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Good and bad men are each less so than they seem. -S. T. Coleridge.

A STORY STUPENDOUS-NO. 2

S THE Port of Portland commission wise? It proposes a 30 foot channel to the sea, Because infinitely cheaper water transportation saved on products shipped in and out of Lake Superior in a single year \$338,633,364. It saved. as shown in The Journal yesterday, since the United States took over the Soo canal in 1881, \$2,918,000,000. During the same period the saving on the great lakes system was eighth of all the wealth France has amassed in all her history.

United States leadership of the concerned. world in the manufacture of iron and steel. It has enabled the United States to produce more than any the earth. The marvelous changes, transformations and developments incident to the industry have been a fundamental in directing the very influenced almost every phase of our national life. Had these Lake Superior ores been out of reach of water transportation and been subjected to rail haul costing eight times as much the entire industrial development of the country would have been radically different. The added blessings to men and to the country are so illimitable as to be

is a story more than stupendous. kes even greater results are nosresult of Ohio and Mississippi craft be done with the big job. carrying freight at one twenty-third of the cost of rail haul.

Changing as it has the course of history, transforming as it has the trend of civilization, forcing as it has this country into leadership of the world, would not the developed Columbia river system? What single different, ways. It clung to mud of wealth so greatly dependent upon influence would do one tenth as streets, and opposed hard surface the community, so little upon the much to make of the northwest one pavements. It believes in schools owner, who may wholly neglect it vast Titanic workshop?

money wasted. Portland's growing many to remain, who will help pay We do not sufficiently remember that Portland is the most beautiful

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NOTHER EFFORT is being One year...... \$7.50 | Une mouth..... \$.65 system of making nominaously breaking down the primary law. This is the purpose, or would state are growing and must be met. passed yesterday by the house by a bare majority. This bill proposes three men for each office. This remedy what some people regard as an objection to the primary law. a multiplicity of primary candidates. chosen by the people, but, as candidates were before the enactment of the primary law, by delegates selected by the machine to a convention run by a machine.

It was in the nominating convention that the evils of the former sys-\$5,000,000,000, a sum equal to one tem were focalized; this was their culminating point; there the people were shut out. Hence the people The course of history has actually wisely hit right at the convention been changed by the cheapness of and knocked it entirely out of exlake navigation. It has given the istence, so far as nominations were

Conventions can still be held, by any means that any aggregation of individuals may devise, but they two nations combined, and there is have no legal right or power, as to promise that we shall ultimately nominations. The people intended produce more than all the rest of to and did take that right and power away, and they knew what they were about when they did so. The primary law in this respect

should be let alone, and every efcourse of civilization itself. It has fort to furnish a basis for reconstructing party machines should be resisted.

MR TAFT AND THE CANAL

business man, an exceptionally won't, or shouldn't, care a contibeyond human comprehension. It capable man in handling large af- nental whether they are called Refairs. He has fine talents, and has publicans or Democrats. Yet marvelous as has been the ef- had much experience. So when he fect of water transportation on the comes back from Panama, even if he was not there long and says that a new plan has been adopted to istration have a plan sible by the rivers. Writing in the everything is going on right, that son, secretary of the late rivers and mismanagement, that everything is harbors congress, says "even the in an entirely satisfactory condition, constitution. Provision is to be lakes must yield the palm to the that the lock canal is the right kind, Ohio and Mississippi rivers" in cheap and that the work will be finished tion. The initiative and the refertransportation. It costs eight tenths by 1915, we are inclined to believe endum and all other odious novelof a mill per ton per mile to carry him and trust him, and to let it go ties are to be carefully omitted and freight on the lakes. Coal is car- at that. He has been down there a new constitution is to be submitted for one third of a mill per ton mile. close watch of the work. He took to adopt it meekly. Altogether The price includes the return of the with him eminent engineers, in four years will be consumed in carbarges 2000 miles up stream. The whom he had confidence. He him- rying this scheme to complete fulcheaper cost is due to the greater self inspected the work. And so fillment. Some gentlemen who volume of freight that can be moved he certainly knows what he is talk- ought to know better, have not yet at one time, and, contrary to the ing about, truthfully we are bound learned their lesson, it seems. But usually accepted view, in this the to suppose, better than any of the they will. We would venture to sugrivers take precedence of the lakes. editors or other of his critics do. gest that it has been found danger The steamer Sprague has carried He said nothing as reported, it ous to monkey with a buzz-saw. from Cairo to New Orleans a tow of may be noticed, about the ultimate barges bearing 57,500 tons of coal, cost of the canal, but the job can which is declared to be the heaviest not be stopped now, even if the cost it has the power, to allow the peocargo ever moved at one time in the should be, as predicted by some, ple to vote on any amendments to history of the world. Besides car- nearly three times the original es- the constitution. But suppose the rying greater loads the river tonnage timate. Mr. Taft is an optimist; people want to submit them, just is in less expensive bottoms. Lake he looks at things in a broad, liberal how can the senate stop them? It vessels must be as trong as ocean way, and he may be to some extent may make it more expensive, but going ships in order to withstand deceived; but unless somebody has that, while unnecessary and producwave action. The cheap barges on some very specific and well-sup- tive of unkind feelings, will not prethe quiet river water reduce trans- ported criticism to make, it will be vent submission. portation cost to an amazing mini- better to chime in with Taft and mam and produce the remarkable trust to him to do the best that can

OREGON'S HANDICAP water haul be a good thing on the ous forms and finds expression in ers. In no other field is the making where only the three Rs are taught, without injury. Therefore, no other rather than modern educational in- form of wealth should contribute to PORTLAND THE CITY BEAUTIFUL stitutions. It is against anything the nation so generously." There new, whether courthouses or ideas. is nothing new about this sugges-R. George Wharton James, the Parks and boulevards are an abom-tion; it only becomes notable beauthor and artist who is spend- ination. It is opposed to good roads cause Carnegie instead of unknown Ing some time in Portland, if they cost anything. It would John Smith said it; but the wonder agrees with many other visit- rather see Portland a village than is that people who thus become ors that Portland has the site for a city and half the state without very rich have so long escaped taxthe most beautiful city in America. railroad facilities if it requires any ation on wealth thus gained for them The estimate or judgment of such a self help to make a change. It fears by others. man, one of keen, educated observa- the people, and would have them tion, who has traveled extensively, limited in every direction. It opmay be relied upon, especially when poses granting cities or the state ing the house passed bills approit is in accord with that of all other even the power to protect them- priating \$1,727,906.83 of the taxtravelers well qualified to express selves. It stands in the path of payers' money," is the way a report an opinion. That Portland in loca- progress, barking at everything and reads in the morning paper. It is tion and surroundings is the most everybody that would do anything. | put that way to convey the impresbeautiful city in the country, per- What was good enough 50 years sion that the "taxpayers' money" is haps in the world, should be worth ago is good enough today. It finds being recklessly squandered because a great deal to its inhabitants, and expression in condemnation of every- a large amount was appropriated in will be if they properly appreciate thing and anything that is helpful a short time. But this suggestion beriain will win again as usual. the fact and act accordingly. The or modern. Its blighting effect has is insincere or childish. The sum value of this fact is by no means been felt for years. During the 40- mentioned was determined upon by

peaks, its numerous natural charms. check and allowed our sister state itures. But much money must be spent, on of Washington, although but little streets, boulevards, parks, bridges more than half as large, to pass us in population and development. Al- ple of Oregon by their great father, though a territory for years after so long as they were suppliants and and justified reputation as the most we were a state, Washington now petitioners. But the moment they

beautiful city will bring multitudes has three congressmen, and will soon set about to deliver themselves from of people here temporarily, and have four, while we have two. It has two United States judges and Harriman saw a great light, and courts, and will soon have three, The Journal is on file in London. England, at the office of The Journal's English representatives. E. & J. Hardy & Co., 30 Freet where subscriptions and advertisements what this is worth.

that Portland is the most beautiful of miles of railroad more, than we city or can easily be made so, and It is building state roads in all directions to enable its people to get about and move their products. of miles of railroad more, than we. about and move their products, Subscription Terms by mail or to any address NO NOMINATING CONVENTIONS while Oregon lags behind and does to the United States, Canada or Mexico: almost nothing.

Economy is one thing, parsimony made in the legislature to progress is another. While the legget back to the convention islature should be prudent and careful in its expenditures, it should not be so parsimonious that the state will be hampered. The needs of the be the effect, of the Mariner bill, The amount required is more than it was two years ago and much more than it was 20 years ago, and will people are coming, new ideas are many who think the spirit referred to is still dominant, will learn to their sorrow they were mistaken.

CUMMINS BUTTS IN

CENATORIAL precedent or courtesy did not keep Senator Cummins from making a few remarks soon after he had taken his seat as a member. The powder item of the naval bill was the subfect, and he reverted to the fact, purchased from the powder trust, of which Senator Du Pont is at the head, at an exorbitant price. The gov pounds a year and pays 63 cents or more a pound for it, a profit to the \$500,000 a year or so above reasonable profit as between a big govern-R. TAFT is undoubtedly not be expected that Cummins will now be read out of the party, along with only an honest man, in the La Follette. But in a few years full sense of that term, but they will have lots of company, of he is supposed to be a good men much like them, and the people

It is being whispered about that eliminate the people's control of they kill all proposed amendments to the made for a constitutional conven-

Illustrating a point by the case of two sons, each of whom was left sprang up, the other remaining in to the isthmus. about the same condition, Mr. Car-REGON is afflicted with a re- negie recently said: "The growth actionary element that fondly of the city soon makes millionaires imagines it represents con- of the children of one son, while the servatism. It appears in vari- other's children remain poor farm-

"In less than two hours this morn-

No monopolistic corporation can the real spirit of this state. The weeks yet, nor even days, nor was ever "corral" this city's site and people that are trying to do things there need of doing so. The remark surroundings-its hills, river, trees, are weary of its constant pessimism, quoted is mentioned merely as a complaining and fault-finding. It is sample of unreasonable and nonmountain this spirit that has held Oregon in sensical grumbling at all expend-

> No attention was paid to the peoan intolerable railroad situation, Mr. hurried forward with protestations while we have one. It has hundreds and fair promises. Except for the boys on Boston Gommon, the men of the Boston Tea Party, the heroes of rections to enable its people to get Bunker Hill and a few other dauntless spirits, this country might still be a province of Great Britain. After seeing the advantage of a policy of fight rather than supplication, it still going up. another. Wild booming is one thing, would be madness for the legislature not to put the people in posi-tion at any and all times to give get into the senate again.

The house at Salem has voted to the primary law. The conscuttle the primary law. The conscuttle the primary law. The conventions it would provide for would appointment is in store—that Mr. Harriman could go ahead with the Deschutes road. people of their rights to nominate that a convention shall nominate be more in the future. Those who candidates. The people took these rights to themselves after a series conventions, "regular" conventions, approaching when representatives of progress will be in the saddle. The them of the folly of the conventions and "citsystem. To attempt now to scuttle land is bigger than Indianapolis. But they may have better census takers next conditions. Before two years go by the people's method and restore the politicians' method is political madness, and if persisted in will usher in a train of evils that will bring as a newspaper man. But the genuine craft looks down on mere multi-million-nothing but regret to those who aires, and won't acknowledge them. in a train of evils that will bring foist the scuttle scheme.

Is there a joker in the plan for a constitutional convention? The Oregonian has always opposed such a ceed from a hope that a convention will afford means of depriving the people of rights they have recently pity, but 'tis true, that the Oregonian's reputation is such that its changed attitude awakens suspicion.

Baleful blasts of booming blizzards roar ragingly and ruthlessly throughout the northern, eastern and central portions of the country. Say, don't you love old Oregon?

Apparently Mr. Harriman and his subordinates , suddenly discovered that the people of Oregon meant business, and under the new system Lady. could do business.

Cut the Transcontinental Rates

From Christian Science Monitor. Leading officials of the admin-New York Independent, S. A. Thomp- there has never been any graft or their own affairs. The senate is to tion of the transcontinental rates now it charged by the trunk line railroads. This plan will be disclosed next Monday at a meeting of the directors of the Panama Railroad company. It contemplates a definite lowering of the railroad rates across the isthmus of Panama to such an extent as to compet in the cabin of the the all rail routes across the United manity recovered its rights; that govried from Pittsburg to New Orleans before, and has all the time kept to the people, who will be expected States to meet the reduction. It seems that the administration has been informed that the present trunk line rates are excessive and can well be lowered of the Christian faith, the honor of suggestion is credited to the interstate be just and equal laws. These grand ommerce commission.

Until now, the Panama Railroad comhas maintained rates which bear to the fluctuations in the United States, world to establish and maintain just The senate may refuse, so far as For some reason increases of rates in and equal laws for the general good. the states effective January 1 dld not result in a proportionate increase the Panama railroad. The effect of this, it is understood, was felt at once in an increased traffic across isthmus The administration is understood to

have the strong support of big jobbers and shippers in San Francisco, who y the Panama railroad they will not only offer large tonnage by that route but will make immediate shipments. It will also be stated at that meeting that far western capital can readily be enlisted in the establishment of a line of steamships from San Francisco to the isthmus. The interest of President-elect Taft in the proposilon to establish a government line of steamships between San Francisco and Panama is well known.

1821-The Plymouth colonists chose

Miles Standish their captain. 1769-Six negroes whipped by English in Boston for drumming for the

1815-Peace between States and Great Britain announced. 1867-Alexander Dallas Bache, for many years director of the United nany years director of States coast survey, died at Newport, Born in Philadelphia, July 19,

1870-Mississippi readmitted into the 1898 Frances E. Willard, famous

tember 28, 1839 1903-Steamer Olive sunk near Norfelk, Va., with loss of 18 lives. | well, is in striking contrast to the old 1905—Parcels post treaty with Great dirt road, almost impassable in the Britain signed by the United States. 1906-Wedding in the White House of Miss Alice Roosevelt and Represen tative Nicholas Longworth. 1908-Turkish reserves called out and moved to the Persian frontier.

From the Pendleton East Oregonian. In his fight with the legislature over the raising of salaries Governor Cham-

day session of a legislature its chief purpose is to bring the legislature of investigation and deliborate of into contempt, destroy its influence, undermine confidence in it, terrorize that could not otherwise be made, and this money will be quite generally distributed among the people.

This element no legislature its chief or more of investigation and deliborate of New York. is 42 years old and a native of Albany. Like his predecessor, undermine confidence in it, terrorize it, and then how over every appropriations were flust and necessary, and as near right as they could be made, why not printing in the country. He has been chief secondary distributed among the people.

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COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

SMALL CHANGE

It seems chorus girls are barred from Taft banquets.

On such a day as yesterday, how can spring poet suppress itself? It is as bad not to vote money for Here is the bravest man: A New Or-leans policeman who arrested his own wife.

Cummins is another new senator who has little regard for the slience precedents.

"Should actresses marry?" asks an eastern paper. No oftener than they are divorced. It's going to be a very prosperous year-prices of everything but wages

Kansas is always coming to the front with something new and wonderful; with something new and wonderful; drifted thistledown stopped a train in that state.

Shouldn't the prayer for those who go

According to directory estimates Portyear in Indianapolis A Chicage paper alludes to C. P. Taft

Caruso is to get \$10,000 a week. No wonder Roosevelt refused an offer of that amount to join a show. He won't put himself on a par with Caruso. Roosevelt would not accept a \$10,000

bequest from a non-relative because he had not earned it. This is straining a point out of the sight of many people. The two circuit judges of the Third udicial district did not need or want a

third judge, but don't they understand that many lawyers up there would like a judgeship? Root, Burton, Bristow, Cummins and

amberlain constitute a senatorial cropt is away above the average.—Chico Record-Herald. Because the peo-Now it is asserted that the Liberty Bell is cracked, and so cannot stand a long journey. It is strange that, being kept in Philadelphia, it has not all

rusted away long ago.

OREGON SIDELIGHTS

Gold Hill will have a large new the

A new big lumber company at Elgin will employ many men. Another nursery will be started in Polk county, near Dallas.

The prospect is that Brownsville will grow a good deal this year.

The Roseburg News predicts "thou-sands of new homes" in that city this year.

Pansies and violets and other early spring flowers are blooming profusely in the yards in Monmouth in spite of the coldest weather in 25 years in the Willamette valley, says the Herald.

"This is the time to go after squir-rels." says a Wallowa county farmer.
"They come out of their holes these warm days, weak and starved. They gobble the poisoned grain greedily. I put out some the other day and killed scores."

With the contract let for a fine up to date schoolhouse, and work on a hand-some church building to be begun, besides several other buildings in contemplation, will make a building boom of no small consequence here this year, says the Silver Lake Leader.

Brownsville Times: It is time fruit growers were making life a burden for the fruit pests by spraying if a good crop of good fruit is to be secured this year. The work should be done now, and if there are any who refuse they ought to be made to comply with the law or else destroy their orchards.

Recently The Journal published Recently The Journal published a story about some hunters in Josephine county killing a wild boar that had been committing depredations for 10 years, but the incident, J. R. Geddes of Scio, informs The Journal, happened in Linn county, and the hunters were L. Craft, Dick Craft and John Rockwell, who live about eight miles southeast of Scio.

There is now little doubt that a rich coal find has been made in Malbeur county, says the Ontario Optimist. The company formed at Vale some three weeks ago for the purpose of investigating this coal vein, has pushed the work to a point where it seems proven beyond a doubt that there is an immense deposit of coal of good quality in the vein. in the vein.

A. J. Domes, near McCoy, Polk county, has nine cows on yearly authenticated test, two of them mature cows, and seven helfers. One of the helfers, aged two years and five months made an official record last month of 1243 pounds of milk and 92.7430 pounds of butter, which is practically three pounds of butter aday. The nine cows and helfers made an average of 80.7491 pounds of butter apiece last month.

Bandon Recorder: Report comes from Denmark, Curry county, that great ac-tivity in business circles are opening up there. Some outside company has taken hold of the proposition and the country is being surveyed and laid out into town That Bill Taft Lady, the baby who at birth weighed only 20 ounces, will have to keep growing steadily a long time if he ever reaches the size of the man of whom it is a namesake. But though a boy, little or big, he will always be a lots. Which are seiling very rapidly. Report also has it that an electric line will be constructed along the coast, tapping Denmark, which will be a great impetus in the development of that place.

FAMOUS GEMS OF PROSE

"The Mayflower's Civil Compact"-By Henry Wilson

bration of the 250th anniversary of the majestic eloquence of Daniel Web-the landing of the Pilgrims, at Plym-ster, when he stood here half a cen-

cannot ferget-we should all gratefully and the martyred Lovejoy to foundations of civil liberty in America. "Mayflower" ernment was then founded by them on the basis of equal law for the general good. That compact proclaimed that. for the glory of God. the advancement without injury to the railroads. The country, the general good, there should doctrines of the Pilgrims, then embodied in a compact of government, have been inspirations and The Panama rates were the time in which we live, there has or lowered in direct proportion been a struggle here in the western The example of the Pfigrims has in-It inspired the colonies in their struggle aggressive policy of England. It inspired the burning eloquence of James Otis, and the pen of the organizer of promise that if lower rates are offered the American revolution, that grand old the western world.

Mexico Praises New York Roads. From the Mexican Herald.

The rich state of New York some time ago voted to authorize the spending of \$50,000,000 on roads, and already legislature has appropriated \$11,-000,000 of the amount, the state engineer reporting that 311 miles of good roads were made in 1907 and 820 miles

This is commendable work along the true lines of civilization and the Emolre state of the northern republic will find the investment of the great sum of money mentioned a paying one, for the farmers will be materially fited and also the growing automobile industry, rapidly increasing in import-

We are glad that a beginning in the way of providing the federal district in the course of time he was elected here with good roads has been made mayor. This served as the beginning of to see the work kept up till bad roads have become a mere memory. It is not easy here to make substantial highways, and some of the work already dene may be considered as experimental, but so the best and emperance leader, died. Born Sep- most economical ways of road building are hit upon. The road between the city and Churubusco, which is kept up well, is in striking contrast to the old rainy season.

> Unspeakable Folly. From the Baker City Herald (Rep.)

The legislature of Oregon is a puz-zle to some. Different bills have inicated a freak show, while others have tended strongly toward insanity. the most doleful feature of the whole session has been the energetic pouring of water on the Chamberlain wheel by The different Republicans who claim to hate the man whom they are alding.
For instance, this indiscriminate sal-

ary raising that is being passed only to have the governor veto such measures while the taxpayer throws up his hat and yells, "hurrah for George," Can't those legislators understand what the result will be? Granting there are salaries that should be increased when it comes to a matter of real merit, this session is no time to attempt such a lieve the commonwealth transaction. Chamberiain is yet gover- profit by the movement.

by which outh, December 21, 1870).

While I agree in the sentiment that as the crime of his century.

While I agree in the sentiment that as the crime of his century. tury ago and denounced the slave trade While I agree in the sentiment that it was piety, pure and simple faith in Gou and in his son, that brought those brave men across the waves. I cannot forget—we should all gratefully and the martyred Lovejoy to vindivindithey laid cate, on the banks of the Mississippl. in the cabin of the "Mayflower" the the freedom of the press. It inspired William Lloyd Garrison when he pro-Bancroft, in his history, tells us that claimed immediate emancipation and his firm resolve to be heard by the Ameri-It inspired Abraham Lincan people. coln in his immortal proclamation of emancipation, which smote the fetters from the limbs of 3,500,000 men.

It inspired brave men among the living and the dead, in minorities and majorities in the which incorporated into the constitution the 13th amendment, that made it impossible that a slave should tread direct relation to those charged by the in all the succeeding generations. From ment, that defined the rights of Ameritranscontinental rall routes in this the day that compact was signed to can citizenship, and the 15th amendcan citizenship, and the 15th amendment, that gave every male citizen the right to vote, and practically the right to be voted for. This grand compact of government on board the "Mayflowadopted before the men who made spired the faith and strengthened the it had trod the soil of the continent, arms of those who have battled in will inspire their descendants and brave legislative halls and on bloody fields. men in the advancing future to hope men in the advancing future to hope on and struggle on to make equal and for more than a century against the just laws for the general good, the vital, animating, and living spirit of American institutions, so long as the memory of the Pilgrims shall live in

> nor, and he has his veto power as se tucked away as the superstitious darkey carries his mysterious rabbit foot. And ft might be rightfully said here that Chamberlain's veto has been about as lucky as the darkey's rabbit foot is supposed to be.

Joseph Howell's Birthday.

Joseph Howell, representative-at large from Utah, was born in Box Elder county, Utah, February 17, 1857, After attending the common schools of his native county he studied for three years at the University of Utah. After leaving college his first employment was as a clerk in a store at Wellsville, Utah. He took a prominent part in the affairs of his adopted city and mayor. This served as the beginning of cannot. his public career and led to tion to the territorial legislature, where he served three terms. After the ad-mission of Utah to the union Mr. Howell served one term in the state senate. In 1903 he was the successful candidate on the Republican ticket for representative-at-large in the national has been three times honored with reelection.

From the Harney Valley News.

Harriman people are playing fast and this country and are only playing to hold it as an asset to b used when they may ultimately see fit to use it, then we believe the people of the state should during the present year take steps to inaugurate a move ment which will enable them to proceed with a constitutional enactment that will give the state the power to ceed with a constitutional enactment that will give the state the power to build a through line of railroad from the Snake river to the Pacific ocean, by a system of bonding, giving to property owners along the line the first right to subscribe for bonds, and placing the road under direct state consults. Shape the ham mixture into small balls, dip in fritter batter and fry in deep fat. We believe the people can do this in their sovereign power and lieve the commonwealth will

The REALM. FEMININE

The Man and the Loafer. T SEEMS a poor way of arriving at a

definite plan, for helping the indigent men of the north end for the mayor, the city council and the churches to be drawn into a mu-tual vilification of one another's pol-icies and intentions. "So are they all, all 'honorable men"—but that doesn't

icles and intentions, "So are they all, all 'honorable men"—but that doesn't solve the question for the homeless' and shelterless and hungry men who are either temporarily or permanently out of work, and therefore out of food and clothes.

It would seem that some plan of action might be devised which would serve to separate the willing workers from the willing tramps and place the former class in a way to an honorable and independent livelihood. And nothing but the chance to work will ever do that. Promiscuous charity will not do it, opening more reading rooms will not do it. It takes just that simple alchemy to separate the dross from the gold—the chance to work.

Given that, and there should be little further difficulty about tiding over a great multitude of conscienceless loafers for the sake of the few deserving but unfortunate ones.

What is the honest and willing work-

What is the honest and willing worker to do if he arrives in our fair land of promise without money? How is he to put his energy, his time and talents into developing the undoubted waiting riches of our soil unless he has ready cash to buy a farm, implements and seeds? Is it not true that we have overlooked an important step between the attractive advertising literature which is so generously sent out calling attention to the riches which do lie nere only waiting for the man of grit and muscle to develop them, and the placing of that man in touch with his possibilities?

It may perhaps be said that it is not

of that man in touch with his possibilities?

It may perhaps be said that it is not the pauper class that the advertising literature is meant to attract, and that is of course true. The country needs money; capital can do in a year what slow and steady plodding labor can.accomplish only in a score of years. But is there not also a place for the willing man and his family, the man who will begin with little and gradually by industry and common sense and some deprivation, build himself up a competence in what has been a wilderness? The country needs this kind of men quite as much as it needs the promoter or the advertising specialist whose chief value lies in the absurdly high hopes with which he fills his listeners, some of whom are bound to find disappointment and disillusion.

We have need, it seems, of a step between land and man. Just what it should be is for a wiser head than that of a "realm feminine" artist, yet a simple suggestion might be made. Suppose that the chambers of commerce, the municipal associations, the city tiself or

that the chambers of commerce, the nicipal associations, the nicipal associations, the city itself, or the state, were to lease large areas of tillable laid and advance lumber for a home, seeds and implements, to the men who will go out into the wilderness and begin its cultivation. Suppose that men with families were allowed to build a sufficiently large house to shelter them, allowed to rent as large acreage as they could handle, and were per-mitted to get a start in that way, while both parties to the contract were to both parties to the contract were to agree on sufficient interest for the money expended—would there not be a rapid decrease in the floating population of our city?

These men are not alone in the world. Most of them have some ites. There are heavy hearted women waiting for husbands to get a start in the new land of which they have heard so much, so that the wives and children can come "The Mayflower's Civil Compact —By Henry Wilson

(From a banquet address at the celeptration of the 250th anniversary of the landing of the Pilgrims, at Plymuth, December 21, 1870).

The Mayflower's Civil Compact —By Henry Wilson

It inspired the majestic eloquence of Daniel Webster, when he stood here half a century ago and denounced the slave trade fortune he was to make in the far west sweethearts to whom these men are the most dear, the most honorable, the most prectous. And they are willing to come and cast their lot with them in the new land, but wait only for the word that tells them that John has "got a start."

But here is where the block comes. The country is here, the riches of it are unquestioned; the muscle and the willingness are undoubted. The trouble is that the man can't get his start without money, and the money has been spent in getting here and in hunting for

> A tract of 10 or 20 acres, lumber enough to build a house, an assortment enough to build a house, an assortment of seeds, and a few implements, would mean the whole difference between idleness with poverty and work with competence. Still the literature advertising the great possibilities goes out, in the hope that some will sell all they have and come here, where the country needs developing. And here are the weary hearted, discouraged men, herding in saloons for lack of other lounging place, sleeping on the floors of jails, Salvation Army halls, Portland Commons, Men's Resort or Strayer Mission, and bemoaning the hard luck that landed them in sight of all the riches of the promised land while denying them the chance of putting hand to plow to make the first step on the road to indepentent and honorable livelihood.
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> Not all our unemployed men want

Not all our unemployed men want more lounging places. Many of them are quite tired of lounging. What they want is work. But they cannot find it. There are few jobs in the city for the many seekers. There are few jobs in many seekers. There are rew jobs in the country until the spring work opens and then not enough for all but there is plenty of idle land.

Why not devise a plan by which the idle land and the idle men could be brought together? It would be of im-

mense advantage all around.

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WHEN a man takes a lady to the theatre he should not insist on going out before the play is over, even if he be bored. It is a habit every woman hates, however much politeness may compel her to say the other thing. He should not ask her to go to supper afterward, if they are chaperoncless Neither should he hire a carriage for her just to show he knows how to do things when he cannot afford more than streetcar fare and knows she knows he cannot.

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When a man leaves after calling, a girl says good-bye to him in the parlor. She does not go into the hall to get his hat and coat, and does not open the door for him. These are things a man should do for himself when there is not a maid to do it. It is graceless and awkward for a girl to be stiff and formal about this. It is quite correct for her to saunter to the parlor door and talk while he is getting ready to go out; but there is a rule, as old as social convention, that a westess does not go to the door with her guest, when that guest is a man. It isn't well for her to seem anxious to catch the last glimpse, of him. Most conventions between men and women are founded on this theory. Now, should these hopes be ground-conventions between men cases; should it be possible that the are founded on this theory.

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Ham Fritters. TTEAT to boiling point one cupful of stock. Thicken with a tablespoou-ful each of flour and butter cooked together, and add to it one cupful of cold cooked chopped ham, one egg well beaten, and dry mustard and Worcester-

Two automobiles will hereafter run dally between Vale and Burns, about 125 miles, in 12 hours.