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Some months ago the Statesman expressed something like the above senboth feet, called us all kinds of hard of all property, and against community, state or Government ownership or operation. The Statesman believes that that government governs best which governs least. It believes in the individual, the unit. It is opposed to Socialism in every form. It believes in larger opportunities for individuals, and constantly larger opportunities; and greater equality of opportunity. This will make every citizen an independent unit of the Government, This is the strongest and best kind of Government on earth, made up of educated and property holding and home loving and patriotic individuals, each with a stake in the prosperity of the country and the perpetuity of its free institu-

### SOLID SOUTH NOT SO SOLID.

The following from the Mobile, Alabama, Register, one of the solid newspapers of the "Solid South," is an interesting argument and confession:

The Kansas City Journal is cocksure that the South has no man of sufficient greatness or sufficient popularity to make him prominently strong all over the country. A very little thought on the subject would cause the Journal to regise its judgment. It is not safe to dogmatize. The career of Mr. Bryan or of Mr. Roosevelt is enough to show that "sufficient popularity" is close upon the heels of almost any man of ability. This idea of running a Southern man line not been tried. It is not wise to declare in advance that there is no material available. The Journal is technically right, however, in saying that as long as the South is "safe" for one party its political wishes will be disregarded; but the Journal has overlooked the changes going on in the South. We have at least one Southern state that



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that solid cement which has held the with these cases. South 'solld' and 'safe.' It is a poor prophet who foretells the future without taking these things into account," tion:

### THE MANHUNT.

Underwood, the alleged child slayer, was located and captured by his campfire. Convinced that the fugitive was somwhere within a certain area, Sheriff Cudihee climbed a tall mountain which commanded a broad expanse of forest and tideland, and scanned the country with his field glasses. he detected a telltale wisp of blue smoke rising from the dark forest. This was surrounded by his posse, and the capture of the unarmed and exhausted youth was comparatively easy. says the Spokane Spokesman-Review editorially.

But the fugitive Oregon convicts are too cunning to offer this advantage to their pursuers. They have found it safer to raid isolated farmhouses and cook their captured food on the ranchers' stoves. At one place they remained long enough to prepare' several ful question of fact submitted by the pounds of bacon, sufficient food under preesure to serve them for days.

There is a limit, though, to the success of these daring tactics. Even in mid-summer, the nights in the deep, damp forest of Western Oregon and Washington will chill one to the marrow. Underwood complained that he could not keep warm at night, even when sleeping by a campfire, and it is certain that the Oregon convicts have suffered from cold and are yielding to the importers and practically holding the long strain of excitement and hardship. This fact counts in favor of the pursuing posse, whose members are divided into relief parties.

On the other hand, the convicts have the distinct advantage of the almost perfect cover afforded by the dense woods in which they have been hiding. One who has not crufsed through these Western forest can have slight conception of their jungle nature. In places the bottom lands are an almost impenetrable tangle of vine maple, alder, salai bushes, thimble berry bushes and "devil's walking stick." Concealed in such a covert, the desperadoes, with their proved skill as marksmen, could kill a dozen men before they could by taken.

'Tis an easy matter, from pleasant timent, whereupon the National organ fireside or comfortable office, to declare of the Socialists, printed in the windy that the posse ought to walk in and state of Kansas, jumped onto us with capture the thugs without further nonsense; but undisciplined men are chary names and accused us of being tied up about charging into a hidden battery to the trusts, etc. The Statesman at of that character, particularly when rethat time had expressed itself is favor great principle is involved. Most men of individua' ownership and operation would behave, under like circumstances- substantially as the posse has be

### THE JAPANESE SILK FRAUDS.

(American Economist, June 20.) In August of last year the United States Appraiser at the port of New York reported to Collector Bidwell certain frauds of a startling nature in connection with the importation of Japanese silks. The public press has given a great deal of attention to these cases, especially in view of the extent of the frauds complained of and in view of the action of the Government officials who have had to do with these cases. Every branch of the customs service, excepting the United States Appraiser at New York, ruled that there was no cause of action, but in January of this year President Roosevelt directed the appointment of a deputy assistant attorney-general to review the action of all departments in connection with these cases. The formal report of Mr. W. Wicksham Smith, acting as deputy assistant attorney general, has not yet been filed with the Attorney-General, but his investigations resulted in the arrest on criminal charges of two members of the firm of A. S. Rosenthal & Co. last week, which indicates that the rulings of the Treasury Department and its subordinate divisions under Ex-Secretary Gage were decidedly erroneous.

The American Economist is just as much interested in good administration as in good laws, and we find in these cases an administrative lesson which should have the careful consideration of the present Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. Shaw, and of the President. That frauds of a startling character existed in these cases we assert without fear of contradiction, and that every customs official, including Ex-Secretary Gage, ruled in favor of the importers, excepting the United States Appraiser at New York, is a matter of official record. The two members of the firm referred to above arrested on criminal charges have been released under \$60,000 bail, and it is now asserted that civil action will be begun for the recovery of large sums out of which the Government was defrauded. Nearly all the great importers of the United States were practically driven out of importing Japanese silks, excepting Rosenthal & Co.

First. Violation of our tariff laws. Second. Loss of revenue.

Third. Collusion of customs officials. Fourth. Honest competition by hon-

est importers destroyed.

ould be in the doubtful column under upon every official who failed to do his the fact that this state furnished the ordinary conditions; and another that duty, and in the courts the importers only white spot in all the great counis so closely allied with the Republic- will have their hearing. If customs of ry west of the Missouri river, spotless ans on the tariff that not much of a scials will go so far as they have in and clean from the taint of Bryanism, wrench would be required to pull it out these cases to defend those who were after the election of 1896. Who shall of the "safe" class. Several of the defrauding the revenue, it is time for the man be? Southern states have adopted consti- the administration to summarily retutions that have freed the whites move every official who is proved by from the fear of "negro domination"- the record to have been identified or of having the largest poultry paper

> Former Appraiser Wakeman makes the following statement for publica- the former, at least, in point of volume

"I wish to congratulate the admin istration and every one identified with the recent development in connection with the Japanese silk frauds. This investigation was inaugurated by me in August, 1901. The cases, are now in ape, through the searching and exhaustive investigation of W. Wickham Smith, Special Deputy Assistant Attorney-General, that they will have proper attention, but naturally I turn to those Government officials who were responsible for failure in these cases and the lack of prosecution when they were first reported by me in August

"In endeavoring to discharge my duty as United States Appraiser, in accordance with the law and regulations I found my efforts blocked in every direction by certain Government officers who are named as follows:

"First-By the action of Assistant Appraiser Sherwood and Examiner

"Second-By the action of the Collector's office, "Third by the decision of the Solicit-

or of the Treasury, based on the doubt-Collector's office. "Fourth-By the opinion and attitude of United States District Attorney

"Fifth-By the decision of General Appraiser Sharretts. "Sixth-By the failure of Assistant

Secretary Spaulding and ex-Secretary Gage to give me departmental sup-"Seventh-By the decision of the Treasury Department on the report of Supervising Special Agent Chance and

Special Employee Johnson exonerating

them blameless for any wrongdoing.

### MUCH ENTERTAINMENT.

Throughout the day numbers of royal personages have been arriving from the Continent. They were met at the railroad stations by royal carriages and guards of honor, and were escorted to the official residences as signed to them. Consequently plenty of entertainment was provided for the crowds of sightseers filling the streets,"

The above is an excerpt from the cablegram sent yesterday from London telling of the opening of coronation week, the festivities to be wound up on Saturday. "Plenty of entertainment" is good. All the people attending the festivities need to give them "entertainment" is a sight of royalty, no matter how undeserving of applause, and not much matter of what color. lated to make the average American smile-for he does not believe a royal for the discipline of the prison. person is any better than the average man or woman, unless he or she has proved himself to be better by the exhibition of better manners, superior intelligence or extraordinary kindness of heart. But it will take a long time for Englishmen and Europeans to get over their notions of the divinity that hedges about a king or of the superiority that a title confers.

The Oregon Supreme Court is now only about a year behind in its work It has not been long since the work was behind two years. Several things have contributed to the improved condition, but mainly two things. One of these is the fact that the Justices are provided with stenographers. The decisions that were formerly laboriously written out by hand are now dictated to the stenographers and by them put in typewritten form. The other is the fact that there is not as much new litigation as there was a few years ago. During the "hard times" from 1893 to 1897 there was a rush of appeal cases, so much of a rush that the court necessarily fell behind in its work, and there was no relief until the Legislature furnished the stenographers. It is predicted that within a year or so the court will be up with its work, a condition that has not existed for a long time, but one that will be especially pleasing to the people who have business there. There is not a harder worked body of men in the state than these three Justices of the Supreme Court.

Hereafter when a woman desires to board a street car or alight therefrom, any worry." on any of the lines in New York City, she will receive more courteous treatment at the hands of the conductors. A recent order of the companies' superintendents makes it compulsory for the conductors to assist in every possible way towards the convenience of the women passengers. Heretofore the custom has been to let a female passenger climb on and get off a car the best way she could, and if she happened to be accompanied by a child her task was still harder. Also instead of passengers being told in a gruff manner to "move up" when standing in the aisle they will be requested to do so in a polite and gentlemanly style. A rule of that sort wouldn't be amiss on ome of the ear lines this side of the Rocky Mountains.

It is reported from Washington that The following elements enter into President Roosevelt inclines strongly to the idea of having a strong man from the Pacific coast for his running mate in 1904. This being the case, why should Oregon not supply the strong man for Vice President? She can do it. And Oregon is entitled to the place in his spare time inventing a system of The administration can lay its hand for several reasons, among them being wordless conversation.

Salem now has the unquestioned honon this coast, as well as the largest farm paper, in point of circulation, and of advertising business. The business of these papers extends all over the Northwest and into Northern California, Utah, and, in fact, all over the country. These papers, the Northwest Poultry Journal (until now the Oregon Poultry Journal) and the Pacific Homestead, are published out of the Statesman building.

That model irrigated farm which Colorado proposes to contribute to the St. Louis World's Fair ought to be one of the most interesting sights in that great exposition. Irrigation on a national scale has just been enacted, and it will be under way before the Fair of 1904 opens. The whole country will be interested in that subject, but, of course, only a small part of the country can see it in practical work. This exhibit cannot fall to attract great attention.-St. Louis Globe-Dem-

The Southern Pacific Railroad Company is to double the forest patrol service of last year-that is, twice as many men as last year will attempt to keep the valuable timber lands of the railroad company free from fires during the dry season. Timber in this state is becoming more and more valuable, and it is a good thing for all the people that greater efforts are being put forth on every hand to preserve the forests for present and future needs and wealth.

Governor Jefferson Davis of Arkansas has had two notable incidents in his life of late. A church has by unanimous vote expelled him for getting drunk on several occasions, while the Democratic State Convention has unanimously renominated him for Governor-perhaps for the same reason .-Exchange. The church has since reinstated the Governor; perhaps for a different reason.

The action of the Governor in pardoning Convict Ingram will be generally approved. His deed deserved this reward, and he may yet become a useful citizen.—Evening Telegram, Portland. Quite true. And it would have been the proper thing to do anyway, for the discipline of the prison. These goings-on over there are calcu- The capturing or killing of Tracy and famili will be another excellent thin

> The Salem superintendent of streets is doing some good work. Just now he is having put in several cement cross walks, to take the place of old wooden walks. The new walks are more lasting than the old, and they are infinitely more comfortable for the public, to say nothing of making a better appearance.

> We can no longer ship army mules to South Africa, but a trade for American flour has developed there, and the mills of the Northwest are already supplying it by the ship load. So the profits of peace, for the Northwest at least, may be greater than the profits of war.

Statistics of judicial proceedings in Great Britain recently presented in a parliamentary report show that during the year 1900 there was an average of one lawsuit for every twenty-five persons in the kingdom. Evidently that is a great country for lawyers.

Mr. Bryan had a strong "kick" coming when he was invited to a Tilden! banquet and was not placed on the program for a speech. The Nebraskan would sooner talk than eat any day. He can scarcely be blamed, under the circumstances, for refusing to attend.

Says the San Jose Mercury: "In view of the fact that cherries are bringing \$1.50 per box in the Chicago market and the crop in this valley is too large to pick, the increase in the price of diamonds is not causing the fruit growers

The convicts who escaped from the Salem Penitentiary seem to be inclined to take an extended vacation .-San Jose Mercury. It they get in range of the guns of some of their pursuers it will be a very much extended vaca-

The electric storm in Chicago Sunday night demolished a church as well as frightenening the people, but it will probably take a stronger hint than this to cause the Windy City to change its manners.-Exchange.

An exchange thinks the struggle over Cuban reciprocity in Congress promises to create more worry for the American people than the war that freed the island from Spanish domination, President Palma is finding out al-

ready that the Government of a Spanish-American republic is quite different from the management of an exporting house in New York. General Miles is apparently putting

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### PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

The "half-way" house having been burned to the ground, the people over there who have been its patrons will now have to come the whole way.

... All of the farmers excepting those who had a little clover hay out were congratulating themselves yesterday over the fact that the campmeeting in Turner was in session-and it rained. And some of those who had clover hay out were happy, too.

Yesterday was evidently not their busy day for the escaped convicts. They were evidently taking a day off.

The hospitals have been full of typhold fever cases. And still we have no health officer.

A Texas Indian who had been whipped by his mother-in-law killed himself. It is explained by wire that this is an unusual case.

The hop men are feeling firstrate. The prospect for a good yield of fine hops is fair, and the price is now higher for hops of the best-quality than it has been for several years .-Postland Evening Telegram. That is, for several years at this time of year,

Salem's Fourth of July celebration is going to be a hummer and no mistake. The eagle will scream louder than ever before in the Capital City, and more musically to boot.

The Portland fire of Saturday night last was quite plainly seen from Sa-This makes the two cities seem lem. close together, a fact that ought to be appreciated by the people of the me-

Claus Spreckles is to establish a wireless cable system between Cali- the proper thing to start a subscripfornia and Hawali, if the experiments tion for the family of S. R. T. Jones? prove successful. Then the wild waves I wish to say to the public that I am will say something of value to Mr. not in need. While my husband did

England's King will occupy the first page of the American newspapers for a week. He will get several hundred thousand dollars' worth of advertising free of cost.

### TO HELP MINEWORKERS

WEST VIRGINIA STRIKERS RE-CEIVE AID FROM NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., June 22 .unds are being sent from the National eadquarters of the Mineworkers, in Indianapolis, to furnish provisions fo the striking miners and their families in West Virginia, Secretary Wilson says three carloads of food are being in that city on Sunday night. She sent daily from Cincinnati to the a school teacher and was a cousin strike district.

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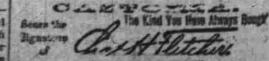
Karl's Clover Root Ten corrects the Stomack

FAMILY OF THE MURDERED PRIS-ON GUARD DOES NOT DE-SIRE A SUBSCRIPTION.

Editor Statesman: 1 学生中华 Noticing in your paper of last Friday, an item saying "would it not be not leave enough for us to live in luxury, we have enough to keep the wolf from the door and money by subscripcion would not be thought of by me.

But, through the short-sightedness of the Legislature in not providing sufficient guards at the Penkentlary three. women are deprived of their support, and the loving care of a husband. Our homes are sadly wrecked, there is a vacancy at our fireside, and an aching heart that money can never ease.

MRS. S. R. T. JONES. Salem, On. June 23, 1902.



Miss Bertha Jones, of Albany, died G. W. and C. H. Jones, of this city.