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ton, apples, pears and small fruits. "As early as three centuries ago the Koreans had made great progress in the arts. They built ships 200 feet long and covered them with plates of iron, the

emperor to prove that he stood on the same basis as the ruler of Russia, the

called being little more than a mob, who

self," Mr. Fassett remarks, "would be

ant, I forgave thee all thy debt, because

Shouldest not thou also have compas

ion on thy fellowservant, even as I

And his lord was wroth, and delivered

So likewise shall my heavenly Father

do also unto you, if ye from your hearts forgive not every one his brother their

GAUSES OF THE WAR.

. Frimer of the Dispute Between Russis

and Japan.

From the Kansas City Star.

What is the trouble in the far east?

Japan is trying to keep Russia out of

What is Korea and where is it situ

Korea is an autocracy under Japanese

influence, about as large as Kansas, with a population estimated at between \$,00,-

000 and 16,000,000. The empire occupies

him to the tormentors, till he should pay

thou desiredst me:

had pity on thee?

trespasses

all that was due unto him.

Korea a Possible Prize of War

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THE LAW AND THE LAW BREAKER.

"Of law there can be no less acknowledged than that | the gambling trust has paralyzed the enforcement of the her seat is the bosom of God, her voice the harmony of law so far as the city, and a part of the county, governthe world, all things in heaven and earth do her homage, ment is concerned. We have known that its "influence" the very least as feeling her care, and the greatest as not with the powers that be was far greater than that of law exempted from her power."

every occasion when lawyers foregather, the high \boldsymbol{n} sounding phrase at the head of this article is sure to be used with telling effect. This and a score of other resonant expressions have done duty for lo, these many years, as judges and advocates alike pay homage at the shrine of Her Imperial Majesty, the Law. Unconsciously one wonders just how much sincerity there is in this constant Hp worship and praise when contrasted with those stubborn things called facts.

In the circuit court of this state in this county there is now pending a most remarkable suit. Remarkable in every aspect, but most of all in the amazing effrontery and audacity of the parties to it. One gambler has sued three other gamblers for twice the amount the innocent plaintiff lost playing "faro." In his complaint he does not mince matters. He charges the defendant with keeping, conducting and maintaining a common gambling house, and of conducting various games of chance therein. He sets forth the various dates and amounts he lost, and asks a court which enforces that which has "her seat in the bosom of God," to grant him a judgment for \$1,440. This complaint is sworn to by the plaintiff.

Full of confidence in the majesty of the law, the three defendants enter the lists and under oath in their answers admit the keeping of the gambling house, but claim that light of jurisprudence" upon their defense, and by aid of It to grant them a judgment for \$2,490.

In this Oregon of ours we have seen many strange pudence, which, dead to shame and every nicer sense, ne'er ference to and contempt for the law, the court, and pub- men respect the profession; if the law is not to be a hisswith pretended respect. We know that the "influence" of as this.

abiding people, but we did not believe that this "trust," even though drunken with power, would ever seek to make T EVERY MEETING of the Bar association, on of the law it has violated a creature to do its bidding. Think of the irony of it! These self-confessed law-breakers in a court of justice asking a judge and jury, who

JNO. F. CARROLL

represent the majesty of the law, to determine which of the two shall get the money lost or won at "faro!" Think of the absurdity of having the taxpayer burdened to maintain courts to determine disputes between law-breakers over laws broken! Shades of Marshall, of Storey, of Deady, of ten thousand others who have honored the ermine, defend us! Is it possible for brazen impudence

and indifference to public opinion to go further? Are our courts also to be made part of the machine constructed and operated with the approval, if not under the supervision, of our chief executive? We shall see. Unless we mistake the temper of the men who honor the bench in as fresh and 'smiling as their tireless this county, the litigious gentlemen who appear in this suit will find they have gone too far.

While there is a law permitting the recovery of twice the amount lost at gambling, there are other laws in the same code which proceed upon a different theory and have other penalties.

In this case there is no doubt as to the facts. Both parties agree, except as to the outcome of the "game," and the courts of the state of Oregon, instead of the cards or over and leave the irate teamsters hours dice, are asked to settle that question. An Eastern Ore- behind. gon judge, when a like case was brought before him, indignantly struck the dirty thing from the civil calendar. they, and not the plaintiff, lost. They give dates and and significantly had it transferred to the criminal side, amounts, and they ask the court to cast "the gladsome and in no uncertain tone and "in words of unequivocal meaning pronounced his judgment on the character of the

the court and to the law. This case will, in our judgthings, but we doubt if that "dull, rooted, callous im- ment, never be tried. Such cases rarely are. It is part of the game of "bluff," but the suit has been brought, the blushed," even went further than this. The callous indif- record made, and if courts and lawyers hope to have laylic opinion, almost staggers belief. We have seen the ing and a by-word; if it is to stand as "a correct princourtesies and the floor of the senate of the sovereign ciple drawn from the inspiration of the gods, commanding state of Oregon granted to the keeper of a sallor boarding what is honest, and forbidding what is contrary," they house, but thus far the judiciary has at least been treated must assert themselves clearly and sharply in such a case

The Japanese Eager to Meet Russia By Eliza R. Scidmore in Chicago by side with the same service arms of

Tribune. Tokio, Dec. 25 .- The jinrikisha coolie, with his little lacquered carriage, does not view the clanging electric rafiway chrs with equanimity. Flesh and blood and muscle cannot compete with the subtle current and the 3 sen (11/2 cents) detail. fares, and it is evident that thousands of jinrikishas of jinrikishas must go from Tokio streets and hardships fall to the coolies this winter. One such human pony told

Jinrikisha soon be finish," and when asked what he would do, answered:

"O, Russia make bobbery, make bob bery, then come war, and plenty jinrikha go Manchuria. I go Manchuria. "And kill all the Russians?" isha "Sayo de gozarimasu." (That is so. certainly), and he bowed seriously.

With this relief in view, the jinrik-Any day they may step from the shafts at an hour's notice and with their station to be hurried down to waiting transports at Ujina. A coolie corps goes with each regiment to do the packing, the hauling, and heavy work that march and shoot.

On the march to Pekin the American soldier, loaded like a pack horse, broke down or threw away his load, as at Santiago, while the nimble Japanese scampered here and there a-soldiering. and came up at the end of each march leader, General Fukushima. The

anese coolie did the coolie work, and the jinrikisha transport corps was a mobile. flying force compared to the American mule army wagon trains or the British India tonga cart service. The human pony could look after himself, and when there was a stream to ford or

mud slough to argue with two coolies could take the jinrikisha on their shoulders and with catlike tread pass

The jinrikisha coolie is certainly "the man in the street," and one hears the words: "Roo-sha," "Choreu," (Korea), and "Manchuria" often as he passes stand of waiting vehicles. They read all the sensational extras and firmly meaning pronounced his judgment on the character of the lieve the present depression in their proceedings, and repelled with proper spirit the insult to labor market to be the forerunner of a boom, when war time prices will rule, and they will be assisting in the great revenge. Each day telegrams from different

The recent offer from America of a corps of trained nurses who served in American army hospitals during the ties are complete, and when war begins war with Spain to come over and nurse the Red Cross work will go on as sick and wounded Japanese soldiers in mirably as during previous campaigns. It the event of war with Russia, is highly might be more in keeping with comparaappreciated by the Japanese people as an avidence of American sympathy. It the two countries, if American nurses

would not be possible, however, for forasked to come and observe, to study the eign nurses to be put to any use if they working of the Japanese hospital were on the spot, as, aside from their certain ignorance of the Japanese lanrelief system. It would seem that the offer was prompted by the idea that the guage, Japan has the model field and Japanese had not trained nurses and military hospital service of all modern training schools, nor so complete a Red armies. It proved its efficiency and Cross organization to supplement the practical superiority when working side melical corps of the army.

SPEED OF TAMOUS TRAINS. STARFISE VERSUS OVSTER.

67.96

From the Boston Transcript. Row Bivalves Are Eaten by Their Gre The American Economist's table of the world's fast trains is as follows, the speed given being the number of miles

hour after deducting four minutes each stop made: Dis- . Speed: tance, Miles Miles. per hour, Atlantic City Express-

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Eydtkuhnen to St. Petersburg Express (whole

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Ostend to Vienna...

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Kufstein to Milan

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From the Albany Democrat.

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Nord Sud (Brenner)

n Austria and Italy-

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via Great Northern 395.00

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the American, English, French, Rus-sian, German, Austrian, and Italian sian, German, forces at Tien Tsin and Pekin in 1900, English and American official reports assigned the Japanese the palm for thorough system and smooth working, per-fection of appointment and intelligent

Their hospital and medical service was as smooth working and efficient in the campaign of 1894-95. It did not break down during the rapid marches up the Korean peninsula and across Manchuria to Port Arthur and Newschwang.

There are schools for trained very large city in Japan, and in Tokio the empress, as special patroness of the Red Cross hospital and school, always presides at the annual meeting and gives the diplomas to the white-capped gradu ates. One of the Imperial princess No. Trans isha coolies are contentedly waiting, taken the full course of training and other court ladies are as accom When the American minister suffered a blankets and lanterns go to the railway stroke of apoplexy and died at a hunting party a year ago there was no medical man within 10 miles, but Baroness Sonnomya, wife of the grand master of cere-monies, had had training at the Red lessens the fighting soldier's power to Cross classes and was able to take entire and intelligent charge until a professional arrived.

> In the north China campaign of 1900 the Red Cross society was as active and ef-ficient and every year some flood, carthquake or disaster calls for the Red Cross' compt relief.

There are branch societies in each province and each year the annual meet-Jap ng is held at Tokio, where 10,000 members often gather at the great outdoor session in Uyeno park. One sees the ribbon and insignia of the order worn everywhere these days, from the Princesses Arisu gana and Fushuni, who actively preside, down to the elderly matrons and widows of the provinces, to whom the function is an event comparable to the great February sessions of the Daughters of the American Revolution at Washington. It is a pleasure to see some of these elderly women in their rich but severely tinted creps kimonos and heavy brocade

obis as they go about the capital sight-seeing. Daszling as the street scenes may be to them, they observe good form and ride with the jinrikisha covered not out, openly, brazenly in daylight, like foreign women do. In summer heat, autumn sunshine, as in rain, the Japan-ese lady has the jinrikisha hood drawn to shelter her from common gaze.

provinces announce that the preparations

tive conditions or the recent history of

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aity of Pennsylvania. A number of liv-

ing marine animals from the vivarium

of the university will be shown, among

them the oyster and the starfish, next to

and

J. Sloat Fassett of New York, who | turnips, cabbages, radishes, tobacco, cothas personally studied the Korean prob-lom upon the spot and who has met the emperor and crown prince of the "Her-mit Nation," gives in the Review of Re-views an interesting picture of the pas-

This Nation," gives in the Review of Re-views an interesting ploture of the pas-sible seat of the war. The clitizens of the United States are more largely involved in Korean enter-canse constructed and sold to the Japa-ness the Chemulpo-Beoul railreads. Americans constructed for the Korean sovernment the electric railway in Seoul and some 18 or 20 miles of suburban roads. Americans have also constructed lighting plants for Seoul, and are in-vesting in a water system for the cap-ital. Americans own. in association with Eng-lish and French capitalists, the largest angle enterprise in Korea, and one of the largest in Asize-a mining concession in the northern part of Korea. Korea is not a large country, about the size of the state of Korea.

Korea is not a large country, about the size of the state of Kansas and twice the size of New York state. Its backs. Marriage may take place at importance is due to its position, its climate and the swarming millions of its people considered as possible cus-of Korea have no legal status. A man may have one wife, and her children tomers for cheap goods.

"Roughly speaking," says Mr. Fassett, "Rorea is from north to south 600 miles long, and from east to west it has an average width of 135 miles. The popu-iation is estimated as low as \$,000,000 and as high as 15,000,000. It is prob-able that 10,000,000 is about the proper are his legitimate heirs, but a Korean may have as many concubines as he may have the ability or the disposition to support." The government of Korea is a cruel joke. In 1897, after the close of the Chinese and Japanese war of 1894-95. the Korean king assumed the title of

"The parallels of latitude that would pass through the cities of San Francisco ruler of China and the ruler of Japan. His rule is absolute. Torture is per-Chicago, New York, Lisbon, Rome, Con-stantinople and Peking would pass through the peninsula of Korea. The capital, Seoul, a city of a little over 100,mitted in legal proceedings. There is practically no army, the 7,000 men so The 000 inhabitants, is located in about the geographical center of the country, and pillage for their pay. Korea was the cause of the China-Japan war nine years almost exactly west, or east, of New ago. "The ideal solution of the eastern question, as at present it manifests it-question, manual remarks, "would be to York. Korea was long known, and is yet known to its inhabitants, as Chosen, and is fancifully called by them 'The Land of the Morning Quietness,' or 'The put Korea in commission, with her in-tegrity and independence guaranteed by the great powers." But the ideal solu-tion is seldom the solution of stern fact. Land of the Morning Calm."

"The soil of Korea is fertile and well tilled. tilled. The people raise rice, barley, millet, wheat, sorghum, beans, potstoes,

Famous Sermon From the Bible

St. Matthew xviii:1-34. Christ warneth his disciples to be humble 'and harmless: to avoid offences, and not to despise the little ones: teacheth how we are to deal with our brethren, when they offend us: and

how oft to forgive them: which he setteth forth by a parable of the king, that took account of his servants. and punished him, who shewed no

mercy to his fellow. At the same time came the disciples unto Jesus, saying, Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven? And Jesus called a little child unto him, and set him in the midst of them. And said, Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into

the kingdom of heaven. Whospever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is From Pennsylvania University Weekly One of the interesting exhibits at the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. neeting of the Delaware Valley Natural-And whose shall receive one such little child in my name receiveth me. But whoso shall offend one of these ists' union at the Academy of Natural Sciences will be by Dr. Edwin G. Conk-lin, professor of zoology in the Univer-

a peninsula just south of Siberia, jutting out into the Pacific ocean between the Yellow sea and the Sea of Japan, and little ones which believeth in me, it were

drowned in the depth of the sea. Wos unto the world because of of-

reaching within less than 100 miles of the southern end of Japan. better for him that a millatone were hanged about his neck, and that he were

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ated?

Is Korea a rich country? Not especially. It is a purely agri-cultural land, and the methods of culti-vation are primitive. A few gold mines are operated, and there are supposed to be deposits of copper, iron and coal. Why, then, does Russia want Korea?

Chiefly because of its position. Kores is an extension of Manchuria, which practically belongs to Russia. In the natural development of contiguous territory Russian merchants have the boundary into Korea, and, Russian interests accumulating there under the weak native government, naturally took to the czar for protection. Why is Korea of strategic value to Russia? For two reasons-first, Russian ves sels must make a long detour around Korea to pass from Vladivostok, Siberia, to Port Arthur, the Russian harbor in Manchuria. In ... is journey they must traverse a narrow strait between Korea and a Japanese island, comparable to Gibraltar. To insure free pas sage Russia seeks to control the end of the Korean peninsula; second, when Russia begins its anticipated absorp tion of China it would be inconven lencod if a hostile power should have a military base on the northeastern coast of Asia. Therefore it desires to

THE HEARST SERVICE AND OTHER THINGS.

ROM ALL OVER the state The Journal is receiving same medicine the same day. One of them is oftentimes a evidences of appreciation of its enterprise in se- heavy drain upon their vitality. They want to know some curing the full Hearst war service to supplement its regular news supply. Letters of commendation are unbiased news and opinions which are not dictated by freely coming in and they are backed by the even more substantial proof of swelling subscription lists to show that appreciation in concrete form. The people of Oregon are beginning to realize that when it comes to getting the best news of the world, particularly the news upon which the attention of all the people is concentrated, the element cost will cut no figure with The Journal. The theory of The Journal is that the very best is none too good for its growing army of readers and it is determined to utilize for its own territory the services of the ablest men in the

thing about the other side of questions. They want to get private interests or eccentric editorial policies. They want to array themselves with the live, progressive members of the community who are always to be recognized by The Journal in their hands. These are some of the reasons why the Oregonian's evening shadow is steadily losing in circulation. It cannot lose in influence because it never had any. For a time people took it because there wasn't any other evening newspaper. But even the most conservative people are getting beyond that stage since The Journal came to town. They can no longer stand a

profession.

While on this subject it might be well to advert to the stories so industriously circulated by the employes of the evening edition of the Oregonian that The Journal receives little or no telegraphic news. In this connection it may be stated that in the month of January the records of the Western Union Telegraph company will show that The Journal paid out more money for telegraph tolls than did the Telegram. This, too, it will be remembered, was before the war broke out, entailing great additional expense for telegraphic news upon The Journal, while the Telegram it even by giving away books as an inducement. There is still marking time in its good old thrifty way. As a will be some things which the live people of Portland will matter of fact the people of this city and state have dise not be able to stand and at the head of the list will be covered that whatever excuse there may be for the con- the Evening Shadow of the Morning Oregonian which is tinued existence of the Oregonian, there is absolutely none positively the weakest, most inane and distressing newsto satisfy even the inmates of a home for the feeble minded for the publication of the Telegram. It is a false pretense and make beliave from start to finish, thinner than skimmed milk and flabbier than a jelly fish. It has no mind of its own, for it is simply the timorous and inconsequential shadow of its morning parent. Its so-called news is very largely lifted from the columns of the Oregonian to save expense of typesetting. It has never contained a vital opinion on any subject under the sun. It tently at the clock in the Tall Tower, has no initiative and it even lacks the poor merit of being a good imitation.

Those people who want to read in the evening the news friend chortled explosively. printed the same morning in the Oregonian may still clamor for the Evening Telegram, for there they will find note of enthusiasm in his tone. "Pleasant weather, we've beyond that stage. They do not want two doses of the of Sixth and Alder streets.

dead-allve newspaper, that must be galvanized to present even a semblance of life. The progressive people naturally Camden to Atlantic want a progressive newspaper, hence The Journal's advance in power, influence and circulation. Things are Camden to Atlantic rapidly reaching that stage when a self respecting man Mediterranee Expcaught reading the Telegram is tempted to apologize for Paris to Calais..... the reflection upon his mentality which the act implies. Empire State Exp-Everybody is now beginning to know that a few months of careful and conscientious reading of the Telegram will New York to Buffalo Edinburgh Expland the most muscular intellect on the very brink. Six London to Edinburgh. months hence it will be impossible to bribe people to read Hamburg Exp-Berlin to Hamburg., 177.69 Edinburgh Exp-London to Edinburgh. Plymouth Exp-London to Plymouth, paper false pretense that ever attracted the professional notice of the journalistic undertaker or drove strong men Twentleth Century Ltdto drink to temporarily drown the recollection of the New York to Chicago 962.49 Plymouth Exp calamity of its evening appearance as a libel on the in-London to Plymouth. dustry, progressiveness and pride of the fair city of Port-

The Great Editor stood upon the sidewalk gazing in-

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A passing friend slapped him familiarly on the back. In Belgiun "What you doing, Harvey? Marking time?" And the

"Ha, ha!" responded the Great Editor, though with no that which they seek. But most people have progressed been having," and he moved off solemnly in the direction



A Triend of Wakafield's

Portland, Feb. 13 .- To the Editor of The Journal-Would you please give an unbiased person a few lines in your maper? In the last week one of our cilizens has been held to answer to the grand jury for the fraudulent use of mails. I would like to have Attorney Hall, Postoffice Inspector Rich ards or Judge McKee show where there in any fraud in this scheme.

You pay \$2 per month for 20 or 50 months, but the contract says 20, if at the end of that time your contract is not matured and you are not satisfied with more leisure and less liability to inyou can have your money back with \$ terruption, he has gone to work systemcent interest, or you may stay in the full 50 months, which is longer than ished a new short story, which will ap-any contract will run. You have now pear in an early number of Harper's paid in \$100, \$25 of which goes to the company, \$75 goes to your credit. You new have a \$1,000 bill to pay, for which there is a mortgage on deposit as se-You pay this at the rate of \$5 per month; \$5.50 goes to your credit and 50 cents to the company. This will the typewriter, for which her father pays you \$975 to pay at \$5.50 month, which will take 174 months. fou have already paid to the company \$25; now you have to pay 58 cents per month for 174 montus, which will make plus \$25 makes \$1. that you pay the use of \$1.000. There has been his other way provided yet where you for until later years, but Browning, Mac can get money, so cheap nor on such aulay and Pepys interested him. payments, and there is not one ensy contract in a hundred that will have to thousands pay that much. Some will say that the millions. If men would but dare to con-company cannot live at this rate, but fess, he adds, it would be found that not that is easy. membership of 10 per month. When the pears, first contract has expired they have a

membership of 2,000, which this city or of the same size will keep Cyrus P. Walbridge of St. Louis for viceany other They are then selling 10 contracts president. He has held a number of of-month, maturing 10 contracts per fices and has never been indicted.

per month, which brings the company \$1,000, and 14 seems to me that a person would have to study a long time to get a better or easier plan for persons with small means to get homes, and the only pince I can see where the present man agement has made a mistake is in keeping some men connected with the order who are not what they should be.

Iand.

M. E. GORDON Room 4, Manley Block.

month and they are paying 10 contracts

WHAT MARK TWAIN IS DOING.

From a Harper's Bulletin. Mark Twain is at work on a new novel, which was begun many years ago and laid aside. Now that he is in Italy, ton of seed, but never a grain came up, atically to complete it. He has just fin-Magazine, Mr. Clemens writes his stories to suit himself, and then hands them over to his wife, as he says, "to edit the

hell-fire out of them." After Mrs. Clem-From the Saturday Evening Post. ens completes her important share of When General Grant was in London the typewriter, for which her father pays

her at the regular market rates. Blunt Truth

From the Albany, N. Y., Journal. An English writer has written some confessions" in relation to his reading when a boy. Dickens he had no liking He says that book loyers are few-a few

among nt most th Let the company start a one in a thousand has ever read Shakes-Jesse."

> Missburt Republicans are booming and said:

NO FARMING IN ALASKA.

"When people read that Alaska is ca pable of great agricultural development. they should pass up the statement for rubbish and nonsense," said Mr. H. Bratnober, to the Washington Post reporter. "Alaska is one of the richest parts of

reation in the precious metals, and that is all it is fit for. I have been in Alaska for several years, and at the risk of mcurring the governor's ill will am here to say that people who go to Alaska in the hope of raising crops are on the highest sort of a fool's errand. Last summer, away up on the Copper river, I met three honest farmers, who had been induced to sell their places in Indiana and go to that desolate region with a view of cultivating the soil. They planted a

and when I saw them they were heart-sick over their failure. It is a shame to send out such delusive reports. WANTED AN INTRODUCTION.

on his trip around the world he way invited to Windsor castle by Queen Vic-

toria. The queen received the party in one of the private audience chambers and chatted with General Grant for i n France few moments before dinner was served Jesse Grant, then a small boy, was with the general, and stood just behind him. As the general was talking Jesse n Austria-Hungarypulled impatiently at his coat tails a number of times. Finally, the general turned half way; and Jesse whispered: In Servia, Bulgaria and "Pa, can't I be introduced?" "Your majesty," said the general "T should like to present my son. Master

The queen shook Jesse's hand cordially, and that young man, thinking it incumbent on him to say something glanced approvingly around the room his columns: It is so."

"Fine house you have here, ma'am."

man, the greatest enemy Where these creatures are very abun-66.92 dant, it is practically impossible to raise 58.00 an oyster. In such places, for instance, 55.50

56.60 as Long Island sound, the oystermen are compelled to resort to various de-58.00 64.44

vices in order to destroy these pests. The manner in which the starfish the oyster is most interesting and re-

Paris to Calais..... 185.14 56.10 markable. These creatures have no means of boring through the oyster 54.40 shell, yet, by a curious method, they 439.52 *

succeed in extracting the delicious bivalve. The principal element of success 52.71 on the part of the starfish in this ap-

parently difficult task of opening the oy-52.51 stor is persistence. The starfish crawls

over the oyster and spreads its body over the opening of the shell, so that the 51.61 oyster is unable to open its shell in or-

der to draw in currents of fresh water. In this position the starfish will remain

50.89 for many hours, finally suffocating the oyster until it is compelled to open the 49.61 shell a little. As soon as this happens,

the starfish discharges into it a digestive fluid from his stomach, which 47.25

gradually causes the shell muscles to relax, and the oyster to open widely. The starfish then turns his stomach in-46.30

side out, and protruding it from his body, thrusts it into the shell of the

oyster, where the oyster is digested and absorbed. A very large oyster can only be opened by a large starfish, but the 38.60

smaller ones are destroyed in vast num-41.09 bers by small starfish.

One of the methods of preventing the depredations of starfish on oyster beds 41.71 is to drag what are known as tangles

which consist of an iron frame, covered \$1.96 by a mass of tangled ends of strings, over the oyster beds, and these strings catch the arms of the starfish, which are

38.49 thus dragged up, gathered into scowe and carried ashore, where they are

heaped up and left to die. 61.84 Inasmuch as a single starfish will lay approximately 50,000,000 eggs, this way 28.06

of destroying these pests is practically a hopeless one. The only other method \$7.85 really concedes them the victory in the

struggle for existence, namely, the yielding to the staffish of all the oyster 41.26 beds which are found in pure salt wa-ter, and the confining of the cultivation

36.97 of the oyster to brackish waters. The oyster will live in sea water of 87.40

less density than is required for the starfish.

36.43 Why Men Forget to Mail Letters.

41.25 From the New York Times. A feminine sociologist has at last dis \$1.02 covered not only an explanation why men forget to mail letters intrusted t them by their wives, but also an excuse

for it that is complimentary to the men 33.75 -which is just like a woman for all the world, however unlike a sociologist it may be. She says the men forget the

letters because their own work is carefully systematized and specialized, so 33.58 they have no practice, and no acquired skill, in the performance of little odd jobs like this one, while women, whose

33,41 jobs are-or were-all little and odd with no relation one to the other, can assume an almost infinite number of them

and forget none, even the new That is a very pretty theory, and it will 40.05

awaken a vast amount of masculing gratitude. Certainly no man ever though of that excuse, or of any half as goo 38.61

Colonel Butcher's Case

From the Athena Press, who know Col. W. F. Butcher of 24.94 Baker City, and they are a majority of the people of the state, regret to learn of the unfortunate occurrence of his shooting a man in his home town. It will be a difficult matter to convince his An eastern Oregon editor had this in acquaintances that "Butch" was not in The next day he was whipped the right and acted only in self defense.

fenses! for it must needs be that fences come; but woe to that man by shom the offence cometh.

Wherefore if thy hand or thy foot offend thee, cut them off, and cast them from thee: it is better for thee to enter into life halt or maimed, rather than having two hands or two feet to be cast into everlasting fire.

And if thine eys offend thee, pluck it out, and cast it from thee: It is better for thee to enter into life with one eye rather than having two eyes to be cast into hell fire.

Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones; for I say unto you, That in heaven their angels do always schold the face of my Father which is in heaven.

For the son of man is come to save that which was lost.

How think ye? if a man have an hundred sheep, and one of them be gone astray, doth he not leave the ninety and line, and goeth into the mountains, and seeketh that which is gone astray? And if so be that he find it, verily I

say unto you, he rejoiceth more of that sheep, than of the ninety and nine which went not astray.

Even so it is not the will of your "ather which is in heaven, that one of these little ones should perish. Moreover if thy brother shall trespass against thee, go and tell him his fault between thee and him alone; if he shall hear thee, thou hast gained thy brother.

But if he will not hear thee, then take with thes one or two more, that in the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established. And if he shall neglect to hear them.

tell it unto the church: but if he neglect to hear the church. let him be unto thee as an heathen man and a publican. Verily I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall bind on earth shall be bound

in heaven: and whatsoever ye shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

Again I say unto you. That if two of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven.

For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the nidst of them.

Then came Peter to him, and said, Lord, how oft shall my brother sin against me and I forgive him? till seven times 7

Jesus saith unto him. I say not unto thee, Until seven times; but, Until seventy times seven.

Therefore is the kingdom of heaver likened unto a certain king, which would take account of his servants.

And when he had begun to reckon one was brought unto him, which owed him ten thousand talents. But forasmuch as he had not to pay.

his lord commanded him to be sold. his wife, and children, and all that he had, and payment to be made.

The servant therefore fell down, and worshipped him, saying, Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay thee all. Then the lord of that servant was

noved with compassioin, and loosened him; and forgave him the debt. But the same servant went out, and

owed him an hundred pencet and he laid

throat, saying. Pay me that thou owest, And his fellowservant fell down at his feet, and besought him, saying, Have patience with me, and I will pay these all. And he would not: but went and cast

him into prison, till he should pay the debt. So when his fellowservants saw what was done, they were very sorry, and came and told unto their lord all that was done.

Then his lord, after that he had called him, said unto him, O thou wicked serv- covers area of five acres,

annex Korea. Why does Japan object to the Russian annexation of Korea?

Because Japan is overcrowded with a population 12 times as dense as that of the United States, and it seeks an outlet for its emigrants on the mainland The island empire has hoped, too, to make Korea the base of an attempt to extend Japanese influence throughout China. Furthermore, it now conducts nine-tenths of Korea's commerce and owns Korea's two railways. And, final-ly, Japan holds its own independence would be menaced were Russia to gain the harbor at the end of the Korean peninsula, almost within cannon range of the Japanese island fortress of Tsushima

Does Japan want to annex Korea?

No. It is satisfied to maintain Korea's sovereignty, with the expectation that its natural advantages of situation will give it the lion's share of Korea's trade.

When did the trouble between Japan and Russia begin?

It began in 1895, when by war Japan had forced China to recognize Korea's independence and to grant Japan the southern end of Manchuria. Russia Russia Japan to give up Manchuria, forced seized the surrendered territory and se cured a timber-cutting concession in the Yalu valley in Korea.

What brought on the present crisis? Last year Russia advanced the claim

hat the timber concession extends to the valleys of all rivers tributary to Yalu, and that gives the Russians right to build railways and to the right to monopolize the port of Yongampho at the Yalu's mouth.

Did Russia announce its intention to annex Korea?

not. But Japan took the It did ground that its procedure meant virtual annexation, and so issued a protest.

PACTS ABOUT ST. LOUIS PAIR.

From the World's Fair Bulletin, Fair opens April 30, 1904; closes Deember 1, 1904. Approximate cost of the exposition,

Size of grounds, 1,240 acres, nearly two

Thirty-five miles of asphalt and gravel-

Main picture comprises 10 great pal-

The pike, a mile long, concessions

Three great cascades, largest water-falls ever constructed by man.

Map of United States in growing crops

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es arranged fan shape.

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