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Study rather to fill your minds than your coffers; knowing that gold and silver were originally mingled with dirt until avarice or ambition parted them.—Seneca.

THE REAL REASON.

KING CANUTE went to the beach as the tide came in, and, with sceptre uplifted, bade the rippling waves keep back.

For some years the dominant Oregonian stood on the border of the state, bidding the tide of immigration keep back; but the people came.

But still the misguided paper refuses to admit that the tide of people has made Portland a populous city.

That the population of Portland is close to 185,000 there is no doubt; the figures prove it as clearly as the sun illumines the earth.

All classes, real estate men, dry-goods men, house-owners and house-renters, advertisers and buyers—are interested in knowing why the Oregonian has so persistently misrepresented Portland's growth to the world.

THE USUAL CLAPTRAP.

WHAT a terrible calamity it would be to our sister state of Washington if it should ever happen to go Democratic.

The minerals would disappear into the earth's molten bowels, the waters would recede from the harbors and seek standpat shores, the people would become incapacitated for work.

This is substantially what the people of that state are asked to endorse and believe. Washington will go Republican, of course, for various reasons, and that this result is certain.

CULTIVATE CHEERFULNESS.

EVERY YEAR it is reported in advance that this, that or the other crop will be a failure, but there is never more than a partial failure in some limited region or area.

Considered subjectively, things are seldom as bad as they seem to be to one weary or disappointed or discouraged.

Many people think they are done for when they only look at the situation through optimistic lenses they have only stumbled and fallen down.

No, hardly anything is as bad as it seems to many. And almost all ills are fleeting, transitory, as we are.

All of which is commonplace, trite, threadbare. So are the maxims and maxims, the advice and animadversions of Roosevelt. But it is well to repeat some of these simple old truths occasionally, "lest we forget."

Nooks and Corners of History

THE MAN WHO KILLED HAMILTON.

By Rev. Thomas E. Gregory. Yoke-fellow with Benedict Arnold under the heaviest load of infamy that any brace of Americans ever had to carry.

In reality, Burr was anything but a monster. The kindest of husbands and fathers, he was the truest of friends, generous to a fault, brave as a lion, and in patriotism second to no man in the revolutionary struggle.

As to Burr's "treason" against his country, was he not triumphantly cleared of the charge when brought to trial in the court that was presided over by no less a personage than the great John Marshall?

Almost a century old is the charge that in 1800, when he tied Jefferson in the presidential election, Burr intrigued to defeat his only competitor by fraud and vault into the presidency.

James A. Bayard, a member of the house, and later on senator from Delaware, writing to Hamilton, says: "The means existed of electing Burr, but this required his co-operation."

As regards Burr's "treason," the worst that can be said against him on this score is that he contemplated the conquest of Mexico and the establishment of himself there as king or emperor.

All sorts of lies got into circulation about him, and many of those lies got than hurt, except in their diseased minds.

than hurt, except in their diseased minds. All they have to do to be a great deal better off than they suppose they are is to insist on and persist in thinking so. Make it a brighter, better world for yourself, and for others.

AN IMPORTANT CONFERENCE.

THE Pacific northwest convention, to be held at Spokane next Tuesday, promises to be the most notable and important gathering of its kind ever held.

The primary object of this convention is to devise means for advertising the Pacific northwest systematically and thoroughly, to present to millions attractively and impressively but truthfully its marvelous resources and illimitable opportunities.

It is proposed, or expected, by one means or another, to raise in the aggregate a very large sum for this purpose. Mr. Dennis of Spokane, who has been largely instrumental in this movement, says: "This is the best country God has made."

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TWO WOMEN.

A RECENT dispatch stated that the wedding tresson of Miss Krupp, heiress of the late great German gun maker and the richest woman in Germany, cost only \$250.

Portland a City of Charm

From the Riverside (Cal.) Press.

Portland, Or., Sept. 1.—(Editorial Correspondence Daily Press.)—The "City of Roses" is the pseudonym the Portland people apply to their home city.

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A Sermon for Today

A MAN'S RELIGION.

By Henry F. Cope.

"Good master, what good thing shall I do that I may have eternal life?"—Matt. xix:16.

RELIGION rises within; it is not applied from without. Therefore it is an individual matter, and its manifestations bear individual characteristics.

But the man who long ago followed the great teacher were by no means weak or womanly. Clear-cut conceptions of their rugged virility have come down to our day.

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Right From Home.