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In this age, the science of looking into the future no longer has the splendor nor the hard-ness of old. The present and the past reveal to us so many prodigies that these suffice to amuse our thirst for marvels. The realities of today are so near the border of the miraculous that the imagination droops its wings and fancy no longer paints the uncertain future to feast upon.—Maurice Maeterlinck.

### THE VOICE OF THE PEOPLE.

There is a strong sentiment in some parts of Oregon, in favor of a referendum vote on the Lewis and Clark fair appropriation.

While the vote of the legislature upon the measure was almost unanimous there seems to be a demand for a trial of the referendum on this vital question.

This is all right. Let the people exercise their prerogative. The legislature of 1901 placed the scepter in their hands. They are the burden bearers. Let them choose what weight of taxation they feel able to carry.

There need be no fear of the referendum vote on this issue. The voice of the legislature was the voice of the people on that great day on which the fate of the fair was decided.

Oregon will not reconsider this step. Her record does not contain one instance wherein the wheels of progress have been turned backward.

If possible the referendum vote on the fair appropriation will be more overwhelming than the vote of the legislature that was recorded in favor of this exposition.

Oregon recognizes her opportunity in this great occasion. The people of the world will see her resources, her matchless wealth, and magnificent promise set forth in this coming event. These will attract capital, brains, enterprise and culture from the mingling crowds that come to shores. Those who may come to view will remain to adorn the greatest commonwealth ever rescued from the wilderness.

### THE NEWS TRUST.

This winter the legislatures of Oregon, Washington and California have each sought to make the Associated Press a common carrier in law, as it is in fact.

Strong efforts have been put forth by friends of the common people, to compel this monopoly to furnish the news of the country to all legitimate applicants. The subject has been so thoroughly threshed over that little remains to be said, except that this general attack upon the concern by the people of the Northwest and California, denotes that they fully understand the despotic power exercised by the Associated Press in the world of news, and are making a concerted demand for justice.

The people, by whose consent this monopoly enjoys its existence, prosperity and authority, are entitled to the fruits of its labor upon payment of a reasonable price. This concern is a public news gathering institution, just as the railroads are freight-hauling enterprises. It has no more right to monopolize the news of the country, and to refuse to sell its commodity to new enterprises than a railroad has to say that it will haul lumber

and livestock, but not threshing machines and plows.

It cannot so far usurp the power of the public as to say that the most insignificant newspaper, founded, supported and owned by the people, cannot buy its wares, nor enjoy its service upon payment, although it exists as a quasi public enterprise.

In the first place, all trusts are simply small "clubs" of business men as the Associated Press claims to be. They are innocently banded together in the legitimate business of "furthering their own interests."

But when this business of furthering their own interests becomes detrimental to the public good, the trust becomes dangerous. The beef trust passes the limit of legitimate business, when it says to the small business man that he must pay a price for its products that is absolutely beyond his power to pay, or stay out of business. It makes itself the master of the situation, because it handles all the channels of trade in its line.

The Associated Press passes from the innocent "club" period into the dangerous trust stage, when it says to a community, like the city of Portland, for instance, if you want the news you must pay my price, or go without. It becomes master of the situation and a monopoly of the most offensive type when it denies the public the right to enjoy the news of the country unless the public first becomes its slave.

### LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS.

The twenty-first legislative assembly appropriated at total of \$1,719,000.75. The legislature just closed appropriated \$2,386,886.82, divided into different items as follows:

Legislative expenses and deficiencies	\$ 71,385.12
Executive and other state departments	408,220.00
State penal and other institutions	862,477.00
Special claims and bounties	62,204.16
Fixed annual appropriations	262,500.00
Lewis and Clark centennial	500,000.00
Portage railway	165,000.00
Construction of hatcheries	20,000.00
Experiment station Eastern Oregon	20,000.00
State board of health	10,000.00
Oregon Horticultural Society	5,000.00
Total	\$2,386,668.82

While the appropriations of the recent session reached the enormous sum of \$2,386,886.82, the occasions that have made demands upon Oregon, at this session, seem to entirely justify the increased expenditure.

The amount exceeds the appropriations of 1901 by but \$565,968.08, while the Lewis and Clark fair and The Dalles portage railway alone call for \$665,000.

The Philippine currency bill passed by the senate prescribes that the unit of value in the Philippines shall be the gold peso of 19.9 grains of gold, nine-tenths fine, said gold peso to become the unit of value when the government in the Philippines shall have coined and made ready for circulation not less than 5,000,000 of the silver pesos provided for in the bill. The gold coins of the United States at the rate of \$1 for two pesos shall be legal tender in the islands.

Bradstreet's review of trade, for 1902, gives the following causes for the 9,973 business failures of the year:

Incompetency	2,032
Inexperience	721
Lack of capital	3,048
Unwise credits	278
Failures of others	273

Extravagance	87
Neglect	305
Competition	354
Specific conditions	1,766
Speculation	102
Fraud	1,007

Total \$9,973  
The "freezing out" process of the trusts which has driven thousands of small business concerns into bankruptcy, is probably termed "lack of capital," by the editors of Bard-streets.

The territorial debt of Arizona is \$2,700,000, of New Mexico \$1,100,000, and of Oklahoma \$527,000. The assessed valuation of these territories is: Arizona, \$68,000,000, New Mexico \$36,000,000 and Oklahoma \$75,000,000.

### CHILD MURDER.

To the average father or mother it seems absolutely incredible that any parent should wilfully desire to compass the death of its own offspring.

Yet the law courts tell a different tale, and only last week Justice Darling, from his seat on the bench at the Old Bailey, condemned the present system of child insurance.

In spite of all the strict legislation that has been attempted, and all the indignation that has been expressed, the evil remains—child murder, which defies the authorities, because it is carried out in so subtle a manner as to make it impossible to secure a conviction against the offender.

There are many degraded parents lost to all sense of humanity, who find that it pays to insure their children and then let them die.

It was because of these known facts, that the London county council instructed to its public control department the duty of seeing that the provisions of the infant life protection act are properly observed.

As to child insurance, the position is substantially what it was 12 years ago when a select committee of the house of lords inquired into the matter.

Some points of the evidence are worth recalling. Dr. Barwise, speaking of four years' experience as a parish doctor in Birmingham among the poorest classes of the people, said that after a while he was convinced that the chief anxiety of the parents was to see the child dead from the moment of its birth.

Dr. John Bransom, medical officer for Rotherham, said the people most given to insuring their children were the dissolute, the degraded and the drunken; and they looked to death as the natural sequence of insurance.

Dr. Barry, speaking of the time when he practiced in the poorest districts of Hartfordshire, said the law did not get hold of five per cent of the cases of child neglect resulting in death, and Dr. Hodson bluntly declared that child insurance was simply a premium for child-murder.

But of all the testimony as to the evils encouraged in evil minds by the insurance of children, the most striking was that of J. J. Ritchie, medical officer for Leek. A local burial society discontinued insuring the lives of children under one year of age. Within a year the infant mortality dropped from 156 per 1000 to 109. Then several large insurance companies invaded the town, and the death of infants went up first to 170 per 1000 and then to 186—against a rate of 147 for the whole of England and Wales.

And why, in the face of all the testimony, were there not more prosecutions against the offending parents? The replies to this question, although varying with different districts, told the same dreary tale of the hopelessness of securing convictions. However strong may be his suspicions, it is impossible for a doctor who only sees the child at the point of death to swear whether it faded away because it was physically unable to assimilate its food or because it did not have the food to assimilate.

Neighbors will not give evidence against each other; juries, in the absence of direct proof, will not convict. If a doctor forces a coroner's inquest he loses a good deal of valuable time, he becomes unpopular with patients, and the result is generally an acquittal. Taught by bitter experience—except in cases capable of incontrovertible proof—he follows the line of least resistance, and certifies the immediate cause of death, ignoring the criminal ill-treatment from which it may have sprung.

Of course the doctors did not have it all their own way. There are multitudes of poor parents who insure their children from pure motive of thrift—parents whose care and affection for their offspring are as constant as those of anybody in the land. Mr. Dewey of the Prudential Assurance Society calculated that the children of the working classes of the country numbered 5,000,000, and of those over 4,000,000 were insured.

But a tiny residuum of infants is still murdered year by year, an annual sacrifice at the shrines of greed, ignorance and indifference.—W. R. Hill, in London Express.

### F. X. MATHIEU, PIONEER.

The Oregon of 60 years ago was a wilderness. It seems strange that a person is alive who viewed it as such, and that while of mature age. Hon. F. X. Mathieu of Champezo, visited the senate at Salem yesterday morning and was introduced by Senator Croisan. Mr. Mathieu is the only survivor of the 52, who at the famous "Wolf meeting," held at Champezo, Marion county, May 2, 1842, voted to make Oregon American territory. Mr. Mathieu, though nearly 90 years old, is still hale and hearty. He viewed the work of the senate and later of the joint convention with a great deal of interest, and was himself, the object of a great deal of interest—Eugene Guard.

### DECEIT OF KINGCRAFT.

Still following the flight of the sanguinary angel of war, we are taken to the Balkans, whence come ugly rumors of the mobilization of troops by Turkey, Austria and Russia, and report of a probable Macedonian uprising.

But these exciting reports, apparently inspired by European state departments, seem less to forebode a Balkan war than some secret movement of the continental powers for which rumors of Balkan difficulties are a mask.—Louis Post & Republic.

Bishop Quigley, of Buffalo, Thursday forwarded to Rome his formal acceptance of the appointment as archbishop of Chicago.

## RHEUMATISM

Rubbing with liniments, blistering, the application of plasters; in fact anything that will produce counter-irritation, is good for external treatment of Rheumatism, but these simple remedies do not reach the seat of the disease nor touch the real cause, and relief is therefore only temporary.

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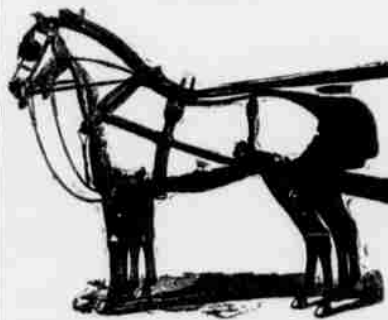
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