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the United States, but also for peace between all the nations of the world. Now he is no longer the trusted representative of one country but assumes the duties of an arbitrational judge of the one international court.

WHY OREGON LAGS

There is no higher function for a legislative body than the raising of salaries and creating new jobs? If not, what end does a legislature serve?

For instance, the imports and exports in 1911 of San Francisco totaled \$100,351,439. Puget Sound's aggregated \$84,493,572. Portland's total was \$13,268,174.

WHAT'S THE ANSWER

The lawyers of the legislature seem determined to ignore the emphatic public demand for court reform, and intend apparently to substitute a sweeping increase in the number of judges.

IS IT A POSSIBLE REFORM?

About a year and a half ago the proposition that the Episcopal church in America should take active part in the movement for church unity was considered by the general convention with approval.

way bridge suit and technical proceedings in the circuit court resulting in a second appeal to the supreme court and a second finding for the city.

It is a reform of such practices that the people are demanding. Is the answer of the present legislature to be, not a reform of the practices, but a multiplication of judges?

HOME RULE AND AFTER

HOME rule will set the seal of political fact upon an economic emancipation of Irish farmers and cultivators which has been long in preparation but slow in completion.

The most recent observer of Ireland revisited Mr. J. M. Kennedy, who has very recently recorded his impressions in The New Age. He finds the bulk of the Irish people in the three southern provinces giving far more thought to the practical problems that confront agricultural communities than to the form of Home Rule.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

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Revolver and Run. Newport, Or., Jan. 31.—To the Editor of The Journal—I see that the Perkins revolver bill has not passed the Oregon senate. I can see no good reason why it should not pass.

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Roosevelt. Schrank himself may not be a victim of alcoholic virus. It is said that the liquor traffic, breeder of vice, crime and anarchy, and fountain head of debauchery and degeneration, was the master of Schrank and Colquhoun in the school of life, and hidden devastation of the people.

A Producer Seeks Solution. Holley, Or., Feb. 4.—To the Editor of The Journal—The author of the Small Change column, in a recent issue of the Journal, offered this item: "Portland does not need a larger population so much as a larger producing element outside of Portland."

Approval of the Alternate Stop. Portland, Feb. 7.—To the Editor of The Journal—I read a letter in last night's paper, by Mr. Lewis, protesting against the alternate street car stops.

The Ways of the Toller. Silverton, Ore., Feb. 6.—To the Editor of The Journal—I reply to a letter printed in your paper entitled "Read This, From a Working Man."

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Body said. It's true, I'm one of 'em. I confess I feel a sour ball in my throat, and I would a sour glass of milk. Why not humor the public, then?

How do you know, Mr. Jones, you've taken a load off my mind. I was just wishing I could get rid somehow of those pesky letters. Please tell me what I can do for you.

Let us go to the strictly business and selfish side. Do you know that your greatest asset is being human?

The public is a great baby. This you realize that it is the human clerk that is in demand, that attracts customers. Hence, we won't discuss the sentimental side of the question.

and I must confess that I had not the time to jot them all down. On a restaurant on Madison street, the word pastry is painted very nicely "bakery."

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Perhaps we can petition Mr. Josselyn to grant Mr. Lewis the special privilege of a stop at his proper street and save his poor, tired feet the "grumpy" block's walk.

Portland, Feb. 6, 1913.—To the Editor of The Journal—One would think, judging from the misspelled words painted on windows, woodwork, etc., and show cards in various places of business throughout our city and surrounding country, that we were very in need of a spelling inspector.

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Wilsonian Simplicity. From the Boston Globe. Social life at the White House remains extraordinarily simple, notwithstanding the great growth of presidential power.

The president of the United States is the most powerful official in the world; yet no little princeling, lordling or over a square mile of sovereignty, leads an existence so plain or bears himself so modestly.

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