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Whatever hath been written shall remain, Nor be erased, nor written o'er again;

The unwritten only still belongs to the Take heed and ponder well what that shall be.

### NOT A BAD YEAR.

HEN THE history of 1907 shall have been fully writin the columns of The Journal from new year to begin tomorrow.

better luck may be reasonably expected next year. Wheat has been good for the amount he purports to kept. tors in our industrial life.

The work on the Columbia jetty is/progressing, and for the first time ticed. its successful end is in sight. A

The panic was a setback, but scarcely regrettable. The country's prosperity, and Oregon's along with the rest, will continue on a safer and saner basis. Wages will fall or have fallen, somewhat, but so have, or will, the prices of necessaries. There will soon be work for all willing and capable men, according to present prospects. Oregon, and especially Portland, are greater and richer than on any previous yearend. Confidence abounds. Enterprises will go ahead faster and on a larger scale than ever before. There is no occasion to bid 1907 And 1908 can be welcomed cheerily.

# TROOPS AT GOLDFIELD.

THE SEVERAL acts of the federal administration with referfield are not very readily un- papers. derstood. One bent on criticism might quite plausibly say that the president had been "playing politics"

But then Taft, whom the president the order is sent out from the war management. Adjournment. department that the troops are to At a meeting of the stockholders though they had just arrived there. the same time as this latter Sait This, the man bound to criticism Lake meeting, a large assembly room with labor unions, which have been number was outside, so the meeting their duty when the building became

somewhat against him. be kept there until it has had time pay close and intelligent attention to to convene and act. So the governor, what has been done and is proposed

this it should return to a territorial plundered. condition, in which the federal government would be the power to act in such a case.

THE GOVERNOR'S DUTY.

T IS perhaps superfluous for The care of the state's interests in that charges-why, they be dbeen criticised by some of Mr. Steel's friends for conditions imposed with tion of affairs-curious because the reference to the new bond. It is a people will so long and so patiently strange position for them to take, in submit to this sort of management view of what has actually happened of public service corporations, espeand in view of what might yet hap- cially railroads. There are symppen were the state's interests not toms of a reformatory change, but fully safeguarded. With a less how soon it will be brought about courageous executive the effect of or to what extent nobody can say. the criticism might be to cause a No other people on earth, under any relaxation of that firmness essential form of government, except possiin the matter of this bond. There should be no more laxity in

state matters than in private busiten, when its record has ness. It should not be expected, and been entirely made up-as by the people at large it is not ex-edged that Barnum told only the indeed has been pretty much done pected that any bond should be acalready, except as to minor details, cepted for the state that would not be accepted as bankable security. day to day-it will be found to have Instead of being less exacting, pubbeen a rather good, prosperous and lic officials should be more exacting satisfactory year for the country and in transacting affairs of the state robbed; for Oregon. Only "rather," and not than is usual in private affairs. wholly satisfactory, as to Oregon, for Even had he the inclination, Govreasons too obvious to need men-ernor Chamberlain has no right to tioning—the principal ones being be lax in guarding the interests of lack of railroad construction and the state in the matter of public the "panic"; yet we must always ex- moneys. It is over-laxity of other pect some little setbacks and disap- officials that is at the bottom of the pointments, and on the whole Ore- present troubles. For what has hapgon can rejeice a good deal while pened and for many other reasons, complaining but little, especially as it is important that somebody at the it faces very bright prospects for the state house should stand as a protest against high finance, not as an change of date give a little especial Beginning with the soil, the basis example of it. Therefore, Governor heed to the flight of time, and the of all prosperity, only hops have Chamberlain should, as he doubtless been a disappointment, and not a will, continue strictly in the posisource of profit. This happens tion he has assumed with reference vestment of early hopes and expectquite frequently as to that crop; to the treasurer's bond. Every ations, and some make good resosurety on the new bond should be lutions that are in some measure

There are many names on the new | today. railroad has been constructed from bond that carry weight and respect | Business men check up to see how Portland to Salem, the beginning of in Oregon finance. It is possible they stand, take an inventory, figmuch more work of this kind. Har- each name on the bond is good for ure up profits and losses, make esperiman has done but little, but may the amount it assumes to stand for. cial plans and preparations for ansoon be pushed into activity. The It is The Journal's advice to the other year's business. It is well to north bank road has been nearly governor not to be moved by any do this in the realm of ethics, of completed. There has been much criticisms by Mr. Steel's apologists, morals, also. Physically, after a cerbuilding and other improvement in but to adhere firmly to his purpose tain point, we "rot and rot," wheremost of the towns throughout the and insist that every dollar on the as before we did "ripe and ripe." state. Immigration has been greater bond represent 100 cents, and no Mentally this is less so. Morally, it less.

### A CONTRAST.

corporations. Taking the Union Pa- wiser the next year. cific railroad as an illustration of the American method, he says:

of the Union Pacific ratiroad. Capital, ness. It never pauses, never hastnearly \$300,000,000. About 15,000 stock- ens. A poet called time the tombholders. President, E. H. Harriman.

By operations in the stocks of two good-bye with a sour countenance, parallel lines the company made \$60,-000,000 the previous year, and the finanbe done with this money. The meeting, cloud to dissolve on touching earth, however, is very quiet. A few of the are in illimitable space, so are we officers attend. Bundles of proxies are in the realm of time. produced. Minutes are mumbled over and passed. Old officers are reelected. ence to the situation at Gold- Adjournment. Brief reports in the news-

One year later-same place-annual meeting of same railroad. During the with work and pleasure, with the past twelvementh that \$60,000,000 has struggle for existence, with trivial I saw it die." disappeared in speculation and a troubles and ephemeral amusements, Who'll mourn the loss? in this matter. Sending the troops new bond issue of \$75,000,000 saddled with love and spite and sacrifice and to Goldfield was pleasing to the mine on the company to pay its debts. Atowners, and indirectly to the big tendance about the same as last year. corporations and the "interests," except for a mysterious stranger who who, it might be said, were thus pur- proves to be a lone stockholder, present of matter and of mind. And in these posely placated, and caused to think in his own person instead of by proxy. careers we count a new year as a better of Roosevelt than they had Meeting called to order. More proxies sort of mile-post, a point passed, a produced. Nothing said about new bonds date of significance. or lost \$60,000,000. Lone stockholder rises with a question and a protest, but one of these points will be reached; is trying to make president, comes is indignantly suppressed. After which a year will die, a year will be born; back from abroad, and immediately a resolution is passed approving the

be sent away from Goldfield, al- of a large English corporation about happy New Year. would say, was to gain favor for Taft was filled with them, and a greater was adjourned to a larger hall. A aflame, in running dangerous risks But time passes, and the troops minute account of receipts and ex- themselves and being severely inremain, and finally the president penditures was read, and various jured to save their helpless charges, shifts the responsibility to Governor stockholders interrupted with ques- but they proved themselves heroines Sparks, telling him that if he will tions and criticisms, and several mo- nevertheless. To do a difficult and not call a special session of the leg- tions were made and carried. In a dangerous duty without any hesitaislature the troops will be withdrawn, word, all the stockholders who can tion or thought of consequences to but if he will call a session they will do so attend these meetings, they oneself is an exhibition of heroism.

riman not only lost or recklessly and a cent. foolishly invested \$60,000,000 thathe made year before last but last year had to borrow \$75,000,000 beers are kept quiet and contented by shown abundant capacity to take to pay in freight and passenger matter. But for his forethought in have nothing to say, and if through exacting a larger bond shortly be- their congress and legislatures they fore the suspension of the Title attempt any regulation of this bus-Guarantee & Trust large sums of iness, which is in reality theirs, Harstate, school and other funds would riman talks of persecution and joins have been lost. Even in the face of in with other speculative gamblers to this known fact, the governor has bring on a panic to frighten them. All this presents a curious condi-

bly the Russians and the Chinese would submit to any such a system, or lack of system, of corporate management. It has long been acknowlliteral truth when he said the American people liked to be humbugged. but it seems, from the way they allow such men as Harriman to perform, that they also enjoy being

### THE ENDING OF A YEAR.

HE POINT of time when one year ends and another begins is one of much interest and considerable importance. The business of a certain natural period of time is then wound up, or note taken of its condition, and that of another period begins. Many people at this necessity of being up and doing if they are to realize much on the in-

a great crop, and has brought a great stand as security for. If a surety History turns over a new leaf here. price. Fruit has done well, and for \$5,000, he ought to be of such Such and such a thing happened in been very profitable. The dairy financial standing as to be accept- 1907. Another event, happening a output has much increased in vol- able at any same bank for that few days or a few hours later, will ume and value. The lumber indus- amount. Any other kind of security have occurred in 1908. People mentry, notwithstanding interruptions, should no more be accepted by the tion that they were born, or married. is immense. Wool and the live- state than by a bank. The state is or made an unusual journey, or sufstock industry have been large fac- not an establishment where any kind fered a great disaster, or had a peof bond will answer, or all the de- culfar streak of good luck, in such grees of frenzied finance be prac- a year. In a sense we will all be a year older tomorrow than we are

should be the exception, not the rule, as to the rotting process.

The record, the lessons, of a year, how useful they may be. For mon-AMES H. COLLINS tells in the ition, for instruction, for guidance, Saturday Evening Post of the for growth in wisdom. Experience difference between the status of has been called a teacher, also a the American and the English lamp. He is dull indeed who in a kholder in railroad or industrial year has not learned to be better and H. W. PARKER. stockholder in railroad or industrial year has not learned to be better and

Time is inexorable. It heeds not season or date or event or humanity.

It is the incarnation of the thought

"I will," said the evasive Eddie,
"While I don't know when I'll be read." An important event in Salt Lake City. It is the incarnation of the thought Time: October, 1906. Annual meeting of steadiness, the idea of ceaseless- I'll build the lines. builder. It builds much else, but destroys all, even tombs, and builds I didn't pass the law." builder. It builds much else, but again, uncaring for its work. As cial world is anxious to know what will flakes of snow fluttering from a low

We cannot dwell much on these solemn thoughts. Happily we are so constructed that we are chiefly con- Who saw it die? cerned with little everyday affairsambition, and so fulfill out atomic careers in the mysterious universe

As the clock strikes 12 tonight 1907 will pass, 1908 will come. Old year, adieu; New Year, welcome! A

Those two women caretakers of the baby home near Seattle, did only

state has no militia, but it has a full- bler, paying no attention to what he declared that it should be the govfledged state government, which is does and asking no questions, is erning body of the city and county, bound to protect life and property only accounted for by dividends to whom all Republicans should obey. within its borders. If it cannot do produce which the public must be The theory is beautiful, but the trouble is that a large proportion of According to this story, Mr. Har- Republican voters won't obey worth

Probably the Methodist ministers desired the absence of reporters sides to make good. The stockhold- while they discussed the text, "Let brotherly love continue"; or "Be-Journal to offer advice to Gov- the payment of large dividends, and hold how good and pleasant it is for ernor Chamberlain with refer- as to the rest of the people, about brethren to dwell together in unity," ence to the Steel bond. He has 999 out of every 1,000, who have or some other similar scriptural

> Probably the most curious surprising verdict ever rendered was that the other day by a jury composed entirely of women, who decided that a gown purchased by the defendant was a good fit. But they may have all had a grudge against

The mikado sends a message declaring that he is for peace. He came to that frame of mind none the less because of the voyage of the American battleships.

Prepare to be awakened at midnight, if you should go to sleep before that hour. The new year must be welcomed noisily.

The year is about gone; let it go; a better one, hope and believe, is at

### Letters From the People

Uselessness of Political Clubs. Portland, Dec. 29 .- To the Editor of

The Journal-An observant citizen may readily discern the recently aroused acpresent juncture to promote the organization of partisan clubs for use during the approaching campaign for national, state and county officers. It is needless to state the unusual interest these hariequing take in such matters as for self aggravitizement, an effort to secure a portion of the expected graft loot to be wheedled or stolen from an important and unsureting community. innocent and unsuspecting community. Possibly it would be the wise part of our citizens to look askance at all such efforts on the part of the ever alert little selfish partisan. In the opinion of the writer the usefulness of political clubs has passed away never to return, clubs has passed away never to return, the people have become too wise to tolerate them much longer. These organizations are of no special benefit to educate any one. At their meetings they spout torrents of meaningless platitudes almost totally ignorant of the subjects they undertake to explain. One good issue of a sterling, well conducted newspaper presents more information, finer logic, than may be heard in all the meetings of all the clubs during an important campaign in Portland. Years lang syne, when the partisans of both ling syne, when the partisans of both parties met in joint debate and able speakers took opposite sides and undertook by some reasoning and good knowledge of their subject to inform their hearers upon the questions at issue, they were listened to with pleasure and profit and the information imbibed was stored away for use and digestion. Now it is somewhat different, a coterie of pin-headed egotists assemble and among themselves agree to partition the offi-ces, using the members of their respec-tive organizations as tools and promising only the few nuts the kernels of which are rotten. It would appear to me that the primary law and the initiative and referendum obviate the necessity for referendum obviate the necessity for the formation of any more political lubs. The public reads, knows what t wants and how to obtain it, provided can secure the necessary majority. These clubs may be essential to the petty fellow who has no reputation out-side of his own ward, but to the honest able citizen who has confidence in his own views the organizations are an unmitigated nuisance and conducted at needless cost and in most instances, on the part of the rank and file, for the

stale beer and rancid cigar freely dis-tributed at every meeting.

Again, while I consistently believe in a representative form of government, a representative form of party is a ques-tion; the former is for the benefit of the whole people, while party is merely the machine by which the end is attained, and clubs are so mighty small

### Who?

(With apologies to Cock Robin.)

Who passed the reciprocal demurrage

didn't," said Jimmie O'Brien, I didn't help the car shortage."

Who-destroyed the lumber business? "I." said Dickie Miller.
"My 'experiment' was a killer.
I destroyed the lumber business."

finally fixed those lumber "We," said the U. P.
"More traffic there'll have to be.

"For Landerstand the tariff books, I'me the psalm."

Who'll toll the bell? I." said Willie Skinner

### The President and the South.

Don Marquis, in Uncle Remus' Magazine. Four years ago President Roosevelt was not a very popular man, in the south; but today there are few southerners more popular in this part of the world than is this New Yorker. Little things show. George Broadhurst's play, .The Man of the Hour," has been touring the south, and it will be remembered that there is one in line that play which lauds the president's corporation policies. In several southern cities the sudjences broke out into spontaneous three-minute demonstration at the delivery of that line; demonstration of a livery of that line; demonstration of a livery suitable reserved until the band sort usually reserved until the band plays "Dixie." And probably 90 per cent of those who applauded would get a little nottled at you if you called them anything but Democrats. It looks as if John Temple Graves (who used to be a Prohibitionist, but has now become a Hearst Independent legency.

# THE NEW YEAR

By Ella Wheeler Wilcox

The night is cold, the hour is late, the world is bleak and drear; "Who is it knocking at my door?"

THE NEW YEAR: "Lam Good Cheer."

MORTAL! "Your voice is strange; I know you not; in shadows dark I grope. "What seek you here?"

THE NEW YEAR: "Friend, let me in; my name is Hope." MORTAL:

"And mine is Failure; you but mock the life you seek to bless.

"Pass on." THE NEW YEAR: "Nay, open wide the door; I am Success."

MORTAL: "But I am ill and spent with pain; too late has come your wealth. "I cannot use it."

THE NEW YEAR: "Listen, friend; I am Good Health."

"Now, wide I fling my door. Come in, and your fair statements prove." THE NEW YEAR:

"But you must open, too, your heart, for I am Love."

### Some Current Slang

By Caroline Prescott.

Are you one of the sort of people, dear reader, who yearn for knowledge? tivity of the picayune politicians at this Have you ever felt that it would be of value to you if you should learn a language or two? Perhaps you would like to speak French with a real Parisian accent, or German or Italian? It would be nice, but it would take a great many years to learn it-too many, perhaps,

years to learn it—too many, perhaps, so you give it up.

But if you only knew it, you could learn a new language right at your own doorstep, as it were. Not one in one hundred of the people who talk the English language as it is spoken today know anything at all about it, with the exception of the few words that come into use daily in their own limited vocahulary.

Don't believe it, do you?

Suppose you are a girl, for instance,

Suppose you are a girl, for instance, and think you talk a very nice sort of language. Perhaps you do, but your small brother could give you a line of shall brother could give you a fine of talk that you simply couldn't under-stand at all. And there are a thousand little brothers in the Smoky City who could do the same thing. You might listen to their conversation for hours and would then fall to grasp their meaning. meaning.

Do you know what it means to "trim the Smoky City crew." or to "outshine Vic Willis on the slab," or to "clinch a victory by scoring two runs on Willis's

victory by scoring two runs on Willis's wild throw on Slagle's tap," or to "pile up a ponderous mass of bingles," or to "lack everyday clouters to keep down the swat output of the Cubs"? Of course you don't.

Neither do you know what a "rabbit infleider" is, nor a "slabman" nor a "muff," nor a "slabman" n up" on the sporting page of the paper every morning curled up in his corner. So, you see, in spite of the fact that you think you know all about your own language, you have a great deal to learn before you really know it. If you are a man, and have the mis-

fortune to have neither a wife nor sweetheart, wouldn't you be lost if some hevy of feminine beauties should launch forth in a conversation regarding Marcel waves, and chiffon, and mousseline

broidery?

Of course you would.

If you are a staid college professor, with a profound respect for the English language, you would be puzzled to learn the meaning of "skidoo" and "23 for you," and some of the other popular phrases that fall so easily from the lips of the newsless and the alley kids. After all, though many of us have a firm conviction that we know about all there is to know of the language of this great country of ours, the fact remains

that we know very little indeed.

We know nothing but what has been taught us by the people with whom we come in contact, together with the little we learned in school. We are wofully we learned in school. We are wofully ignorant of the language that is talked by people whose lives float in channels

by people whose lives float in channels different from our own.

It might be good for us therefore, to get out among these different people; to learn what they know; to look at things from their point of view; to study and borrow from them what is best of what they can give. This would broaden our view, at any rate, and development is the keynote of perfection.

#### Only Asks Fair Play. From the Pendleton Tribune,

Again, in order to pacify Brother Bennett of The Dalles Optimist, as well as imbue him with the right understanding, the Tribune will say that it is not in favor of covering up anything connected with Mr. Steel's administration of the state treasury; that it is in favor of treating him precisely as it thinks a Democrat should be served in thinks a Democrat should be served in the same situation; that men high in public station should be given no more consideration in cases of lapses in the discharge of their duties than is ac-corded the humblest citzen; that all public officers should be held to the strictest accountability to the people for their connection with the trust re-posed in them; but nevertheless and for their connection with the trust reposed in them; but, nevertheless and
also, and besides, it is in favor of giving a man found in the difficulty by
which Mr. Steel was surrounded an opportunity to see where he is at, be he
Republican, Democrat, Populist, Methodist or what not. That is all it has
asked for Mr. Steel; it objected to hanging him to a lamp-post the very day he
was discovered to be in hot water, to
stringing him by quarters without the stringing him by quarters without the benefit of clergy or a chance to bid his family goodbye. This was and is the position of the Tribune, notwithstanding what Brother Bennett "believes" this paper believes.

sewing machines, dear madam," he replied.
"To the Indians?"
"Even so. There is hardly a squaw in the wild and remote everglades who has not her sewing machine. Indeed, sewing machines have become necessi-ties in the everglades, like moccasins

### Maxims on Women

By Mildred Stuart.

Women and fortunes are said to be fickle. Women, however, do not always forsake one when fortune frowns. The noblest of men have acknowledged their obligations to woman for help in the ascension of the ladder of fame and

Mothers are held desponsible for the faults and failures of their sons. A heartless woman is without a mis sion in this world

A true heart full of tenderness and affection will give a woman more potent influence than the most brilliant intellect and scholarly attainments. Women who do the most good spend little time in thinking of themselves. Forgetfulness of self is the surest road to being remembered by others.

Change of occupation has done far more toward restoring the health of women than all the rest curses in the

women than all the rest cures in the The science which will cause women to quit thinking of themselves and their physical defects will have accomplished more than the science of medicine. Women who spend much of their time

admiring themselves, trying to change the color of their hair and complexion, the shape of their nose, finger nalls and figures have little left for the cultivation of their minds and hearts. Cleanliness that is next to godliness

applies to the mind and heart as well as

osmetics and artificial means is exedingly perishable. Self-willed women are rarely agree-

able companions. admiration and self-conceit Woman's mission was foreordained to

one of self-denial and devotion to forced throughout Klamath county. others. Some mothers are jealous of the admiration bestowed on their daughters. Women who grow old gracefully are attractive in their old age than were in their youth, as to do so must cultivate virtues which are more attractive they must cultivate virtues which are reflected in their faces and their characters.

The enrollment at the hugene public schools is 2,175, as against 1,917 last February. acters.

Women cannot spend top much time in cultivating their minds and their hearts to fit them for the positions assigned them by their Creator.

Physical culture can do much for the preservation of the physical beauty of women, provided the do not go to fae extremes in the exercises prescribed.

### This Date in History.

1384—John de Wycliffe, "the Morning Star of the Reformation," died.
1460 — Lancastrians victorious at Wakefield. (War of the Roses). 1556—Henry of Lorraine, third Duke f Guise, born. Died December 23. 1588. 1600—British East India company chartered. 1729—Charles Edward Stuart, the oung pretender, born. Died January , 1788. 1781—Congress chartered the Bank of North America. 1793—Thomas Jefferson resigned as 1857—Canada adopted the decimal system of public accounts.

1877—Queen Victoria instituted the Imperial Order of the Crown of India.

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To ladies.

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To latical locomotive in America, died in New Jersey. Born in 1802.

1890—Francis E. Spinner, United States treasurer under Lincoln and Grant, died. Born January 21, 1802.

1894—Amelia Jenks Bloomer, originator of the "bloomer" costume for women, died at Council Birth. nator of the "bloomer" costume for women, died at Council Bluffs Iowa. Born in New York May 27, 1818.

#### Harry S. New's Birthday. Harry Stewart New, the chairman of

the Republican national committee, was born in Indianapolis December 31. 1858. He is a son of the late John C. New, who served as treasurer of the United States under President Grant, as assistant accretary of the treasury under President Arthur and as consulgeneral at London under President Harrison's administration. Harry New received his education in the Indianapolis ubile schools and at Butler college. Upon his graduation he went to work on the Indianapolis Journal, of which his father was publisher and editor.

In 1896 Mr. New was elected to the Indiana state senate, During the war with Spain he served as assistant adjutant-general of volunteers, with the rank of capitain. He first entered the Republican national committee in 1900, United States under President Grant. tant-general of volunteers, with the rank of captain. He first entered the Republican national committee in 1900, and was reelected to represent Indiana in June, 1904. During the last presi-Squaws and Sewing Machines.

"I am preparing for my annual trip to the Indians of the Florida everglades, the most interesting trip I ever take," said a sewing machine agent.

"But what do you sell in the outlangish everglades?" a woman asked.

"Sawing machines, dear madam," he "Sawing machines, dear madam," he destined for busiassistant postmaster-general by President Roosevelt, but declined for busi-

Fat Men Can't Get Work.

## Small Change

Most people are unlucky-in not being People without much grip get the grip Don't think about the bills and be Close up the old book; open up the Goodbye, 1907! Many will long re-Coal is dear, but human life in coal It is a bad time of year to begin tak-Why isn't La Follette a good "Roose-volt policies" man? The young men will soon be sneaking back to see the girls. "Few tears" comes pretty near rhym-ing with "New Year's." Doubtless the plumbers' trust will have a happy New Year.

Making resolutions and keeping them are quite different things. Holdup men may also be arranging for some watch meetings. Had you observed how nicely con-sress had reformed the currency?

Is the country always to depend on New York or Ohlo for presidents? Next year is the one in which Se-attle's population will become \$73,654. More ought to be accomplished in 1908 than in 1907; it will be one day longer.

If Black thinks Roosevelt is a "man on the head of a barrel," what does he think of Bryan? Senator Platt's support won't hurt a candidate much, for nobody believes anything he says.

Senator Fulton does not acknowledge to having run into any stunning oppo-sition booms. Howling Wolf wants to be sent to ongress from Oklahoma, perhaps to

try to outnow! Jeff Davis. It seems strange that a man who has been in congress a long time should get mad because another member calls him

The doctors say that as soon as one has the least symptoms of grip he should quit work. It may be expected that many people can discover symptoms

A serious defect in the Oklahoma con-stitution has been discovered. It did not fix the length of hotel bedsheets. But the legislature will remedy the Farmers are continually congratulating us on the getting out of a weekly instead of a semi-weekly.—Dallas Itemizer. Is this a hint that a monthly would suit them still better?

An Astoria paper argues that for half a century Portland has been frustrat-ing the plan and purpose of the Creator with reference to the down-river sea-port. In that case, the Lord didn't care

One story is that Evelyn has grown stout, another that she has dwindled almost to a shadow. Both of which are perhaps circulated to tempt the newspapers to print pictures of her every day during the forthcoming trial.

### Oregon Sidelights

Work on the Lane county coal mine will soon be resumed.

A Scandinavian Evangelical church is The Sunday closing law is to be en-

A turkey killed at Roseburg last week shipped to Tacoma weighed than pounds. The enrollment at the hugene

> Of \$122,000 Polk county taxes less than \$800, mostly poll tax, remains un-

> Myrtle Creek people are enjoying young potatoes, grown since the fall rains began. Uncle Bill Brown of Dallas, of widow dinner fame, gave away 150 pounds of candy to children Christmas.

C. W. Carnahan in the Astoria Budget gives many facts and figures to show that dairying is profitable in Clatsop county.

The Suislaw country is making rapid advancement in both the quantity and the quality of its dairy products, says the Florence West.

There is a certain man in Aurora warns the Borealis, who is always but-ting into other people's business, who will get all that is coming to him some

ment is still in good condition. Several Florence people have lost their cows, the animals acting as if they were poisoned. They were accustomed to feeding below town and around Spruce Point. Some think the trouble is caused

Point. Some think the trouble is can by the animals eating wild parsnip. Polk county is all right financially Polk county is all right limitality and the people are happy and contented, says the Dallas Observer. The year just closing has been one of unprecedented prosperity, and the new year gives bright promise of even better things for those whose lot is so fortunately the favored portion of our

cast with this favored beloved country. There is room within a radius of six miles of Myrtle Creek for 100 more families, says the Mail. One man near this town with only 20 acres of land sold \$1,000 worth of products from it this year, and there are many more 20-acre strips that can be made to yield even better than this in the hands of skillful, intelligent farmers.

The heavy rains last week hit Browns-The heavy rains last week hit Browns-ville a hard blow, and as a consequence it is probable that a number of her lead-ing industries—the woolen mills, flour-ing mills, electric light station, water works system and planing mill—will be put out of commission for some time to come. The trouble all comes from the washing out of a portion of the new dam, built at a considerable cost at the bead of the mill race last summer.

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