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Full dress suits a specialty
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As I expect to leave this city on March 1st, anyone having claims against me will present them immediately.

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IRON ENOUGH ON THIS COAST FOR GENERATIONS

(Observer Special)

Washington, D. C., Feb. 27.—Metallurgists of the Geological Survey at Portland with keen interest. When the experimental work ceased there about the closing of the fair, Dr. D. T. Day had just commenced the work of electric reduction. He was employing the most approved appliances that have been perfected by scientists of both continents, and believed that the results obtained in the preliminary tests assured ultimate success.

The presence of the high-grade magnetic iron ore in the abounding black sands of the Pacific slope, has been conceded for many years, and innumerable private enterprises have been organized to save the useful metal. None of these have attained success in a commercial sense. Many concentrating devices have been tried, some of which seem to be approaching the condition of economy and efficiency required. When the Government authorized experimental work in both saving the magnetite and reducing it into commercial metal, metallurgists expected important developments. The experiments in concentration threw no important light on the saving of magnetite. Well-tried wet table processes and the magnet were employed, but the rough concentration required in the first stages of handling the

sand to make the work economical, were not worked out.

Concentration is something private enterprise would more naturally work out than the difficult problem of smelting in a section that did not produce its own coal and coke. Hence the last stage of the government's experiments was the most interesting. When Dr. Day announced that he would reduce the magnetite with the abounding "white coal" which the Pacific Northwest possesses in superlative measure, he aroused broad interest, and the suspension of tests just after getting the experimental plant erected was a disappointment. If electricity has been proved an economical smelting agent and magnetite can be saved commercially from black sands of the Pacific coast, the future of the iron industry will be brightened materially and the Pacific coast will be saved many million dollars annually.

Dr. Day confidentially states that there is enough magnetite in the black sands of the Pacific coast to supply all needed iron ore in that region for generations. More than that the doctor also foresees development of commercial saving appliances. His work is calculated to hasten experiments, and will in all probability have the effect of drawing to the field larger quantities of private capital.

WESTERN IRRIGATION BEFORE "ECONOMIC" CONGRESS

(Observer Special)

Washington, D. C., Feb. 27.—The movement inaugurated in Washington and Oregon to have the government foster a larger number of irrigation projects by further loans of public funds than the money derived from sale of public lands, is greeted here with mingled conclusions. It is not probable that such a project could be forced forward to such a prominent place as would command serious consideration at the present "economic" session of congress, but the work in that direction is having a salutary effect.

In the first place, the government has its attention directed to the fact that not nearly all of the practicable reclamation projects of the West have been adopted. In the struggle for the most accessible and economic propositions, the wrong impression was given many Easterners that there were really few meritorious and feasible reclamation enterprises in the entire West. Careless observers have often remarked that the reclamation fund would be idle in a decade, for want of projects. No more sincere evidence of the people's conviction that the real scope of the work has scarcely been suggested yet, has been sent to Washington than the demand for vastly more reclamation funds.

Another benefit scarcely less potent to the West is the agitation already apparent in the circles of private capital. If the government cannot or will not undertake more of the great enterprises inviting work, the conclusion follows that capital will be or at least should be, given a rather free rein. When the first of the government projects is put in working shape, demonstrating what large capital can do when encouraged, there is every reason to believe that the immense reserve funds of the East will be ready to duplicate such successes, if assured a latitude giving a safe margin of profit. In this respect reclamation is believed to be one

of the most important investing fields of the near future. No doubt exists of the fertility of much arid land, and of the sufficiency of water in large basins for at least limited irrigation, if properly conserved.

A natural trend in this direction would be extension of the Carey law, so that a sufficient inducement for capital was afforded thereunder. No public proposition of this character has yet been made, but the trend of sentiment is in that direction. One or two eminently satisfactory successes in Northwest reclamation is sure to direct copious capital to that region, as the private enterprises of California have been years to that region.

At a future date, when less urgent foreign questions have been disposed of, an extension of the government reclamation work is regarded a possibility. Fostering commerce by digging canals, building locks and dredging harbors, etc., the public feature of which is justified on the grounds of general public need, is not remote from the principle of the government preparing its own public domain so that it will be more inviting to the people, and so that it will yield a larger return when taken into private ownership. There are already numerous members of Congress who believe reclamation work on a large scale as thoroughly public as the Panama canal project. What will be the drift of this sentiment before Congress is called upon to pass judgment in extending reclamation work, cannot be forecasted with any assurance. One thing is sure. The eagerness of the West will be keener next year than at the present time. Immigration to the reclaimed land will whet the desire of every state having arid sections. This development will make the present agitation keener, giving to the work of the Oregon and Washington irrigators pioneer color of great historic value.

JUDGE ELLIS' PETITION

Pendleton, Feb. 27.—Judge W. R. Ellis has filed with the secretary of state a copy of his nominating petition for the Republican nomination for congress from this district, and today has been engaged in sending out petitions to be circulated in his behalf in the different counties of the district. The wording of the petition is brief and merely complies with the law by stating that if nominated he will accept the same, and if elected will qualify for the office. No platform is announced, and should Judge Ellis decide to issue one it will be sent out later.

From all indications the race for the republican nomination is to be between Judge Ellis, J. L. Rond and W. J. Lachner both of the latter being from Baker county. This being the case the friends of Judge Ellis are confident of his securing the honor.

EIGHT DOLLAR SHEEP

One thousand head of ewes at \$8 per head, said to be the highest price ever paid for range sheep in this state, is the latest sale of Central Oregon livestock to go on record. The sheep were purchased of T. S. Hamilton, of Ashwood. The Shaniko Republican estimates that 100,000 head of sheep have been sold out of Crook, Wheeler and Wasco counties and enumerates over one-fifth of that number which have been disposed of by local stockmen throughout the Antelope and Shaniko districts.

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STREET GRADE NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that at the next regular meeting of the city council, to be held on March 7th, 1906, the proposed grade on 2d, from the intersection of C and 2d, to 1 and 2d, will be adopted by the council unless the proposed grade is defeated by a remonstrance, to be filed with the Recorder on or before said 7th day of March. The proposed grade can be seen at the office of City Engineer L. A. Pickler.

I. R. SNOOK, recorder.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 1

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that my wife, Rosalia Johnson, having left my bed and board without just provocation, that I will not be responsible for any bills she may contract from this date.

AXLE JOHNSON

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