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## A Good Investmen

The question is sometimes ask ed if property in Forest Grove and Washington County is a safe investment, and the bestassurance that the conservative investor could have that such is the case, and more fully so than in any other section, is a personal in vestigation of what other cities and sections have to offer in the way of an investment, and the greater the extent of such inves tigations, the more fully will the investor be convinced that such an investment is not only good
from the view of safety but one from the view of safety but one
which will yield splendid returns. which will yield splendid returns. The argument has been set forth that farm lands will not yield the farmer enough to pay him interest on his capital and ust returns for his labor. This is true where the farmer adopts a twenty or thirty dollars an acre method of farming on two or three hundred dollars an acre and. This is a day of progress ve farming, and the farmer who progressive methods, and the man who is so doing in Washing ton county is making
The soil of this particular sec tion of the north-west is capable of producing larger results and greater variety of products than any place of similar area that can be found, bo its value and capa inslized and as the farmer to be more as to what Weashingto more as what Whingto county soil will and does produce, of furthering this production, the more will be expected of it the the more accomplished for methods will be constantly discov red and old ones improved upn, which will enable him to ob tain still better results yielding bigger returns.
Under such methods the qual ity of the soil improves rathe than deterorates, for the method that detracts from the value of soil is not a success, consequent ly with the quality of land and the earning capacity of the same increased, its value must increase in a comparative ratio, and any one who will take the trouble to inveatigate farm conditions of with ten years ago, will find that the increased earning capacity has kept pace, w
crease in value.

With the success and value of our surrounding country of our surrounding cent rest what surer foundation could city rest? All cities are depend city rest? All cities are depend for life. Some are dependion ent community, we will stop all that upon-mines, other factories, or by putting out more paper dollars ish; but the eity who a time ilour graft is defeated and thesed ish; but the eity whose growth is graft, is deleated and then at backed by a large and prosper- vances, and let business assume backed by a large and prosperous agricultural district, and in
this respect Forest Grove is un surpassed by any city of the such a growth than is sure, gain- without
ing impetus each year. We are justice. favored in addition by every requirement for a splendid City, and no one can show any good
and sufficient reason why the and sufficient reason why the
dreams of the most 'sangune as dreams of the most sangune as
to the future of Forest Grove to the future of Forest should not be realized
Then with all in the favor of our County and City, with their future growth and prosperity as sured by the past, the conditions
of the present and the outlook of the future, what safer investment could be made than in Forest Grove or Washington County realty?

No Longer a Measure of Value
The old theory was that money was not only a medium of ex change, but a measure of values. When money was first used it xchanged what of value they could produce, for the amount of gold that men could in the same time wash from the streams, or the silver they could, by their crude means, obtain from the rocks. Those were values founded on labor. So when, later, a cer ain weight of gold represented he value of an ox, and a certain veight of silver represented the value of a sheep, the same rule was clung to as nearly as men in rude age could cling to it
But as the centuries have fled, and men have become enlightened, and have made gold the world's exclusive money, while inventiot, and finished mechanics, and the world's industries have increased, until now the volume of work has multiplied a thousand fold over that of any other ge and half that work is performed by soulless, mindless and merciless machinery, and the gold itself has gravitated to a comparatively few hands, it has ceased to be of any fair measure
of value. This is seen all around us every day. We often see that when gold is measured by wheat ushel of the can with a bushels of the latter buy a dollar, when a month later, with no cold mave what the dealers in gold make, the poor man has to bushels of corn to obtain that dollar; when in truth the gold is no more needed and the wheat and corn are just as much needed as they were a month previous. It is not the province of a government to try to support its people, but it is the province of a government to protect its people, and most come when governments ought to declare by law that no substance on earth is fit to be named as a standard of values, ll of them being given to such o expedite exchange we will issue dollar stan and stamp upon it ples of the dollar, on which men may exchange their commodities, and when settlements are demanded in gold, we will exchange the gold for the paper on a fixed basis which will not change. Further we will destroy combines and corners and graft by keeping watch, and when arrangeeping
west. Our City's growth is one necessity, and public sentiment of mature years and has never indorses the idea of making it as
been of a boom nature and it is short as it can possibly be made been of a boom nature and it is short as it can possibly be made
such a growth than is sure, gain- without sacrificing the ends of
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$\qquad$ ends e live longer than we did 100 years ago. That's right. Never efore within our recollection did we live as long as we have durpresent generation
The President says that the war on the trusts must continue, and we all throw up our hats and cheer the sentiment. But in the meantime the trusts boost the cost of living higher and higher.

The oil deposits in Nigeria are said to be almost illimitable. If said to be almost illimitable. If oping the territory there is a certain American corporation that is very helpful in such matters.

Dr. Wiley says that people live longer now than they used to live, and proves it by statistics. Without the statistics, some people would have been inclined to regard him as a crazy optimist.
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A writer in the Atlantic Monthly says that in glancing over four short poems in one magazine he saw the words "dunching," "planished," skelloch," "bever il," "strepitous" and "riffling." Then he talks of verbal monstrosities instead of giving the poets credit for their hard, conscientious efforts to do something truly great and original.

Edward Grieg, the Norwegian
Edward Grieg, the Norwegian composer, who died a short time ago, was to many critics and mu sicians the last of the great com posers of the nineteenth century It was the towering genius of Grieg and of the poet Ibsen, who died last year, and for whose "Peer Gynt" Grieg wrote the
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critic to say that intellectually, critic to say that intellectually,
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counts more than America with counts more than America with
its many millions. The comparits many millions. The compar-
ison is unpalatable, but it serves ison is unpalatable,
to show the artistic impression which Norway has made on the rest of the world.

## The Evolution of Booster Bill


on the gold coins is causing a pro test in some quarters, but it is ine whue that a gold coin makes

The newspapers have been making something of a hero out of a man who deserted from the army. Nevertheless deserting the colors is a pretty mean offence

By standing on a lofty peak of
ndividuality you are almost certain to become noticed.-Thief are likely to get awful but you -
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Your own life. Beal "Booster Bill."

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