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The state fair is not a Salem institution. It is a state institution. But, being located here, it benefits our city more than any other.

Some men have been down in the Willamette valley lately buying up calves and yearlings to ship to Montana, to turn onto the ranges there.

There is plenty of waste land here in the valley, and it ought to be all utilized. The calves and yearlings will grow as large here as in Montana.

And our farmers can afford to feed them. They can afford to feed grain to them. They can raise corn. And then there is more money in feeding wheat in the shape of chop to their cattle than in selling it at 50 to 60 cents a bushel.

FROM OREGON

No one will be distressed by the organization of a fruit canning trust in California. Very little California fruit comes from California nowadays.

A good deal of it comes from Oregon; though we regret to say that we shall have to defer to some of the other states this year, owing to the shortage of our crop.

A GREAT MARKET.

Of the world's annual yield of petroleum, amounting to 5,000,000,000 gallons, the United States produce half. These expansive items clinch the fact that this country would have made a great mistake if it had neglected its interests in the Pacific.

There is a great future market for American products in the countries bordering on the Pacific ocean. On this ocean, or in the countries drained into it, more than half of the people of all the world live.

A WOMAN FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY.

The case of Mrs. M. B. Abbott in Michigan raises a question of interest not only to the woman suffragists but to lawyers. Mrs. Abbott, who was admitted to the bar in June, 1885, was elected prosecuting attorney in November last.

There aren't one in fifty thousand who is a good nurse. The average man feels as much out of place in a sick-room as a bull must in a china-store.

make of their property a paying one, while turning to profitable account dormant resources, and thus contributing a great deal to the permanent wealth of their state.

THE QUEEN.

A Graphic Sketch of Her Majesty From the London Academy.

The rain had fallen. I arose, passed through the town, and into Hyde park. The drops still glistened on the tender green of the many trees, and as I walked the sun cast dancing lights on the sward.

SHAH OF PERSIA INSANE.

He is Said to Be Mentally and Physically Incapacitated to Rule.

According to reports from Tehran, the present shah, who has been on the throne only a little over three years, spends all his time in the palace amusing himself with telephones, and his intellect is believed to be impaired.

It is said he suffers from hallucinations and is no longer fit to rule. For years before he came to the throne it was reported that Muzaffar-ed-din was intellectually weak.

After Mr. Benjamin, our first minister to Turkey, returned home in 1885, he wrote a book in which he referred to this report, but he was of the opinion that if the crown prince, who was governor of an important province on the Russian frontier, gave the impression that he was weak-minded, he had purposes of his own for wishing to be thought mentally deficient.

However this may be, there was another report that he was very favorable to Russia's policy, which was to crowd British influence out of Persia as far as possible and to get all the trade and other concessions in that country she could induce the shah to give her.

The shah is the second son of the late shah and his elder brother is still alive and is a very active and able man of affairs. The throne would have been his birthright if he had not been the son of a plebeian woman, while his younger brother was the son of a lady of high birth and royal blood.

It was feared that when the succession came Zillj-Sultan, who is enormously wealthy and a man of high spirit and ambition, would contest the right of his brother to abrogate the natural rights of the elder son. For this reason he was forbidden to maintain a separate army in the province he governed or to import arms.

None the less, it was feared there would be trouble, and it has been asserted that he would not have submitted if it had not been for the awful circumstances of his father's death and his seating of Muzaffar on the throne almost before it was known that the old shah had fallen by the hand of an assassin.

The present shah is 46 years old, and his oldest son, the heir apparent, is 27 years of age. All the rulers of Persia amass enormous fortunes, as might be expected from the fact that the entire revenues of the country are at their disposal.

The fortune of the present occupant of the throne is reported to amount to about \$30,000,000, a considerable part of which, however, is represented by the crown jewels.

DEMOCRACY TRIUMPHANT

Lincoln's life is democracy triumphant, incarnate in one personality. In his life you find democracy—you find its blessing and its mission.

SIX STATES TO VOTE.

Gubernatorial Contests Set for This Fall.

Maryland and Ohio Are Uncertain—Iowa and Massachusetts Will Be Republican, Kentucky and Mississippi Probably Democratic.

There will be four notable elections for governor in November, in Maryland and Kentucky among the border states, and in Iowa and Ohio among the Western states.

The term of the governor of Iowa is two years, in Kentucky four years. There is very little doubt among persons familiar with the existing political conditions in the Hawkeye state of the success of the republican nominees for governor and lieutenant governor.

Whatever likelihood of success for the republicans in Iowa or for the democrats in Kentucky may be conceded, the battle over the governorship of Maryland is no sure thing for either side.

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In the first place, Maryland has now an honest election law, whereby wholesale frauds upon the franchise, especially in the city of Baltimore, are rendered difficult, if not impossible.

Mr. Gorran was not only one of the most successful and influential of democratic leaders, but also intimately familiar with the ways and subterfuges of political life in Washington.

In addition to a governor Maryland will in November choose a comptroller and attorney general, as well as legislators and the members of the house of delegates elected in 1896 will vote for a state treasurer in place of Thomas J. Shroyock, whose term expires in February.

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ODD CASE OF UNBROKEN TIES.

A remarkable case of unbroken family ties was revealed at an informal celebration of the 50th wedding anniversary of Christian G. Brobst and his wife, of Knoxville, Iowa.

of his availability as a candidate, the statement is made that an honest election law has been placed on the statute books for the first time.

The Ohio state election is for governor, lieutenant governor, treasurer and attorney general, and under ordinary circumstances and normal political conditions Ohio is a republican state, and a democratic nomination to the governorship is practically a very little account, except from the fact that Ohio is one of the few remaining states which habitually elect a governor in an off year, thereby giving the minority party (which is the democratic party in Ohio) an advantage which it does not generally enjoy elsewhere in the North.

The electoral votes of Ohio have been cast uniformly for the presidential nominees of the republican party since its establishment. Yet, notwithstanding these facts, there is a vigorous contest this year, as heretofore, for the democratic nomination of Ohio.

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EXPERIENCE.

The world was made when a man was born. He must taste for himself the forbidden springs. He can never take warning from old-fashioned things.

And so he goes on till the world grows old; Till his tongue has grown cautious, his heart has grown cold; Till the smile leaves his mouth and the ring leaves his laugh.

THE FIRST SUNDAY PAPER.

It Was Issued in Egypt Hundreds of Years Ago.

In ancient times, before the printing press was invented, and, in fact, before paper came into use, Sunday was the favorite day for the dissemination of news by means of wax tablets and sheets of papyrus.

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Proclamations of victory were issued Sundays. The people were likewise exhorted on that day to pray for rain or for the annihilation of their enemies.

As these ancient manuscripts through the passage of time have acquired a faded orange tint they have been described as the earliest specimens of "yellow journalism."

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