The Democrat.

Herschel estimates the average height of shooting stars above the earth to be 73 miles at their appearance and 52 at their disappearance.

In the year 1890 the number of telegrams despatched in England was 66,409,000; in France, 28,094,000; in Germany, 25,847,836; n Austria, 9,081,631; in Hungary, 4,462,277.

The moon is a fossil world, an ancient cinder, a ruined habitation. The moon was once the seat of all the varied and intense activities that now characterize the surface of our earth, Its life age was, perhaps, reached while the earth was yet glowing.

Australia has extreme heat in summer. A scientist says that matches accidently on the ground there were ignited. A recent official report states that in South Australia, January, 1882, the heat in sunshine was 180 degrees, only 30 below boiling point,

Great damage to Winter wheat is reported from the West, and in Illinois thousands of acres will be plowed up so soon as the weather admits. Kansas wheat will also be lamentably short. It is too early yet to predict about Spring wheat, but in most localities the seeding will be late. This usually means a deficient crop.

The populists and populist newspapers do not like Gov Pennoyer for they very frequently stab him under the fifth rib. One third party man expresses his views of the present political make up of the governor by saying that he is just enough populist to make a poor democrat, and just enough of a democrat to make a very sorry populist.

The Eugene *Journal* says D P Thompson in sending his resignation as minister to Turkey to president Cleveland soon after inauguration "acted with ability, candor and fairness." We admit it all, for it certainly requires a full development of these qualities in any republican politician to induce him to resign.

The poet Shelley, as a boy, was possessed of a marvelous imagination. So Wonderful, indeed, was it that it gave his parents many an anxious hour. He would recount imaginary scenes and conversations as though they were actual, and it really seemed as though he were unable to distinguish between the little fictions of his imagination and actual fact.

An Englishwoman who is now visiting Brooklyn says that far greater interest is taken in the world's fair by the members of her own social circle in London than by the people she has met in the city of churches. This is not surprising. There are Bostonians who never saw Bunker Hill Monument, except from a distance, as there are New Yorkers who rarely enter the Metropolitan Museum of Art, which strangers come miles to see. It is always the far-away sights, made enchanting by distance, which man is most curious to get a glimpse of.

The need of carefulness in digging wells is emphasized by finding an underground river at the depth of 77 feet in Illinois. A farmer was digging a well, or rather boring it, when the auger fell through the bottom. A few days thereafter, the whole bottom of the well gave way, showing beneath an enormously rapid river of unknown extent. The query in the neighborhood is where the river empties. Perhaps it is the supply of some lakes that have resources of unknown extent.

One of the most costly garments of fur ever seen in New York is on exhibition at C C Shayne's, No. 124 West Forty-second street. It is an imperial Russian sable cloak, made of twenty-eight skins and trimmed with ninety-eight sable tails. It is valued at $10,000.

A mantle made of eighty-five American mink pelts and trimmed with 190 tails is also to be seen. It is valued at $1,500. Both will be shown at the World's Fair.

One of the most desirable reforms is that which requires measures of the greatest public importance to be submitted to popular vote before they can become laws. The legislature would thus be shorn of part of its old time dignity; but as it is, after election not truly representative of the people, the public will be the gainers. Akin to this reform is that which gives larger powers to the smaller political bodies, as these are nearest to the people.

A very useful kind of tree to have in one's front yard is reported as growing near some springs about twelve miles north of Tuscarora. Its truly wonderful characteristic is its luminosity, which is so great that on the darkest night it can be plainly seen a mile away. A person standing near could read the finest print by its light. It is about six feet high, with a trunk which at its base is three times the size of an ordinary man's wrist. Its foliage is extremely rank and its leaves resemble somewhat those of the aromatic bay tree in shape, size and color. The luminous property is due to a gummy substance, which can be transferred to the hand by rubbing. The principal objection to the use of this kind of tree for a street lamp would seem to be that its luminosity is probably due simply to phosphorescence, and therefore if it were not planted in a damp place and if the sun did not shine every day it would not be up to candle-power at night.

Of course you notice that a Pullman car is much easier to ride in than one of the ordinary cars. You attribute this to the superior springs, perhaps. The springs, of course, make a difference, and the springs on a Pullman cost probably 10 times as much as the springs of an ordinary car. But in reality the springs are a small matter. It is the wheels that make the great difference in comfort and safety, and Pullman wheels are expensive articles. Every wheel on every Pullman car is made of paper. You do not see the paper, because it is covered with iron and steel. The body of the wheel is a block of paper about four inches thick. Around this is a rim of steel from two to three inches thick. It is this steel rim, of course, which comes in contact with the rails. The sides are covered with circular iron plates, bolted on.

It has often been proven that dogs are able to track their masters through crowded streets, where it would be impossible to attribute their accuracy to anything except the sense alone. Mr Romanes, the naturalist, once made some interesting experiments as to this wonderful power, as exhibited in his own dog. In these tests, which were elaborate enough to deserve a longer and better description than can be given in a single "Curious Note," the naturalist found that his dumb friend could easily follow in the tracks of his master, though he was far out of sight, and that, too, after no less than 11 persons had followed, stepping exactly in the tracks made by Mr Romanes, it being the deliberate intention to confuse the senses of the poor dog if possible. Further experiments proved that the animal tracked the boots instead of the man, for when Mr Romanes put on new footgear the dog failed entirely.

THE NEW PENSION COMMISSIONER.

As a man who went out a Lieutenant in the charge at Gettysburg and came in command of what was left of his regiment, Judge Lochren will represent the fighting soldiers of the volunteer armies of the Union. He will be a Pension Commissioner for veterans who were disabled in the service and not for the Pretorians whose only claim to pension is their political influence as members of the G A R.

It is impossible to say how far the new Commissioner will be able to go in reforming the great abuses that are now a part of the pension system. He cannot change the law and under the Pauper Pension act the enlisted man who cares to secure affidavits that he cannot support himself is entitled to pension unless it is shown that his affidavits are false. He has made out a *prima facie* case, and on such evidence thousands of pensions have been granted. Of course there is a question of fact back of this *ex parte* testimony. A majority of those who have thus secured pensions may be just as able to support themselves as the same number of people of the same ages who were never enlisted at all. No doubt this is true, for while the rolls may contain the names of two or three hundred thousand persons to whom pensions are really due the rest represent an element that rendered little if any service and sustained no damage from it. But knowing that this is the fact and establishing it legally are two different matters.

Without doubt the new Commissioner will at once check the granting of pensions on the Pretorian principle and will force a strict compliance with the law that demands proof of lack of ability to earn a support, but whether he will be able to make any great reduction in the number of pensioners already on the rolls is open to question. A determined man, sternly bent on justice and regardless alike of feelings of comradship and of considerations of politics, might reduce the number already on the lists, but it is expecting too much to expect that abstract justice will be done. Every Pretorian on the list, whether he ever smelled powder or not feels that he has as much a vested right in the pension he draws as the veteran who was maimed in the service. And as every Pretorian is a professional politician, skilled in producing the tin thunder of artificial storms, they would undoubtedly make a more terrific noise to preserve their pensions than they made when they forced the order for the return of certain battle flags to be rescinded.

The new Pension Commissioner may be an Andrew Jackson, who will not be intimidated into changing his course by such demonstrations, but after a fair consideration of the whold question The Republic has about concluded that Time and Death are the only reformers who will ever be able to divorce the Pretorians from their pensions. And even they are handicapped; for it is a noteworthy fact that after getting on the pension rolls as totally disabled your genuine Pretorians renews his youth and grow so lusty and strong that he is able to marry a young girl to remain on the rolls as a soldiers widow for the next sixty days after he has finally consented to relieve the labor of the country of the burden of supporting him. —St Louis *Republic*.

PLAIN DUTY NOT "HEROICS"

The Washington correspondent of a mugwump contemporary undertakes to tell the country that President Cleveland will not do to signalize his administration. There will be "no playing at heroics," it is said, but "all reforms to be begun and promoted by the administration will be undertaken with the sole view of securing good government, and not for the idle purpose of mere flashing and parading."

This is quite unnecessary twaddle. There is no call or occasion for any "heroics," and certainly no excuse for "mere flashing and parading." We had enough of that under the Harrison administration.

The people of the nation, in two successive elections, have by large majorities demanded that certain reforms be made in the conduct of the government. The democratic party has pledged itself to institute and execute these reforms. Power has been given it to carry out its promises. There is certainly nothing calling for "heroics" in executing the will of the people, and we have not observed that anybody has called for "mere fishing and parading."

There is an earnest expectation that the tariff will be reduced, that economy will be enforced, and that there will be a thorough reform in every department of government.

But no promise of the democratic party was more explicit, no pledge of the democratic president has been more direct, no need of the public is greater, than that looking to the suppression of trusts and other combinations. To crush these, when within the purview of the law, is a plain, matter-of-fact duty. The "heroics" would consist in letting trusts alone.

IF TWO WORLDS SHOULD MEET.

In the still hours of the night do you ever catch yourself wondering what would be the result should two of the gigantic planets which go whirling through space with a speed of 68,305 miles per hour, come to a certain "orbital crossing" at the same time? I am not at all apprehensive that any thing of the kind will take place during Grover's incumbency; but to tell the truth, the very thoughts of such an event being within the range of possibilities is enough to make even a conscience-pure Democrat quake in his boots.

I am looking forward with much interest to Flammarion's latest effort, "Omega," which will consider the various ways in which our globe may "come to an end." It brings in this clash of worlds among the various "plans for an end" which he must have on tap, the articles will doubtless be one of absorbing interest.

Let us go back to the original proposition: I have already stated that our world is spinning through space at a speed of over a thousand miles a minute. Should it come in collision with a globe of equal size going at the same rate of speed, what would be the result? The very best thinkers of the age tell us that heat enough would be generated by the shock to transform both of the colliding bodies into gigantic balls of vapor many times their present circumferences. Some have thought that in case the centre of the earth is composed of solid and colder matter than is the generally accepted belief, this might not be the case. But, after searching all the leading authorities in order to be able to put this subject before the readers of "Notes for the Curious" in its true light, I will admit that I cannot find a more appropriate "finis" for this article than the following, which is from an eminent scientist: Should such an unheard of event occur, the heat generated would be sufficient to melt, boil and completely vaporize a mass of ice fully 700 times the bulk of both the colliding worlds—in other words, an ice planet 150,000 miles in diameter!—St Louis *Republic*.

WEDDING INVITATIONS.—I
Wooden, Tin,
Silver, Golden,
Common every day.
☞ SMILEY.

Be sure and consult Prof J Aloes at the parlors of the Revere House about your catarrh and deafness.

LIGHT BREAKING

Some time in March Noah L Farnham Post No. 458 G A R of New York passed a resolution declaring that the time had come to stop granting pensions to distant relatives of union soldiers and to men who had never been under fire and whose disabilities, if any, were incurred elsewhere than on the field of battle. This aroused a spirit of protest and Rankin Post No. 10 of Brooklyn went so far as to file charges with the commander of the department of the state. The result was the commander of Farnham Post shortly afterwards received a letter from the assistant adjutant-general saying that he had been directed by the commander of the department to declare Farnham Post in contempt of the by-laws of the order, and if it failed to rescind the resolution to proceed against it. When the letter was presented to Farnham Post a very lively time was had. After a debate in which all present took part it was resolved:

That it is the opinion of the post, if it is the desire of the Grand Army of the Republic to pay pensions to people who have not incurred disabilities in the service of the country, and to those who do not need them, then the post no longer desires to remain in the Grand Army of the Republic. Commander Finn was also directed to state that if a reply was not received before Wednesday morning next, it will be taken for granted that the Grand Army officials are not in sympathy with the patriotic feelings of the post, which will then declare its connection with the order ended, under the provision of section 2, article 1, chapter 2, of the rules and regulations of the Grand Army.

Inasmuch as Commander Alfred T Wilson, of Rankin Post, had on March 17 informed Farnham Post that the Brooklyn post had by unanimous vote denounced the resolutions of Farnham Post's members, Commander Finn was authorized to send a spirited reply. His communication to Post Commander Wilson declares that thousands of men are drawing pensions to which they are not entitled.

Gen Slocum is quoted as saying that the claim agents, and not the honest pensioners, are getting the benefit of the pension law, and further that the best friend of the old soldier is not he who is pressing exorbitant demands upon the government, but he, who by counsel and moderation, voluntarily takes the risk of incurring the hatred of the pension claim agent and the unthinking condemnation of his comrades. Lieut Allen R Foote is also quoted as having arrived at the conclusion, after a careful investigation, that most of the claims have been trumped up by the pension agents.

"Designing persons," the Lieutenant adds, "have stolen the livery of the boys in blue in which to serve their own selfish ends."

Both the letters outlined above were approved by a practically unanimous vote. An interesting incident of the meeting was the mustering in of William G Ulshoefer, who joined the post because of the stand it had taken on the pension question.

Among the best known members of Farnham Post are Post Commander Charles McKnight Looser, Martin J Keese, Commander John J Finn, John Castles, J Harrison Mills, Owen O'Rourke and John Fox.

George Washington Post has adopted resolutions similar to those adopted by Farnham Post. The State Encampment of Pennsylvania have taken like action.

Supplementing all this with an article by Col W C Church, editor of the Army and Navy Journal, and published in the April number of the North American Review, the DEMOCRAT is led to believe that light is breaking in upon the stupendous frauds permitted by the pension bureau under Tanna and Raum.

The suggestions of Col Church for a reform of the pension frell include a codification of the pension laws, so as to make them intelligible and consistent, and the employment of trained actuaries to determine the exact extent of the burden upon the public treasury. What this is no one knows, the commissioner of pensions being obliged to guess at it and to ask congress later on to make good the deficiency occasioned by his insufficient estimate. The most important of all is the claim that congress should provide for printing a list of pensioners, with a statement of the reason for granting the pension in each case. To this he would have added a list of those applying for pensions whose cases are pending, including the claimants for increase of pensions. The list should be widely distributed, instead of being confined as was the one printed a few years ago to a few copies passing at once into the hands of persons interested in suppressing the facts. Every army officer should receive copies and every organization representing old soldiers, and it should be sent to each postoffice to be posted there.

Col Church says an association of over thirty years with men of true military and patriotic spirit has given him an unusual opportunity to form a judgement as to their opinions, and he is entirely confident that they will heartily respond to what he has said concerning indiscriminate pension legislation. There is, he concludes by saying, a certain delicacy in their position towards those who are accepted as representing the military class, and it is not their province to initiate any movement that might be interpreted as as a jealous interference with the rights of others. "But it may be considered as certain that they will be found heartily in sympathy with whatever tends to elevate the soldierly character in public esteem or to save it from the reproaches brought upon it by those who without sufficient warrant assume to represent it in the demand for indiscriminate pensioning for war service."

THE GREAT NAVAL PARADE.

We heartily congratulate New York in particular and the country in general over the prospects for the naval review to take place in New York harbor on the 27th of this month. From Hampton Roads there come daily reports of impressive rehearsal reviews made under the supervision of Rear Admiral Walker. This fleet alone, numbering eight new steel cruisers and gunboats, is one of the prettiest marine sights imaginable. White from deck to water line, the vessels are things that we may justly be proud to look upon.

But they form only a part of the great squadron which is to appear at New York. According to the program now announced by the secretary of the navy, two long columns of American and foreign ships will line the watery avenue up which the Dolphin, bearing the president and his cabinet is to move. Twice during the day every vessel in that great flotilla will fire the president's salute from her guns.

Ex-Secretaries Whitney and Tracy wil have a right to regard the spectacle with no little elation. And for New York there is the gratifying reflection that the very first of the Columbian ceremonies of the year will take place in her neighborhood.

Literally the first gun announcing the advent of the opening of the World's Fair will be fired in the harbor of the Gothamites. May the review be a complete success!

Our spring wraps have come and on account of their late arrival we will sell same with the smallest possible margin. The Ladies Bazaar.

MISFITS.

The world is bound to keep its eyes on Pasco. Samuel Pasco is a Senator from Florida.

Dr —— ——— is now located at Salem. There are quite a number of his advertising bills still living in Portland.—Welcome.

Talking about hunting for a needle in a hay mow reminds us of the fun Oregonians will have on going to Chicago in hunting for the Oregon $60,000 exhibit.

The Jacksonville Times says: "Notwithstanding the "hard times," Sheriff Pelton has done very well collecting taxes. Out of a total of $85,000 on the roll he collected almost $70,000, which is indeed a handsome sum. This includes nearly $2,000 collected from sheriff's assessments.

It pays to be a genius. E W Kemble's house was lately entered by a burglar who took the Century artist's pistol from him. Mr Kemble got even, for he drew a picture of the man after he got out, and the thief was caught by means of it.

The crinoline craze gives newspaper men an opportunity to utilize old cuts made twenty or thirty years ago. A Portland paper has a ball item illuminated with a couple dancing, the lady being apareled in an old fashioned crinoline. The cut is undoubtedly an old timer.

If Salem acts the hog in reference to the Soldier's home the next legislature should provide for the amendment of the constitution. State buildings, anyway, should not be concentrated; but should be spread over the state, as they are in nearly all states.

A good evidence of Albany's central location and commercial importance is the number of "drummers" located here. Two or three more have located here. No city in Oregon is the residence of as many except Portland. This is an important fact. Some day Albany will be the home of big wholesale houses.

The marshal picked up a lame tramp this week, as nothing else could be done with him the county footed the expense of shipping him out of the county, it being considered the cheapest way of getting rid of him.—Eugene Register. That is the spirit of the day. Each county does likewise and the fellow gets along, and exactly what he is after.

The Salem Independent says City Marshall Minto has ordered several members of the gambling fraternity to leave the city. For this, Mr Minto deserves the credit of having done a portion of his duty. His whole duty would be the driving out of all of these most worthless of all worthless characters. We hope that Mr Minto will continue this work and see to it that a point of law is not always strained in favor of those whose every act is diametrically opposed to the best interest of society. Salem can well afford to be rid of these "brace game" sharpers, who are too sneaking to rob by a method more courageous than that of sand-edge or bicycle cards

Si Bennett, a Eugene man was arrested for insanity. An investigation according to a local paper revealed the fact that it was pure cussedness.

A Seattle newspaper would like to know how to get $700 due on advertising by a man now making considerable of a display in the Willamette valley. Give it up.

The somewhat trite saying that "truth is stranger than fiction" was exemplified by a recent occurrence in a Pennsylvania town. A New York clergyman visiting there met his wife from whom he had been parted since the great Chicago fire. All these years each had believed the other dead.

W L Douglas, the big shoe man, whose picture constantly appears in the DEMOCRAT, is talked of as the next candidate of the democrats for governor of Massachusetts. Mr Douglas lives at Brockton, and is 48 years of age. He is a live advertiser, and lience has the qualification for making a first-class governor.

Perhaps the longest title borne by any official of the United States government is held by Cashier Mohleman, of the New York subtreasury, who has just been designated by Secretary Carlisle as "acting assistant to treasurer United States in charge ad interim of office of assistant treasurer United States, New York."

Mrs J L Parrish, of Salem, in her will left her son, Douglas Pickett, $200, and the portland papers are telling about how he had fallen heir to $20,000. That is about the way several other big Oregon stories will pan out, and some of them not as well as that. An Albany man recently fell heir to $865 in cash, and nothing was said about it. Had the Portland or some other papers gotten hold of the matter it would have been $86,500.

Speaking of a doctor doing the valley the Salem Independent, who by the way seems to be giving him some pretty hard hits, says: One peculiar feature about his advertising is that the "Old Doctor's" pictures do not look alike. The picture contained in the Statesman represents rather a decent appearing Irishman, brewing a bowl of punch. The picture in the journal represents a bald-headed church deacon, whom it might be well to watch rather closely. The one in the Albany Herald represents, a nice looking, fairly honest business man.

Geo W DeBord, writing from Parkers to the Salem Independent, states that Richardson never removed the rail alone, if he did at all. Mr DeBord has had over forty years' experience in practical railroad building. He says: I see a great deal in the papers about Mr Richardson's attempt to wreck the S P Co's train. I do not claim that Richardson is innocent, but I do know that he, or no other living man, can take a rail thirty feet long and weighing sixty pounds to the yard, and turn it around on a bridge nine feet wide, place one end under the other rail and let twenty feet of the other end stick out over the bridge. If Richardson is guilty he had an abundance of help.

As the following from the Statesman has been discussed in reference to Albany, we give it for those interested: Something of a dispute has arisen between the manager of the Salem opera house Leo Willis, and the members of the police force. The policeman claim they have a right to enter the theater whenever it pleases them, while Mr Willis contends that they come there only by his courtesy, and, while willing to entertain two of them at each performance, objects to a greater number at one time on the free list. This writer thinks Mr Willis will be found to be correct; that he has as much right, as the courts have held, to say who shall and who shall not enter his theater as the owner of a private home his house, or a Masonic lodge its hall; that he cannot only refuse all the police or any one of them free admittance, but that he can refuse any person, white, black, or yellow, disreputable or saint-like, admittance, even though the price of admission be tendered.

The Skill and Knowledge.

Essential to the production of the most perfec and popular laxative remedy known, have enabled the California Fig Syrup Co, to achieve a great success in the reputation of its remedy, Syrup of Figs, as it is conceded to be the universal laxative. For sale by all druggists.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

Mostly Talk.

WASHINGTON, April 18.—Hugh Wallace, a member of the national committee, has arrived in the capital, and with Chairman Harrity went the rounds of the departments. It is more than likely that Wallace will be recognized as the proper man to distribute the patronage of his state. J L Sperry, of Portland, filed an application today at the treasury department for collector of internal revenue. H A Smith, of Portland, arrived today. Oregon democrats are becoming more and more discouraged and now talk ugly. Some of them realize that they made a mistake in swarming here.

A Destructive Cyclone

LITTLE ROCK, Ark, April 18.—News was received here today of a fearful cyclone in Fourche valley, Scott county. The town of Boles was almost entirely destroyed. The path of the storm was a half mile in width and everything was swept before it. The bodies of a number of the killed were carried over half a mile by the storm. It is impossible to get full particulars, but it is known that at least seven persons were killed, and the number may be much larger.

A New Way

OLYMPIA, April 18.—In view of the contest going on here among democrats over the postmastership, the Olympian Tribune a few days ago wired Postmaster-General Bissell the following inquiry: "would a popular vote for a candidate for postmaster of Olympia assist in making a choice?" Today a reply was received as follows: "The will of the people is what is desired by the department." The paper has accordingly made provision for holding an election.

A Foolish Girl

NEW YORK, April 18.—Miss Cornelia Martin was married to W M George Robert, Earl of Craven, by Bishop Potter in Grace church this afternoon. After the ceremony there was a wedding breakfast at the home of the bride's parents, 22 West Twentieth street. The breakfast was prepared by the Bradley Martins' own French chef. The church was magnificently decorated decorated with flowers. Nearly 4000 guests were invited.

After Violators

EUGENE, Or. April 18.—The authorities here seem to be making an effort to enforce the obedience of the law relating to traffic in hides out of season. Two arrests have been made the past few days of parties found with deer hides in their possession. In one instance the hides were boxed and in the Southern Pacific freighthouse, being billed as household goods.

A Narrow Escape.

CENTRAL POINT, Or, April 17.—This place had a narrow escape from being totally destroyed by fire last night. At about 11 o'clock a large barn on the west side of town, owned by Fred T Fradenburgh, was burned to the ground. The barn was used as a livery stable, but nothing had yet been moved in except a few tons of hay. Large pieces of burning shingles were carried by the wind across the entire town, and charred wood could be traced for more than a mile east of town this morning. Vigorous work by the citizens saved the town from destruction.

Committed Suicide.

BAKER CITY, April 17.—Mrs J H Parker, wife of the cashier of the First National bank, of this city, committed suicide last night by taking an overdose of morphine. Domestic infelicity was the cause of the act and was a surprise to the public. A double tragedy has long been expected. A policeman broke open the bedroom door and found the deceased lying dead on the floor, dressed in in her nightclothes. Death had resulted several hours previous. She threatened to take her life yesterday morning if her husband did not return home. He had been away for several days.

The Nervine Man in It

ROCHESTER, N Y, April 17.—A G Yates, wholesale coal merchant of this city, are involved financially. They indorsed for each other, and the notes have been going to protest. Today the Bank of Monroe filed two mortgages of $100,000 each, held against the property of Yates and Warner as collateral security. The amount of Yates paper is nearly $1,000,000, of which $400,000 is due to Rochester banks.

Belgium Excited.

BRUSSELS, April 17.—Many men employed in Antwerp loading and unloading vessels and other work did not quit, and the strikers made an attack on them. Gendarmes took a hand, and several of the strikers were wounded. A number of the ringleaders among the strikers were captured. There is no denying the fact that the crisis is acute. Excited meetings in favor of universal suffrage are being held throughout the country.

A Body Found

EUGENE, Or, April 17.—Word was received here yesterday morning that the body of a woman had been found in a creek near Jasper, and Coroner Harris went to the scene to investigate and hold an inquest. The body was that of Miss Elizabeth Jordan, 54 years old, who disappeared from the home of her brother, with whom she had been living, February 27.

An Earthquake.

ATHENS, April 17.—The island of Zante, one of the principle of the Ionian groupe, was visited by a most destructive earthquake this morning. A great part of the city of Zante is destroyed. The people are panic-stricken, the authorities helpless, and the streets blockaded with debris of of wrecked houses. So far 20 bodies have been taken from the ruins. It is feared many more are still buried. Hundreds are injured. Most of the inhabitants have fled to the plains back of the city.

Several Killed

HAZELTON, Pa, April 16.—The trouble brewing between the Hungarians and Italians of Milnesville and vicinity for some time terminated last night in a bloody battle. As a result two men are dead, two are missing, supposed to be lying at the bottom of a mine hole, and three others are seriously injured. About 10 o'clock last night a party of 4 Hungarians were attacked by 11 Italians, and the fight that ensued was terrific, the Italian stiletto playing havoc with the Hungarians. The latter were out numbered largely.

The Trouble in Brazil

NEW YORK, April 16.—The Herald's correspondent in Artigas telegraphs that General Sariva has dispersed the Castilhistas. General Pinheiro is marching to fortify the Uruguayan frontier force. The fleet will be sent to Turahy to engage the revolutionary troops. The federals have destroyed the railroad running between the Salto and the Rio Grande. General Maura has arrived at Artigas with 600 additional troops.

Killed By the Train

PENDLETON, Or, April 16—J C Cavanaugh, a rancher, living two miles west of Huntingtou, was struck by an east bound passenger train this morning and instantly killed. He was walking across the bridge over Burnt river, and when he was struck was thrown into the river. The train was immediately stopped and Engineer Theison and Conductor Carvine jumped into the water, neck deep, and dragged his dead body to shore. He was a man about 60 years of age, with a family.

Standing by White Labor.

HELENA, April 16.—Attorney-General Haskell submitted an opinion to Governor Richards on the action of the Butte City council in directing all city employes not to patronize Chinamen. The opinion endorses the council's action as proper. The attorney-geneeal holds that it is not a violation of any treaty and the city council has a right to protect municipality from the danger of pauperism.

Endorsing Sunday Laws

PITTSBURG, April 16.—President McIneney, of the new organization formed for the purpose of enforcing Sunday laws, went to Homestead today and found 800 men at work in the steel mills. He says among the first to be prosecuted will be the Carnegies. It is proposed to prosecute the toll collectors on bridges and every person engaged in worldly employment on Sunday.

A Terrible Death

ELSINORE, Cal, April 15.—J S Crawford, a well known livery man of Elsinore, met with a shocking death last night while returning from South Riverside, whither he had driven yesterday morning. The team came to the stable during the night with Crawford's body fast between the front wheel and the pole, having been dragged in that position eight miles. Nothing definite is known as to how it happened.

A Disastrous Explosion

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. April 18.—While some men in a mine blacksmith shop at Tower today were engaged in breaking up a lot of old gas pipe with a steam hammer an explosion took place which killed three of the men and injured nine others. The killed are J B Nottie, Charles Nelson and Jacob Koshaver. The injured are Philip Marshend, John Rosenstein, James Mahoney, J S Warren, Frank Cundy, W J Nettle, William Martin and Joe Sollar. Marshend and Mahoney will probably die. It is supposed there was a quantity of dynamite in one of the pieces of pipe.

WORTH CONSIDERING

Venison at C E Brownells.

VIAVI Coffee in Baltimore block.

A full line of Warner Bros corsets at R, P, & Co's.

If you want a fine smoke call for Joseph's white labor cigars,

Come and see the new chilled plow at Ramps opposite postoffice.

The best roast coffee in the city at Conrad Meyer's.

Motor makes five trips daily to Viereck's addition. Lotr there on installments of $1 per week.

An extensive variety of garden seeds both in bulk and by the package can be found at C E Brownells.

Patronize home industry by smoking the celebrated white labor cigars, manufactured by Julius Joseph.

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Of all seasons in the year, is the one for making radical changes in regard to health. During the winter, the system becomes to a certain extent clogged with waste, and the blood loaded with impurities, owing to lack of exercise, close confinement in poorly ventilated shops and homes, and other causes. This is the cause of the dull, sluggish, tired feeling so general at this season, and which must be overcome, or the health may be entirely broken down. Hood's Sarsaparilla has attained the greatest popularity all over the country as the favorite spring medicine. It expels the accumulation of impurities through the bowels, kidneys, liver, lungs and skin, gives to the blood the purity and quality necessary to good health and overcomes that tired feeling.

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Hood's Pills are easy, yet efficient.

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The public demand through service when traveling. It is old-fashioned to "Change Cars." On the through, solid vestibuled trains of the Chicago, Union Pacific & North Western Line from or to Chicago, Omaha and intermediate points there is no change. This is the finest and fastest service between the points named.

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Of Those who Suffer from Scrofula

Hood's Sarsaparilla Purifies, Soothes, Heals, CURES.

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"I have for many years been a great sufferer from **SCROFULA** breaking out on my arms and legs; they were covered with eruption and sores, **discharging all the time.** I tried very many medicines and consulted physicians far and near, but **constantly grew worse.** I have taken but three bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla for rheumatism, and has derived so much benefit from it that she declares there is no other medicine on earth. We would not be without it in the house if it costs $20 a bottle." T. VARLEY JOHNSON, San Jose, Cal.

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SHERIFF'S SALE,

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Linn County.

A D Horner, Plaintiff,
vs
Harvey Ward, Defendant.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT by virtue of an execution and order of sale duly issued out of and under the seal of the above named court, in the above entitled suit to me directed and delivered, I will on

Saturday, the 29th day of May, 1893,

at the front door of the Court House in the city of Albany, Linn county, Oregon, at the hour of one o'clock p m of said day, sell at public auction for cash in hand to the highest bidder, the real property described as follows towit: The northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of section thirty-six (36) township nine (9) south range three (3) east of the Willamette meridian, in Linn county; Oregon, containing 40 acres. The proceeds arising from such sale to be applied as follows: 1st, to the payment of the costs and expenses of making such sale and the sum of $60 as attorney's fees and the original costs of suit taxed at $45.30, 2nd, to the payment to the plaintiff herein the sum of $400 in gold coin of the United States of America, together with interest thereon in like gold coin at the rate of ten per cent per annum from the 2nd day of September, 1891, until paid and accruing interest. 3rd, the overplus if any to be paid to the said defendant, his heirs or assignees.

Dated this 19th day of April, 1893

C C JACKSON,
Sheriff of Linn county, Oregon.

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ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE.

In the matter of the estate of J S McKechnie, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT by virtue of an order of sale duly made and entered of record by the county court of the state of Oregon, for Linn county, on the 6th day of March, A D, 1893, in the matter of the estate of J S McKechnie, deceased, I, the undersigned administrator of the estate of said deceased, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder at the front door of the court house, in the county of Linn, state of Oregon, on

Saturday, the 22nd day of April, 18 3

at the hour of two o'clock p m of said day the following described tracts of land, being in the county of Linn and state of Oregon towit: Lots one (1) and two (2) in section nineteen (19,) township thirteen (13,) south of range one (1) east of the Willamette Meridian, in Linn county, Oregon, containing 53¾ acres more or less. Also lot six (6) in block five (5) in the town of Sweet Home, in the county of Linn and state of Oregon, according to the maps and plats thereof of record in the office of the County Recorder of said county. Also the following: Commencing at a point forty rods west of the north east corner of the Lowell Amos donation land claim, being claim No 47; running thence west twenty-five rods; thence south twenty-five rods; thence twenty-five rods; thence north twenty five rods to the place of beginning containing three and eighty-seven one hundredth acres more or less, lying and being in township 13, south range one east of Willamette meridian, in Linn county, Oregon.

The said parcels will be sold separately and for cash or credit. If sold on credit for one half cash with a first mortgage on the premises sold to secure the remainder. If sold on credit one year's time will be given with interest on amount of notes taken at 10 per cent per annum, payable annually

Dated March 17th, 1893.

WILLIAM RUMBAUGH,
Mon anye & Hackleman, Admin'or.
Att'y's for Adm'r.

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FOR SALE—A grocery store in good location, will sell at a bargain. Persons desiring to purchase, inquire at this office.

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Notice to Architects.

Notice is hereby given that the Directors of School District, No 5, of Linn county Oregon, will receive plans for an 8 room frame school building with basement and arrangements for heating plans to be submitted to the clerk at the store of Stewart & Sox, in Albany, Or, within twenty days from date.

Albany, April 12th, 1893.

C H SPEWART