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THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 1903.

The Germans say there is a new disease in the world. They call it "Americanismus," and define it as "the incessant, exclusive and ruthless strife after property and wealth." A Berlin newspaper indicates its conception of the difference between the German idea and the American idea by declaring that "the German acquires in order to live; the North American lives in order to acquire."-Magazine.

#### ONE MISTAKE IN FAIR BILL.

It was a patriotic sentiment which suggested to the framers of the Lewis and Clark fair bill that the commission of the fair should serve without pay. But was it good business management to ask the citizens who are to serve on that important board, to give their valuable services to the people at the expense of private affairs?

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To ask them to serve without pay, and yet neglect private business, alstituted to protect that people in their rights. The generations that this state, will deplore the shortsighted policy of their nineteenth century forefathers , who destroyed without rebuilding, the heritage that na- lie. ture gave them.

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### LIVING BY LABOR OF OTHERS.

The Evening Telegram, in a short cant City Ground," makes some per- nakedness of nature, the passions tinent remarks on assessment in gen- that throb in the sea and mountain. eral

It says that a great amount of Port- crowning work of his life. land city property which lies vacant rects the false impressions, describes in the midst of home building and particular places and persons and progress, is assessed at but one-fiftieth of the true value of the land. the fruits of other men's improvements. As property adjacent is improved and increased in price, the owners of vacant lots raise the prices to correspond

They do nothing toward the material progress of the locality; there capital is busy elsewhere, while the labor and improvement of other men is His intellect was splendid, constantly raising the value of their idle property. The vacant ground is assessed very low and the man who builds a home on a lot adjoining, and adds to the progress of the city, bears the burden

The editorial closes with the assertion that the vacant lot in the heart of the city should be taxed just about as high as that lot adjoining on which a modest cottage has been built.

This practice would certainly stimulate improvement. It would encourage building, progress, advancement and home making

If a man enjoys the labor of others most constantly for the next two in increased values that come to his years, seems unfair. The people of idle property through the industry of Oregon would not ask this sacrifice. his neighbor, it stands to reason that They are willing to pay for every le- the burden should increase with the gitimate service performed and the value; that the man who does not imlegislature miscalculated public sen- prove, yet who enjoys the benefits of it, should pay taxes in proportion to his benefits.

read a poem entitled "The Fourth in at the celebration in Pendle-Oregon.' ton. Of this poem, he says:

This poem was read on July 4th, 1896, at a celebration near the scene of the Whitman massacre. The story of Oregon, glowing with great deeds, drama and tragedy, surpasses anything in the history of the states, East or West, old or new. When the Brit-Ish lion came down from Canada and laid his paw upon Oregon, these bronzed ploneers gathered under the dripping firs and proclaimed that they were American citizens and not British subjects."

The closing stanza of this excellent coem, full of thrilling sentiment, pa triotic religion and the grand doctrine of liberty is as follows:

Yon bannered snow peaks point and plead

God's upward path. God's upward plan peace! God's everlasting creed

Of love and brotherhood of man! Thou mantled magistrates in white, Cive us his Light' Give us his light!"

The singer of the Sierras, crowned are to perpetuate the excellence of with glory and with years, sits looking across the blue Pacific, which has awakened so many of the deep inspirations of his life; the "white stairs of the Sierras," "jostling the stars," he "like battle tents," behind him. the Golden Gate is at his feet. One of the most wondrous careers of the West is his. He has seen human life in all its phases. His thought shows contact. Shows familiarity with the hest environment in literary circles; editorial comment on "Values of Va- it also reveals, at times, the awful

> His complete poetical works is volume, as the gathered into one He cormakes all the doubtful passages in former editions perfectly clear,

The volume is handsomely bound The owners of this vacant land enjoy highly illustrated and contains 330 pages, with preface, notes and descriptive pages. It is issued by Whittaker and Ray, of San Francisco,

#### AN UNFORTUNATE.

A man of great attainments, He made the people stare: But he had a sad expression And a melancholy air; His reasoning seldom wrong;

But his life a total failure 'Cause his stomach isn't strong.

He can buy himself a palace. He can fill it full of art; Posessing everything that charms

And minions chant his praises And chant them loud and long.

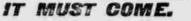
And still he isn't happy 'Cause his stomach isn't strong.

He doesn't care to see the sights Nor hear the music play His one ambition is to eat

Three solid meals per day, And so they speak in whispers

And hush the dinner gong, And walk on tip toe 'round him

'Cause his stomach isn's strong -Washington Star.



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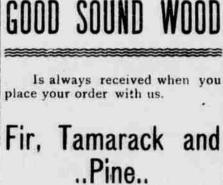
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timent when it imposed this "work without pay" burden upon the board.

So far as its operation has been observed this is the greatest mistake in the fair appropriation bill

While those members of the commission who accept, will work just fair just as great, without pay, as with it, yet it is unfair to ask of them so great a personal sacrifice.

#### SAVE OREGON'S FORESTS.

The statement is made by San Francisco papers that Oregon pine lumber in the rough, is now worth \$21 per thousand in that city. Six months ago the same lumber in that market was worth but \$12 per thousand and it may be said that this increase in price, represents the rapidity with which the resources of Oregon forests are passing away from the people.

Without some decisive action on the part of the national government, the forests of the Pacific Coast will be stripped from the mountains, with thousand can earn his bread by it. in the period of ten years. The rate at which lumber is being sent out account before venturing upon the of the state, and at which the destructive forest fires are denuding the line of preferment, either at the polls mountains, is alarming. Last year or at the White House, over \$4,000,000 worth of damage was done to Oregon forests by fire. The amount of lumber manufactured was one billion feet, valued at \$10,000,000.

The total value of the standing light. consumed by fire and removed by the lumber trade is increasing. In 1902 the value of forests thus remov- erature he says: "A great land withdecrease, with no systematic efforts thing to replenish forest areas, the present worse than spouseless. supply will last but eighteen years.

be but a beginning for the splendid ever been. She loved; and devoutly resources of the state. Yet the ruthless slaughter of that priceless treasure goes on, furiously.

What effort is being made to secure Psalms, What effort is being made to secure Failins. The Cedars of Lebanon and he future? What provision do we the Lillies of the Valley were the first and in the creed of today, for the afety of tomorrow? The great poet of the westmost land of ours, the ultimate the people will have need of for- sea bank, so like the olive-set Syrian the future? What provision do we find in the creed of today, for the safety of tomorrow?

ests in Oregon after the government shall have ended its extravagant practize of forest denudation.

The forest reservation must be in-

Portland can ill afford to suffer a three quarters of a million fire loss. on the eve of a phenominal era of building preparation for the fair. She as hard, and make the triumph of the must tax her energies to meet the extraordinary demand, and remember that progress never enjoys clear sailing. Every step in municipal life costs money and work. Eastern Oregon sends a message of cheer to Portland in her loss.

> The Telegram says from all indications the state of Washington is just now being "governed by grudges." Much better "grudges" than "grafts."

#### JOAQUIN MILLER ON POETS.

"Let me qualify everything I set down in his book," says Jouquin Miller, in the preface of the second edition of his complete political works. "by saying that the post's trade is the hardest of all trades in the world. His compensation is the poorest, his triumphs the fewest, not one in ten "Another thing to be taken into stormy seas of song, is that poets, like priests and preachers, are not in

"Born a rover, I have wandered farther perhaps than any other living man, for my poetry has opened all doors to me, and made travel a de-

. . .

Then I was paid immensely timber in the state is estimated at for my prose. If I had depended on \$250,000,000. Each year the amount my poetry, I should have stayed at home and half starved. Take care!"

Speaking of the foundations of lited was \$14,000,000. At this rate of out a great literature, were such possible, must be to the end

'Jerusalem is but a small place. You can cover her on the map of the Oregon is not yet at the prime of world with a pin point, yet she is her industrial life. Twenty years will more than all the Babylons that have the sublime and beautiful. loved From this adoration her poets were David wove this immortal born. mastery of love into the book of Psalms. The Cedars of Lebanon and

hills, will come when we too have learned to love and religiously love, the sublime and beautiful nature.

On July 4th, 1896, Joaquin Miller

As inevitable as the changing seasons of the year is the change which comes to just as one anticievery woman. And pates the changes of other seasons it is



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