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MR. SMITH, the official head of the Mormon sect in Utah, must be a man after Roosevelt's own heart, Smith recently admitted before the senate investigating committee at the national capital that he is the father of 42 children.

made a raid on the "joints" of the city that were be grants will be so supplemented that the aggregate sum ing conducted in violation of the law. This officer available will amount to £150,000. evidently intends to give Ashland as good an administration as his name would imply.

suggests a mathematical problem: If it requires more into the work with great enthusiasm. Realizing the than '80 wounds to put one Russian out of the way, futility of depending upon individuals to make a show how long will the Japs be in terminating the pending of industrial products, the royal commission decided hostilities?

THERE is general rejoicing in the change in weather exhibits in transit and while at St. Louis. conditions, and the general feeling is that the change may continue indefinitely that the farmers may catch up with their work, which has been badly retarded of the great features of the exposition. In addition to because of the inclement conditions that have prevailed for more than two months.

By basing their apportionment of delegates on the vote of Governor Chamberlain, the Clackamas county convention, if they fail to show up again during the year. Their county convention will consist of 172 delegates, while the Republican convention will include but 143.

If the incessant rain does not stop soon, it will be worse than a case of forty days and forty nights. There is perhaps not another section of the globe that is capable of receiving and absorbing the amount of moisture that the Oregon soil has demonstrated its ability to handle and not be attended by extensive property damage. It's Oregon against the world!

A Sodaville farmer has gone back to Minnesota because he got tired of the rain. Thought it came down too much in chunks. Oregon's rainfall is practically the same as that of Minnesota, an average of 43 inches in a year, but where we get it in liquid form, there is considerable of it comes down frozen, counting one inch of water to ten of snow seasoned with icicles. - Albany Democrat.

A Young Men's Republican Club is talked of at Oregon City. In America every man is more or less a politician, and for the young men of today, who will necessarily be the active face of the country tomorrow. nothing could be better than the political training that may be had in organizations of the kind mentioned. Not only that, but such clubs develop busimess capacity, and they tend to elevate the purpose of life. Let us hear from the young men of Grants Pass. -Observer.

REGISTRATION of voters in Claskamas county has been very slack this year. In ten weeks but 1600 voters have registered at the office of County Clerk Sleight. This is 700 less than had registered at the same time two years ago. Electors who fail to register previous to May 15 will be compelled to swear in been completed. their votes at both the June and November elections. Voters should bear this in mind and make it a point new company in 1894, is on a sound engineering basis to comply with the registration law and thus save and within a calculable distance of completion. The considerable trouble on election days.

gen City Board of Trade that is being reorganized? Paris in 1879, recommended a sea-level canal from More than forty shares have already been subscribed Colon to Panama, but it is remembered that several and if one of the solicting committee has not seen you, members of that commission advocated a canal with telephone H. E. Cross, and help a good thing along by locks. The hopelessness of the task of building a seataking one or more shares. This movement is receiving level canal was finally realized, indeed, and the comsuch general endorsement from the business men of pany decided to adopt the lock plan, but the decision the city that it is really quite a popular thing to have came too late. your name enrolled as one of the stockholders. At any rate with its present and prospective aggressive Panama Canal Company, is the result of an investigamembership, the newly born commercial body prom- tion made by 150 engineers, with a large corps of asises to be of great value to the city. Get in the band sistants, who occupied four years in exhaustive surwagon and let's wake up the old town.

should be willing to stand up and show his books and inent engineers of all nations. record. The competent officials is always glad to This commission, which was organized in 1896, in- They act directly on the liver, have a thorough investigation.—Echange.

best serve the interests of their constituency, and the forty-six miles in length."

Oregon City Enterprise record of their respective administrations is open for inspection. In fact, the different officers request a perusal of their records by taxpavers generally. Those conversant with the management of the different departments at the court house know that a radical reduction in the expenses of the county has been accomplished during the last two years. The expenses of each department, especially along the line of county hire, has been very appreciably lessened. while the aggregate saving by this curtailment is quite an item-

GREAT BRITAIN AT THE WORLD'S FAIR.

The remarkable change in the attitude of foreign nations toward the world's fair at St. Louis is well illustrated by the action of Great Britain.

When the British government first accepted the invitation of the United States to participate in the exposition it was with the expressed intention of limiting the exhibits to art and education and to such a display as could be arranged at a slight expense under direction of public officials. Subsequently, however, it enlarged the scope of its plans, until it finally decided to appoint a royal commission to collect and organize an exhibit that would challenge comparison with the exhibits of Germany and France. The appropriation was at first £30,000. Another £50,000 was afterward set aside, and it is now the impression. ASHLAND has a Good Chief of Police. He recently according to the London Times of Feb. 24, that these

This will be the largest sum ever set aside by the British government for participation in an exhibition held in a foreign country. At the head of the royal In a recent naval engagement, a Russian sailor re- commission is the Prince of Wales, who, following the ceived 160 wounds and still lives. This reported fact example of his father at Chicago in 1893, has entered to pay a part of the transportation charges, to provide show cases, to supervise installation, and to care for

The announcement of this policy immediately assured a display of British products that will form one the allotment of 191,910 square feet of exhibit space, for education, art, liberal arts, varied industries, electricity, transportation, agriculture, mining, social economy and forestry, Great Britain will have a special pavilion, which is to be a reproduction of Democrats will make a good showing at their county Wren's Orangery at Kensington Palace. One of the most interesting exhibits in the department of public works will be a reproduction of the great Assuan dam.

itself a good share of the satisfaction that is felt by well-informed Americans over the final outcome of the says. "Finally I sent to McCs*'s drug isthmian canal controversy isthmian canal controversy

consistently advocated the Panama route as the better and more feasible one for the water way when Congress voted unanimously in force of the conference of gress voted unanimously in favor of the Nicaragua American newspapers in its adherence to the Panama of your route is essential to the enjoyroute. The letters of Walter Wellman elaborating ment of your trip, it is a main consideration; if a pleasthe advantages of this route were particularly strong and convincing and attracted the attention of the

Now that the canal controversy is ended and the Panama route selected for the water way that is to Chicago. Free Reclining Chair cars, the the illustrated sporting news page, Jour link the oceans public interest in the work already done upon the canal and the changes in the engineering plans adopted since De Lesseps inaugurated the undertaking in 1881 will be revived.

What do we get for the \$40,000,000 to be paid to the Panama Canal Company and how much work remains to be done before ships can pass from Colon to Panama?

The Panama canal originally projected by Ferdi- J. C. Lindsey, T. F. & P. A. nand De Lesseps is not the Panama canal that will be PAUL B. THOMPSON, F. & P.A. built by the United States. The distinguished French engineer; emboldened by his success in cutting the Suez canal, undertook to open a great sea-level canal, cutting through the mountains of the isthmus. The physical difficulties of the project, assisted by gross corruption of the promoters, bankrupted the company when only a small portion of the sea-level scheme had

The new Panama canal project, taken up by the sea-level dream of De Lesseps was abandoned and for it was substituted a system of locks. It is true that HAVE you signed for any shares of stock in the Ore- an international congress of engineers, which met in

The new plan of construction, adopted by the new veys. In order to give further weight to the findings of the engineers the new company called for the ap Poor man! He can't help it. EVERY office holder, no matter what his position, pointment of a technical commission composed of em- He gets bilious. He needs a

dorsed the lock plan and the system of dams for con- cure biliousness. The foregoing is quite true. Such a feeling unani- trolling and utilizing the waters of the Chagres river. mously prevails among the present county efficials It found the canal two-fifths completed and estimated for Clackamas county. During a two years' incum- the cost to complete the work under the new plans at bency they have all labored hard and faithfully to \$87,000,000. The water way when completed will be

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The custom of shaking hands originated in the ancient practice of adversaries grasping the weapon hand during a truce as a precaution against treachery. When two friends met they extended their weapon hands to each other as a sign that there was no need to stand on the defensive, and a handshake was but the natural outcome of a bearty and vigorous grasp.

Shaking hands appears to have be come usual in the middle ages. Grasping hands made its appearance in early times as a legal act symbolic of the parties joining in compact, peace or friendship. This is well seen in marriage, where the hand grasp was part of the ancient Hindoo ceremony, as was the "dextrarum junctio" of Rome, which has passed into the Christian rite. We see it also used as a mere salutation, as where the thresome acquaintance met by Horace in his stroll along the Via Sacra seized his hand.

Giving the right hand of fellowship (Galatians II, b) passed naturally into a salutation throughout Christendom.

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