one can be sectived.

a amount of reforestation shown in the
t of the Forest Service—only about
b acros as compared with the 150,000,cres of National forests—seems small,
f am glad to note that in this respect
increary of Agriculture and the chief
a Forest Service are looking together to
uriher forestation of government land.

y-General Ordered to Proceed Where

The taking of the census has proceeded with prompitiess and efficiency. I consur with the Socretary in that it will be more thorough and accurate than any consus which has heretafore been taken, but it is not perfect. The motive that browners ten with a false civic pride to induce the padding of consus returns in order to increase the population of a particular city has been strong seough to load to fraud in respect to a few cities in this country, and I have directed the attorney-General to proceed with all the vigor possible against those who are responsible for three frauds. They have been discovered, and they will not interfere with the accuracy of the census, but it is of the highest importance that official linguity of this cort should not be embarrassed by fraudulent conspiracies in some private or local interest. taking of the census has proceeded

OWNERSHIP OF TIMBER IS LIMITED.

The Commissioner of Corporations has use completed the first part of a report on he lumber industry in the United States. This part does not treat of the question of a trust or combination in the manufacture of immber, a subject to be dealt with star. The commissioner does find, however, a change in the ownership of the tanding timber of the United States other has the government timber that calls for crious attention.

r countries, and in the Becretary's of the satisfactory progress which is he-made in respect to the preservation of seals of the Pribytoff Islands. Very a sings are being taken by the Depart of State to secure an arrangement h shall protect the Pribytoff berd from

EIGHT-HOUR LAW NEEDS AMENDMENT

Estension to Contracts Favored, With Executive Power for Suspension.

The making of matches from phosphorous should be discouraged by the imposition of a heavy Federal int, the President helieves, because of the frightful discases incident to the process, and because matches can be made of materials whetly innocuous. The message recommends a law providing that no labour or mechanic doing any part of the week contemplated in a contract of the Week contemplated in a contract of the United States for a contractor or any sub-contractor shall be required to work more than eight hours in any one calendar day. The President says:

It seems to me from the past history that the Government has been committed to a policy of encouraging the limitation of the days work in eight hours in all works of spectraction initiated by itself, and it seems me illusions to maintain a difference between Government surk done to a ment and and Government work done to a

tween Government work done on Governmissi soil and Government work done in a
private establishment. To require, however,
that every small contract of manufacture
entured into by the Government should be
carried out by the Covernment should be
carried out by the contractor with men
an intolerable burden would be to impose
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an intolerable burden would be to impose
an intolerable burden upon the Government
by limiting its sources of supply and exstuding altogether the great majority of
those who would otherwise compets for its
business.

large gurs, when manufactured in private paris of factories.

One of the great difficulties in enfercing this eight-hour law is that its application under certain entergencies becomes extremely oppressive and thure is a great tempisation to subscribint officials to evade it. I think that it would be wiser to allow the President by executive order, to the large an emergency in special instances. In view of the kees, widespread interest new fell in the United States in a system of compensation for industrial accidents to emphatic any resent thoroughly unsatisfactor; system of supplyers' liability, I recommend that the international Congress on Industrial Insertable be invited to hold its meeting in 1913 in Waghington, and that an appropriation of \$16,000 be made to cover the necessary expenses of carrying on the meeting.

The President declares that immigration into this country is intreasure which they are

that they will be setter distributed through-out the country. Everything which tends to send the immigrants West and South into rural life helps the country.

The recommendation of the Secretary is which he urges that the law may be amended so as its discourage the separation of families is, I think, a good one.

GREATER ECONOMIES TO BE SOUGHT

or the civil service law is increasing, and recommands that power be given him to extend its operation to all local officers under the Triosury Department, the Department of Justice, the Postoffice Department the Interior Department and the Department of Commerce and Labor. Certainty of tenure, he believes, would result in better service. A better system of promotions engin to be devised.

The message comments upon the difference between the administrative effiengin to be devised.

The measure comments upon the difference between the administrative efficiency of the work of the Government and that of a private corporation. He adds:

The president of a private corporation deing so vast a business as the Government transacts would, through competent specialists, maintain the closest scruting on the comparative efficiency and the comparative and the comparative and the comparative and the comparative of the comparative of the comparative and the comparative and the comparative continues the continues the comparative continues the comparative continues the comparative continues the comparative continues the continues the comparative continues the comparative continues the comparative continues the comparative continues the continues the comparative continues the comparativ

States with such information respecting the business for which he is responsible.

Completion of an inquiry now being made will lay the foundation for a business-like bedget. The head of each department has been requested by the President to appoint committees on economy and efficiency. It is especially desired to decrease expenditures so that the Government may go into some of the "beneficial projects which we are debarred from taking up now because we ought not to increase our expenditures."

A system of pensioning superannuated

turea."
A system of pensioning superannuated Civil Sorvice employes is urged, so arranged that the money may be paid out of the salaries appropriated for the positions vacated by retirement, the difference between the annuity and the salary to be used for the employment of efficient cierks in the lower grades.

Amendment of the law is suggested to require clear inspection of boilers by railways and a commission is recommended to report on injuries from outside clearances and the best method of reducing them.

reducing them.

Appropriation to enable the ascertain-Appropriation to enable the ascertain-ment of the valuation of railroads is

The President would amend the Inter-state Commerce law so as to provide that one who in good faith advances money on a bill of lading issued by a common carrier in interstate shipment can hold the carrier liable for the value of the goods delivered. He would permit the issuance of two classes of bills of lading.

Mr. Talk regards as unwarranted the assumption that a Federal Bureau of Health is recommended in the interest of a particular school of medicine. He suggests that there be more concentration gests that there be more concentration of authority regarding the administration of the District of Columbia. He renews his recommendation of the payment of the depositors of the Freedman's Bank and for the holding of a negro exposition.

Concluding, Mr. Taft says:

"I believe it to be in the interest of all the people in the country that for the time being the activities of Government, in addition to enforcing the ex-

ment, in addition to enforcing the exment, in addition to enforcing the ex-isting law, be directed toward the econ-omy of administration and the enlarge-ment of opportunities for foreign trade, the conservation and improvement of our agricultural lands, the building up of home industries and the strengthen-ing of confidence of capital in demo-cratic investment."

Hotel Clerk Betrays Trust; Rooster Left to Die

Red Cross Stamp - Buyers Take Chance on Bird; It's An Ordinary

ALL that is now left of the big Rhode Island Red rooster, presented to a newly-married couple at the Oregon Hotel nearly two weeks ago and left by the newlyweds in the care of M. K. Mac-

the roosier, in its ribbon-bedecked parrot cage, he placed in front of the stand, and purchasers of stamps be given chances to win the bird at a drawing when all the stamps were sold.

The women's hearts were touched and, as a business proposition, it looked good. They accepted the offer and began sell-

Within an hour after the bargaining,

the parrot cage was presented, with flow-ing orimson ribbons. The occupant was a scrawny, monarel pullet. The women gave no attention to the pullet, but looked with horror on the flashy red ribbons, but they were too charitable to comment on the taste of persons who would decorate a wedding present with gorgeous crimson instead

of creamy white.
With the exhibition of the parrot cage With the exhibition of the parrot cage the tongues of gossips began wagging. The story that went the rounds was to the effect that MacRae had been unfaithful to his trust; that instead of taking the orphan receive under his wing, as promised, he had given it to a guest of the Perkins Hotel. At the Perkins the rooster curied up as if ready to receive the last rites before passing into chicken heaven where there are no hotel cisrks. The bird was removed from the cage and a Japanese beliboy was assigned to fan it back into existence. With the help of a glass of ice water the rooster regained consciousness and tried to crow. but it was too weak. Then the guest of regained consciousness and tried to crow.

but before doing so, cast a resentful glance toward the Oregon Hôtel. But this death message did not deter Mac-Rae from going on and placing a substitute in the cage for the cause of

"What became of the white ribbons?" elephone operators in the hotel. But the discovery of the most flagrant fort at duplicity was made by a drumeffort at duplicity was made by a mer, who remarked: "Did you say that is a rooster?"

BARGE STRIKES AND SINKS

Henderson Loses Tow on Willamette Slough Breakwater.

Lying near the breakwater at the mouth of the Willamette Slough, is a barne that went to the bottom yesthe track with the first bottom yes-terday while being towed to Portland by the steamer M. F. Henderson, Cap-tain Smith reports to the Shaver Trans-portation Company that while leaving the slough with the barge laden with fir wood for local consumption, one of the lines made fast to the tow parted, permitting the tow to strike on the breakwater, where it sank immediately

The barge is the property of the Willamette Fuel Company. A request for a towboat at the Shaver office to handle it was about to be denied, when handle it was about to be denied, when it was suggested that the steamers were not busy and the Henderson might be spared for the task. Usually the steamers confine their operations to handling log rafts and shifting steamers in the harbor, and mishaps in that trade have been few, but yesterday what appeared to be the easiest undertaking proved the most trouble-some.

Multnomah Senator Almost Sure to Head Upper House.

PLEDGES MAY INCREASE

Home County Delegation and Scattered Vote Suffice to Put Him in Chair - Speakership

Still Uncertain.

Supporters of Ben Selling say his selection as President of the State Senate at the coming session of the Legislaare pledged to him in black and white with a small charge for the additional at this time, it is averred, and plans are being laid to add one or two more votes to that list.

Eight of the votes pledged him ar in Multnomah and Lane counties, it is learned. He has the verbal promise of a ninth—the vote of C. W. Nottingham, of Multnomah. Mr. Nottingham has not mentioned Mr. Selling's name directly but has said he will stand by the choice of the Multnomah delega-tion and the other eight are out for Selling. A form was taken to Mr. Nettingham for his signature, but it is learned that he declined to sign it.

Votes Have String.

The other seven votes claimed by Selling are scattered and their location Selling are scattered and their location is not being divulged. The two from Lane County are given with the understanding that a majority of the Multnomah delegation in the lower house support Allen H. Eaton, of Lane, for Speaker of the House. At this time nine of the local Representatives are for Eaton and four against him. Should the majority switch, the Lane County Senators, of course, would be released Senators, of course, would be released from any obligation to vote for Sell-

Just at this time there does not ap-pear to be any likelihood of a switch, for the Multnomah delegation decided

early to get the presidency of the Senate and to trade therefore in the most advantageous way.

White Eaton asserts that the speakership is in his vestpocket right now, that subject, nevertheless, is not yet finally disposed of. Selling may be opposed by Jay Bowerman for the presidency. Bowerman is a receptive candidate, but since he is making no active canvass it is doubted if he can meet Selling's lead. Eaton, however, has active opposition.

wiyeds in chief clerk, to he chief clerk. It is an the yealled for it, is an accepting the duties of foster parent to the rocater "until called for," that he really had the bird in the basement and was feeding it remnants of porterhouse steak, as he solemuly declared. Perhaps his duplicity would never have become known had it not been for Mrs. Chester Deering and Mrs. E. C. Morgan, who established a stand for the sale of Red Cross stamps in the lobby of the hole yesterday.

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Oregon will combine with Eastern Oregon will combine with Easter Fouls, Abbott and Bryant favor an Eastern Oregon man, while Clyde has expressed a preference for no one, the impression being abroad that he would like to have the place swing to him Of this, however, there does not seem the shadow of a likelihood.

Thirty-two votes are now claimed by nering pledges, with considerable success. Except for the four Representatives named he has the Multomah delegation. Just where lie the others of his 32 votes is not revealed, but he is claiming them and has ceased operations with the announcement that the fight is all over with except for the formal counting of the ballors when formal counting of the ballots when

the lower house organizes.

Among other avowed aspirants are J. A. Buchanan of Douglas, Lloyd Reynolds of Marion, W. Lair Thompson of Lake, W. H. Hollis of Washing-O. Bonebrake of Benton, and W. H. Brooke of Harney and Malheur.

STATE TO USE ONE SCHOOL

Three of Four Normals Will Remain Closed, Is Bellef.

There will probably be no State Norma School next year except at Monmouth, the institution provided by an initiative measure at the recent election. This is the opinion of W B. Ayer, a member of the Board of Regents for the state the contemporary hotel to whom Mac-Rae had given it, placed it in a box and returned the empty cage.
Yesterday morning MacRae received a telephone message that the rooster died, as unlikely by those close to the situa-

The Board of Regents is composed of the Governor, Secretary of State Super-intendent of Public Instruction; E. E. Bragg, of Union county; C. E. Spence, head of the State Grange; Stephen Newell, of Grant Pass; Henry J. Mater, of The Dalles; E. Hofer, of Salem, and C. L. Starr, of Salem. The Governor is chairman of the board. A meeting will probably not be called until the latter part of January, when incoming officers who will have charge of the schools may be present.

may be present.
"Undoubtedly the normal school at
Monmouth will be the only one maintained Monmouth will be the only one maintained next year," said Mr. Ayer yesterday, "as the Legislature made no appropriation for other schools. The Board of Regents lias no power to dispose of normal school property, and I suppose the schools at Drain, Ashland and Weston will remain idle. The meeting of the board is subject to call of the chairman. I do not think it would be advisable to call a meeting until some time in January, when all the members, who will have direct supervision of the normal schools, will be present.
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"A meeting in January would also be to advantage, as the Legislature will then be in assisting, and the board could go before that body with matters pertaining to the various institutions."

Building Permits Total \$32,375.

BUIGENE. Or., Dec. 6—(Special.)— Building permits for the month of No-vember showed a total of \$2,275. The principal building included in this list is that of the Northwest Corporation, on Willamette street, between Ninth and Tenth. The cost of construction is esti-mated at \$20,000.

We wish to thank our many kind friends for their tender sympathy and kindness during the iliness and after the death of our loving father, Jacob Krimbel.

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HENRY DUNN, OF BRADSTREET, VISITS IN PORTLAND,

Gotham's Commercial' Agent Sees Nothing in Recent Election to Indicate Discontent.

Henry H. Dunn, president of the Bradstreet Agency, which is known in

cial market, together with an element of discontent and a lack of confidence, of discontent and a lack of continence, said Mr. Dunn, "But I see nothing in the result of the elections in the dif-ferent states that would indicate that the people are unsettled in their con-victions, or that any question calling for solution may not be immediately

Northwest, except on the ground that a change has occurred in the character of immigration arriving at New York. In the olden days the average immi in the older days the average immi-grant had nothing more than two hands to begin with in the United States. Last year and for a number of previ-ous years, the destitute, or pauper class, remained in the Atlantic seaort towns, while the class that had sufficient money to secure land came West. I believe this movement had much to do with the prosperity of this

"It is also true that the Canadiar exodus has been largely checked. For a number of years Canada has re ceived a most desirable class of im migrants from this country, and as part of our business we have kept in touch with the movement. I am glad to assure Portland people that the movement has apparently stopped. Those people who thought of going to Canada can now find what they

to Canada can how lind what they sought in the Northwest.

"There has never been a time when the Northwest secured as rapid returns for crop shipments as this year. The money has been flowing back in larger quantities and more freely than the littery of the countries. at any time in the history of the coun at any time in the instory of the country. I do not pretend to assert that the entire movement is because of the tremendous crop that has been produced by the West. It is probable that thatural financial conditions have played a large part in the situation.

"Taken altogether I think the financial situation may be understood to

cial situation may be understood to mean that conditions are stable. The pears that the United States has ter system of credit than at any time of systems, it is history,"
Mr. Dunn left for San Francisco last light, and will go from that city to

the East.

Forest Grove, Water Center. FOREST GROVE, Or., Dec. 6.—(Special.)—If present plans are followed it is prohable that Forest Grove's gravystem will furnish mountain to Hillsbore. Hillsbore capitalwith the City Council. O. B. Gates, of Hillsboro, is said to be interested in the project and would furnish water to Hillsboro, Cornelius and other intermediate points. The water would be sold by the Forest Grove municipality at 6 cents for 1600 gallons.

WATER ASSESSMENT MADE Mains Sufficiently Completed Pro-

vided for by Council. that have reached the necessary state of completion were approved at a spethem out of the way before the new water main law, passed at the November election, goes into effect. The Mayor announced yesterday that he would issue local manager in charge of the comprocamation today making the new pany's business.

Mr. Gillis announced yesterday that announced yesterday that he would issue

It had been planned to have the Council pass on the issuance of an order for the sale of water bonds to the value of \$500,000 at the special meeting yester. day, but it was agreed later that it would be better to wait until the next regular meeting of the Council.

A resolution was passed permitting the sale without a license of holly and mistletoe on the streets during the boil-

the result of the elections further to unsettle the money market, but on the other hand there appears to a healthy dexire on the part of the people to deal with and dispose of the questions that are calling for solution at this time.

"I cannot account for the tremendous financial impetus that has come to the Rorthwest, except on the grouns of the grouns a change has occurred."

American Federation Indorses Seals in Tuberculosis War.

The Visiting Nurse Association has received a copy of resolutions passed by the American Federation of Labor, indorsing the sale of Red Cross seals. and urging the unions to support the campaign. The resolutions, which were framed by John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers of America, call attention to the fact that the Federation has aided the movement for the study and prevention of tuberculosis in every way possible, and urges mem-hers to further, "in every reasonable way," the sale of these seals in their

respective communities. Booths are in charge of the follow-Booths are in charge of the vor-ing: Olds, Wortman & King, Miss Jes-sie Hurley, Miss Mabel Beck and Mrs. E. Ehrman; Tull & Gibbs, Miss Herel Robb, Mrs. I. L. Patterson and Miss Ethel Thompson; Lipman, Wolfe & Ethel Thompson; Lipman, Wol Co., Miss Hall and Miss Muriel lams; Meier & Frank, Miss Gladys Weidler, Miss Inez Barrett and Mrs. Henry Metzger; Postoffice, Miss Richter and Miss McDonald.

ter and Miss McDonaid.
Priends and members of the Port-iand Woman's Club are taking an ac-tive interest in the sale of seals. The club has established a booth in the lobby of the Imperial Hotel and at the Chamber of Commerce

Officials Give Bonds. VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 6 .- (Spe.

cial.)—The Clark County Commission ers have been passing the last few days approving bonds of county of cers-elect. County officers elected a County officers elected at the recent general election and bonds required are: Ira C. Cresap. Sheriff, \$5000; William R. Fletcher, Treasurer, \$100,000; D. W. Wright and J. W. Lindsey, County Commissioners \$10,-000 cach: A. F. Davis, Assessor, Incum-bent, and Jay V. Fike, County Superin-tendent, \$2500

ROAD SEEKS ENTRANCE

MOUNT HOOD RAILWAY TO ASK FRANCHISE.

R. C. Gillis, Chairman of Directors, Arrives, but Sheds No Light on Mysterious Project.

Franchises for the entrance of the Mount Hood Railway into Portland will be asked of the City Council at an early meeting, according to plans now being formulated by R. C. Gillis, of terday morning, and C. B. Smith.

pany's business.

Mr. Gillis announced yesterday that work on the Mount Hood project will proceed with all possible haste that is consistent with the desire to gain good results.

The approximate number of rubber plantations in Tabasco and Northern Chiapas is about 35, representing a total screage of 35,000 to 400,000 acres. A rough estimate of the number of rubber trees cultivated thereon is 10,000,000 to 12,000,000. results.
"We are principally concerned with

the completion of our power plant at present," said Mr. Gillis, "and we expect to rush that to completion before we increase our activity on laying the tracks.

"Our desire to obtain a franchis from the city shows conclusively that we intend to operate into Portland. We anticipate no difficulty in obtaining that permission. As we will ask nothing He added that complete arrange-



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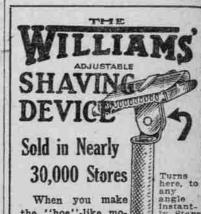
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road and its power system had not seen made, but said that these would develop as fast as required by the act-

ual construction work on the line.

Mr. Gillis will be in the city for a few days and will study the situation with reference to the construction work on the Mount Hood line. He also is president of the Los Angeles Pacific Raliroad operating between Los Ange-les and ocean resorts in the vicinity of that city. His interests there will dethat city. His interests there will de-mand his presence for several weeks prior to the first of the year, but early in January he expects to return to
Portland and remain indefinitely to
have personal charge of the business
management of the new concern.
Whether the Mount Hood road will operate independently or way systems already established here remains an unsettled question so far as any utterances of Mr. Gillis or any

of the other officers are concerned.



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