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The intoxication of anger, like that of the grape, shows us to others, but hides us from our-We injure our cause, in the opinion of the world, when we too passionately defend it .- Colton,

THE AUTOCRAT OF WALL ST.

N the passing of J. P. Morgan the world has lost its most striking and dominant actor.

clares his assent to an act passed ular session. by parliament, "Le Roy le veut," the king wills it, was in the life EVERY FARMER A STOCKMAN time of J. P. Morgan no empty There is a certain magnificence about the man who made, who sustained, who forbade immense enterprises as he pleased.

It would be unjust to describe him as a money lover. The millions that he made were not the real prizes in the game, he played so the proofs and measures of his success, of his winnings.

He was early entered at the great game. Thanks to his inherited fortune and position, he began at the top which most ambitious men of finance spend half their lives to reach. He was already a power when at a corresponding age the names of other men who have in the end amassed great fortunes were scarcely known outside of the

He was no vulgar spender, prodi- are so scarce. gal of easily won millions. He had many arts. In getting together his ty-five per cent short of what would unexampled collections he showed be expected from the growth of popthe qualities of his nature. If the ulation and of consequent demand. rarest of rare or valuable books, or | Whether the removal of the tariff are or have been married in the whole tenor of ward in the social scale. The picture of which the others could not compete. laces, or statues, or ivories, or on imported cattle would help the jewels, or tapestries, or pictures situation to any great extent is were to be found and purchased, doubtful. Canada has no "feeders" J. P. Morgan's skilled agents were to spare, and what she has will be set to work. A short announcement fattened on her own pastures.

tions in enormous issues of stocks ward will be yours." their lives in mines and furnaces for the steel trust for many years.

his partners and allies to a degree | One thing is certain. A national eral in its operation. It began be- power that went with them? created the gravest financial peril still higher the present exaggerated only felt. It persists, though averto the American people.

scale, would have drawn on of the high cost of living. bject general condemnation. He ld have been judged a danger e republic. The greatness of wide scope of the affairs in he lived, moved and had his chould not blind us to the es in his career.

AS OTHERS SEE US

THE view of the steamship or the completion of the jetty. an equitable Astoria terminal eration should prove a great so not weigh in importance of new revenue.

w and determination which construction.

es and develops trade em-

to see ourselves as the steamship whose imported opium has been for lovers were found to make the lower companies see us. We may have at bidden by the Chinese government prices acceptable. our backs a magnificent iributary to be sold. But the sacrifices that In comparing prices as between have a position of strategic influ- nue receivable in 1913 by China account, and probably gives reason ence among coast cities. But with- from epium duties are given as \$40,- for a somewhat higher scale of effective for a full expansion of the outlawing of the traffic. making good. And to make good not hesitate. selves as the steamship companies egnition of the republic. see us, are we prepared?

STILL AN IMPORTANT FACTOR

HE joint committee on federal aid in the construction of post roads, of which ex-Senator

HE New York Journal of Commerce notes that not one shipment of live cattle has been this year, while in the last six months only one hundred head of cattle were sent to Europe and all these were Canadian.

long as life was in him. They were dead. There is small chance of its revival.

> Are the trusts liable for this? No, for the reasons are economic printed copies of the charter will conditions in this country.

> The breaking up of the cattle ranches of the west has so reduced most important counsel: Study it. the number of cattle raised for food that the yearly increase has not even kept pace with the demands of our own population.

Recently, in Chicago, fat cattle small circle that bounded their ac- and cattle for feeding have brought the same price, since feeding cattle

Experts say that the supply of

surely followed, that the greatest The vice president of the Live of American collectors had acquired Stock Exchange National bank of that were or had been married were, controlled over \$25,000,000,000,000. It looks cific case of Little Falls: What is the other side of the up an address he gave to a large 68.6 per cent, and in 1910 70 per tary system. shield? He played the game by his meeting of farmers the other day cent of the total number. own rules. In his dazzling successes in these terse words: "Get into the he set up standards where, as in stock business. There never was a figures, when groupings by age are Josselyn, and especially Mr. Clark, the construction of the billion dollar better time. Don't worry about the studied, are even more significant. steel trust, he raised stock water markets, the man who loses is the In 1890 one half of one per cent of ing to a fine art. He imagined mil- speculator. Feed your stock. Ship males between 15 and 19 years of Hons of value, more prospective than to market when it is ready. Be gen- age were married. In 1910, 1.2 per is it that at the close of the war we business. schink, in the properties that he erous to the earth which yields you cent of this class had undertaken had \$50 per capita, as against \$34 at handled, and embedded his imagina- her harvest. A sure and rich re- the experiment of marriage. In

dairymen as a class to follow this 35 the percentage is decreasing. He, more than any other man, advice. But they might make some - In foreign countries, even in a man inherit a title and wealth and the then came a period—every middle-aged furbelows, and put them on the land is responsible for the centering of cooperative arrangement with their France, the entry into married life power to rule over our people? But the control of American finance in neighbors who are not dairymen to at an earlier age is increasing. The what was it we really dreaded? Was

price of beef, and this by virtue of ages of rent, clothing, food and frel lege that we dub our great capitalists Buth a career, lived out on a general laws, outside of all questions are distinctly rising in all civilized

CHINESE PROGRESS

an who has now died, the THE last number of the Far from the restraints of the family or withhold the necessaries of life? Now, ask yourse mpany contemplating business made in forty hours instead of five competent young people for the irrewith a port there is something days. The total mileage of the new sponsible class who snatch at the judge sends him to the rockpile on acsore essential than public docks, through line is 892. Dining cars first opportunity of acquiring spendthe is something more imperative and comfertable sleeping cars are ing money will also aid in the adopin a thirty foot channel to the provided. The new road crosses an tion of a more set mense agricultural plain. Its o

he organization of citizens for Another interior trank line rt and extension of com- which construction from the E. J. M. Nash of the ceeds of a joint loan of \$30,000 I line while in Portland provided by English, German and American capitalists has been pendtion is not repeated with ing since before the revolution, has with the same performers and act that it will be contest now closed up its contract. The cessories. to obviously true. What portions allotted to be built under the prices for tickets ranged from idle sons and daughters in this land of docks and deepened chan-supervision of the engineers of each three dollars downwards, instead of the free and home of the have.

W. M.

So far the breaking of negotialoan has not proved any obstacle in trial purposes in China.

territory." We may have a water- China has faced on her side have Denver and Portland the cost of the grade haul from all of it. We may been forgotten. Estimates on reve-extra journeying must be taken into out organized determination to do- 000,000. Five times this great sum prices here, velop the business that offers all is approximately what the republi-

commerce. The Hamburg-American In spite of her financial difficulties to a far greater number of our and the Royal Mail lines have both ties, with full recognition of what citizens to share the great enjoyevidenced a dollars and cents con- the opium duties would mean in ment of the crowd that filled the fidence in this city by announcing railroads, factories, mines, docks, Orpheum theatre last night-and, the selection of Portland as their and other improvements, China pros- certainly, at lower cost. Pacific coast terminal. Permanent ecutes her campaign. Against these continuance of the service is con- benefits she sets the continued detingent, however, upon Portland's terioration of her people and does

involves aggressive public policy in The country waits patiently for expanding commerce. Seeing our- President Wilson's decision on rec-

STUDY THE NEW CHARTER

good men become candidates Bourne is chairman; consists for office and the exhortation that instance, the Rothschilds, the in- special session. He has taken up of proposed changes to present contity could wield. The ancient Eng- sured it will be included in the form men working in the light of Portother cities. But a charter is the as follows: document of instructions from the those duties are. This is another shall look for plenty of money for at made from the United States way of urging an intelligent public least one year to come." understanding of a proposed change

pass as a first experience on so radical a change in the fundamental \$86,218,000, principles of administration. The

MARRIAGE AND THE CENSUS

HE census is a great revealer.

It seems, however, that since 1890 the proportion of those who-American population has been ris-

In 1900 it was 59.4. In 1910 it vestigation, which disclosed that J. P. Chicago, Mr. G. A. Ryther, summed in 1890, 68.1 per cent, in 1900 as if the Morgan and Rockefeller inter-The Independent points out that

1890 of our male citizens between and bonds, in which his own name | The same authority gave the same | 20 and 24 years old, 19.2 were marand repute were the greatest asset. advice that is constantly being urged ried men, 22.1 per cent in 1900. To sustain those values thousands by the farmers' friends everywhere, and 24.6 per cent in 1910. In all of men, Americans, Poles, Bohe- "Raise your own calves. Do not be- the age classes up to 35 the inmians, Slavs, Italians, sweated out grudge them the necessary pasture." creasing proportion of the married idlers any more than they do in a no-

countries. maturity of the people, the earlier tries at which the people must work to independence of both boys and girls earn a living. What greater power than filling their mills with Hindus, Japs, with care to alleviate the economic re-Eastern Review records the home, and their entry into the wage and this power and this privilege are opening of the new through earning class at an earlier age, hereditary in the family of the capitalrail route between Shanghai Present efforts to afford technical ist, just as the title and power of the and Peking, broken only by the education to a far greater number, do the children of the poor innerit the crossing of the Yang-tse river at and so to raise the standard of wage poverty and helplessness of their fathers. Nanking. The journey between earning generally will operate in Arc. these the conditions for which the Shanghai, the chief port in South the same direction. The substitu-China to the northern capital is now tion of technically educated and ever since? The heir to millions has sled and serious

AUDITORIUM PROFITS

Chicago Opera Company gave the are giving this week in Portland,

the physical expression of nationality are now to be put under Portland prices of seven dollars downwards.

The reason? Because Denver tions for the six power government has an auditorium which is said to have cost \$650,000, where these but the way of other leans for indus- operas on a metropolitan scale were

Chinese war against opium goes Denver had a population of 213, bravely on. Much has been made 000 by the last consus. From that of the lesses of the ludian traders population enough music and operations

When summing up the worth of these splendid assets may not be can government will surrender from the auditorium to this city it is fair to notice that it will give opportuni-

Letters From the People

(Communications sent to The Journal for publication in this department should be written on only one side of the paper, should not exceed 300 words in length and must be accompanied by the name and address of the sender. If the writer does not desire to have the name published, he should so state.)

Contraction and "High Cost." PPORTUNITY is presented by Portland, March 31 .- To the Editor of the approach of the city elec-The Journal-I noted an article in Sattion. The suggestion that urday's Oregonian, entitled "Power Chieftains Are Honor Guests." One of the guests; C. M. Clark, an eastern capiof four senators other than Bourne women register are not the subject time to time we have heard all kinds talist, was the leading speaker. From the stage of the high finance of and five representatives, and it of this reference. The election has of explanations of our bad mobitary would therefore seem that Bourne its own problem. A possible result system, Mr. Clark says money is simis in a position where he will still will be an entire change in the form ply a question of barter and sale. I As when a great king dies the exercise a very powerful influence of city government due to the adop- agree with the speaker, and it is the eulogy begins that he thought re- in connection with Oregon affairs, tion of a commission plan charter, only concession I can make, because it gally, so of this money king it may with people interested in the control of the people interested in the peopl millions. The reality of his autoc- is in almost as good a position as the nature of the plan. It is the and vice versa. The same may be said racy, his personal rule, may be it he were chairman of one of the duty of the voters not to be content of the finances of the nation, if perjudged from this: Whereas the other big senate committees. In a recent with general ties, not to take the financiers, who are very busy at presgreat money powers of the world letter he predicts that the sundry evidence of another as sufficient, ent, as in years past, indictating the The Spoken of collectively as, for civil bill will be repassed at the but to study and know the relation remedies for our bad monetary system. On April 12, 1866, congress passed a dividual name J. P. Morgan stood the matter of the Crater lake item ditions. It may be assumed that treasury to sell "5-20" bonds, and with for all and more than the power with the appropriation committees the commission charter is as good as the proceeds retire United States curthat any other great financial en- of the two houses and has been as- it could be made by a body of able rency, including greenbacks. Again, on December 4, 1866, E. G. Spaulding, a lish phrase with which the king de- in which it passed at the last reg- land's needs and the experience of congress, wrote to Secretary McCulloch spot on the Mohawk river. Last sum-

"You no doubt now, to a certain ex people to their servants in office. tent, have country, and I think that you will, And the people can only know of necessity, contract moderately, so as whether their servants have fulfilled to preserve a tolerably easy money martheir duties, if they first know what ket. There may be occasional spasams or

When this letter was written in public policy that has vital relacountry was in possession of \$1,996,tion to the welfare of the city. The there were but 520 business failures in The American export of cattle is a body of new voters are asked to but \$17,625,000. In 1867 the work of contraction was vigorously pushed and there were 2386 failures, with a loss of

> I ask Mr. Clark if it is not a fact that the suffering of the people and danger be distributed this week, it is said. great that congress in 1878 passed a Two words will give the sum of law providing that redeemed greenbacks should be paid out again. This saved to the people \$364,000,000 of greenbacks. I bring these facts out because I fail to note any banker as yet referring to any of the laws passed during Lincoln's and Grant's administrations, In almost all recent discusslons it has been assumed that
> the rising cost of living has In almost all recent discus- and now we are told that, in considering

and in other subsequent laws passed by the influence of bankers who sat in the halls of congress. It has for 50 congressionat legislation. The interests of the industrial classes have been constantly and systematically sacrificed Twenty years ago the percentage while the interests of the bankers have was 58.1 of the total population, been persisteritly pushed to the front, until Menecessitated a money trust inwas 60.8 per tent. The females Morgan and his 118 bank associates the bottom. But let us keep to the speests already had a corner on our mone-

and not in the high cost of living. How the present time?

CHARLES D'HEIRRY

Kings and Barons.

Portland, March 31 .- To the Editor of The Journal-Most men will agree that hoboes and bums should be forced to one else out." work; they do not believe in worthless It may be too much to expect is found, but in the age classes over bility. When our Revolutionary war high protection was adopted, the factitles with wealth, power and privi- using up the children of the more recent turned to the land, "copper kings," "coal barons," etc. They possess wealth and privilege and have on, if the Republican party, dominated vocate the immediate wiping out of all power over the lives of their fellow-A probable cause is in the earlier men, for they own or control the indus-"no visible means of support," but no count of that, for his invisible means of support are highly satisfactory. It their toll from the labor of the worktheir earnings with the idle owners of

discouraged, improvident and dissipated we say they should be forced back into same four masterpleess that they industry to make more profits for the real kings, lords and barons of the United States-the men who own dustries, control our livelihood and

> The Licensed Liquor Traffic. Hood River, Or., March 27 .- To the Editor of The Journal-For over

> ears the American people have be to live 50 years more they would doubt ick with sorrow and a sense

PERTINENT COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

SMALL CHANGE

If you can't get it, forget it. None of us knows what a day may

April is the big planting month; It can't be overone,

Has nobody yet charged the floods on the Democratic party?

That feasting donkey is behaving himself remarkably well. Partnership of government and big bankers is to be avoided. It may be well for the country that congress isn't paid by the day or month.

Too much is happening for reports to be made of how golf games go with Unless the federal jobs they get are

fat, some men will never recoup their expenses. What a man's politics is "cuts, no

ice" as to his fitness for mayor or com-missioner, In the Ohio emergency President Wil-on has shown himself to be the right

man in his place. The country will doubtless approve the Democratic policy of graduating the income tax, though many will think \$4000 rather a high exemption figure.

An American suffragette in London appeals to Senator William Aiden Smith to intercede in behalf of another Ameri-can suffragette who is suffering from a "hunger strike." A proper reply might be: "Let her behave berself."

A news dispatch says the sultan of Turkey wept bitterly when he heard of the capture of Adrianopie. This afords one fragment of explanation Turkish incapacity to resist the allies; with these bundles of pegs. His "crop" a ruler fit to rule doesn't cry like a this year will aggregate several million baby.

OREGON SIDELIGHTS

Monroe Leader. Talk about the 'high cost of living,' when spuds are selling at 15 a ton in Monroe. And they are fine potatoes, too.

The retail merchants of Lebanon have

structed of brick at a cost of \$21,000.

Astorian: With a genuine, old fashioned celebration of the Fourth of July and an equally genuine list of regatta events, the eighteenth annual regatta at Astoria ought to be immensely successful. Let's "go to it" spiritedly and make it the best ever known here.

Service supplies a precise measure of the worsening of the European position. In 1905 France decided that a two years' term would suffice, In 1913 she repents of her moderation. No one argues that the additional year is necessary for the training of the soldier. The third year men are wanted solely to cover the

Eugene Guard: The Portland, Eugene Eugene Guard: The Fortland, Eugene Eastern Rallway company will occupy the old M. E. church building for a few months at least. The engineering department moved into the building today. A trainmen's club will probably be established soon and will have head-quarters in the building.

THE HEART OF THE QUESTION

Mark Sullivan in Collier's Weekly. middle of New York state, at a lovely to the answer of that question, and you groes, or else she will calculate mer there was a strike there. (Be- upon America. They were a whole- the tsar's unlimited legions. When the cause wages in the mills had been resome class, the American girls who growth of German armies has outpaced duced from \$6 a week to \$5.40, and worked in the factories in the '50's. from \$7.50 to \$6.75.) When the stories Charles Dickens, on his American trip, triple alliance can turn to exploit more of rioting, violence and slums came out found little to praise, but he rose to of the little city, an editorial in a real enthusiasm over the mill girls of Italy, Roumania or Turkey. The game New York paper, evidently written by Lowell. He found "not one young girl is never ended, and at each fresh rubone who had known; the town in his who * * * I would have removed

youth, remarked in mild surprise: "Disheartening in the extreme is the and overcrowding."

Now, what was the cause? And just

hill, a thousand mean little cottages in phenomena in American life. and a large mass of feudal laborers at his bearings right.

"About five years ago there was a strike in the MacKinnon mill. Till that yet-more of them than we shall ever This class of financial legislation afwere Americans, or like Americans—
the factory owner use the immigrant to
fects the interest of the business man Irish, English, German. * * The
lower the wages and standard of living

banker, should realize that the evil is It is some of these foreigners who are throw on the scrap heap the native in the shortage of dollars and cents striking now. The foreigners changed Americans and the first American gencaused by contraction of the circulation, the character of the city in many re-eration of Irish, Scotch, English, and poverty economizing. The newcomers, on the scrap heap. the foreigners' of today, crowded every

immigrants-Italian, Polish, Slavic, its grip on the country, 29 years from to inflame passion, the abolition of slav now, you would see the factory owners ery would have been done gradually,

that generation of American-born fac- aspect of slavery. the licensed liquor traffic. It has tion civilization amounts to very little been the chief of all sins, because it if it cannot stand and make itself felt has aided and abetted every sin. How in this crisis. JULIA A. HUNT. far the saloon influence has extended will never be known, but surely enough is known to warrant such an effort on the part of all might-minded people that comparative but a shorttime

wstem will be

there is still an indifference which is deplorable. The wrong that is inflicted on the growing youth is appalling t has been no uncommon thing for laughters of seloonmen to plead with heir fathers not to sell any mor uor, for they felt disgraced. It is an ndisputable fact that families of sacommen cannot move in the best soothing to think about? When we consider every phase of this question how can we shut our eyes to the great umanitarian motives that should prompt us in the striving for such laws and conditions as will lessen the ugli-ness of the situation. Often the young-er ones see more clearly the fiendish outines of the miserable business of the

It is nothing surprising that when sa loonkeepers are converted they becom confronted with a spectacle of evil of would not occur it voters had been more such vast proportions that if they were same. Ignorunce, selfishess and offi cial ambition are directly responsible What are men and women that the ald be unminiful of this great and words | greefous wrong to society? Our Cheis

Little Falls is a town of 12,000 in the mans who followed them. Think through

"Disheartening in the extreme is the He spoke of "their cleanliness and about to fine themselves for twenty description given of Little Fails as a comfort," their "joint-stock planes" in millions annually, and to compel their community. Middle-aged New Yorkers the boarding houses, the circulating il- hundreds of thousands of young men to remember it as the most beautiful of all braries that they organized and man-the Mohawk valley villages. Now we aged. "Finally," he said in a climax of for the demoralization of the barracks. read of slums more foul than any in enthusiasm for these American mill But their relative position will be ex-New York city or Philadelphia; of girls of the '50's, "they have got up houses built over a brook that has be- among themselves a periodical," which fort. come an open sewer of filth, poverty, developed at least one poetess of some distinction.

What became of these native Ameriwhat had happened? Another newspa- cans, and the Irish and Germans who advantage over its rivals, that makes per, the New York Evening Post, de- followed them? It is common to say scribing the strike and the town as it that they went up in the social scale deliberate and concerted reduction of is today, told, without meaning to par- when the newer immigrants came in armaments. If to add twenty millions ticularly, exactly what had happened: Only to a negligible degree is this true. all round to the budgets of the great "The city is a mill and manufacturing For the most part, they did nothing of powers makes no combination the town. The owners are men who saw the sort. They disappeared from the stronger, a simultaneous reduction these mills and factories grow up. Ti- face of the earth. How could it be oth- would alter nothing in their relative tus Sheard came to town barefooted and erwise? The young women were kept strength. While an indefinite series of been one obstacle that has been a deterrent to early marriages, and has consequently reduced the marriage rate.

bean one obstacle that has been a deterrent to early marriages, and has consequently reduced the marriage rate.

bankers say as experts.

There, in epitome, is explant the high on the scrap heap, and the kind. Was the past 50 years—since February 25, 1862, when the exception clause was protective tarief has done for America. (The best, only, of what it has done the native American had a higher rages as never before, to recur to the standard of living, which the first gensively controlled by the government, hops five, or a hundred, depending on teration of implicant boundaries. the size of the town, have been made their turn. Then the factory owners rich; 2000 others, or 10 to 100,000, have brought in another kind of immigrant, become laborers and gone steadily down- with a lower standard of living, against a factory village, is everywhere the night in this situation is the cause of same-one big mansion on top of the one of the most deplorable economic the valley. High protection has tended statesman who works out the relation to divide all America into a small caste between high protection and race sulof baronial factory owners at the sep, cide will have gone far toward getting

The harm lay not in the fact that protection stimulated immigration; we needed the immigrants, and need them time practically all the local employes get. But there was harm in our letting * The lower the wages and standard of living and the industrial class alike. B. S. strike was broken by the importation of Josselyn, and especially Mr. Clark, a several hundred 'foreigners.' . In letting the factory owner use up and It is some of these foreigners who are throw on the scrap heap the native spects. They doubled the police court German born. Moreover, there has business. * The foreigners took been untold harm in the way we have possession, and the odor of garlic suc- used our immigrants, dumping them ceeded that of flowers and the milder into factory slums instead of taking vegetables-where there had been clean- them on the land, using them up as if liness and pride in neatness, there came they were soulless raw material of situation is that this particular antagthe slovenly fifth of overcrowding and manufacture, and throwing them in turn

If an intelligent and efficient general manager were put in charge of the It would be a task worthy of British There again is the typical evolution of United States, with the purpose of rethe American town; first, soon after ducing the high cost of living and mending other economic ills, his first but this madness of competitive armawas won, we abandoned the thoughts of tory owners searched the farms for na- act would be to take a large number American can remember it—when the raising potatoes. The most effective comes a saner and nobler vision of polfactories were filled with German and way for government to achieve the same ity than Europe knows. With Mr. Bryan a small group ruled by him and raise the calves on joint account. cause, whatever it is, is plainly genwealth and can-born generation of those races. To-Would we day walk through a typical factory and tective tariff. This may seem rough by common consent, has lack of young stock is going to raise fore the rise in prices had been serineed to fear empty titles that carried you will scarcely see an Irish or Gersurgery, but no one would be more
defined the gravest financial peril still higher the present exaggerated ously felt. It persists, though aver-

Let us be intelectually honest about Greek. (And if the process were to go the tariff. It is not necessary to adby the factory-owning element, had kept protection. If war had not intervened, adjustments of its passing. But there Now, ask yourself what became of never was any doubt about the moral.

Women and the Work Day, Portland, March 31, 1913 .- To the Editor of The Journal-Last summer when the women sought the through an initiative measure, we speculated as to whether they would, upon ie acquiettion of the ballot, develop Now that a universal ng agitated to find

When some of the threater to decapitate the courts tout any as divinstration of 40,000 men and aded the streets of Los Ana universal eight hour work day. universal eight hour work day more jobs for the workers, For instance, the mills at Oregon City have two 12-hour shifts per day. If three eight-hour shifts per day were in force the mills would then employ at the rate of 300 men in the place of every

MURPHY HANRAHAN O'TOOLE. Mountaineers' Need of Roads. Corvaille, Or., March 31.—To the Editor of The Journal—We have been reading so much the last year or so in regard to good rooms, but not a word as to us poor, corralled mountainears, who have no road at all; as you might say,

If there were a law to prevent ou

THE INSANITY OF EUROPE

From The Nation (London) the unity and close interrelation of copies in the modern world as though t were a self-evident bleming. it may be one day is the secret of the dreaming prophet and the theorist. What it is today is to all appearance ar accumulated curse. All the conti-Union Republican: The Republican is informed that a kiln of brick will be burned at Union this season by S. L. Hunter, who burned the brick in several of the better buildings of the town. has happened in the far corner of south-eastern Europe. The German decision to make an immense increase in her organized a branch of the Oregon Retail Merchants' association. Officers are: A. M. Reeves, president; N. D. Keefhaver, vice president; John A. Wetzel, secretary; W. H. Donaca, treasurer. years' service, and all the semi-official Tiliamook Herald: By another month the Odd Fellows will have under way the erection of their new business block and hall. The new business block are constructed of brick at a const. Of \$21,000. The return of France to three years'

service supplies a precise measure of the

men are wanted solely to cover the frontier against a sudden attack. It is commentary enough on the working of the group sytem, which smooth apolegists applaud as the very mechanism of peace. France and Russia, Germany and Austria, are linked in closer alliance today than they were eight years Independence Monitor: J. M. Jentry is the hop peg king of Polk county, and as Polk county is the hop center of Oregon, he becomes the hop peg king of the world. He comes into town every few days with a hayrack toaded with these bundles of pegs. His "crop" the world with these bundles of pegs. His "crop" the county to the dual alliance has perpetually two and a half millions. has perpetually two and a half millions of armed men in its barracks. There is no finality, even there. In a few years, when the airmament firms are hungry for fresh orders, the supreme effort of 1913 will be denounced as perilous moderation. When France has put her last tory workers, and of the Irish and Ger- youth into uniform, she will remember her unused reserves of Arabs or newill realize the devastating tragedy that much a fresh loan to Russia would add the high protective tariff has brought in numbers, efficiency and mobility to completely the military possibilities of ber the rivals start with no advantage. from those works if I had the power." | won. France and Germany are each actly what it was before this latest ef-It is this evident historical fact that

no power or group of powers seems un-

der modern conditions to

the strength of the pacifist case for a number of The Nation. never seemed less ready to listen to reason. But if there has been a devastated ing outbreak of folly, there has also been a humiliating exposure of folly Is it possible that when the French taxpayer makes his fresh contribution he will not reflect that the German taxpayer is also incurring a new burden which cancels his own sacrifice? Is it conceivable that the fresh conscripts on one side of the border can go through their drill without thinking of the new recruits who are training to shoot them down on the other? The metaphor of the balance suggests readily enough the recurring futility of this constant addition of a weight to one scale which is always counterpoised by its equivalent in the other. To assume that the civilized world will never turn with lisgust and shame from such an object lesson would be to despair of The last British initiative reason. failed, partly because it was pushed half-heartedly and without faith, but still more because our relations with Germany were at that time deplorably, onism has abated and has been replaced by mutual confidence. A year hence The Hague conference will meet again diplomacy to resolve that it shall not ments. From Germany fear the old opposition, and from new president of the United States in charge of its foreign policy, it be reasonable to expect enthusiastic co-operation. Why, then, should not Brifain and the United States, both moved by a blessed operation of nature from the circle of this frenzied competition, and both under enlightened governments and leaders, confer with each

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