not often that eight years see so many remarkable changes in a nation as have taken place since April 28, 1898. Our country had just declared war against Spain. We had a small regular army of less than 25,000 effectives. A quarter of a million volunters were wanted; a million were offered.

Four months from that day the war with Spain had ended. Cuba was free. Porto Rico was virtually a part of this nation. A little later the Philippines were under the control of the Ameri-

of friends, who now have national reputations, some international.

Today the name of General Frederick Funston is spoken by millions. Four hundred thousand citizens of a stricken city on the Pacific coast have been looking to him with grateful hearts for his service in their behalf during the most trying period in the history of any city on this continent.

It may be said without hazarding a risk that there has seldom, if ever, rested upon the shoulders of one man mightler responsibilities than have rested upon the shoulders of that little brigadier general of the regular army since the earthquake and the disastrous fire which followed it. Not a criticism

since the earthquase and the disciplinary fire which followed it. Not a criticism has been made: no fault has been found with what he has done. Apparently he has made no mistake. He has met all demands. He has filled the bill.

all demands. He has filled the only
Who was Fred Funston 10 years ago!
A young man in Kansas, a teacher, a
newspaper reporter, something of a
lawyer. Before our country declared
war against Spain he was in Cubs. fighting side by side with the Cubans who wanted liberty. No one talked about him then; no one, apparently, knew who he was, nor where he came from, except the small circle of friends in his Kansas home.

ood material in him, aske rnor to make Fred Funs by this Kansas boy./
He did what seemed to be impossible things. He swam rivers in the face of

Numerous efforts had been made to apture the head of the Philippine in-surrection. Against had done a world

leader to captivity.

The Kansas brigadier thought he could capture him, and told General MacArthur and General Wheaton of his plans. He was given permission to try. Two or three weeks afterward he sailed into Manila bay and turned over to the authorities the long-rought head of 1 2 Philippines' civil and military government.

For this he was made a brigadiergeneral of the regular army, an act
which was much criticised at the time,
President McKinley having lifted this
Kansas boy over the heads of all other
officers in the regular army under the
rank of brigadier-general. In the light
of his recent achievements we shall
probably hear no more criticism of the
promotion of the Kansas volunteer.
In this connection it may be added
that within a few months it will be
his turn to receive promotion to the
rank of major general.

much for this unknown school teacher, reporter and part lawyer of eight years ago; and, concluding. I want to mention the splendid light in which his wonderful leadership has placed the rank and file of the Ameri-

#### Influence of the Cigarette. Origon Swett Marden in the Success

Origon Swett Marden in the Success Magazine.

I leave it to others to discuss the moral side of cigarette smoking. I denounce it simply because of its blighting, blasting effect upon one's success in life; because it draws off the energy, saps the vitality and force which ought to be made to tell in one's career; because it blunts the sensibilities and deadens the thinking faculties; because it kills the ambitton and the finer instincts and the more delicate aspirastinots, and the more delicate aspira-tions and perceptions; because it de-stroys the ability to concentrate the mind, which is the secret of all achieve-

Canyonville Echo: Wild and tame flowers are so plentiful now that the teachers' desks are loaded with them. The pot plants are also looking well and most of them are in full bloom.

Irrigon Irrigator. the faculties, but it unbaiances the mind, as well. Many of the most pitiable cases of insanity in our asylums are eigarette fiends. It creates abnormal appetites, strange, undefined longings, discontent, uneasiness, nervousness, irritability, and, in many, an almost irrestitible trailingtion to crime. In fact

discontent, uneasiness, nervousiess, irresistible inclination to crime. In fact, the moral deprayity which follows the cigarette habit is something frightful. Lying, cheating, impurity, loss of moral courage and manhood, a complete dropping of life's standards all along the lines, are its general results.

A chemist, not long since, took the tobacco used in an average cigarette and soaked it in several teaspoonfuls of water and then injected a portion of it under the skin of a cat. The cat almost immediately went into convulsions, and died in 15 minutes. Dogs have been killed with a single drop of nicotine. Cigarette smoking is no longer simply a moral question. The great business world has taken it up as a deadly enemy of advancement, of achievement. Leading business firms all over the country have put the cigarette on the prohibited.

list. In Detroit alone, 69 merchants have agreed not to employ the cigarette user. In Chicago, Montgomery Ward & Co., Hibbard, Spencer & Bartlett, and some of the other large concerns have prohibited cigarette smoking among all employes under 18 years of age. Marshall Field & Co. and the Morgan & Wright Tire company have this rule: "No cigarettes can be smoked by our employes." One of the questions on the application blanks at Wanamaker's reads: "Do you use tobacco or cigarettes?"

reads: "Do you use tobacco or cigar-ettes?"

The superintendent of the Lindell Street Railway of St. Louis, says; "Under no circumstances will I hire a man who smokes cigarettes. He is as dangerous on the front of a motor as a man who drinks. In fact, he is more dangerous; his nerves are ant to give

asylum for their employes as to hire cigarette smokers."

The Naw York, New Haven & Hartford, the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific, the Lehigh Valley, the Burlington and many others of the leading railroad companies of this country have issued orders positively forbidding the use of cigarettes by employes while on duty.

### LEWIS AND CLARK

fasted again on horseflesh. The village of Tunnachemootooit is in fact only a single house 150 feet long, built after many families are crowded together, the Chopunnish are much more cleanly in their persons and habitations than any people we have met sinde we left the Ottoes on the river Platte. In the course of the morning a chief named Yoompahkatim, a stout, good-looking man about 40 years of age, who had lost his left eye, arrived from his village on the south side of Lewis river. We gave him a small medal, and finding that there were present the principal chiefs of the Chopunnish nation, we thought this a favorable moment to explain to them the intentions of our government. We therefore collected the chiefs and warriofs, and having drawn a map of the relative situation of our country on a mat with a piece of coal, detailed the it into French to Chaboneau; he in-terpreted it to his wife in the Minne-tarce language; she then put it into the Shoshone and the young Shoshone pris-mer explained it to the Chopunnish in heir own dialect. At last we would be after which we amused them by show-ing the wonders of the compass, spying the wonders of the compass, spywhat seemed to be impossible
to swam rivers in the face of
His soldiers were ready to
manywhere. President Moade him a brigadier-general
ters.

In the Minnetarees last autumn three
young Chopunnish had gone over to that
mation who had mentioned our visit and
the extraordinary articles we had with
us, but they had placed no confidence
in it until now. Among other persons
present was a youth, son of the Chopunnish chilf, of much consideration, killed
not long since by the Minnetarees of
Fort de Prairie. As soon as the council
was over he brought us a very fine mare was over he brought us a very fine mare with a colt and begged us to accept them as a proof that he meant to pursue our advice, for he had opened his ears to our councils, which had made his heart glad. We now resumed our medical labors and had a number of patients afflicted with scrofula, rheuma-tism and sore eyes, to all of whom we permit. We also visited a chief who had for three years past so completely jost the use of his limbs that he lies like a perfect corpse in whatever position he is placed; yet he ests heartly, digests his food very well, has a regular pulse and retains his flesh—in short, were he not so pale for lying so long out of the sun he might be mistaken for a man in perfect health. This disease does not seem common; we have seen does not seem common; we have seen only three cases of it among the chopunnish, who alone are afflicted with it. The scrotulous disorders we may readily conjecture to originate in the long confinement to vegetable diet, which may perhaps also increase the soreness of the eyes, but this strange disorder baffles at once our curiosity and our skill.

#### A Hard-Luck Story. By James J. Montague. told 'em that a great big boy was neve

meant to stay A-hangin' round a baby-cart in Central I told 'em that I had to watch the fellers playin' ball, An' now, I'll bet they wisht that I had done it, after all. done it, after all.

For ma's been cryin' all night long as
if she'd break her heart

Because I traded baby off for this here
coastin' eart.

You see, a kid had had the cart about month or two,

An' so was nort a-hankerin' to play with An' when he see me comin' 'long he talk

to me a while, An' asks me what's the baby's name, an how you made him smile.

An', say! I bragged that baby up an' told An' pretty soon he said he guessed like to have one, too.

Well, that's right where I seen my chance, so I praised up our kid.

An' told him all about his ways, an' all the things he did.

An' said that when he brought him home t'wud do him good to see

How glad he'd made his mother an' how

wanted him so bad bought him with his coastin' cart 'cause that was all he had. thought it was a real smart trade, be-cause there's kids to spare -kickin' round our little flat an' under every chair.

But when I told my ma she screamed,
and pa, he cust, an' then
He went to get the cops to help get baby back again. I don't see what they want him for, he

always brought bad luck, An' that there kid that's got him will find out that he's stuck. But that's the way with grown-up folks no matter what you do help 'em out o' trouble, why, the blame gets put on you.

However nice you try to be, you get mis-understood. An' they don't ever realize you do it for

their good.

It's always turned out just like that with everything I've did.

I tell you what, it's pretty hard sometimes to be a kid. Running on His Record.

From the Cloverdale Courier.

Governor Chamberlain is making his campaign on his record as chief executive of Oregon four years and it's a good record to run on. Reduced taxes, a cleaner administration, a general straightening out of the tangled affairs of the state land department and a large saving to the state in the way of interest earnings on state school fundare some of the items of interest in his administration, which please the people and which will cleam their vaira. dangerous; his nerves are apt to give a dangerous; his nerves are apt to give record to run on. Reduced taxes, a way at any moment. If I find a car cleaner administration, a general running badly, I immediately begin to a cleaner administration, a general straightening out of the tangled affairs of the state in the tangled affairs of the state in the way of the does, and then he goes, for good. Interest earnings on state school fund are some of the items of interest in this administration, which please the peother "might as well go to a lunatic ple and which will claim their votes.

#### THE PATHFINDERS OF HISTORY

By Rev. Thomas B. Gregory.

Man may have been produced by nature, but, now that he is produced, he is much greater than nature.

After thousands, perhaps millions, of years of "evolution," nature has finally evoluted a creature that is much wiser than herself, and that in his cunning improves upon her in many ways.

As proof of the truth of this statement witness the refrigerator, the anniment witness the refrigerator, the anniment

There is also the "compression" system, which has proven itself to be more convenient if not more practicable than the absorption process.

In this, ammonia is allowed to expand into a gas, and is subjected to pressure by means of a steam pump. This compression increases the heat of the ammonia gas, and by then passing the ammonia through coils of pipe and making it cold again, the ammonia is reduced to the condition where it seeks to regain its heat.

any other people can sit solidly at home.
If they have the money, and command that the richest meats and daintiest fruits of all the lands of the earth be

cream, having fatled to reach the per-son to whom it was consigned, made the return transatiantic voyage and was

erator ship. In two minutes men were in the hold of the ship, gathering the frost from the cooling pipes and snow-halling each other, while the boat-keeper outside of the %-inch steel plating was fanning himself with his hat, almost disry from the quivering heat

will have the benefit of Carre's idea, and, like Othello, the tyrannous ice trust will have lost its occupation.

## The Rubaiyat of a Versifier.

From the New York Sun. ! For the redd'ning east proclaims the morn, This day in me a new resolv Nor shrivel in an editor's hot scorn.

Whether from Boston or Manhattan's Whether the page with thought or tear My poems come back surely one plainly see that I must charge m

Each morn an inspiration brings. Ah, Henceforth, I shall but tales of laughter tell; Touch not on death, or sin, or deer or high,
But play the fool. The tragic will not

I'll dip my pen and to the tune of One sprightly lyric to the world outfling:
And it shall chime with nonsense

Some write for glory and go hungry; Toil for remembrance in the years to I'll take the cash and-let the credit Better to live on ple than chew a crumb

Perhaps some genius with his burning May scorch his story on the hearts of May limn the truth and please th public too: Perhaps he may, perhaps but then but then

Thalia come! And thou, too, Momus my gas bill and my rent reveal my need.

Descend ye on me and your with be-That I may write what all the world will read.

### Evidence of General Prosperity.

From the Daily Gonsular Reports.

The Importation of precious stones at New York bears testimony to the great prosperity of the nation. During March the aggregate was in value \$3,788,725, the highest for one month in the history of the country, and \$700,000 more than in the corresponding month last year. The entry of automobiles presents further evidence of the same kind. In March 100 machines, valued at \$340,000, were imported, as compared with 49 for the same month of 1905. In the three months of this calendar year 500 cars, appraised at \$1,000,000, were imported at New York. Only a little overhalf as many were imported in the corresponding time in 1905. American automobile manufacturers should bestir themselyes to supply the home demand.