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Not having enough sunshine is what alls the world. Make people happy and there will not be half the quareling, or a tenth part of the wickedness there now is .- L. M. Child.

THE DIPLOMATIC NOTES

IRMNESS and neutrality. warring nations.

dispatch of the two notes simul- order for Tuesday.

cordial but firm insistence that the produced.

sponsible for the loss of American week.

accountability to his own country- fairs in the state. men makes it obligatory upon him It is a proposal that can easily of millions. ment to safeguard American lives and bedlam. and property on the high seas. He has made it clear to both nations THE NEED OF GERMAN NEWS that this is the American purpose. that will appeal both to the good will and respect of the two nations addressed.

Mutual understandings thus assured before the unexpected can happen is the best guarantee of peace. The assertion of our position in candor and kindness as the president has expressed it is a consequences that might arise from misunderstanding. The situation that faced us was most delicate. but it has been met in a way that United States and the two govern-

We sha'l not be drawn into the war by any act of the Washcan people.

A HEAVY TOLL

trespassers on railroad tracks were erations always possible.

should be greater effort to stop It is one means by which to coun-Chicago is given as illustration of nels. the American's tendency to go out of his way to run the risk of death. The railroads have spent \$70,000 .removing grade crossings in Chidiminished in number, continue to

occur. where and always.

FOOD AND POPULATION

of agronomy and chemistry United States senator,

ten per cent. He says we fed as that of the state. our increase of population by refoodstuffs.

Dr. Hopkins is a widely recognized authority on soil fertility. will mean that in the future the He warns that the country's safe- briber of voters at a joint state declares, the crop production of United States courts. It should the United States could be dou- have the effect of purifying elec-

The figures quoted are startling, been notoriously corrupt. They indicate that the country is One year....\$5.00 One month.....\$.50 swiftly gravitating toward the time when consumption will actually overtake production, and one overtake production, and one of the consumption will actually overtake production. overtake production, and our an- EATTLE fishing vessels are nual export of farm products disappear.

ONLY FIVE DAYS LEFT

legislative session

posed of, nearly as much cisco vessels. remains to be done in the coming five days as has been done in the could be developed in Portland for loose in Portland. Not for the past thirty-five. In spite of the sole and different species of salt world would The Journal question was the policy announced almost impossible task ahead, sev- rock fishes found in abundance on the efficiency of unmarried teachby the Washington gov- enteen new bills were introduced the Oregon banks. There is, in ers. But there is one query that ernment in its recent note in the Senate and put, for con- fact, a total of about 33 varieties the school authorities who make a defining its attitude toward the sideration, on the calendar, Thurs- of food fishes in the Oregon wedding certificate a bar to teachday.

tude in the diplomatic notes just disposed of. It is in the Senate, in these announcements. San sent to London and Berlin. The where it has been made a special Francisco and Seattle are taking

of cordial relation but presenting House. A road bill of its kind is two rival cities fishing in Portthe American contention with usually a fruitful source of disa- land's front yard. What makes it firmness and clarity, is the strong-greement, conflict and controversy, the more extraordinary is that est, evidence that could be given To dispose of such bills in a legis- Portland is buying from Seattle of the American intent to be just lative body often requires weeks. the second grade of the very fish From the Philadelphia North American. and fair to both sides in the great In fact, long and patient considera- taken in Oregon waters and car- ONSIDERING its purpose and its fore, a condition of statewide anarchy tion should be given them in ried past the mouth of the Colum- powers, the United States com- puts a majority against his contention, In the German note, there is a order that wise measures may be bia river, and thence shipped by

Imperial German Government will Manifestly, the time has come dition to paying freight on about ment agencies. 'Its function is to inbe held accountable for the sink- for the legislature to jettison 350 miles by sea past Portland, quire into the fundamental conditions may result from extension of the period. There is not a member in back to Portland. In addition, be- cover the underlying causes of dis- tion "foundations" to perpetuate huge war zone and the proposed activi- the body but knows that he is cause of the power of the fish satisfaction in the industrial situa- fortunes. It is the belief of many protest against the use of the constituents, to give one tenth of they ought to be on the retail facts, find the explanation for their would be a menace to our institutions American flag by British ships and the consideration to measures that market, an insistence that the British gov- he ought to give in the rush, Meanwhile, there is opportunity ernment will be measurably re-crush and hurly-burly of next in Portland for a great fishing in-

vessels that may result from the into the proceedings an ambitious ing grounds, and has a home mar- sion has held hearings in 12 imporgested consolidations gravely af- very extensive business. Seattle to San Francisco. There is no doubt President Wilson could not have feeting established institutions and distributes fish taken by 300 ves- that the mass of evidence-in which

to use the power of the govern- convert the session into blunder

and he has done it with a gentle-ness but directness and firmness Partvare letters from Germany or Austria with information about the war are desired by The Journal for publication. Such letters often contain information not obtainable through ordinary news channels. From the outbreak of the war, Germany and

Austria have been so isolated by the severing or came to tion and telegraph wires that news and conditions wise precaution against the harsh as to war moves and conditions from that side have been difficult to obtain. Both nations are so hemmed in by the long lines of eight walking suits, four overtrenches and soldiers, that the coats, a full dress suit and a cutawill tend to cement more deeply gathering of news by correspond- way, six pairs of extra trousers, the cordial relations between the ents from German sources and the ten waistcoats, and a large misceltransmission of such news has been laneous assortment of shirts, neckattended with the greatest diffi- ties, handkerchiefs and other ac-

culty. Ington government. The thoughts, United Press has a well known International Custom Cutters' Asthe purposes and the desires of German - American correspondent, sociation, recently in session at this nation's chief executive are Karl H. von Wiegand, constantly Milwaukee, furnished some informasquared with peace, that peace within the German lines, and his tion about the trousers. It was dewhich makes for the safety, hap- well known interviews and war re- creed there that they are going to piness and prosperity of the Ameri- ports have gone far in reflecting have a sort of sitting-room curtain the German side in the great con- effect. "They should hang straight make up for the preponderating boot." volume of news from the allies' URING the year ending June viewpoint, due to the fact that 30, 1914. deaths from rail- every cable and every telegraph New York World says, "Happily, road accidents in the United line to the allies' camps is open the decrees of men's tailors lack

At all times, the purpose of The The Interstate Commerce Com- Journal is to present full and fair dividual, but he should not overmission reports that during the news of every happening in world estimate his importance. Women decade ending with 1910 trespass- life. It is the true spirit of real will tell him that there are lots ing was the cause of 50,025 deaths journalism. The inadequacy of of men who are rebellious-they and 53,427 injuries. In ten years news from German sources is rec- don't like too much bossing. Eight 103,452 people paid the penalty ognized, and to supplement such walking suits, four overcoats and of recklessness. In the same per- information as filters through the a room full of accessories may be fod casualties to railroad tres- clogged avenues of communica- all right, but when it comes to passers in Great Britain and Ire- tion, The Journal solicits for pub- draping the male leg, there will be land amounted to only a little over lication all information of the war danger of a revolt. Evidently the a twentieth of the American total. that may come through the mails tailors are not proud of the mas-The commission says there from private sources in Germany. culine form from the waist down.

federal grand jury has indicted game. 131 persons. Eighty-four of those Golf has always been considered nor of the fact that the corporation As a nation, we hold life lightly, arrested have pleaded guilty and a rich man's sport. This idea will leases one of its buildings, next door and tempt the grim reaper every- 31 not guilty. The charges are, be eliminated in the establishment to a school, as a saloon; and conqualified electors from serving as women who cannot afford the dues edge of the labor conditions that led election officials, and conspiracy to of golf clubs will have a chance to the bloody strike, defraud the United States in the to find pleasure and relaxation at R. C. G. HOPKINS, professor election of a congressman and a nominal expense.

says that either. American district court has overruled the estimated that there are in this dence of Mr. Guggenheim, whose pol- has never been able to recognize the methods of food production must demurrers of some of the defend- country 600,000 golf players. As key has maintained peace among the public right residing in the sovereign be improved or population must be ants and set a precedent that may better facilities are provided this same elements. Mr. Rockefeller no- state. have far-reaching effect. He holds number will doubtless greatly in- where gave signs of having a proper the concurrent jurisdiction over nav- I believe, in the United States, for the In the last census decade, ac- that the 31 indicted men must crease, cording to Dr. Hopkins, the num- stand trial, even though their al- One great feature of the game a clear statement of his philosophy, merce and navigation, the federal ber of people in the United States leged offense was not directly con- is that it can be played either For that we must turn back to his

food producing animals decreased fects the federal interest as well the game as the most skilled pro-

This is probably the most imducing the standards of living and portant ruling affecting the ballot by decreasing our exportations of box ever made by a United States judge.

If it is sustained on appeal, it tions in places where they have

A PORTLAND OPPORTUNITY

spring and summer. San that reason he was rewarded. Francisco people are also going to NLY five days remain of the banks. There are many varieties but those who incite to good cheer of fish on the Oregon banks that are not so plentiful. In point of bills to be dis- are to be taken by the San Fran-

waters.

fish on the Oregon banks, but taneously, each carrying messages The millage road bill is in the Portland is not. It is a case of

dustry. This city is nearer than lives or destruction of American Yet there is talk of injecting any other city to the Oregon fish- three organized labor. The commis- itself.

> Why cannot Portland, at least, launch an industry that will supnly local needs?

> Northwest waters in a rear would not feed the population United States one day?

Yet the known fishing grounds of the Pacific Coast are larger him interfere with a just appreciation Atlantic.

CLOTHES AND TAILORS

ERCHANT tailors in session at Chicago say no man can be well dressed on less than \$1500 a year. He must have cessories of respectable attire.

To meet the emergency, the The 1915, style committee of the troversy. But even this does not from the hips and just touch the

All of this is interesting, and perhaps important. But, as the States were 602 fewer than and full access by correspondents the authority of women's; they are the year before. But 5558 to the news of the allied army op- not ukases; they are subject to a

popular referendum." The tailor is an important in-

Next to baseball golf is the most nature of this testimony was emin the University of Illinois. Judge Anderson of the federal popular American sport. It is phasized by the straightforward evi-

fessional.

HIS REWARD

TO ONE begrudges the quarter of a million dollar fortune that the late Marshall P. Wilder accumulated as an

entertainer. He gave full value for it. Although his body was dwarfed and crippled he was not a misanthrope or recluse of morose outlook and spiteful temper. He was full of sunshine and did his best to turn "the still sad music of humanity to echoing laughter."

to return to fishing for hali- tribulations he suppressed them in but off the Oregon coast this his public appearances and for

We always have with us those send vessels to fish on the Oregon who have hard luck stories to tell

The old issue of married women There is a market there such as in the schools has again broken ing can never satisfactorily answer. There is emphasis of this atti- Even the prohibition bill is not | A strange situation is presented And that is, if a married teacher is of proven efficiency should she be replaced by a single teacher of less efficiency?

FAILURE OF YOUNG JOHN D. AS WITNESS

rail to Portland dealers. In ad- one of the most important of govern- zens. formation and suggestions.

A witness of note has been John D. Rockefeller Jr., who derives his im- his hands. portance from the fact that it will Why not, especially since all of American fortunes. Any views the fish caught in the Pacific this young man holds upon social problems should therefore command

Certain popular notions concerning

than the entire fishing area of the of his character. He is neither a money grubbing machine nor the idle and pampered son of an indulgent father. He has ability and courage: he is keenly conscious of the responsibility resting upon him and he honestly desires to fulfill his trust wisely and justly. But he has spent literally impossible for the son of a telling the Central Labor Council what such doctrine is readily seen by re man so rich to get a clear under- he would do for the working people of flecting that the public right in navistanding of the facts of existence. Oregon in case he was elected govhave won their way to success by hard work-to conduct the great enterprises under his control. Because his hands, his attitude upon induswell as he knew how; but to every made, unsolicited, before election? of a defendant testifying in his own behalf, and taking advantage of the A bill was introduced by Senator Day beds of navigable waters are a difunfortunate impression is accentuated by the fact that much of his testihis command a corps of high priced fuly prepared and rehearsed. He rep-Colorado Fuel & Iron company-40 how many crabs to catch in a day; per cent of the \$60,000,000 of securi- one allowing a favored few to fish ties. He said protestingly that this and hunt without a license, and one did not imply Rockefeller control.

The disappointing and disingenuous

the men; but we never knew a strike that did not so begin, hence the point is immaterial. Failing to agree with its employes, the company imported workers from outside. This led to violence, to the employment of armed guards, to worse outbreaks, and fi- bald spot. nally to anarchy, which developed into civil war. The struggle got beyond control of the state, and compelled the attention of the president of the United States. Nationwide discussion crystalized in a demand for arbitration. This was based upon the fact that there were three partles in interest—the company, controlled by of it. Rockefeller; the workers and the public. When the conflict reached a Whatever his private pains and point where it interfered with the public safety and interest it was necessary to apply the doctrine that the rights of either or both of the original parties must give way to the rights of the people.

held otherwise. He said there was a "great principle" at stake, a "national issue;" a minority of the employes were trying to rule a majority; and he was willing to sacrifice millions not for a moment concede that the public had rights superior to those true that in rejecting the original dewhen the dispute had created a condition of anarchy, menacing the public peace and safety, then, regardless of who was right or wrong in the beginning, the equities of the corporation and those of the men were Indeed, his own logic refutes him, Mafority rule, he said, is a fundamental issue as to labor; necessarily, theremision on industrial relations is for it involves the rights of all citi-

Young Mr. Rockefeller, however

existence and establish their relation and to the development of democracy. three the employing interests and more powerful than the government its labor produces.

improper use of the American flag program of half, baked and undi- ket in this city and Oregon for a tant industrial centers, from New York now and on previous occasions shows outworn industrial garments. that he has not even a proper con- says; ception of the duty of a single cor- associations and mothers' old age pen- preacher or I can influence a single done less. But it was erough. His the administration of laws and af- sels to all parts of the United the utmost freedom of expression is poration toward labor and the public, sions, profit sharing, good fellow States and rolls up a total business encouraged—will yield valuable in and has yet to reveal capacity to ad- eties, charitable organizations and all fore he read what either of us writes,

Letters From the People

exceed 300 words in length and must be accompanied by the name and address of the companied by the rame and address of sender. If the writer does not desire to the name published, he should so state.)

rinciples of all false sauctity and throws them the Portland case of Oregon vs. Dabof existence and sets up its own conclusions their stead. - Woodrow

On Candidates' Promises.

Portland, Feb. 10 .- To the Editor abdicate a trust Journal-During the campaign Dr. James Withycombe wasted point, that the state has power to give nearly a ream of perfectly good paper The stimulating, educating experi- ernor. He is governor now, and his thing, whereas to subject it to ences of common life are denied to first act was to tell us he did not him. That is why he must depend like our compensation law, which was upon country bred men-those who approved by a much larger majority deny it, in 1913 assert it again and in of the voters than chose him for gov- 1915 again deny it. Neither a policy ernor. He said he liked another com- of private or public improvement could pensation measure better. The law be established. Again it is profitable loes not affect him, hence it is alof the tremendous financial power in most immaterial whether he likes it minals is passing away, and it is aror not. The people affected by it, do rant waste to burden these malienable trial and social problems becomes of Why need he meddle in something wharf rights. The speculative wharf like it, as is evidenced by their votes. public public concern. No doubt he acquitted that doesn't concern him? Why not right is per se, a private tax upon pubhimself in the recent examination as keep the implied promises that he lic property not subject to taxation. And those legislators of ours-they made some valiant promises, too, dur- the state (the remainder use) would think, must be deeply disappointing. ing the ante-election period. Everyone still remain. He has always had it, His attitude seemed more like that of them was going to save money and and he could secure more permanent do business at a great rate, if given rights by lease. a material witness anxious to il- and referendum as effectually as any full grown statesman-seeks to fix on the toboggan chute. And another genius buts a kibosh on the free text expert advisers: and it may be fairly unemployed in mind. And other huassumed that his evidence was care- manitarian measures are, one regulat- veiled attack on the state school fund. ing embalming you after you're dead; resents the Rockefeller interest in the harmful effects of liquor; one telling

relieving the people of the burden of

ly all the terminal access to navigintimidation of voters, preventing of municipal links, and men and fessed that he had no personal knowl- refuse to sell what is left. Perhaps the Ferris bill.

> through gotten, legally it is there, and is the

the same period the number of ess is in itself fraudulent and af- can get as much pleasure out of the strike was forced by a minority of restrictions upon the organic state in of interest that is illegal in private

PERTINENT COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

SMALL CHANGE

No man favors expansion-of his But a girl never thinks shee is to young to marry.

You may learn something by trying to teach an old dog some new tricks. A wise youth passes up the doll and marries a girl who can broil a steak. Any old thing that goes against the

Although women are great

hunters, a cheap man appeals to none Many a man hasn't enough sense to

Handsome is as handsome does-and handsome woman usually does as she pleases.

a successful

chauffeur.

enough

the elections!

You should strive to live within your income and then strive not to be disappointed when you fail,

The woman who says she wouldn't

marry the best man on earth usually weds one that is no good. When you see a boy and girl walk-

ing real fast on their way home, it is a sign that she's his sister. Cats certainly have their divinely appointed use in this world, but as

vocalists they are failures. To hear mother tell it the boys must have run after her when she was a girl just as the bill collector now runs

What a boom it will be for the mil

OREGON SIDELIGHTS

organized at Bend and a schedu ranged which runs to March 22.

Continuing its good reports of busiiess, the Baker Democrat says: "Trai-ic, both freight and passenger, has inreased daily since February 1 and

"Eastern farmers who are here from Iowa, Minnesota and other hard frozen sections at this season," the Coquille Sentinel testifies, "open their eyes when they see grass a foot high the

Woodburn Independent: Can you imagine them back weather! east foundering around in deep snow skipping blizzards or caught in great find that John Jacob Astor brought floods? Yesterday the sun here was so warm that one was in danger of getting sunstroke. Surely this weather makes all feel good and like jumping into doing something worth while.

den Overton Dowell Jr., has shipped one male and two female beavers to e male and two female beave A. Lagerstrom at Marshfield. three animals are to b state game reservation. captured on niles above Florence in the state game reservation.

promise. It sey country. iners when the suffragettes get far nough into politics to bet hats on he elections!

It may be that Solomon didn't have than eight or ten. Possibly he charge. If you can't supply your charge, if you can't supply your when the suffragettes get far into politics to bet hats on more than eight or ten. Possibly he charge. If you can't aunply your looked at the monthly bills and just wants from these, we'll hand you a estimated the number of wives at 700.

COMMENT ON THRIFT CAMPAIGNS

By John M Oskison. me one of his tracts, which he mod- patched up pants." One of the avowed objects of the estly entitles "Two Powerful Serstruction of American lives that the measure of a brief and fleeting rail haul on the fish from Seattle between capital and labor, "to dis- whether the government should sanc- attention to some passages of comment we offer is made wholly of natches.

not able, in justice to his own repu- trust, prices are forced up and tion;" to gather facts and interpret Americans that such accumulations, the dirty work of the world to try to me stop patching and-In the British note, there is tation and to the interests of his often the figures are double what them, and also "to get behind the even if devoted to benevolent uses, establish a system where the worker will spend less than he earns. As he serious attention, for I know that puts it, "it is not the lack of thrift many of us are badly served by the on the part of the working class that industrial and financial system we live unlike the modern plane. For example to industrial unrest," Of the nine Some go so far as to predict that is the unmitigated curse, but it is the under; but I do not find in it any sug- it has no foot pedals. The pedal action members, three represent the public, they might become in certain aspects lack of getting 100 per cent of what gestion as to how the really new gar- is controlled from the keyboard, being

All thrift teaching, all profit sharing says the preacher of the two ly to stop doing patchwork, Young Mr. Rockefeller's testimony powerful sermons, are but patching on were possible. I wish that every

minister justly the colossal fortune other organizations of like character our patching will be justified. which in a few years must come into lady who invited her women neighbors and it is a mighty useful work in these

its dealing with public rights and properties. The right of unimpeded use of navigable waters is one of (Communications sent to The Journal for these. It is set forth in the enabling act. The state can not sell it, nor the en on only one side of the paper, should not legislature grant it. That, through any contingency, the public should be to have forced to buy any portion of the area of navigable waters is, on the face of it, proof of an illegal abdication of this sovereign duty of the state. If they have ney, and the San Pedro, Chicago and crushes them Oakland waterfront cases, Legislative grants and deeds by the state were set at naught in these cases, as being a

able water beds. The absurdity

Swamp and tide lands not in the strict rules of evidence, than that of to put the skids under the initiative ferent matter. They are not useful and urge some laws that will be of for navigation or its improvements and some benefit to the whole people as luminate the matters at issue. This piece of legislation that has been pro- are the subject of private exploitation well as the privileged few. posed for many a day. Also another and reclamation under a different set of laws, which the state of Oregon things so the unemployed can see box- unfortunately has confused with those When they are given a chance to vote mony was in the form of a written ing matches when nothing better of- concerning river beds. The Oregonian they (the majority) don't know how, statement. He had known for weeks fers. Likewise the recall law is put has never been able to draw any dis- and refuse to think for themselves. tinction. In the late campaign, was claimed among other mendacities, they get stung,

> Which lands are in character up lands and properly subject to private ownership and reclamation, is moot point, but one easily decided when approached with common sense and fairness.

The Journal-I have read the list of able waters, to the exclusion of the appropriations approved by the senate, "economy." They had better refer to see where they get it. A lot of them are in office for the first time and I *suppose they want to make a showing payers, as long as some pet of theirs

A four team bowling league has been Voters of Bandon will have an op portunity to vote on bonding the city for extending the water system and for the purchase of a fire engine at the coming June election.

shows a healthy sign of returning good

first of February."

Bandon Recorder: State Game War-

who had a second hand store on First street near Salmon came to me to ge

Cordial invitation in the Drewsey

ers she was making for her husband." A reader of these articles has sent and then exhibited "a pair of old

"These societies for thrift, welfare and living within his income. If this but me in mind of the story of the old | in to show them a pair of new 1 us- times!

attempt on the part of the state to Ex-Governor West is wrong on that gation is a permanent and perpetual discretion of state officials, would be to say, as we see now; in 1874 they might assert the right to sell, in 1878 to reflect that the era of private terproperties with speculative The prescriptive right of the abutting owner to use, where not used by

book law; he also doubtless had the that "Coos county dairy farms would I confiscated" and that there was "

> I do not know whether Summer and Abert lakes are swamps or bodies of

Portland, Feb. 9 .- To the Editor of

is assured of a nice fat salary. The tax law in this state is a farce.

Though not exercised and for- a graft, and unfair to the workingman, and should be changed. It is the worst, following reasons: The big business man is able to pay his taxes before or short of cash when taxes are due, the healthy, robust male must under-The state imposes a rate Fair play is a jewel.

So, the preacher thinks, patching ing of American vessels or the de- cargo. Five legislative days are the Portland consumer pays the of industry, especially the relations present inquiry is to determine mons," and has called my particular goes on and on until the new garment body and the legs are separate so that

on thrift campaigns and profit shar- He says such patching is dirty work; from the frame. and I infer that he includes me in the According to this author, it is doing list of such workers. He would have \$225 to fix it up in perfect condition Do what? I have read his tract with thing like a mandolin. As it was made

> We are urged by this preacher mere-He worker who makes his living were getting adequate pay, doing honest work,

m ter with the chowder, tention. "Guest-Oh, no.

"My wife made me

"I am glad to hear ou say that," deared the pastor. "Yes, she has always wanted so



Well, is our dinner party going off skins, raccoon blankets and muskrat

"I don't know as

not fair and should be changed without delay. There are appropriation bills for nearly \$5,000,000 pending in the legislature. For what? A large amount purely extravagant, which I suppose, will pass, as usual, with out many

selves and see if they

"Let George do it," they say, and so

WILLIAM E. SMITH. Tribute to Ex-Governor West. Amboy, Wash., Feb. 8 .- To the Edf.

tor of The Journal-I want to say few words concerning ex-Governor West. I consider him one of the grandest men Oregon has ever produced. He wore the gubernatorial robe without starch or frills, and stood for what he believed right, though he stood alone. He declared war on what he saw was wrong and stood by his ments. Cristofori completed his plans guns, and it doesn't take a very wise forte in 1749 but it was more than 30 man to see that almost all he did does | years later before the plane forte not need any changing. One of the best things he did was to demonstrate! to the people that laws could be enforced, and he made very plain the things that went to hinder its enforce. As Oregon goes on climbing the hill of progress, as it will do, and as difficulties arise too great for the average man to handle, Oregonians "Let Oswald

Health Certificates for Marriage. Portland, Feb. 11 .- To the Editor of The Journal-I would like to ask why was there enacted such a one sided law as the marriage health certifi cate law? Why should the man be any more unhealthy than the woman? Does anyone suppose that all women are healthy and have better constitutions than men? If so, how is it that two-thirds of the wemen after marriage are always ailing, and for the matter of that very many are before marriage. The very fashions in vogue are conducive to ill health and yet. as I understand it, they can pass go an examination, and he may be even about to marry a drug store

C. H. WAYMIRE.

Recently there was sent with the

Oregon exhibit from Portland to the

Panama-Pacific International exposition, a piano with a history. It was sent by C. Sommer, whose plane factory is just across from the city hall, Inside of the case is the inscription "George Astor, Cornhill, London, '79." "This piane is ant historical instrument," said Mr. Sommer, "Wait, I will show you its sounding board and the strings. I had to replace them. Otherwise I left the old plane just as it was. You see its original sounding board was of very thin spruce and was broken and mended beyond repair, Its strings also were so far gone I Glorious had to replace them. If you will look up the history of the plane you will three planes of this type from London for sale in New York. One is now in Central Park Art museum in New York, This is one of them and the other has disappeared. Possibly it has been burned or destroyed. "About six years ago a Polish Jew

sumber com- an estimate on repairing a plane, land which has been made a, told him it would cost \$250 or \$300 to They were put it in good condition. He threw the Suislaw river some up his hands in despair. He thought he could have it fixed for about \$10, He asked me if I would buy it from him and said he would have to get \$6 Sun: "Come to the land of out of it to come out even, so I paid It is now called the Drew-ry. You can get a chunk of some second-hand furniture for it to a farmer who had bought it second hand many years ago at Astoria. The Jew had it several years before I got writing desk. It is solid mahogany, its turned legs are also of solid mahogany. It is inlaid with holly, rosewood and ebony. Its length is five feet six inches and is 22 inches deep, There is no iron whatever in it and it weighs about 125 pounds. toy. The plane of today has seven and one-third octaves; this has but five. The the body of the plane can be lifted my time and material and it cost me It has a beautiful tone sounding someby George Astor in London in 1779 you will readily understand that it is veroperated by the left hand. The keyboard action is crude. I wish it wire on the old Astor piano is lighter than the lightest wire in the modern plano. Here are the wires I took from the Astor plane. You see some of them are as fine as silk threads, while the heaviest wire is not much thicker and steel. In a modern plane the heaviest wire has but 16 vibrations to a second, while the upper C wire vibrates 4800 times to the second. old lyory keys were yellow with age and were much heavier than the keys of today. In place of steel springs all of the springs on the old plano were of whalebone, I have sent it I to be shown with the Oregon exhibit and I believe it will attract great at

A rather odd thing in connection with this old piano is the fact that was merely wonder- when John Jacob Astor, the founder ing how in the world of Astoria, Oregon's oldest you ever discovered brought them from London he inserted so many things an advertisement in a New York newsit. - paper of January 10, 1789. This was the first advertisement ever inserted for the sale of planes in the l'nited

States. The advertisement read as follows: "John Jacob Astor, at No. 81 Queen street, next door but one to the Friend's Meeting House, has for sale an assortment of plano fortes of the newest construction made by the best makers in London, which he will sell on reasonable terms. He gives cash on all kinds of furs and has for sale a quantity of Canada beaver and

beaver coating as well as raccoon

skins. The manufacture of plane fortes "And what are we was not begun in England until 1766, so the old Astor plane bearing the date of 1779, was made about 13 years The cook is to after their manufacture started in give me an audience England. How this old piano came to Astoria is not known, but the suppos tion is that it must have been sent. there by Astor before Astoria became

> Originally the plano was a harp proved and was colled a Dulcimer, the strings being struck with hammers

held in the hands of the player. A century or so later the key board was invented, the hammers being controlled by the keys. This instrument was called a Clavicytherlum, Further improvement was made and in the time of Queen Elizabeth it was rechristened the Virginal. A little later it received a new name, the Spinet me time between 1700 and 1800 it was again rechristened and was called the Harpsichord. In the early part of the Eighteenth century Bartholog Cristofori, an Italian, eyolved the piano forte. A little later Marius, a Frenchman, and Gottlieb Schroeter, i German, made important

came into general use throughout Eu

Unrequited Love, Miss Roxsmith takes her poodle out That he may have the air;

She stuffs him full of dainty food, His coat is brushed each day: The best for him is not too good— He gets it anyway. The poodle shows a face of woe,

Perhaps you'll wonder why, cannot say; I simply know He has a cynic's eye;

It's clear to me that poodle glutn Resents his pampered state,
And hopes that soon the time will come
When he can pull his freight.

American carelessness, often terbalance the larger volume of PLAYGROUND FOR MEN amounting to recklessness. The information that reaches this counnavigable water. If doubtful, Of course, the answer was uncandid. Isn't that a beautiful day's work for experience of railroads entering try through the usual news chanpublic interest should decide the class-In any one man's hands 40 per cent 90 men elected on an efficiency plat-OLLOWING the example of a few cities. Philadelphia is of the stock of a corporation would form? And this doesn't include what However, Canada holds that similar soon to have public golf carry domination of its policy; for a our good governor was going to do for us. Remember, this was only one of our good governor was going to do for bodies of water just north of the boundary line and are most useful as rain It will be no baby Rockefeller, 10 per cent would be the 40 days. AN IMPORTANT RULING E. E. SOUTHARD. precipitators and will not sell them course, according to newspaper ac- sufficient, and one per cent would be nor allow their drainage. The State's Title to Water Beds. J. B. ZEIGLER. 800 in elevating their tracks and NVESTIGATION of the Terre count, but will be 6400 yards in influential. Portland, Feb. 7 .- To the Editor of Haute, Indiana, election fraud length and will have hazards that He knew nothing of charges that The Journal-Like murdered Banquo's Appropriations and Taxes. cago, and yet the casualties, though acases has been completed. A will satisfy the veterans of the the company had corrupted politics; ghost this question is up again,

> rightful owners, the public at large, as published in Sunday's Journal, And will are willing now that the state shall they have the audacity to call it other private exploiters are willing to the definition of the word. I can't compromise on a lease from the state, instead of an airtight purchase to head off federal control, threatened in The Oregonian, though for the time for themselves. They don't care anybeing a partisan of states' rights, thing about the poor hardworking taxsome peculiar astigmatism,

idea of the functions of a director, nor igable waters with the U. S. for comright being paramount. This was clear- interest is added, but for the workingly set forth in the case of Portland man, if he happens to be out of a job muster under the marriage law, and production of all food grains in- officials. He maintains that a puropponent or alone and in all kinds shall try to see down the facts with opponent or alone and in all kinds shall try to see down the facts with opponent or alone and in all kinds shall try to see down the facts with opponent or alone and in all kinds shall try to see down the facts with opponent or alone and in all kinds shall try to see down the facts with opponent or alone and in all kinds shall try to see down the facts with opponent or alone and in all kinds shall try to see down the facts with opponent or alone and in all kinds shall try to see down the facts with opponent or alone and in all kinds shall try to see down the facts with opponent or alone and in all kinds shall try to see down the facts with opponent or alone and in all kinds shall try to see down the facts with opponent or alone and in all kinds shall try to see down the facts with opponent or alone and in all kinds shall try to see down the facts with opponent or alone and in all kinds shall try to see down the facts with opponent or alone and in all kinds shall try to see down the facts with opponent or alone and in all kinds shall try to see down the facts with opponent or alone and in all kinds shall try to see down the facts with opponent or alone and in all kinds shall try to see down the facts with opponent or alone and in all kinds shall try to see down the facts with opponent or alone and in all kinds shall try to see down the facts with opponent or alone and in all kinds shall try to see down the facts with opponent or alone and in all kinds shall try to see down the facts with the process of the process of the facts with the process of the facts with the process of the facts with th

ment ought to be fashioned.

For this preacher is just patching,

A FEW SMILES

than clams to put in ludge.

success," remarked he man.



all right tonight?" "I hope so. to have?"

business. Why should this be? It is

Fort George. Crude as is this old plane and it was considered a wonderful improvement on its predecessors. having from two to three strings. As more strings were added the harp took the form of a letter P and was called the Cithara. The standard Cithara had 10 strings and it was some cet turies later before some inventive genius discovered that by stretching the strings across an open box a better musical effect could be produced. By It is time people should pinch them 1200 A. D. the Cithara had been im-

The Ragtime Muse

rope.

blanket warm is tled abou The beast with tender care.

Although Miss Roxsmith loves the

Miss Roxsmith lavishes her love On him with hugs and squals.
While growlingly he gnaws her glove
Or tries to bite her heels.