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are accompanied with noble thoughts.—Sir Philip Sydney. They are never alone who

TAXATION OF LAND.

IT IS AN era of change, progress, along various lines in different directions. Not many years ago most men sneered at the proposed Australian ballot law. Some even thought the old viva voce system of voting was best.

DEMOCRACY WITHOUT MR. BRYAN.

IT WILL be a gay old democratic party that will remain if the so-called "Washington syndicate" manages to drive Mr. Bryan and his friends out of it.

ETHICS OF THE LEGAL PROFESSION.

GOOD many editors have commented upon Justice Brewer's recent address in New York, in which he urged lawyers to rise to a higher ethical plane, and we suppose many lawyers have read and thought upon his remarks.

pay for the discovery and use of all these various and devious devices of the profession will always, we may presume, find lawyers who will serve them, for large fees will ordinarily obscure nice ethical distinctions.

We do not agree with what is assumed by some to be a prevalent opinion, that lawyers are more unscrupulous than men of other professions and occupations. There are unscrupulous and unconscionable lawyers, among so many, of course—too many such—but a large proportion of lawyers are among our very best, as they certainly are among our most intelligent and public-spirited citizens.

There were large audiences at both performances yesterday and there has been a demonstration of approval at the Empire. It was, indeed, immensely so, and consequently every one is advising his friends to go.

The Origin of Gotham.

From the Housekeeper for May. This name, Gotham, was first applied to the city of Manhattan in a book of humorous sketches called "Ballistics" in 1807 by Washington Irving in collaboration with his brother Peter and the poet Paulding.

The Lion and the Mouse.

By Wex Jones. We know, of course, that baseball's wrong when played upon the street. And balls go crash through windows and bliff on horses' feet.

Iowa for Bryan.

From the Des Moines Capital. Political lines will necessarily have to be reformed in many states previous to the election next year. In Iowa, there has been more demoralized than the good state of Iowa.

Would Be More Sensible.

From the Albany Herald. Why not take up a penny subscription among the school children of Oregon to build a railroad across the Cascade mountains instead of sending money to where they don't sleep in hammocks?

Out of Reasons.

From the New York Tribune. "Private" John Allen once tried to explain his partisan status by saying that he was "still a Democrat, but temporarily out of reasons therefor."

The Play

IF Mr. Baker had searched a week for a play peculiarly suited to the abilities of his leading man he could not have selected one in which Mr. Baume would have appeared to better advantage than in "The New Dominion."

The delightful accent and queerly mixed idioms of the bolshoi, are superbly rendered by Mr. Baume, and the sentimental passages are parts in which he especially shines.

The White Caps.

Those who are fond of the real thing in melodrama are advised to visit the Empire this week for "The White Caps" the Seaman company is offering one of the very best thrillers that has ever been played in this city.

Plain Talk to the President.

From the Chicago Tribune. (Rep.) We earnestly wish that President Roosevelt would attend more strictly to his duties which he was elected to perform.

This Date in History.

1568—Mary Queen of Scots defeated at battle of Langside. 1670—English colonists began to build at Jamestown.

A Boy's Memory.

From the Smith County (Kan.) Pioneer. A number of years back a curly-headed Kansas man gave his nephew, a lad of 18, an unmerited chastisement.

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What We Owe to Touters for Teddy's Bandwagon

Under the heading, "The Royal Bunch," the New York Sun says: From this time on the president will receive words of cheer, assurances of fealty and forecasts of overwhelming triumph from travel-stained messengers who have hurried hotly on the road to bring him victory reports.

We are only two generations removed from the splendid mothers who had no room for the building up of this great nation. They were women of the wealth and luxury of the present time.

A majority of the wives of men of wealth abandon themselves to the pursuit of fashion and frivolous dress and society. They usually insist on their husbands accompanying them in their rounds of gaiety and soulless social dissipation.

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Small Change

Almost here—baseball day. If you haven't registered, register. The milkman were also glad that it rained.

The hop crop has already commenced to fall. It is nearly time somebody opened a ginger package.

There is time for the prunes crop to be killed several times yet.

Happy little Japanese doesn't yet realize what a hard life is before him.

Not so many people as formerly are swearing at Portland for being "slow."

God made the country in six days, but man will never get through making the town.

The excursionists are convinced that the inland empire is a big patch of country.

Now Mr. Weatherman, never mind the crops. What is wanted is good baseball weather.

Portland is pleased to grow fast, but doesn't want to grow any faster than the rest of Oregon.

An Argentine tree yields milk and water. What a fine tree that would be here for dairymen.

"Women should study," says the Salem Journal. But it seems that some of them know too much now.

Don't worry about the next United States senator from Oregon. Teddy will attend to that business for us.

All these newspaper reports about Mrs. Eddy being troubled must be fabrications; trouble is altogether imaginary.

A southern bishop has written an article on "The Masculinity of Religion." It doesn't look that way when one goes to church.

A Massachusetts woman married a man named Cash, and she expects to ring him up pretty often on the domestic register.

If the president smashes the Ohio machine with his big stick, only a small but rather dark grease-spot will remain of little Dick.

Bryan's latest lecture is entitled "Oratory, Ambition and Fate." People may be curious to hear what he has to say about Fate.

It is a wonder Attorney-General Bonaparte did not conclude that January should not be pardoned until next January, instead of in July.

Of course the king of Spain can be excused for making a fool of himself on such an occasion, but it is suspected that he needs no special occasion.

Paul Morton wants an export tax on headdress who marry foreigners. How would it do to levy a special income tax on \$5,000 men who are paid \$75,000 salaries out of people's money?

Oregon Sidelights

Many new settlers are going to Harney county. Hubbard will put 100 barrels of oil on its streets, and open up a new road.

Owing to insufficient cultivation the hop yield around Gervais will be light, says the Star.

The Eugene Guard has grown to be an 8-page, 7-column daily, indicative of a growing patronage.

W. L. Toose, for many years a prominent man of Woodburn, will become a merchant at Falls City.

One good thing about teaching in the Albany schools is the fact that it is no drawback to marriage, says the Democrat.

Banks and the intermediate country will enthusiastically join hands with Forest Grove in building the proposed electric railroad.

A Forest Grove peanut roaster exploded, injuring the owner, presumably on account of the enforcement of the Sunday law there against peanut shops.

We can produce earlier berries and better berries than in any place in the northwest, says the Irrigator.

Woodburn Independent: Either onions or potatoes, but don't plant 'em—and get in the swim. Farming in this section will pay this year as it has never paid before.

Myrtle point, Coquille, Bandon and intervening towns are confronted by an ice famine as the result of the fire which totally destroyed the Coquille ice plant recently.

On 1 1/2 acres of alfalfa an Irrigator man is running about 30 head of hogs, and one day lately sold 14 pigs at \$4 per head, that had never had a bit of food except mother's milk and alfalfa.

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