merchant.

the

Now in justification of the

produce, counting the cost of egg

try Dealers' association grades eggs

into three classes. If by chance they

fall into the third class the merchant

merchant is at the mercy of the com-

The grading of eggs by the Port

land Egg & Poultry Dealers' associa-

tion may be beneficial to the commis-

If, as Mr. Knipp implies, the coun

ry storekeeper is making such enor

purcel post are as open to him as

What the Egg Producer Faces.

venture to say if these women had

hased an egg from the time it was

laid for six or seven months until it

ance is that if they had land enough

to raise grain for a good sized flock

they would not be foolish enough to

Eggs must not be chilled or over-

heated before hatching, nor chicks

regularly and scientifically, neither

be kept clean and free from lice.

watched so they do not crowd, given

puge water in clean dishes several

times daily, protected from rats, cats.

takes his eggs to the public market

he is denounced as a robber if he

fresh for the trade. He must get a

the maintenance of his young stock

until they begin to lay. As soon as

the eggs come in freely in the spring,

bottom notch, and if he can't get

what they are worth in the winter he

ness which always shows a loss. Neith-

pay a handsome profit, either for gro-

Farmer and Public Market.

Sherwood, Or., Dec. 12 .- To the Edi-

tor of The Journal-A writer who

signs herself "Mrs. M. D." has some

advice for farmers and chicken raisers.

ducer-to-consumer store." As for her

advice to chicken raisers to go out of

business, that is just what a great

many chicken men are doing, and the

boycott is giving them additional rea-

son for it. As for raising grain on

chicken farms, which must be near the

city and are worth several hundred

Now for the public market. I can

dollars an acre, it simply doesn't pay.

speak from experience, having sold my

part of the time personally and part

the seller's point of view the cost is

pretty heavy; it averages me about 15

per cent, and I know that the person

barely makes a living, to say nothing

of real wages. There are too many re-strictions. Further, there are many

crops that cannot be sold profitably on

the market at all-anything that is

farmers can't ship produce to the mar-

ket and have any certainty that they

ket, and the city makes a profit on it,

I admit that we need middlemen, but

not so many of them. One central

organization would be enough. Call it

a trust, if you like--just so long as we

own it, we producers and consumers.

The Farmer and the Egg Supply.

Most farmers do not keep chickens

their own use. If it were not for the

people who specialize in egg produc-

tion there would be few eggs on the

neglected, causing loss instead

Hillsboro, Or., Dec.

R. G. SCOTT.

13.-To the

"Mrs.

who sells for me and a few

too heavy to carry away.

understand.

depend on the other.

goods or farm implements

save no one of any in-

MRS. J. F. COSTELLO.

will have to quit

"Let chicken raisers use

They must

Then, when he

was a fully developed laying pullet,

AMOS O. BUKER.

Portland?

the country merchant.

public market.

its selling price to them.

too much nor too little.

She says:

afterward.

The

gets nothing for his eggs and is out

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America asks nothing for herself but what she has a right to ask for humanity itself.
—WOODROW WILSON.

Teachers should be held in the highest bonor. They are the allies of legisla-tors; they have agency in the prevention of crime; they aid in regulating the atto return pure and healthful to the heart of the nation.—Mrs. Sigourney.

LET WELL ENOUGH ALONE

S. JOSSELYN, former head of the Portland Railway, change in city government.

As a suggestion of what course might be taken, he brings forward proposals made by him five years at the time, Mr. Josselyn says now in a letter to a Portland paper:

The interview, among other things, outlined a plan for the election of a non-salaried commission of say five ating, but subject to the recall. This the new United States shipping ate religious exercises. The Rocommission to be named in the charknow who was to administer the leg- country could have carried into the brate their religious rites with islative affairs of the city and select board an equal understanding of exact rigor before marching against trapnested for several generations. the man who would be charged with the administrative government under the title of city manager. I men- of a restored American merchant tioned for the positions of sioners such men as T. B. Wilcox, W. B. Ayer, W. F. Woodward, W. M. Ladd, Adolph Wolfe, A. L. Mills or others who had demonstrated their success as business men. The city tment all other city employes subject to approval of the commissioners with esible exception of city treasurer and auditor, who might be elected by

a chance to be elected.

They would select the city mana- to their citizens. treasurer and auditor.

have in the government of Port- son and his advanced thinking. For land would be the electing of a the same electric service which city treasurer and auditor. The costs a Portland householder \$1.60 commission would do all eise, even his Cleveland brother pays but 60 to naming their successors. All cents. In Pasadena, California, power would be exercised by the the same service costs \$1. In Se- power in the British empire. It boycott. The evidence is all in. But I ruling dynasty.

There is value in Mr. Josselyn's want a change in Portland's gov- ship. ernment. Others who want the present system abandoned, are not so open and frank as to what they want. There are those urging a change who will not take the people into their confidence at all.

Meanwhile, the present commission government has made good. It is lowering the cost of government. For the first time in history, the people know everything that is going on at the city hall. There has been no scandal or even a hint of scandal in city affairs since commission government went into operation.

the system that should not have more plentiful, numbering 50. But greater character whose enemies sympathetic feeling for anyone else been done. The fault is not the the record was pitiful. The Sec- did not rest until they had put who should be boycotted would be the system, but the men. Even as to ond regiment got 322 men. So him to death. It is no praise to portland should try to counteract the Journal there is a letter by the men, they are of far higher the story runs and it is the same say of a man that he has no enestandard than was the average of almost everywhere. Enlistments mies. those who ran things under the in the regular army are quite as old aldermanic system. The fact discouraging. Men go into the that the system has brought bet- service only as a last resort and marine to every five of her people, upon. They should not make a boycott ter men into control of things is after they have joined they fre- Holland to every four, Great Britin itself an unanswerable vindica- quently desert. tion of the present plan.

can do is to let well enough alone. popular. Some statesmen fancy ated in the shipping business since They should, at least, give the sys- that they can overcome the obsta- the war began. How many people tem a sufficient length of time in cle of unpopularity by forced miliare there in Portland for every ton sion. which to fully prove its merits.

the river Elbe. In the beginning, politicians who stood for it. the river had a channel depth of No doubt we need an army, DYUNANIMOUS vote, the

afloat.

TEACHERS' TENURE

TO ATTEMPT should be made to scuttle the teachers' tenure-of-office law. In any proposed amend-

ment, the principle and the safeguards of the law should be strictly preserved. Teachers should be placed beyond removal by the mere caprice of school officials and be safeguarded against the corrupting influences of politics. That is due them in order that their minds may be free and composed to broaden into the highest powers of usefulness in their work. No teacher, who feels that it is necessary to One year ......\$7.50 | One month...... \$ os play politics in order to retain a position, can be expected to give the utmost of her possible efficiency in the class room. For these and other weighty reasons, the them and they meet their officers principle and the safeguards of the tenure-of-office law should be conscientiously preserved.

In its responsibilities, no profession is more important than that of the elementary teacher. All the at the most formative period in the the elementary school. It is un- ters. cumstances should ever arise in to fight." which the position of a proven eleprecarious.

must realize that they cannot af- ting ready to fight. ford and the schools cannot afford which has been going on for frequent religious revivals. sion government was on. Refer- troversy should arise that cannot ever ring to an interview given by him be quietly settled in an afternoon. quality. There is no other way to conduct organized school government.

members, who would be self-perpetu- effective and desirable member of they performed a series of elaborter amendment so the voters would board. Few other men in the man legions never failed to celethe relations, importance and value commis- marine to the welfare of the

SOME PRICES

cost of current in Portland and commanders have encouraged their Under Mr. Josselyn's plan, the some other cities. Portland en- fondness for "harangues and exfive city commissioners would be joys the privilege of buying its ortations." named in the charter. . The adop- electricity from a big company tion of the charter would elect which has establishments in other them. No other men would have cities of the United States. There of the whole property is asked for are 1563 cities and towns in the damages to a part of four lots in-After election, they, not the peo- United States which own their light volved in a grade crossing in Rose ple, would select their successors, and power works and sell current City Park. The tax value of a require two gallons of the solution, as

appoint all employes except the ity in the country is provided by day it will. the city of Cleveland, which still The only part the people would feels the influence of Tom Johnattle it costs \$1.10.

the viewpoint of some of those who izen of public and private owner-

Portland postoffice for the first cause he must combat what his dential campaign to create friction behalf of December smashed all rec- enemies love. No man in England tween farmers and town dwellers, and ords. It was 13 per cent, and is has so vigorously and successfully that increased wages of railroad ema proof of improved business con- combated what the tory reaction- ployes would have to be paid by the ditions. The worst enemy of Port- aries love as Lloyd-George, and farmers. land's advancement are the sob they hate him accordingly.

## ARMY TROUBLES

rule. The First Illinois Infantry it will be envenomed in proportion able disposition to work in harmony and put it under efficient, honest man-What more can be asked for in regiment upon calling for reen- to his effective ability. Lincoln against their common enemy of late, agement. It will help materially to government so far as the system listments after its return from the had as many enemies as Lloyd- An unjust boycott against the farmers solve the high cost of living and also border could get only 176 men. George and for much the same rea- would create better the people making it but also Let's get together. Things have been done under Officers were naturally a little son. We need not mention a still against the people making it but also

The wisest thing Portland people sion from this. The army is not 40 new millionaires have been cretary service, but they are far out of Portland-owned shipping? in their reckoning. Forced service Hamburg is 93 miles inland on would simply mean the ruin of the

only eight feet. Perhaps the early even if we do not need a very improvement of the river was re- large one. The way to get it is ferred to as "pork." Hamburg is obvious. Make the service such as now the great port of Germany a self-respecting man can under- tions proposing abandonment of and probably the most important take to live under and self-respect- the publication of delinquent tax on the continent of Europe. The ing men will enlist. This means advertisements.

whose docks accommodate any ship God made him so and we should about. The judges and commisnot blame him. But we can not sioners are in intimate touch with expect typical Americans to accept the workings of the present delin-

such wages. In the second place the social stigma upon the common soldier the law as it now stands. must be canceled. In a military sense he can not of course be his officers' equal, but in every other way he should be. He should be as good a man as his officer in the theatre, in restaurants, in the houses where he is acquainted. There should be no social taint resting upon him because he is a common soldier.

This implies the elimination of caste from the army. It has been largely eliminated from the French army. It has never been known in the Swiss army. Those who recommend the Swiss system to us should bear in mind that democ racy is its essential feature. The men take their guns home with on equal terms outside the ranks.

#### FUNSTON'S DEFENSE

MENERAL FUNSTON will need all his valor and perhaps a gigantic problems of the home are, I little more wit than nature gave him to defend his pochild's life, transferred in part to sition against the Baptist minis-The reader will remember Egg Producer Furnishes Figures. thinkable that we should not all that General Funston forbade a bilities that are thus imposed upon on the plea that "the camp and the elementary teacher. How to the church are two different strengthen this teacher and more things." He declared that "sol- showing exactly what it costs to pro- and cut their flocks in half and spend highly fit her for the best possible diers should not be listening to service is a sobering thought that harangues and exhortations of should never be lost sight of. In Baptist or any other preachers, ment, etc. any such consideration there must They should be drilling, getting be acknowledgment that no cir- their arms into snape, preparing

General Funston intimated pretmentary teacher should become ty plainly that the church was the place for religious meetings while But the teachers themselves the camp was for fighting and get-

As a matter of fact, the best Light & Power company, is to have a continuation or repeti- armies in the world, as history among those favoring a tion of such unseemly rows as that tells us, have been stimulated by months in Portland. Without pass- need only mention Cromwell's Ironing in the slightest upon the mer- sides to illustrate the point. Those its of the present dispute, it must worthies prayed and preached at ago when agitation for commis- be said that no case of school con- least half the time but nobody questioned their fighting

It throws a curious light on General Funston's irascible order to remember that just before Le-J. N. Teal would have been, had onidas and his three hundred Sparhe accepted the position, a most tans began dying at Thermopylae the enemy.

There is no ground anywhere believing that religious fervor im- The cost of producing is \$1.48. pairs the bravery or discipline of troops. Everything points in the PPROPRIATE to the festivi- the world has seen, like that of ties clustering around elec- Gustavus Adolphus, for example, trical week is a little knowl- have been composed of strictly piedge of the comparative ous, God-fearing men and their

Seven times the assessed value property should be in a reasonable water is about right. ger, and the city manager would Probably the cheapest electric- proportion to the sale value. Some

# AS TO ENEMIES

NE of the Boston papers was a little too eager with its flattery of Lloyd-George when it saw him rising to supreme This gives us an opportunity to enemies." Nothing could have been Buggestion. It shows the public compare the advantages to the cit- farther from the truth. Lloyd- same time? We know there is unrest sand and he deserves them. Every progressive man makes hosts of The increase in business at the enemies and deserves them, be- used by big business during the presi-

UR army people are in a peck a cipher nobody will think it worth ing and prejudice between towns and with the housewife's interests; we each of trouble. National Guards- while to fight him. But if he tries country. men whose terms are expir- to do anything real and important ing will not reenlist as a he must count on opposition. And

Greece has a ton of merchant

## BY UNANIMOUS VOTE

county judges and commissioners at their Portland convention, adopted resolu-

world, was built at Hamburg, \$13-a-month man is what he is. who know what they are talking a few words of explanation would do no harm. Firstly, Mr. Knipp sees things as through a glass darkly; secondly, Mr Knipp is a catalogue house customer quent tax process. They are thembuying nearly all of his goods outside. Then why should the merchant buy selves the officials who administer his eggs or produce at a high price to

sell again at a loss? To the proposal to abolish the publication of the delinquent lists. paid by the country merchant for farm no voice among the judges and cases, fillers, freight and commission commissioners was raised in pro- pald the commission houses, it costs test. The vote was unanimous for me 5 cents a dozen to get my eggs to Portland, my store being 22 miles from the change. railroad. The Portland Egg and Poul-

In the proposal, there is one unanswerable fact. Here it is: In four years in Multnomah county the sum paid for delinquent tax the cost of freight and cases. advertising was sufficient to give personal notice by mail of their arrearages to delinquent taxpayers for more than 100 years, and experienced officials say the mailed notices yield better results.

### Letters From the People

publication in this department should be writ-ten on only one side of the paper, should not exceed 300 words in length, and must be accarreed 300 words in length, and must be ac-companied by the name and address of the sender. If the writer does not desire to have the name published he should so state.]

"Discussion is the greatest of all refo rationalizes every Ling it touches. I It rationalizes every(blug it touches. It robs principles of all false senetity and throws them back on their reasonabl mess. If they have no

Fairview, Or Dec 14 -- To the Editor of The Journal-As a producer of they would demand \$1.50 a dozen at winter eggs I am sending you the program of feeding and amount of feed selves poorly paid then. The simple necessary for 100 Leghorn pullets, reason farmers do not use "judgment" duce eggs exclusive of fixed charges, their time raising grain for the balwhich would, of course, include depreclation of plant, interest on invest-

In the first place, they should be bother with chickens, and even if they housed properly, with an abundance of did, the grain would be still worth lean straw litter, changed every two weeks in the winter months: 7 a. m.-Fourteen quarts sprouted brains and a little energy." If it does

not take both brains and energy, why oats, obtained from six quarts dry tax the people for a poultry department oats; cost 10 cents. at O. A. C. to teach how to get results? 8 a. m.-Clean water in clean drinking vessel, chill taken off.

8:30 a. m.—Six quarts buttermilk at cents, 24 cents. 3:30 p. m .- Ten quarts mixed grain Two parts wheat, one part cracked corn, 45 cents.

4:30 p. m .- Wet mash made as follows: Five quarts laying mash, three parts water, two pounds fresh ground hawks, gray bone and meat, 22 cents.

times in hopper. They will eat five pounds per day, at 3 cents per pound, They will eat five and does the work. 5 cents. Cost of straw per day, 5 cents. Oyster shell, grit, etc., 2 cents.

cockerels, for renewing flock, per day, 30 cents. The grand total is \$1.48. Don't forget kale, for green feed. With this formula you can expect 35 1-3 per cent winter egg production, good price in the winter to cover the which would mean about three dozen

per day, providing you used line bred stock for heavy egg yield that had been common stock would lay about 20 per Figuring eggs laid at 50 cents per but in General Funston's fancy for dozen, your daily sales would be \$1.50.

The daily profit is 2 cents, and the grand total for the month is 60 cents. Any man or woman with brains opposite direction. The best armies enough to produce winter eggs is worth from \$75 to \$150 per commercial world,

I am speaking from actual experience, and taking care of 200 hens. Here is a water glass formula for preserving eggs that a number of women making the big cry should put in their recipe books, providing they keep one instead of living off a delicatessen store. First, be sure you have fresh, infertile eggs from clean flocks and clean houses, as they must never be washed. Use earthen or wooden ware vessels for containers. A five gallon vessel will hold 16 dozen eggs and will Vessels should be completely covered at all times to prevent evaporation. Store in a cool. dry place away from the light. solution can be used for only son. Be sure to use only infertile eggs.

compose. MRS. ELSA THURLOW. Suspects a Plot in the Boycott. Hillsboro, Or., Dec. 12 .- To the Editor of The Journal-I do not care to discuss further the merits of the egg said that he was "a man of no would ask, was it by accident or design that this boycott should have occurred all over the country at the George has enemies by the thou- throughout the land-a feeling that the majority are not getting justice. When the cause is known, things will be righted. The Adamson law was many farmers were made to believe

as fertile ones may germinate and de-

I believe these same scheming ex-It is a wise saying that a man's of commerce and other such associaploiters who control so many chambers consequence in the world can usu- tions have put this up for the double ally be measured by the number purpose of keeping us quarreling over of his enemies. If he amounts to a bare bone while they get away with The federated trades and the grange are organized; we are not. They take

of Oregon and throughout the whole an undue profit from both sides. would create bitterness not only to give the farmer a steady market. natural result. The union men of Editor of The Journal-In Monday's efforts of the egg boycotters. I know M. D.," telling the farmers how to they had no hand in it, because they raise chickens and asking why they do are not such cowards as to dodge the not quit if there is no profit in them. lusty bull of high prices and single out a crippled calf to vent their rage for the profit in them, but solely for without giving the other side a change to be heard and they are not so foolish ain to every 2 1/2 and Norway to as to declare a boycott on cold storage market now. If they were to divide We can draw but one conclu- every one. In Norway, more than men and then go around and ask those their attention between farming and boycotted to furnish evidence to jus- poultry one or the other would be tify the boycott. We need no more committees or commissions. We have profit. the report of the industrial commis-People had better read that and The Journal's editorials and get wise. THOMAS H. BROWN.

Country Merchant Makes Defense. would prefer to sell the grain in a and using eggs "Light on the High Cost," in gets a fair price. line

which he took a rap at me as "our storekeeper." It had not been my in- to use brains, and then she says the ships its eggs in carload lots to a tention to make reply as I did not public market is a joke and that the onsider it worth while. But owing farmers should be forced to come down cold storage charges on them for some satirio shafts." During its short life the valiant defense put up by W. on prices. If the farmer should cut months, may sell them to a jobber. —less than a year—it was entitled to Fatherland, the largest ship in the in the first place good pay. The Here is a message from the men F. Rupprecht of Yoncalla, I feel that prices the merchants would have to The jobber distributes the eggs among that honor.

PERTINENT COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

SMALL CHANGE

It's too late to do your early shopit will help some if

you do it quickly. election betting The prize freak in has not yet been reported; that is a hat bet between two women. But give If Billy Sunday ever comes to

Portland he won't need to worry about sawdust for his well known trail, with our mills going it at the The Great War, in its beginning

the Great Peace will come the same way-when it comes. Somebody might start a correspond-nce school of golf; not necessarily to ence school of golf; not necessarily prepare players for the game, but

fit its pupils for understanding the

sion houses. It is not to the country newspaper men's golf jokes. The "next day" on which it snows in Oregon is not likely to be the day before Christmag as it always is in the story books. That is the spie defect in the climate of western Oregon mous profits buying and shipping eggs, why does he not ship his eggs The freight and One of the most discouraging things ruction of any sort it takes only two to make a quarrel-or one, on a pinch-the Lord

Silverton, Or., Dec. 13 .- To the Edi-Fighters in Europe for some reason or of The Journal-Since reading the have not adopted the shield, along with the other ancient battle junk, "Mrs. M. D." I am no longer war ever rolled our surprised that the women of Portland are trying to destroy an industry in which many people of small means or as a bullet-stopper have put their capital and time, and

knows how many it will take to

OREGON SIDELIGHTS

The Medford Sun complains that Medford, surrounded by timber, is paying more for fire wood than prairie towns in the middle west, and it says the city council should start a municipal woodyard and break the combine

"The building used as the tabernacl during the revival meetings here a few says the Grants Pass Courier, "has been son. Steel, of Winona ranch. been sold to Francis being torn down, preparatory to movnch where it will be The tabernacle was ing to calculation, used as a barn. conjecture and prophecy alike. Maybe constructed with the aid of the manual training class of the high school.

Coos county's new stock law evokes this comment from the Coquille Senti-nel: "The law against stock running at large is to be contested, says Axel Ruth, a Tenmile rancher. The only step yet taken, however, has been to

The steelhead situation is thus he fully spoken of in the columns of the Pendleton East Oregonian: rise of the river during the past 24 sportsmen inasmuch as it will prob ably mean that the steelhead run will reach the upper Umatilla. The flow of water in the river now should fill the Furnish reservoir and permit the steel-heads to get up over the spillway. It of the Congressional Record was good will also enable them to climb the rif fles in the lower end of the river

# COMMENT OF THE PRESS OF OREGON

UNION SCOUT: President Wilson s going to do some more for the west. He has already done much. He has now on the program the much mooted waterpower development question which western men have been so much interested in for many years. It may be expected that the president will bring order out of chaos in this matter. as he has done in many others and settled and settled right.

LEBANON EXPRESS: Oregon wil not be outdone by Montana in the feminist movement. They may have a woman representative, but we have a town that is to be governed by women Umatilla, Or., has been placed on the map as a result of the municipal elec-The chicks must be fed tion, and strange to say, the newly elected mayor, Mrs. Starcher, defeated her husband by a majority of 28 votes. The council is composed of four women and there is a woman recorder and are going to show the men what a yourself out some deserving family diggers and other ene- strictly business and economical admies, and fed high priced food all the ministration really is, and if they suc- to them, for it was in that spirit that Keep dry mash before them at all time—and the farmer foots the bills ceed we predict that the other towns Christ was born. "will go and do likewise."

who is mayor of Astoria, so long as edent in deciding to keep its school asks the market price so as to get that individual is a representative open during the summer months, while some reward for his labor above the citizen imbued with the spirit of prog-vacation days will come in December. Cost of feeding 30 old hens and cost of feed. City folks do not seem ress and the welfare of the community January and February. But conditions egg him through the car window but to realize that the farmer must feed at heart. Of far more importance is at the base of Mount Hood are differ- missed their aim and yellowed the a large flock of hens through the the position of city engineer, whose winter in order to get enough eggs office leads in the character of develable to get them absolutely opment of the vital parts of the city. The taxpayers after all have to pay the bills and it is a mighty problem cost while his hens are moulting and to overcome mistakes in engineering. Astoria has suffered long and patiently in securing efficiency in the are safe by the family hearth. The engineering department. The city canthe price is lowered until it is at the not afford to trifle with that office.

ENTERPRISE RECORD CRIEF-TAIN: Many persons do not appreciate the appeal of poetry to most of telligence in the city continues a busi- nearly every breast, and brings a generous glow to the soul, brightening the ratio continues the present del- as \$100. er would the farmer be at a loss if the day. While few would admit it, uge of laws will continue, for laws Provement is among the wise ones. he could set the price on his produce. yet poetry is perhaps as well loved make business for lawyers. "intelligent business men," he has to is by the Italian. The scrap book found in nearly every home bears testimony ceries, clothing, shoes, household to this, and every man you know has stored in his memory some cherished then in the those who are out driving poems he loves to say over to himself in his quiet moments.

ALBANY DEMOCRAT: Just as we ures, and when the traveler approaches expected, the egg raiser is squirming a corner he is left wholly to his own because his market has been busted devices. He can say "Eeny, meeny, down at Portland; but it won't last miny, mo," and abide by the result, advice for farmers and chicken raisers. People are going to eat eggs, the most and incidentally asks what I have to wholesome of foods. This is just a sever he prefers. But he cannot refer the approach of the suspicious personage to a friendly road sign and go on his sonage, had surreptitiously dropped to a friendly road sign and go on his sonage, had surreptitiously dropped to a friendly road sign and go on his sonage. in attacking my suggestion of a "pro- its level. It was a fool thing to start way rejoicing, for there "ain't no such into the pile of robes at his feet his on eggs, anyway,

also in order to hold trade, and then the retail merchants and from them there would be more price cutting, they finally go to the individual conwith the farmer always bearing the brunt of it.

The farmers do not set prices on the

market anyway, but the market master

sets the prices for them every day and sees to it that they don't sell higher. If the farmers do not help the city produce there for nearly two years. of Portland financially, how does it of the time through an agent. From \$4000 from the public market last year? Also, the wages of the market stead of entering the channels leading master and his assistant were raised to the consumers. This is discouragseveral dollars per month. If the business of producing eggs at a profit is ket—that is, the market available to so simple, why do the complainers not the farmer, Perishable foodstuffs now raise a few and help lower the prices? OWEN R. HELM. Advice to Housewives!

By E. A. Barns, Whys" and farmers that can sell on the market to advantage are the ones who live ose to Portland. Willamette vallay With reasons a plenty we've drained to their dregs, ecause of the fact; ye are not a prowill get a fair return. I believe the ducer.
This is just "Why"—the high price consumers get good value at the marof eggs.

> blame the poor farmer who grubs without grumble. But look to yourselves who live on the fat. Curtail your carfare, and do some more times what the farmer receives, the walking, se spuds in your back yard; Raise you're wasting all that.

Cut out your roaming the streets just Be on your job, just the same as the propose that we organize an exchange Dried fruit, canned corn, and the bread against high prices. you are buying
If produced by yourselves, will be normal again.

> Supply" and "demand" are the words that work magic, ones who do work are away far The ones too few. As ten are now eating, to two who're the foremost illustrators in Americaproducing, What dandy to chew?

cancer. Cut out your high rent, and all of the trimmings Fairview, Or., Dec. 14.

Waste in Marketing. From the Milwaukee Wisconsin the high cost of

But suppose the raiser of poultry country produce is lack of simplicity in the machinery for getting it out does raise his feed-what does he gain? There is but a few cents' dif- of the hands of the producer and into ference per bushel between the selling those of the consumer. Henry M. and buying prices, and therefore he Hyde, writing for the Chicago Tribune, illustrate this Perdue, Or., Dec. 12 .- The the Editor bunch instead of putting in considera- theme observes that they are usually The Journal-In a recent issue ble time and work caring for a flock sold by the farmer to a collecting your valuable paper appeared a of chickens, also running the risk of agent who drives about the country. letter over the signature of R. A. losing out completely by the consu-Knipp of Perdue, Or., under the head- mers' boycotting his product when he county seat, who sends his eggs to a marked: "This is cheering; since thus large produce shipping company in the it is manifest that Punchinello leaves Mrs. M. D. also tells the egg raiser nearest city. This concern, in turn, all the fools and jesters behind, and is, broker in Chicago, who, after paying

BAKER DEMOCRAT: The people of regon by a heavy majority at the late election, voted for tax limitation and it remains to be seen how far their wishes will be carried out by the legislature. Of course a great wall will go up by the heads of departments at Salem, commissions and institutions. but this is natural and was to be expected. Extravagance in departments that the waterpower question will be of state has grown to such proportions that to be compelled to get down to business and practical more than they have been equal to But it must come. The people de-ASTORIAN: This is the time of

who have nothing. It is the way of crops as cannot be subjected to the should exist and it is the way of numanity to lessen the burden of the feeding the birds because he loves The women say they more particularly so at Yuletide, Seek and make this Christmas a real one HOOD RIVER NEWS! Valley Crest

ASTORIA BUDGET: It matters little has departed from a time-honored precent from those in lower and more temperate gltitudes. Grade school chil- proves that he told them the truth, dren cannot wallow to school through the drifts and do good school work. They will be better off and their parents less likely to be concerned if they scheme is a novel one, but it appears wise and reasonable.

CANBY HERALD: There are members in the state senate. The in- Tribune, when careless farmers are coming session will be composed of encountered, the picking It awakes a responsive chord in just one-half lawyers and just one- good, when it is considered that some thirtietn farmers.

EUGENE REGISTER: Nothing is nore annoying than to take the wrong road, and conversely nothing is more than to find signs at every corner directing them on their way. But in Lane county there are no such pleasanimal."

In that case there are six profits to be paid after the eggs leave he farm. And, after deducting about 17 per cent for breakage and decay, that percentage must be added also to the retail price.

Mr. Hyde estimates that from 20 to 30 per cent of all perishable foodhappen that the city received about sturfs-that is to say, nearly onethird-goes to decay on the farms inconstitute one-third of the total output of American farms, but the price at which the farmer can dispose of them is unknown to him in advance, and subject to such violent fluctuations that his best calculations to secure fair returns sometimes go astray. It happens not infrequently that the arrival at the same time of a number of carloads of the same fruit or vegetable may cause a glut and a drop in the wholesale prices of 50 per cent. Under the existing system, or lack of system, according to Mr. Hyde, the

price paid by the consumer for market garden stuff averages three to four difference going for transportation and profits of middlemen. Here is a wide margin for ecenomy. Here is waste that ought to be avoided, and that may be materially reduced as an outcome of the present uprising

Origin of "Punchinello." From the Cartoons Magazine.

In the days when Harper's Weekly was at the height of its popularity and influence, it commanded the services of including the cartoonists. Every once in a while a group of these artists would become dissatisfied with the The root is the place to beat out this Harper parental control and would leave to establish an independent illus-By helping yourselves, you help the trated paper, Having squandered their substance in riotous printing, these artists would come to themselves and re-Then products will cheapen without turn to the Harper home, where was other laws. No fatted calf was killed on the re-

turn of such prodigals, but Henry Mills Alden, the veteran editor of Harper's Monthly Magazine, asserts that the house of Harper never held a grudge against any contributor, whether artist or writer, who left to try other pastures. Such was the origin and such was the end of Punchinello, a comic cartoon weekly which first appeared in New York City on April 2, 1870.

In calling attention to the fact that the first number was dated the day marked: "This is cheering; since thus therefore, first in the race for the

Stories From Everywhere

Rag Tag and Bobtail

[To this column all readers of The Journal are invited to contribute original matter-fettery, in weree or in shilosophical observation or striking quotations, from any sou Contributions of exceptional merit will be for, at the editor's appraisal.]

The Vacuum Cleaner Outdone.

THE little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hunt, of Beaumont, always an observing miss notwithstand. ing her tender years, was greatly interested the first frosty morning to find the moisture in her breath ad hering to the window glass. She went about to all the windows blowing her breath as hard as she could, until finally, breathless, she sought her mother and panted "Oh, mamma, I have just blowed all

of the dust out of me.

#### A Benefactors' Benefactor.

"Feed the birds all the year round." is the slogan Joe Hardy, the newsboy, has adopted for himself, and for five years he has fed Portland's sparrows and pigeons. This morning at an intersection of busy streets he had spread crushed peanuts about him on the sidewalk, where a flock of birds fed without fear, but when strangers stepped into the charmed circle the sparrows made a short flight until h was alone again, when they settled about him. For the horses he carries sugar in

his pockets, but as a protector and bird conserver his work is most not able, since the death rate among Oregon's feathered friends has been higher during the past two years than ever before, and many crops wer spoiled in some sections of the state owing to the ravages of aphides, the scarcity of birds to eat them being given as a cause. The hard winters of two seasons past, when the birds perished because they were unable to find food, were followed by continuous rains during the hatching season when many birds were found dead upon their nests, having given up their lives to protect their eggs from the chilling showers. Certain crops upor which the aphis preys, such as the current among the fruits, and cabbage among vegetables, cannot be aprayed effectively owing to the curling habi year when those who have everything of the leaves, and birds are practically should turn their thoughts to those the only salvation of these and of such these comparisons severe sprays necessary to kill insects; and so, while the crippled newsboy is unfortunate all the year around, but them, he is also proving himself a ly saving the birds means lowering the cost of living.

> Taking exception to the "Billy Bunlay" remarks of a transient preacher up the South Fork, says the Coquille

Marksmanship Good and Bad.

Sentinel's Myrtle Point correspondent, the aggrieved parties attempted to beautiful S. P. coach. Maybe this The Spud Brigade In company with this, the most

prosperous season ever enjoyed by potato growers come attendant evils. A new sort of bandit has sprung up from nowhere, known locally as the 30 And sometimes, says the Detroit News And so long as loads this fall have brought as much But Edward Reynor of

The other night, while he was let surely returning from marke stranger piled on the rear end of his wagon, and after comfortably ensconcing himself alongside the driver, suddenly shoved a gun in Reynor's face and demanded his money, with his life as the embarrassing alternative. And the robber got, not a sizable roll, but one worn Canadian two-bit The highwayman departed, foiled: the reason being that Reynor wallet containing \$92.60. The really cautious growers, however, get the pay for their spuds in the form of a

While the Prospering Is Good. Because of the good times that are prevailing in the east at the present time, says the Roseburg Review, Roy atching, son-in-law of Sheriff George Quine, has written relatives here that he will not be able to return to Roseburg to pass the holidays, as he had intended. Mrs. Catching has been in Roseburg for several weeks and is visiting at the home of her parents.

Credit. A rich nabob, ambitious to be known as a good fellow, gave a feast which cost a thousand sequins a plate. "What wicked, wanton wastel" the world exclaimed. Another nabob, thirsting for glory

"The brutal, bloody butcher!" the world protested. A third nabob, desiring only to do what was right, bestowed his riches in alms. "He makes paupers!" the world

went to war.

mniffed. The recording angel hesitated, but after some thought he dipped his pen and wrote, to the credit of each of the nabobs: "He kept his money in circulation."

Grandpa.

He was born long years age Ere "New Thought" began to grows Ere "New Thought" began to grow; Kept a pluggin; early, late, Kept a hopin', trustin' fate. Learned to est and drink and sleep Planted "taters," osts and wheat; Knew a few jokes—knew them well! Always had one fit to tell. Went to bed when daylitht fafled, At the laggard slways railed; Rose at four and "chored" awhile, Rose at four and "chored" awhit Came to breakfast with a smile. Took either side of any case Just to enter in the race oked in peace outside the door Hankered not for city roar.

managered not for city roar.
Watched the pigs and young colts grow.
Listened to the cattle's low;
Kept his life filled up each day.
"Tendin' of the grain and hay.
Nothin' brilliant, nothin' new; Doin' well the things to do: Greetin' all with hand and amile; Chattiff, to the time begulle. Days and months go swift. 'its true; Changes come to me and you. Farmer days are much the same-Mighty quiet, mostly "tame." Ere the years have many grown On the hillside, quite near by.
There will this old rancher ite.
Noddin' flowers will bloom alway.
O'er the crumin' human clay:
Old-time friends will always and always. There will be a modest stone O'er the cruming will pause and praise.

Old-time friends will pause and praise.

Some kind deed of by gone days.

-G. E. H.

Uncle Jeff Snow Says: All this holfer in Portland a while back 'bout fraudulent petitions 'pears to have petered out to nothin'. Fact is, you allus doubt the honesty of a 'nitiative petition when you don't like the law it puts up. Es fur as there bein' a lot of people they couldn't find through the postoffice. I 'low it's mighty hard to find folks there any crown of comic laurel and the quiver of moved out of town, 'cordin' to what