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For peace of soul - which money never buys, For freedom in a which is not free For God's outdoors and overarching skies For all the season's changing mystery, For life and love that comes to me and thee, Let us give thanks! -Berton Braley

NATIONAL BETHEL

ND Jacob rose up early in the morning and took the stone that he had put for his pillow and set it poured oil upon the top of it. he called the name of that place

Life would indeed be dull and monotonous if on the journey from no vision of the ladder reaching from earth to heaven on which the less if there came through the Lord God of Abraham, thy father, and the God of Isaac. Behold I am with thee and will keep thee in all places.

As it is in the life of the individual so is it in the life of nations. A monument is erected on the spot where these things apcontrols the destinies of nations and who has promised "I will not leave thee until I have done that

which I have spoken to thee of." As Americans we today have many reasons for gratitude to the giver of every good and perfect gift. The harvest has been abundant. The Panama canal has been War with Mexico has completed. been avoided and we have not been in Europe's mortal The markets of the struggle. world are being opened to us and there is no excuse for the existence

On the material side our ad vantages are many and on the spiritual side there is a new attitude of charity among ourselves

of the pessimist.

In the misery and havor of Eublessing of a democratic government. We also learn that the nations of the world are constantly groting more dependent one on the other. There is a lesson of interdependence as well as indepen-

"Righteousness exalteth a nation while sin is a reproach to any peo-

In our abundance, in our noble national position, in our freedom from the havoc and woes of war, we almost seem the chosen people. We should not complain; we should

HIS GIFT TO MEN

vast range of subjects. of travel and more knowledge of the patrolman who lost his life.

nations and peoples than you could acquire in a journey of weeks.

with precision and vividness that it if made to understand that all disposal of the islands will be a terest of 6 per cent, nevertheless. It makes an impress upon the mind laws say what they mean and mean question for consideration by the but the public will not forget that it more effective than that to be what they say. made by the printed page. holder incidents and facts in con- land bars.

temporaneous history not to be obbecome a part of the national as special policemen. school systems.

esidents are pigmies.

TURKEY AND MEXICO

ENATOR LODGE censured President Wilson for the "glaring inconsistency" of his and Turkey. The Massachusetts policies in regard to Mexico tatesman declared that within a few days of an insult to the American flag at Tampico United States raited for further information.

clans as Senator Lodge. He of adjusters. ought he saw an opportunity to on our flag, that the "insult" state in the past five years.

bow to warn the craft of mines. everywhere that the old stand-pat active in preventing fires. The New York Post puts him in prevention in the public schools.

There are and light-headed patriots, and emotional patriots, who are ever ready to respond to the suggestion that no an insult to the flag, whether real or imaginary, must be avenged in

But this sort of patriots seldom offer themselves as the active agents of vengeance. If Turkey had insulted the flag, there is little probability that Senator Lodge would have been found at the front.

MR. AYER'S GIFT

DECAUSE Portland philanthropy is organized by The Journal on an effective business basis, men of affairs have confidence in contributing to the needy. They are assured beforehand that there will be no waste of effort, no duplication of work, no helter skelter endeavor, up for a pillar, and but that there will be organized and well directed action, which in turn is assurance that every dollar contributed will mean 100 cents' worth of aid for those who require

They know too that it will mean sustained assistance, not the snasmodic splurge today and a return to hunger and want for the needy tomorrow. Thus, the contribution clouds no voice saying "I am the of \$500 yesterday by W. B. Ayer is notice to all Portland that the organized and well directed plan of The Journal has the confidence of men of large affairs, and that the object and the execution are both worthy and reliable.

appeal to other men and women of pear and the place is called Bethel means to aid in making this a winter to which all Portland can point with pride. It is not the is in it no room for debate. Make first instance in which Mr. Ayer the roads what they ought to be, has made his influence felt for public well being.

THOUGH SEVENTY - FIVE

Mrs. W. T. Jones, 75 years about the head when the wheel one-and-a-half ton auto truck passed over her at the corner of First and Yambill streets this morn-Whether she slipped and fell under the truck or was struck as passed has not been determined

Why was she struck? Can Chief of Police Clark tell

The Journal can. There is no visible government in this town. side the city charter in this town. A patrolman was killed at his

post of duty the other day by a violation of the traffic ordinance. By a violation of the traffic ordinance a few weeks before that. three persons were killed by a chauffeur who had no license. A pistol ordinance was passed, but the word went around from some mysterious authority that it wasn't to be enforced; and for a year it has remained a dead letter.

That is invisible government. It is personal government outside the city charter. It is the kind of government that makes the traffic ordinance an unrespected, diso-HE educative influence of the beyed and ineffective scrap of movies is extending over a paper. It is the kind of government that makes drivers careless They take you on a trip and makes life insecure on a street around the world in a single even- crossing for a 75-year-old woman ing, and in picture give you more and for other women and for even Pacific recently won from the Ger- plattings have been sold at a high

Mayor Albee is at the head of the police department of Portland, the Japanese offer and has an-They cover every phase of geo- Things are going on that show he nounced that a special Australian ment interests have supplied paving graphical knowledge and present is not throwing over the depart- force will be sent to remain in sewer and water, and sometimes light, art and drama and science and his- ment that atmosphere of efficiency occupation until the end of the area, which improvements are bonded tory and all manner of human life that his men would quickly give war, when the matter of ultimate for ten years, but carry a rate of in-

Drinks are being openly sold in A local picture house is soon some Portland grills after 12 o'clock conflict, and especially when she to put on the play of Julius Caesar Saturday night, and there are boys took the Marshall archipelago, and wherever money has been obtained in a way that carries to the be- under age who buy drinks at Port- there was alarm over the pros-

tained even by the presentation lax that the Automobile club in an expressed in the United States, of Shakespeare's immortal drama. effort to secure enforcement of the notwithstanding assurances from In the final evolution of the mo- traffic ordinance designated com- Tokio that the islands would be tion picture, it is very likely to mittees of its own members to act occupied only so long as the mili-

No such action ought to be present war made it necessary. In this one gift to mankind, Tom necessary. The chief of police of Edison, the one time telegraph op- Portland ought to know how to cerned over the matter than was operator, rose to a greatness beside make city statutes respected. He the United States. The Australians which kings, and emperors, and ought to know how to protect 75- are looking ahead, and they did otentates and even some American year-old women from being run not welcome aggressive Japs in of Oregon, the Port of Portland board

down by auto trucks. But it cannot be done when the Philippines. some laws are enforced and some not, or when this law and that law are set aside by personal ukase.

FIRE INSURANCE REFORM

ISSOURI'S insurance commission has reported to Governor Major and its recommendations will be drafted warships were steaming into Mexi- into bills for submission to the leg- bay to China. Today there is no an waters, but when a Turkish islature. It is proposed to seek ort "fired upon" a launch of the laws creating the office of state hold on the Pacific will be given cruiser Tennessee the president fire marshal, starting an educa- back to the Chinese. tional campaign for fire prevention. It is fortunate that this country establishing strict supervision of not in the hands of such insurance agents and the licensing

The cost of fire insurance has ttack the president, and he rushed become a heavy burden in Misthe attack. But since his Don souri, but the commission finds xôte sally, word has been re-that owing to heavy losses the com- guard ships on the Alaskan coast. lived that Turkey did not fire panies have earned little in that He characterizes the past attitude

Announcements are being made They have not been intelligent or

campaign. Senator Lodge's "glar- an incentive to incendiarism. This and public property sacrificed being inconsistency" charge is evi- is to be removed by strict super- cause the government has not dence of the fact. A man of cul- vision of agents and adjusters. But provided the means with which to ture has been led by partisanship chief interest centers in recom- adequately survey and chart daninto making himself ridiculous, mendations for the teaching of fire gerous waters of the Pacific, and

of reducing losses due to careless- as has been done. Continued use matter where the responsibility lay, ness, inattention to electric wiring, of such ships is little removed defective flues and accumulated from a policy which would refuse quisitive company, and the car is full children will have a regular course existence. of study with textbooks such as are used in Ohio, Iowa and Nebraska. that the plan of discovering rocks rise and fall together. The lower should be abandoned. Yet failure both are, the better it is for com- of the government to provide the panies and insured. Especial significance attaches to the Missouri and charts has resulted in a com- munition and don't

IN PASSING

fires-carelessness.

N ANY mention of those to whom credit is due for progress with road building in Multnomah county, it is not possible to omit Samuel Hill.

In season and out of season, in prosperity and adversity, in the stress of storms or the glint of the sunshine, Mr. Hill is an abiding, aggressive, never-failing friend of road-making. His gospel is to make the rural

home accessible, to make country life attractive, to give the boy and girl on the farm the same oppor tunities for enlightenment and happiness as are given the boys and girls in the city. It is a splendid program. It is

an effective way to remove from the country lads and lassies the hunger for the bright lights and the primis the conservation of youth. It is the guardianship of mankind.

It is a plan so scientifically and they have no repsychologically correct that there and you will render an almost incomparable service to human society. You will people the country article which appeared in your paper to its capacity; you will strip the an evening or two ago, superscribed city of its lure for the best blood of the country; you will economic- dealing in real estate at Warrentonally give to the land through pertained serious cuts and bruises fected accessibility. its greatest that makes a direct appeal to all men power to serve civilization.

> in all this scheme of forwarding and private honesty. road that is economical. When you spend a dollar on an unpermanent transaction is the dollar, which, of course, remains in the combut waste.

But if instead, you build a per- mediate cause. manent road, the dollar you put the land value.

For the investment in a permanent road, you have three dollars of value for every dollar spent: for an unpermanent road. you have but \$1. And thus, when there is true analysis of the literal millions of money spent on live in the rooming hotel. This gives Oregon roads during the past 40 years, the proportions of the injustice to taxpayers and the waste of substance becomes appalling.

JAPAN IN THE PACIFIC

TAPAN has notified Great Britain that the mikado's government is ready to transfer pos-

England has taken advantage of allied powers.

pect of a Japanese plan to domi-The administration of law is so nate the Pacific. This fear was tary and naval requirements of the inal disbursement?

Australia was even more conthe drift of islands lying east of and those of my "gentle critics" who

It may be that Japan made her offer to evacuate in favor of the Australians solely as a concession to her ally. But the fact remains that the Japanese government is proving its good faith and its desire not to complicate the situation.

Before attacking Kiao Chau Japan said it was her intention to ultimately restore that city and its reason to doubt that this strong-

A PLEA FOR ALASKA

C ECRETARY REDFIELD of the department of commerce, in

was only a shot across the launch's large part of the fault, it is said, wealthy and prosperous man relies with the people themselves. fusing to give his loyal children the necessities of life.

The secretary says that lives crowd is preparing for the 1916. It is said that over-insurance is have been lost and both private particularly of the Alaskan coast. The commission says the schools He declares it a shameful thing professional patriots, should be used under direction of to send officers of the nation to sea the fire marshal as the best means in ships 38, 39 and 52 years old, rubbish. If the legislature adopts to build a modern battleship bethis suggestion Missouri school cause the old Constitution was in

> Mr. Redfield is right in saying Fire losses and insurance rates by running vessels upon them was the question. force and apparatus for surveys commission's report because it mon practice of naming dangerous want the enemy to points directly to a big cause of rocks after steamers which hit them.

Congress will be asked for a sufficient appropriation to permit ma." keeping government vessels in operation throughout the year, to provide for the early building of new ships and for charting waters the only dangerous places of which are as yet known by wrecks of ves-

There should be unanimous consent to such a program. The government is committed to a policy of development in Alaska. Alaska reasonable limits by constructing, as needs railroads; it also needs ship approaches, earthen embankments that rates that will not handicap prog- act simply as dams in times of flood. ress and needlessly sacrifice life and property.

Letters From the People

"Discussion is the greatest of all reformers. It rationalizes everything it touches. It robs principles of all false sanctity and throws them back on their reasonableness. It erushes them out of existence and set up its own conclusions in their stead."—Woodrow own conclusions in

The Real Estate Situation.

Portland, Nov. 25 .- To the Editor of The Journal-That was a capable "F. L.," which set forth in plain, sincere and comprehensive terms Flavel, so-called. Such an article as who are cognizant of the fact that an enduring business can be constructed And the highest conservation only on grounds of public confidence

The author made an allusion to the suggested by that one he described. Let us look a little more closely, and road, all you will have out of the understand why it is that the realty prokers of this city have been complaining during the past year or two of the dull market, and see whether, munity. The road itself, being un- instead of the administration in office this town. There is too much insion in business, it is not a very im-

There are about 60 square miles in deluge. into it is still in the community. the city of Portland. Nearly all this In addition you have a dollar's area is platted, now. There are about 200,000 individual parcels of real esworth of road, and thirdly, you tate in this city, or one parcel for right to control all the channel of have the economic dollar added to every adult inhabitant, an average obviously too high.

If all the parcels necessary, five people to the parcel used, were employed to house the inhabitants Portland, 50,000 parcels would be This is notwithstanding the enough. fact that a heavy percentage of the population in these growing western cities is more or less transient, and us 150,000 parcels that are unimproved disregarding for the moment business buildings and factories, which are negligible factors in an equation of such proportions. That is to say, quarters of this city is bare of useful

mprovements. Now, what is the history of this condition? Most of this unimproved area has been sold under a speculative market, and the man who holds it now. as a purchaser, holds it at an immovable speculative price. Now, this is session of the islands in the an installment country, and original principal, low installments and a rate of interest of 6 per cent on unpaid balances.

That is not all. The public improveis the improved area that pays for When Japan entered the general these installations on the unimproved. Further more, the banks have come to loan no money on unimproved lots, it has been small in amount, secured by all, and usually bearing 8 per cent. How can a man on a wage attempt to pay a speculative price for real estate that bears no income, on long installments, and pay three rates of interest besides? When does he expect that that property will be on an income bearing basis or rise to his orig-JOSEPH BURKE.

Channel and Low Water Line. Portland, Or., Nov. 25 .- To the Editor of The Journal-I wish to commend to the supreme court oppose and ridicule my attempts and urgency in the matter of retaining the foreshore in public control, instead of filling in to satisfy the desire of upland proprietors, the following, which is an extract from United States geological survey, paper 34, "The Ohie Valley Flood of March-April, 1913": "Agricultural and municipal devel-

opments have come in for a large share of the blame for damage by floods. Such of these developments as are legitimate have come to stay, and it is idle to be concerned with their effects except to provide means of taking care To encroachment on natural channels much of the damage by floods is ascribed, and here is undoubtedly one of the most fruitful sources of danger. For this condition the greed of man is largely to blame. This is evidenced by the procedure usually followed in building bridges, the effort being made to build them at the least possible cost of construchis annual report, will ask tion and maintenance, to this end the for an appropriation to safe- length of spans being reduced to a

A FEW SMILES

It was in a railway car, and the occupants were several travelers and a staid, pompous old gentleman. Various and unsuccessful efforts were made to draw him into con-



At length them said. "Come, sir, I know you are one of us. Tell us what you are traveling in."

Young man, answered the torment ed one, glaring at his interlocutor. am traveling in objectionable and in General Pau tells of a French non-

ommisisoned officer who was being examined on the subject of tactics. "Give me an in stance of strategy." The soldier thought ard, then replied: hard, then replied: battle you run out of am-

"I am not afraid of the dark, mam-



know it, it is good

strategy to keep on firing.

was a little afraid once, when I went into the pantry to get a tart.' "What were you afraid of?" "I was afraid I would not find the

tart."

opening for the stream beyond all The same greed, or, perhaps, false economy, is shown by building factories, manufacturing plants and even residences out to the limit of ordinary low stage and thus forming the most effective barriers to the free flow of he streams when in flood. This greed is heavily punished by the first disastrous flood. Plates XXI and XXII. A, show the destruction of a railroad ridge at Hamilton. This is simply typical of many other bridges, municipal as well as railroad. All stream channels should be cleared of obstructions and made ample as carriers of flood waters, and rigid laws, strictly enforced, should prohibit any further encroachment on waterways. A noteworthy suggestion in connection with the reduction of damage by floods advocates the removal of places of business or residence from areas subject to repeated inundation, so as to restore to the river channel that which belong

greatly exceed \$200,000,000." By the imposing upon the people the state of some \$12,000 to \$20,000 worth of falsehoods concerning the purpose and effect of the waterfront amendments they were defeated at the polls, and the road is left free for fills and other obstructive improvements down to the low water and beyond. My insistence on relocation of pier head lines to avoid damage by floods s ridiculed by the Philistines of Portland, just as Noah was ridiculed by

The actual losses will

the Philistines of his day. I now arise and call upon the read ers of The Journal to take note that the limiting of the physical channel of a river to the space between low water lines is a silly absurdity-a foolish abasement of a sovereign state be-

Every honest student of the subject either as to its legal, physical or economic aspect, knows that the public streams should be maintained. As to the low water line as a boundary line. there is no such thing as a low water line. There are ordinary and extreme low water stages of the river, but a line is never established.

The first rise above the low stage is likely to shift it. It is constantly being swept about by the river's currents. The dredges of the gravel trust shift and obliterate it. No such a line as a low water line capable of constituting a boundary to

property, ever existed except upon constructed seawall. All attempts to establish such boundary are pure legal fictions, attempting to supplant public control of

navigable waters by private control. The true boundaries of a river channel are its physical banks, which should be defined by law, and at terminal points, where the natural banks are subject to constant interference by surveyed and monumented harbor lines. J. B. ZEIGLER.

The Club Over the Worker. Portland, Nov. 25 .- To the Editor of The Journal-In the Spectator of November 27 I noticed an article headed are mined and prepared. Trust us un- enable the cities and the enterprising "Opportunity for Enlightenment," in til we can get these things in market- builders of South American cities to which The Journal is criticised for stating that the corporations are uniustly laying off employes. The editor of the Spectator falls into manent improvements. Send us your find of vital interest if you are conerror in this article.

When I worked for the Southern Pacific in Los Angeles they laid off large numbers of men and worked short-handed, with a shop full of cars and engines which needed repairing, even when there was a shortage of cars.

The editor of the Spectator could not be charged with being so ignorant as not to know the cause of our present hard times, as every one of ordinary intelligence knows that it is a fight between capital and labor, capital trying to force labor by starvation into voting the Republican ticket at the next presidential election, and am sorry to think that many of my fellow workmen will vote the Republican ticket; but I. for one, will not, even though starvation stares me in

I wish to thank The Journal for its just stand in 1 course so all important O. C. S. to humanity.

An Appreciation, Portland, Nov. 24 .- To the Editor of

The Journal—Permit me to express my appreciation of the article in Monday's Journal, November 23, with reference such as it was, to be first a captain, to the apparent inflation for sale of lot values at Flavel. Or. The article shows every indication of careful and thorough preparation, and is a very timely one, in view of the advertising campaign that has been carried on in the past months by certain rea estate promoters. The general dissemination of more real information such as this will go a great way toward protecting the savings of this community and other communities from oss through land speculation.

A number of friends of mine have at different times asked my advice with reference to the purchase of lots at Flavel, upon each of whom I have urged the necessity of first seeing the property before considering the propo sition seriously. All of these ments farther and farther out into the stream, placing numerous piers in the glad to see your page the people with the property of the people in the placing numerous piers in the glad to see your page the people with the property of the people with the property of the people with the p A of the United States as that of a channel itself, and reducing the total the duty of protecting the public in

PERTINENT COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

SMALL CHANGE OREGON SIDELIGHTS

The more a man knows the less he thinks he knows. Love may be blind, but alimony is in expert oculist. It is easier to call a man a liar than it is to prove it. Experience teaches that a t doesn't teach anything.

The highest ambition thieves is a chicken roost, Every mother believes her knows exactly what she says to it. The poet wears his hair long be cause there is no short cut to fame. Really big men are measured what they do, not by what they say.

Many a man's character is formed before marriage—and reformed after. Few of the men who are willing to give you a recommendation would give

to the ease with which, a fool and his noney are separated. By the time a woman acquires a third husband she begins to think her

Many a man who boasts that he isn't a hypocrite is so disagreeable that his acquaintances may wish he

An electric clock system has been urchased for the new high school at Eugene; cost \$1200.

"Having had a street car accident, ays the East Oregonian, "Pendleto absolutely in the metropolitar A new pipe organ is being installed

be ready for an opening recital on December 2. It is reported that at Gold Beach an athletic club is to be organized, and that the sport of wrestling will be especially promoted.

mended to the city commissioners that policeman be added to th special reference to estraint of wayward girls. Hermiston, thanks to its Civic club.

Mayor Palmer of Baker-has recom-

has been provided with four garbage receptacles and the anti-trash ordi-nance, long a dead letter, will henceforth be rigorously enforced. Speaking of Marion county's excel And many a man's dishonesty is due ent financial condition the Salem

Statesman remarks in passing that the county could pay its share in the construction of the proposed new steel bridge across the Willamette, in cash, and still have a handsome sum left in the treasury. Roseburg Review: Mayor Rice

eceived numerous inquiries for help rom farmers in various sections of the Most of the inquiries came county. In nine cases out of ten you will find that a man who wears side whiskers is either a faker or a philanthro-

THE NEW LIGHT

OUR INTEREST IN THE OTHER AMERICAS

One of Germany's economic reasons monds and salt fish. We'll pay when

tion was not possible on account of and other countries of Europe a great

well as the other wooers of her trade: told that it is the chance of

first, won't you lend us the money we we be able to get it?

"Meanwhile, please send us materials programs?

facts before deciding to invest, and established.

JOHN A. LAING.

"Sure, we'll buy your products. But United States to get the trade. Shall

when these products of our mountains products? Can we spare the capital to

manufactured goods, dyestuffs, drugs sidering the investment of capital.

takes up arms in defense of that coun- resources impose on us a heavy obli-

try. Upon his return to the United gation. So, though it is to our credit

commission in any other army than of "dollar hunters." But we are also a

colonel in the Cuban insurgent army, through the Red Cross society. In the

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live; but if, as we believe, it has been From Collier's Weekly, As a matter of fact. perhaps the the dawn of the best spirituality any chief thing for which we should be thankful in this day is the urge all through the nation toward the effort to remedy the remediable things which make some boards to groan this Thanksgiving with more of the good things of life than make for the real of other boards which are unjustly bare. Those old New England parsons whose bottled-up animadversions on the government and public affairs had to be kept for Thanksgiving sermons because they were scarcely appropriate for Lord's day, would romptly condemn this generation as rreligious-but they would be mistaken. This is not an irreligious generation. It is somewhat lukewarm toward some of the old usages of religion-too much so, no doubt; but this is largely because it is preoccupied with a new and glorious conception of religion. It is beginning to glow with a faith that the religion of Jesus is tidings to the poor-to those whose extirpation of poverty was no part of the problem of Massachusetts, were simpler then; but it was in the religion of Jesus and St. Paul.

It is the new light which millions now follow, whom Cotton Mather would have denounced as sons of Be-The new light is the religion of democracy, the motto of which is: Render unto the individual the things which are the individual's, unto the collectivity the things which are are ollectivity's, and unto God the things which are God's." Caesar is left out of it, being merged into the collectivity. fore the crazy demands of wanton self. The American nation tends more and

for going to war was that her trade we can."

with South America (where coloniza-

our Monroe doctrine) was not profit-

prises she had to carry in order to get

must have to build railroads and trol-

our streets and put in modern water

tle are gathered. We'll pay you in ni-

trate of soda, in copper ore, in guano

with which to build and make our per-

probable) loss in such investments.

ties advertised are all that the promo-

ters claim them to be, but it is quite

important that prospective investors

have before them all of the material

they are not likely to learn such facts

except by the publication of articles

About Military Matters.

The Journal-A German becomes

naturalized citizen of the United

States will it be necessary for him to

Did General Funston ever hold a

[1. He would not lose his citizenship.

2. General Funston had the honor,

then a major and later a lieutenant

Fire or Water.

Thomas, Or., Nov. 24. - To the

Editor of The Journal - I would like

to know the answer to this question:

Which is the most destructive, fire or

[This question is one that can be

settled. Everything depends upon

answered either way, but it can never

The World's Rich Uncle.

From the Indianapolis News.

There need be no fear that the Amer-

an people will fail to do their duty

a great disaster happens anywhere the present crisis.

the viewpoint and the volume of

stances of destruction cited.]

States. He returns to Germany and

Portland, Nov. 24 .- To the Editor of

such as the one referred to.

take out his papers again?

that of the United States?

serving 18 months in 1896-7.]

water, and why?

the trade.

able shape.

nation ever possessed-a spirituality based on a sanely limited materialism birth. There were but 17 states in -it is an era to be proud of. Those who established this great Mrs. Hare was a baby when the British

American anniversary looked eastward over the Atlantic whitecaps and earned toward Europe. It was home. The ocean was a stern and inexorable creature which had to be accepted as their chiefest affliction. And for s long time the ocean was a thing unfavorable to America. It cut us off from the world's thought. It made us rather little minded-qualities which we have by no means outlived. are now engaged in outliving them to be thankful. How strange a development of world conditions it is which has brought us to a time like this, greatest are the Atlantic and the Pacific! Once Britain was a world by itself-alter orbis-cut off from in truth and in fact a gospel of good rope by the narrow seas, and permitted tables are unjustly bare today. This vader could cross those waters and religion of coffective duty toward the successfully land. Once Japan was the Britain of the Pacific, developing her pects of famine were so bright that Vir- wonderful civilization in the east as ginia, or New Amsterdam-for things did Britain hers in the west. But the and Japan. It takes more water than the Straits of Dover or Korea to give assurance of safety in the inconceiv

But we are still an alter orbis. The world has gone mad. No soil is so sacred as not to need defense. for no reason other than that the great defenders of our shores are General Atlantic and General Pacific. the satanic efficiency of this cata- ment in the nick of time and shared clysmal epoch can scare us from our more powerfully to serve this ideal, Thanksgiving calm as we feel the pulse somewhat previous, for no not only with mint, apise and cumin, of the long rollers of the universal the pilgrims were down be plain lob but with a broken and contrite heart— ocean beating on our eastern and west-tern shores. For all these things, and "which," said Governor Bradford, viction of sin, we have been for some the other innumerable blessings which years now, and still are. That is why we already possess and are about to re- our complexions," as well it might. t has been rather an uncomfortable, ceive, may the Lord make us truly albeit a glorious, time in which to thankful!

land chemicals, your motor cars, dia-

Because in Germany and England

merchants down there who buy our

machinery and other manufactured

go on with their building and extension

These are questions that you will

in Martinique a famine in China, an

eruption of Vesuvius, American money

is always poured out to help the vic-

tims. The precedent has been firmly

It will not be departed from in this

emergency. All over the country Red

Cross agents and helpers are at work.

They are active in Indianapolis, and

most efficient. In short, there is no

cry from the stricken people of Eu-

rope that will not bring a response

proud that it is so. And yet the re-

shirk. For our great wealth and vas

that we meet it, it would be very much

nation of dollar spenders, and the

world should rejoice that so much of

its wealth is in the hands of a liberal

people, a people of keen sympathies.

In no way are we more generous than

present case-again true to precedent-

Americans have voluntarily and gladly

assumed a considerable portion of the

that caused by diminished production,

interrupted trade, and destruction of

capital-we cannot escape from. But in

addition to this we are going to make

a free will offering of enormous pro-

portions. We are to tend the wound

ed and nurse the sick, feed the hun-

gry, clothe the naked, and relieve the suffering. While others are killing,

the American people are going to try to save life, and mitigate suffering

It is a noble mission, and will be nobly

performed. We have correctly an-

swered the old question, "Who is my

American

neighbor?"

by the sufferers in the old world. For American sympathies are going to do

they are old hands at the work. When a great and beneficent work in the

dollars

cost of the war. Much of the cost-

We have been sneered at as a nation

sponsibility is one that we could hardly

should

from this country. We

to our discredit if we did not.

The first Thanksgiving held or American soil was by the Pilgrim fathey landed at Plymouth Rock. It was not very much of a Thanksgiving, for they did not feel that they had very much to be thankful for, but was rather a revival of the English harvest home. Matters were about the same in 1622, and with much the same result in giving thanks. In 1623, however, an expected ship failed to arrive

IN EARLIER DAYS

By Fred Lockley.

One of the oldest, if not the oldest

woman in Oregon, is Mrs. Frances

Ellen Hare, who lives at Astoria. She

will be 104 years old on the 5th of

next February. Grandma Todd, of

Eugene, who is also 103, moved to

Walla Walla some months ago. O. W.

Akers of Roseburg is somewhat older,

While in Astoria a few flays ago, I

visited Mrs. Hare at the home of her

"Yes, I'll soon be 104 years old," said

Mrs. Hare, in answer to my question, "and I am thankful that thy mind is

clear and my memory good. I was

of it. My father didn't believe in hold-

ing slaves. All of the rest of his fam-

know Virginians are very hospitable

and though we owned no slaves, our

kitchen was always full of niggers.

Niggers seem to know that folks born

in Virginia are their natural friends."

Frances Ellen Davenport, She was born

on February 5, 1811, in Winchester, Va.

Her father, Judge Davenport, served

Virginia on the supreme bench, and served three terms in congress. Like

many other prominent Virginians,

Judge Davenport was opposed to

Mrs. Hare met and married her hus-

band, John Hare, in Minnesota. She

had eight children, seven of whom are

still alive. Mrs. Hare, who for many

years has been a resident of Astoria.

was born before John Jacob Astor

started his expedition westward to

found a trading post at the mouth of the Columbia. Abraham Lincoln was

a tiny toddler when she was born.

Henry Clay was speaker of congress

the United States at the time of her

the union and in place of over 90,000.

000 there were only 7,000,000 people.

were burning the capitol at Washing-

middle aged woman during the days of

the Mexican war. She was considered

an old woman during the days of the

Civil War; and yet this was more than

50 years ago. She has 23 grandchill

The Original Tranksgiving Day.

From the Boston Transcript.

dren and 20 great grandchildren

ton in the war of 1812.

and James Madison was president of

7 years old, he moved to Ohio.

He moved to Ohio; but you

Hare's maiden name was

Hare was

Bhe was a

daughters, Mrs. Gillman and Mrs.

being 104 years old.

Hoagland.

did.

Governor Bradford, acting in the undoubted exercise of his prerogative, ordered a day to be set apert for fasting, humiliation and prayes But before the day appointed had come provisions turned up all right. and the day was turned into one o thanksgiving. Mr. Winslew, one of the pilgrims, in a letter gives an interesting account of this memorable day in American history. The celebration was held with "glory honor and praise, with all thankfulness to our good God, which deals so graciously with us." Ninety Indians headed by Not even King Massasolt, arrived at the settlein the feast. This celebration was

ly to be most wanted, and the pros-

"somewhat impaired the freshness of

The Ragtime Muse November's Charms. Despite Tom Hood's quaint lines on "No,"
I can't dislike November,
Though cold rains fall and cold winds blow. For always I remember

The cakes and ples that mether makes in weather bleak and murky, While on Thanksgiving day she bakes deal of capital was owned which could able enough to justify the burden of fi- not find profitable employment at The giant turkey. nancing the South American enter- home South America's conditions were Then let the furious winds go howl Now Germany and England can't Or start an icy drizzle; think upon that noble fowl It amounted to this: South America meet those conditions. They will lose said to Germany, and to England as much South American trade. We are That in the pan doth sizzle something then to be near by the

Mother or aunt or someskin, to taste the bird and home-made pie Of mince and pumpkin, Can we take South America's prod-For dun fields cold and sodden.
For months those fields I shall not ey lines and electric power and light- ucts-the nitrate of soda, copper and ing plants and packing houses, to pave guano from Chile and Peru, the rubber and coffee from Brazil; the wheat, tread. works? We'll pay you when our crops corn and cattle from Argentina? Can But, oh, the path's well trodden of coffee and rubber, of grain and cat- we, then, extend long credits to the That leads us to the kitchen door

In a procession steady, o ask as we've just asked before, 'ls dinner ready?" A Thanksgiving Favorite. By Lydia Maria Child. the river and through the wood grandfather's house we go.

The horse knows the way Through the white and drifted snow, Over the river and through the woo measure against the possible (if not world looks to the people of the Unith, how the wind does blow! ed States to lead in the campaign of It stings the toes And bites the nose It may very well be that the proper- relief. Whether it be an earthquaks

As over the ground we go Over the river and through the wood
To have a first rate play.
Hear the bells ring.
"Ting-a-ling ding." Hurrah for Thanksgiving day!

Over the river and through the wood Trot fast, my dapple gray!
Spring over the ground
Like a hunting hound,
For this is Thanksgiving day! Over the river and through hie wood

And straight through the barnyard we seem to go Extremely slow Is is so hard to wait! Over the river and through the wood-

Now grandmother's cap I spy!
Hurrah for the fun!
Is the pudding done?

Hurrah for the pumpkin piet Woe! Woe! From Judge.

"Growcher is a confirmed pessi-nist, isn't he?" "Yes. Just now he bout who will bury the

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