# HASPECULIARTRADE

J. W. Powell Raises Money for Church Debts.

HOLDS MEETING ON EAST SIDE

Central Methodist Church of Albini Obtains Pledges for \$3660 in One Day's Work-Mortgage Will Soon Be Burned.

"My, my, my, doesn't that make you glad? Now, Brother Jones takes a whole bond. Who'll be the next one? Why, of course, here's Sister Brown. She's going to take another bond. Who's next?" The speaker was J. W. Powell, of Buffalo, N. Y., who claims to have raised church debts to the amount of \$1.250,000 during the past year. He is engaged in liquidating the debt on the Central Methodist Church of Albina. Meetings were held there throughout yesterday.

"Come, come, we must keep things moving. Just look at that big debt ahead of
us. What, you take a quarter of a bond?
Well, that's pretty good. Now this is what
I like to see, Here's Brother Charles
Johnson taking two bonds You should
have been here this morning. All the
Johnson family subscribed then; I thought
it was nothing but 'Johnson,' 'Johnson,'
'Johnson,' all the time, I just expected 'Johnson,' all the time. I just expected that the Johnsons were going to pay all the debt on this church. Now, all you ushers keep those piedges moving. Brother Smith wants a bond. Where's the usher that's got Sister Smith's piedge for another one? Why, of course, Sister Smith, I knew you wouldn't fail us. My, my, my, doesn't that make you glad?" The 12000 debt on the church and parson-

age was disappearing under the enthusi-asm of Mr. Powell like snowflakes in July. A large board behind the speaker showed the number of bonds constantly sub-scribed. Mr. Powell has been called "the Napoleon of church finances," and he han-dled the congregation in a way that pro-claimed his expertness in his own partic-

ular and unique business.

Always the right word at the right time, and his audience was kept in such a good humor that the people involuntarily sub-scribed money to an amount that would have appalled them had they not been under the spell of the ready speaker's en-thusiasm. It was much like drawing blood from a turnip, but Mr. Powell got the blood and the church can lift its head once more, while the congregation will never regret its generosity.

Everybody Asked to Give.

meeting was held in the morning for the older members of the congregation and

another long session in the afternoon for the Sunday school.
"Now, Miss Brown, how much will your class give? Half a bond? Well and good. Oh, Brother Jones, you were going to in-crease your subscription weren't you?"
The brother had not considered such a step. The brother had not considered such a step possible, but Mr. Powell's manner of tak-ing things for granted took him unawares. Yes, sir; I will take two of those

"My, my, my, doesn't that make you glad? What is it, Miss Brown? Your class will take a whole bond instead of half a one? That's what I like to hear. Keep things moving. Time is precious, you know."

The ushers had offered pledges for bonds to every person in the audience. The reporter tried to look as though he had just given a large subscription when an usher came his way, but that enthu-slastic young men could not be bluffed. The pledges called for a "voluntary bond" to the amount of \$36, or a part thereof, payable within a specified time, with interest. The greater part will naturally be paid before March 1, as the interest begins at that date. The amount received was kept a profound secret from every one, even the pastor of the church, Rev. W. T. even the pastor of the church Rev. W. T. Kerr, until announced by Mr. Powell at the close of the final meeting late last

Mr. Powell has raised more money for churches than any other man in America. He arrived here on Wednesday, but no meetings were held until Saturday night. The three sessions of the financial revival accomplished the result re-r, though he will be present a another meeting this evening, his work will be finished and he will leave for Alany and then to Los Angeles, where he goes to raise money for a new church difice. Few men in the country can equal his success in speaking to children and young people. He actually obtained the answers he desired from the little tots. who have often caused much amusement at such meetings by giving unexpected replies to an older person's question. After he had started 25 of the prominent men and women of the church through the audience with the pledges, a few timid ones made for the door, but Mr. Powell's quick remark about any one leaving a church during the collection was an efectual barrier against any further move ment in this direction.

Through the aid of Rev. W. T. Kerr, the pastor, every member of the church had some special part to perform in the meetings. There was an executive committee, 30 or more ushers, an introduction com-mittee, one on the Sunday school, one on reception committee, and so on. Every nber of the congregation was interested in the meetings, for every one had some-thing to do, and under Mr. Powell's unfalling spell of enthusiasm they did it. When the financial part of the afternoon service was completed, the "Napoleon of church finances" showed the other side of his versatile nature.

"Now, children," said he, "I want to tell you something of Jesus." Before the congregation knew exactly what was ning, a full-fledged Methodist revival was in full swing, carried on in the ame quick, hustling manner that characterized the first part of the meeting. Here also a number of the prominent men women of the church aided the speaker by personal work among those who declared themselves ready to become Christians. At the close of the service 30 young people gave their names to Rev. Mr. Kerr as having been converted and to join his church. Several others

will join other denominations. Total Amount Raised Is \$3660.

At the close of the campaign last night, Mr. Powell announced that \$3990 had been raised in the three meetings under his This is \$1660 more than the debt on the church property, and \$1160 more than was asked for. The announcement of the unexpectedly large sum was such a surprise to the pastor, Rev. W. T. Kerr, that he was unable to respond when called upon, and Dr. J. R. T. Lathrop, of the Grace Church, responded in his stead. The smallest sum subscribed was 5 cents. and the largest \$500. A congratulation meeting will be held this evening, and the mortgages will be publicly burned in

"The whole secret of my success," said Mr. Powell, after the meeting, "is that I study the needs of each particular church. This bond method which I have used here is only one of the seven which I Every detail of the meetings, the music, the decorations, the commites, is arranged months before I arrive. and my system is of my own invention, copyrighted. You might think that esuse I happen to think of them at the time, but that it not so, for I know be-forehand every part of the service. No,

a wholesale house in Buffalo, N. Y.; in fact, I have it yet, but have paid no attention to it for some time. I have done this work occasionally for 20 years, and for nearly five years continuously. I travel all over the country, and came here by way of Green Bay, Wis.; Denver, Colo.; Lewiston, Idaho, and Fairhaven, Wash. From here I go to Los Angeles, and then back East again."

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The reporter had noticed that Mr. Pow-ell apparently knew every one in the con-gregation by name, though he had known most of them only a day, and asked how he could remember names so well. "I have a peculiar faculty that way,

and, of course, I have cultivated it fo meeting in Chicago two years from now, I could say, 'Come up here on the plat-form, Mr. —, I want to use you as an example.

example.'
"I have raised \$1,000,000 a year for church debts for the past three years, and this year it will amount to \$1,250,000. I am the only one in this business, and I certainly have no peer in it. My engagements with the churches on this Coast were made over a year ago, and I have the greater part of 1903 dated, and among making engagents for the year now making engagements for the year after that. I could do nothing in this business if everything was not left for me to control, and I make no engagements without that understanding. If the decorations don't suit me, I have them taken out; if the minister is going to preach an hour's sermon, and I think it is too long, that sermon gets cut down to half an hour. The whole thing is to know how to handle your audience and to keep them in the mood for generous giving."

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BOWDOIN'S NEW LIBRARY The Building Is the Gift of an Alumnus and Is to Cost \$300,000.

Boston Herald. During the week the first installment of books was moved into the handsome \$100,-000 library building presented to Bowdoin College by General Thomas Hamlin Hubbard, of New York, of the class of 1857. The building was begun in the Spring of 1901, and it is expected that it will be finished about the first of February. The formal dedication, however, will be postponed until commencement week, and will occur on June 24.

ished state, several of the smaller rooms have received their finishing touches, and the stackroom is also finished, and so, in order to save time later, when the real work of removing the books from the present library begins, workmen have been employed this week in moving the duplicates, medical works, etc., which are stored in Adams Hall, to the new library. It is expected that the real work of removal will begin about the 1st of March, and it is hoped to have it completed by the beginning of the last term in April. For many years the quarters in King Chapel occupied as a library have been so crowded that many volumes have been stored in other buildings, General Hubbard's gift was announced by President Hyde in April, 1900, and the next Spring

the building was begun.

The building is at the southern end of the campus, thus filling the fourth side of the quadrangle. It faces north. The main portion of the structure is 176 feet long by 46 feet wide, with a tower 30 feet square and 100 feet in height rising from the center. In the center of the rear of the library is a wing 90 feet long and 46 feet wide. which contains the stackroom. The building itself is two stories in height, but the stack has five floors. The stackroom is 52x40 feet, and on its five floors contains 100 double-faced bookcases, with an esti-mated capacity of 160,000 volumes. The

college library now contains 70,000. The building is as beautiful outside as within. It is constructed of Harvard brick, granite from a Brunswick quarry and Indiana limestone, which is used for interior work and for trimmings on the exterior of the tower and bays. The roof is made of steel beams, fireproofed with hollow tile arches, and covered with slate. Near each end of the building are large projecting bays, with handsome oriel windows, which greatly add to the attractiveness of the building. In the rear of the

# RALLY OF BIRD-LOVERS

JOHN BURROUGHS SOCIETY IN-SPECTS NEW PICTURES.

Interesting Reast of Rev. William R. Lord Tells of Annual Secting of Ornithologists at Washington.

Many exclamation of delight were heard at the regular Lating of the John Burroughs Club Saturdilling of the John Burroughs Club Saturdilling of the John Charming new pictures of Oregon birds that have been placed of Oregon birds of the clubrooms since the previous meeting. H. T. Behlman, we describe the same of the contributed was congratulated upon he photographs, catching the humor and chirm of bird in the chickadees in particular being an entertaining and editying sudy. A case of birds' nests and sudy, found in the vicinity of Port and, have also been added. Among these are to be seen the nests are eggs of the are to be blackbirds, rebins, junco, hural-winsed blackbirds, rebins, junco, hural-winsed blackbirds, rebins, junco, hural-winsed western Winter weer, bushirt, sta rail, Vigor's wien, burn swallow, rough inged swallow, yellow warbier, Cassin virco Aligh members and bird vicinity of the members and bird vicinity of the members.

swallow, yellow warbler, Cassin virco and others.

All club members and bied student generally are much interested in examing Mrs. Florence Merrium Balley's new "Handbook of Birds of the Wetern United States," the first copy is defined from the press of Houghton, Miffild & Co. having been sent, with grateful the showledgments of the author, to a menber of the John Burroughs Club, viz., A. W. Anthony, who rendered signal assists ance to Mrs. Balley in furnishing data for her work. It is a valuable and beautiful volume, quite exhaustive in treatment, and superbly illustrated, with an unusually full and complete list of birds seen at Portland, Or. Although Mrs. Balley's home is at Washington, D. C., she is well known to Oregonians through her visits to this state and her Summer outings with the Mazamas. The sister of One famous Government ornithologist, Dr. C. Hart Merviam, the wife of another, Vernon Balley, and hence with all the resources of the United States Government non Bailey, and hence with all the re-sources of the United States Government at her command, Mrs. Bailey has had unusual facilities for bird study; and her book is sure to arouse much local interest

among Oregon nature-lovers.

A highly interesting report of the pro-coedings of the annual meeting of the American Ornithologists' Union and Audubon Societies at Washington, D. C., furnished by the Oregon delegate, Rev. William Rogers Lord, was listened to with eager attention. Nearly all the well-known ornithologists and writers on bird known ornithologists and writers on bird life were present, among them Dr. C. Hart Merriam, the re-elected president of the Union: Dr. Ridgeway, Dr. Palmer, Vernon Bailey and his wife, Florence Merriam Balley, Messrs. Oberholser, Nelson and Olds, of Washington, D. C.: Frank Chapman, William Dutcher and Dr. Allen, of New York: Mr. Brewster, of Cambridge, and Olive Thorne Miller, of Brooklyn, N. Y.

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I judge they will be to you," writes Mr Lord, "were these. On Tuesday afternoon Mr. Chapman's comparison of the bird life of Gardiner's Island and Cobb's Island, with lantern slides. On the for-mer island bird protection is and had been for a long time almost perfect. The island has but one family, with attend-ants, on it, and has 1500 to 2000 acres at least, is wooded and cultivated, and has fresh water bodies and salt water marshes. There are on the island no ene-mies of the birds save the occasional sharp-shinned and Cooper's hawks, not a cat and no weasel. Here birds have not only multiplied, but have changed their habits. In respect to nests, they build no longer high, but as the robins do, pictures of whose nests there we saw some-times very near the ground; and the os-prey and fish-hawk on the beach occa-sionally. Here birds have grown tame, and the sight of man is not a signal for flight. The gulls and terns are protected, and appreciate their refuge from the plume-hunter.

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"But on Cobb's Island the reverse in all these respects is true. Once the island was thickly populated with birds, especially with guils and terns. Now few birds of any kind are there, and these few are in a state of terror whenever a human being approaches. Such desolation "There were a man being approaches. Such desolation of the property of the man being approaches. Such desolation has the millinery demand wrought." "There was a fascinating address by E.

W. Nelson, of the Biological Survey, who has been for some time studying the birds of Southern Mexico and Yucatan His subject, 'Evolution of Species and Sub-species as Illustrated by Certain Mcxican Quaits and Squirrels, was the result of his having found a complete set of inter-grades of each of these living forms showng between species, entirely different in color, the gradual changes wrought by

Mr. Lord's report then referred to the interesting address by H. W. Olds upon "Form in Bird Music." His was a marvelous exhibition of what a fine car can do to distinguish variety in the songs of birds of the same species. He said that he had more than 1000 different songs of the song sparrow. He had charts to show the imitative, antiphonal, complementary and other forms of bird music, as the little creatures carry forward or answer each other's songs. He gave by whistling all of the songs he showed, de-He gave by

lighting every one,
"I talked with him," writes Mr. Lord, "and he was greatly interested in what I told him of the Western meadow jark, which he had never heard."

Frank Chapman and Mr. Fuertes gave an interesting account of their visit to the haunts of the flamingo in the Baha-mas. Mr. Fuertes, who is the greatest bird artist in the history of the world, sketched and painted a flock of flamin-goes on the wing, flying in line, with their long legs extended behind and their long necks stretched out before, against the sky like a red or pink rope of irregular size. "William Dutcher read his report as

chairman of the committee on the pro-tection of North American birds," continues Mr Lord, "This committee undertakes to secure a police force for the Atprotect the gulls and terns from plumehunters and to save the eggs from those who take them, sometimes by the bushel, for food. It also has charge of the Lacey act, forbidding interstate commerce in birds protected by state laws. It is its duty, too, to look after the wholesale milliners to see that the engagement entered into by the National Wholesale Milliners' Association with the Audubon Societies is carried out, the engagement being that no birds of the United States shall be sold by those who compose this body. This committee also looks after legislation in the several states where there is none, and in those also where the legislation is inadequate. The committee re-ported great success in saving the gulls

"Dr. T. S. Palmer reported on the enforcement of the Lacey act, and his oversight of the wholesale milliners in Baltimore and New York. Dr. Palmer is a very able man. He is a master in bird knowledge. He is perhaps the only one who cannot be fooled about 'made birds.' He has brought the dealers into line by persistent and expert work.

In conclusion Mr. Lord said: "There were papers from Wisconsin and Illinois as well as from New York, Massachusetts and Connecticut, and I am certain that Oregon is not behind these states, so far as public school interest is concerned. I believe Oregon has the conditions now that will enable the bird societies in that state to make her the banner state in this

regard.
"The most enjoyable time I had was at a dinner at Mrs. Florence Merriam Bai-ley's. In her own home I came to know her well, and surely there is no ornithologist or bird-lover in the country more charming in personality. And, again, at a reception at her house, every one there forchand every part of the service. No. stackroom there are platforms for each was made happy in the good company I am not a minister, for I used to have floor to facilitate the dusting of books. was made happy in the good company present, and in an exhibition of the bird

pictures of Louis Fuertes, and also of the flower pictures of your fellow-townsman, Frederick Walpole. The latter ranks al-most as high in his field as Mr. Fuertes does in his." does in his."

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# BATTLING FOR MILLIONS!

TEXAS ATTORNEYS HUNT EVIDENCE IN POLITLAND.

Title to Spindle Top Oil Wells Is Assailed by Heirs of Professor John Ventch.

Prominent attorneys from Beaumont, Tex., are in Portland laying the founda-tion for a mighty legal battle in the courts of that state regarding a conject to the claims of title to the Spindle group of oil wells set forth by the heirs of John Veatch, who has slept in a lonely grave in an obscure corner of Lone Fir grave in an obscure corner of Lone Fir cometery for all years. The principal witnesses whose testimony has been taken this week are Dr. Dav Raffety, Dr. C. H. Raffety, Mrs. Laura Bæk (nee Miss Frush), I. W. Pratt and Wilson Benefiel, sexton of Lone Fir cemetery; also O. B. Johnson, now of Seattle. Judge R. R. Hazeiwood and Judge R. F. Bordages, Judge R. P. Bordages, Judge R. P. Bordages, Judge R. P. Bordages, Judge R. F. Bordages, Judge Rowe and Judge Greer are the lawyers who have been taking evidence on both sides. The depositions of the witnesses have been taken before United States

have been taken before United States Commissioner McKay.

Perhaps the most important witnesses were Drs. Day and C. H. Raffety. The former was a special friend of Professor Veatch, who had headquarters at the drug store of the Raffetys, on the corner of East Second and East Oak streets. When Professor Veatch died, Dr. Dav Raffety looked after the details of the funeral services, which were conducted by Portland Lodge, A. F. & A. M., when

W. Pratt was master.
The title to the richest cluster of oll wells in Texas, valued at uncounted mill-ions of dollars, is involved in this case. The details read almost like a romance. Professor Veatch was a scientist, recognized as an authority in botany and ge-ology. He traveled largely in pursuit of his profession, and his explorations extended to Texas. In this state he received from the Government then in power what are called "headlands." Apparently, what was allotted to him was of small value, but on this land the gushers were found. Until oil was discovered, there was no thought of contesting the title. The title to the oil land is held under a deed executed to Professor Veatch for about \$2000. The pleadings show the land was trans-ferred once from Veatch, and then back to him. Plaintiffs are trying to show that this final deed was obtained from him by fraud, and that Professor Veatch never executed it, while the defendants are endeavoring to show that the title is per-

fectly clear, Professer Vestch came to Oregon about 34 years ago and tried to secure the ap-pointment of State Geologist, but failed in the effort. He then made his home on the East Side. Professor Veatch, says Dr. Dav Raffety, was purely a scientific man, and cared for money only as it could further his investigations. The re-sult of his work is recorded in Government reports. Heretofore the attorneys on either side have conducted their in-vestigations in Portland concerning the life of Professor Veatch separately, the first steps having been taken by the defendants, and then by the plaintiffs, but this week both sides have been represented, and the witnesses were cross-examined. The deposition of Mrs. Laura Beck was taken at her home, on East Third street, Friday evening. Every scrap of information concerning Professor Veatch has been looked up and a record made. One of the attorneys said that the trial will be set in the Spring in the Texas courts, and will probably be a long-drawn-

### THEY HAVE JOINED FORCES. selfwood and South Portland Have

Sellwood and South Portland have de-cided to join forces in the effort to secure a free ferry across the Willamette River in that part of the city. The union of forces was brought about by a joint meeting of the committees from the Sellwood Board of Trade and the South Portland Improvement Association. Both sections, through these organizations, will work to secure the passage of a free ferry bill This bill has already been pre pared by D. M. Donaugh, of the Sellwood committee. It provides that the city may issue bonds to the amount of \$30,000 for the establishment of the ferry. This amount will be required to build a boat and to

provide suitable approaches on both sides of the river. The location of the apcaches will be settled after the bill has been passed. However, the landing on the East Side will probably be at the foot of Umatilla avenue. On the West Side the landing will be a little more expensive to build, but the main effort will be put forth to secure passage of the bill, and the details will follow.

The union of the Sellwood Board of

Trade and the South Portland Improvement Association makes a strong com-bination, and back of these organizations are the two growing sections on both sides of the Willamette River, with their in-creasing population and manufacturing interests. At a joint meeting soon to be held in the office of D. M. Donaugh, a line of action will be laid out. There has been some talk of inviting the co-operation of the Albina Improvement Association, which is working for another free ferry for that portion of the city, so that nei ther section will work against the other A conference will probably be held with President S. Connell, of the Albina Push Club, with this end in view. There is now hardly a question but that there will be two ferry bills before the Legislature one for Sellwood and the other for Albina."

# . MASONIC CEREMONIES.

Officers of Three East Side Lodges Installed in Burkhard Hall. A large gathering of Masons assembled

Hall on Saturday night, the occasion being the installation of the officers of Washington Lodge, No. 46; Hawthorne, No. 111, and Mount Tabor, No. 2. J. W. Rowland was the installing officer, and he was assisted by H. B. Adams, who acted as grand marshal. Following were Washington Lodge-W. G. Shellenbar-

ger, worshipful master; Charles R. Frazier, senior warden; George M. Hyland, junior warden; R. B. McClung, treasurer; J. H. Richmond, secretary; E. F. Hitch-cock, senior deacon; Clyde Evans, junior deacon; Karl V. Lively, senior steward; L. D. Freeland, junior steward; Thomas H. Brickell, tyler.

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Hawthorne Lodge—W. W. Sansom, worshipful master; W. H. Jenkins, senior warden; G. T. Galligan, junior warden; H. H. Newhall, treasurer; F. Glafke, Jr., secretary; M. J. Camming, senior deacon; A. E. Bellows, junior deacon; J. A. Stew art, senior steward; P. A. Combs, junior steward; W. B. Hall, tyler. Mount Tabor Lodge-W. E. Wilkinson, worshipful master; A. A. Balley, senior warden; J. R. Chamberlain, junior war-

den; L. S. Normandin, treasurer; George P. Lent, secretary; J. O. Hall, senior dea-con; A. M. Smith, junior deacon; A. P. Vall, senior steward; W. H. Woodruff, junior steward; Thomas H. Brickell, After the installation ceremonies J. H Richmond, past worshipful master, was presented with an elegant gold Masonic emblem. D. A. Grout presented the token with an appropriate address full of good

## MILWAUKIE RURAL DELIVERY. Carrier Will Start Out Next Thurs-

sayings about the retiring officer and the

Masonic order. A banquet followed.

day Morning at 8 o'Clock, On Thursday morning, January 1, free ural mail delivery will be started on the Milwaukie route, with Elmer Bunnell as carrier, and his father, Charles Bunnell, as substitute. Orders for starting the service on this route were received a

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month ago, and Postmaster Oscar Wis-singer has made all the arrangements, so there will be no hitch or delay. Lock mall boxes have been delivered and placed at nearly all the houses embraced in the

route. The district is a large one, and extends so as to take in Gladstone, the west line being bounded by the Willamette River. Two large mail boxes have been sent and will be placed at Courteney and at Gladstone. These are intended for use of the public in mailing letters, which will be collected by the carrier daily.

## ACCEPTABLE PRESENT.

Ash Camp, W. O. W., Milwankie, Receives \$100 From Linden Circle. Ash Camp. No. 239, Woodmen of the World, received \$100 cash as a Christmas present from Linden Circle, No. 148, Women of Woodcraft. The money will be used to help pay off outstanding debts be used to help pay off outstanding debts on the Woodmen of the World Hall. The presentation of this handsome sum took place at a joint meeting of the camp and circle held last week. Miss Edna Ross made a neat presentation speech as the money was handed to the camp, and John Gibson, clerk of Ash Camp, made a fitting response. The \$100 was raised by the women partly by their bazaar and partly by donations made by the members.

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Christmas exercises which were delayed at the receiving home of the Boys' and Girls' Aid Society will be held this evening.

Work is being pushed forward inside the new factory building of Neustadter Bros., on Grand avenue and East Taylor street. On the lower floor offices are being fitted up and long tables built. On the second floor tables extend nearly the entire floor tables extend nearly the entire length of the building, on which sewing machines are being placed every few feet. Shafts which furnish power for the ma-chines extend under these tables. An electric motor stands in one corner. in operation, the building will be a beehive of industry.

Double tracks on Williams avenue, be-tween Cherry and Stanton streets, for the City & Suburban Railway Company, have been laid, and will soon be used. Heavy 60-pound rails were used. These were laid on either side of the track which occupies the center of the street. This cen-tral track will now be removed and the new double tracks ballasted. Completion of this double line will enable the company to make closer connections. This is necessary for the St. John traffic, which will be largely increased under the will be largely increased under the new electric car schedule.

# TOLD OF THEIR SINS.

British Lecturer Instructs Chicago Women in the Ethics of Buying.

Chicago Tribune. "The Sins of the Shopper" might well have been the topic of the lecture deliv-ered Monday by Mrs. Percy Widdrington, but she chose to classify her remarks un

der the more generous title of "The Ethics of Shopping." Mrs. Widdrington, who is the lecturer

of the Fabian Club, of London, spoke be-fore the Society for Ethical Culture, in Steinway Hall. Women should not go into stores and turn over articles on the counters and compare prices with no intention of buy-

ing," she said. "It only distracts the attention of the clerks from those women who really wish to buy. Nor should women worry the saleswomen by an im-perious air or other discourtesy, or by compelling them to show goods just satisfy the whims of the shopper. This is all sinful, and I would add that it is just as wrong to leave your shopping to the last moment and then add to the crush about the counters." The audience was mostly compor

vomen, who evinced much interest in the lecturer's remarks, but this interest de ened into a sort of dismay when the Englishwoman continued: "We have no right to buy goods at any

store unless we know under what condithose goods were manufactured. They may have come from sweatshops, where hundreds of mites of children toil through the weary hours when they should be sleeping. They may have been stitched and cut and hemmed in rooms heavy with a vile atmosphere, devoid of sanitation and breeding manifold dis-

"When you buy such goods, you are immoral—as immoral as more direct sin-ners—for you encourage the continuance of such conditions, you help maintain a high death rate, you help breed sickness, you make it necessarily to pay yearly larger amounts for police protection against crime and for inspectors of the public health.

"If we are to hope to improve the race you women must practice moral buying, as you would moral living. This reform must begin, like all others, in the home. You must not buy merely because a thing is cheap. You must not buy red or yellow-headed matches, for you will encour-age the continuance of conditions that produce the terrible eating disease prevalent among workers in sulphur and phosphorus. You should buy only safety matches. Then, when you buy crockery, you should avoid all those kinds in which the glaze is made of lead.' Of the sweatshops Mrs. Widdrington

"Both here and in England the hours are long and the holidays infrequent. I don't believe these evils can be entirely removed by voluntary agencies, although these can set an excellent example by drawing attention to the seriousness of the problem, initiating some lesser re-forms and educating public opinion to the necessity of legislation on behalf of the

lorseless Truck Equals Three Teams, Chicago Record-Herald.

A public test of what is claimed by its

inventor and the company engaged in its manufacture to be the latest and highest development of a motor vehicle for the carrying of freight was given in the con-gested and badly paved downtown streets Thursday afternoon, with results entirely satisfactory. Starting from the Union satisfactory. Starting from the Union League Club, the new horseless truck was run rapidly up and down State street, through several of the cross streets, and finally as far south as Twelfth street, in

carried in this exhibition weighed 3000 pounds. The vehicle is the invention of William O. Worth, who begun his experiments in this direction in 1884. Mr. Worth points out the chief value of his final machine as being its simple and effective method of transmitting power, the constancy of speed motor and an ingenious method of gearing and coupling by which the motorman may at will convert the high speed into power and thus double the traction capacity of the vehicle. It is also claimed that a wagon of this kind can do the work of three ordinary teams of equal londing capacity, at a cost of maintenance of half what is required for

## DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT

PORTLAND, Dec. 28.-8 P. M .- Maximum temperature. 41; minimum temperature. 31; river reading, 11 A. M., 8.5 feet; change in 26 hours. -0.2 foot; total precipitation, 5 P. M. to 5 P. M., 0.00; total precipitation since Sept. 1, 1902, 22.20 inches; normal precipitation since Sept. 1, 1992, 18.52 inches; excess, 3.68 inches; total sunshine Dec. 27, 2:25; possible sunshine Dec. 27, 8:42; barometer (reduced to sea level) at 5 P. M., 30.35.

PACIFIC COAST WEATHER.

| STATIONS.      | E       | Precipitation<br>past 12 hrs | Wind     |           | - 5               |
|----------------|---------|------------------------------|----------|-----------|-------------------|
|                | x. temp |                              | Velocity | Direction | reather.          |
| Astoria        |         | T                            |          | E         | Cloudy            |
| Baker City     | 30      | 0.00                         | 10       | NW        | Pt. cldy<br>Clear |
| Bolse          | 38      | T                            |          | SE        | Cloudy            |
| Eureka         | 48      | 0.00                         | 18       | N         | Clear             |
| Helena         | (20)    | T                            | 24       | SW        | Pt. cldy          |
| Kamloous, B. C | 32      | T                            |          | W         | Clear             |
| North Head     | 46      | 0.02                         | 36       | SE        | Cloudy            |
| Pocatello      |         | T                            | 18       | sw        | Raining           |
| Portland       | 91      | 0,00                         | 15       | S         | Cloudy            |
| Red Bluff      | - 04    | 43, 4947                     | 100      | Clm       | Clear             |
| Roseburg       | 1 20    | 0.00                         |          | E         | Clear             |
| Salt Lake      | 199     | 0.00                         |          | NW        | Clear             |
| San Francisco  | 50      | 0.00                         |          | N         | Clear             |
| Spokane        | 34      | T                            |          | SE        | Snowing           |
| Seattle        | 42      | 0.00                         | 12       |           | Cloudy            |
| Walla Walla    | 42      | 0.00                         |          | SW        | Pt. cldy          |

WEATHER FORECASTS.

The pressure has decreased quite rapidly during the last 12 hours over Northwestern Washington and Western British Columbia, and a storm is central off the coast this even-ing. Storm warnings were ordered at the nouth of the Columbia River and at Sound ports at 5:30 P. M. today. High gusty south-east winds are indicated on the inland navigable waters of Washington Monday, with gales

With the exception of a few light scattering showers along the immediate coast and South-ern Idaho, fair weather has prevailed today in the North Pacific States, with but little change

this district Monday, with occasional rain in Western Oregon and Western Washington. The temperature will slowly rise. WEATHER FORECASTS.

Forecasts made at Portland for the 28 hours ding at midnight Monday, December 29: Portland and vicinity-Occasional rain, with Western Oregon-Occasional rain; increasing

equitherly winds, becoming high along the

oast. Washington-Occasional rain; brisk southerly winds, increasing to high on Sound and Strait with gales off Cape Flattery. tern Oregon and Southern Idaho-Partly

Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho-Occasional snow, probably turning to rain; slightly warmer. A. B. WOLLABER, Acting Forecast Official.



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