No Prospect of Increase in Their Number.

CONGRESS CRIES ECONOMY

Decrease in Business and Deficit in Treasruy Blight Hopes of Northwestern Cities for Mints or Assay Offices.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 15 .- "There are too many mints and too many assay offices in the United States," said Director Roberts of the Mint Bureau, yesterday.

This is the view held by Republican leaders of both Senate and House, and the attitude of the leaders reinforced by the stand of the Treasury Department means, beyond a reasonable doubt, that there will be no legislation at the next session of Congress creating new mints or assay offices. It means that the bill establishing a mint at Portland, the bill authorizing an assay office at Baker City, and the bill providing for a mint at Tacoma will one and all be sidetracked if they are reintroduced at the opening of the next session of Congress.

For several sessions the Oregon delega-tion has been striving to secure favorable consideration for the Portland and Baker City bills; the Washington delegation has been equally earnest in its endeavor to have a mint established at Tacoma. But the Oregon delegation will be materially crippled in the next Congress, and there will be but one member of the Washington delegation intensely interested in a Tacoma mint. These facts, taken in con-nection with the attitude of the Republi-can leaders in Congress, make the passage of mint or assay office bilis out of the

Beyond this, it is recoginzed that Congress will be in no mood to make liberal appropriations for local purposes. The big deficit will act as a damper and will tend to shut off all but "necessary appropriations." And appropriations for mints and assay offices are not classed as "necessary."

Mint Business Falling Off.

The report of Mr. Roberts for the last The report of Mr. Roberts for the last fiscal year supports his declaration. There are now in active operation three coinage mints and nine assay offices. July 1 the Denver assay office will be swallowed up by the new Denver mint, reducing the assay offices to eight, but making four coinage mints.

The decline in coinage has materially reduced the work at the Philadalphia.

reduced the work at the Philadelphia, San Francisco and New Orleans mints, and the decline at these places will be still greater when the Denver mint be-gins operations. Hundreds of employes have already been laid off at Philadelphia, and the work at New Orleans has de-

creased until practically the entire force has been or soor will be eilminated. Last year the Philadelphia mint turned out \$125,555,321 in American coins, in ad-dition to \$1,275,335 for the Philippines. The San Francisco mint turned out 294,689,836 and the New Orleans mint but 26,337,000. The bulk of the coinage at Philadelphia and San Francisco was gold; the entire output of the New Orleans mint was

When the Denver mint is in full swing, When the Denver mint is in full swing, the work at New Orleans will be still further reduced, and it appears to be only a matter of time before that institution is discontinued or transferred to some more centrally-located city. The expense of maintaining it is not justified by the amount of work done. Gradually force is being diminshed. Denver, be-located in the center of a vast gold and silver producing region, will absorb and silver producing region, will absorb
most of the gold and silver produce of
Colorado, Utah, Wyoming, Montana and
New Mexico, and some of the precious
metals from Arinona and Idaho. To this
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length upon the ground and remains extent it will interfere with the coinage at San Franciso, and to some extent, Philadelphia. New Orleans will continue to draw silver from the Southern States, but will be shut off very largely from the states of the Southwest. This means that there will be a further re-duction in the force at all three of the

Too Many Assay Offices.

than justifies their continuance. The following statement, taken from the last mint report, gives the value of gold and silver bars manufactured at the various mints and assay offices last year:

Philadelphia, \$4,63,872; San Francisco, \$5,095; New Orleans, \$24,390; New York, \$71,788,497; Denver, \$13,280,288; Carson, \$18,182; Boise, \$1,113,252; Helean, \$2,61,829; Chartotte, N. C., \$290,365; St. Louis, \$25,835; Deadwood, \$280,807, and Seattle, \$17,442,049.

ere is no question that a mint in the Northwest would be of far more service than the New Orleens mint will ever be again. A mint at Portland, for example, would drain the gold fields of Eastern and

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morial day committee declining to join in the parade. The camp announces its intention to accompany Grant Post, after the parade, to the tomb of General Grant, and there take part in the ceremonies.

DEFENDS ARMOUR CARS Robbins Denies They Deal in Produce or Get Rebates.

WASHINGTON, May 15.-William E. University, was before the Senate comuniversity, was before the Senate com-mittee on interstate commerce today. He said that under existing laws there was nothing to prevent discrimination between localities and commodities. He favored giving the Interstate Commerce Commis-

sion power to fix rates.

George B. Robbins, of Chicago, president of the Armour Line Company, and a director of the Armour Company, explained in detail the business of refrigerator cars. He asserted that these car lines were not engaged in interstate com-merce. The agitation tending toward the conflication of private cars had deterred his company from increasing its facil-

in produce, he auggested, having discon-

Herbert Croker's Brother Surprised at His Vices.

SOME FACTS UNEXPLAINED

Richard Croker, Jr., Discusses His Brother's Fate Before Taking Away the Body-Denies He Was Engaged.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 13.—Richard by Armour car lines did not now deal produce, he suggested, having disconnect that phase of trade in May, 1994.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 13.—Richard strikes an attitude in front of the perpendicular opportunity affords. After a unanimous vote of sympathy former. There it is kept engaged with the music with General Maximo Gomes, who is danged that phase of trade in May, 1994.

of the Apocrypha announced for tomor-row afternoon has been postponed and will not take place until the afternoon of Wednesday, May 24, when it is hoped Dr. Stephen S. Wise will have grrived here from the East.

CAPTURING WITH MUSIC.

Snake-Charmer Strikes Up Tune and Helper Blinds Serpent.

New York Herald.

New York Heraid.

The death-dealing cobra is passionately fond of music, and it is through this means that its capture is often accomplisheds. The men in India who can effect the capture of these deadly reptiles must be possessed of remarkable skill or their lives are the forfeit.

When a cobra takes up its abode in the neighborhood of a dwelling-house it is customary to send for the professional snake-charmer. One of them strikes up a tune near the place where the snake is supposed to be located. No matter what the creature may be doing, it is at once affracted by the sound of music, it emerges slowly from its hiding place and strikes an attitude in iront of the performer.

There it is kept engaged with the music while the other man creeps up behind

GOMEZ THE IDOL OF NATIONAL LIBERAL PARTY.

Convention Denounces Platt Amend ment and Demands Revision of American Treaty.

CRUSADE FOR CLEAN MARKETS GOES ON UNABATED



VIEW SHOWING EXPOSED PRODUCE, A CONDITION WHICH INSPECTOR TINGLE IS TRYING TO REPORM.

Miss Lilian Tingle, the market inspector of the City Board of Health, ways that housewives can often blame only themselves for the condition of the markets. They insist on patronizing shops where fruit and other perisbable products are sold the cheapest with small regard to the condition of the fruit when they get it home. Within a short time the inspector will issue a bulletin of the clean markets of the city. If the name of a shop does not appear on this list it will not necessarily mean that it is tabooed, as Miss Tingle will not have time to visit every market in the city before the bulletin is issued.

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What is said of mints is also true of assay offices. Some of these offices are doing a comparatively small business, less and general attorney for the newly or-

arguments before the Senate and House committees were based partly, if not al-together, upon the allegations in the cat-tic case, is not the truth, as is shown by

Can't Belleve About Opium.

Confederates Not in Parade.

NEW YORK, May 15.—The New York Company, of New Jersey, has declared a dividend for the quarter of \$\text{D}\$ a share. Santa Fe train last Friday, spent some hours in Detroit a week ago Sunday, a and, running short of money, had a check Company, of New Jersey, has declared a dividend for the quarter of \$\text{D}\$ a share. Santa Fe train last Friday, spent some hours in Detroit a week ago Sunday, a and, running short of money, had a check was repudified at the bank, it is said, but afterwards was taken care of by a friend.

Class Study is Postponed.

The meeting

CATTLE RATES NOT EQUAL

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S. H. Cowan Points Discrimination

Against Texas by Bird.

FORT WORTH. Tex. May Is—Sam H. Cowan, of Fort Worth general attorney for the Texas Cattleraisers' Association, and general attorney for the newly or ganized National Livestock Growers' Association, has given out a reply to A. C. Bird, traffic manager of the Gould lines, who was before the Senate committee on interstate commerce Saturday. He says in part:

"He left convinced that it was due to the excessive use of lobacco and liquor and the tree for one short second—but the second the use of optims.

"It is all mighty hard." Mr. Croker said, with a movement like lightning the man seizes the body of the prostrate acquired to not a set to be useless. It was the old, old story of excessive stimulants. I believe that his heart simply gave way.

"When my brother Frank was killed in the automobile accident, Herbert had a violent attack of nervous trouble which affected his heart. He went to bed and physicians worked over him. He was in bed a week. He rallied from this and seemed to be strong and we believed his visit to "101" ranch in Oklahoma would build up his physical condition, and I think it would have helped him if he had reached there.

Can't Believe About Opium.

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the case, is not the truth, as is shown by
the committee reports. They were based
partly upon the facts developed by the
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the Interstate Commerce Commission their
investigation of the advances made in the
kind. He was an incessant smoker, but

sames the lid.

A very expert performer can capture
the snake single handed, though it is
highly dangerous. While playing with
one hand he throws the dust sideways
with the other and captures the snake. with the other and captures the snake with the same hand. The whole action must be like a flash of lightning, for a half-second's delay or the merest bung-ling in throwing the dust or catching the snake would prove fatal to the operator.

A Trade for Any Hour.

The thriftiest man in the United States lives in Louisville. He has trades that fit any climate, season or time of day. As an example of his wonderful versatility, a friend tells the following story of an average day in the life of this strengous man: One morning last week he started out with a rug to sell on commission for an installment house. He sold the rug and then came back and took out a clock, which he also disposed of. About noon he was called by an undertaker to embalm a body, which he did. Another under-taker sent for him to drive a hearse to taker sent for him to drive a hearse to the cometery, and after he had disposed of this errand satisfactorily, he preached a short sermon at the grave. He drove the hearse back to town and filled in an afternoon for a candymaker who was taken suddenly ill. In the evening he worked from 6 till 8 o'clock in a barber shop, and from that hour until midnight set type on a daily newspaper. newspaper.

Out of the Rain.

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Lesile's Monthly.

The Irish jarvey will not deign to be unenlightened upon any point. Around the base of the great statue of Daniel O'Comell, in O'Connell street, Dublin, is a circle of figures, representing different trades and professions. "What are those figures" the tourist, who was (on a rainy day, too) seeing the sights of Dublin, inquired of his jarvey. "Them, sir?" said the jarvey, who had never thought upon the subject before, but who now gianced at the figures. "Why, them is the twelve Aposties, of course." The tourist was a Scolchman, so he counted the figures. "There's mae mair than ten in't." said he in Indignation. "Then the balance of them has gone in out of the rain.—Jump up on the var, sir, until I show you the Phoenix Park the grandest park in Europe, or in Ameriky, either, for that matter."

HAVANA, May 15.—General Maximo Gomez, the aged Cuban leader, is seri-ously ill with blood-poisoning and on ac-count of his advanced age fears are en-tertained for his recovery.

How S. Domingo Does It. Monte Cristi letter in New York Evening

Post. Our own ship has a "concession." and pays nothing; but there is in port just one other merchantman, a barkentine from Russia leading with logwood. It is a lit-tle ship of 453 tons, and this is what it has to pay for the privilege of loading logwood at Monte Cristi:

Tomage dues (22 per ton) \$ 908
Privilege of entering port. 35
Privilege of sanchoring. 35
Pilot 27
Londout who sighted her 4
Doctor who boarded 2
Interpreter 4

Total
One wonders why they don't take the ship and call it square; but that is only part of the trouble. There is a surcharge of 10 per cent, amounting to \$100 more. The excuse for this, so far as I can find out, is that the country "needs the money." Of that fact there can be little doubt. The estimated population of the Dominican Republic is something over \$00,000, and the yearly revenues amount to only about \$2,000,000, raised in the main in the manner described in the amount to only about \$2,000,000, raised in the main in the manner described in the foregoing. Other taxes rest very lightly on the people themselves. There is no tax on land, no poll tax, and the only internal revenue is on tobacco, rum and matches. This amounts to little. You can buy a whole gallon of rum for 20 cents, and cigars are a fraction of a cent apiece. I haven't tried either the matches or the rum but I can testify that the cior the rum, but I can testify that the ci-gars sell at their full value. Taxation thus bears very lightly on the Domini-cans, whom I find in the main a happy and contented people. Yet this method of raising revenue, as might be expected, does not encourage commerce, while it does encourage the professional revolutionist. If he can take and hold just one

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"I noticed a perceptible improvement at once; after taking several bottles I was cured. I hold Peruna in high exteem, and am always ready to say a good word for it."

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classes. It is perfectly natural that all classes should praise the same remedy, for all people are subject to the same diseases.

It is perfectly natural that of The Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, Ohio. All correspondence strictly confidential.

port, his revenue is sure without hurting the feelings of the people of the tributary region by taxing them. Monte Cristi is the port of a splendid timber region; logwood, mahogany, satinwood, and other woods of great value abound here. A score or more of vessels could be seen some years ago anchored and taking cargo here almost any day, where today is the one little Russian ship. In the country, a little way back, logs of mahogany may still be seen, felled and squared, waiting shipment.

days come softly, quickly, like the running of a hound upon a moor," is poetic, vivid truth. And here is a sharp, satirfuel one that cuts several ways at the same time: "A poem ought to be well made at first, for there is many a one to spoil it afterwards."

Judicial Ruling in Indiana.

Indianapolis News.

Charles Clark and William Balley were twelve to the country of the several ways at the same time: "A poem ought to be well made at first, for there is many a one to spoil it afterwards."

trying a case before Judge Allen of the Leslie's Monthly.

The proverbs of a nation are the dissolutely untenable under the Constitution and the true wit of the race is oftentimes in proportion to the truth and beauty of its proverbs. Few nations and the solute is sharp explosion came from the beauty of the proverbs. The proverbs and the solution and the flag. He collapsed like a punctured time when this sharp explosion came from the bench;

"Sit done 1."

"Sit down! The Court'has a boil on his neck and the Court's wife says he must

beauty of its proverbs. Few nations, and few languages possess more beautiful sayings than the Irish. "The select mouth is melodious," is an Irish aphorism pregnant with beauty and poetry. And another saying, inculcating a charity which is spiritually needed in this modern world of ours, is that which tells us "Our eyes should be blind in the abode of another."

The Court has a boil on his neck and the Court's wife says he must be irritated. You gentlemen proceed with the case and stop these petty arguments."

Bridal Trip to Portland.

ABERDEEN, Wash. May 15.—(Special.)

-Dr. William M. Karshner, a well-known physician was married here colouted Missing was married beet colouted. optimism of the Irish race is well pic-tured in their proverb, "God never shuts one door but He opens two." "Autumn to Portland on a trip. physician, was married here today to Miss Ella Hibbert, of Chicago. They have gone

RHEUMATISM ROBS LIFE

Rheumatism does more than any other disease to rob life of pleasure and comfort. It is so painful and far-reaching in its effects on the system that those afflicted with it find themselves utterly unable to enjoy bodily comfort or any of the pleasures of life. Some are bound hand and foot and suffer constantly with excruciating pains, swollen,

stiff joints and muscles, and often distorted, crooked I had been troubled with Rheumatism for two limbs, while others have intervals of freedom, during which they live in constant fear and dread of the next attack, when, at the least exposure to damp weather, or slight irregularity of any kind, the disease will return.

The cause of Rheumatism is a sour said condition of the next actions and tried everything recommended to me, but all to no avail. My knee and elbow joints were so stiff that I could not use them. I was unable to do my household work, and was truly in a pitiable condition. S. S. S. cured me after using it for awhile, and I unhesitatingly give it the credit it so much deserves.

Sta. A., E. Liverpool, O. Mrs. M. A. Decker.

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porary relief. The blood must be cleansed and puri-fied before a cure can be had. S. S. S. attacks the disease in the right way-it neutralizes the poison and filters out every particle of it from the blood, stimulates the sluggish organs and clears the system of all foreign matter. It cures the disease permanently and safely because it contains no harmful minerals to derange the stomach and diges

tion. Book on Rheumatism and any advice you wish, without charge. THE SWIFT SPECIFIC CO., ATLANTA, GA.

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