## GEER ON HIS CANDIDACY

DENIES THAT HE ASPIRES TO THE SENATE OR OTHER OFFICE.

And Delivers an Interesting Homily on the Vexations and Calumnies of a Political Career.

BALEM, April 8 .- (To the Editor,)-When your Salem correspondent asked me a day or two ago "for an interview shout my Senatorial candidacy," I answered that I "had no Senatorial candidacy and. therefore, nothing to any on the subject." What I said should have been stated in his report, but since it was not, and in view of the column of irrelayent gossip which followed, I feel called upon to say that my present disposition is to quit politics, for all time, not at all in a source way, but as a matter of good judgment.

As an exclusive, or even as a partial business, it is more likely to lead an hon-est man to the poorhouse than elsewhere, and the uncertainty of its success, coupled with the certainty of willful misrepresentation and unmerited abuse more than

outweigh its pleasures.

It is not necessary to go outside of Oregon politics to verify this statement. At the end of his present term, Senator Mitchell, for instance, will have served 24 years in the United States Schate, and to pay for its pleasures, he has been compelled to endure more calumnles and grades of personal abuse than all other public men in Oregon combined. The same may be said in lesser degree of Senator Simon. The sensitive man will shudder when he recalls the bitter per-sonal attacks made on Hon, H. W. Corbett, during the last legislative session, by a local paper here, and elsewhere. It is generally believed that Senator Dolph's death was directly attributable to the calumnies that were unmercifully heaped upon him, though he was undoubtedly one of the ablest, pureet and most high-mine-ed public men our state has ever known. You have not escaped these poisoned shafts yourself, Mr. Editor, and neither

The question is, Does it pay? Whether a public official is to be maligned is not determined by the kind of record he has made,—it depends on whose way he is in, and to what extent. This is proven by the fact that the man who is apparently most offended with an official's record at one period will be his most enthusiastic supporter at a subsequent one, and vice

Life is too short, or at least, not enough of it remains to me to thus deliberately invite an uninterrupted course of personal misrepresentation during what may be left. I have already had a bitter taste of what has been the daily food for many years of Senator Mitchell, Senator Simon, Senator McBride and almost every other Republican who has had the mistortune to be on either one or the other side of the factional fight in Multnomah County, or en between them, or aloof from them,

s I have been. It has been frequently charged that I am no politician, an accusation which I have never been disposed to deny. I may be pardoned for adding that I do not deto acquire that accomplishment as sire to acquire that accomplished the long as it implies an ability to fathom the mysteries of Multnomah County politics and to keep perfect pace with its kaleidoscopic panorams of shifting scenes. The man who is your friend there this year may be your bitterest enemy next

although your first notification of the change is the unexpected enslaught. What is nourishing food at one time is to be destructive poison at quite likely to be descrucive, process and that, too, without any change another, and that, too, without any change in conditions whatever, so far as an ou Republican in the hayseed ranks can discern. Jones and Smith and Brown may work in unbroken harmony and intimacy in one campaign, and in the next Jones is quite likely to contend that Smith should receive nothing but the severest blic execuation, merely because Brown has deciared his friendship for him. Pub-lic questions of large import and the pubwelfare are lost sight of, the only one being who is best equipped to survive the premeditated onset of the campaign of vilification. The factional fight in Multinomah County dominates Oregon Kepub-lican politics so completely that a cam-paign is not a contest between Republicans pany has acquired 56,000 acres of oil and paign is not a country to the structure of the structure inspiring to one who would be glad to be free from it all and to work toward

higher ideals. Will you grant me further space to say a word in regard+to your correspondent's statement that "the course of political events during the last two months leads at once to the conclusion that if Simon names his successor that man will be T. T Geer"? In heaven's name, is Mr. Simon's shadow still to be used as a distorted genius with which to conjure from the vasty deep spectral hobgoblins, whose presence can alone be depended upon to keep the guileless voter in the path of political rectitude? For the purpose of frightening the timid voter from my support in the campaign preceding the state convention his alleged coalition with me was invented, was industriously used, and, since it is said to have done its work in Multnomah County, it should be laid permanently to rest among the east-off paraphernalia of a departed campaign.

I am less acquainted with Senator Simon than with any of the other public men in Oregon. In 20 years' acquaintance I have mover had 30 minutes private conversation with him, all told, and I have the same understanding with him as to the future of Republican politics in Oregon that I have with Mr. Fulton, Senator Mitchell, Mr. Hirsch, or any other prominent member of the party. Of his own free will he supported me in the campaign just closed, for which I am very grateful, but I casfly recall that he has in the past supported other good men, and they have supported him, without being deemed, therefore, fit only for relegation to the

political bonevard.

I write this letter in the best of humon believing that the welfare of the state and Nation demands the continued su-premacy of the Republican party, but I hope to be not prematurely thrust into the United States Senate without my consent first obtained. T. T. GEER.

## TROUBLE PROMOTERS.

Wall Street Opens War on "Hold-Up" Schemes.

NEW YORK, April 9.-Banking syndicates representing the most important financial interests in the city have, at a meeting just held, formally agreed to commence an active warfare on what Wall strect terms "hold-up" schemes. It was determined that hereafter no more blackmail will be pald to those individuals, who, when new enterprises are launched, at-tempt to hold up the consolidation or

funncial flotation by legal processes until a "settlement" is made.
It was agreed that henceforth no moneys will be paid for a peaceful and quiet scttlement of any deal, but that as soon as any attempt at a "hold-up" is discovered the matter shall be fought out to the courts. It was also annou last night that a movement has already begun to unearth the leaders of the sys-tem of financial blackmail, who are de-clared to have been actively at work for

the past two years or more. Leading Wali street men who have been engaged in the promotion of consolidations repeatedly have stated that they were compelled to buy up "trouble promoters" as soon as the plans were nearing completion. They were too busy, they said, to take chances of a delay in the completion of their plans, and so they were compelled to subcidize individuals in order to obtain peace. It is reported that as much as 250,000, has been paid recently by a single banking interest in Wall street to

avoid an aggressive litigation by one the members of the clique.

New Securities Company.

NEW YORK, April 9.-A new securities mpany which has just been incorporated in New Jersey, with a capital of \$2,000,000 was formed, according to the Herald, for the purpose of holding stocks of certain ns identified with the United States Steel Corporation. Within the last year financial interests connected with the management of that company have en-tered numerous enterprises more or less connected with the steel and iron trade, and this company probably will act as the holding company for their securities.

Discharge of Debts Denied. NEW YORK, April 9.—A decision by the Circuit Court of Appeals, just rendered, is of much interest to bankruptcy lawyers, petitioner, a former slik merchant, dules liabilities of \$973,000 and assets of \$196,000. His creditors vigorously op-posed a discharge of the debts. In its de-cision the Court of Appeals says: "From September 19, 1898, to April 12, for that purpose,

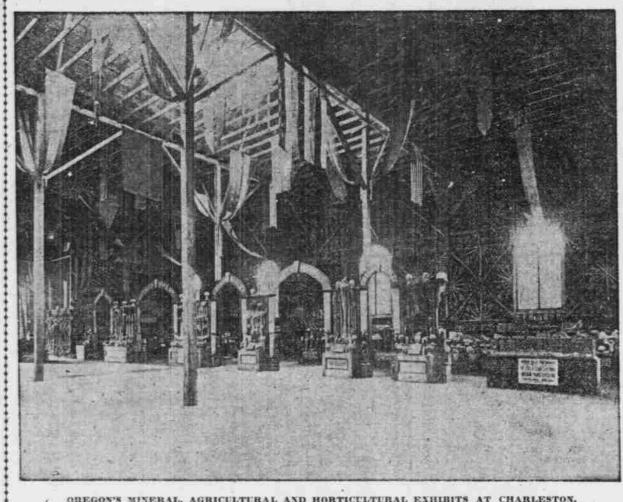
MANY FINE PRODUCTS.

Minerals and Wool, Largely

Gathered by Railroads.

amining our timber and feels confident that another empload of lumber will cross the bar of the Columbia river bound for OREGON AT CHARLESTON and predict that many more will follow NOTABLE DISPLAY OF STATE'S in life is to be ready when the opportunity comes'-all of which applies to state Grains, G.asses, Fruits, Vegetables, enterprises as well as to individuals." Oregon's exhibit at the Charleston Ex- example, "on the line of the Southern position is composed largely of articles Pacific Rallway." That company also gotten together by the two railroads of has a large placard announcing that all the state, the Southern Pacific and the the products of a certain section of the O. R. & N. Many of the specimens in the display did duty at the Portland Exposition last Fall and at the State Pair card shows indistinctly in the picture in

"Emerson said: 'Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm,' and Bea-consfield said: The great secret of success exhibits, and industrial and commercial Each article in the exhibit of the railroads bears a card telling where and by whom it was produced, not forgetting to include that the favored locality is, for the grains and grasses and some of the this paper. Through the interest of this preserved fruits and vegetables and the company in collecting the specimens for mineral display and wool. These articles could be kept without deterioration for that purpose. In connection with at any other fair. The O. R. & N. dis-1900, the petitioner was hopelessly insolv- the photographs of the exhibit, reproduced play is also notable, but its interest in



OREGON'S MINERAL, AGRICULTURAL AND HORTICULTURAL EXHIBITS AT CHARLESTON. This view shows the front of Oregon's mineral, agricultural and horticultural exhibits, 120 feet front, covering 6500 square feet of space. The grains displayed on the front ganels come from farms in Eastern Oregon, along the line of the O. R. & N.

Company. The grains and graces on the wall panels came from the farms of the Willamette Valley along the lines of the South

ent, yet in that period he lost in gambling on this page, Commissioner Dosch wrote the industries along its lines is not houses at roulette and fare and other the following to General Freight and Pas-games of charge more than \$155,000, and senger Agent Miller, of the Southern Papaid this sum out of money drawn from cific his business, as well as about \$75,000 which he lost in stock speculation. Knowing he could not meet his obligations, he turned to stock speculations in the hope of re-tricving his losses, but went from bad to worse and rapidly used up his assets and the money of his creditors." On this account the referee's recommendation denfing a discharge of the debts

ern Pacific Company.

Big Deal in Gil Land.

MARIETTA, O., April 9.—The largest gas and oil land deal ever made in this eam- by the Ohio & Culifornia Refining Com-licans pany has acquired 50,000 acres of oil and licans gas land in Mason, Jackson, Putnam and Kanawha Counties in West Virginia, lying below the Guffey & Galley tract, purchased last week by the Standard Oil Company. The price is not made known, but it is said to be very large.

By the Revolver Route.

NEW YORK, April 8.—Occar A. Shaf-fer, secretary and treasurer of the W. H. Baker Chocolate Company, committed suicide at the offices of the company of business hours. She reached the ofa few minutes after the revolver t was heard and the clerks had found Shaffer sitting in his chair dving,

Bookmaking at St. Louis.

"The grains and graces of the front panels in one picture are from Eastern Cregon, but all the designs on the wall in the interior view and at the end, under and over the beautiful painting of Mount Hood, and the sunburst over it, are from your railroad and the Willamette Valley, They are very much admired and earn no end of praise. I have applied for a special diploma for you and hope to se-

In writing to The Oregonian about the

"It is gratifying to us, that since the good weather set in, the attendance is stendily increasing, and all visitors are intensely interested, keeping us busy explaining Oregon's resources, and many a promise is made to visit Oregon for the Lewis and Clark Exposition. Hundreds of Northern and Eastern capitalists, merchants and manufacturers, who are in-terested in Florida, are now on their way home, stopping over here to have a look. These are the people who ask many questions, and are astonished at Oregon's resources and possibilities, and I venture the assertion that many a new enterprise on Wall street today. He used a revolver. Mr. Shaffer was 25 years of age and married, and in the morning had made an appointment with his wife to meet him at the effice at the close or than all the expenses incurred at the effect notice will bring more money into the control of the control direct notice will bring more money into Oregon than all the expenses incurred at

Buffalo and here: "Several months ago, while visiting the largest club here, the German Freundschofts Bund, Mr. Johnson and myself became acquainted with a German from Hamburg, who is the representative of ST. LOUIS, April 9.—The suit of At-torney-General Crow, of the State of Mis-Germany, and was in quest of a shipload souri, brought in Judge Fisher's Court, for an filipunction restraining betting and bookmaking on the part of the St. Louis day, and we soon convinced him that day, and we soon convinced him that cussion, in an example of dismissed today for want of prosecution.

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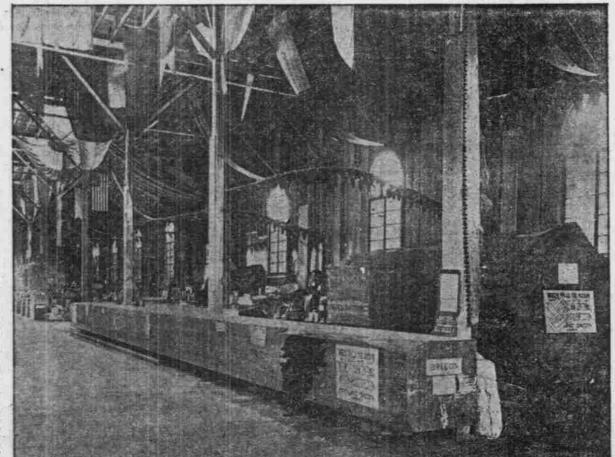
such recent growth. General Freight and Passenger Agent Miller has been at work some time planning an extensive Oregon display for the St. Louis Exposition. This will be made St. Louis Exposition. This will be made in the exhibit of the Harriman lines, but Mr. Miller expects to have a distinctive section for Oregon products, and is work-ing to make it as effective as possible.

NEW YORK, April 9 .- At a brotherhood meeting under the auspices of the Baron and Baroness de Hirsch Monument Assoexposition and the interest in the Oregon exhibit, Commissioner Dosch says: Baron and Baroness de Hirsch, and suggesting that the following sentence from President Roosevelt be inscribed on it. "When all is said and done the rule of brotherhood remains as the indispensable prerequisite to success in the kind of national life for which we strive.

The Vote at St. Joseph.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., April 9.-Figures this show that Borden, Republic elected Mayor by a margin of eight votes over Spratt, Democrat. The remainder of the Republican ticket, down to the City Council, is elected, with the exception of City Attorney. Peter Carolus, Police Judge, enters upon his third term-elected by almost spontaneous uprising. Republicans will have a slight majority in the City Council.

No More Money for "Protection." NEW YORK, April 9.—A secret meet-ing of the executive committee of the Central Liquor Dealers' Association, composed of five delegates from each district organization, called for the purpose of discussing the excise situation, is said to have resulted, after four hours' dis-cussion, in an agreement to pay out no more money for protection to any per-



OREGON'S EXHIBIT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AT THE CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA, EXPOSITION,

This is Oregon's exhibit in its entirety, showing the full front of 228 feet in length, covering 11,900 square feet of space In the foreground are the two large logs of the forestry exhibit, a sawlog of spruce 24 feet long and 9 feet in diameter, the other a square piece of fir timber 74 feet long by 34 inches square, containing 7160 feet of lumber. These pieces have proven the magnetic needle of this exposition, hundreds of people coming just to see Oregon's great display, who possibly would not have come otherwise. In the distance are the mineral, horticultural and agricultural exhibits. The large cards, marked "Where Rolls the Oregon," are the notices and invitations to visit the Lewis and Clark Exposition.

## **NEW HOMESEEKERS'**

HARRIMAN LINES TAKE INDEPEND ENT ACTION.

Application of the Tariff to Western Oregon-Rock Island May Buy Choctaw & Gulf.

General Passenger Agent Miller, of the Southern Pacific, last evening received notice that the Harriman lines had determined to take independent action in applying the homeseekers' rate to Western Oregon points. This subject has been up some time, and the Transcontinental Passenger Association declined to recognize Western Oregon points as commot as it did in the matter of applying the settlers' rate. Then the Union Pacific, Oregon Short Line and O. R. & N., in connection with the Southern Pacific, solved on independent action, as they did in the case of the settlers' rate, and the same rates that have been quoted to Portland and other Pacific Northwest common points will apply to all points on Southern Pacific lines in Oregon. This has been brought about by the persistent work of Mr. Miller, who would not rest until he had obtained the common-point rates for all the territory served by the lines under his jurisdiction.

The settlers' rate is for westbound pas sengers only, and was put in for the months of March and April. The home-seekers rate is for the round trip from the East, and is one first-class fare, plus \$2, for the round trip from Chicago and points west to the Pacific Coast. It was put in for March, April and May, the sales being restricted to the first and third Tuesdays in the month. The homeseckers rate will be available from the East next Tuesday and on May 8 and 20. That is far as the rate has been authorized. The Transcontinental Passenger Asso ciation lines are expected to fall in with the new arrangement, in which the Union Pacific system led the way. The Northern lines will, of course, make the same rates that are made by their competitor to the southward. All these routings must be through Portland or the rates will not apply.

ELECTRICITY ON GERMAN ROADS. Found to Be Expensive and Liable to Accidents.

BERLIN, April 2.-Herr von Thielen, the Prussian Minister of Public Works, speaking before the Diet today on the railway budget, referred to the application of electricity to broad-gauge, long-distance rallways. He reviewed the recent experiments on the Wannsace and Soessen roads, and said that traffic on the former, which s a Berlin suburban line, has been aban-doned, because electricity as a motive power was twice as expensive as steam and less secure from accidents. The insulation was never wholly perfect, continued the speaker, and he was, therefore, ed that the high-power, long-train system could not be generally adopted. The ahthorities were negotiating, however, with an electrical company to introduce electrical traction on all trains between Grossiichterfeldt, seven miles from Berlin and the German capital, with prospects of better success.

Referring to the high velocity attained during the single-car experiments on the military road between Berlin and Soessen, where a speed of 100 miles an hour was reached, the Minister of Public Works said he hope for increased speed through the strengthening of roadbeds, though he was still doubtful as to whether high-speed electrical traction was profitable. it must be confined to passenger traffic. Analyzing the shortage below the esti-mates for the year ended March 31, of 0,000,000 marks in the railway receipts Herr von Thicien said that two-thirds of this shortage occurred in the Rhenish-Westphallan coal district. He also said that railway operating expenses had been reduced 20,000,000 marks.

CHOCTAW, OKLAHOMA & GULF. The Speyers Buy It, Probably for the

Bock Island. PHILADELPHIA, April 9 .- Announce ment was made today by Edward B. Smith & Co., of this city, bankers, that the Choctaw, Oklahoma & Gulf Railroad Company has been sold to Speyer & Co., bankers of New York, the price paid being \$80 for the common and \$50 for the preferred, both ex April dividend. By the terms of the sale thus made, the purchasers agree to take at the same price all stock offered. A circular giving de-talls will be issued to stockholders in the course of a few days, and they will be asked to deposit their stock with the Gi-rard Trust Company (Philadelphia). The stock issue of the Choctaw amounts to 176,000 shares of common (par value, \$8.800,-900), and 120,000 shares of preferred (par value, \$6,000,000).

ent of the sale was made after the Stock Exchange had closed, and little information could be had as to the prospective purchaser. During the last six months rumors have connected the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Rallway, the Missouri Pacific Rallway, the St. Louis & San Francisco Railroad and the Rock Island Railroad. There is a strong belief that the last-named road is the real purchaser. This belief is strengthened by the fact that the board of directors of the Rock Island road are about to issue \$15,-000,000 in new capital stock.

ANOTHER FOR HARRIMAN. He Is Believed to Be Main Factor in

a Mexican System. SALT LAKE CITY, April 2.—At a meeting of the stockholders of the National Railrond of Mexico, held in this city today,

the bond issue to provide for the pur-chase of the Mexican National and other roads was authorized. The new securities are provided for as follows: Prior lien, 4½ per cent gold bonds, not to exceed \$3,000,000; first consolidated mort-

gage not to exceed \$60,000,000.

Five additional directors were elected, as follows: Charles T. Smith, Joseph de Jose de Landa y Escandon, Robert P. Easton, E. N. Brown and Carl Smith, all of the City of Mexico. E. N. Brown was elected third vice-president and general manager of the company.

The stockholders also ratified other acts of the old board of directors, including the construction of the El Salto division, the purchase of new equipment and the standard gauging of the National. The com-Utah in February. It is believed that E. H. Harriman is the main factor in the proposed new system.

Low Rates to Seashore.

CHICAGO, April 9.-For the first time in the history of local transportation, a series of low-rate excursions are to be run from Chicago to Atlantic City during the coming Summer. The novel plan of operating excursions from Chicago to the famous Eastern seaside resort was announced after a meeting here of gen-eral passenger agents of the roads oper-ated east-bound from this city.

The rate for the round trip from Chicago to Atlantic City will be \$18, and one excursion will be operated by each of the following roads: Lake Shore, Big Four, Chesapeake & Ohio, Baltimore & Ohio and Baltimore & Ohio Southwestern. No dates were set for the excursions, but it is probable they will be during July and August.

Pennsylvania Secures Two Systems CHICAGO, April 3.-The Record-Herald tomorrow will say:
"Upon the authority of a large stock-

holder in the Plant system, it is said that the Pennsylvania interests will soon acquire possession of the allied Plant and Atlantic Coast line systems. In this fact,

it is said, is to be found the reason for the purchase by the Atlantic Coast II the Plant system, which has surprised the railroad world. Should the Pennsylvania secure the two systems, they will add a total of 3970 miles of line, bringing the total to 20,000 miles under one control."

Two Changes on the O. R. & N. E. L. Shinkle, who has for five years been counter clerk in the general freight office of the O. R. & N. Co., has been promoted to the position of local agent of the company in Spokane. He will be succeeded in the Portland office by Thad Sweek, who has for a long time had a deak inside the general freight office. The announcement of those changes was made yester

day, but they will not become effective

until April 15.

Mr. Shinkle came from the Iowa Central at Oskeloosa, Is., five years ago. He will leave next Tuesday for Spokane, but his family will not follow until some weeks pass, perhaps not before the end of the school year.

Southern Pacific Election.

NEW YORK, April 9.- The annual meeting of the Southern Pacific Company was held in this city today. All the retiring directors were re-elected except Charles M. Hays, who resigned, and was succeed ed by ex-Judge William D. Cornish. Th total vote cast at the meeting was 1,573,892 shares, out of a total of 1,978,471. The new board will probably meet tomorrow, and It is understood that all the present offiincluding President E. H. Harriman, will be re-elected.

Actual Construction Begun. DENVER, April 9 .- De Rimer and Otson, contractors for construction of the 10 miles of the Denver & Northwestern Railway from Arvada to Coal Creek, began actual work on the grading today. It is expected to have 500 teams and from 1000 to 2000 men at work within a week.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., April 9.—General Manager Clark, of the Choctaw, Oklahoma & Gulf Railroad, has wired the general offices that the Ardmore branch of the Choctaw, from Halleyville south through Ardmore, will be opened to Tishomingo, Monday, April 14.

Canadian Pacific Purchase. MONTREAL, April 9.-The Canadian Pacific Rallway has purchased the Ottawa Northwestern Rallway for \$4,500,000, and will extend it from Waltham, Que., to Chalk River, thus shortening the transental route by 30 miles

Rock Island Directory Re-Elected. FORT WORTH, Tex., April 9.- The Chi ago, Rock Island & Texas Rallway Company held its regular annual session here yesterday. The old directory and officers were re-elected.

Railroad Notes.

The work of surfacing the St. Johns extension of the O. R. & N. is proceeding as fast as the weather will permit, but it is likely to be two or three weeks before the track will be ready for the running of trains over it, except the work trains At Shaniko yesterday three inches of snow fell, but it remained on the ground only a few hours. At no other point on the Columbia Southern was any snow re. has been exhumed. The body has the conported. The O. R. & N. weather report sistency of vulcanized rubber, and might showed a little gnow in the Blue Mountains and frost at North Powder. The weather of the interior was generally loudy, but the mercury was above freezng at all other points.

Littigation Over Hoyt's Jewels.

NEW YORK, April 9.-Diamonds, pearls NEW YORK, April 9.—Diamonds, pearls ical compan and other rare jewels valued at nearly \$50.—600, a part of the estate of the late Charles H. Hoyt, the playwright, will, it is reported, soon become the subject of litigation. Apart from the value of the PANAMA ewels most of which were worn first by flora Walsh Hoyt, and later, with costly additions, by Caroline Miskey Hoyt, so Government much sentimental and family interest is pursue her.

attached to them that the contest promises to be exceedingly bitter. The jewels are now in the possession of Frank McKee, Hoyt's former partner, and one of the executors of the estate. The claimants are Mrs. Mary W. Scales and Miss Sarah Miskel Scales, the mother and sister of Caroline Miskel Hoyt, who say that shortly before Mr. Hoyt's death he premised to give them the gems. Counsel for McKee declared the claim of Mrs. and

Miss Scales is preposterous.

JAPAN IN GOOD SHAPE. No Cause to Be Uneasy Over its Foreign Trade,

NEW YORK, April 9.-A nner," was given tonight at Sherry's to ount Matsukata, ex-Prime Minister of Japan, who recently arrived in this country on a tour of the world. The dinner was given by the prominent Japanese residents of the city. Kogoho Takaita Takabira, the Japanese Minister at Washington, was one of the guests. Count Matsukata said:

"Something like a panic, as you know, visited the financial world of Japan last year. The principal cause was the un natural abnormal expansion of credit brought about by the sudden increase of specie in Japan after our war in China. The sudden increase of our cir-culating medium made people rush into speculation; made them more luxurious in their habits and generally more ex-travagant in their mode of life. The natural consequence of all this was a reaction which cuiminated in the finan-cial troubles of last year. I am happy to be able to say that the trouble was confined principally to banking and business concerns of obscure standing, and only a few of them. None of the institutions helding good positions in the financial world was involved in the

"Turning from finances, we had, strange to say, a very good year in trade. The feature especially encouraging was that the exports showed con-siderable increase over the preceeding year. Our people are beginning to realsiderable increase over the preceeding year. Our people are beginning to real-ize that the only hope for real pros-perity lies in stendy application and presistent labor. In these circumstances the financial and economic prospect of the country shows a steady improvement. Interest on money, when I left Japan, showed a steady tendency downward. This year the balance of trade thus far has been unfavorable to Japan, but this is only what should be expected because the early part of the year is always devoted to import trade in Japan. So you who are abroad need not be in

any way uneasy about this year's for-eign trade at home." In denying the report that Japan was contemplating the placing of a loan in countries Count Matsukata

"I am strongly disposed to believe that although an influx of capital, through the ordinary channels of business, would be beneficial, the introduction of foreign capital through official instrumentality this moment would do more harm

than good." Test of New Embalming Fluid. BATTLE CREEK, Mich., April 3.—The ody of John Leek, an aged negro, who died six months ago, and which was turned over to an undertaker in order that he might test a new embaiming fluid, sistency of vulcanized rubber, and might readily pass for a statue of black mar-ble, as the petrified flesh is hard enough to take a polish. There is not the slight-est trace of decomposition or wasting, the features retaining their fullness.

The experimenter said the fluid will preserve the body for centuries. It was recently discovered by an Eastern chemical company, and this test on the body of an unclaimed county hospital corpse is the

Chasing a Rebel Gunboat PANAMA, April 9.-The revolutionary gunboat Padilla was seen this morning off Taboga Island, 25 miles from Panama, Government gunboats have left here to

EGZEMA

is due to the retention in the system of Uric Acid or other inflammatory sons which find the way into the blood, and are forced by the circulation through the glands

and pores of the skin, causing it to burn like fire, and the incessant itching allows no rest night or day. Eczema appears in a great many different forms, beginning frequently as a mere redness of the skin, followed by little blisters or pimples, from which a clear or straw colored matter oozes, forming into sores, scales SALT RHEUM or scabs this is weeping Eczema,

commonly called Salt Rheum. These acid poisons sometimes dry up the natural oils and the skin becomes hard and dry, often cracking and bleeding and causing intense pain and fearful itching. This form of Eczema is known as Tetter, and oftenest attacks the hands and feet. Unsightly eruptions TETTER in the shape of pimples and blackheads break out upon the face, neck and shoulders as a result of

polluted blood, and this humiliating disease is called Acne. Local remedies afford but scant relief. The blood and system being saturated with the poison, the disease cannot be reached with washes, salves, ACNE powders or other local applications. S. S. S. restores the deteriorated blood to its normal condition, stimulates the sluggish organs, and all the waste matter is eliminated

through the proper channels. S. S. S. makes the blood rich and strong, and under its tonic and invigorating effects the general health improves, and the akin becomes soft and smooth again. S. S. S. contains no minerals but is guaranteed purely vegetable.

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## Maidenhood and Womanhood

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"I took Casearets myself and they are fine, I also have been giving them to my children with best results."—Mrs. Davis, 419 E. Capitol St., Washington, "I was for a long time troubled with constipation and cutarrh of the throat. Am now using Cascarets with good results and am satisfied I will be entirely -Mrs. H. F. Yeomans, 4731 Champiain Ave., Chicago, "I have used Cascarets and must say they are won-derful. I recommend them to all my lady friends." —Mrs. J. H. Mayes Chariton, Ia.

"Cascarets hal strange effects in my case. I took them for worms and got rid of them. For about a year I had also suffered from my right eye continually watering. After I trock the second done of Cascarets the eye got well and has been well ever since."

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