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A FINE EDITORIAL—THE 26TH
PSALM.

Judge me, O Lord; for I have
walked in mine integrity; I have trust-
ed also in the Lord; therefore I shall
not slide.

Examine me, O Lord, and prove to
me; and I have walked in thy truth.
For thy loving kindness is before
mine eyes; and I have walked in thy
truth.

I have not sat with vain persons,
neither will I go into with dissemblers.
I have hated the congregation of evil
doers; and will not sit with the
wicked.

I will wash my hands in innocence;
so will I compass thine altar, O Lord;
That I may publish with the voice
of thanksgiving and tell of all thy
wondrous works.

Lord, I have loved the habitation of
thy house, and the place where thine
honour dwelleth.

Gather not my soul with sinners, nor
my life with bloody men;

The meek will he guide in judgment;
and the meek will he teach his
way.

All the paths of the Lord are mercy
and truth unto such as keep his cove-
nant and his testimonies.

For thy name's sake, O Lord, pardon
mine iniquity; for it is great.

THE JOURNAL AND THE RECEIV-
ERSHIP.

The Journal has been universally
commended for its efforts to get the
Gilbert Bros. bank receivership closed
up in a creditable manner.

Its efforts have caused some feel-
ing, which is deeply regretted, but
there is no conscious or intentional
wrongdoing on its part.

It has exonerated by statement re-
peatedly all the parties from any dis-
honesty or collusion, and especially
the receiver.

THE RECEIVER SHOULD BE THE
LAST TO BE OFFENDED AT ANY
SUGGESTION TO PAY OFF THE
CREDITORS IN FULL, IF SUCH A
WAY CAN BE FOUND.

No one took the suggestion very
seriously, although it was made in good
faith, that Mr. Hush pay off the depos-
itors, and take the assets.

Why anyone should get angry at
such a proposition is hard to see. Mr.
Hush is able to do that, and never feel
the loss, and the effect would be good
all around.

This is the whole of our offending—
that a newspaper man of little means
should have the temerity to even sug-
gest such a course—is construed to
be an offence for which he should be
wiped out of existence.

The proposition that a very wealthy
man should pay a lot of people who
are poor, or very moderately well sup-
plied with this world's goods, WHAT
HE MAY NOT TECHNICALLY AND
LEGALLY OWE THEM, ought not of
fend anyone.

The Journal confesses to a feeling of
trepidation in referring to this matter,
but who is to say a word for the unfor-
tunate sufferers by the Gilbert bank
suspension, if a newspaper does not?

For this there is talk of threatening
the editor, his personal shortcomings
are dragged into the newspapers, as if
he had become a public malefactor, and
he is threatened with all kinds of evil.

We will all live through these peri-
ods of stress and storm, and we will
all stand on our general merits. As
the scriptures has it: "What one of
you by taking thought can add to his
stature?"

THE CHARACTER OF LINCOLN.

Lincoln's true character was found
ed in his long ancestry of pioneer and
home-building, backwoods parents.

Bankers' conventions and confer-
ences of trust managers never over-
looked Abraham Lincoln, for the very
simple reason that they find no points
of contact with the great soul of the
emancipator.

The human side of Lincoln was his

divine side. That he was unrefined in
his story telling, and loved to mingle
in a crowd of men of all walks, even
the commonest clodhoppers, proved
his real greatness.

That he belonged to no church, and
to no race, proves that with God he
was orthodox, and alien to nothing
that God had created in his wisdom.

The character of Lincoln is not
summed up in his success as a public
man, in his ability as a politician, or
even as a great statesman, but in his
being a man who sympathized with all
men, and especially those who were of
poor and humble origin like himself,
and he never forgot them.

STATE AND NATIONAL AID NE-
CESSARY.

Those who would hasten the coming
of the day when the roads of this
country shall be well graded and
macadamized, should put forth every
effort, at this time, to interest state
and national appropriation for the im-
provement of the roads.

Why should the farmer expect the
automobilist, the bicyclist, and the
teamster to pay for the improved
roads which skirt his property? Why
should the automobilist, the bicyclist
and the teamster expect the farmer
to build roads for their especial bene-
fit?

There are sound reasons why each
should help the other, but if the road
movement is to wait until those sound
reasons become convincing with
either class, the close of the present
century will find the roads of this
country far from being improved.

Rapid improvement of the road will
truly take place when the cost of the
improvement is paid out of a general
fund, be that general fund state or
national. All are benefitted by good
roads, all should contribute to their
coming.

State and national aid is a step in
the right direction, but the real pro-
gress will only be made when the
work is projected, constructed and
paid for either in whole or part by
state or nation, or both. Then will
the poverty of locality, the opposition
of the unreasonable and the niggard-
liness or the jealousies of individuals
no longer interfere with progress.

LIVING AT STATE INSTITUTIONS.

The life of officers and their fam-
ilies and of employees and attendants at
the state insane asylum, state prison,
and other state institutions is attend-
ed by many sacrifices.

While many seek those positions,
there are no great enjoyments con-
nected with them, as some seem to
imagine.

As the campaign approaches there
is the usual effort to make political
capital out of the way the institution
people live, and how much the state
does for them.

As a matter of fact, they earn all
they get, and the state does very much
less for them in the way of support
than many other states do.

If they seek to have some amuse-
ments, to break the dull monotony of
institution life, they are scored for ex-
travagance.

After election time is over these ac-
cusations are dropped and the per-
sons making them try often to get on
to the payroll.

Those who accuse the heads of state
expense would do the same thing
themselves, and put all their relatives
onto the payroll if they had the
chance.

For the honor of Oregon let it be
said there is at present less of this
sort of thing, and actually less nepo-
tism, than ever before in the history
of the state.

RURAL MAIL CARRIERS AND THE
NEWSPAPERS.

A case of fine official construction
with regard to the duties of rural
mail carriers concerning the delivery
of newspapers, says the Pittsburg
Dispatch, has produced a bill in

Congress to correct the latest hair-
splitting.

An order of the postmaster gen-
eral in 1901 authorized the carriers to
"act as news agents, sell news-
papers or periodicals on their own
account or accept or collect sub-
scriptions for the same," but if they
received the papers or periodicals
from other sources than the mails
they were required to pay postage on
them.

But in a late edition of the regula-
tions a rule is introduced that where
the carrier receives the bundle of
periodicals addressed to him, instead
of the subscriber, they cannot be
handled by him except on payment of
a rate three times as much as if they
were addressed individually.

This cuts the rural mail carrier out
of the slight addition to his income
authorized by the order of the post-
master-general on 1901, and hampers
both rural population and publisher
in the circulation of regular peri-
odicals.

A bill is to be introduced in con-
gress authorizing carriers to handle
papers on their routes, provided post-
age on the package received by them
has been prepaid. This will put the
matter back to the status authorized
by the original order. No good rea-
son has yet appeared why that should
not be done.

A FINE PLAN FOR COURT STREET.

A young man, Paul Wallace, has
made the suggestion that Court street
be parked from the center and
paved on each side.

That plan has great merit, in our
opinion, and should be investigated
by the committee on improving that
street.

That is the plan of improving the
finest boulevards in American and Eu-
ropean cities.

A twenty-foot strip through the center
of the street in grass and flower-
ing shrubs at proper distances would
make it an object of beauty.

Then with a twenty-foot roadway of
brick pavement on each side, there
would be twenty feet left for the gut-
ters and walks.

The twenty-foot park through the
center would be maintained under the
control of the city park board.

Certainly the property could stand
twenty feet of first class pavement of
brick or asphalt on each side.

Court street is too wide as it is—
wider than there is any demand for
traffic, and too wide to bear the ex-
pense.

GIVE THE GIRLS A CHANCE.

The Journal's newspaper rivals have
sought to distort an item in the sport-
ing columns of this paper into a fling
at the girls of the Monmouth basket
ball team.

There is no doubt but that they play
vigorous basketball, and the young
ladies are fair-minded enough to allow
a newspaper some latitude of expres-
sion.

The Journal is going to stand up for
the girls in a matter they are being
criticized for—dancing in the chapel
of the normal school.

That is being condemned as a great
impropriety by some, but the young
ladies ought to be commended for de-
siring those accomplishments.

Dancing is an accomplishment, and,
when properly conducted, is conducive
to good health and morals.

Something New.

In this issue of The Journal we be-
gin the publication of a series of
Golden Gate Coffee advertisements.

The advertising is new, but the ar-
ticle is the highest grade of coffee
produced by the old and popular
house of J. A. Folger & Co., San Fran-
cisco, and is the result of 54 years of
coffee experience.

Believing that Golden Gate would
please those who enjoy good coffee,
the firm arranged to call the attention
of every housewife in this city to it
through the columns of The Journal.

The order comes to us from the of-
fice of M. L. Hadley, the special adver-
tising agent, of San Francisco, with
whom it is said, that none but houses
of known integrity and reputation can
open an account.

Red Time.

I take a pleasant herb drink, the next
morning I feel bright and my com-
plexion is better. My doctor says it
acts gently on the stomach, liver and
kidneys, and is a pleasant laxative. It
is made of herbs, and is prepared as
easily as tea. It is called Lane's medi-
cine. All druggists sell it at 25c and
50c. Lane's Family Medicine
moves the bowels each day. If you
cannot get it, send for free samples.
Address, Orator Woodward, LeRoy,
N. Y.

"Portland and Return Only \$2.20."

The Southern Pacific is now selling
round trip tickets to Portland from
Salem for \$2.20, good going Saturday
or Sunday, returning Sunday and Mon-
day, giving all day Sunday and Mon-
day in Portland. The same arrange-
ment applies from Portland, giving all
Portland people a chance to visit val-
ley points at greatly reduced rates.
W. B. COMAN, G. P. A.

X-RADIUMS

And now comes the best of all the
premiums for legitimate business. Dr.
B. E. Wright, the popular Salem den-
tist, will give his patrons a magnifi-
cent launch by the coupon system.
The Willamette at this point is a su-
perior body of water for launches and
boating, and Dr. Wright recognizes a
good point when he offers this gift.
Look up his proposition.

Salem needs better streets, better
lighting, better schools, and better ed-
itors.

When any real fighting has to be
done along the line of principle The
Journal is all right. The rest of the
time it is in order to lie about it,
bushwhack its editors, and misrep-
resent its purposes. Well, it is a plea-
sure to know that you stand some-
where on something.

The Japanese are asserting their
canonical rights.

"Quicker than monkeys" is becom-
ing the reputation of Japan.

The good reporter must be a pumper
from Pumperville.

The Empress of Japan shows wis-
dom in considering the Japs and Rus-
sians equally disinterested.

The Journal will copy all anonymous
communications from the receiver-
ship managers as a compliment to
its having told the truth about them.

On the side, the purpose of war is
victory.

Japan is pulling chestnuts out of
the fire for all the powers of Europe.

Russia is receiving the same rude
awakening at the hands of one of the
smaller nations that England did at
the hands of the Boers. The end
will probably be the same.

There was the same universal sym-
pathy for the Boers and Japs. In the
end the powers of Europe and Amer-
ica would see them obliterated in the
same manner.

That first naval victory of the Japs
in Port Arthur harbor was the coun-
terpart of Dewey's at Manila bay.
Will it be followed by the same far-
reaching results?

It is about time Count Tolstoi were
heard from.

Which will be the "bull in the China
shop?" Japan or Russia.

You can always elevate yourself
tremendously fast by just pulling
down every other fellow in the same
business.

A subscriber asks why the Gilbert
Bros. receivership resorts to little an-
onymous communications to the press.
Because that doesn't cost anything.
We suppose.

Really there is but one man in this
community who could do justice to
Abraham Lincoln and in the future
he alone should be called upon.

Beloved creditors:—I am doing my
best in the way of dividends. You
can have some more poetry, or hot
air soon. Or I am prepared to give
you some of my best original stories
through my Master's newspaper, but
for God's sake, in the language of
Gen. Grant and myself, do "let us
have peace."

Yes, it is a fact; the editor of this
paper stole a Madonna; talked the
Grand Army men to death; owes a
ten-dollar subscription; at least these
things are published as facts, and
those who publish them believe them
to be facts, and that makes them facts
to them, and, if they feel any better
for it, let them have their way.

It always makes us feel mean to
print anything real mean, even if it
is true, about a man in the same town
we live in.

Geo. C. Brownell isn't to blame for
taking dead-horse cases, and taking
up with poor people's law-suits when
they ask him to. He can't help hav-
ing that kind of a disposition.

We can't help but mourn another's
lacking a sense of humor as a lament-
able deficiency.

A politician without political sagac-
ity always has one foot in the grave.

The Salem Journal claims to be
the first capital city paper to predict
war in the far east. Well, Colonel
Hofer's elongated contemporary was
never very much on scrapping.—As-
torian.

The Journal is not going to stop dis-
cussion of public affairs because two
great editors, unfortunately without
a sense of humor, imagine they are re-

lated to the public in some remote
way. The Journal recognizes that
editors Geer and Scott are two of the
greatest minds, fit to dominate in any
community, and the editor of this
paper is not properly in their class,
or within gunshot of it, and never
will be, and his only regret is that the
general public cannot rise to this
same just appreciation of their great-
ness. We know furthermore that they
both hold the same just and generous
estimate of the Journal editor.

Three Regiments to Go.

San Francisco, Feb. 18.—Orders
have been received at the Presidio, ac-
cording to rumor, to hold the 28th
infantry and the 4th cavalry in readi-
ness for transportation to the Far
East. Following this is an alleged re-
ceipt of an order that the privilege of
visitors at the Presidio be restricted.
As the regiments affected by the order
to prepare for this movement to the
East only recently returned from the
Philippines, the presumption is that
preparations for eventualities in the
Russo-Japanese war are being made.

Love.

True love is but a humble, low born
thing
And hath its food served up in earthen-
ware.
It is a thing to walk with, hand in hand,
through the everydayness of this work-
day world.
A love that gives and takes.
Not with slow seeking eyes like needle
points.
But, loving kindly, ever looks them down,
A love that shall be new and fresh each
hour.
—James Russell Lowell.

A Woman's Heart.

Let men tremble to win the hand of
woman unless they win with it the ut-
most passion of her heart. Else it may
be their miserable fortune when some
mightier touch than their own may
have awakened all her sensibilities to
be reproached even for the calm con-
tent, the marble image of happiness,
which they will have imposed upon her
as the warm reality.—Hawthorne.

HOFFMAN HOUSE

CHANGES HANDS.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Osburn Purchase
Hotel at Eugene.

(Eugene Guard, February 16th.)

This evening Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Os-
burn, former proprietors of the Hazel-
wood restaurant, will take charge of
the Hoffman House, having purchased
the fixtures and business from W. O.
Zeigler, who retires from the manage-
ment of the place.

Mr. Zeigler has had charge of the
Hoffman House for the past five years
and has conducted it in a highly suc-
cessful manner. Before assuming its
management he was proprietor of the
Hotel Eugene, now the Smeede, three
years, and previous to that conducted
a restaurant two years. He will now
take a much needed rest for several
months, and devote his attention to
his fine orchard below town.

Mr. and Mrs. Osburn, the new pro-
prietors, successfully conducted the
Hazelwood restaurant for some time,
and will no doubt enjoy a good busi-
ness in their new venture.

(Mr. and Mrs. Osburn were for some
years residents of Salem, and we be-
speak for them liberal patronage.)

Finland-Russia.

Heisingford, Finland, Feb. 18.
There is a strong anti-Russian feeling
throughout Finland, under the pre-
sent arrangement with Russia. Fin-
nish conscripts cannot be sent out of
Finland, but, as the old Finnish army
organization was recently abolished,
and the Russian system introduced, it
is feared all Finnish troops will be
sent to the Far East, despite the Rus-
sians' promises to the contrary. Riots
and mutinies will probably follow such
an order. Such disturbances would
give Russia an excuse for abolishing
the last vestige of Finnish autonomy.

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one when you feel bilious or
dizzy. They act directly on
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barbed galvanized wire and
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op in and see for yourself.
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