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The people who are always butting in don't seem to know what a lot of com-fort there is in deciding that many things are not one's business.

Men in the penitentiary have just enough to eat and think they do not



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The hypocrite would not put on the appearance of virtue if it was not the most proper means to gain love .-

#### JETTY AND CANAL.

T IS now suggested, since it is probable that the jetty at the month of the Columbia will need all the money that congress is likely appropriate for the Columbia river, and since up-country interests naturally demand that work on the Celilo canal be not deferred, that the state appropriate money with which to continue work on the canal, so that all the appropriation can be used on the jetty. We will not now discuss the advisability of such a step, farther than to say that if Oregon and Portland, after all they have done to open the Columbia river, in dredging the lower river channel and in buying for the government the right of way for the canal and railroad and building the portage railroad from Celilo nearly to The Dalles, have to help Uncle Sam to dig the canal, Washington and Idaho ought to help. The legislatures of the three states will be session next winter at the same time, and if any such appropriation s made by Oregon it should be conditional on appropriations from these other states, which will be benefited by the canal quite as much as Ore-

It is represented that if the amount likely to be obtained for the Columbia done with the fractional appropriawill practically be thrown away. because the work will have to cease the longer it will be surrendering the time more money is available the long been in justice entitled. But unlob will have to be done over again in fortunately the city has an anti-peolarge part, as has been the case here- ple council on its hands, and cannot ofore. Or, if the money is saved till another appropriation is made, the jetty lately constructed will have been largely destroyed. This is probably 14 per cent greater this week than for the most of the small opportunities the true, and being so the wonder is that the corresponding week of 1905, and the government, being committed to the corresponding week last year was assume she would bring down the house, as the same as the sa both these projects, will proceed in considered something of a record-in "Dorothy." this penny-wise - and - pound - foolish breaker. Our baseball team's perfashion. Economy is the plea, but centage is considerably higher, too. surely there is no economy in this manner of procedure. Under this The minions of the czar are becompolicy the government will not only ing more and more heartless. Not delay for years the improvements satisfied with taking red flags and that are urgently needed, but will bombs from the anarchists the police throw away hundreds of thousands of are stealing the terrorists' automodollars needlessly and inexcusably, biles. No wonder the Russians are It is this view of the case, one that displeased. every practical man must admit to be indisputably right, that should be who will decide the matter.

## A VAIN WARNING.

THE New York Press, an able and leading Republican newsof Mr. Bryan's position on govern- Dingley tariff caused prosperity and the question itself, from its contem- primary lessons. poraries of that party. The Press declares that Mr. Bryan has taken a will no more than scratch the surface and ammunition. of the evils of private ownership." Extortion, the Press predicts, will go and death over individuals and communities, and in consequence people "will be won over in swarms to the Bryan idea of government owner-

The only way to prevent this, the Press thinks, is to put through the next congress a far more radical and trol, "This business," it says, "will challenge cup. not wait. We think that Mr. Bryan has not struck his blow at private ownership a day too soon. Unless dorsing both Roosevelt and the sen-the worthless Hepburn act is quickly ators who opposed him and threw displaced with a thoroughgoing proram of government control, includng the valuation of the railroads to fix fair charges, the present rate law will itself be a far more eloquent plea for federalization of the highways than any Mr. Bryan can make. Also the failure of the department of a second-breaken

justice to land a few big rebaters in prison and to make that practice as odious as robbing the mails will swell daily the army of converts to the

Bryan program."

In any case there will be a contest between the government and the railroads, as soon as the government refuses to be run by them, but, says the Press, "If private ownership persists n writing its own terms and forcing them on the people through railroad lackeys in congress, we believe with Mr. Bryan that the voters two years hence will commission a president to take the first steps toward government ownership."

This will be ignored or derided by the combined standpatters of all sorts, for their greed and gluttony have blinded them, to the conse quences of their fatuous service of the people's enemies, but the Press may ere many years reprint its warning under the caption: "We told

Several soldiers have sued proproprietors of amusement resorts because the uniformed young men were not admitted or were ordered out, and their officers are backing them up, insisting that Uncle Sam's uniform nust be respected. But the cases will be better judged when the other side of the stories is told, and it is known how the young men of war were behaving themselves.

Vice-President Fairbanks last night bubbled effervescently on the subject of government ownership of rail roads, which he terms "a radical departure from the sound principles which have hitherto guided us." Fairbanks' idea of a sound principle relates entirely to something that has received the sanction of antiquity and the approbation of the United States

When very rich and strong men acting as a corporation insolently tudes of weaker individuals, and are punished only by fining the corporation, while individuals guilty of really less heinous offenses are not only fined but sent to jail, the public is justified in supposing that the square deal is only an iridescent dream.

The longer the city puts off its apparently inevitable contest with the Fourth street alleged franchise when the money is exhausted, and by rights and revenues to which it has move in this matter till-next year.

Portland's bank clearings were over

Harriman buys the St. Paul railpressed upon the men in congress road every few days, according to report, but his sales of it are kept secret. How he can buy it so often without selling it in the meantime is a mystery.

It isn't much use to argue with a paper, takes a different view man who really, believes that the ment ownership of railroads, and of increase of wealth. What he needs is

No terms of settlement of the popular stand, and one that will be- Cuban question will be considered come more so, "because the govern- adequate that do not inform the peoment regulation which we now have ple where the rebels got their arms

Now that everybody is done laughon under the new law the same as it ing at that spelling reform edict, will did before, monopolies will still be favored, syndicated railroads will retain their power of commercial life railroads?

Mr. Roosevelt kindly tell us what he see a mouse you're safe. It's only when he gets out of sight that he can attack you. In case of danger jump into the bathtub and turn on the boiling wa-

> A lot of New York Democrats A lot of New York Democrats plan will serve against mosquitoes. seem to be trying a good deal harder than is necessary to impure Democratic defeat in that state.

It is hard to estimate how many tea cups have been sold through Sir reliable measure of government con- Thomas Lipton's efforts to "lift" that

> The Republicans are everywhere in im down, or tried to.

The people of a city, not the railroads, should own and control its

The prune crop in most parts of Ore

## A Little Out of the Common

THINGS PRINTED TO READ WHILE YOU WAIT.

### Bible Must Be Washed.

Snaggs, at Hitchin county court.

saying that the Scotch or any form of oath may be used, and his l has ordered Testaments with sanitary covers that may be washed for all courts in his circuit, for those who wish to keep to the old form.

#### Pianist and Pig-Keeper.

M. Paderewski, the famous planist makes a hobby of farming, which includes in his case pig breeding. This pig breeding has just caused him considerable trouble. He recently purchased four fine pedigree pigs, which were dispatched to his order from a farm near Colchester to his farm in Switzerland. They were sent via Harwich and Antwerp, but when they arrived at the frontier the authorities would not pass them, fearing possible swine fever. The animals were then returned to Antwerp, and, after much delay, brought back to London. They were then transshipped to Boulogne, and forwarded from there to their destination by rail.

#### Evil Days Coming.

From the Cleveland Plain Dealer, I'm putting off the evil day
In quite the usual sort of way;
Of course I never can forget
The dreaded day will catch me yet-The frosty day when I expose The shine that's on my winter

Another Case of 23.

Owners of straw hats have a moral and legal right to use them until the baby is his is no reason why he sho close of summer, the official date of enjoy caring for it when it ories.

The chorus work in "Babette" is

work of Miss Day was by Bertha Shalek

Notes by the Way.

By C. B. Thomas.

A disused trolley car makes a charm-

us. They live in glass hou es and never

throw stones.

Remember that so long as you can

ter. The most feracious mouse will no venture to harm you then. The same

A yachting cap is the thing at a clam-

Cultivate the habit of quotation. How

Cultivate the habit of quotation. How much it adds to conversation to bring in the wall chosen words of some mas-ter mind of literature. For instance, Smith says he has a hard job. You in-stantly declaim with fitting gestures: Life is real, life is carnest,

And a snap is not its goal.

Or Jones hopes the weather will be fine
tomorrow. You charm every one present by reciting "Ostler Joe."

A Little Novel of the East.

uction exceedingly well. . The best bit of acting saids from

The Play

By Johnston McCulley.

Last night Mabel Day, prima donna of the Stewart opera company, sang two songs during the performance of the Victor Herbert opera "Babette" that brought down the house. When it is brought down the house. When it is the desert was in its grimmest mood. To the scrutiny of the mysterious wanter that the audience was not

essentially a musical one and that the two songs were far from being of the showed no expression; they said nothing; they lay there in silent, grim, sandy ex-pectation. What did they expect? Ah, who knows the deep depths of a grain of mand's imagination? volves itself into a great compliment The first distinct shock came in the second act when she sang "Be Kind to Poer Pierrot." The singer put such feeling into the song that there were syes in the audience dimmed with tears, and she received four encores. The second shock came in the last act when Miss Day sang "When the Fairest Flowers Are Blooming" and put the flute to shame. This was a little operatic "business" which served to show Miss Day's command over her voice. The

heeding not at all. From the steady gait of the camel one would have said the rider was on his way somewhere.

Mile after mile was passed. It was the first thing he had said to

some strange, evil influence.

The object is—a barrel organ.

"Ah!" said the man, in a fone that was full of meaning. The monosyllable said more than another man could have exsang well and got another bunch of flowers, and Bessie Fairburn did some droll work that made her a favorite

one.
Then he struck the camel a sharp blow good, the costumes are gorgeous and the light effects all that could be de-sired. John Cort has staged the pro-

swiftly away. Only the desert knows.

## A Donkey in Office.

and H. L. Williams in the topical song.
"We're Very Highly Polished at the
Court, Don't You Know." And the humorous climax of the opera is the quar-A certain king had a philosopher upon whose judgment he depended. It happened that one day the king took it into his head to go hunting and, after summoning his nobles and making preparations, he called his philosopher and asked him if it would rain. The philosopher told him it would rain. "There Was Once an Owl," rendered Leslie, Raiston, Miss Fairburn and

Haydn.

The scene of the opera is in Belgium during its occupation by the Spaniards under Philip II. The setting for the third act, depicting a scene at Versailles, is especially worthy of mention. "Babette" is a tuneful entertainment, one which can be appreciated alike by the ordinary run of theatre-goers and lovers of the best music. The Stewart company will close its present engagement tonight by repeating "Babette." While journeying along he met a cour tryman with a donkey. He advised them to return, "for," said he, "it will certainly rain." They smiled and passed on. Before they had gone many miles, however, they had reason to regret not having taken the advice, as a heavy, ehower coming up they were drenched to the skin. When they returned the king reprimanded the philosopher for telling him it would be clear when it was not. "I met a countryman, and he knows a great deal more than you do, for he said In buying a dog be careful to exam-ine his teeth. If they are strong and sharp, pick another dog. You never can tall when your dog may conceive a dis-

and sent for the countryman. He soon know it would rain?"
"I didn't know," said the rustic. They can be cooked in several ways. An egg boiled until it is soft is delicious with bacon or strawberry jam.

Goldfish are sensible little compan-

onkey told me so."
"And how, pray, did he tell you so?"
"By pricking up his ears, your

away and retaining the denkey placed him in the office the philosopher had filed.

A Dumas Anecdote.

Alexander Dumas, the elder, tells this story in his diary: "One day Victor Hugo and I were dining with the Duc Decases and among the guests were Lord and Lady Palmerston. Lord and Lady Palmerston had come late. There had been no time for an introduction before dinner, and after dinner, while we were taking tea, the formality had been forgotten. Toung Duc Decases came up to me. My dear M. Dumas, he said, 'Lord Palmerston has begged mo to aak you to leave an empty chair between yourself and Victor Hugo.' I They reed:

Teby," a scrawny grocery store cat in Robert Sherwood's store, the Sherwood's store at in Robert Sherwood's store, and in the form of two large painted signs which decorate the show window and screen door of Sherwood's store.

"Lord Palmerston got up, took his wife by the hand and brought her over to us. Look at the clock, my lady,' he said, 'what o'clock is it?' asked Lord Palmerston. 'Thirty-five minutes past 12' replied my lady. Then remember.' Paimerston. Thirty-five minutes past 10, replied my lady. Then remember, said her husband, that this evening at 35 minutes past 10 you were seated between Victor Hugo and Alexander Dumas, and that such an honor is not likely to happen to you twice in a lifetime.'

"He then took his wife by the hand and look her back to her place at the other side of the room without another word. You see, he had not been introduced either to Victor Hugo or me."

Complaints reached the grocer from customers as well as residents. In the flat building across the street dogs owned by Arthur G. Shaw, C. Winning-ham and Albert E. Barlow suffered injuries at the cat's sharp claws.

"It seems to be a pleasant pastime for the cat," said Mr. Sherwood. "She has tackled every dog, regardless of size, that has come in the store, and mover has been whipped. As a caution to the owners of dogs I had to put up the signs."

By Wex Jones.

After the Best Models.

The soft footfalls of a double-decker camel rang out noisily on the desert air.

On the camel was a man—a white man. At least he had once been white, but years of life under a burning sun had tanned his skin to the bue of weathered oak. Life, by the way, under a burning duced either to yictor Hugo or me."

## A Little Nonsense

harm to the conversation of an agree able person frequently render a bore more tiresome than ever, a fact that was amusingly illustrated by an occur-rence in a Baltimore clubhouse not long

From Family Doctor.

A physician is responsible for a statement at once nevel and surprising. He declares the chances of dark women obtaining husbands are to those of fairwomen in the proportion of three to two, and that this conclusion is proved There I stood, gentlemen." the long-winded narrator was saying, after droning on for an hour with reference to his trip to Switzerland—"there I stood, with the abyss yawning in front of me." "Pardon me," hastily interjected one of the unfortunate men who had been obliged to listen to the story, "but was that abyss yawning before you got there?"

#### He Found the Bullet.

The late Duke of Cambridge used tell with considerable relish the following story of a friend of his, a celebrate

The city of St. Louis is not in any county. Under the Missouri constitution of 1875 the city was separated from the county. In 1876 it was created a separate municipality. It seems to be the only city in the country that is not within the limits of a county. colonel:

During the Egyptian war of '82 Major

was shot in the knee and the projectile made a hole of some depth. When
the surgeons were probing the wound
and causing endless torture the peor
officer begged to know what they were
hunting about for,

"We're searching for the bullet," was
the reals.

A single bank in Naples receives 1500,000 a year sent out of the United States by temporary Italian residents. The same bank has received from Italians in Argentina and Brazil \$22,000 and \$425,000, respectively, in one year. the raply.
"What! Looking for the bullet? Why,
damme, I've had it in my pocket all
the time."

#### The Old Lady's Ruse.

Mayor Tom Johnson of Cleveland com-pares his fight with the street railway company to an old lady and her dog.

"There was, you know, an old lady who rented a furnished villa for the summer, and with the villa a large dog

summer, and with the villa a large dog also went.

"In the sitting-room of the villa there was a very comfortable armchair. The old lady liked this chair better than any other in the house. She always made for it the first thing.

"But, alsa, she nearly always found the chair occupied by the large dog.

"Being afraid of the dog, she never dared bid it harshly to get out of the chair, as she feared that it might bite her; but instead she would go to the window and call 'Cats."

"Then the dog would rush to the window and bark, and the old lady, would slip into the vacant chair quietly. "One day the dog entered the room and found the old lady in possession of the chair. He strolled over to the window and, looking out, appeared very

### Disagreeable Position,

cheerful story is told of Deibler to him: "Kours is a very unpleasant calling, M. Diebler."

The operator of the guillotine replied: "It is, indeed. Such a lot of night traveling, and I never could sleep in a railway carriage."

## Mining Under the Ocean.

Consul General W. R. Halloway, writ

Consul General W. R. Halloway, writ-ing from Halifax, says that there are now in Cape Breton six collieries work-ing under water. The largest is the Prin-cess or Sydney pit in Cape Breton island. This colliery was the first in North America to mine coal from be-neath the bed of the Atlantic ocean. bore and pillar system was commenced in 1877, under an overhead cover at the shore line of 690 feet of solid measures, although part of the workings driven to the rise under Sydney harbor was operated under a cover of 500 feet or less. The present workings are distant from the shore line 5,800 feet to the dip. At this point the overhead cover is 1,160 feet in thickness of strata with 33 to 40 feet depth of water above it. The undersea workings in the whole coal cover 1,500 acres. No see water has yet found its way into the workings as a result of removing the pillars. A feeder of a few gallons of water per minute was encountered in some whole-coal workings driven to the rise, as also at the face of the water levels driven in the direction of water levels driven in the direction of the outcrop to the south, but this water evidently followed the seam of coal downward from its outcrop under the waters of the harbor. There has been no

waters of the harbor. There has been no water known to come from overhead across the measures.

This immunity from overhead leaks from the ocean is probably due to the presence in the superincumbent strata of 12 beds of fire clap or underclay of a total flickness of 25 feet, as well as to the numerous beds of shale. The subsidence of the overhead strata caused by the removal of a bed of coal six feet in thickness would probably under these thickness would probably under these conditions soon choke itself, so that there would be no further actual motion or would be no further actual motion or settling of the strata for more than say 100 feet upward. Above that point the clasticity of the beds of shale and fire clay mentioned would prevent any rup-ture. Fire clay when brought into con-tact with water soon forms a soft clay resembling putty and impervious to water. Out of the submarine area there has already been taken some 5,250,000 tons of coal from the main seam, while the company has also commenced the working of another and thicker seam in the same area, from which in all likelihood they will secure as much coal as has already been taken.

#### Cat Holds Belt. From the Chicago Tribune.

# TIMELY TOPICS

### SMALL CHANGE

Summer is disinclined to yield he ceptre to autumn just yet.

Perhaps Punston is to be sent to Cubs an offset, as to size, to Taft.

the straw hats are having a great r

The Democratic ticket in 1908 is proty sure not to be Bryan and Bulley.

Harriman doesn't buy a big railroad.

If the Cuban insurrectionists give up they can spell anyway Don't worry about there not being lenty of use for your umbrellas before ong.

Can anybody tell what's the use anybody making political speeches do south anyway?

To help Oregon fly with her own soaring wings, all her people must buy made-in-Oregon things.

It is impossible for the law to punish Stensiand as ne deserves, but ungrati-fied desire will help some.

A council chamber is a poor place in which to play peanut politics and dis-play petty partisan spite.

A Chicago girl has sued a man for \$20,000 for hugging her too hard. That he is worth \$60,000 made it very painful.

With all her wealth, poor old Hetty Green can t be happy uscause she has to pay taxes on a small fraction of her

If the Createld and Mitchell women are sent back to Oregon, the authorities must see to it that there is no more holy rolling.

Are the Pittsburg muckrakers tired out or off on a vacation? No big do-mestic scandal has been reported from there for several days. Hello, Seattle! Polk & Co. says Portland has 185,000 inhabitants, having gained 14,000 in the past year—but, of

The New York Dems at the polls may

If van Auker is a thief, he is only another added to many illustrations of inexplicable folly mingling with consid-erable nerve and shrewdness in the per-

## OREGON SIDELIGHTS.

The Umatilla school now needs a sec

Many strangers in North Powder; a

Timber claims beco The Haines Record wants ment league organized.

A locality in Harney county is named Calamity. But it doesn't live up to its name very well. "Items to Read," the Umatilla Chron-icle heads its local news." What else would they be for?

Sucking colt mules self in Wheeler county at \$50 and yearlings at \$75. The mule business must pay. Prinaville offers a splendid field for a good creamery. One with a medium capacity could be made to pay from the start, says the Journal.

S. S. Denning, a candidate for su-preme judge of Idaho, was 15 or 26 years ago a sheepherder in Grant coun-ty, spending all the time he could read-

A Salem contractor gets a big job at Eugene, and a Eugene man a big contract at Corvallia. It's the turn of a Corvallia contractor to get something at Salem, but there's nothing doing there until the legislature meets, says the Albany Democrat.

At a meeting of the Burns Develop-ment league last week active steps were taken to get in touch with experienced men to make a test for artesian water in the valley. We have every indication and encouragement that artesian water will be found in this valley at a reason-able depth, says the Times-Herald.

Over on what is known as Ten Mile creek, south of the Alses, is a family of husband and wife and two sons, the latter of whom have never seen either a steam engine, telegraph or telephone system; have no idea of a steamboat nor railroad, nor have they ever seen a town so large as what may be termed a "country corners."

Prairie City Miner: Timber locators continue to swarm over the county. Grant county's timber will soon all be to marketable shape there will be some live camps here. Some are of the opin-ion that the timber of Grant county will be floated down the John Day to the Columbia and sent to mills along

Really, the sugar trust did not need the Cuban revolution to advance the price of sugar. The trust does this whenever it takes a notion without either cause or apology.

No, Jefferson never favored government ownership of railroads. In fact, he paid no attention to railroads, for the very good reason that none had been thought of yet, much less constructed.

Harvesting the prune crop in Linn country is now on in full blast. Pickers are at work everywhere, says the Albany and a packing-house is in operation. The crop is a good one, too. All the trees are heavily laden and the prunes are of good size, running from 40s to 50s, a splendid average for a heavy yield. The prunes were not damaged to any extent by the recent rains, not more than 5 per cent.

# Nooks and Corners of History

# VASCO NUNEZ DE BALBOA.

By Rev. Thomas B. Gregory.

It is in the story of the pioneer Spaniards in the Americas that the romance of history reaches its zenith.

For romance few careers known to history can be compared with that of Vasco Nunez de Balboa, the first white man to look out upon the Pacific ocean. Balboa was born near Palos, Spain man to look out upon the Pacific occan.

Balboa was born near Palos, Spain, in
the year 1475. By birth he was a hidalgo, or gentleman—poor but proud,
handsome, stalwart and courageous.

In 1561, when 26 years old, he struck
out for the new world, hoping that upon
its virgin shores he might be enabled to
patch up his somewhat dilapidated fortunes.

He first tried farming in Hispaniona, with the result that he soon found himself head over heels in debt. To escape his debtors, who were clamoring for his body—that being about the only thing he had—Balboa had himself headed up in a cask and rolled aboard a vessel that was about to sail for San Sebastian, an important point on the isthmus of Panama.

of Panama.
A little later we find him at Darien

who had added such glories to his reign.
Balbon never took two bites at a cherry, and almost immediately after the idea entered his mind he began to put it into execution.

On September 1, 1513, with 190 means a number of severa bloodings by

On September 1, 1513, with 196 men and a number of savage bloodhounds, he salled away for Coyba.

Landing at Coyba, Balboa set out on his march for the mountains. The heavy armor, the weapons, the tropical heat, the rocky precipiess, the tangled vegetation, and, above all, the ferocity of the natives, made the march a most difficult and desperate piece of work.

They averaged only some two miles a day. After 20 days they reached the foot of the mountains.

In the cool hour of daybreak, September 26, Balboa started out with hut 57 men to make the final ageent. About 10 o'clock the guides announced that from a certain point on ahead the ocean was visible. Leaving his party behind, the indomitable leader climbed alone to the mountain top.

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Then what a vision burst upon him! Beyond a wide intervening belt of rocks and forest and green savannahs, gliftering in the light of the morning sun, lay that mysterious ocean which Columbus and others had conjectured, but which no European had yet beheld.

Descending the western slope of the mountains, the party finally stood upon the shore of the great sea, and Balboa, taking the flag of Spain and drawing his sword, waded knee-deep into the waves and solemnly proclaimed that ocean, with all adjacent lands from pole to pole, to be the property of the Castillan sovereigns "as long as the world endures, and until the final day of judg-