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The S'atesman has been established for nearly flip-two years, and it has some subscribers who have received it nearly that long, and many who have read it for a generation. Some of these object to having the paper discontinued at the time of expiration of their subscriptions. For the benefit of these and for other reasons we have concluded to discontinue sub-criptions only when natified to do so. All persons paying when subscribing, or paying in advance, will have the benefit of the dollar rase. But if they do not pay for six months, the rate will be \$1.25 a year. Hereafter we will send the paper to all responsible persons who order it, though they may not send the money, with the understanding that they are to pay \$1.25 a year, in case they let the subscription account run over six mouths. In order that there may be no misun dermanding, we will keep this notice standing at this place in the paper.

CIRCULATION (SWORN) OVER 4000



NO PERPETUAL DEST.

Secretary Shaw in his annual report calls attention to a well known defect in our currency and banking system. This is, in brief, its lack of ability to and an exultation. They have found respond promptly to the needs of business for more currency at certain seaons, and as promptly to retire that currency when it is not needed.

On November 1, 1902, our virible stock of currency, including nickels and coppers in circulation and in cluding cash in the treasury, was \$2,631,417,714, divided as follows: Gold, \$1,220 672,772; silver, \$647,791,592; national notes, \$372,-477,016; bank notes, \$380,476,334. With an estimated population of 79,572,000 the currency stock per capita was \$33.07, and the currency in circulation was \$29.36 per capita.

With the possible exception of France, our currency stock per capita and in circulation is the largest in the world. We certainly have enough money, taking one season with another. Sometimes we appear to have too much currency. But at other times we have not enough. Lither condition is detrimental to business stability.

During certain months of the year, says Secretary Shaw of our currency conservative in word and deed. supply, "interest rates dropped dan- The West knows a man when i gerously low-dangerous in the sense that speculation was invited chereby. When the time arrived for moving the matime the price of Government Abraham Lincolnbonds rendered the maintenance of National bank circulation unprofitable and this class of currency was retired Sagacious , patient, dreading praise, with great rapidity."

Our very prosperity, in fact, tends to contract our currency at the precise times when it should expand to meet business needs. For as interest rates rise so do Government bonds, for these are the securities on which money can be borrowed when all others are fefused. But as bonds rise the bank notes issued against them become unprofitable, and are retired, thus contracting the currency when it should expand.

To meet these recurring demands for more currency several plans have been suggested. The "Greenbacker" or Populist plan was for the Government to issue more promises to pay. But of our present currency stock \$1,174,017,-885 is promises to pay-National notes. bank notes, and 65 cents in each dollar of silver-all resting ultimately on credit. The people have set their faces against the Nation issuing more promissory notes of any kind. Therefore the Greenbacker-Populist plan need not be discussed.

Our currency stock is naturally increased by gold produced or finported, less gold consumed in the arts. It so increased in 1901 over \$54,000,000. But this method cannot promptly meet business needs. There remain, therefore, only two plans. "Either the Government debt must be perpetuated," as Secretary Shaw says, "as a basis for National bank circulation, or some other system must be provided."

Secretary Shaw favors some system by which the banks - will be enabled. when business needs more currency, to the privileges of becoming personally supply it by issuing notes based on interested in the election of themtheir credit or assets, thus converting selves to the Senate, or other similar fixed wealth into fluid capital. The office, and has been vindicated by various plans for doing this need not subsequent experience and present efbe discussed at this time. Yet it forts. would seem that some such plan will ultimately have to be adopted. For the American people are certainly opposed to a perpetual National debt.

The American rule from the beginand never to regard them as a perpet- triffing thing, but the Statesman preual charge upon posterity. We cer- dicts that a large majority of then tainly want and we certainly need a eatly about it we will get a currency both safe, as ours now is, and also elastic. But we want no eternal mortgage upon posterity. We want no perpetual debt.

AMONG MEN OF POWER.

"Many in New York" says the Chicaro Inter-Ocean's correspondent there

Difficult Digestion

That is dyspepsia.

It makes life miserable, Its sufferers eat not because they want to, -but simply because they must.

They know they are irritable and fretful;

bet they cannot be otherwise. They complain of a bad taste in the mouth a tenderness at the pit of the stomb, an uneasy feeling of puffy fulness, adache, heartburn and what not.

The effectual remedy, proved by perma-ent cures of thousands of severe cases, is Hood's Sarsaparilla

I Coughed

for many years. It deprived me of sleep and I grew very thin. I then tried Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, and was quickly cured."

R. N. Mann, Fall Mills, Tenn.

Sixty years of cures and such testimony as the above have taught us what Aver's Cherry Pectoral will do. We know it's the greatest cough remedy ever made. You will say so, too, after you try it.

Three sizes: 25c., 50c., \$1.00. Consult your doctor. If he says take it, then do as he says. If he tells you not to take it, then don't take it. He knows,

You will like Ayer's Pills also, irely vegetable, gently laxative. Keep the bowels regular. J. C. AYER CO., Lowell, Mass.

it a calm, well-reasoned state paper."

of power are now giving the President's message rather amusingly re-

any community ought to have known quarrel among the Kings of Europe. Some man in Portland informs the above all others.

and its pioneers-have known Roosevelt from the beginning. They have: known that he was never a shricker, years. sever a radical, but a typical American, highly progressive, and yet thoroughly

The West knows a man when it sees him. Perhaps the West has that powcrops rates advanced alarmingly high, sent to his mighty and tragic destiny

> The kindly-earnest, brave foreseeing Man.

not blame,

American. Whatever may have been the cause of the West's more prompt and accurate discernment, the men of power of the financial metropolis are to be congratulated upon at last discovering and knowing as he is their fellow townsman, Theodore Roosevelt.

A WISE PROVISION.

The Astoria News says "the point that a member of the Oregon Legislature cannot, under the Oregon State Constitution, be elected United States Senator is something only tyros talk the election of Senators in four States about."

To be sure this can be done, but cannot be done without directly violating the State Constitution, which, let us quote again, says: "No Senator or Representative shall, during the time for which he may have been elected, be eligible to any office, the election to which is vested in the fegislative Assembly."

Certainly no one presumes to say that the framers of our Constitution did not know that the Constitution of the United States is the higher law, but nevertheless, they did say in plain words that no member of the Legislature of Oregon should be elected to the United States Senate without specific instructions received from the people of Oregon.

The beneficial effect of this provis ion was foreseen, as a means of depriving Members of the Legislature of

Of course, the member who can cast the popular vote for U. S. Senator aside as a thing of no consequence to him, can with the same ease of conscience take an oath to support the ning has been to pay our public debts above clause in our State Constituas rapidly as possible or convenient, tion and trampling it under foot as a will refuse to be thus used by the polimore elastic currency. If we set earn- ticians as against the Constitution and the people.

> More Salem merchants are finding out the advantages of advertising he the Twice-a-Week Statesman, which issues each Tuesday and Friday over 1,000 copies. That is one of the reasons why more people are coming here from a distance to trade. It is a good thing to have the goods-the bething. The next best thing is to I it be known. It pays to do so. Ever those who do not spend any money In advertising benefit from the enterprise of these who do.

HUMAN LIFE HAS RISEN IN VALUE.

When a boiler blows up or a hotel ourns out in any part of this country and people are killed or injured in the accident, the names of the dead and

skirmish is won or lost, the names of S. F. Bulletin. those that fell, though they be only | Oregon objects to being put in the event gets a few lines in the papers. in Oregon. Even the deaths in bed of ordinary mortals from ordinary allments are deemed worthy of public notice, as the long obituary columns bear wit. During the four years' term of T. N ness.

Exactly two centuries plus two years pointed agents by the Governor. left all his vast Empire to the grand- which had come to the state through ago a worthless Spanish King died and son of Louis XIV, King of France, The foreclosure of mortgages might be sold his personal property, and his subjects ducible school fund, the office of Stat Spanish King regarded his Empire as as his chattels. The will transferred Land Agent was continued. lands, cities, palaces, people, cattle and all other possessions of the royal dotexpected that President Roosevelt ard, Charles H, to the unbearded for to, the Land Agent gave public notice would write his message at the top of eign perice. The people acquiesced in would write his message at the top of e.gn prince. The proceed that for a few hould be a shriek this transfer, but the other Kings of lection of lieu lands would be tempor-Europe, jealous of France's ascendt a calm, well-reasoned state paper." Europe, jealous of France's ascend-The praise which New York's men ancy, tried to prevent by force this During this period several requests For Theodore Roosevelt is New York seives, but France had grown too great, main office, they were all denied. City born and bred. His whole public so they went to war about it. For One of these men to whom the reknow Theodore Roosevelt as he is-if property was destroyed in this private on a special privilege. him as he is-it is New York City We may be sure that nobody took the public that he knows that what the trouble to send to Paris or London or distinguished citizen of Mehama was The Middle West and the farther Vienna the names of the common peo- told to write, is so.

Think of the thousands of dark years wherefore. during which the people were treated Eke brute beasts, were whipped, starveq, tortured, killed at the whim or pleasure of their masters. Think of The enrollment in Salem's public er because it produced, honored, and the poor slaves building the Pyramids schools is already greater by sixty-five to immortalize the memory of Kings than the total for last year. The whose names they scarcely knew and schools here are in very good shape, who, by some poetic justice, are almost and vigorous and faithful work is beas deeply buried in oblivion as the ing done. There is one teacher less in n canest, naked laborer that helped to number than four years ago, yet the New birth of our new soil, the First lay the stones of these colossal monu- work accomplished has never before

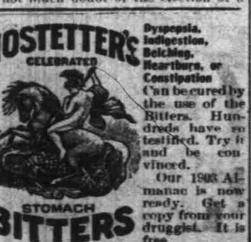
Slowly, surely, the value of human nan of the common people is now would kill a cur.

SENATORIAL DEADLOCK.

There are likely to be deadlocks in Delaware, Colorado, Oregon and Kansas. California has been named is in the choice of Republicans. But, as the time approaches for the Legislature to meet, the opposition to Senator Perkins fades away. Delaware is the storm center this year as in sever-Legislature twenty-one Addicks Republicans, nine regular Republicans specially gifted individuals, is one vacancy caused by a tie vote. tion. Of course, it is possible for the two Republican factions to come together, suspicion. The most natural way out of the corner is for the regular Relar Republican and one Democrat.

In Colorado the Democrats have fiflicens forty-seven, on the face of the returns. But the Republicans control Democrats are contested. But if vacencies enough are created to give the Republicans a majority on joint ballot, the Senate may decline to meet the house in joint session.

The possible deadlock in Oregon is the result rather of habit than of party disagreements. Secator Simon would like to succeed himself, but there are ether aspirahts. The election of a Republican is reasonably certain. There a not much doubt of the election of ;



graphed to every newspaper in the Republican in Kansuc, though it may and. So, too, whenever a battle or a be effected after a t-ial of strength-

privates, are cabled across the world deadlock column. No doubt Senator is and published in every quarter of the Simon "would like to .ucceed himself." United States. If a laborer falls into but he is probably not figuring on doa ditch in a city and breaks a leg. the ing so, for various reasons well known

COMPLAINTS BY PROXY.

Davenport as State Land Agent the The common people have not always lieu lands of the state were so nearly been treated with such consideration all selected that he advised the Legis-It is only within two hundred years lature of 1899 to abolish the office. If that simple manhood has gained a re. this had been done the scattering sespectable position for itself, says a lections which have been made since writer in the San Francisco Bulletin, would have devolved upon specially ap-

But that the hundreds of farms and the money recovered into the irre-

For a few months last summer, in order that the business of looking after these farms might be attended

world. Not that the other majesties were made of the Governor by differdent's message rather amusingly re- world. Not that the other majesties ent parties to appoint special agents calls the old saying that a prophet is disputed the Spaniard's right to will to make particular selections, but to not without honor save in his own away his kingdom into alien hands, be fair to everybody they were all de-They claimed similar rights for them- nied and to prevent confusion in the

career until he became President, save nine years the war of the Spanish quest for favoritism was denied, sends for really brief experience, in Washing- Succession was waged. Thousands of all the way to Mehama to employ a ton and in the army, was in the service the common people of France. En-distinguished citizen and writer of the of New York City and state. If any gland, Austria and The Netherlands Santiam to inform the public that his community has had opportunity to were killed and millions' worth of employer was not allowed to "butt in"

West-the men of the nation's heart the killed in that war. Louis XIV, the To all of which probably no one absolute monarch, who said truly could be found who would offer any "The State—that is f," is dead only 18: serious objection, but a Senatorial election is approaching, therefore, and

OUR SCHOOLS.

been up to the present standard.

It is good for a town to maintain the life has risen. The death of a poor best public schools possible. Good in various ways. In Baker City they something of which Governments take have voted a school tax of 20 mills, and netice. No more are the starved poor the total for school and city purposes tessed promiscuously into ditches is 50 mills. Yet Baker City is growing when they die. No more may Kings faster than any other town in the state and nobles murder a peasant as they of its size, or approaching its size There are three more teachers than last year, and yet the rooms are very much crowded.

This is not an argument for a high tax. The people of Salem pay eight mills for the maintenance of their schools. The directors are doing the best they can with the available fundsbut they might be able to make some as in the deadlock column, but the improvements if they could have a only point of controversy in this State little more leeway in financial affairs These betterments will come in time-Salem must stand by her public schools

NOT A BRILLIANT FINISH.

The end or the world has been al preceding years. There are two prophesied from time to time either by well developed factions in the Republi- religious enthusiasts who found their car party—the Addicks and the anti- authority for the dates they severally Addicks. There are in the present set for that tremendous event in the books of Daniel and Revelations, or by and twenty-one Democrats, about Mother Shipton, the source of whose whose titles there is no dispute. There oracular utterances was their intui-

Now, a German scientist, Dr. M. W. Meyer, has entered the lists of end-ofbut the attitude of all the members in the world seers. He has figured out respect to Addicks is so well defined the final catastrophe according to the that a change would be attended with most approved principles of mathematics, astronomy, physics and chemistry, and has published a book giving the publicans and the Democrats to aid net results of his calculations. Dr. each other in the election of one regu- Meyer is careful to avoid setting the exact day, hour and minute. Being no inspired Elljah on the one hand, or imty-three on joint ballot and the Repub- pudent Cagliostro on the other, Dr. Meyer sets up no claims to the infallibility of his reckoning. He frankly adthe House and the seats of several mits that he may be a few billions of years off one way or the other; but as to the certainty of the end of the world, and as to the manner in which the drop curtain is to descend, there can be among scientists, ne says, no reason-

Dr. Meyer carries his argmuet still further and extinguishes all the energy of the universe forever and ever. A of Oregon, on the one side, and the writer in the Anaconda Standard has summarized Dr. Meyer's arguments thus: You see it will come about in this way: Every planet that has a be made by themselfes or by others. It satellite will draw it to its bosom by is going to be a mighty one-eided game the force of gravitation. Slowly but surely we are drawing our own moon deride the popular vote, in which case toward us, and some day it will inevitably bump into us and become like a huge wart on the earth. There is no probability of the moon's doing this himself honorably famous by condemnany day this week; but as sure as ing the mayor and eleven aldermen of pumpkins the moon is drawing on the city to imprisonment for four inch or so earthwards every few mil- months for contempt of court. The eval years is the intimation from Jap-Hon years, and the ingenuity of man officials, in their eagerness to grant, a in that John Parrett is not sufficiently is powerless to stand the blamed thing franchise to the Denver City Tram- dignified for a United States Minister off. Every other manet that has a way Company, brushed aside a re- to that country. If he is not, in the



or later land them.

absorbed by the sun. Next a grand through with suspicious haste, and in series of collisions will occur between plain violation of the order of the the various suns, the bigger suns get- court, but against the protests of ting away with the smaller suns, with many citizens. It was singularly genthe final result that there will be one erous in its provisions, permitting the enormous sun, sole owner and propri- corporation to extend its lines along etor of the one and only solar system certain thoroughfares for twenty years of the universe. This sun will get tired and to charge during the entire life of of loafing around through space with the franchise a full five-cent fare. nothing doing and will begin to cool This, of course, prevented all possible

And so, growing in grandeur, but diminishing in number, the final catastrophe will come when there are no more suns to produce collisions, and that probably John Barrett will not be heat. One huge body, cooled to the appointed Minister to Japan on aczero of space, void of available energy, count of a mild but firm protest by the will mark the final outcome of cosmical Japanese Minister at Washingtonmotion, and the exhausted universe Barrett's lack of dignity is the alleged will run down like a clock. Sic transit ground for the objection. This filusgloria mundi et rerum omnium! Unless trates how hard it is to please. It has Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan is around at been less than one year since the pathe time to negotiate a resumption and pers all over the country were unmerfloat the solar system on a new bond cifully roasting "our John" on acissue, the outlook is indeed dark, dis- count of his tendency to magnify his mal and forbidding.

NO MORE "SERVANTS."

There will be no more "servants." I has been so decreed by the convention of the National Housewives' Association, which met in Chicago week before last, Housework from the kitchen to the garret is to be elevated to the dignity of a profession. There will be no such a thing as a "cook" or a "dishwasher" or a "house girl"-instead there will be a "mistress of cooking" and a "spinster of dishwashing" and a "doctress of general housework."

These are some of the titles that will by the new school of technology the Natinal Husewives' Assolation is to found. It was the idea of the mover of the new departure that the only way to solve the "help" problem was to insist that employes in every department of household work should have a technical education before being given a position; also that each one should have a diploma showing her to be possessed of the necessary requirements in her department. The idea caught on at once, and now the good women, composing the National Housewives' Association are going right ahead to found the school.

It isn't such a bad idea, either. The word "servant" as applied to house hold employes has a somewhat idisagreeable sound. One almost would rather be called a "hired girl," though that isn't so agreeable, either. No doubt it is the fear of being designated as the one or the other that has kept many a girl of good average intelligence from assuming such duties. Thoughtless people will use such terms now and then without regard to the effect upon the feelings of the party concerned. The new titles proposed may take the rough edge off the work so to speak, and not grate so hard on the sensibilities.

Many other improvements may come with the change. We are not prepared to say just what they all are at this time, but the possibilities are limitless. Among them may be mentioned the elimination of stray hairs from the food, less broken dishes and a few clean towels when one gets up in the morning.

AS TO "SACRIFICES."

With a wave of the hand that would appear to end the matter, as if spoken, by one with authority, the Astorian and he is not the man to see injustice remarks that Governor Geer's candi- done, or a violation of our time hondacy for the United Staes Senate "is ored doctrines. Nor are the American not worth considering"

Here is a law of the state, carefully tice and right he represents. prepared and amended on its passage through the Legislature in order that it might be perfected, and fully complied with in every particular, supplemented by the votes of 45,000 men opinion of one man on the other

The people are watching closely to see whether the next "sacrifice" is to unless the Legislature concludes to twentieth page. If you want to have something will probably drop later on. tion, you would better not put it off

wise drawing them on, and will sooner ance giving the use of the streets to the company for a term of twenty All the planets in turn will then be years. Not only was the bill jammed reduction until the expiration of the privilege.

> Yesterday's dispatches indicate importance. His growing dignity was going to be the cause of his undoing-Just where the Japanese standard of dignity is reached, and beyond when it is not safe to perambulate, is the question that will have to be submitted to international a sitration. Of course, neither General Williams nor General Beebe would dare approach the court of Siam. Let us stand from under.

> Some of the members of the Legislature at the coming session are discussing the provisiong of a proposed bill which will allow two or more school districts to consolidate, and to transport pupils residing more than two miles distant to the school house, or to board pupils residing beyond the two-mile limit at the district's expense. Or one district may make arrangements with an adjoining district to send its pupils to the latter, preserving its own organization, but have, ing no school, or none during certain months of the year. This is an age of consolidation and centralization, and this practice is carried on in many districts in the East. It would do no harm in Otegon, for no district would be obliged to adopt any of the provisions of the proposed law. It would be left a matter of choice with the districts.

Not content with her reputation as beer center, Milwaukee has developed a theologian who has taken to the pulpit to convince the city that there is no recognition in the Bible of a personal devil, and that the idea came, not from the Bible, but from Milton. The doctrine is a pleasing one and Milwaukee men are feeling much better over their beer than they ever felt before.

In certain Cuban circles all insular vils are finally traced to one sourcethe hated Spaniards. The Diario de la Marina, in its article on the strike, closes: "Those who caused it all, those to blame for all; always the same; the vagrants by profession; the distubers by disposition; the enemies of property and order. In one word, the Spaniards!"

Are not Germany and England getng dangerously near the violation of the Monroe Doctrine in the Venezuelan trouble? President Rogsevelt will probably look on with interest, people, whose power and sense of jus-

The Astorian remarks that Mr. Fulon has been sacrificing himself for many years for the benefit of his political friends. From which it is supposed that the genial politician from Astoria has some sort of a divine right to whatever office he wants.-Evening

Work on the big Naw Year Statessomething to say in this splendid editoo long. It will be too late on the Judge Mullins, of Denver, has made first of January, and in fact a few days before that date.

The biggest diplomatic joke of sev-