Some interesting statements and words of warning to American farmers are given in a report on pure seed investigations submitted to secretary Wilson. It says thousands of pounds, probably tons, of grass and clover seed are shipped annually into the United States which contains all sorts of vile weed seeds Among these such pests as the Russian thistle, Canadian thistle, wild mustard, chess, doddard, wild daisy, trefoil and plantation were introduced. Nearly every year witnesses the advent of additional pests of this character brought to America in the same manner. The difficulties in the way of eradicating such seeds, a community, are well nigh insuperable. A large amount of cheap seed is now being sold as report says that the German coffee berry, which many salesmen are now advertising as a cheap substitute for coffee, is really the comcheaply almost anywhere. A colassist in testing the foreign seeds partment will thus be able to give sized balances to their credit. warning against new and dangerous pests. The report says most of the imported seed could be duly raised and hairy vetch seed as capable of being made an important industry.

Upwards of \$5,000 worth of old record books, receipt books, jour- a special election shortly to be nals, ledgers, and various other held. If the rule is adopted then kinds of books of the old O. P. R. R. company were burned Wednesday. All the company books that were considered of value were compel the city government to subat the court house. Jacob Blum- mit proposed ordinances to a vote burg wanted to purchase the books of the people. So far the initiative, and speculate on them at the expense of some paper mill, but is provided that ordinances passed Superintendent Stone thought it by the city council shall not go a bad idea to have the books scat- into effect for 30 days, and if tered over the country, so he had them hauled to the place where the the submission of any ordinance to old turn-table once stood and consigned them to the flames.-Corvallis Times.

banker who recently closed his mitted at a special election held bank and decamped, was a goldbug democrat and voted for McKin- lating to the immediate preservation ley and kicked on what he called of the puplic peace and health, and 50-cent silver dotlars. A report on items of appropriations for current the condition of his bank shows expenses not in excess of those that of the \$48,390.49 deposited made the previous year, are excepted with him, \$20,216.37 was subject to check and \$5,000 was demand certificates of deposits. The cash on hand when the bank was closed was \$1,744, and even that amount the depositors cannot touch. These depositors would be well satisfied if they could get the fifty-cent dollars that Mr. Pfanner kicked against. There were a good many such bilks as Pfanner in the last campaign,-Budget.

Marion county is liable to have a lawsuit with her assessor. The assessor claims \$4 per day for assistants and the court has made an order allowing only \$2.50 and \$3 per day. The court refused to audit the bills for a greater sum and the assessor will sue the county, his attorneys being Tilmon Ford and W. H. Holmes. This will settle a vexed question as to whether the assistants of a county assessor are to be paid the same amount per deim that the law allows the assessor.

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From present indications, says one of the Astoria papers, the salwhen they are once established in mon pack on the Columbia this season bids fair to be the largest in several years. It is estimated that to the present time 300,000 cases novelties at fancy prices through have been packed, and, judging manipulation of the name and the from the experience of former years, there is every reason to believe that at least 250,000 cases will be put up between now and the end of the season. There have been no big mon soja bean which can be bought runs of fish, but the run has been unusually steady, and the less lection of 15,000 vials of seed from expert fishermen have made nearly nearly all parts of the world have as large catches as those who crowd been made at the department to down to the bar. As a result all the men have done well, and when found in commerce and the de- the season is over will have good

Nebraska is the first state to bring within the reach of the voters here, opening new avenues of profit under city and town governments to American husbandmen and it the systems of the initiative and voters of a locality must accept the plan before it becomes a law of politics, and Omaha will be the first city to submit the question at 15 per cent of the voters may thereafter by petiton propose ordinances, and 20 per cent. of the voters may so-called. For the referendum it 5 per cent of the voters petition for popular vote the same shall be submitted, and must be approved by a majority to come into effect. If 10 per cent of the voters petition, Anton Pfanner, the Forest Grove then the ordinance shall be subwithin 20 days. Ordinances refrom the referendum rule.

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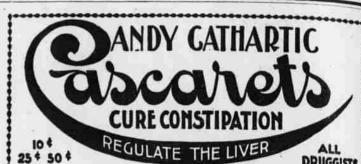
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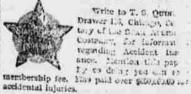
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