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#### WASHINGTON'S VOTE.

Official returns for President and Governor at the recent election in the State of Washington are at last available. They reveal some interesting and instructive results. The totals were: Roosevelt 100,698, Parker 28,015, Rooseveit's plurality 72,683; Mead 74,006, Turner 58,979, Mead's plurality 15,027. It thus appears that the Republican canfor President got 25,692 more votes than the Republican candidate for Governor, and the Democratic candidate for President received 30,974 fewer votes than the Democratic candidate for Governor. The plurality for Roosevelt exceeded the plurality for Mead by 57,656, and yet the latter had a comfortable enough margin in a total into which it is destined to grow of about 150,000. It would be entirely This enormous trade received it. unfair to Mr. Mead to say that the difference of 67,656 votes between his own total and Mr. Roosevelt's represents the extent of Republican defection, It extraordinary unpopularity of the Democratic candidate and Democratic doctrines. The true Republican strength is therefore an indeterminate figure lying somewhere between 72,683 and

The proportion of the Republican Presidential vote over the Democratic of flour required 750,000 bushels fluences operating in both states for the benefit of Republicans and against the Democracy were precisely similar, and were effective in the same degree, contest. It is to be added however. that the actual Republican gain-i. e., Wesh obably larger than in any other state. McKinley in 1900 had 57,456 in Washington, making an actual increase in 1904 of 43,242, or a gain of about 75 per

cent. In Oregon the gain over 1900 was about 30 per cent. Ex-Senator Turner carried for Governor twelve out of the thirty-six counties, all east of the mountains, while sevelt had a plurality in all. Mr. Mead did not attain the Roosevelt tion of the United States is so well maximum in a single county, though he situated for profiting to the fullest excame near it in Whatcom, his home county, attesting the high regard in which he is held by his neighbors. Mr. Mead undertook and carried to a successful conclusion a campaign of peculiar difficulty. His party was torn by dissensions, its leaders were bitterly hostile to one another, and on at least one issue there were two elements of the rank and file that seemed to be utterly irreconcilable. At the outset it was apparent that he must allay a vast amount of prejudice, modify the com-mon notion as to the circumstances of his nomination, and persuade the voters that he was, after all, no man's man but his own. All this he faced, to say nothing of a candidate for the opposition in whose behalf a tremendous furor of sentiment had been worked up through the instrumentality of every levice known to the skillful and not

now generally felt in his independence. ability and integrity.

too scrupulous politician. Mead saw

the farmer on his ranch, the lumber-

man in his camp, the fisherman at his

net, and the artisan in his shop. He

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nated-an acquaintance that is friendly

and is at the base of the confidence

TOO MANY SALMON CAUGHT, Salmon were relatively scarce in Coumbia waters this year; at least that is the general verdict. Supply of fish was so slack that hatcheries secured only one-fourth the quantity of eggs of the season preceding. Yet canneries and pickling than in 1903.

What do these facts indicate? Are they not evidence proving that more salmon would have reached the hatcheries had fewer been caught, and that fewer would have been caught had the Fish Warden prohibited the use of gear before the open season began, April 15, and after the open season the first state appropriating \$2500 and closed, August 15? Neither Mr. Van the second \$2000 for the work. Ohio Dusen nor his friends pretend that he enforced the closed season or even tried until twelve states now have systems

have saved salmon for hatcheries, still scarcity of eggs at those plants is due, probably not so much to the Fish warden's laxity as to the long open of woman's clubs.

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restrained license. And when three out of every four or five fish caught at the Cascades bear marks of the down-river nets. It is evident that few salmon es-

The long open season should be shortened either by extending the closed season to May 15 or by institut-ing the closed Sunday. The latter does not seem at all possible, however, with-out co-operation of the State of Washington, and that is not likely to be granted. If Mr. Van Dusen cannot now enforce the closed season, how much less the closed Sunday? He asks the Oregon Legislature for two fast patrol-boats, but what assurance has the Legislature from his record that he will use them in running down lawbreak-Why enact more law for hatchers? ery streams when he does not enforce existing law on the Clackamas?

Money is wanted from the Legislature for more hatcheries. But the lawmakers will ask what is the use more hatcheries when the plants already working cannot secure enough eggs to keep them busy?

PHENOMENAL TRANS-PACIFIC TRADE The Occidental & Oriental liner Gaelic, which sailed from San Francisco for the Orient last month, will proceed from Hong Kong to Europe, where she will be retired or placed in the freight service. Until a very short time ago, eince the inception of the Oriental trade, it has been the policy of steamship owners to send out to the Pacific ancient vessels which had outlived their usefulness on the Atlantic or had become too small for the trade. The reversal of this policy, as shown by the retirement of the Gaelle to the Atlantic trade because she was too small and slow for the trans-Pacific service, is an eloquent tribute to the remarkable growth of this traffic. It is not yet twenty years since the Gaelic was placed on the run between San Francisco and the Orient, and at that time she was so much larger than any of the craft that had preceded her that she was generally regarded as too large for the trade.

Twenty years ago not a single vessel ports, and a monthly service was ample for all demands that were made for space. Last week five steamers sailing from these northern ports carried a total of 60,000 tons. This week two vessels of 12,000 tons capacity are loading at Portland, a 10,000-ton carrier is at Seattle, two smaller ones at Tacoms, and at least one will be dispatched from Vancouver, B. C. A dozen years ago the man who attempted to forecast such an enormous volume of business in the trans-Pacific would have been pronounced mildly insane. And yet the business is here, and it is still increasing so rapidly that, viewed from any standpoint, it is difficult to estimate the vast proportions

This enormous trade received its first great impetus with the closing of the war between Japan and China, and while at brief periods there have been pauses, the total each fiscal year since might more truthfully be held to have that time has scored a heavy gain over measured the extraordinary personal its predecessor. The volume of this popularity of Mr. Roosevelt and the traffic and its character is something to conjure with. In the vessels clearing from Oregon and Washington perts last week Portland shippers dispatched over 100,000 barrels of flour, and more than 65,000 barrels were dispatched on the same steamers by Seattle and Ta-coma shippers. To produce this amount is about 3 4-7, while in Oregon it was wheat, or about twelve shiploads of the almost exactly the same. The infer-ence to be drawn is that the in-twenty years ago. So rapid has been twenty years ago. So rapid has been the increase of this branch of the business that in a very short time the entire wheat crop of the Pacific Northwest will find a market as flour in the it would be a difficult task for Japan to without reference to any state or local Orient, and all of the profit of milling, etc., will be kept at home.

vote for Freedent in Washington over that is neighing to make up the and emerge that 1900 is much greater than in Oregon, cargoes, for last week's fleet to the Far nity for repairs. East carried immense quantities of canned salmon, lumber, fruit and other | consist of a large number of ships. Be products of the Pacific Northwest. The boom in trans-Pacific business which ganization, the need for an ample supwill follow the end of the present war is certain to be much more extensive. and fraught with greater trade possibilities, than that which followed the declaration of peace between the Japanese and the Chinese. No other portent by this business as Oregon and Washington, and, if we are to judge the future by the past, it will be less than twenty years until there is a daily steamer service between these two states and China and Japan.

The traveling library rivals in fulness and perhaps much exceeds in meeting a long-felt want the costly library of the great city. To have a thirst for knowledge and a love of reading ingratiated on account of isolation from centers of population and inability to purchase books is a real hardship and one that falls to the lot of not a it up uncomplainingly and performs its few, even in this age and land of books. The mission of the traveling library is to relieve this condition. It is relatively a new enterprise. It is due to the efforts of Mr. Melvil Dewey, state librarian of New York, who induced the Legislature of that state to make an appropriation for traveling libraries and drew up plans for their successful made an excellent canvass, and he operation in his own state. In accordemerged with a much larger personal ance with these plans strong boxes were provided, and packed with from twenty-five to one hundred volumes. These were sent to such places as desired them, and the people of which were willing to pay the small cost of transportation. The books were to re- els more than was in sight at a correchanged for others.

The volumes were selected by men experienced in library needs. They plants made larger packs ence, history and biography were to be presented in popular forms, with select poems and wholesome fiction from the standard novels down to "Helen's Bables" and "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch.'

The plan proved popular from the beginning, and in 1835 it was taken up by the Legislatures of Michigan and Iowa, soon followed, and others came into line of traveling libraries working under While enforcement of the law might state authority. In a number of other states, including our own, & few li-braries are supported by private gen-erosity, usually through the agencies

most out-of-the-way hamlets, to lum-ber and mining camps and ranches, to desolate forest, prairie and moun-tain homes, and to isolated country

supplying a great need has found its squealing. way into Canada and British Columbia where, during the long Winters of stress and storm, books are keenly appreciated. One is reminded in this connection of Whittier's simple recital of the incidents of his boyhood years. Shut in from all the world without' Winter and lay upon the land in great house contained were drained of their last virtue,"

That there are still eager readers, even in New England is probable; that there are many in the solitudes of the Far West who are haugry for "some-thing to read" is certain. To these the traveling library is a boon undreamed of by Carnegie, and one which it is pleasant to think is being each year more and more widely bestowed.

IMPORTANCE OF COALING STATIONS. Lord Lansdowne's warning to British shipowners that they must not charter steamers to follow the Russian fleet as storeships or colliers is not in any way a straining of the neutrality laws in favor of Japan. While the foreign enlistment act forbids the organization of armed parties and the fitting out of armed vessels to aid a belliger-ent, the right of private persons to trade in contraband has not been denied and the exportation of small fighting craft has not been forbidden, as the lively trade in American submarines testifies. The presence of a collier or storeship with a belligerent squadron, however, is really an augmentation of the fleet's fighting strength, and it is the duty of a neutral power to restrain was engaged in the Oriental trade out its subjects from contributing to such of Oregon, Washington or British Co-augmentation. As in the case of the Spanish Admiral Camara, Great Britfrom San Francisco by steamers of the ain refused Rojestvensky permission to Gaelic type, and even smaller craft, coal at Port Said, or indeed at any of the numerous way stations on the highroad to the Far East. Were it not for the compliance of France, the Russian commander would already have

been in a bad way. In the voyage of Rojestvensky Americans may find a forcible object-lesson in the need of well-equipped coaling stations and naval bases. Without an abundant supply of coal, battleships are less useful than forts. Without a base or coaling station beyond our immediate coasts, the American Navy might as well consist of armored hulks, instead of ships designed to keep the seas. Were America at war. the greatest anti-expansionist would not desire the Navy to lie behind fortified headlands, but to go forth and smash the enemy off his own coast. Fortunately, we hold in the Pacific, which is to be the Mediterranean-the middle sea-of this century, excellent

vantage points in the best positions. European nations recognize the vital importance of sheltering ports for their navies. Great Britain has dotted the map with red specks. Between her ne ports and the Orient she has some sixteen important coaling stations, among them Singapore, the "half-way house of the East." France, as the Russians have grateful reason to know, has Bizerta, in the Mediterra-nean; Jibutil, in the Red Sea, and Saigon, in Oriental waters. Germany is improving her position in the same direction. It would be an easy matter for France or Britain to menace Japan with a fleet in good condition, whereas reach either of those countries with a fleet at all, and then the ships would But flour is not the only local product | have to go into action without refitting hat is helping to make up these great and emerge therefrom with no opportu-

An efficient navy does not merely sides the multifarious demands of orply of trained officers and men, it must have all the advantages that convenient bases and coaling stations offer as a preparation for meeting a possible enemy in the state of highest efficiency, and the Russian navy's lack of all these things is a warning to other powers.

It is difficult to conceive of a more practical and humane charity than that represented by the Visiting Nurses' Association of this city. Effort that brings relief to that most pitiable of all sufferers-the poverty-stricken sick-represents the divinest of charity, the mos gracious of all ministering. Such financial assistance as this association needs to carry on its work should be freely given by those who have been found ever ready to respond to the call of the helpless. The work is far from being pleasant, and the faithful care of the duties cheerfully, and duty stands by the task with unflinching courage. But it is only when at the behest of pure philanthropy and humanity that the lowly sick are visited, their needs discovered and their wants supplied by personal endeavor and supervision that the true meaning of heroism in the sickroom is disclosed.

The "American Visible" supply of wheat is still on the up grade, and weekly statistics yesterday showed an increase of more than 2,200,000 bushels, This brings the total up to 25,586,000 bushels, which is nearly 6,000,000 bushceive good care, to be retained six sponding date last year. World's ship-months free of charge, and then exnearly 2,000,000 bushels less than last week, but as nearly half of the decrease was in Russia, where for weeks a de-crease has been expected, the failing off were to present a variety of subjects crease has been expected, the falling off suited to various tastes. Ethics, sciand home markets showed decided weakness and closed lower. Russian shipments were 4,624,000 bushels an amount which is simply phenomenal for the last week in November. Argentine shipments are falling off quite materially, but as that opuntry is on the eve of another harvest, small shipments at this season of the year have but little effect on prices.

> Mr. Steve Bailey, of Seattle, who has become quite notorious on account of the noise which he makes while placing his election bets, is reported to have lost \$30,000 on the Washington election. In casting about for an excuse for mak-

and mining states. They go to the to make his money "talk" before election, says in a general sort of a way that Turner lost 7000 votes by the failure of the election judges to interpret tain homes, and to isolated country properly the marking on the tickets, schoolhouses. Testimonials on all sides show how eagerly these books are welcomed and with what avidity they are is probably due to the fact that he loses read. so often. As ordinarily interpreted, the This simple and effective method of term does not fit Mr. Bailey when he is

The spectacle presented by a drunken boy is, if possible, more appalling than that presented by a drunken womanfor the reason that the latter is supposed at least to have reached the age of discretion and personal responsibilby the heavy snows that fell in early ity. Every one who, by negligence or Winter and lay upon the land in great for gain, contributes to this shocking drifts for weeks and even months, he spectacle, or makes it possible, should records that "the few books that the be subjected to the severest penalty which the law provides for this crime. The legislators of Oregon have not been remiss in their duty in this matter. thumbing worn volumes by lonely fire-sides and longing for something new giving liquor to minors and for allowing minors to visit places where liquor is sold. The fact that in the face of this boys whom no liquor-vendor can mis-take for young men who have attained their majority have been found upon the streets of this city in a helpless state of drunkenness upon more than one occasion recently, proves that law alone will not protect the young from evil. Parental oversight, official vigilance, and, when it comes to that, prompt action by the courts, are necessary if this wholesome law is to answer the purpose of its enactment.

"Revenge is sweet," and a number of Washington politicians are now won-dering to what extent Lieutenant-Governor-elect Coon will gratify his feel-ings, in this respect. During his campaign, Mr. Coon was the target for some of the most villatnous charges ever made against any political can-didate. The ample majority by which he was elected vindicated him in the eyes of the people, but the punishment of his detractors has not yet taken place. As presiding officer of the State Senate he will be in a position to organize that body in almost any manner he may see fit, and, while he has a good reputation for fair and honorable dealing, it is not unreasonable to presume that some of his detractors will be made to reel that their offense has not been forgotten or condoned.

Richard Harding Davis tells Eastern newspapers that the attitude of the Japanese in the present war toward the correspondent is inexcusably offensive. "We came up somewhere near the main army," he says, "and that was the nearest we ever arrived at the front. We remained four miles back of the fighting for four days. Then we became disgusted." Mr. Davis is needlessly frank in giving away the secrets of the profession. Most correspondents can write a better story four miles behind the front than anywhere in front of the front. The surroundings are more conducive to tranquil thinking and easy writing. And the telegraph and mail facilities are usually better. Mr. Davis will yet give to the world a graphic story of that battle.

The Canadians have not thrown any shells into our fishing fleet, but they have gathered in a few peaceful Yankees who were herring fishing way down in Passamaquoddy Bay. The amount of property involved represents a valuation of but \$20,000, but if the bluenoses on the Canadian cruiser which made the scizure have made a mistake in the limits of their jurisdiction, the apology will need to be as abject as though there was a million involved. The American of the trueblue stripe abounds on the Maine fishing grounds, and any interference with his libertles, especially by a Canadian, will certainly call for immediate investigation and reparation if a mistake

The accuracy of the forecasts of the Weather Bureau on last week's storms was remarkable, and shipmasters who heeded the storm warnings and remained snug in port saved money for the underwriters and much unpleasantness for themselves. Considering the violence of the gales which raged for the greater part of the week, the Weather Bureau was quite fortunate maintaining communication with the North Head station. The service from that point is of great value to the shipping community, and Mr. Beals, who has been untiring in his efforts to make it as prompt and accurate as possible, is to be congratulated on his success.

The Polk County Mohair Association will hold a meeting next Saturday to arrange for the annual goat show. breeding of Angora goats is an industry of comparatively recent date, but It has already assumed proportions of considerable importance. The goats in most cases have not only proved very remunerative as producers of mohair, but, on account of their habits of feeding, have also proved of great value in keeping down stubble and brush on land. As an article of food goat meat is not much superior to Belgian hare, but the goat has other merits that commend it to the Willamette Valley farmers.

Says the Albany (Or.) Democrat: "Judge Parker will continue to practice notwithstanding The Oregonian has figured out that he will not succeed at it. He already has \$10,000 worth of business in sight." This merely con-firms what The Oregonian said. The \$10,000 worth of business already in sight comes to him in an official way, through the favor of Tammany. What The Oregonian said was that Judge Parker would not succeed, were he to rely on "going it alone" in New York.

Some of the Philadelphia editors ob ject to having the Liberty Bell /visit other cities, on the ground that it savors of a hippodrome. Evidently the bell is not the only thing in Philadelphis that is cracked.

Secretary-Taft will probably meet General Huertas in Panama, Huertas measures 4 feet 8, about the same as his visitor-if one is measured up and down and the other around.

The Macedonians have arranged their next rising for the Spring of 1906. This will give them nice time to visit the

In a San Francisco court the plaintiff fired a revolver at the Judge. As he made a bad shot he should be fined for

NOTE AND COMMENT.

Magazine Stories a la Mode.

Steelyard had the clean-cut features and the strong jaw that betokened an aggressive business man. His thin lips were tightly compressed and he entered the office of Sugare & Sand, the wholesale grocers of Bullfrog, W. Va. "Gentlemen," he said, coming to the point at once, want to consolidate your business and mine." Sugars smiled at the young man, and remarked: "It would be going some to consolidate a peanut stand with the

Some delver into personalia has disovered that "Shelley had his dry bread and raisins which he carried about in his waistcoat pocket; Dryden once asked hie host beforehand to provide 'a chine of honest bacon' for dinner; Thackeray's favorite dish was boiled beans and bacon; Tennyson had his boiled salt beef and new potatoes; Pope rose from his bed at Lord Bolingbroke's only on the promise of a dish of stewed lampreys; Milton laid down the rule that 'he who would write an epic for the nation must subsist on vegetables and water." From this it would seem that the poet's of breakfast food may have been inspired by the very thing of which they sang.

The New York Evening Post, which thing, says that "American football, always limited to men of unusual physical now confine their ambitions to the second elevens or drop out altogether. Skill, speed and dash have given way to mere beef and brawn." And then on another page of the same issue the Post prints some comments on the Yale-Harvard game in which one Dan Hurley is lauded as an All-American star. Hurley's weight, mentioned in the story, is 165. Still its almost impossible to be at once pessimistic and consistent, so the Post may be excused.

### He Has a Free Hand.

Harper's Weekly.

The most effective words ever written by Theodors Roosevelt were these penned on election night, declining renomination. We say "effective" advisedly. To the hundreds of thousands who had voted on faith these words here the same than th faith these words bore the definite as-surance that their confidence was not misplaced. That Mr. Roosevelt had demisplaced. That Mr. Roosevelt had de-termined upon this course was well known to his friends, but with commendable pride he withheld the announcement until a time when by no possibility could it be construed as a bid for political support. We cannot say that we approve of his position, for the reason that circum-stances might arise which would put it in flat opposition to the welfare of the country and the desires of the people, nor in these times do we attach much im-portance even to the wholly misunder-stood two-term tradition. But if it was to stood two-term tradition. But if it was to be done, that was the time to do it. If, in consequence, anybody ever had a freer hand to write his name full and large upon the pages of history, we cannot re-call his name. But the main point is that all men now know that the Theo-dore Roosevelt whom they voted for is the Theodore Roosevelt they thought he

The President's "Frederick" Speech. New York Times (Dem.)
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It is characteristic of the President that he should not have deputed to any other official or unofficial person, as he might perfectly have done, the somewhat invidu-ous task of "receiving," on the part of the people of the United States, a monument to a monarch who stands for everything that that people stands against, but should have himself assumed that task. It is a pleasure to say that he acquitted himself of it so well as not to suggest that he pleasure to say that he acquitted himself of it so well as not to suggest that he might better have employed a substitute. The President has said, on a public occasion, that "he claimed to be an historian." His claim to the spirit of historical investigation and estimate must be allowed. This is a gift which comes particularly into play when the President of the United States, at the beginning of the 25th century, has to appraise the claims upon mankind of a great soldier and a great King in the Central Europe of the middle of the 18th. The appraisal was not without historical value, and it of the middle of the 18th. The appraisal was not without historical value, and it showed a perfect sense of the difficulties and the exigencies of the occasion. In this respect, we think, it will be agreed that no living American could have done it better, and few living Americans so well.

HOW JOHNSON WAS ELECTED.

One of the results of the 8th of No vember was the election of a Demo-cratic Governor in Minnesota, where The St. Paul Pioneer Press says that many erroneous statements have been made about the cause or causes of it; and it undertakes to clear the matter up, using as its text a statement made by the New York Evening Post. Simand remarked: "It would be going some to consolidate a peanut stand with the greatest wholesale grocery in Bullfrog." Steelyard rose to his feet. "Then it is a fight to a finish," he observed caimly, and left the room. Soon his resourceful management of the peanut stand made it self felt. By dint of hiding his goods on the blind baggage, Steelyard managed to send out a peanut on almost every passenger train leaving Bullfrog. It had no freight to pay, and his business soon attained such proportions that he was able to buy a controlling interest in Sugars & Sand. The firm is now Sugars, Steelyard de Eland, and it monopolises the cracker trade of Bullfrog. Steelyard, himself, has the cutest little bullterrier in West Virginia.

St. Andrew's day tomorrow. Save your Scotch.

At a poultry show in London this month a Wyandotte rooster sold for 85%. There's a rooster that has something to crow about.

According to a London paper chrysmin themum saids is a great thing. The same flowers serve two purposes. They decorate the tuble until it is time for the said, and then the petals are pulled off and popped into the bowl.

The highly combustible celluloid comb has come into prominence again, a girl having been burned by one while eleeping near a campfire in Colorado, Some enterprising fire insurance company should issue policies on hair.

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cause for sorrow. Kipling can easily amend his ballad to fit the new conditions, for goodness knows he has had practice enough of late in describing motor cara.

Life should give poor little Cupid a rest, at any rate in the Winter. The poor little chap appears on almost every page, shooting his tiny arrows at people clad warmly in furs while he shivers in the garb that was the mode in earliest Eden. Poor little kid, if he contracts pneumonia what shall we do?

Few people will be proud to commend the action of a San Francisco man in shooting at a Judge who had decided some point against him. The trouble about such a custom, should it become universal, is that the Judge would naturally be inclined to favor the attorney who had the best reputation as a shot.

Some delver into personalia has dissemble of late in describe a fit of the contracts of the campaign of political and personal detraction against the Republican candidate ever witnessed in this state. Everybody in Minnesota knows what they were. They have been abundantly refuted in these columns, and we shall not go over the list again. Many of them, assisted to by the Republican state machine as far as van sant could control it, fought him bitterly throughout the campaign. Third-Some of the leading Republican papers were openly and intensely hostile to Dunn.

Fourth—all those agencies were chilisted in the dirtiest campaign of political and personal detraction against the Republican candidate ever witnessed in this state. Everybody in Minnesota knows what they were. They have been abundantly refuted in these columns, and we shall not go over the list again. Many of them, and the time will ome before long when those who vere at first poleoned against him by have been imposed upon.

Fifth—To meet this campaign of slander it would have been necessary to organize a thorough can be proved to the section district and hunt the secret calumnities were destitute of funds for such a purpose. They fought the campaign for about a fith of the

destitute of funds for such a purpose. They fought the campaign for about a fifth of the sum employed in electing Van Sant during his first term.

These are the main reasons why Johnson These are the main reasons why Johnson was elected over Dunn; and if the story, the nature and origin of which is so entirely mis-apprehended by the Evening Post, had any influence on the result of the campaign it was too insignificant to be measured.

As They Vote in Darkest Georgia.

Leslie's Wekly.

An odd custom prevails in one of the remote and isolated counties of Northeast Georgia—Rabun, the county that annually produces more illicit whisky than any other like area in the world. In a certain precinct in this county, far removed from anything like a vil-lage, even, and surrounded by some of the roughest and grandest scenery east of the Reckies, is a locality known as "the law grounds." It is centrally located, to accommodate the scattered inhabitants, and for upward of a hunways limited to men of unusual physical inhabitants, and for upward of a hundrance, is still further being restricted; the still further b weather is pleasant the meetings in-

polling place about noon on the Presi-dential election day, November, 1900. Twelve voters were present, reclining on the ground. A board, one end of which rested upon a log and the other on a rock, served the clerk for a table, while a hat was used as a ballot box. A gentleman informed me that there were 100 voters in the precinct, adding that it was customary to count the ballots whenever anyone desired to know how the different candidates

## Praises Bar Dredge.

Chinoak Observer.

From the best information possible the bar dredge Chinoak will soon be laid up for the winter and during that time it will be decided whether the work that she has accomplished during the past year will justify the expense of her being retained here to continue the work for another year, although the records of her work show that she has removed more soil or sand than any deep-sea dredge soil or sand than any deep-sea dredge ever did before in the world. Orders are awaited from the department whether the vessel will winter and receive the necessary repairs at Portland, San Fran-

### One of Parker's Mistakes.

Hartford Courant, In a long, frank, and fairly exhaus-tive catalogue of Alton B. Parker's campaign mistakes, the Memphis Com-mercial Appeal (Dem.) includes his mercial Appeal (Dem.) includes his extremely foolish attack on Governor Luke Wright of the Philippines. "He was not aware," it remarks, "that he was assailing a gentleman who is con-oeded to be the strongest man in the South—a man whose politics is no bar to preferment because he is bigger than partisanry."

### A Sad Note.

Providence Journal.

If it be true that, after closing up the business of the campaign Chairman Cortelyou has \$400,000 left over in his campaign fund, the contempt in which he has all along been held by certain "practical", politicians will be appre-ciably increased.

To a Little Child. Governeur Morris in Century.
Come, let us kins you, Newly Seven,
Seven times and once to grow on,
For the new year may not go on
Till the lucky kins be given,
Child of Heaven, newly seven,

Tour eyes, so confidently blue.
They were the mother's eyes before you, and the gay spirit looking through.
It was the mother's soul that bore you.
Therefore, Soven, we after you.

SPIRIT OF THE NORTHWEST PRESS

Rival Editor a Dude.

Klamath Express.

The baid-headed dude that edits (?) the Republican calls us a Socialist. If we were a Socialist we should feel complimented by the appellation, for some of the brightest intellects in the world today advocate the doctrines of Karl Marx.

Keep Your Eye on Pasco.

Pasco Express. We understand that a proposition will soon be made by responsible parties for drilling an artesian well in Pasco, and also for installing a system of electric lights. In case such a proposition comes up, the Express hopes Pasco will pull on its socks and get out to saw wood

Has Candidates for Penitentiary.

Mitchell Sentinel. miscreant that no doubt calls imself a man last Saturday night turned the faucets on the water main. And if Mr. Misener had not discovered them the would have let all the water out of the reservoir. We have some candidates for the state's prison in Mitchell that will not take no for an answer.

Teachers Come Last.

McMinnville Telephone-Register. Our Legislatures appropriate money to build fish-batcheries, and the employes receive good wages; they appropriate money to pay bounties, appropriate money for fairs and to build railroads, and we pay the taxes without complaining, but when it comes to a tax to pay a teacher, the most useful of citiz

Praise for Judge George.

Chahalis Bee-Nugget.

A decision has recently been rendered
by Judge George in Oregon that will
prove a crushing blow to gambling in that state. Washington has a good law on the statute books, but there are a few rotten holes in the state, like Tacoma, where the Mayor and public officers do not do their duty and gambling is allowed to flourish. This will be remedied in time and the present and future generations will be the better for the law.

Retribution for Wife-Deserters.

Tillamook Headlight. We sincerely hope that the state Legislature will make it a penitentiary offense for a man to desert his wife and family. That is only right, for most of us know of incidents, and right here in Tillamook, the state of the stat of incidents, and right here in Tillamook, where men have deserted their wives and families without as much as providing a day's food ahead for them. Yes, put such men in the penitentiary, where they belong, especially those who forsake their wives to take up with other women. But make the law also to apply to the woman who deserts her husband and family to take up with another fellow.

Game Boys and Pot-Hunters.

Corvallis Gazette. Telt Burnett and a few friends are going out hunting today and will use Telt's two wild geese as decoys. This is the first time that captured geese have been tried In this part of the country for hunting purposes, and the result of the experi-ment will be awaited with much interest. The geese will be taken out south a few miles to the roosting grounds and tied.
The hunters will hide near-by and if the geese call the others, as it is expected, the market will soon be glutted with goose flesh. The boys are going in a goose flesh. The boys are going in a buggy and expect to return loaded down.

Port Orford Tribune.

The population of Port Orford is increasing at a 2-40 gait. The stork bestowed its blessing upon the home of George Forty last Sunday at 2:30 P. M. and dropped into the arms of the happy parents a daughter for each. The doctor says they are as fine twins as he ever saw, and that all parties are doing nicely. They are said to be the first twins born in Port Orford and the while town is delighted at their arrival. "Here's to your health and your family's, George, Port Orford Tribune. your health and your family's, George, may you all live long and prosper," and may the example you have set mave many followers.

Editorial Dignity Needs Cash.

Dullas Observer.
The Review is giad that hog killing has commenced, because, owing to the liberality of Otto Shultz, we have been living high on

ferson Review. This is one of the kind of items that weather is pleasant the meetings invariably take place in the open air, otherwise an old log building is occupied.

The writer happened to pass this odd polling place about noon on the Presidential election day, November, 1900. Twelve voters were present, reclining

> Colonel Hofer Injects Politics. Salem Journal.

Political factions at Portland are stirred up over alleged discoveries of rotten sewer construction. The Simon faction is try-ing to make capital against the Mitchell faction out of a defective piece of sewer work. The matter is being exaggerated on both sides, and to hear some of the outs talk, there is a wholesome era of cor-ruption. It must be plain to all citizens that to resort to reform cries only to do up some other element in politics is not reform. In party politics reform comes about only when honest men are put in control of political organisations. They must be firm enough and honest enough to stand off both the hoodler in politics and the boodler in citizenship. For let il be said there is quite as much desire on the part of the citizen to corrupt poli-ticians as there is on the part of the poli-lician to corrupt the Government. talk, there is a wholesome era of cortician to corrupt the Governm

OUT OF THE GINGER JAR.

"They say she spends twice as much money as any other woman for complexion powder." "Of course, she does. She is two-faced."— Index. Judge.

Judge.

Mre, Grouch-If I should die you would never get another wite who would look after you as I have done. Mr. Grouch-No; not if I could help it-Chicago News.

He-I understand that Mrs. Wiggins rejected Mr. Wiggins thirteen times before abs accepted him. She-Yes. She evidently thought it best to shake well before taking.—Judge.

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Mrs. Jenkins—Your son's engaged to be married, I hear. I saw a young lady with him teday. Was that— Mrs. O'Bull—Yes, that was his flasco.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Elderly Party—Don't you think autoenohilling—a poor form of exercise for young ment Miss Quickstep—I don't know. IL—it esems to be good for the arms. Chicago Tribuna.

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Solomon was playing a little game of poker." Its a circh for me," he said. "I can always draw a fatful of queena." Raking in the pot, he retired to the harem—Cincinnail Commercial-Tribune.

De Style-What did your rich uncle leave you when he died? Gunbusta-Nothing. De Style-Didn't he say anything to you before he passed away? Gunbusta-Yea, he said noth-ing was too good for ms.-Criterion.

ing was too good for ms.—Criterion.

"Good intentions, you know, never die," said the man who was fond of quoting things in his own way. "Indeed?" replied the other. "Probably that would explain why they're so redoon carried out,"—Philadelphia Ledger.

"Bo this is the 'trust' heand of histers," said the gentleman in the stationary shop. "That's a strange name." "Not at all, sir," reptied the clerk: "We call them that because they are such great absorbers."—Exchange. Father—See here. Difn't I tell you never to play with that Williams boy again? Tenning—Yea, sir. Pather—Well, you disobeyed me to day. Tonning—No, sir. I wasn't playing with him—I was lust tightin' him—Philadelphia Pyses.