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They that stand high have many blains to shake them; And if they fall, they dash themselves to pieces. Shakespeare.

SELECTING THE SECRETARY

BRAND IS A good thing for identifying beef hides or sheep pelts, but in what way can it aid to the efficiency of a secretary of state.

In selecting a Republican for secretary Mr. West ignores the tag and does exactly what the people did in selecting him for governor.

Mr. Olcott is a known master of accounting and the business details incident to the secretary's office.

ACCIDENTS IN COAL MINES DISMAL PICTURE is given in some of the magazines this month of the losses by death and accident in coal mines.

THE GLAD TOMORROW TO OUR ESTIMABLE fandom, news from the Rio Grande is no longer of consequence.

FREAK STATESMANSHIP OREGON HIGH BROWS in their demand for assemblyism sneered at the notion that mere people can make laws.

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to tax bachelors and old maids in Illinois. A third statesmanlike measure was to prevent the smoking of racoons in Ohio.

THE TREATY OF ARBITRATION WILL ANOTHER force is being brought to bear towards the general acceptance of the great idea both in America and England.

MEANWHILE we read that Mr. Edisson conceives that he has made a proposition tending strongly towards universal peace by inventing a new storage battery specially adapted to submarines.

DEFENSE AGAINST USURY PATERSON, NEW JERSEY, with a population of 125,000, has but a single pawn shop.

PASTORS PLAY BALL BASEBALL TEAM composed entirely of clergymen has been organized at Grand Junction, Colorado.

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sent, as one great proximate cause. Then there must come into the account irregular and lawless lines leading to jealousy, and culminating in murder and suicide.

RIVER CURRENT FOR PUMPING MANY EFFORTS have been made to pump water on adjoining lands by aid of the force of the river current.

INTERVENTION ON A SMALL SCALE THERE IS A comic side to the story from San Diego of the landing of 40 warriors and a Maxim gun at San Quentin.

JAPANESE SILK BINDINGS From Harper's Weekly. In the preservation of its rare manuscripts and books, the government has found an additional safeguard in Japanese silk.

WATCHING FOR WOODROW WILSON From the Portland Spectator. It will be worth while noting the sort of reception Portland gives Woodrow Wilson.

THE HAREM SKIRT From the Spokane Herald. It is not only the west which is guilty of freak legislation. It seems that the New Jersey people, possibly by some survival of the old blue laws, are infected with the same bug.

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impossible. He is one of those to whose name the presidential office would scarcely add lustre.

By the Durand census Seattle is the largest, but by all the barometers of business Portland is most alive.

Letters From the People General Carter's Career. Elaine, Wash., April 13.—To the Editor of The Journal—Will you kindly publish a short biographical sketch of Major General William H. Carter.

A Correction. Oregon City, April 14.—To the Editor of The Journal—An item in this evening's Daily Journal reads as follows: "Washington, April 14.—For the first time in 46 years, the anniversary of the assassination of President Lincoln will this year fall at the same time on Good Friday, and also on April 14, the day he died at Rome and was buried."

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COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

SMALL CHANGE Yesterday was the day the lid was on, all right. Twelve million dollars measures the present consumption for 1910.

Those Howler belles! Those Ender bells! How sweet a tale their presence tells! How sweet a song, each glance a prayer, and each new lid the sweetest there!

That Pennsylvania judge who ruled that a husband should wash and dress his wife, and that a wife should do her housekeeping was probably not cruel but ignorant, and didn't know that when a man launders a baby the baby always pranks the man in doing it with a currycomb.

Seven Marvelous Boys John Keats. "Here lies one whose name was writ in water," is the epitaph that John Keats, the boy poet, requested be inscribed on his tombstone.

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OREGON SIDELIGHTS

The Tillamook Lumber Manufacturing Company has resumed operations. Union is to have a new high school building in time for next year's work.

Roseburg authorities have given the dirt restaurants their choice, to "clean up or close up." Grants Pass, according to the Courier, is a good location for an up-to-date business college.

H. H. Bronson has been elected principal of the Oakland schools. He is now principal at Wallowa. At Wallowa the big plant of the Nibley-Minnows paper company has started with a full crew.

George Baird, for 13 years manager of telephone interests at Union, has severed his connection and is looking toward southern Oregon. E. M. Shutt has returned to Heppner, after an incursion into the real estate business, and is again in charge, editorially, of the Heppner Times.

According to the Union Scout, the probable output of lumber from the Catherine and Little Creek sections this summer will be over 1,000,000 feet. In eight days 3750 dozen eggs, worth \$500, were shipped from Iona, and the Heppner Gazette asks why not advertise the grow county as a great chicken country.

Wallowa Sun: The steel for the new bridges across Bear creek and the main river on the lower valley road has arrived. There were two carloads of the material. The Gresham Outlook claims that the town is doing commercial business amounting to \$500,000 a year.

Grants Pass Courier: Last Friday the largest amount of freight ever received in this city in one day, was sent out to the north. It consisted of 1000 cars of merchandise and household goods. Chief of Police Walden has reported to the city council of La Grande that the city jail is a menace to the lives of the people, and is again in charge, editorially, of the Heppner Times.

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Bryan's Role

From Vancouver, B. C. Province. Although William Jennings Bryan is not regarded any longer as a presidential possibility his influence in the Democratic party is not by any means on the wane.

Mr. Bryan is no longer a presidential possibility; his many defeats have made him, in that capacity, hopeless with a people who worship success. But he is a man of resource and he is apparently growing for himself the greatest force in the Democratic party today, and despite his series of defeats he has outlasted every rival.

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