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OUR CHAMELEON GOVERNOR.

Ben Olcott, Secretary of State, and ex-officio Governor of the State of estate in which he was so lately held years to come. by many citizens of the state. He is fast displaying the fact that he does not possess the attributes that are needed to make a good executive.

It is no doubt true that Mr. Olcott in the matter of calling the legislature and in the Finley matter he has an executive.

happen in Oregon should this state of the far East. be visited by an outbreak of I. W. what would happen?

We would, no doubt, witness his and mayors of the various cities the executive office.

draw for a state official. But in the premises what else can be done? The here in the sheep country. Governor has succumbed to the importunities of two active political eliques, the suffragettes and the anglers of Multnomah county. In neither case has the wishes or the opinion of the majority of the people been considered. There was no demand for a special session from the people generally, and there certainly was no demand for the retention of Finley, save by a few of that malcontent's self-seeking friends.

It may be that the Governor has a hunch that the Supreme Court will decide that his office is to be filled at the November election, and that he is "playing polities." The conclusion is not unwarranted, and does not relieve him of the suspicion of being weak kneed. At that it was poor politics for the Governor once consented to the removal of Finley, and a belated attempt to foist him again on the commission will not bring Finley's friends back into the Olcott fold, and certainly will estrange many voters who dislike to see such matters made the medium of political

THE FUTURE OF WOOL.

R. N. Stanfield, on his recent visit summer and fall. peoples which in their import have beef cattle to normal, and with a of his statements are news to the be evident that the cattle men of sheepmen of this region and to the America are not facing a falling marno man in the country, perhaps, who timistic for the future.

pocket book

knows more about the wool business from start to finish than does Mr. Stanfield, they need no further sup-

For example, think of the possibilities for the sheep industry if the 400,000,000 Chinese forsake silks and cotton and take to wearing wool as do the people of the Occident. Add to these the 40,000,000 Japanese and you have increased the number of wool users in the world by almost one-third. And that in face of a world shortage of wool right now is Oregon, is fast falling from the high a guarantee of a wool market for

That there is a basis for this prediction is evident from the other unique fact brought forth during Mr. Stanfield's interview in which he says that Japan has the largest woolhas been an admirable secretary of en mill in the world, while the total state. That he is a good office man sheep population of the Flowery and an admirable politician may be Kingdom is only 2300. Malheur admitted, but it must be added that councy has almost 100 times as many sheep therefore as has all Japan.

But while the Orientals are endisplayed an absence of that stead-deavoring to furnish us a market for fastness of purpose and determina- our wool, it seems that in nature's tion that should be characteristic of mysterious manner of maintaining an equilibrium, the Occidental is an equilibrium, the Occidental is HAVE YOUR CAR
It is painful to think what would forsaking the wool for the flimsy silk MADE JUST LIKE NEW

There are men wearing silk shirts W.lsm, for example, while he is in these days who five years ago would the gubernatorial chair. If he were have laughed at the idea, while the then to vacilate as he has on the only woman who does not doll up with two problems he has faced thus far, silk hose, is-well she is not-that is all.

It appears that the vaunted Occideclaring martial law one day and dental is not using as good judgment rescinding the proclamation the and sound sense as the almon-eyed next; calling out the national guard denigens of benighted China and MARDEN'S MACHINE SHOP one day and sending them home the Japan. For warmth, comfort, servday following. The officials under ice, no one, not a candidate for a him, the sheriffs, the chiefs of police foolish factory, would compare the woolen ones for the silk make-be would not be able to feel that they lieves. But if the yellow tinged had behind them the full power of beauties will take the wool, of course, to maintain the balance of This is a severe indictment to trade, we will continue to get the worst of it and see the slik worn

THE CATTLE SHORTAGE.

Stockmen who have studied the condition of their industry have long known that there exists a shortage of beef cattle in the world. There were miny, however, who entertained the Leilef that the shortage was confined to Europe, and that it was to make good this shortage that Anerica would be called up to fill,

To these men, therefore, the state ment of M . Regino, starbilition of the Chicago sentyards, that it will take the American cattle men until 1927 to get their herds up to normal . If he encouraging. In this he Asagrees, it is tree, with the statepoints and estimates furnished by the department of carlculture, but Mr Itorino, it will be granted, had perusps a most accorate means of getwhe facts thun has the depart-

That his statements have basis in fact is evident from the fact that during 1919 there were received at the Chicago yards 290,000 less cattle han in 1918, and this in spite of the rush of many cattle to the market when the range fell off in the late

to Ontario, called attention to several If it takes seven years for the great possibilities for the future of continued beavy demand to make this section. It is true that several good the shortage in Europe, it must public in general, but since there is ket and have every reason to be op-

METHODIST CHURCH.

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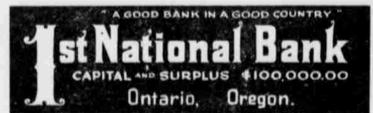
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