

\$25,000,000 SPENT ON HARBOR WORK

Columbia River Improvements Cost \$14,624,575 Up to June 30, 1911.

WILLAMETTE GETS SHARE

Washington Waterways Receive Total of \$4,719,952 and Projects in State of Idaho Benefited to Extent of \$87,512.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, April 8.—From the time the Government began the improvement of rivers and harbors in the Northwest up to June 30, 1911, nearly \$25,000,000 had been expended on the various waterways of importance to commerce.

In exact figures, the total expenditure up to the end of the last fiscal year was \$24,847,523. Out of this total \$14,624,575 was spent on the Columbia River below the mouth of Snake River, nearly half of this amount going to the mouth of the river.

Idaho Gets Portion

In addition to these amounts, four projects in Idaho have received a total of \$87,512. From the report of the Chief of Engineers, as submitted to Congress, the following itemized statement is taken showing expenditures on the Columbia River projects:

Table with columns for project name and amount. Includes items like Columbia River, Oregon and Washington, Mouth of Columbia, Canal around Cascades, etc.

ANCIENT WELL UNEARTHED

Discovery at Holyrod Palace Outcome of Research Work.

LONDON, April 7.—(Special.)—The discovery made at Holyrod Palace, Edinburgh, as the result of excavation work, are the outcome of researches now being made in several parts of Scotland.

BATHS AFFORD DISGUISE

Embezzler "Loses" Weight to Avoid Recognition.

PARIS, April 6.—(Special.)—A drastic method of disguising himself from the police was adopted by Lepreux, a cashier of the Suez Canal Company, who disappeared from Paris last October, after having embezzled about \$400,000, and who was arrested the other day in a Turkish bath at Lille.

given elaborate message. Then he drank a bottle of claret and went to sleep in the divan room until 7 o'clock.

Like his embezzlements, Lepreux' arrest was due to his love for his only daughter Marcelle. When he fled he took with him the sum of \$100,000 in order to provide her with a dowry, and his refuge at Lille was discovered through letters sent to him by his daughter, which the attendant pointed out to them a man in a bath wrap.

The detectives arrived at the Turkish bath, and at once went to the most private room, where the attendant pointed out to them a man in a bath wrap. They were unable to recognize the comfortable, jolly cashier of the police photograph in the clothing of the individual, with sunken cheeks. His face was deeply furrowed, his erstwhile rosy cheeks had faded and a ragged gray beard had taken the place of his neat black mustache.

He declared that he had lost all the sums embezzled save \$12,000 in unforced speculations. Lepreux, who had been in the employ of the Suez company for 30 years, having entered its service at the age of 14, was a most respected employe and head of the securities department.

STRIKE AFFECTS SOCIETY

LONDON'S WEALTHY PERSONS CURTAIL EXPENSE.

Florists, Dressmakers, Jewelers and Dealers in Luxuries Find Trade Going to Pieces.

LONDON, April 6.—(Special.)—London is well advanced in a season which at its beginning promised to be one of the most brilliant socially, and most remunerative to trades, for several years. A number of courts have already been held, as well as many functions in society.

The London season, above all, is distinguished by enjoyment and money, and neither is too prominent just now. Everybody is "feeling" the effect of the strike—the dressmakers, milliners, purveyors of a thousand mysteries of feminine attire, caterers, florists, musicians—all are being affected by the deplorable multitude of unemployed throughout the land.

Among the leading florists there is grave anxiety. Long before the season began or the coal crisis was seriously thought about, their contracts were made. They spent large sums prospectively. They are now feeling the lessened demand and in many cases will lose large sums.

Inquiries in the West End at several large jewelry establishments elicited that they had a most serious effect on them. At one of these the manager said: "In one of our best departments on one day last week we took in only \$2 of our department have suffered greatly, but that is the lowest record in 25 years."

MANY LIVES ARE EXACTED

Large Number of Men and Women Slain at Kermanshah.

BAGDAD, April 6.—(Special.)—It is probable that the report that 2000 men and women were massacred at Kermanshah exaggerates the number largely, but that a heavy toll was exacted for the murder of the Sheriff-ul-Mulk is certain, and that Azim-es-Sultaneh was captured and put to death before he was able again to take shelter in the British Consulate, seems clear.

Some delay must now take place before Salzar can advance, as he is dependent on the Kurds, who are still gathering in large force for a forward advance, and require considerable time for assembling their contingents of scattered tribes.

At present it is known that brigands are pillaging different parts of the road, and it is discouraging to note that no tribe or political party in the vicinity seems able to resist the temptation to loot. There was a belief in Bagdad that while Salzar was predominant some sort of law and order prevailed on the road, but it is now known that Salzar was as great a brigand as any, and that it was a solitude which passed for peace.



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TRAINING OF WIVES URGED

German Woman Makes Plea for Domestic Service.

LONDON, April 7.—(Special.)—Domestic complacency being a reasonable requirement in wives, a German woman has been found who advocates a compulsory year of domestic service or training for her sex as a set-off to the military training of the male.

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warm regard for the entente cordiale and French hospitality. The boys are to be lodged in a school in Paris, and the girls at Versailles, and as their temporary homes face the River Seine, steamboats will be provided to take them to the headquarters of the festival.

These statements certainly seem to be borne out by the fact that the pupils of the establishment referred to are drawn, as the woman superintendent said, from all classes: "Society women and working women, old and young. We have mothers and daughters working side by side, and we have quite a number of grandmothers. It is never too late to learn" is the motto of the modern woman, which is probably why she keeps young so long.

"The society woman," she continued, "shows a wonderful aptitude for house-keeping. She is not so squeamish as the middle-class woman. One peeress I know could 'draw' a chicken without turning a hair. The scarcity of good domestics has, of course, put mistresses on their mettle and made them anxious to be able to do things for themselves."

LONDON CHILDREN TO VISIT PARIS. LONDON, April 7.—(Special.)—The 500 boys and girls chosen from the London County Council Schools, who are going over to Paris on May 25 for the International Musical Festival, will evidently have the time of their lives, and will, no doubt, come back with a

French Theatrical Men Forced to Make Study of History.

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Gypsies Terrify Countryside. BERLIN, March 16.—(Special.)—What seems to be a sort of rural "Battle of Steppes" is being waged on the countryside around Fulda, near Frankfort-on-Main, between a band of gypsy desperadoes and a force made up of troops, policemen, and firemen. Two hundred and ten soldiers and constables are now engaged in an attempt to "surround" the gypsies, whose leader, a young dare-devil aged 34, named Ebener, has already three or four murders to his credit. The residents of many villages are terror-stricken and afraid to venture out after dark.

The Bureau of Statistics shows that American automobiles are shipped every year to Mexico, the West Indies and various countries in South America, Asia, Oceania and Africa.

CHORUS MEN WON'T SHAVE

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The chorus men consider that they have proved their case triumphantly, but at the same time they are inclined to be conciliatory. They suggest that a few lines might be introduced into the opera of "Rema" by way of explaining that at that date the city was in mourning, and that therefore its male inhabitants were wearing beards.

Dangerous Patient Captured.

SALEM, Or., April 9.—(Special.)—Frank Griffith, who escaped from the Asylum recently, was recaptured today at Dallas by Sheriff Grant and returned to the institution. Griffith was considered a dangerous patient. He broke away from attendants while on the grounds and it is thought got into Polk County by swimming the Willamette River. He was committed to the institution from Philomath.

Hillsboro Jury Convicts Robber.

HILLSBORO, Or., April 9.—(Special.)—John Krasovitch was found guilty today of attempting to rob three men in a railroad office car in this city, last Fall. The defendant went on the stand and tried to make the jury believe that the invasion of the car was due to political differences engendered in Europe, where the prisoner claimed he was a revolutionary.