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NEW YORK NEEDS IT.

France seems to be raising some question as to the Monroe doctrine. France owns a small portion of the South American continent, a portion this country certainly does not envy her. But she must understand that she owns now all she ever will. The United States is not a nation greedy for the lands of her neighbors, but, on the contrary, recognizes their rights, and is prepared to assist in maintaining them. As for fearing the powers of Europe, most of the country doesn't care a snap for them. We have no commerce to be destroyed, and no damage could be done us except the bombarding of a few ports.

There is quite a general feeling, too, among the inlanders that would be highly gratified by the bombardment of New York City, especially if the English would do the shooting. The city is but a suburb of London, and is practically a British dependency. If the knocking of their houses about their ears would at the same time jar a little patriotism into them the magnificence of the results would cause the price to be reckoned as trifling. If the French want to do this piece of missionary work for us, it will be appreciated. They may bombard our seaports, and all Europe may assist, but none of them will ever own a foot more land in America than they do now.

The good-roads conventions have done excellent work in agitating the subject of improving our roads. Among the other good things done by those conventions is the interest they have awakened in broad-tired wagons. Why tires should have been made or used so long of the present narrow style, is past all finding out. The broad tire has proven itself, wherever used, so much better that the wonder is the narrow tires are used at all. Down in Nevada, where they have the best natural roads in the world, the big freight wagons have tires five and six inches wide. Any other kind would be out of sight in the hard earth at all times.

The county judge of Jackson county is evidently not infatuated with the railroad commission. In arguing the reasonableness of the tax on the Southern Pacific's property before the state board of equalization Saturday, he spoke of the commission in slighting terms, saying: "The most the commission has done in four years is to order the cutting down of a bull pine tree." It is unfortunate that the judge did not give us further information as to why this piece of vandalism was done. It is to be presumed that the bull-pine was trespassing on the right of way, or doing something else to the injury or inconvenience of the road.

The time is not far distant when the machinery of the world will be moved by electricity, which will be generated cheaply by utilizing the natural water power. Portland is running its street cars and machinery with the power of the Willamette falls, and it will not be many years before the grand power at Ceilo falls will be turning the wheels of industries here.

Ex-Queen Lilioukalanani left San Francisco Saturday for Boston. Up to date none of the San Francisco papers have been able to discover what the lady is after, but it is asserted that she was to meet her niece. This may be all there is in her visit, but if somewhere a political motive is not discovered, we lose our guess.

The senatorial election is getting

ripe, and many longing eyes are fixed on the purpling plum. Who is going to get it is hard to say; but it is pretty safe to predict that if it isn't Mitchell it will be a stubborn fight, and will not be settled until the tail end of the session.

The Cascade Locks edition of the Oregonian, published Saturday, was a very valuable number, containing much information, that is such even to persons residing in the territory described. Those who got copies should forward them to their friends in the East to give them some idea of the vast and productive area "where rolls the Oregon."

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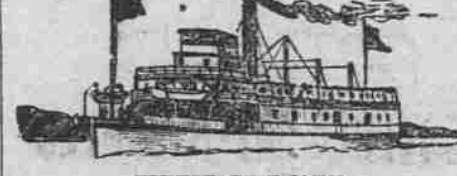
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