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## The Elks Clambake.

The clambake at Newport last Sunday, given by the Albany lodge of Elks, was a very successful function, in point of numbers, at least. The first crowd of Elks went down on the regular Saturday train, and consisted of a crowd of about 150 persons. The main crowd went down on Sunday morning's excur-
sion, which was composed of train load of seven closely packed coach loads of passengers. It is estimated that there were from 400 The engine was Sunday's train. The engine was handsomely decorated, and on the front of it was a Fo beautiful large Elk's head.
The clambake was all that could be expected, being fully appreciated by the large crowd present. There were clams galore, and crabs, fish,
roasting ears, sweet potatoes, and roasting ears, sweet potatoes, and
other good things in abundance The day was pleasant on the beach, and the visitors seemed to greatly enjoy the occasion.
The Eastern Oysters All Right.
Prof. F. L. Washburne, of Eugene, and Mr. Geo. King, o Oysterville, have made a complete examination of the eastern oysters planted at Yaquina last fall. This examination has disclosed the fact that at least 95 per cent of the
oysters are alive and in a flourish. oysters are alive and in a flourishing condition. They found many of the oystets filled with mature eggs, almost ready for spawning. This demonstrates beyond a doubt that the eastern oysters will spawn in these waters. It now remains
to be seen whether the spawn will flourish here or not. It is believed by old and experienced fishermen that they will thrive and grow after that they will thrive and grow after
being spawned liere. If this be a being spawned liere. If this be a
fact then the fate of the eastern fact then the fate of the eastern
oyster in Yaquina Bay is an assured success.

The Centre of Our Population.
The centre of population is the centre of gravity of the inhabitauts of the country. If the United States were considered a plane, with all its people as of equal weight, the centre of population would be the point Where the whole plane might be balanced and remain steady through
equilibrium. It expresses the net resultant of the movements of population from decade to decade. This point, according to the census of
1890, is located nt 39 degrees 1890, is located nt 39 degrees 11.9
minutes north latitude and 85 deg. minutes north latitude and 85 deg . 32.9 minutes west longitude, about
twenty miles east of Columbus, tiventy miles east of Columbus, Indiann. It moves westward about four miles a year, and is now threefourths of a degree south and more than seventeen degrees east of the centre of area,-William George Jordan in July Ladies' Home JourJordan
nal. $\qquad$ The superiority of Toledo over again attested last week when the married men of the former beat those of the latter at baseball by a painful score of 22 to 21 . As the
season at the beaches has begun, season at the beaches has begun
the Newport men are blieved to have been weak from loss of rest. The state teachers' associatio will convene in Newport on Wed-
nesday, July 28th, and will be in nesday, July 28 th, and will be in session for four days. On August 2d the summer school for teachers
will begin in the big building, now will begin in the big building, now
being erected for that special purbeing erected for that special pur-
pose in Newport, and will continue for thirty days.

Now if the papers will let up for little while on Queen Victoria's wilee business it will be a much preciated change. These anglomaniac papers ought to shut off the jabilee racket in time to make menion of the Fourth of July celebraons, at any rate.

Last summer one of our grandchildren was sick with a severe bowel trouble," says Mrs. E. G, Gregory, of Frederickstown, Mo. Our doctor's remedies had failed, onwe tried Chambertain's Colic, Cholera and Diarthoea Remedy, which gave very speedy relief." or sale by O, O. Krogstad, druggist.
Senator Hoar made a noble talk in the senate the ocher day against rusts, which he vigorously deounced as the enemy and menace of the republic. At the close of his great speech he quietly voted for a sugar schedule by which the sugar trust can take from five to ten millions dollars from the Amer ten milions do.lirs from the Amer in inered profis. in increased profits.
Rumors of an extra session of the legislature still continue to float round, but nothing of authority can be tound in any of these ru mors. The need of an extra ses son is apparent but it is not so ap parent that the legislature wout o any better in an extra session than they dit in the regutar Cov Ioml moll for ath to calling an extrant ithout some sort of an assion hat the disgraceful scenes of last winter will not be repeated.
A Statesman representative at he big Elks' outing at Newport on Sunday found the old and only original "subscriber," so well mence, in newspaper correspondere, in the person of J. K. Smith, the popular boniface of the "Seaside resort, who, as boy and man has read the Statesman and paid for the privilege ever since the first issue of it, forty-seven years go. Another old friend of the tatesman was found in W. H lexander, of Toledo, whose father e late J. C. Alexander, was a ubscriber of the paper since the No, I of volume I was issued and Mr . Alexander, Jr practient barned to read the Sintesmen ore being of school age.-Salem Statesman.
"The Britons proudly boast that he sun never sets on the Queen's ominions, as if they were special subjects of solar favoritism," writes William George Jordon on "The Greatest Nation on Earth," in the July Ladies' Home Journal. "But is equally true that there is always sunshine on some part of Uncle Sam's great possessions. When it is 6 p . m . on Attoo's sland, Alaska, it is $9: 36$ of the day ollowing at Eastport, Maine. If e locate the center of the United tates, calculating it as midway Eastport and longitude one tun red and ninety-three of Atto, sland it will be found on the hundred and twenty-sixth degree of longitude, about two hundred and eighty miles west of San Francisco, in the Pacific Ocean.



