### LONELIEST SPOT ON EARTH.

Tristan d'Acunha Is a Tiny Oasis In a

Wilderness of Water, When Napoleon was sent to St. Helenn it was thought that the lonellest place on earth had been assigned to blue as a prison. But St. Helena is 1,400 miles nearer a continent than is Tristan d'Acunha. Many hundred of of miles of ocean lie between this ishand and its nearest neighbor. Tristan. in short, is a tiny onsis in a boundless wilderness of waters, go from it in which direction you will.

It is a rocky and cliff girt little isle, with a solitary mountain 1,000 feet high rearing itself from the midst. Yet on this lonely speck of rock and earth there lives a community seemingly happy in their isolation from all the rest of the world. They are farmers, cattle raisers and shepherds. In the valleys of the island are fertile fields, where potatoes mainly are grown. The food of the people consists for the most part of beef, mutton. fowls, potatoes and fish.

Tristan used formerly to produce many fruits and vegetables which can no longer be grown there. The reason of this is that the island for a long time was overrun by rats which escaped from a ship that anchored there and which the people have been unable, it is said, ever entirely to exterminate.-Harper's Weekly.

### A FORTRESS OF THORNS.

Curious Nest of the Little Brown Wren of Central America.

little brown wren of Central America builds a nest that should belong to a bird five or six times as large as it is, and, to prevent other birds from disturbing its home while it is away it builds as a protection a

fence of thorns leading to it. When Madam Wren looks for a home site, says a writer in the Ave Maria, she selects a tree where two branches lie parallel about two feet apart. Across these two branches she and her mate lay a little platform about five feet in length. Near the trunk of the tree is built a dome shaped nest about a foot in height. The sides of this nest are all interwoven with thorns,

Next a covered passageway is built from the nest to the end of the platform in as crooked a manner as pos-Thorns stick out in all directions just as in the nest itself, and every few inches on the inside of the tunnel little fences of thorns are placed in such a way that any creature not familiar with the passageway will get badly pricked. Finally across the outer end of the tunnel is a mov able gateway of thorns.

Bothered by Plurals. The Norwegian waitress who was

learning English had more trouble with her plurals than with any other one thing. It seemed impossible for her to acquire the trick of putting on the letter "s" at the right time and leaving it off at others. She would invariably inquire on seeing a first help ing disposed of, "Will you have more lambs?" or "Will you eat more chickens?" When corrected for this she would take pains to ask, "Will you have one bean?" and "Will you eat one buckleberry?" Finally the constant explanations of an overzealous mistress confused her past straightening out. There were guests staying over the week end, and Inga took the indy's order for a soft bolled egg, then the husband's for another. The girl, after a moment's besitation, walked to the dumb waiter and said to the kitch en below. "One soft boiled egg for twol"-New York Press

An Emperor's Strange Fancy.

Strange fancies have taken hold of some men regarding the manner in which their bodies were to be disposed of after dea | and the ceremonies to he observed at their funerals. The great Emperor Charles V, had the curious idea of celebrating his own funeral. Shortly before his death he caused a tomb to be made in the chape of the monastery of Estremadura, to which he had retired after his abdica tion, and on its completion he was car ried to it as though dead. Placed in a coffin and accompanied by a procession, he was borne along, while chants were sung, prayers said and tears shed After the solemn farce was over he was left alone in the chapel, where he remained a short time before rising out of the coffin-

Why Bother About the Rest? "Does you husband carry any life insurance?

"I don't know." 'I should think you would want to

be so serious to you." "How could it be serious to me?" "Why, if he died you would wish to know whether he had left you any-

thing or not, wouldn't you?" "Oh, if he died he would leave me a widow, and I should know that right away."-Chicago Record-Herald.

What Interested Him,

"What interested me most in my travels," said Henpeck, "was the mummy of a queen I saw in Egypt."

"Wonderful, eh?" asked his friend. "Yes, it's wonderful how they could make a woman dry up and stay that way."-Philadelphia Press.

Doubtful Meaning.

He-So you lost that handsome little dog you had? She-Yes, in a railroad accident. I was saved, but the dog was killed. He-What a pity!-Boston Transcript.

The most delicate, the most sensible, of all pleasures consists in promoting the pleasures of others. - Bruyers.

New shipment of Trunks just received. We can save you good money on this class of merchandise. Come in and let us show you.



## Your Choice of Any of Our Two-Piece Suits for Men at One-Half Price

We have placed on Special Sale our entire lot of Two-Piece Suits and you cannot well afford to miss this opportunity to secure a nice cool suit for the warm weather that will soon be upon us, when you can get one of these at this big saving. They are made of Mohair, cassimers and serges, and some are full lined and others are only half lined-perfectly tailored in every way.

\$8 Suits, now	\$4.00
\$10 Suits, now	\$5.00
\$12 Suits, now	\$6.00
\$11 Suits, now	\$5.50
\$16.50 Suits, now	\$8.25

We want also to call your attention to

our excellent assortment of Hart Schaffner & Marx Suits

that we now have on display. These

Holding

Often.

Masks

to Evade

We have one of the best assortments of Rugs and Rugs--Art Squares in the city and know we can please you in quality and in price. We have all sizessmall, medium and extra large, in Brussels, Axminister, Velvets

> suits are guaranteed in every wayand we will back it up -so there is no possible chance for you to get the worst of it if you will buy this make. Come in and let us show them to you. You do not have to buy. We want you to see the superior style, fit and workmanship that is put into them. H. S. & M. Suits for ....

### \$18.00 and up

Other makes in the new spring weaves and colorings including the guaranteed Clothcraft line for\_ \$5, \$6, \$8, \$10 and up

SPECIAL

Ladies' Washable Suits \$2.98

Here is certainly a bargain in a washable Suit. Made of high grade linen material in colors, natural, white, and blue, nicely made and finished;

trimmed in heavy clunie lace and insertion, values from \$5.75 to \$10.00. Your choice to close \$2.98

### SPECIAL

Ladies' Tailored Dress Skirts One-Half Price

We have placed on Special Sale a splendid assortment of ladies Tailored Dress Skirts made of voil, cashmeres, serges, poplins and Mohairs. These are splendid good values at the regular prices, but we are overstocked in this line and will give you the benefit of this loss.

Regular \$2 Skirt, Special .... \$1.00 Regular \$3 Skirt, Special .... \$1.50 Regular \$4 Skirt, Special .... \$2.00 Regular \$5 Skirt, Special .... \$2.50 Special---Shoes and Oxfords

We want you to look over our splendid assortment of Hammocks. We can supply you with any price you may wish to pay, and guarantee you the biggest value in any grade you may wish to purchase. Select yours now.

We have added more Shoes to our bargain tables and you will find high shoes, ozfords and pumps in tan calf, black kid, gun metal and patent leather at bargain prices. These are not cheap shoes but good shoes at a cheap price.

We have a splendid assortment of ladies' Hand Bags that we are selling at ONE-HALF PRICE.

\$3 Hats for men, mostly size \$1.69 Genuine Panama Hats for \$2.75 men new spring goods ... Good grade percale, 3 yards

Men's 50c 4-in-hand Ties Men's Balbriggan Underwear, 250 all sizes, good values, garment Ladies' sleeveless Vests

A fine line of men's laundered Shirts

The PARIS FAII

HOOD RIVER'S LARGEST AND BEST STORE

# Publicity Will Stop Fraud Large Combines By

OSCAR W. UNDERWOOD,

Companies

\* by American Press Association.

HE railroads have long since and often demonstrated how, when free from regulation, it is within their power by discrimination either to KILL OR MAKE ALIVE.

It has only been after legislative regulation and judicial contests thereupon that much progress has been made in clearing up the questions that have been raised in connection with the public duties and responsibilities of carriers.

One of the most effective means of eliminating fraudulent and indefensible practices resulting in discriminations and other violations of the act to regulate commerce is the LIGHT OF PUBLICITY, the power to require disclosure

The holding company is often a MASK OR SHIELD through which some artists of the legal profession have found a way to accomplish indirectly that which under the law could not be directly effected. This device is successful only when the form is permitted to encloud the substance.

IT IS ENCOURAGING THAT MORE AND MORE THE LEGISLA-TION AND THE INTERPRETATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE LAW, INTENDED TO SECURE EQUALITY OF TREATMENT, REASON-ABLE RATES AND FAIR DEALING TEND, THOUGH TOO SLOWLY, TOWARD ELIMINATING THESE INDIRECT METHODS OF CONCEAL MENT AND DEMAND OPENNESS AND DIRECTNESS

# WATERWORKS TURNED

An event of paramount importance to the city occurred on Saturday, June 1, when Hood River came into Mrs. E. D. Smtlh is spending a ownership of the water system. The couple of weeks visiting relatives at sum paid, amounting to \$34,822, was North Yakima. on that date formally turned over to Robert E. Shinn and C. Claude be informed about a matter that would the Pacific Power and Light Company and the deed to the water sys- of the week to see the athletic meet. the undersigned City Recorder at tem was received.

The water system produces a revenue of about \$500 a month.

as the necessary bond issue can be Johnson.

### Bids for Wood

the Law Congressman Alabama

# OVER TO THE CITY

to the system will be made as soon guests of their sister, Mrs. J. L. Hood River News for two consecufloated.

1912, for 20 cords of four-foot oak one. and 20 cords of four foot split or J. Bowman has returned from a slabwood to be delivered at Barreti trip to Butler, Pa., and a tour of the schoolhouse; also for ten ricks of 16- East. He reports that he is delightfoot oak and ten ricks of 16-foot fir ed to get back and that he saw no or pine, to be delivered in the wood other section which he could com shed of the East Barrett schoolhouse. pare to Hood River, Wood to be delivered on or prior to September 1, 1912.

F. H. MILLER, District clerk.

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Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Davidson visited their daughter in Portland over

Mrs. George R. Johnson and Mrs. 8. F. M. Johnson of Kansas City are within seven days from the 29th day The contemplated improvements expected to arrive tomorrow to be of May, 1912.

V. C. Brock and family enjoyed an automobile trip to Wasco, Mr. Brock's former home, on Decoration Blds will be received by the clerk Day. Mr. Brock says the wheat crop of School District No. 4 until July 1, in that country is a most promising

Drewry Whiston, recently of New York, is spending the summer at the Mt. Hood botel acquainting bimself with property values and intends to Lime and Spray-Kelly Bros., phone open an office in Portland this fall to specialize in Hood River properties.

Long In the Public Eye,

Opinions regarding what constitutes being before the public may vary, but one Kansas City negro who presides over the buffet in a certain Kansas City club has an opinion which is original, to say the least. The negro and a customer were engaged in a friendly debute regarding the former's age a few days ag . Their respective opinions varied about twenty years, the negro holding out for the smaller

"You've been around Kansas City twenty years, and you can't make me believe you're young," the customer argued.

"Ab knows Ah've been in business here for a great many years," was the reply, "but that's not saying Ah'm old You see, Ah's been befolt de public so long people jest anichly thinks Ah'm older than Ab am " - Kansas City Journal.

Night Light Machines.

Though the first match appeared in England as late as 1827, the idea seized a genius years before that date This advertisement in a London Post of 1788 gives evidence: "For travelers mariners, etc. Promethean fire and phosphorus: G Watts respectfully acquaints the public that he has prepared a large quantity of machines of a portable and durable kind, with promethean fire, paper and mucch inclos ed, most admirably calculated to prevent those disagreeable sensations which most frequently arise in the dreary hour of midnight, from sudden alarms, thieves, fire or sickness."

Difference In Speech

Polly-You can never tell much about a man from his speech. Belle-That's right. There's Choille, for instance, who stutters terribly. He proposed to me five minutes after we met, and it took Jack, who is the most voluble fellow in the world, three years -Phil adelphia Record.

Strawberry Growers!

Order your strawberry tickets by ard or phone and we will print them promptly. Hood River News Company, phone SL\*

Notice of Completion of Street Improvements

Notice is hereby given that Chas Connor and Son, contractors have filed written notice this 29th day of May, 1912, of the completion of State Street, adjoining block one Wancoma, by the construction of concrete sidewalk and gutters, under their contract with the city bereto fore made and entered into under ordinance No. 238, and that the amount due said contractor for said improve upon its acceptance is bereby

stated to be \$372.80.

And notice is further given that any objections to the acceptance of said work under the contract with any time within seven days from the date of filing said notice, to-wit

This notice is published in the tive issues thereof, the date of the first publication being June 5th, 1912. L Howe, City Recorder,

A couple of neighbors were teaning over the back fence. "My husband says he always does better work when thinking of me

"I notice he made a very good job of benting the carpets." And then the tomeat had a fit -Louisville Conrier Journal,

What Her Mother Is.

Helen-My mother's a I'resbyterlan. What's yours, Mary? Mary - Mine? Oh, let me see Mine is a Methodist. What is yours, Relia? Relia - My mother never told me, but I heard her tell her friend that she was a dyspeptic .-Londo= "It Bits.

NO SIR, I CAN'T GET APPENDICITIS



Eat All I Want to Now, No More Gas on the Stomach or Sour Stomach. No More Heavy Feeling After Meals or Constipation.

Meals or Constipation.

No matter what you've tried without getting relief JUST TRY simple buckthorn bark, glycerine, etc., as compounded in ADLER-I-KA! You will be surprised at the QUICK results and you will be guarded against appendicitis. The VERY FIRST DOSE will help you and a short treatment with ADLER-I-KA will make you feel better than you have for years. This new German appendicitis remedy antisepticizes the stomach and bowels and draws off all impurities. A SINGLE DOSE relieves gas on the stomach, sour stomach, constipation, muisea or heavy feeling after eating almost AT ONCE. A short treatment often cures an ordinary case of appendicitis.

## Chas. N. Clarke

Sole Agent For Hood River County

## **Washington Apple Orchard**

A solid block of 160 acres young apple trees; near Goldendale, Klickitat county. Will make reasonable price and terms on onehalf or three-fourths. A sightly location overlooking Klickitat valley and a fine view of Mt. Hood and Mt. Adams and I think the most likely looking young orchard in the Northwest.

> W. G. DAVIS, Owner Goldendale, Washington

## White Salmon Ferry

We wish to announce to our patrons that we have secured a landing just north of the station on this side of the river.

DEAN & SHEPLAR, Ferrymen

## In the Race for Leadership "Benjamin" Clothes Always Win

N the busy marts of trade, in the social whirl, clothes may not make the man, but they are a big help. Appearances count for a great deal. The best dressed men of America "Wear A Benjamin,"---the clothes of the leaders.

This leader wears an Avon model. A suit which is exceedingly popular with the very dressy.



Gordon Hats for Men

# The Queen of Table Oils

# Maltese Cross

An absolutely pure Olive Oil---just received a fresh shipment---put up in 1/2 pints, pints and quarts. A trial will convince you.

> CARL A. PLATH DRUGGIST The Rexall Store

# The Dry Season Is Nearly Here

Look at your wagon wheels and see if the tires do not need tightening. Loose tires will cause loose spokes and otherwise damages the wheels.

Better have this work done before you use the wagon to haul your crop of berries.

Bring your wagon to us and let us put it in good shape for the coming dry season.

W. G. SNOW

Phone 62-K

Fourth Street