NEWS OF THE NORTHWEST

ALBANY

THE REVETMENT VERY BADLY NEEDED

(Journal Special Service. Albany, Or., Dec. 28.—The failure of the government to build a revetment on Willamette river just above Albany and on the opposite side may result in heavy damage to property in case of high water this winter. For several high water this winter. For several years the north bank of the river has suffered at every flood, and last winter the raging waters broke through and commenced to cut a new channel. During the high water the current had nearly as much force in the new channel as in the old river bed, and considerable damage resulted from the change, Government engineers viewed the river at this point last spring and agreed that it would be necessary to build a subalong the bank where the current would strike. The engineers made their report accordingly, but there the matter ended. The commerce committee of the Alco club and a number of individual citizens have urged that the work be commenced as soon as possible, for the danger is clearly apparent to all. The river makes a large bend just below the the river about 400 yards above town and go through a flat, open country in a northwesterly direction, re-entering the old channel about four miles down. It would leave Albany completely inland and render the large steel bridge, docks river-front warehouses entirely

Will Enlarge Church.

Rev. Louis Metayer, pastor of the Catholic church in this city, will build a large addition to that edifice in the The church is already one of the finest in the state, but owing to the rapid increase in his congregation more room is needed. Father Metayer and Secretary M. Zan will leave this week for San Francisco, where several weeks will be spent. During his absence one of the Benedictine priests from Mount Angel will be in charge of the parish. Albany Notes.

James Forgey, while acting as janitar of the Foster block, fell down the stairs Saturday evening and was unconscious for several hours. Aside from a number of severe bruises he was not in-

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Shannon, of Bremerton, Wash., are visiting with relatives and friends in this city.

Miss Norma McClain, who has been spending the past year in Seattle, is at home with her parents, Chief of Police and Mrs. W. A. McClain.

Miss Jennie Freerksen of Portland is spending the holidays with Albany relatives and friends.

SALEM

NOTICE.—Salem subscribers will please take actice that The Journal agency has been transferred to E. E. Davis, 180 state street, who will receive subscriptions, complaints, payments, etc.

THEY WORKED THE **BIG DOUBLE CROSS**

Salem. Dec. 28 .- All the talk in the world regarding the lost anti-gambling bill will probably not result in the discovery of that measure, though it may have a tendency to keep up interest in the matter so that the parties guilty of making away with it may be run down and punished. That the bill has disappeared there is no question, and that it was seen in the hands of a fee of the bill at the railroad station in this city after the legislature had adjourned, is now practically certain.

If the parties guilty of taking this bill could be punished, it would be a good thing and would have good results in the future, for this is not the first time a bill has been stolen in the Ore-gon legislature, and generally a bill so disappearing has something to do with

Opposition to the bill was well organized and it was a surprise to many that the measure passed the house, for many people here believed that it would be turned down in the lower house where it originated. It was said that Larry Sullivan was here in the interest of the bill and it so seemed at one of their ability. It is now asserted that the bill was introduced at the in-stance of a certain few gamblers of

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Portland, and that while it was pending in the legislature, a portion of the clique was here ostensibly fighting the measure, while others were squeezing money out of the many Portland gamblers for the purpose of defeating the bill, and that while it cost about \$2,000 to secure the bill and make it harmless, the sum total collected from the gambling fraternity in Portland for this purpose amounted to fully five times that amount. If these figures are correct, the fellows engineering the deal made a snug little sum of money out of the bill that never passed. A Salem gambler, who claims to be on the inside asserts that he knows this was the case that he, too, was approached to contribute to the corruption fund, but that he declined to do so, having soon learned that the bill would not be allowed to become a law if questionable

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methods should prevent it.

NOTICE.—Oregon City subscribers will please take notice that the office of The Journal has been established at the Courier office, Seventh street, next to depot, where subscriptions, complaints, payments, etc., will be received and attended to by L. J. Caufield, The Journal Oregon City agent.

FIFTY-CENT DINNER TO MANY DEMOCRATS

Oregon City, Dec. 28 .- The dinner to be given in this city by the ocal Democracy in honor of Andrew Jackson on January 8 promises to be an affair of unusual note. Four hundred invitations have been sent out to the most prominent Democrats in the stafe and it is anticipated that the county Democracy will be out in unusual numbers. Governor Chamberlain has already accepted an invitation to be present at the banquet. Every effort is being made by the local Democracy to make the affair a success and it is not improbable that the banquet will have considerable bearing on the coming county election. Next June all county officers will be elected save the county judge, and Democrats are preparing to make an aggressive campaign and are confident of victory. They believe that if they can weld the severed sections of the party and poll the full strength of the party, that enough independent votes will come their way to enable them to win. From almost every part of the county come dissatisfied rumblings over the present state of affairs in the county and a great deal of the dissatisfaction seems to emanate from the Republican party. While the Democrats will refuse to make any alignment with the socialists, it is generally conceded that a goodly proportion of men with socialistic tendencies will yote with the Democrats in order to defeat the present administration and what is commonly known over the county as "the court house crowd." While the Republicans try to make light of Democratic claims it is well known that many of the leaders of the party are literally 'laying

the Republican party here and that these three elements can be brought together seems hardly probable.

awake nights" to try to formulate some

scheme by which the party can win.

The Spoon Disappeared. Last Saturday night the Stanford Glee and Mandolin clubs gave an entertainment in this city. Shortly after the closing of the show a crowd of the col-lege boys entered a local saloon to get glasses of eggnogg. They were a crowd of rollicking fellows and rather boisterous, and when they disappeared a large silver spoon used in dipping out the egg nogg also disappeared. The proprietor at once suspected that some of the boys had made way with it. The result was that Charles Noblitt, night policeman, was put on the track of the college boys The one who was accused of stealing the spoon was searched but the stolen property was not found. The boys departed later without any further unpleasant experiences to mark their visit to Ore-

gon City. Boys and Saloons.

Local officials are determined to put a s. s. stop to the practice of boys of tender tyler. age loitering about the saloons. They have warned saloonkeepers that if they desire to keep out of trouble they must not allow boys to inhabit their places of business. The result has been that wherever wet goods are dispensed all youths under 21 are promptly ejected. It has been the practice in Oregon City among certain saloonkeepers to not only allow minors to enter the saloons, but it has been no uncommon occurrence to see mere striplings drunk on the streets or taking a hand in a game of chance. The new rule is regarded by all, even the saloonkeepers, as a step in the right di-

Edward Whitlock Don't Drink.

time, but later the astute Larry was found fighting the measure and the snemies of the gambling cyll fought for the measure to the best ward Whitlock any intoxicating drink, city ordered all saloonkeepers in Oregon ward Whitlock any intoxicating drink, the reason being that Whitlock was an inebriate and it was hoped that such a move would have a tendency to staft him on a better road. The result has been surprising. Since that time Whitlock has not tasted "booze" and has become an industrious citizen. Every time he meets the mayor he thanks him for having made the order. There are many people in Oregon City who remember when Edward Whitlock was a good business man, owning a lucrative trade here, but his tendency to touch too frequently 'the cup that cheers' led to his downfall and he is today a poor man.

Oregon City Motes.

The marriage of Joe Beaulieu and Miss Minnie Trenbath was solemnized at the home of the bride in this city yesterday afternoon at 7 o'clock. Both are resi dents of the city and are well and favor

Miss Hulda Erickson and William Turner were granted a license to marry

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Lawrence of Port-land are the guests of their daughter, Mrs. Linn E. Jones. Mrs. E. W. Lavier left Saturday for Springfield to visit her husband who is in business there. Carl Hansen, an old resident of Mul-

ino, died at the home of his son, John Hansen, yesterday. He was a native of Sweden and was born \$2 years ago, coming to this country about 22 years ago and locating in Nebraska. He later came to Oregon some 11 years ago. He will be buried at Mulino today. F. H. Welsh left this morning for the when he visited Salem in his swing Ogle mountain mining district, taking around the circle, and he alighted from

The annual Christmas entertainment of the Baptist Chinese Sunday school will be given in the Auditorium this afternoon the little girl was made evening. A musical and literary program has been arranged and will be happy by the receipt of a letter from the president in which he says;

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 28. — Harry Chapman, colored, aged 18 years, shot so much for your letter I shall always and killed his father last night because remember you. I send you my photo-

VANCOUVER

NOTICE.—The Vanccuege agency of The Ore fon Daily Journal is located at 603 Main street John P. Lundberg, agent.

JAPANESE LABORERS REFUSE TO WORK

(Journal Special Service.) Vancouver, Wash., Dec. 28.—The Japanese laborers on the P. V. & Y. division of the N. P. railway struck yeaterday for higher wages, and have decided not torremain in the vicinity of the road.

Sometime ago, it is alleged, that many of the Americans were discharged from the construction force on account of refusing to work for less than they were then getting, namely, \$2 per day, and a number of Greek laborers were placed on the gangs who would work for \$1.50. That thereafter, a large number of Japanese were employed to take the places of members of the section gangs. The Japs were paid, it is said, \$1 per day. It is said, also, that he Japs learned that their Greek partners were getting \$1.50 a day, and that this resulted in

As a result of this strike the section rews are quite short of men today, and t was found necessary to approach some of the old employes, a number of whom refused to work. They were quite wrathy because of their former discharge and designated the act of the ompany as an outrage to them. They characterize the act as "un-American." They claim the Japs and Greeks do not only work for less pay, but refuse to patronize American business houses, if ne of their own nationality can be found in the same business within a radius of 20 miles. The men who were discharged in the first instance are endeavoring to get the labor unions to take up the strike, but what action will be taken by them has not yet been revealed.

Very Pretty Wedding.

M. A. Minch and Miss Myrtle M.

Stenger were married yesterday after-noon at the residence of the bride's parents, Brush Prairie, Wash., Rev. Stanon C. Lapham, pastor of the Second Baptist church, Portland, Or., officiating. Miss Grace E. Routledge, Portland, acted as bridesmald and C. W. Stewart of Vancouver, Wash., as best man. The bride was dressed in white silk organdie. and the bridesmaid in blue silk organdie. The ceremonies were very impressive. the bridge and groom entering the paror as a beautiful wedding march played by Mrs. Wintler, after which Rev. Lapham addressed the couple in a most impressive manner with a short exhortation of the duties they owed to each other, concluding the services with an invocation of divine blessings. bride and groom were then recipients of hearty congratulations from about 50 invited guests and kindly

Mr. Mitchell Goes East. Lieut. Hiram E. Mitchell, artillery corps, left today for Washington, D. C., he will be absent for several

presents.

remembered with many very beautiful

There are three discordant elements in weeks. Since Lieutenant Mitchell's return from Alaska he has been confined to his quarters from severe injuries received by a fall while in Alaska. At first the fall was not given much attention, because there seemed to be no injuries resulting from the same, but later developments showed the same to be quite Washington, will receive treatment by a specialist.

Joint Installation of Officers.

Washington lodge, No. 4; Mount Hood lodge, No. 2, A. F. & A. M.; Vancouver chapter, No. 5, R. A. M., and Martha Washington chapter, No. 42, Order of the Eastern Star, held a join installation of officers at the hall of Washington lodge, No. 4, last Saturday night The following officers were installed. Mount Hood lodge—W. W. Sparks. W. M.; J. H. Coffin, S. W.; F. L. St. Clair J. W.; E. M. Rands, secretary; R. W. Downing, treasurer; Perry L. Macklan, S. D.; Jesse A. Meiser, J. D.; J. T. Goss, S. S.; A. J. Oakly, J. S.; L. B. Clough

Washington, No. 4-W. W. Martin, W. M.; E. M. Green, S. W.; John Harvey, J. W.; A. J. Porter, treasurer; Elza Wagner, secretary; L. W. Sutton, S. D.; D. P. Schuele, J. D.; Henry Christ, S. S.; John Buchanan, J. S.; J. J. Wintler, tyler; A. A. Collings, chapiain, Vancouver chapter, No. 9, R. A. M.

A. L. Miller, H. P.; W. W. Sparks, king; Dr. R. G. Ebert, scribe; A. G. Potter, treasurer; E. M. Green, secretary Henry Christ treasurer; L. M. Hidden, R A. captain; W. M. Martin, P. S.; M. R. Sparks, M. of 3d V.; J. R. Harvey, M. of 2d V.; W. A. Williams, M. of 1st V.; R. W. Downing, acrivener.

Martha Washington chapter, No. 42-Mrs. A. L. Miller, W. M.; W. M. Martin, W. P.; Mrs. Dora Martin, A. M.; Mrs. Jo sephine Schuele, secretary; Mrs. Anna King, treasurer; Mrs. Alice Sutton, chaplain; Mrs. Ida Sohns, conductor; Mrs Alice Horn, assistant conductor; Mrs. Minnie Wilcox, Ada; Mrs. Alice Sparks Ruth; Mrs. Hazen Bowen, Esther; Mrs. Lulu Tollman, Martha; Mrs. Minnie Wagner, Electa; Mrs. Emma Williams, warden; A. A. Hoffman, sentinel; Miss Florence Chaffee, organist; Mrs. R. W. Downing, Just.

After the installations were completed efreshments were served and a merry time ensued.

Vancouver Motes. An all-day golf tournament between the Seattle, Astoria and Portland clubs was held today at the Vancouver Barracks links. Mr. and Mrs. Louis Bergy entertained

a number of friends at a hóliday party last Saturday night. After a nice dinner dancing and card games was the order of the school room of the evening. The program was as follows:

ROOSEVELT AND THE LITTLE SALEM MAIDEN

(Journal Special Service.) Salem, Or., Dec. 28.—Little Miss Constance Kantner, daughter of Rev. W. C. Kantner, who by reason of spinal affliction has been reclining on an invalid's wagon for several years, is one of the happiest children in the capital city today. Last summer she attracted the attention of President Roosevels out with him the men who have been his carriage and approaching her, shook working the claims and who have been hands with her, making the child supremely happy. After his return to Washington, the little girl received evidence of his remembrance in the shape of a letter, and recently she wrote him a letter stating that she expected to be

ANOTHER BIG PIANO DEAL

One Hundred Thousand Dollars' Worth of Fine Pianos to Be Sold on the Co-operative Plan.

Twenty-seven car-loads-Prices Range From \$118 and \$137 for Regular \$225 and \$250 Styles, Upwards--Payments of \$5 Down and \$1.25 a Week Takes Choice aters and representatives have of Over a Hundred Fine, New ments Guaranteed.

This co-operative piano club sale is the biggest event ever planned in the history of piano merchandising. In the Fall of 1902 the first piano clubs were successfully inaugurated by Eilers Piano House, and they have not only been the means of saving buyers a vast amount of money, but they have also been the means of supplying vastly superior pianos to club members than they otherwise would have been able to secure.

The special advantages offered in this club plan of selling pianos is obvious. It costs a great deal less to sell 500 pianos in five separate lots to club members

Bear in mind that the most costly of a month.)

Bear in mind that the most costly of cost upright pianos, such as the Kimball of Chicago; the Chickering of Boston and the Weber of New York, may also be obtained now in Club E. Payments of \$15 or \$20 down and balance extending over a period of two years buys them.

The 1904 Clubs Even Better

There is no question now as to our ability to fill these clubs. No one will have to wait now for others to join, nor until the club is filled to get his or her until the club is filled to get his or her-piano. Members of these clubs do not even have to know now who the other members of the club are. Selection is not limited to a few makes. The entire Ellers Piano House lines are included in these clubs. The instruments are here in Portland for you to select from. They have been coming in each day at the rate of two or more carloads, and on one single day last week no less than the rate of two or more carloads, and on one single day last week no less than nine carloads arrived. When you have chosen your piano, and made the initial payment, the piano is delivered promptly accompanied by the manufacturer's guarantee and also by Eilers Piano House "Money back if not satisfied" agreement. And the payments range from \$1.25 a week (or \$5 a month) to \$1.60, \$2 and \$2.50 a week, or corresponding amounts if you prefer to pay sponding amounts if you prefer to pay by the month.

A Few More Prices

It is impossible for us to make detailed mention of prices here. Suffice it to say that planos for which ordinarily \$225 and \$250 is asked are now \$115, \$137 up to \$164 and \$178 for the regulariant in Class B are found the choicest of Marshall & Wendel, Ricaa & Son, Weser and the beautiful Balley planos. \$186, \$214, \$226, and payments of \$6 down and \$1.60 a week buys them. These are positively the lowest prices ever seen in print.

Corresponding reductions prevail also

treet, corner Park. Open evenings till January 1.

graph. With all good wishes I am. faithfully yours. "THEODORE ROOSEVELT." Accompanying the letter was a photograph of the president bearing the following autograph inscription: "With Merry Christman, from Theodore Roosevelt."

CHRISTMAS OVER AT ROCKWOOD TOWN

(Journal Special Service.) Rockwood, Or., Dec. 28.—The child-ren of the public school at this place gave an entertainment and Christmas tree in the schoolhouse on Christmas The teacher, Miss Clara A. Love, was highly commended by all present the line of education both morally and mentally. The program was well rendered and greatly enjoyed by the patrons present.

The Christmas tree was nicely ornathe children. The decorations were very pretty and added to the general appear-

Mayme Stockton, Frank Brown, Maggie song by five girls, dialogue by the school contrant a closing dialogue, "The Train to act." Mauro" by three pupils.

have followed. Holds Masque Ball.

wood hall on Christmas night and a good time was enjoyed by all present.

NEW GOSSIP AND SPECULATION FROM THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.) Washington, D. C., Dec. 24.—At no recess of congress has there been such an American merchant marine. exodus of members from the capital to their homes as during the present one. titude of a majority of the committee The adjournment for the holidays came at a most timely moment. Washington of a formal vote upon a motion to report it not a favorable point of vantage from a bill to the house. It is well known which to study and learn accurately the that the chairman of the committee, sentiment of the country, and at this Mr. Grosvernor of Ohio, is in favor of particular time the leaders of both parties in Congress want to have the most accurate information obtainable con-cerning the popular feeling upon the questions which are in the foregrout of political discussion. Consequently, senurged by the party leaders to visit ences of opinion as to the proper method their states and districts and study the of reaching this end." When he was Planos in Club A—All Instru- impression made upon the people by making up the committees last month what has taken place in the short time it was suggested to the speaker that that congress has been in session. Since he should not appoint General Grosthe extra session met in November, but venor to this chairmanship. But the one important piece of legislation has speaker considered that a refusal to conbeen accomplished—the act giving effect to Cuban reciprocity. This legislateral Grosvenor would only irritate the tion is not deemed of vital importance, advocates of ship subsidies, while it but its adoption has cleared the way for the coming political battle which hold sway in Congress for the remainder of the session. Panama occupies the center of the stage, and it is likely to be the issue not only in the congressional debates, but in the coming presidential campaign. It is for this reason that the Republican and Democratic leaders have sent home the rank and file of their following. They want a cor-

club plan of selling planos is obvious. It costs a great deal less to sell 500 planos in five separate lots to club members than it does to sell the 500 to that many buyers in the regular retail way.

In handling this vast number of planos in this way we can afford to pass these planos along to you at a remarkably small advance over the actual factory cost of making these planos.

That is how in Club A the regular \$255 and \$250 planos are sold to you for \$118 and \$125 planos are sold to you for \$118 and \$125 a week (or \$5 a month if you prefer to pay monthly.)

That is how as saving of something like \$175 is possible in Club C on the country's very highest-grade planos, for which ordinarily as much as \$500 and \$550 must be charged.

That is how these beautiful Marshall & Wendel Pianos, the finest and most tup-to-date regular \$350 styles of planos ever seen here, are offered to members of Club B for \$212 and \$216 on payment of \$6 down and \$1.60 a week (or \$6.40 a month.)

Bear in mind that the most costly of the senate home the rank and file leaders have seent home feeling on the question before continuing the fight for or against the proposition.

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The temporary truce afforded by the fight for or administration, knowing or expecting beso arranged matters that the revolution, whether peaceable or forcible, should be permitted to go on without interruption

and only took measures to stop the Republic of Colombia from preventing it? Democratic leaders in the senate insist that the fate of the Panama treaty will hang on the character of the reply to Senator Hoar's questions. If the administration cannot show a clean bill of health the minority will not allow reaty to pass the senate. In adopting his course they do not oppose the building of a canal, not even the Panama canal, and under the adroit leadership of Gorman the advantage which it is admitted the party now holds will be

maintained.

The suit brought by the state of Kansas n the supreme court of the United States against the state of Colorado, which insentatives from many of the arid states are viewing the suit with some concern and some of them are urging the United States government, through the interior

Print.
Corresponding reductions prevail also Clubs C, D and E. Full particulars and that it can authorize its inhabitants ill appear in these columns each day il sale closes.
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Representatives from other western states believe that the operation of the National irrigation act of 1902 may be seriously affected by a decision sustaining either contention and for this reason they urge that the United States should ntervene. As one senator expressed it a few days ago in talking about the mat-ter: "If Kansas should succeed # would be useless for the government to erect a reservoir in Colorado as all the water arising in Colorado must flow unimpeded and undiminished into the state of Kansas. If Colorado should succeed for having advanced the children along it would be useless to erect a reservoir in Kansas, for if Colorado could use all the waters arising within its boundaries none could flow into Kansas to supply a reservoir. This same condition of affairs exists between Colorado and New Mexico mented and also held many presents for in respect to the Rio Grande, between the children. The decorations were very Wyoming and Nebraska in respect to the North Platte, between Colorado and Wyoming in respect to the Laramie, between Utah and Wyoming in respect to the Bear Opening song, by six young girls of river, between Colorado and Arizona in school; recitations by Edward respect to the Colorado, between Wyomthe school; recitations by Edward respect to the Colorado, between Wyom-Fensk, George Staggs, Eva Bell, Mabel ing and Montana in respect to the Yei-Herring, Ross Brown, Gladys Covert, lowstone and the Big Horn. In fact the same questions arise between all adjoin-Prettyman, Marian Brown. Sophia ing states with interstate streams, and Quinn, Bessie Fensk, Cecil Prettyman, the application of either doctrine would Bessie Prettyman, Gordon Covert and retard the reclamation, settlement and the committee on appropriations, the Verne Covert. A drill by six pupils, sale of lands, the irrigation of which is most influential place in the senate. contemplated under the new irrigation

It is hoped by intervention on the part After the exercises Santa Claus ap- of the United States in the Kansas-Colopeared and gave presents to the pupils rado suit that a decree of the supreme and while doing so came near having a court will be obtained confirming the genserious accident, as his coat, being cov- erally accepted doctrine in the arid reered by batting, was ignited by the gion in respect to the use of the waters small candles burning on the tree, and of natural streams for irrigation and but for presence of, mind of a man other beneficial uses, and that some deflistanding near Santa, fatal results might nite rule be established governing the rights of prior appropriators of water from interstate streams. masque ball was given in Rock-There will be no ship subsidy legisla-

tion at this session of congress. house committee on merchant marine and fisheries, at a meeting held just before the holiday recess, discussed informally the general subject of a ship ping bill, as well as the recommendations of the president for the creation of a commission. It now appears that this exchange of yiews developed a sen-

timent adverse to any legislation this

There are several reasons for this atwhich may or may not be put to the test government subsidies for mail-carrying steamships. It is equally well known that Speaker Cannon, while not opposed to the stimulus of the merchant marine as a general proposition, is among those to whom the president referred in his message as having "differences of opinion as to the proper method advocates of ship subsidies, while it would also be construed as a slap at Senator Hanns, who had advocated government aid to the merchant marin during the last Ohio campaign.

The speaker, it is learned, was given to understand that no strong effort would be made to press forward a ship subsidy bill before the presidential campaign. This is in harmony with Cannon's program of limiting the business of the house this winter as nearly as possible to appropriations, and of reaching an adjournment early in June. He is ambitious to be known as the speaker of the house that shall go into congressional history as having confined itself, at least during one of its sessions, strictly to necessary business He is opposed to thrusting upon the country any additional subject of controversy this winter, quite aside from its merits, as tending needlessly to com plicate the issues of the national cam-The recent meeting of Chairman Gros-

renor's committee developed a sentiment in favor of a joint committee of congress to prepare a shipping bill during the next summer recess. It is possible therefore, that such a committee may be authorized, especially in view of the fact that the present governmental contract for ocean mail with the American line will expire in 1905. The department of commerce and

labor, through its bureau of statistics, shows that the commerce between Canada and the United States has made a rapid gain during the year just ending The year's commerce with Canada will aggregate nearly \$200,000,000 against less than \$100,000,000 in 1993. The increase occurs both in imports into the United States from Canada, and exports from the United States to Canada. imports from Canada, which in 1903 amounted to only \$34,000,000, will in the present year reach about \$55,000,000 Our exports to Canada, which in 1903 were \$57,000,000, will this year aggregate about \$120,000,000. Our total trad with Canada has thus gained from \$91, 000,000 in 1893 to opproximately \$185, 000,000 in 1903. The principal imports into the United States from Canada are lumber, sheep, hides, skins and nickel ore. The principal exports from the United States to Canada are iron and steel manufactures, coal, agricultural implements, bread stuffs, provisions, animals, cotton manufactures, manufactures, paper and manufactures books, maps and seeds.

The question of seniority in the sen-

strictest form of observance. army and navy one officer may be pro-moted over the heads of his seniors and there is no redress, but in the senate the assignment of a junior senator to used quits a number of bottles or a committee place higher in rank than and its merits can't be too highly recommendations. that given his senior would create a revolution that would overturn the senate. Even in triffing matters the senfority of senators is recognized. If a dozen members are on their feet at one time seeking to present bills or resolutions or committee reports during that fiction of the body, the "morning hour," he presiding officer recognizes them in the order of their seniority as nearly as he is able to do so. The president of the senate, Senator Frye, has the rank of every one of the 89 senators who sit before him fixed firmly in his mind, and whenever he names a committee he appoints in order of seniority. It is a perplexing question to determine in many cases between two senators just which one is the senior, or to determine between several groups of senators now in the senate the relative rank of those composing the group, for the term of service of those composing it is identical. The senior of the entire senate is Senator Allison, who entered the senate in March 4, 1873, and who has served continuously since that time. Senator Cockrell is second, his term of continuous service having comp in 1875. Senators Hoar and Morgan in 1876. Senators Hoar and Morgan entered the senate on the same day, March 4, 1877. Just how to determin which is the junior and which the senior senator in this case perplexes even the astute presiding officer. It is contended that, as Senator Hoar had service in the house of representatives prior to entering the senate, he should be deemed the senior of Morgan, but this rule is objected to, of course, by senators who have not had prior ser-When a senator vice in the house. drops out and afterwards comes back into the senate his claims to seniority date only to the time when his continuous service begins. Thus Warren of Wyoming, who is now number 18 in the seniority list, would be number 12 had he not been out of the senate for two years. Senator Mitchell, who is number 29 on the list, would be on a parity with Senator Allison had he served continuously for he came into the senate from Oregon on March 4, 1873, the same day on which Allison entered from Iowa. Senator Stewart, who is number 11, would have been number having entered the senate in 1865. The wisdom shown by certain states in retaining their senators in office is shown by the seniority list. Had Oregon retained Mitchell continuously, the state would now held the chairmanship of most influential place in the senate. The states which have retained their senators continuously hold the powerful places in the senate. Maine holds naval affairs and commerce; Rhode Island, finance and military affairs;" Maseachusetts, judiciary and Philippines; Iowa, appropriations; Illinois, foreign

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