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Seamen's law which
The Pacific Mail company did not wait for the law to go into effect, but went out of business a few days ago, its aways.
hire chinese crews do business unless it was permitted Probably many other shipowners would try the same hluff were it not for the fact that they have such an immortal lead-pipe cinch on all the producers of the coast that they cannot afford to quit. Wheat charters are more than double what they were before the European war, price for that commedity thy she the farme a cent of the extra price and at the same time kick against employing white sailors, or treating them like human beings.
Beginning sometime ago the ululations began with the soft pedal on, but as this failed to accomplish anything the crescendo was tried, with every fang toothed wolf of
the gang down on his haunches and making the air the gang down on his haunches and making the air Then all kinds of wild statements, all utterly devoid of truth, were sent out as to conditions. The wires buzhard that only 45 out of 2,000 passed, when as a matter of fact only thad appiced and the 80 mber examined of these mon the shivers passed.
Then the shipowners joined in protesting about the all. What these protesters object to is that section of the law which requires that vessels have a higher standard of life saving apparatus than heretofore, which or course hits their pockets for a trifle of the money the farmers section that requires the crews must contain 40 per cent of able bodied seamen. If there is anything really ob ronable in these provisions, in what does it consist shipowners or any one else, showing wherein the law is bad. It looks as though the real explanation is contained in Hudibras statement, as above.

Eleven of the eighteen provinces of China have voted unanimously in favor of the restoration of the monarchy, with Yuan Shi Kai as emperor according to the latest
dispatches. As the election was ordered by the would-be emperor, the "unanimity" is a tritte suspicious. Herican
Tom Taggart, Tim Sullivan and other famous American politicians would have delighted to run that election. and political genius. Had they been in charge the oth ably all just depended on who made

Great Britain's latest and nerviest proposition is that American packers guarantee that their cargoes will be
consumed in neutral countries. It seems the English government is assuming that the oceans belong to he
the United States is one of her colonies--and that she a right to dictate how we shall trade with foreign neutral ican school histories about the year 1812, and govern her self accordingly $\qquad$
Villa is in a way eliminated, so far as the Mexica roubles are concerned, but his army cut up into smal hands will be perhaps more troublesome than when all were, traded off the old hound for a litter of pups.

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As one reads the grusome details of a legal execution
he question naturally arises. Why commit legal murder? It seems sometimes that there are crimes for which That is the trouble with capital punishment that is not That is the trouble with capital punishment, that it ac-
complishes nothing other than the removal from earth of the criminal.
The hanging of Loomis and Bundy in California Friday is a case in point. True, each of the murders for
which they paid the utmost penalty were deliberate and which they paid the utmost penalty were deliberate and
brutal. One can hardly believe as the cold facts are given, that the murderers were both boys, and unhardened in
Society has exacted payment, and the settlement has
been made in full. All that this same political society has All that this same political society has sleep lie two misguided
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$\qquad$ ack of their crimes, lay parental neglect, criminal About the poorest use a human being can be put to is tory shows, has never proved a deterrent, nor will the their deaths would not have been in vain, but since it wil been reached by a prison sentence for 1
The Portland Telegram wonders why Portland's
port business is only about $\$ 24,000,000$ a year while Se
te's is nearly $\$ 140,000,000$. One reason is that ships
ot come a hundred or more miles inland after business hen they can get the same business without doing so. ping business to hat place as a port of entry. In other words Portland far as a seaport is concerned is trying to make a whistle f a pigs tail or a silk purse out of a sow's ear.
The industrious little beaver has made the Chicago, Milwaukee \& St. Paul Railroad appeal to the Railroad Commission of Wisconsin for relief. The little dam builders have been getting their work in on a creek run-
ning near the road, flooding its right of way and nearly ning near the road, flooding its right of way and nearly
stopping traffic. The beavers are protected by law and he company cannot have them killed. So it seems it makes considerable difference who puts the water in raiload stock.

Justice Hughes is pronounced "the best bet" for the republican nomination for the presidency. He is one of never saying or doing anything. As a leader Hughes' ualifications are all negative.
Unless England hurries up with that promised aid for erbia that country will be in much the same condition of

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