

John Barrett Arouses Interest of the Leading Oriental Nation in Portland Exposition-Other Nations Will Rival Her.

reserved land, but not before. The troops have no use for the reservation beyond the few acres needed for the military post, the reservation having been created or. OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Wash-Ington, April 29 .- The Lewis and Clark Fair has a new and influential friend in the reservation having been created or-iginally to give the military control over the island, with a view to suppressing the selling of liquor to troops. It is not improbable that the post at St. Michael may ultimately be abandoned, as there the Japanese Minister, Korogo Takahira. John Barrett, who toured the Orient for the St. Louis Exposition, had a convermay ultimately be abandonica, he pres-is no longer any demand for the pressation with the Japanese Minister before leaving for St. Louis today, in which he ence of troops in that locality, point, however, is as yet undecided. discussed at length the coming exposition to be held at Portland. The Minister asked many questions with a view to assuring himself that the Exposition had sound financial backing and was regarded ington, April 28.-On April 20 the post-office at Boswell, Dougias County, Or., is to be discontinued, after which time mail will be delivered at Drain. with favor by the Government, and the replies of Mr. Barrytt were apparently very satisfactory, for, when the interview closed, the Minister remarked that Or., has been moved a half mile west, and Ernest A. Hobeli appointed postmaster. A postoffice has been established at he saw no reason why Japan should not have a large exhibit at Portland in 196. Takahira was particularly Minister E. Rentfrow as postmaster. The postoffice at Wellpinit, Stevens County, Wash., has been re-established, with Hiram F. White as postmaster. anxious to learn more of Portland's commercial relations with Japan, and to ascertain what opportunity there was for building up a Japanese trade through that port. His advices please him, for Mr. Dalkena, Sievens County, Wash., with Ralph K. Kennedy as postmaster. The name of the postoffice at Hock-spur, Spokane County, Wash., has been Barrett was able to give him reliable information on a topic of which the Minlster knew little

changed to Buakeye. On April 30 the postoffice at Couger, Cowlits County, Wash, will be discon-tinued, mail going to Yale. After studying the field and having had experience on behalf of St. Louis, Mr. Berrett says it is essential that Portland, to start with, should secure pledges of a Knott, Idaho County, Ida., with Alice C. Wiley as postmaster. Another office has been established at first-class exhibit from one of the most important countries of the Orient. This, he says, will act as an entering wedge. Beach, Fremont County, Ida., with Viola For instance, if Japan's interest is deeply C. Adams as postmaster aroused and a fine exhibit is promised, he declares that China, not wisting to be outdone, will fall into line with an equally interesting exhibit and, in turn, Russia ington, April 29.-The Treasury Depart-ment today authorized the conversion of the State Bank of Idaho into the First National Bank of Weiser with Edward Shanwald, president, and C. J. Salwyn. will be likely to contribute an exhibit from Eastern Siberia, while Stam, Korea and the smaller countries, observing the enthuslasm of the larger nations, will folcashier. The bank is capitalized at \$50,000. low up with exhibits on a large scale Japan, says Mr. Barrett, is probably the best country to start with and China following next in order.

In New York a few days ago Mr. Bar rett explained to the new Chinese Minthe purposes of the Lewis and Clark Exposition, of which he had heretofore known little as to detail. Minister Chong was much interested and has asked Mr. Barrett, when they meet again, to give him more details, that he may comnunicate with his home government.

WILL ABANDON ALASKA POSTS.

Soldiers No Longer Needed at Many

of the Stations. OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Wash-ington, April 28-Officials of the War De-cigars. J. D. Meyer, distributer. Costs more because better-Opia

investigation into the complaints of Will-iam R. Hearst against the anthracite coal-carrying roads. John Edmond, sales agent in New York for the Reading Coal & Iron Company, testified that the com-pany sold about 1,000,000 tons of coal a year, payment for which was always There has been more or less clamor for a reduction of the St. Michael military reservation, surrounding the military post on the island, near the mouth of payment for which was always the Yukon. This demand will be ac-ceeded to in due time, when the depart-ment is convinced that settlers are demade to the finance company. He could not tell the average cost of selling the sirous of taking up homes on the now

anently retained.

Postal Changes in Northwest,

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Wash

The postoffice at Axtell, Lincoln County

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An office has also been established at

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Converted Into National Bank.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Wash-

NO CABINET MEETING.

Hitchcock the Only Member Roose

velt Saw in St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., April 29.-There is lit-

tle likelihood of a Cabinet meeting in St.

velt in the city. The only member of his

Cabinet that was seen by the President up to the time that he left the house of

President Francis for the Sizel memorial meeting was Secretary Hitchcock, and he saw him in a social way only. The Presi-

ent does not know of any Cabinet n

ing to be held while he is in St. Louis.

Louis during the stay of President Ro

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coal in this city. President Baer, of the Reading, was again called to the witness stand. He ould not tell how much of the coal mined along the railroads he controlled was not purchased by him.

Ex-Governor Budd, of California, was ntroduced as associate with Mr. Hearst's

Mr. Baer estimated that \$,500,000 tons of coal is carried annually by the Reading system. J. P. Morgan, he said, was not one of the men interested in the Simpson & Watkins project to establish a big general sales depot for anthracite coal. He declined to disclose the names of those who were so interested. Mr. Baer said he promoted the plan to purchase the Temple Iron Company, and that is rail-roads were interested. He suggested the percentage of the different percentage of the different companies and their directors accepted it. The plan, he said, was not so broad as to make the

and their under the sole as to make the he said, was not so broad as to make the Temple Iron Company the sole agent of the companies in New York, but was in-tended to get rid of the commission men. His idea, Mr. Baer said, was not to maintain a uniform price for coal at tidemaintain a uniform price for coal at tide-water, but to get rid of the commission

water, but to get rid of the commission of 10 cents a ton for selling coal. He had reduced the expense of selling. "But you have not succeeded in reduc-ing the price of coal to the commer?" asked counsel. "No," replied Mr. Baer, "because you

and your friends have succeeded in rais-ing wages and getting up the cost of necessities, so that profits are less."

take place tomorrow evening. The lead-ing feature of the conference will be the address by President Roosevelt Friday necessities, so that profits are less. Mr. Baer said he could produce the con-tracts between the Temple Iron Company and the railroads. Counsel for the roads objected, and he declined to produce evening.

"Is there anything in these contracts." Mr. Shearn asked, "that would degrade and incriminate you?" "I decline to answer that question, be-

cause it is insolent. There is nothing in the set of the institution is nothing in any contract I have made that makes me the criminal your ellent published me as being, and he cannot come into court and insult me. You are not a gentleman, or you would not insult me."

"I ask the court to rebuke the witness," said Mr. Shearn, turning to the commis-

The commission declined to rebuke Mr.

Baer. Mr. Shearn read to the witness a part of the testimony he gave the investigating commission after the strike of 1900 when he complained that the 65-25 per cent agreement between the railroad and local companies was the result of Senator Hanna's appeal that a continuance of the strike meant danger to the McKinley-Rocaevelt Presidential ticket. Mr. Baer said it was true. said it was true. aid it was true. Asked why the men were locked out of

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La Follette Refers Freight Question to Wisconsin Lawmakers.

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day.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

Onaway, Mich., is threatened by forest

Rear-Admiral Schley is at El Paso, Tex.,

incovered remains of Indians and numer-

MADISON, Wis., April 29.-Governor La Follette sent a special message to the Legislature today on the freight commission biil. It is an exhaustive treatise on the subject of railroad freight charges, comprising 128 pages, and is intended to refute the statements and arguments that were made by railroad men and agents before the General Assembly committee. The message says: "If the Legislatures of Illinois or Iowa have given to the people of those states laws which enable them to secure rates

lower than the Wisconsin rates for like services, then the people of Wisconsin are wronged, and it is the duty of the Legisple Creek, Colo, Operations have been

lature to remedy that wrong. These considerations furnish the strongest reasons stroyed by fire yesterday. The loss is \$100,000. for critical examination and comparison of transportation charges in and between Wisconsin, Iowa and Illinois."

Comparisons are presented showing discriminations against Wisconsin shippers running as high as 35 per cent. Railroad V. M. C. A. Gathering.

TOPEKA, Kan., April 29.-Several men ent in railroad Y, M. C. A. work have arrived during the work to be pres-ent at the international conference, which was killed. begins tomorrow. Delegates are expected

om the principal foreign countries with large. The real Tomasso Petto has fied the country. The man who gave that as his name will have charges filed against him by New York authorities. Although a number of delegates have already arrived, the heavy business of the reception committee will not begin until tomorrow. Rev. C. M. Sheidon will de-liver an address at the session tomor-row evening. The formal opening will

Professor B. D. Woodward, of Columbia University, has been commissioned by President Roosevelt to distribute over 3000 medals and diplomas awarded exhibitors from the United States and Cuba at the Paris Exposition of 1900.

of New York, who saw service on the hospital ship Maine in Chinese waters dur-

Matt Hunter, who a year ago, at Mount Ayr, shot and killed Homer Holland, a college athiete of National reputation, as the result of a dispute over carda, was Laborers at Fort Riley, Kan., have

E. W. Simonds, a New York traveling salesman, has died in the Cook County. Arthur D. Wheeler succeeds John I. Sabin as president of the Chicago Telefilinols, hospital, from a fractured skull. Early Tuesday morning he was picked up on the steps of the Central Trust Com-Early Tuesday morning he was pleked up on the steps of the Central Trust Com-pany Bank in Chicago. Police are investi-The testimony of Nelson and Page was stricken from the record in the Amory-Weeland libel case in New York yester-

pledged herself. It was a gross fraud, and upon reason, as upon authority, it af-forded a sufficient ground for the annull-FRAUD ANNULS MARRIAGE men of the contract thus obtained."

Grounds of Divorce.

Miss Virginia Evans, daughter of Rear-Admiral Evans, and Harold Ingalis Sew-Admiral Lvans, and Parton Ingans Sew-all, of Boston, were married in the Eng-lish cathedral at Tokio, Japan yesterday. Mra Mary Wright Sewall, of Indian-apolls, president of the International Council of Women, has issued a call for the fourth annual demonstration of wo-men in behalf of peace and international arbitration. ALBANY, N. Y., April 29 .- An Important case, involving the validity of marriages obtained by fraud, has just been decided in the Court of Appeals in the case of Gregory Bilorenzo, appellant, vs. Johanna "They refused to work unless we give for seven hours' work the pay of 10 hours' work, and we are not going to do it." "But you have fixed a rate at \$4.50 a "The injunction is dissolved which pre-vented construction of the El Paso drain-arbitration." "Yes; and on May 1.1 am going to ad-vance the price 10 centa, and try to work

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The woman sent to Bellevue asylum New York, from the Fifth-Avenue Hotel, under the name of Mrs. Nettle Fair, has been released. She strives to conceal her identity.

Edward Morrison, of Galesburg, Ill., Tuesday night leveled a shotgun at his brother-in-law, Frank Cronkhite. Morrison's wife jumped between the men and

Benedetto Maduena's murderer is yet at

marriage, so far as its validity in law

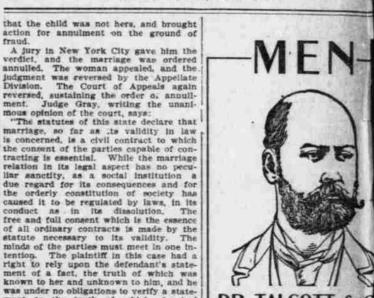
Chinese medals from the British gov-ernment have been given seven male nurses from the Mills Training School, ing the Boxer rebelli

conduct as in its dissolution. The free and full consent which is the essence yesterday at Osceola, Ia., sentenced to 25 years in the Penitentiary,

of all ordinary contracts is made by the statute necessary to its validity. The minds of the parties must meet in one intention. The plaintiff in this case had a right to rely upon the defendant's state-ment of a fact, the truth of which was known to her and unknown to him, and he was under no obligations to verify a statement to the truth of which she had gating.

Guardians of Arapahoe-Cheyenne In-dians have been dismissed by Judge Ir-win, at Guthrle. Indians, he says, can take cars of their own finances. Misrepresentations by Woman Valid

cial.)-May Lewis, who deliberately shot and killed Gus Peterson in 'a house of ill fame at Hoquiam some time ago, was acquitted by a jury at Monteanno today on the ground of self-defense. The woman, Peterson and some companione had been drinking and Peterson refused to pay the bill, when the Lewis woman deliberately shot him, firing three times. The jury was out two hours, the first two ballots about a consisting for monits for





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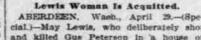
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PORTLAND, OREGON that the child was not hers, and brought action for annulment on the grou fraud. A jury in New York City gave him the verdict, and the marriage annulled. The woman appealed, and the judgment was reversed by the Appellate Division. The Court of Appeals again

reversed, sustaining the order o, annull ment. Judge Gray, writing the unani-mous opinion of the court, says: "The statutes of this sinte declare that