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THE MENACE OF EXCESSIVE POWER. THE laws of nature are unalterable. They never change. A given cause always has, and it always will produce a given effect.

"More time!" is the usual exclamation, even by those who have all the time there is. They should bethink themselves about "more method," or else waste less time.—W. H. Howe.

TOLD THE TRUTH. THE Oregonian is right in saying, "Every other principle of politics is now superseded by Statement No. 1."

Not so with the principle of direct choice of senator in Oregon. It can be, and is in the very process of being settled for all time.

While The Journal is for Chamberlain, its main contention is for the election of senators by the people. We do not hear Mr. Calkins or the papers that are supporting him saying a word about that.

Admiral Evans, who is to retire at once, has had the distinction and good fortune to close his active career, though ill, in a "blaze of glory" but not one of victorious war.

Charles Henry Cramp's Birthday. Charles Henry Cramp, the oldest living member of the famous family of shipbuilders of Philadelphia, was born in that city May 9, 1828.

These two judges, one classed as a Republican and the other as a Democrat, but on the bench wholly non-partisan, of course, were selected by the governor to fill vacancies because of their peculiar fitness for the position, which they have filled since appointment with entire satisfaction to the public.

A DISINGENUOUS ATTITUDE. THE Eugene Register says: "Now that the people have ruled that Calkins is their choice for United States senator, the Portland Journal proceeds at once to repudiate the people's choice and howl lustily in support of Chamberlain."

Another Portland institution that has reached its semi-centennial anniversary is Temple Beth Israel, the pioneer Hebrew religious organization of the city.

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THE STATE IN THE GAME. BY FREDERICK J. HASKIN. (Copyright, 1908, by Frederick J. Haskin.) Tokio, April 8.—The stake in the great game of world politics which Japan is playing against the powers of the occident is China.

To dominate this half billion of human beings, to control their affairs and to act in all things as an intermediary between them and the nations, is what Japan aspires to do.

Tom Johnson couldn't be more than partly beaten in the Ohio convention. Salmonkeepers of Pacific coast ports are all doubtless in favor of a bigger fish.

The prunes crop has been damaged, but otherwise wouldn't there be too many prunes? Doubtless there are persons who would have been glad to have an innocent man for \$1,000, or less.

A Chicago baby has a \$1,000 cradle, but isn't any happier than the baby sleeping in a cradle costing six bits.

Still the Taft band wagon is filling up, notwithstanding Senator Bourne's drum-beating. Still it is not certain that Japanese war vessels could not come up here and destroy Portland.

Indiana was covered with snow on May 1, giving paragraphs another chance to mention Fairbanks. If John Hays Hammond had to pay for all the free advertising he gets he would need that \$500,000 a year salary.

Now Martin is accused of killing every man murdered in this region for years past, whose murderer was not caught. Evidently what Railroad President Youkum wants is for the railroads to be let alone, to do just whatever they please.

It is hinted that a clairvoyant has told the president that a large, fat, smiling man would be nominated by the Republicans for president.

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At one of the county fairs near Nashville last fall John Wesley made a broad-eagle speech. He pawed the air; he ran all opposition into the mire; he picked the national administration up by the collar; he swung it clear over the Orizaba range in Mexico.

Then he paused to hear the crash. All the time he had his eyes on "Uncle Billy" Somerville, his eyes on the "Uncle" of his district. It was the first time in his career that he had ever had a rival in a contest for a prize.

Mr. Somerville was a stern and a determined man. He had finished with his discourse he turned to the "Uncle" and inquired how he had liked his oration. The countryman looked silently at Mr. Gaines for a moment, then said in a distinctly impressive drawing-room style, "Jaw, you have powerful lungs."

With a copy of the New York American in his hand, Secretary Taft walked into the White House on Saturday afternoon. He was in a hurry, and he was in a hurry to get to the chair and said, holding up the editorial page of the American: "You see you didn't see the Kazoos cartoon?"

"Say, Taft," the Big Stick answered through a fog of foam that surrounded his mouth, "I don't know where you saw it so often after breakfast this morning, and while sitting in this chair you were laughing at it, and I have had to laugh so hard as to imperil my throat. This barber has come near cutting my arteries two or three times."

The president has a stable filled with thoroughbreds. In it are saddle horses as fanciful as Foxhall Keene would care to own. There are also a few standard-bred horses. A few can jump. The carriage accessories, however, are nothing to brag about. Now he has ordered an aggregation of Kentucky beauties the president's look scrubby enough. Indeed, Mr. Root's stable is one of the costliest in the nation to inspect.

Of a recent date Mr. Wu inspected the barn of the American secretary of state. He looked at the standard-bred later on his secretary's departure. The result of that visit to the barn was a letter to the secretary, Mr. Root's carriage has recently arrived in Peking. It is a pair of their majesties and the court.

An attaché of one of the legations, directed upon the admiral's quarters in Washington town, yesterday said that Mr. Roosevelt's horses wouldn't do at all. He asked the admiral to order a pair of horses. The admiral ordered a pair of horses. The admiral ordered a pair of horses.

Admiral Caspar Goodrich is one of the critics of the new navy. None of the fleet is better than the standard-bred. They are lacking in discipline and training. He said, "I don't know where the admiral has had to order a pair of horses. The admiral ordered a pair of horses. The admiral ordered a pair of horses."

The vessel drifted around for some days, so it is said. Then an island was discovered. On it were immense forests. Into these the admiral's dispatch men with axes to make cord wood. They piled the sticks on the boat and started to throw the wood into the furnaces, get up steam and hurry onward. As the wood was thrown into the furnaces, about the time despair was in the heart of every one a tramp ship came along and towed the great vessel to a port where coal could be had.

Senator Anselm J. McLaurin of Mississippi looks more retrospective than ever. He is a man who has never before. When a practicing lawyer before, his residence, he read legal statutes, supreme court decisions and political news. He was a member of the classics. Lights burn in his room until far into the morning. He has read the works of the great authors, and Bernard Shaw, looked delightedly upon the creations of Tolstol, and has even smiled upon the books of Elbert.

The senator's recent days have been saddened by the deaths of three of his brothers—Walter, Wallace and Sylvester. Wallace McLaurin was a political lieutenant. Walter his fiscal agent and Sylvester his legal adviser. They were big, strong, and ever before the south knew them well, and liked them. Originally there were nine brothers in the McLaurin family. "Anselm," as he is called, is the youngest. He was a member of the railroad commission; Wallace was receiver of public money, and Sylvester was district attorney. McLaurin was on the state board of health; William was judge of the "Pickens" district; Sidney was secretary of the railroad commission; "Gee" McLaurin was president of the levee board, while Robert was a member of the legislature.

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Portland, May 7.—To the Editor of The Journal.—To decide a dispute with you please state in your columns whether there is a law in any state making it legal for a doctor to kill a child at its birth, if it is crippled or gives evidence of being an idiot.

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If these are closed indefinitely it may mean also the closing of some of the mills. Eight camps are affected. The Coast Logging company, Haynes & Preston, the Aberdeen Logging company, the Wishkah Logging company, Murray & Blackwell, the O. K. Logging company and the Larkin Logging company.

NO STATEMENT MAN NOW INDORSES IT. (Special Dispatch to The Journal.) The Dalles, Or., May 5.—Dr. H. C. Dods, one of the Republican candidates for representative from Wasco county, has announced that he will come out on the Democratic ticket in the general election in June. Dr. Dods at the primary election ran on no statement. In his announcement he states that he subscribed to the principles of Statement No. 1 at the request of many of his supporters, and realizing that H. M. Calkins, who received the nomination for United States senator, announced his unqualified allegiance to Statement No. 1, he believed it his duty under the circumstances to follow the lead and set the head of the Republican ticket upon this issue.

Although Dr. Dods secured the nomination on no statement, and while he will have considerable difficulty in reconciling himself with many of those who voted for him at the primary, because he was on no statement, yet by coming out now on Statement No. 1 he will undoubtedly strengthen, to some extent at least, his chances for election in June, especially in the Hood River valley, which is strongly for the state-

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