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in this way would not be used in the circulation of inaccurate crop reports, which are worthless alike to dealers and producers.

LET SLEEPING DOGS LIE.

War between Japan and Russia seems very close, but it is doubtful whether Russia, whose statesmen are among the most astute and far-sighted in Europe, have any serious purpose to go to war with Japan unless Japan forces a war by striking the first blow.

COLONEL HOFER'S PLAIN DUTY.

The Salem Capital Journal has inaugurated a scheme by which it proposes to give away to its subscribers a \$50 diamond, absolutely free. The plan requires the payment of a dollar for subscription, which entitles the subscriber to a guess as to an unknown number.

NEUTRALITY FOR BLASPHEMY.

Not only do the English take their pleasures seriously, but they take their societies in the same way. The names of most of them are so ponderous that they indicate the state of mind of their members.

FAMOUS SONGS.

A memorial building is to be erected in Sheffield, Mass., in honor of the late Dr. George F. Root, through contributions obtained from the G. A. R. and the Woman's Relief Corps and Royal and Wagon of the United States.

AN INTERESTING BOOK.

The British soldier, Field Marshal Viscount Wolsley, in his "Story of a Soldier's Life" describes his military career of over half a century.

PENALTY OF CHEAP RAILWAY CARS.

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NOTE AND COMMENT.

Just Wishes. I hate the mention of its name, And all this talk about its birth, And whether we helped on its game I wish the Democrats would plan To pass as straight Republicans.

ble island home and organize incidentally trouble for Russia in China. It may take twenty-five years, but ultimately China will be organized by Japan's promptings into a state of formidable military defense.

quality. The average country recruit from New England couldn't sing anything but popular hymns and trifling stuff like "Joe Bowers." The song of "John Brown's Body" obtained easy popularity because it was sung to the really fine songs of the Civil War.

Both your private and your public duty are plain. You must strive to teach both young and old that it is not honorable to get something for nothing by the mere stroke of chance.

Your duty is plain, for you have said that "the private citizen's duty is to obey the laws and set a good example in all things to his fellow-citizens."

DISCREDITED AT HOME AND ABROAD.

Special agents and grain experts connected with the Agricultural Department at Washington occasionally make visits to the Pacific Northwest, and invariably come to Idaho, where the Oregonian reports the worthlessness of the grain crop estimates of the Bureau of Statistics.

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