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WHAT 15 AN "ACTUAL SETTLEB"? What constitutes an actual settler? asks a correspondent of The Oregonian that are yet to be made are not likely writing from Dallas, destring to know who is entitled to buy land in the railto be creditable to either of these get tlemen. On the other hand, if the fu road land grants of the Oregon & Calistory be told in the trial at Washing ton, it will be found that the one man fornia and Southern Pacific, under the proviso of the Congressional act of who tried to stand between the people April 10, 1869; "provided further, that and the land thieves was T. W. Daven the lands granted by the act aforesaid port, then State Land Agent, who preshall be sold to actual settlers only. In quantities not greater than one quarter whose letter of protest so mysteriously section to one purchaser, and for a disappeared, to be resurrected only price not exceeding \$2.50 per acre"; and upon the appointment of a vigorous under section 4 of the Congressional act of May 4, 1870: "And be it further enacted, that the said alternate sections of land granted by this act, excepting cal benefit can be gained by the trial only such as are necessary for the company to reserve as depots, stations, ing of the story of the inner workings of the land ring we shall be repaid for sidetracks, woodyards, standing ground and other needful uses in operating the the trouble and expense if we learn to actual settlers, in quantities not exceeding 160 acres, or a quarter section, should fall the public censure. to any one settler, and at prices not

exceeding \$2.50 per acre." If the land-grant matter shall be ught to issue in court, the meaning is likely to be a streauous subject by printed today, is that socialism is dothe railroad attorneys. For how can a ing a great work of criticism upon the person be an actual settler on land evils of existing institutions. This opin-that belongs to a railroad? Would he ion The Oregonian bas frequently ex-

ONE MORE NOTABLE LAND-FRAUD

CASE. The opening of the Benson-Hyds land-fraud case at Washington in the near future, for which case many wit-nesses have been summoned from Oreolse. gon, will at last throw open to public view the secret transactions by which .40 view the secret transactions by w 2.50 was consummated one of the lar 1.50 land steals ever undertaken in Ore was consummated one of the largest

In a general way the story has been known for several years. In fact, The 75 Oregonian published in 1900 a detailed account of the proceedings so far as they appeared upon the surface, plutocrats know this full well; con through which the Benson-Hyde oper ators gobbled up the surveyed section: in the Cascade forest reserve. The Entered at Portland, Oregon, Postoffice story of that deal contained a list of names of all the men and women who acted as "dummies" for the landgrab bers, and cited the dates upon which d cents the sales were made and the manner in which the Benson-Hyde syndicate was able to realize upon the land while the state was not. Those facts were then given to the world, and called to

the attention of Government officials at Washington. After the lapse of several years prosecutions were begun, and now, seven years after the facts work published in Oregon, the whole story of that crime is to become known in all courts to compel witnesses to tell what people's politics and government they know, we are to find out where Harriman would better so be

Kansas City, Mo,-Ricksecker Cigar Co., justly falls the censure for acts of ontarian and Walnut.

Speaking of disclosures made up to that time, The Oregonian said in 1900; "It might be unjust to point out that some Oregon statesmen, a very few. had affiliations that would have made them useful in promoting such an en-terprise." Since that time developments have shown that it would no have been unjust to point out that certain Oregon statesmen had affiliation that made them useful in the landalso made that no petty state land ring accompliahed the Cascade reserve steal, but that the ring which engineered that deal had a wider sweep. Subsequent events have fully warranted that assertion, as also the declaration that a daity of explanation lay upon Commis stoner Hermann, who, though his atti-

tude as shown upon the records may be correct, did not make such a protest against the operations of the land pirates as would have prevented the suc

cess of their schemes. The Benson-Hyde deal was effected during the incumbency of General W. H. Odell as Clerk of the State Land Board. There were some indications that George W. Davis, former clerk of the board, was a party to the transac-tions and alded in the purchase of the lands in behalf of the ring. Disclosures

The number of homicides in German; habitants. In the United States it is 129 to the million. What is the reason for this difference? Shall we seek for life? Must we choose between the desthing like a despotism of crime is in-contestable. Its control over the main a hundred of our homicides. In Ger many they convict and punish 95 pe If we must submit either to tent.

value their lives would naturally pre fer the German variety. If the safety of human life cannot be secured under free institutions, then they are a failure To us this conclusion is repulsive. We cannot accept it. We prefer to believe that the faults in our social arrange ments can be corrected without revo lutionary measures. In the last num ber of The Independent Mr. J. E

lleve that the home of Corey and Thaw changes numerous and profound. In this country new conditions have delittle worse off than any other city in the Union. If the people find ropes veloped everywhere. New problems tretched across the doors of an instituhave presented themselves for solution tion which they are taxed to support and over whose portain is inscribed "Free to the People," they are likely New enemies of society have appeared. Old enemies have assumed new as-Old enemies have assumed new as-pects. To meet the changing conditions entertain hard feelings toward those we have done little or nothing. W have sat still, califng upon mankind to who have created class distinctions, admire our institutions while the ele-ments of destruction undermined the whether it be in Pittsburg or anywhere

BLUNDERING PLUTOCRATS.

Fredatory wealth cannot elect a Pres dent of the United States any more than it can elect a Mayor of Portland It makes a sorry blunder when i unges into politics to defeat Roosev or any other man for office: Our Portland quently we find them doing political ess on the sly. That is the way they have carried out their schemes in the past. It is the only way predatory wealth like that represented by Harriman can accomplish its designs Working in secret, plutocratic influ-ences can do things for their own aggrandizement. Working in the open, hey drive away more political forces than they can draw to them. The peoble are awakening to their acts and bawling them out." The plutocrats of the Nation foolishly accept this as a challenge to fight and declare war. It is just what President Roosevelt wanted them to do. It was just the evidence ecessary to prove to the people the sly

Harriman would better go back and sit down. Also the rich men in Los Angeles and San Francisco who are pitting their millions against Heney's

nauisition of boodle. Those men don't eem to know the true forces' behind the Government of the Nation and of every state. Public sentiment always defends the rights of property; that's why agitators of discontent and of attack on property always fail. But the agitators of attack on plunder will not fall. The plunderers make the mistake of supposing themselves the representafraud enterprises. The comment was tives of the vast army of those who own property and of supposing their prosecutors and assailants to be the representatives of the hords of disconent. But they will know before they get done with this business that the ople backing up the attacks are those of small or moderate means, who want no disorder nor strife in the affairs of

> the country, but who demand that getrich-quick schemes shall cease. It may make a tremendous fight in the next Presidential campaign. It is certainly a concern of National importnce. The movement to curb plunder

s the same the country over and in regon and California. It involves lo cal representatives of the grab system throughout the land, just as the Na somewhat like the "Everybody Gives" tional representatives. They will be drawn into the current in spite of their efforts to keep out of it. campaign recently conducted in this city for completion of the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. building fund. The ef-

INADEQUATE SUGGESTIONS.

verages about three to the million in it in our greater freedom? Is liberty inconsistent with the safety of human otism of an imperial government and that of the criminal classes? That we lo live, in this country under some hinery of justice is so complete that we are able to punish only about one

kind of tyranny or the other, those who

NO BREAK IN OUR PROSPERITY. | BAD ADVERTISEMENT FOR OREGON casters of Hard Times Generally Talk From Selfish Interest. New York Tribune.

The occasional predictions we hear of hard times and unsettled markets seem o come, in the main, from forecasters with an interest of their own to discouraging public optimism. The stors and managers of our great rail ond systems are doubtless apprehensive of the results of the 2 cents a mile leg-

walls they stood upon What good would more policemen do

acting. They realize that a widesp anti-raliford sentiment has been arou whether justly or unjustly, by re-tions of unscrupulous management us so long as the criminal classes con-trol them? In the ordinary village of the United States the town marshal is if not himself a criminal, in sympathy daring speculation on the part of certain railroad officials, Railroad companies with lawbreakers. He is almost never railroad officials. Hallroad companies want to take their bearings and see their way clear before they anlarge their operations. They prefer to err on the side of caution, and are disposed to mag-nify any symptoms of a slackening in uncompromising inclination to rectitude. A typical instance may be cited. In a little town not long ago the marshal warned two girls wh broke the village ordinance agains production and prosperity. The inter-rests engaged in speculation are also fear-ful that their activities will be limited by stricter regulation of the conduct of fast driving day after day openly and defiantly that if they persisted would arrest them. They persisted and he did arrest them. It set up an in-redible scandal. He was denounced great corporate enterprises, and they take a similarly gloomy view of the financial, commercial and industrial situation. The by everybody and presently turned out so-called panic of March sot on the nerves of the speculators and has prompt-ed them to misinterpret the symptoms of what was really only a temporary in-digestion arising from overextension of of office. His successor was a "dis creet" person, a habitue of the saloons and a drunkard. The case, as we say, is typical. It indicates our National attitude toward the law and its enforcement. The alliance between our The Tribune's special dispatches from great centers of production and distribu-tion like Fitaburg, Chicago, Cincinnai, Baltimore and St. Louis, as well as its summaries of local conditions, indicate police and the criminal classes is no torious. Nobody thinks of it except a the natural and necessary thing. Crim inaloids nominate many of our offi clearly that the country is not suffer-ing from a depression in business. It is the testimony of the best judges in these centers that all the business is being done which can be done with existing plants cials, even judges too frequently. High indicial functionaries are named by

inwbreaking corporations. Bribes, some times petty, sometimes important, are freely taken by municipal officials from and resources, and that a slight relapse, nstead of threatening prosperity, might be distinctly helpful. The railroads may not be able to scale lown to any material extent their plans s corporations which they are sup sed to control. Our civilization is in the that primitive state where we still value human life less than profit. Th for betterments. They are not able now to handle the traffic offered to them, and if general business continues to expand homicides by gun and poison, fearfully numerous, are still few compared with those by railroad wreck and unpro-If general business continues to expan-and the crops of 1907 equal those of 1906 and 1906 the transportation lines wi tected machinery. The slaughter of in be forced in their own interest to equip fants by poisonous milk and bad food and air amounts to 50 per cent of al those born into the world. Such is the thrust on them. Agricultural is the real basis of our present prosperity, and so long as the farmer can raise record crops and get remuner problem that confronts us. How can we think of solving it by the restricion on immigration and increasing po tive prices for them other industries will flourish and the railroads will have lice esplonage? Our murder trials are all the traffic they can handle. Ther has been, undoubtedly, much overspecu-lation in the last two or three years The stringency of credit which it has like savage voodoo dances. They pro ceed to the music of hewgags and comtoms. And when they are done what do they amount to? The court entanoccasioned has caused some alarm in and out of Wall street. But it has not handgles itself in the meshes of which deserves little respect and receives none at all, while the prisoner i ninety-nine cases out of a hundred goes free.

out of Wall street. But it has not hand-icapped production and exchange, and so long as general business conditions con-tinue sound, as they are today, there need be no fear of any sudden shattering of the Nation's prosperity. A campaign for a "Greater Colorado" REMEDY LIES WITH THE COURTS has been started in the Centennia State. It is proposed to raise \$100,000 for a publicity fund, the plan being They Alone Can Divest Law and Jus-

tice of Its Technicalities. New Tork World.

mselves for the greater carrying tra

The great bulk of American law, espe-The great bulk of American isw, espe-cially in criminal cases, and almost the whole hedy of criminal procedure, have been made by the courts themselves. One small volume containing the Code of Criminal Procedure and the Penal Code embodies all the legislative criminal law in New York. It takes hundreds of vol-umes and a library far beyond the means of any codinary creatiling to contain fort will cover thirty days and the fund raised will be expended in conducting a press bureau, the duty of which will be o keep Colorado constantly before the public in various sections of the counf any ordinary practitioner to contain try where capital and energy dominate he court-made law. Special articles on Colorado will be writ-ten by writers duly qualified for the work, and traveling cars will be sent

the count-made law. Instead of taking the code as a plain, intelligible schedule of procedure, adroit lawyers and learned judges have used this as a foundation on which to rear a collossal and involved structure of echnicalities. There is nothing in the code which pro-

knowledge will bring most promising vides that trials shall be either primarily or incidentally to enable lawyers to dis-play their advoltness and eloquence. Neither are judges obliged to tolerate the returns. Success to the effort. There is room for all who are worth making room for-energetic, thrifty home-makers of the farming and Industrial

spectacle of a court of justice used as a stage and attorneys posing and mouthing as if they were actors. • How the law can do anything to stop The statement in a recent dispatch that there are 20,000,000 of people in these practices it is hard to see. The Legislature cannot well pass a bill en-joining a judge from permitting the law-yers to talk too much or commanding him Russia who cannot live until next har vest without ald indicates a condition of wretchedness and destitution inconto exercise more ability, common sense and decision of character. The judiciary might as well try to enjoin the Legiala-ture from passing a bad bill or the Goy-Th famine-stricken area covers twenty-on provinces with a population of about 30,000,000. Agriculture is the only occucritor from making an unfit appointment as for either of these co-ordinate depart-ments of the Government to try to make lawyers conduct themselves with digpation of these myriads of human beings. In many provinces there were no harvest returns last year, even the seed

Summer season approaches with its happy prospect of vacations for the weary. If the "conspirators" want to ecorum and decency. te at const The power to make its own rules and to conduct its own proceedings is inherent in every American court. The power to fix professional standards and enforce legal ethics rests in every bar association and every committee on admissions to the har. The evils are the growth of many legal othics rests in every bar association and every committee on admissions to the bar. The evils are the growth of many years. They were not creatd by Lgisatures or Governors, but by lawyers and judges. The power which created them is the only power that can destroy them. Close Compaign, If "Standpats" Rule Washington, D. C., Herald, If the standpatters are to control

A lot of young women are industriously drilling to represent "Indian maidens SUNDAY The Oregonian announces sardonically that it will forbear to call these young OREGONIAN women "squaws"), and they expect to ropress the "average Easterner" with a picturesque idea of the kind of civilian tion that prevails in the Northwest. The Dregonian suggests that this method of informing the outlander regarding social and ethnological peculiarities of Oregon is as misleading as it would be if the cilmate of the state were allegorized in a "group" consisting of a frog sitting in a ool of water under an umbrella. might be added that if the young wome who are going to the Jamestown potlatch in the guise of Clackamas squaws and Minnehahas would artificially web their little feet the ancient libel would be revived and confirmed. The protest is valid and timely. For tunately, California will be only partially represented at an exposition that will do nobody except the buyers and sellers any good. Otherwise, it is probable that some of our local idiots would organize a red-BUSTER BROWN AND HIS shirt brigade with "pants" in its boots and pistols in its belt to corroborate the FAITHFUL DOG rural idea that the Californian is still a First appearance in The Sunday character in one of Bret Harte's stories Oregonian of this popular The most interesting and certainly the youngster. most popular section of the fair will be the Midway Plaisance, or whatever

answers to that designation; and it is to their squaw dances in one of the side shows of that section. Oregon as a state

MR. ROOSEVELT AND HIS FOES.

Conspirators Can't Harm the President

-He Prospers Under Attack. New York World, Another day has passed and no 55,000,000 mapirator has yet been taken into cusody, but President Roosevelt's popularity toes on increasing. The cyr are nursing dying hopes. The Legislature of Pennsylvania, Sena-tor Pennose's state, rises like one man to There

probable that these Oregon m

need not suffer from the foolery.

Why Not Send Also Red Shirt Brigad

to Represent California†

Oakland, Cal., Herald.

Oregon is protesting through The Ore-gonian against the sort of advertisement

proposed for the Jamestown Exposition

companies

has

tor Penrose's state, rises like one man to denounce any combinations "of any party or parties intended to reverse or defeat the policies of justice which the President has so wisely and fearlessly inaugurat-ed." Pennsylvania used to stand for the Pennsylvania Raliroad in politics: now it "stands for Roosevelt and all that his administration stands for." The Pennsylvania Legislature on'y beat out that of Nebraska by a few days. At Lincoln, where the Union Pacific once elected Senators and made and unmade laws. Mr. Harriman is reconvicted of being what President Roosevelt said he was, and the President is urged to keep right after the wicked corporations. One right after the wicked corporations. One of Governor Cummina' favorite diversions has been hammering the railroads, but

his chances of being made Iowa's favorit son in 1908 are only a shade better than those of Secretary Shaw, who has just gone to work in Wall street. A procession of political suspects, eager to renew the oath of allegiance to the

to renew the oath of allegiance to the big stick, is clogging the corridors of the White House. Senator Scott hastens from the Brownsville inquiry to swear that he never before was so infatuated with Rooseveltism. Senator Penrose only awaits the opportunity to do likewise. Anybody who knows him must feel con-vinced that he could not have been the "very big man politically" who got the \$5,000,000 plot. The President can guist bis mind. No-body denies that he is no movies in poli-

The President can quist his mind. No-body denies that he is no movice in poli-tics. But it is still early to begin bother-ing about delegates to the next National convention. All he needs to do is to let his opponents in his own party have free swing. The more bitterly Senator Foraker attacks the Administration in Oblig the stranger the Passident will be Ohlo the stronger the President will be-come with the country. It is Roosevelt luck that men like ex-Senator Thurston and ex-Governor Odell and Mayor Rey-burn, of Philadelphia, should take the

lead in assailing his policies. The President should rest easy. They take the Czar for a ride

that the tariff be revised

LANDING AN OREGON SPECKLED BEAUTY Full-page illustration in colors of a fishing scene on Johnson Creek. ELEPHANTS AS SAWMILL HANDS Finely-illustrated story of hnman interest from Lower Burma. WHEN MIDAS MOVES TO THE COUNTRY Rural palaces of millionaires costing a fortune every season. WHERE SIX PERSONS MET VIOLENT DEATHS Marion County farm which fate selected for bloody deeds. JAPANESE REVERENCE FOR HER HEROIC DEAD

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Annie Laura Miller writes a story of unceasing devotion.

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Timely hints to be taken advantage of this week.

POLICING THE DESERT OF SAHARA

Frank G. Carpenter writes how the French guard it with soldiers

SEEING THINGS WITH THE GOOGAN GIRLS

Rescue of two widows from embarrassment caused by automobiles.

THE ROOSEVELT BEARS IN RUSSIA

and save him from assassins.

not rather be a trespasser? If the acts | P mean those persons then occupying the will result from such criticism. land granted the railroad, have not such actual settlers ceased to exist in with Mr. Kitching in his belief that the thirty-seven years since the acts the future will see many and profound were passed? The railroad attorneys changes in the organization of society. will be fertile with subterfuges, subtle- This is entirely likely. But it is also ties and technicalities. The meaning of likely that the changes will be different actual settler will be one of the hard- from what the socialists expect. The

fought issues. But sound sense, unimpaired by sophistry of lawyers, puts on actual settler an easy meaning. The acts intended they play the role of fault-finder to per-that any person otherwise qualified who desired to make a home on land within the railroad grant should be considered is necessary to find fault, though not an actual settler. Such persons were always pleasant. The kloker, or knock-to obtain the land from the railroad er, or whatever he may be called, plays. just as other land from the United an important part in the evolution of Here, is evidence of the fact history. We have not had too much of States. that Congress placed the granted lands him in America. It is said by many

railroad trustee

was to sell the land, at a price not to some people wear on their backs or in exceed \$2.50 an acre, to actual settlers, their shoes, disagreeable but salutary, In order that the Government lands being a constant reminder of back-adjoining might not be sold for a less sliding and an instigation to good reprice and thus prevent the sale of the railroad lands, the act of 1856 declared: "And the sections and parts of sec-tions of land which shall remain in the

United States, within the limits of the aforesaid grant, shall not be sold for than double the minimum price (\$2.50) of public lands when sold." and the act of 1870 declared that such lands "shall be disposed of only to actual settiers, at double the minimum price for better than many. such lands."

The meaning of actual settler, therefore, should not be difficult to deter-It is a person who purposes to establish a home. Such person was to the same access to the lands granted to the railroad as retained by the United States. The United States was to charge him not less than \$2.50 | dedication of Carnegie Institute a few that price. The railroad agreed to reeive the land on these terms, and its the edifice Mr. Carnegie had caused to acceptance of the acts of Congress is on record. The United States made the People," but the social leaders who had retrieve it by superficial measures; but railroad its agent for disposing of the secured control of the management it does not. It is no more flagrant than lands, according to the terms of the made up a list of persons in their fa-Congressional acts, and the agent was s vored circles who were to be admitted to the dedicatory ceremonies and ropes were stretched to keep "the people" at money obtained from selling the lands for redeeming its construct This was considered a a respectful distance. Aristocracy ocbonds. more convenient method of aiding the cupied the seats by virtue of passes

the railroad. It was not intended that title to the E. Corey, of divorce fame, was enrolled lands in the grant should be vested in upon the list of honored guests, though the railroad, to dispose of as it willed for some reason he did not attend. The

the railroad, to dispose of as it willed as absolute ownership would ute ownership would have snobocracy of Pittsburg, says the The railroad received the Leader, holds that all men who will permitted. trust, which bound it to disof them to actual settlers, just as the Interior Department was obliged to

grants. grants. According to this interpreta-tion, any person, otherwise qualified, intending to establish a home, should of a snobocracy, but the people of the

of Congress meant actual settlers to cepting the socialist prediction of what Brown points out some of these faults

now about to begin, but in the unfold-

THE SOCIALIST.

The gist of Mr. Kitching's letter,

Neither is it necessary to disagree disciples of Marx are too uncompromis-

ing in their views to become a potent onstructive factor in this country; but

ch of course without ac

We do not say this in contempt. It in trust for the railroad, making the that his breed has not been as numer ous as it ought. He is like the hair

By the terms of the trust the railroad shirt and the penitential peas which some people wear on their backs or in

May the socialist multiply and re plenish the earth, though not too nunerously. We do not wish to see the fault-finders drive the rest of us out of the country; but we can stand them with resignation while they continue in a minute and castigatory minority. They are like the skeleton at the feast, morally excellent. But one skeleton is

SNOBOCRACY. The "snobocracy" of Pittsburg, which has made that city the butt of ridicule

for the whole country, came in for a

round roasting at the hands of the

Pittsburg Leader on the occasion of the

solve.

and suggests remedies for them. His diagnosis is unimpeachable as far as it

goes. At his system of medication we look somewhat askance. The two remedies which he seems

principally to relie upon are restriction of immigration and police espionage such as prevails in Germany. That our laws for inhibiting undesirable immigration are farcical is probably true For example, not long ago these laws excluded from America an Englishman

of world-wide reputation and the high est character because he admitted that he was a philosophical anarchist. Had he been base enough to deny his convictions the law would have opened the gate to him. Because he was honest he was rejected. An anarchist of the bomb-throwing type can gain admisston by doing what this Englishman's conscience would not permit. The worse his character, the easier it is for

him to falsify his opinions. Criminals of all sorts slip in freely by similar tricks. Mr. Brown says that foreign nations ship them here systematically and really there is little to hinder it if hey wish to do it. But we are disposed to believe that this source of crime is

exaggerated. It accounts for some ele ments in our deplorable condition, but not for many or the most important. In Germany, agdin, every citizer lives under strict police surveillance The police know when he goes on visit and when he returns. His servants are all registered at the police office. They know when he hires and when he discharges them, and why Everything he does, all he says and

that he thinks are known to his official guardians. Mr. Brown regrets that we have not something of same sort here. The regret is futile. Nothing like it would or ought to be tolerated. Nor is it necessary. The po acre and the railroad not more than days ago. And the criticisms were evi-at price. The railroad agreed to re-If the failure of our criminal admin our failure to devise and administer laws to control corporations. It is per haps even less flagrant than our fail ure in the matter of city government Lapses so numerous imply deep-seated causes which no medication of outward railroads than for the United States to which were necessary in order to secure symptoms is likely to cure. The fact sell the lands and pass the money over admission. While the vulgar mob, the is that our civilization presents a case of arrested development. More than a

ommon people, were excluded, William century ago we devised a scheme of government and a system of jurispru dence which was, for the time, excel-lent. It was better than had ever been seen in the world before. Having deworship at the shrine of the dollar in contempt surpassed only by the con-tempt in which it is held in turn by vised it, we sat down and began to sing pacans to its perfection, and we have been singing them ever since. do under the same acts as made the men who despise it for its sham and Meanwhile the rest of the world has Democrat and a Republican?

moved forward. England has remade her criminal jurisprudence. Germany Germany intending to establish a home, should of a snobocracy, but the people of the has completely revolutioned her in-be allowed by the railroad to pick land rest of the country are pleased to be-stitutions. France has passed through missions?

hat was sown being lost. Truly there is no curse equal to that of overpopula tion. Before its known horrors the dream of race suicide sinks into insignificance. Living in holes dug in the ground, without fuel, almost naked, their scant rations composed of bread made of ground acorns and other unafflicted palatable. substances, with typhus and scurvy and blindness, these creatures appeal in vain to an opulen government for aid and grovel and die

ceivable to our favored people.

out, accompanied by competent lectur-

the effort to become known where this

ers, Colorado is following Oregon

classes preferred.

unsuccored. Fourteen years ago a New York min ister promised a woman member of his flock that he would dance with her on

her 100th anniversary. A few days ago the anniversary occurred and he kept No proceedings have yet his promise. been brought to expel the pastor from the church. First thing we know it will become fashionable for ministers to dance with the 100-year-old women of their churches. It ought to be,

Pennsylvania investigators are hav ng a hard time securing testimony re garding the transactions by which a \$7.000,000 graft was worked on a \$9,000 000 contract for the furnishing of the new Pennsylvania Capitol. Better send for Heney and Burns. They'll tell you how it happened.

The American Solcety of Equity has determined to unite five wheatgrowing states of the West in a firm stand for a dollar a bushel for this year's crop That is good as far as it goes, but it would not be wise to refuse any 95-cent contracts on the strength of it.

An Ohio farmer residing in a "dry" county asserts that he has a spring or his farm that yields an intoxicating Surely they won't prosecute liquid man for selling a natural product.

An Omaha Republican club has turned its picture of John M. Thurston to the wall because of his criticism of President Roosevelt. Senator Foraker better sit up and take notice

In order to express different degrees of a new but not yet popular malady, we shall have to speak of brain storm, brain hurricane, brain cyclone, and pos sibly brain blizzard.

We sympathize with the fire fasur ance companies for what they lost when the fireboat was laid up, not fro fires, but from failure to put up rates

If the members of Hermann's jury have grandfathers, we doubt not that Hermann can remember them.

Question for faithful Democrat What is the difference between a Lane

Since the railroad magnates have

Mr. Roosevelt Has Won the South.

shall look for a closer campaign in 1908 than might otherwise be expected provided of New York Evening Post. John Temple Graves' proposal that W. J. Bryan should nominate Roosevelt -provided, of course, that the Demo-crats are guided by sanity and broad statesmanship in their platform pro-nouncements and their ticket. The at the next Democratic convention IIlustrates clearly how, by means of his trip South, the Brownsville affair, and time was never more auspicious for tariff reform. The popular mind is in a ferment. Instinctively, it knows that industrial and economic conditions are other methods, the President has won the South. When the most rabid anti-negro editor in Georgia thus acclaims the man who asked Booker Washington to lunch, the hatchet is indeed buried and the "solid South" in the greatest danger. But there is something emi-nently fitting that this advocate of lynching should make the proposal he does, for it is lynch law that he would thus apply to the Democracy. To turn it over to the Republicans bodily would, however, not mean the delivery of its true soul-of the soul which inspired it in the days of Cleveland, and long before. An era of good feeling for all save railroad men and corporation manother methods, the President has won out of joint. It has been told by the leaders of public thought that the trust is mainly responsible for the inequal the of opportunity that exist, and that transportation abuses have added to them. While this it true, it is only a part of the truth, and the smallest part. Party lines now lie too lightly to encourage the theory of the standpatters that their word will be ac cepted as gospel by the followers o their party. "Deeds and not words" are what the people are at present de tave railroad men and corporation man agers this may be, but that fact leaves manding. Performance and not promise ew political questions still unsettled advidualism as opposed to state and is what they expect. If the subject of tariff revision is to be taken up national management and supervision, after the next President has taken his sent, why should it not be taken up now? The 60th Congress is overwhelm-ingly Republican. If it is essential the rights of the states, and the inquitles of the tariff

High School Fraternities, Barnacles,

Chicago Tribune. The State of Minnesota has cast the weight of its influence against the or-ganizations which in late years have fastened themselves like barnacles upon the high schools of the country. Its Legislature has determined that no fraternities or sorofilies shall be per-mitted to exist in any high school of Traternities of solorities shall be per-mitted to exist in any high school of the state. The hostile atilitude of the Chicago Board of Education does not seem to have produced much effect. The fraternity houses continue to display insignia upon doors or windows. The boys still pass in and out in the daily sight of their school companions. Forbidding them to appear in athletic Forbidding them to appear in athletic or literary contexts does not appear to have accomplished much. The situa-tion is a strange one. If parents would co-operate with the school authorities and use their influence with the boys and girls it would not take long to stamp out an evil which has grown to large dimensions.

Mother West.

Denver Republican. There is a mother, so legend runs, Of mothers quite the best. Who boasts ten million sturdy sons. Twirt plain and mountain crest. She gives them wealth in goodly stors, She gives abounding health-and more, She opens wide Contentment's door. Her name is Mother West.

Her name is shown bounties never fail Thy children, amply blest. To foreign shores we may set sall— Our pilot strange unrost— But still thy children turn to thes, Thy plains, the hills, the mystery, And at the last, from overses, Come home to Mother West!

"friends," why should its "friends" risk the hazard of its being done by The way to revise the opposition? to revise. The time to revise is now! Ice Blasted Like Stone.

Indianapolis News. Glacier ice is now delivered to some Glacier ice is now delivered to some of the largest consumers of Lyons and other cities of Europe. There are so many railways in the Alps at present that it has been found profitable to gather this ice and transport it to the cities, where it is preferred to other ice because of its hardness and lasting qualities. This ice is blasted and where is the same manner as signs is qualities. This ice is blasted and mined in the same manner as sione is quarried. The

Her Playing.

Outer's Book. With love and grace her fingers kiss the Wherefrom melodious sound responsive

springs Faint as the flutter of a scraph's wings lose followed by a swarm of murmuring

Then comes the soughing of the Summer breeze. As multiving heaven a sterner message brings:

brings: Throughout the skies the voice of thun-der rings, While echoes speak as from the wakened While

While mentors appropriate the stabing rain! But list the downpour of the fushing rain! The chattering brook becomes a growling stream And down the precipice leaps in wild cas-

cades

Then lags through levels to the listening

Seft as a star bright-falling in a dream The waters lapse and die; the vision 'fades.

