Salvation Workers Send About Twenty-four Hundred Meals to the Indigent.

**CONTRIBUTIONS WERE** SMALLER THIS YEAR

More People Will Receive a Free Christmas Dinner Than Ever Before.

In the preparations for Portland's Christmas feast the very poor have not been forgotten. The Salvation Army is today distributing basketsful of dimers to families whose circumstances have made it entirely impossible for them to secure one otherwise. During the last two weeks about 150 members of this organization have been engaged in the preliminary work of providing for Portland's poor. One detachment collected money, another band went into the byways of poverty and secured names and addresses, and a third squad assembled the provisions and prepared the baskets. Today the distribution began from the army halls at 265 Davis street, 762 Vancouver avenue and 128 First street, under direction of Major Dubbin.

"Most of those poor people to whom baskets were promised are calling for them at one of these three places," said the major. "We are distributing the squivaient of about 2,400 meals. There are about 200 baskets, and they are filled according to the size of the families to whom they are assigned. The baskets contain turkeys, chickens, beef roasts, butter, brend, potatoes, applies and various other things that go with a Christmas dinner, and each basket is topped off with a good pie."

All over the floor of the big hall on First street were evidences of the correctness of the major's statement, From nearly every basket drooped the head and legs of a dressed turkey or chicken, and packed around them were the other good things in quantities sufficient to render the pie's position on top very precarious. Everything was scrupulously In the preparations for Portland

good things in quantities sufficient to render the pie's position on top very precarious. Everything was scrupulously clean and well ordered.

"We have spent about \$100 more this year than last year," said the mayor, "and we have collected about \$100 less than a year ago. Therefore contributions during the week will be welcome, as all these bills have to be paid."

Christmas services will be held all day tomorrow at Columbia hall. On Monday evening at this hall a Christmas tree for poor children will be given, and presents will be distributed. Contributions of toys from people who can afford to give are solicited by the army. It is said the Salvation Army will this Christmas feed 300,000 poor people in the United States.

At the county poor farm a turkey din-

the United States.

At the county poor farm a turkey dinner will be served to the 170 inmates. Christmas services will be conducted by Hev. Mr. Bruce. Presbyterian church people have looked after the arrangements for the celebration. Mrs. H. J. Corbett sent turkeys for the dinner and H. Wittenberg sent cake and fruit. To-bacco, for those who enjoy the weed, was sent by James Laidlaw, British consul.

wil.

In the light of recent occurrences at the county juil the Christmas spirit floes not move Jailer Grafton visibly in the direction of those members of the under world who are in his charge, and he will serve the prisoners with an ordinary dinner of boiled beef tomorrow, just the same as he would any other day under his contract with the county of Multnomah, state of Oregon.

The rush of Christmas shipments through the local express offices is enormous, but by working overtime and increasing the number of clerks the express companies are handling the business with dispatch. The Portland post-office is similarly overwhelmed with business and from the amount of Christian

business and from the amount of Christ-mas packages that are being handled in the mails it is evident that Portland people have hosts of friends and rela-tives in the east with whom they are on far better than speaking terms. The ex-change of gifts through the medium of the United States mails is growing enor-mously in Portland each year.

### ARTIST CRANE MAKES THIRD MARRIAGE SHIFT

(Journal Special Service.)

New York, Dec. 24.—It is learned in set circles that Bruce Crane has married his divorced wife's daughter and returned with her to New York, and that a gold medal for paintings exhibited at the world's fair was awarded to him at St. Louis. The gold medal sets him among the foremest American arhim among the foremost American ar-lists. The report of his marriage is the sequal of a remarkable love romance. Bruce's divorced wife, the mother his present wife, is reported as saying:
"I am glad of the marriage. The
enly reason I sought a divorce was to enable Bruce to wed my daughter. So far as I am concerned the incident is

Two years ago Crane abandoned his wife and eloped with his stepdaughter. Mrs. Crane secured a South Dakota Di-Mrs. Crane. the mother of his wife, is a niece of Dr. Burchard, whose "Rum, Romanism, Rebellion" caused the defeat of Blaine in 1884.

### BOYS STEAL KNIVES

(Special Disputch to The Journal) Julietta, Idaho, Dec. 24. — A dozen small boys, ranging in age from 10 to 12 years, broke into a freight car here Thursday and secured a quantity of fine pocket knives. They sold them for 10 cents a piece. Suspicion was aroused and when cornered two of them con The knives were billed to Many of them were re covered. The boys will be punished.





### MAY APPEAR BEFORE **GRAND JURY TUESDAY**

(Continued from Page One.) lie spoke with indignation of the charges against him and said that he would have no difficulty in disproving

cept to declare in the most unqualified terms that I was in no way concerned in the land frauds." said the senator. "I have done a great deal of work for people of Oregon who had business with the general land office and I was frequently flooded with letters asking my assistance, but I have never been concerned in any fraud upon the government. Until I am fully acquainted with the alleged facts which form the basis of the rumored accusations against me, I can say little more."

An Infernal Lis.

An Infernal Lie.

"One of the rumors is that you re-ceived large sums of money for expedit-ing claims to patent. Is that true?" "That is an infernal lie," replied Senator Mitchell with indignation. "If that statement, is made by anyone it is an absolute falsehood."

"Then you received no money for your services in expediting the claims in which Puter and Emma Watson were interested?"

"No, sir: and if any one has sworn to anything of that kind it is infamous perjury. There is not one word of truth in it. Not one dollar was paid to

Senator Mitchell stated that he would have something further to say for publication a little later, after he had had opportunity to learn the nature of the charges against him. A protracted conference was held this afternoon between Senator Mitchell and Assistant Attorney-General Heney.

Hermann Says "Wait."

Congressman Hormann, who returned from Washington in company with Senator Mitchell, appeared at the postoffice building about 10 o'clock this morning. The grand jury had just begun its session, but the congressman made no effort to invade the juryroom. He called upon United States District Attorney John Hall, with whom he was closeted for half an hour, and afterward visited Judge Bellinger's office.

Mr. Hermann was asked what he had

closeted for half an hour, and afterward visited Judge Bellinger's office.

Mr. Hermann was asked what he had to say about the rumors connecting him with the land frauds, and he replied:

"Until I have found out the nature of the charges against me I can say very little, except to assure you that I am in no way involved in these frauds. I have no fear of the outcome."

"Were you acquainted with Puter before he came to you with that letter of introduction from Senator Mitchell?"

"Only very distantly, very distantly," said Hermann. "I had met him perhaps two or three times before that. But my acquaintance with him was very distant, just as with the rest of the people concerned in these transactions."

The congressman was not disposed to discuss the subject fully until he has had opportunity to learn more definitely the precise charges which he must meet, and the conversation ended.

Tampering With Jury.

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It is freely asserted by the secret service men now in the city that efforts have been made to tamper with the grand jury, in the interest of persons suspected of complicity in the land frauds. The jurors come from all parts of the state and many of their friends and acquainteress have recently approach to the state and many of their friends.

of the state and many of their friends and acquaintances have recently appeared in Portland under circumstances that have aroused suspicions of a deep laid plan to approach the jurors and influence their proceedings.

One man whose actions have exicted especial suspicion is Henry Ford, a private detective. Secret Service Agent Burns says that he has positive proof that Ford made overtures to the defendants in the Puter trial offering to "fix" the jury which was trying them, but the proposition was rejected.

#### TARRED AND FEATHERED THEY HOLD THE FORT

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 24.—Tarred and feathered after having been accused of poisoning the stock and burning the barns and grain of Gus Lindstrom, a neighbor, John Pawling and his house-keeper of Andrus, Wis., are guarding their homes with shotguns. A quarrel took place between Pawling and his nearest neighbor, Gus Lindstrom, a few days ago. The night following, the burning of Lindstrom's property and the extensive poisoning of his stock occurred mysteriously. Pawling was suspected and a whitecappers' visit followed. Masked men dragged Pawling (Journal Special Service.) pected and a whitecappers visit followed. Masked men dragged Pawling and the woman from their beds to a barn lot, where they were stripped, tarred and feathered. They were then ordered to leave the community and never return. Pawling, however, returned and secured the arrest of eight of the

### CONDUCTOR IS FOUND UNCONSCIOUS ON CAR

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Tekoa, Wash., Dec. 14.—F. H. Ham nond, conductor on the Tekoa-Wallace branch, was found in an unconscious condition on the top of a car while the 15 minutes without regaining conscious

Death is thought to be due to injuries of the brain received two years ago, and from which he never fully recovered. His wife died a year ago. He leaves wo small children. He was a membe of the Order of Railway Conductors and Eagles, and was aged 45. He had beer in the employ of the railroad for many

### MUST SHARE RESPONSIBILITY.

(Journal Special Service. New York, Dec. 24.—Judge Thomas of the United States circuit court today verruled the demurrer of P. A. Barnaby President J. K. Atkinson, Secretary F. Q. Dexter and the directors of the oany which owned the steamboat Gen-ral Slocum, and who were included for share in the responsibility for the dis-ster. They demurred on the ground hat they were not the owners of the

### ANOTHER WIFE FOR ALPOWED.

(Journal Special Service.)

Madrid, Dec. 24.—It is anticipated that
an announcement will shortly be made
of the marriage of King Alfonso and Princess Victoria, daughter of the Duke of Connaught, King Edward's brother. The wedding, it is said, will occur in June. It is understood the princess will renounce the Protestant faith and the Catholie church,

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Julietta, Idaho, Dec. 24.—Jean Weathriby and E. L. Dygert, who have been attentive to a presty school teacher the greateness tables stamped C.C. the greateness tables stamped C.C. the greateness tables the preferred suitor and finally slashed each other with ugly knives. Dygert was much worsted. Weatherby has been arrested.

# BY GRAND JUR

Councilman Charged With Using Office to Collect Old Debt From a Contractor.

FERDINAND JOPLIN IS COMPLAINING WITNESS

Accused Man Maintains He Was Within His Rights in Holding Up Warrants.

Councilman B. D. Sigler was indicted by the grand jury this morning charged with "threatening injury to the property of another with intent to extort a pe-

cuniary advantage or property."

A bench warrant was issued and served upon Mr. Sigler, in order that there might be an arraignment at once.

The indictment recites that Sigler is a member of the common council of the city of Portland; that, as such, he has power together with other councilment to control the manner in which municipal improvements are to be done, who shall do them, and in various ways to help or injure the interests of persons so employed.

Ferdinand Joplin of the firm of Gei work for the city in street improvement and prior to September 22, 1903, the firm had completed work on Multnomah street and desired to receive from the

street and desired to receive from the city the money due.

When the work was done Joplin had a conversation with Sigler, in which was brought up the matter of the Joplin contract, and Sigler informed Joplin that, unless the latter would pay certain notes claimed by Sigler as owing to him from Joplin, the latter's money would be held up saying: "You will

would be held up, saying: "You will get no more assessments made until you pay those notes."

The sum asserted by Sigier as due was \$312.25, and the indictment places upon Mr. Sigier the accusation of using his official position to collect a private

debt.

The facts are, that in compliance with Sigler's demands, Joplin signed over to Sigler three warrants aggregating about that sum and did so under duress of Sigler's threats.

These facts have not been denied by Mr. Sigler, who, admitting his threats against Joplin, justifies his action and says that he would repeat his action. He takes the ground that it is proper for an official thus to use his office to protect his private business and pracprotect his private business and prac-tically defies the grand jury and disdains the indictment.

The grand jury returned four other indictments of minor character:

with a dangerous weapon.

William Cohn, alias "Bill Boosty," charged with larceny from a store located at East Twenty-sixth and Powell streets.

Frank Sealey, charged with and store located at East Twenty-sixth and Powell streets. Frank Seeley, charged with larceny sench warrants were issued for the

### PRESIDENT CASTRO IN

**FEAR OF UNITED STATES** 

(Journal Special Service.)
Washington, Dec. 24.—President Castro of Venezuela is said to be nervously apprehensive that he may soon become involved in war with the United States. Unofficial advices confirmed at the state department are to the effect that Castro has placed a number of Creusot guns at La Guayra and Puerto Cabello. These

guns are of much longer range power than those used by Castro merely to cope with an ordinary revolution. That Castro has reason to fear action by the United States that will force him to meet his obligations is quite certain. The failure of Venezuela to pay indemnity to England, Germany and Italy as fixed by a court of arbitration is causing impatience abroad. This is a cause of serious anxiety here, and it may be necessary to compel Castro to keep his promises in order to avert action by the

Delay in the settlement of the asphalt Delay in the settlement of the appair controversy in the federal high court of Venezuela promises to add to the fric-tion between the two governments. If there is further unreasonable delay, and if the decision of the court is grossly in Castro's favor, as apprehended, a crisis Castro's favor, as apprehended, a crisis in the relations of the two countries may

### **OPEN SHOP TO BECOME** INTERNATIONAL FIGHT

(Journal Special Service.)

New York, Dec. 24.—With the industries in which David M. Parry, president of the National Association of Manufacturers, and the Citizens' Indent of the National Association of Manufacturers, and the Citizens' Industrial association are interested as the central point of attack, organized labor is about to inaugurate a war on the open shop which is to be international in scope. The fight, which is to be continued a year, was planned yesterday by the executive board of the Carriage and Wagon Makers' International union, and will involve 60,000 men. General Secretary P. J. Mulligan of the international union said:

union said:

"The executive board has decided upon a 12 months' fight against the open shop. Union forces are to be concentrated in the carriage and wagon manufacturing centers where the open-shop policy has been introduced. The fight will be begun by increasing the number of organizers in all cities where there are open shops and where Parry has factories."

### COLORADO DEMOCRATS PUNISHED FOR FRAUD

(Journal Special Service.)

Denver, Dec. 24.—For participating in frauds on the ballot at the recent elec-

tion the state supreme court today sen tenced Isaac Goldman, Edward Sweeney tenced Isaac Goldman, Edward Sweeney, Democratic election judges, to serve four months in juli and to pay a fine of \$100. Clarence P. Dixon, a Democratic election officer, was sentenced to serve four months and pay a fine of \$250. W. H. Hunter, a Democratic judge, jumped his bond and has disappeared.

### POPE RECEIVES CARDINALS.

(Journal Special Service.)

Rome. Dec. 24.—The cardinals were received today by the pope and offered their Christmas greetings. The pontifithanked the prelates and conversed familiarly with them for half an hour.

### ALFONSO'S MARROW MECAPE.

(Journal Special Service.)

Madrid, Dec. 24.—While driving in an automobile yesterday, King Alfonso had a nairow escape from injury. The wheel of his car broke and the car over-

(Continued from Page One.)

In regard to substituting fir blocks treated with a preservative for oak planking, and treating the plank supports for the blocks, Mr. Bibler says that substitution of blocks for oak planking was wise from the standpoint of cleanliness, appearance and lasting qualities, and this change did not cost the city a cent. But some time later the question of treating the planking beneath the blocks, nailing strips and guard rails with preservative was taken up and angles to prevent the blocks creeping were arranged for. He finds that the treatment of the boards and timbers cost about \$6,800, allowing \$425 for the angle from. Mr. Bibler says on page \$ of his report that the block pavement would doubtless outlast the planking beneath unless the latter were treated, and adds, "For this reason, and the great inconvenience resulting from the necessity of repairs on the floor the additional expenditure may be justified, though I do not see that any benefit will result from treating the planking between the tracks." Later, in answer to a direct question, he says very positively: to a direct question, he says very pos

to a direct question, he says very posi-tively:
"I question the policy of expending this amount for the treatment, admitting that a different opinion may be had of it." If the latter judgment is to prevail the city loses here \$6,800 for the pre-servative treatment.

Conveniences Gost Big Sum.

Considering the last addition made by the executive committee after the original contract—waiting rooms, floor system of the center pier, hanging foot walk around the center pier, floor over a part of the protection piling, roofs over motors and machinery on draw, iron stairway to draw protecting pier and two storehouses on protection pier. Mr. Bihler says that these are conveniences and not necessities. They cost \$7,985. He did not find specifications of sizes, so could not report accurately on real He did not find specifications of sizes, so could not report accurately on real cost, but estimates the whole at \$6,000. In the original plans he says an engine house was provided. The tender houses and waiting rooms are not necesities. The flooring of the center pier was provided for in the original plans, but was not in the alternative pier constructed, and Mr. Bihler says of flooring for the protection pier: "The flooring for the protection pier to the extent indicated is something I fail to see any necessity for."

The result of this summary indicates that a good portion of the \$7,985 paid for this additional work is not a necessity, and could have been omitted with-

sity, and could have been omitted without serious inconvenience.
Closing the general report, Mr. Bibler
says: "As far as the physical condition of the bridge is concerned, in regard
to quantities and quality of material and
character of workmanship, I consider it
quite up to specifications and a credit
to the city as well as to the builders."
Two separate sets of interrogatories
were filed for answer, and Mr. Bibler repiles to each in detail with reference
to his main report, where he has covered the point previously. In the contract entered into originally it was provided that extras should be charged for
on the basis of actual cost and 15 per
cent, additional as profit and for use of
tools. The expert says that the unit tools. The expert says that the unit price system of paying for such is the

What Additions Cost.

The total cost of the additions to the bridge was \$52,380. Most of this work is classed as an improvement, but not a necessity. When the first contract was let the engineers felt that they were providing for a good, safe, enduring bridge. Question 8 of the council brings out the point explicity:

"Are the specifications as prepared by the city engineer for construction of Morrison street bridge up to the standard of such matters, and do they show a good knowledge thereof on his part?"

"The specifications prepared by the city engineer for this work are in accordance with general practice. They state with reasonable clearness what is wanted and show good knowledge of the work on the part of the man who prepared them."

Why the additions were made, all being recommended by the city engineer.

after approval of original plans and after approval of original plans and specifications by the consulting engineers, is given further dublousness by the following statement of the expert: "I do not consider steel stringers a necessity, though an improvement. When the plan was accepted with wooden stringers it was supposed that this was what the city wanted, as they were specified in the call, for bids. I presume the change was made because were specified in the cannot because presume the change was made because steel stringers are better, and as there was money available to pay for them."

The council committee will proceed with its inquiries before taking any the work just finished. Mr. action on the work just finished. Mr.
Bihler will probably take up the Balch
gulch bridge next, or possibly the First
street structure over Marquam gulch.

## TAKE HILL BY STORM

(Continued from Page One.)

anese minister to Great Britain, toda; received an official report of the cap ture of the Russian forts at Hoyangshu ture of the Russian forts at Hoyangshu-kou yesterday, and of the subsequent at-tempt of the Russians to reoccupy the works. Hayashi says the capture of these positions is practically the last of the cuter works that will be essential to the final assault and conquering of Port Arthur.

### GIVE THEM A SHOVEL AND LET THEM ESCAPE

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Lewiston, Idaho, Dec. 24. — Officers have hit on a novel plan te rid the town of bad characters. Any one caught and found guilty of a petty offense is given a shovel and put to work on the street. The officer gets out of sight and the man makes a sneak. The plan has been tried many times, and the man has never been known to return.

### SAM BRIGGS PURREAL

Cleveland, O., Dec. 24.—Although Christmas is being celebrated in this city as never before, there is a touch of sadness in many hearts owing to the sudden death of Sam Briggs here last Thursday of pneumonia. Briggs was one of the best known Masons in America, and occupied a high rank in the Knights of the Mystic Shrine. For over a score of years he was potentate of the Al Koran Temple, this city, and was imperial potentate of the Mystic Shrine in America from 1886 to 1891. His funeral will be under the Masonic ritual. (Journal Special Service.)

### Journal's Vancouver Office.

To Christmas number of The Journal will be on sale in Vancouver at the Columbia hotel and all other news stands at 5 cents a copy. DIRE AT GREEK.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Greer, Idaho, Den. 24.—Mrs. Mary A.
Erb, aged 67, died of heart trouble here
yesterday. She leaves several grown chil-

# BIG CHARGE FOR EXTRAS BIDS OPENED FOR

Only One Covering Entire Work Including Full Equipment of Line

SEVEN IN ALL OFFER TO UNDERTAKE WORK

Engineer Will Figure on and Compare Bids and Award of Contract Will Come Later.

Bids for the construction of the portage road were opened at noon to-day at the office of J. N. Teal in this city. There were seven bidders. Only one bid was based upon a completed job, ment. This was a flat bid of \$176,000, submitted by A. K. Bentley.

N. J. Blager bid \$2.7

submitted by A. K. Bentley.

N. J. Blagen bid \$247.000, on "re-layer" rails, or \$215.000 without rails.

Nelson & White bid \$115,523 on all but equipment and rails.

Smith & Howard and J. C. Henry made a bid on the basis of quantity prices, which has not been figured out.

Robert Wakefield bid on a quantity price basis, and also a flat bid of \$155,-313 without rails.

Joseph Paquet made a bid on quantity price basis and also a flat bid.

A. J. McCabe submitted a bid on equipment.

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"The portage board engineer will figure out the results of all these bids, and the result will be known about next Tuesday," said Mr. Teal. "From indications I should say the road will cost between \$170,000 and \$180,000. -ou can say that with the money now in the hands of the portage board and the funds secured by the Open River association the portage road is assured." **GRAND JURY IS AFTER** 

Investigating Irregularities Said to Exist in Releasing Prisoners Without Trial.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

lice board, was before the county grand jury today; Captain Gritsmacher, of the olice force, had been previously called. police force, had been previously called. In connection with these appearances, the report is in circulation that the grand jury is making a thorough investigation into the police department, going into recent rumors of irregularities, and covering escapes of prisoners and the proceedings in the "kafigaroo" court held at the city police headquarters by Chief Hunt, at which he has been accustomed to discharge prisoners without authority from any magistrate or judge.

out authority from any magistrate or judge.

The current reports are to the effect that the grand jury is endeavoring to ascertain whether there is any foundation for allegations of "graft" in the police department, such charges having been common during many months past, and often taking the form of specific charges in certain instances. Many well-informed persons look for startling disclosures.

### FEZ BEING DESERTED BY FOREIGN RESIDENTS

(Journal Special Service.)
Tangler, Dec. 24.—The British minister has instructed the British consuland all British subjects to leave Fes.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Lewiston, Ida., Dec. 24.—Fire started in the basement of the Near block Thursday night. Although smoke and water did considerable damage, the efficient work of the fire ladders averted a conflagration. The aggregate loss is \$5,000 fully covered by insurance. The losers are Clyde Vassar, undertaker; Mrs. Jamison, proprietor of a bakery; Youkman, the barber, and M. Neal, owner of the building. The fire caught from sparks dropped from wooden floor supports passing through the flue and igniting the basement floor.

Bacch Arden Story From Oklahoma. Oklahoma Correspondence Kansas City Journal.

For seven years prior to Jan. 7, 1899,
Mrs. Beverly Crisp had been deserted
by her husband, and she believed him
dead. They were married in Wichita.
Kan., in 1899, when Oklahoma was opened for settlement, and came directly to
the territory, settling in Arapaho, Custer
county.

After making every effort to obtain After making every effort to obtain information as to the whereabouts of her husband, Mrs. Crisp married W. L. Thompson of Weatherford, O. T., Jan. 7, 1899. They lived happily and had accumulated considerable property. But suddenly the long dead husband turned up, and it was found that Mrs. Crisp had never been divorced from him, although they had not lived together for some seven years before she married Thompson. Yesterday the latter filed proceedings for divorce in the district court here. Mr. Thompson states that he believes his wife was perfectly honest when she thought her former husband was dead.

### THE REMETT OF PAIRY TALES.

Howard Pyle in Book News.

It is very reasonable to argue that no creation of human fancy could last as fairy tales have lasted through no one knows how many hundreds and thousands of years unless it was very good. For that which is not good and not sound must surely die, and only that which is good and sound shall last through the grinding of the ages.

So I believe that parents should fill their children's imaginations full of faley tales if they would make those imaginations strong and healthy. As for that man or woman who has not these bright and joyous things of fancy flying like golden bees through the dim recesses of his memory, I can only say that I think his or her parents must have been neglectful of the earlier training of their child, and that I am sorry for that poor soul who has lest so much pleasure out of its life. Howard Pyle in Book News.

Young Lady—You are a wonderful master of the piano. I hear.

Professor von Spieler (hired for the occasion) — I blay aggompaniments

metimes.
"Accompaniments to singing?"
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New York Weekly.

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## Most Important

In buying food-articles, you must consider several things: Economy, Results, Easy Handling, Reliability; but the most important is Health.

Health means everything. In clothes, furniture, etc., if the buyer gets a poor or imitation article, the only harm is loss of money. In buying food-articles, if imitations are supplied, there is a loss of money, and probably an injury to health -which is beyond price

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## ROYAL BAKING POWDER

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## CONSUL MILLER

Says Place at Kobe is a Very Desirable One, But He Has No Official News of It.

WAR HAS DEVELOPED A DISREGARD FOR LIFE

Observations Lead Him to Believe No Mediation Possible Between Russia and Japan.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Eugene, Or., Dec. 24.—Henry B. Miller,
United States consul at Niuchwang, returned home this morning. He was in-It is believed that other legations have received similar instructions. The situation steadily grows worse and open war is hourly expected.

THE AT LEWISTON.

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Discussing the war Miller went into a short detail of the methods of the two armies. He says the utter dis-regard for the loss of life is astonishing and that no picture can portray the

ghastly aspects.

The plan of giving battle at night time is becoming popular with the two armies, and during the day time artillery duels always occur. Miller is of the opinion that no mediation is possible between the two countries until a settlement can be arranged between thumselves.

Berlin, Dec. 34.—Former Crown Prin-cess Louise has left Leipsic en route to Florence. There is a report from Rome that she has engaged rooms for her children whom she says she intends to have brought to Florence at all

PINED FOR BRATING PATEER

Arthur Leader was fined \$15 by Jus-ice Reid yesterday afternoon for hitting his father, J. H. Leader. The court severely rebuked the boy for his lack of filial affection and respect. The mother and her daughter occupied seats in court, but showed no emotion during the

CAVE 8,000 PERT DEEP. (Journal Special Service.)

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 24.—A great
cave has been discovered near Revelstoke, B. C., by Charles Deutchman, a
tourist guide. The cave is two miles
long, 2,000 feet deep and the interior is
of great heauty. The consul was reticent about speak- of great beauty.

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